Dan Adler presents Hunting Coues Deer. Jack O'Connor considered Coues whitetail deer "the most difficult of all deer to kill." Hunting a Coues deer today is the epitome of a classic western big game hunt spot and stalk glassing hunt. DSC is proud to welcome back USAF Veteran Captain Dan Adler, owner of Diamond Outfitters of Arizona and co-host of The Best of the West TV, to share with us the tactics that have led his clients to a nearly 100-percent harvest rate on these wary deer. Tips on shooting, glassing, judging score and more with time for Q&A. A DSC favorite over the years!

Dan Adler presents Hunting Giant Bull Elk of the Southwest. For many hunters, the bugle of a fired-up, rutting bull elk is the sweetest sound in the woods! In this seminar, welcome back USAF Veteran Capt. Dan Adler, owner of Diamond Outfitters of Arizona and co-host of The Best of the West TV to share top strategies, secrets and tips that separate successful giant bull hunters from tag soup connoisseurs! Get there early - standing room only last year.

Dan Adler presents Long Range Hunting and Ethics with The Best of the West. Long range rifle system technology has forever changed the way many hunters operate. DSC welcomes back USAF Veteran Captain & “Expert Marksman” Dan Adler. Dan is the owner of Diamond Outfitters of Arizona & co-host of one of the most popular programs on The Outdoor Channel, The Best of the West. Join Dan for a candid conversation on the ethics of, and the specific techniques and training required to be an expert hunter at ranges Beyond Belief.

Vicki and Gil Ash present Improving Your Wingshooting. Watch video footage of pigeons, ducks and doves from the new ShotKam 3 in incredible high definition. Also on the agenda, how to prepare for high volume hunt and how to improve shooting proficiency in wingshooting in the states. Come with questions!

Terry Blauwkamp & Ann Gaines-Burrill from Air 2000 Hunters' Support present: African Tips for Trips. DSC’s Reloading Editor, veteran of numerous African safaris and author of African Tips for Trip, Terry Blauwkamp, offers tips for the first timer or veteran safari hunter planning an African safari. Also includes a rundown on the requirements of the South African Firearms Control Act and what you need to do to bring your own firearms to Africa from Air 2000 Hunters' Support Anne Gaines-Burrill.

Craig Boddington presents Hunting Buffalo. Africa's best hunt! Despite issues with other members of the Big Five, buffalo hunts remain available and relatively affordable in several countries. This seminar discusses the where, when, how and why of buffalo hunting today.
Ivan Carter presents Hunters as the True Conservationists. Hunting, when used correctly in a sustainable and ethical manner, is an incredibly effective conservation tool. Why doesn't the world see it that way? Ivan Carter sets out to explain his views on the subject and what it takes to achieve operational effectiveness as we engage in sustainable conservation of our wildlife.

Caleb Causey presents Field Medicine for Hunters. This seminar discusses which immediate, life-threatening injuries hunters experience most often. Discussions will cover how hunters can prepare to deal with those injuries until professional help arrives. If time allows, the audience can participate in a skills practical.

Tom Claycomb III presents How to Sharpen Your Knife/Choosing the Proper Knife for the Outdoorsman. You will be the hit of camp if you can sharpen a knife. You can even impress your guide. Tom Claycomb III has worked for over 30 years for most of the major Beef corporations and knows exactly what to look for in a good skinning, caping or boning knife. There are a lot of selections on the market. Learn which ones work best for certain jobs, which shape/design are most efficient, which metal hardness is needed, and more. Let Tom Claycomb III help you make that choice.

Tom Claycomb III presents Glassing for Big Game: Choosing the Correct Optics. Remember, “if you can’t see it, you can’t shoot it.” Good glassing skills are incredibly important when finding game. For example, last year, Tom took two gentlemen elk/deer hunting in the prized Owyhee Zone in Idaho. After spotting five bucks in the brush and while glassing, 20 trucks and four-wheelers passed on the 4WD road and never knew that they existed. Glassing really works but you need to learn the proper techniques in glassing in zones.

Michael Coppersmith of Coppersmith Global Logistics presents First Time Safari: What to do before, during and after your hunt. We will be discussing details for first time hunters or those that have not been on safari in many years since changes in regulations. Topics cover what hunters should be concerned with before, during and after their hunts in relation to federal requirements and general tips for successful return of their trophies. Learn what should be done before a hunt, during the hunt and post-hunt, specifically for proper clearances through U.S. Customs and Border Protection, U.S. Fish and Wildlife and U.S. Dept. of Agriculture.

Louis Harveson presents Bighorns, Pronghorn, and Mule Deer Research in West Texas (description to come)

Hornady presents Hornady Ballistics. Explore the design and application of projectiles and ammunition. Seminar will include discussion on internal and external ballistics, terminal performance, as well as a look into the 4DOF ballistic calculator.

