

Society for the Conservation of Bighorn Sheep **Sheep Sheet - Volume 1 – February 2013** www.desertbighorn.org



New Sheep Sheet Editor

I first would like to thank Mike for his years of dedication and support of SCBS's Sheep Sheet and the Board of Directors as Membership Chairman. I will have some big shoes to fill. As Mike reported in the last Sheep Sheet I am happy to be new editor for the Society's newsletter, The Sheep Sheet. As most of you know I am on the Board of Directors, Vice-President, Camera Coordinator and Low Country Boil Chef for the Society. I can be reached via e-mail at **cameracoordinator@sheepsociety.com** or by phone at **760-617-9261**. If you have large items, please send them via snail mail to 1980 E. Main St. # 50 Barstow, CA 92311.

Once again, Thank You Mike for your service to the Sheep.



Newsletter by E-Mail

If you would like to have the Newsletter sent by e-mail let me know at <u>cameracoordinator@sheepsociety.com</u> . You can still get a paper copy via regular mail.



The SCBS Annual Members Meeting was held on February 10, 2013, at Bass Pro Shops, in Rancho Cucamonga. After the votes were tallied and verified I am please to announce the 2013 Board of Directors.

Robert Burke Jeff Crouse Christian Guntert Norm Lopez John Hybarger Jennifer Hinojosa Mark LeCompte Neil Ringlee Steve Marschke Glenn Sudmeier Gary Thomas George Sutton

Stevan Hart Terry Anderson



Membership - Mike Ralles

The Society currently has 206 paid members (133 Life, 71 Annual and 2 Student). There are 18 Annual and 1 Students still unpaid. There are 232 volunteers, including Fish & Game Commissioners and Area Captains presently on our mailing list which totals 457. Total membership is 225, including the "To Be Voted In" names below.

New member(s) to be voted in at the 12 March 2013 Board Meeting:

Name Type (from)

Life (Annual Conversion) Luis Gallinger

Luis converted to Life using the 3 quarterly payments method



"Big Red" Bob Burke

Yes its true the Sheep Society now owns a 2011 F-350 XL 4X4 for use during our water hauling season, installation projects. A BIG thank you to Director Terry Anderson, for securing funding, (a generous donation of \$26,000.00) and finding this great truck. The new truck is still under warranty with all the bells and Whistles, like A/C that works, am/fm stereo, CD player, cruise control and comfortable seats.





Just a note from the Spring Captain

Well I'm into my second full Year of being the Spring Coordinator for SCBS. Really enjoying myself. The program has reached about sixty Percent of the springs used by Bighorn Sheep in the Southern California Deserts. I don't want to ask members of SCBS to become Spring Captain Volunteers. But if you're interested in a good hunting spot, Mineral Collection, Gold Panning, and Challenging Four Wheeled drive Journeys into Wilderness areas. (SCBS and the California Fish and game are the only Agencies who can get BLM Permission to drive into Wilderness areas on old roads to do Sheep work.) I have lots of Springs with those Opportunity's that go along with the Spring work. Of course I don't want to keep you from what you're already doing for SCBS. If you know of someone who might be interested in having their own Private herd of Bighorn Sheep please have them E Mail me or call me. The Lutz BGG in the Iron Mountains was destroyed by this last summer's Massive Monsoon Storms. John Voght Came along with me to check it out. Steinmetz Folly Spring was full and running nicely and the two natural Tanks were about one fifth full. Plenty of water for the nice little herd of sheep there. We were given about a five minute Performance by an Alpha Bighorn Male! Quite a Show. I finally reached No Name Spring in the Granite Mountains in the Palan Mc Coy Range. A Thirteen mile hike. I had two new Volunteers Sam and Samuel Clemmons it was Fairly full of sand. We cleaned it out and it rapidly filled with water. We had Deer and Quail waiting in line to drink. When we got back to our Vehicles I wondered how they felt after a very long tuff day? They asked me if they could help with more springs! Quite encouraging. Sixty percent of Sheep water comes from Natural Tanks and Springs. Bill Tuck 760 8685837 wltuck44@hotmail.com



Sawtooth Canyon WWS Installation Bob Burke

SCBS in conjunction with the Barstow Field Office of the BLM who, understands the importance of the Wildlife Water Sources in the high desert, upgraded the existing small game guzzler water (A-41) with our SCBS Wildlife Water Source inside the Sawtooth Canyon Campground. Now all the critters large and small can have a cool drink of water when passing thru the area.



A big thank you to everyone that helped on this project, there were SCBS folks BLM folks and Quail Forever folks that made this project a huge success. Side note: There were Bighorn Sheep spotted Friday evening and Saturday while we were installing the tank.



The SCBS Board of Directors meets at about 6:00 p.m. on the 2nd Tuesday of each month in the conference room at Bass Pro Shops, 7777 Victoria Gardens Lane, Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91730. You are invited to attend any and all board meetings, to bring a friend, to visit, and, hopefully, to participate.

Director	Phone Number	Director	Phone Number
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Christian Guntert	760-955-2525	Jennifer Hinojosa	760-246-3115
John Hybarger	626-962-6285	Mark LeCompte	661-267-6523
Norm Lopez	909-887-2279	Steve Marschke	310-543-1862
Stevan Hart	714-323-4843	George Sutton	714-356-7592
Neil Ringlee	760-245-6034	John Roy	626-919-0925
Glenn Sudmeier	760-389-2498	Gary Thomas	909-981-5847





Christian filling up the tank for the sheep that were there watching us during the install



Here are a couple of the photos taken by either George Kerr or Debbie (the first lady of SCBS)







Richard's Ramblings - Weaver's Wanderings

I had a great visit with Dick Weaver last month and he told a story about a Marco Polo Sheep skull found in a cave that was hanging in a sporting goods store in Needles, I will try to summarize the story from the newspaper clipping he sent to me in the nest issue.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE CONSERVATION OF BIGHORN SHEEP

A California Non-Profit Organization is looking for:

Sportsmen and Conservationists who are concerned about our California Desert Bighorn sheep and who are willing to get involved to make a difference. Be a part of history with our program to put bighorn sheep back in their historical ranges. The Society works with the California Department of Fish and Game and the Bureau of Land Management in programs such as: sheep transplanting and propagation; habitat improvement; wildlife census; research and development; and many more. If this sounds exciting and fulfilling to you, then fill out the following application and join the Society for the Conservation of Bighorn

Sheep today! Check our website at: www.desertbighorn.org

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP SOCIETY FOR THE CONSERVATION OF BIGHORN SHEEP

Attn: SCBS Membership Chairman 5801 Calico Cove Court Bakersfield, CA 93306

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