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Festive Season Newsletter 2022

Dear friends

As 2022 comes to a close we reflect back on what a great and successful year it was. We also look forward excitedly to 2023 as CMS has grown to include some exciting new areas and options.

### DANDE

2022- Dande was as usual hugely rewarding to our clients. We always tell all our clients Dande is not a “whack and stack” area and it is an area that delivers handsomely to those that are prepared to walk and work hard for their trophies.

Buffalo- It has taken 10 years of strict management to get to a point where we can focus on Dugga boys rather than herds. As a result of this and despite some quite challenging conditions due to a heavy rainy season and thick bush every one with the exception of a single client shot a beautiful buffalo bull! The client that failed missed a buff on day 6 and decided to go to Vic Falls with his wife rather than finish his hunt.

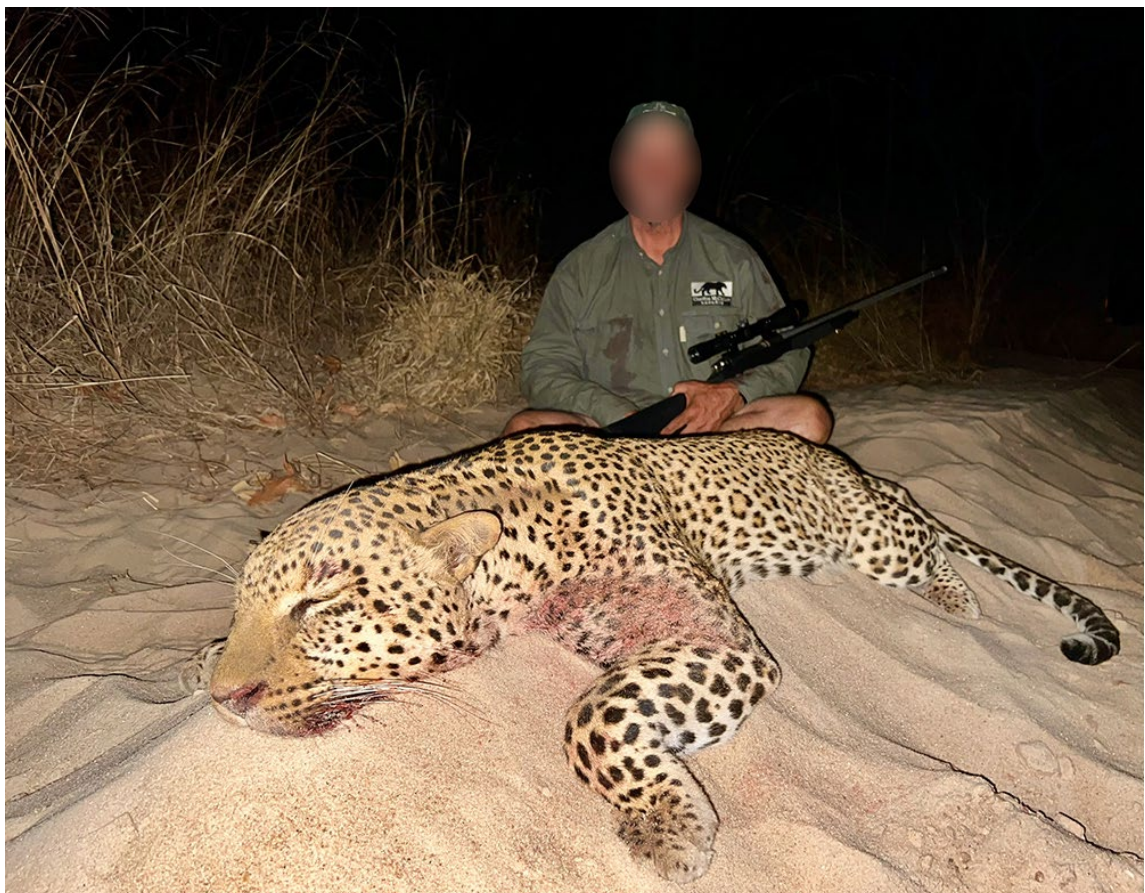




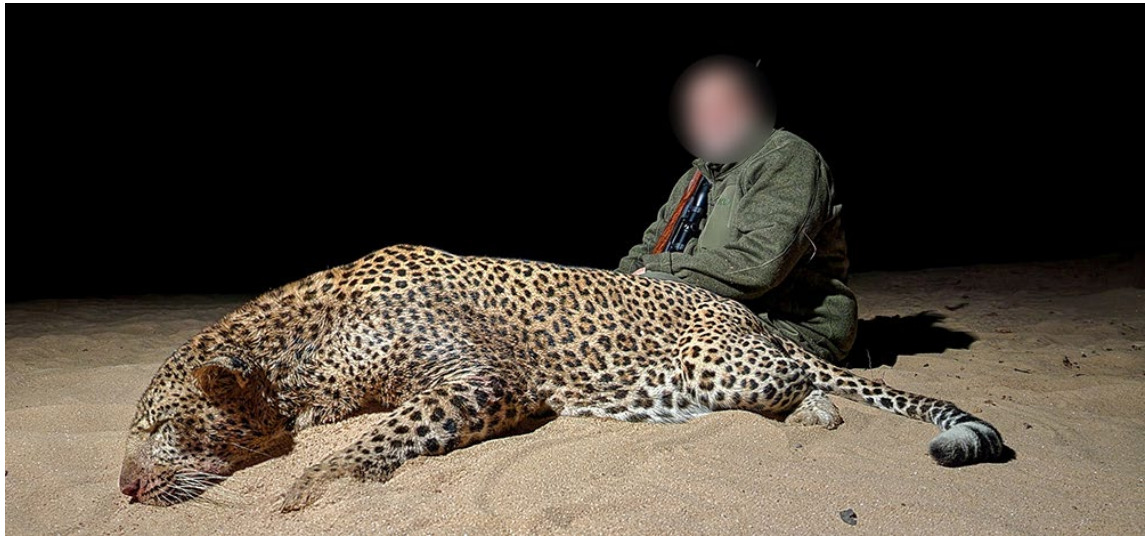




Leopard- Dande has to be considered one of the best areas in Zimbabwe to get a leopard with many of them been in day time. This year as many we had a 100% success rate. Zimbabwean Ph have taken it on their own shoulders to try and age leopard with the use of trail cameras with the idea of shooting older cats. As result we have shot some really beauties this year!







Lion - We take a very conservative 2 lions a year in Dande even though we have 4 on tag. Both lions were taken within the first week and were great cats. Unfortunately, one of them was wounded and it turned into probably the longest hardest lion hunt on record as the cat was tracked for several days and then came back to bait and was unfortunately missed again which does happen in hunting!