Hornady presents Reloading for Accuracy. This program covers the principles of accuracy with regards to reloading. Topics include the fundamentals, processes, and tools used, as well as tips for improving accuracy at the bench.
Jonas Brothers Studios of New York presents Knowing the Right Way to Skin and Prep Your Trophy. The Pepi Family’s Jonas Brothers Studio has been at the forefront of taxidermy since 1908. Over the years, clients often ask the same questions regarding what to do with trophies both in the field and once the mounts are hanging in trophy rooms. This seminar will examine how to care for your trophy in the field, including the correct way to skin and prep, how to turn your animal’s face, where to cut when skinning for a shoulder vs. life-size mount, proper feet preparation, and more. Also on the agenda is how to take care of your trophies when they are at home. Knowing the right way to skin and prep your trophy can make a big difference in ensuring the best mount possible, and proper trophy care will make your mount last a lifetime.

Tom Julian & Sons present Designing and Building your Trophy Room. This seminar will feature John Banovich (Banovich Studios), Chris Commack (Prairie Mountain Wildlife), and Gustavo Arrendondo (architect/hunter) alongside Tom Julian. This is an all-star cast presenting the practical aspects of how to design and build a space to present your “outdoor hunting lifestyle.” We will approach the discussion from a builder’s standpoint, focusing on the necessary structural, mechanical, and aesthetic aspects to make your trophy room a functional part of your home.

Dr. James Kroll (Dr. Deer) presents Things about the Whitetail Rut you did not Know! The latest revelations on what really goes on during the rut, using video clips of never before seen behaviors of bucks and does, including summer scraping and rubbing. Dr. Kroll will discuss the logic behind the behaviors and how understanding them can make you a better hunter!

Dr. James Kroll (Dr. Deer) presents Technological Innovations in Deer Nutrition. “Technological Innovations in Deer Nutrition.” Dr. James C. Kroll (aka “Dr. Deer) will present cost-effective ways to provide supplemental nutrition to your deer. He will summarize 40 years of research on plant varieties, fencing, native forage, minerals and feeds; with applications that fit YOUR situation.

Marina Lamprecht presents Safari Destination NAMIBIA. Although once referred to as ‘Africa’s Best Kept Secret’, Namibia is now one of the continent’s most popular hunting and tourist destinations for first-timers as well as experienced international hunters. With our stable government, peace-loving and friendly people, abundance and wide variety of wildlife and beautiful contrasting landscapes, Namibia is the perfect destination. Join me to learn all about my motherland ..!

Marina Lamprecht presents We Hunt for Life! Arm yourself with the facts - learn to be pro-active in explaining the many ecological, social, and financial benefits of ‘hunting for life’. Most people are neutral on hunting, but no longer understand it and often have preconceived and incorrect views about what we do. Here’s how to engage non-hunters in diplomatic, calm and factual discussions of the modern reality of hunting. Sustainable, selective, ethical trophy hunting is the most powerful wildlife conservation tool of our time. The facts and science are on our side - WE HUNT FOR LIFE - here’s why!
Lochow Ranch Lake Management presents Lake Management – From Start to Fish. Our presentation will provide an overview of private lake management as an industry and how improving a water body can add value to your property. We will discuss fundamental management practices and how each play a role in maintaining a healthy balanced fishery (feeding program, fertilizer program, habitat enhancement, bass harvest, corrective stocking). Managing aquatic vegetation, methods of control and the cost/benefits associated. Water quality will be discussed, what parameters are important for fish growth and what can be done if corrective action is needed. We will spend some time going over other additions/improvements that can be made (aeration, fountains, floating docks).

Shane Mahoney presents Eating Eden to Extinction. The term “bushmeat” is traditionally defined as “the meat of African wild animals as food,” African forests and savannas being commonly referred to as “bush.” The US Fish and Wildlife Service has concluded that the most immediate threat to the future of wildlife in Africa is, in fact, the consumption of and illegal trade in bushmeat, judging this problem more detrimental to wildlife conservation efforts than even habitat loss. Relieving the bushmeat crisis will bring long-term benefits to wildlife and people and is a laudable goal for these reasons alone. It will also help remove one more factor contributing to public confusion over hunting’s conservation value. We will examine the African bushmeat crisis and draw a comparison between it and the North American historical circumstance.

Matt Napiltonia, Global Rescue’s Manager of Medical and Security Operations and former U.S. Navy SEAL and Medical Services Officer presents Field Rescue in Austere Environments: The ground truth behind medical evacuations and what you really need to know to prepare yourself for the worst-case scenario. You’ve heard stories about the hundreds of injured or sick hunters Global Rescue has helped over the years. Now learn from Global Rescue’s senior operations personnel how you can improve your chances of returning home safely from the field. Matt Napiltonia, Global Rescue’s Manager of Medical and Security Operations and former U.S. Navy SEAL and Medical Services Officer, has performed hundreds of medical evacuations and advises hunters on what to expect during a MEDEVAC from the field. In this seminar you will understand the components of a field rescue and what you need to bring to the field to save your life. A must attend seminar!

Outdoors Tomorrow Foundation presents Outdoor Adventures: Youth Education in Schools. The OTF’s Outdoor Adventures program teaches Hunter Education, Wildlife Conservation and outdoor skills to the general public in the private and public school setting. This year alone over 42,000 students will be taught valuable outdoor skills along with the North American Model of Wildlife Conservation. Learn how to support the OTF and how to promote Outdoor Adventures in your community.

Paul Reiss presents Fierce Fishes of the Amazon. This program includes insightful description of how the Amazon and its remarkable fishes evolved. Learn about the most exciting of the Amazon’s 3,000 fish species and how to go about experiencing the
excitement of catching them. Paul Reiss is an experienced Amazon guide with a lifetime of angling experience and PhD training that have honed his fishing knowledge. Includes Q&A. Trip information and free newsletters available.

Dr. Kevin Robertson presents Sustainably Managing the Trophy Quality of Sport-hunted Southern Buffalo Populations. The sustainable utilization of Africa’s wildlife is a vital component of its conservation. Sustainable implies being ecologically, financially and genetically sustainable. From a trophy hunting perspective, the Southern buffalo is by far the most popular of Africa’s dangerous game species, and almost all who pursue these formidable black bovines want to secure a “trophy” specimen - one that will be eligible for record book entry. The evidence now suggests that this is not sustainable. With modern-day aerial photography techniques, it is now possible to assess the age demographics and trophy potential of all the sexually mature bulls in entire buffalo populations. Live buffalo can now be aged very accurately, which allows close observation of the most active breeders’ ages. This seminar is intended to educate trophy hunters, African PH's and outfitters alike on how to age buffalo accurately to make the “right” decisions when it comes to ensuring that they not only maintain but more importantly improve the trophy quality of huntable bull in their hunting concessions.

Dr. Kevin Robertson presents Understanding the African Elephant and the Controversy Surrounding Its Management. The animal rightists would like the world to believe that the African elephant is endangered. In some parts of northern and eastern African, this may well be the case, but this does not apply to southern Africa where elephant over-population is now seriously and irreversibly damaging the environment. To effectively manage elephants, one needs to understand these fascinating creatures in their entirety. This seminar attempts to explain all this - the elephant aging process and their unique and complex physiology and reproductive systems. Also look closely at the various management methods.

Michael Sabbeth presents How Can You Kill Those Beautiful Animals! Defending Hunting in our Post-Modern Age. Facts, truth and conservation consequences are not valued in our Post-Modern Age. The continuing attacks on hunting are sophisticated and are on multiple fronts: political, rhetorical, financial and moral. Grizzly bear hunting has been banned in British Columbia; a Montana federal judge ended brown bear hunting by finding USFW studies inadequate. Hunters are attacked as trophy hunters yet no anti-hunter can define trophy hunting’s meaning. Hunters must become unrelenting persuasive hunting advocates. Michael Sabbeth, an attorney, author, consultant and DSC lecturer, will show how to effectively defend and advance hunting.

Todd Smith presents Arrow and Broadhead Set-Ups for Bone Breaking & Complete Penetration. When bowhunting, don’t take chances on equipment that might work. Keep the odds in your favor – “use enough arrow.” This enlightening seminar teaches bowhunters how to select the right kinds of arrows and broadheads to set themselves up for success rather than failure on all big game – especially tough ultra-
big and dangerous game. Learn how to consistently break through bone and get complete pass-throughs. Learn why you may be getting poor penetration now and what to do about it. Come see what works and what doesn't for bowhunting big game through using the science behind it with easy to understand images and simple demonstrations.

Dries van Coller presents South African Safari. A South African Hunting Safari is a lifelong dream for many. From decades of experience and celebrated professionalism, we know that South Africa is the best destination in Africa for your safari. During this seminar, PHASA President Dries van Coller will address any concerns prospective hunters may have in coming to South Africa. Points which will be highlighted will include why your South African Safari will be a momentous success as well as why you will always return to South Africa.

Dr. Wayne van Zwoll presents Hunting’s Biggest Bargains. One is close by, the other across the Atlantic! After decades of hunting on five continents and a modest budget, Dr. van Zwoll shares ways to get more for your dollar, near and far. Insights come from stateside hunts and more than 20 plains game safaris in southern Africa -- "grand experiences, more economical than you think!" -- including trips hosting new hunters there. Also: tips on traveling with rifles; trimming expenses without feeling the pinch; overlooked bargains in gear, services.