Elephant- Dande like the rest of the Valley offers probably the most challenging yet rewarding elephant hunting in Zimbabwe. It is a hunt that without exceptional trackers one will come away empty handed. Luckily for CMS all our PH's have excellent teams and our ele hunters were successful on some very nice bulls. Unlike the North Western Regions our bulls are in the 35/40 lbs category and when hunting the valley you need to understand and appreciate that you are not only paying for the actual elephant but more so for the experience which is second to none!







As mentioned, Dande is not a “whack and stack” area for plains game but when hunted hard most hunters are rewarded with a handful of excellent trophies including some good croc and hippo!

### NYAKSANGA

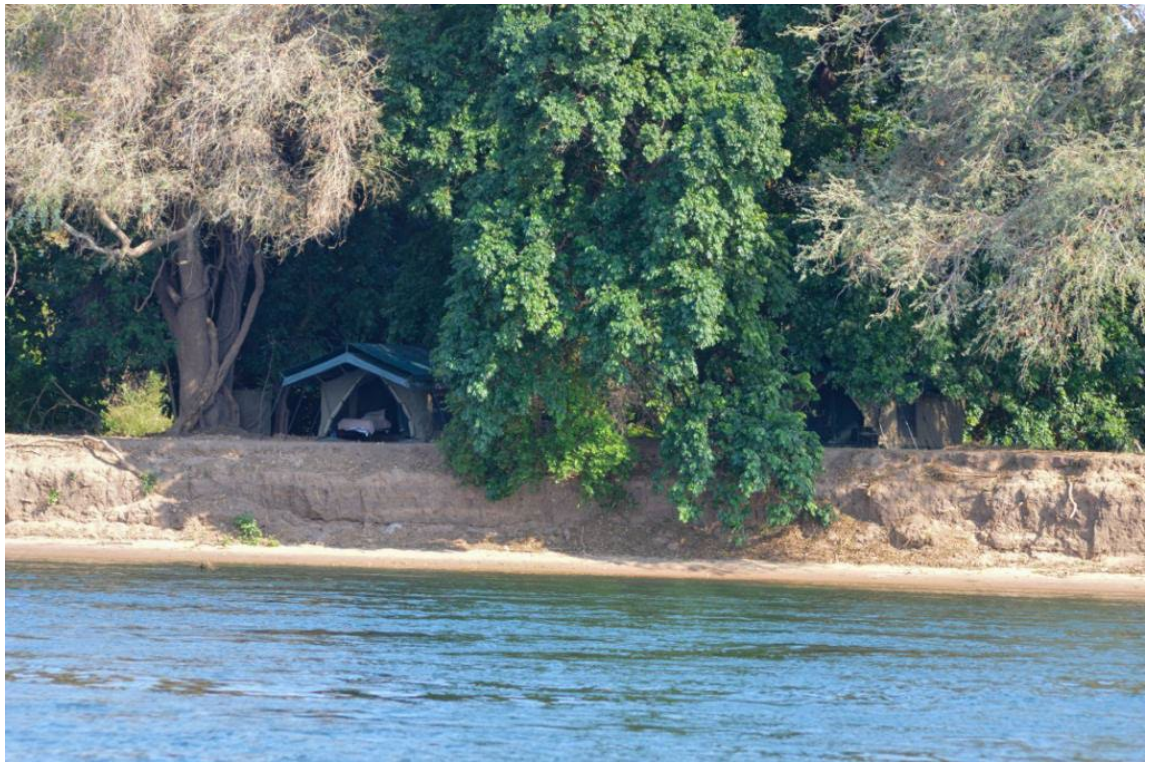
This year we took about 75 % of the quota in this amazing area which is sandwiched between 2 national parks been Mana and RIFA! Our little fly camp on the banks of the Zambezi while rustic was very comfortable and provided a true African experience with lions calling every night and elephants in camp. The hunting was exceptional in all departments and we are mostly sold out for next season with only a few tags left. It is quite common to see the big 4 in a single day!

Below are a few pics of trophies taken. A highlight for me was taking an exceptional elephant bull for the Valley after many hours of tracking.











### NORTH WESTERN REGION

Every year we do a few of our big ele bulls in the north western region. These are split into NON trophy and trophy bulls. The Non trophy hunts are simply for big old bulls with broken or inferior tusks and this is a hunt that without the pressure of looking for big ivory really means you can love the hunt for what it is and that is been close to some of the biggest ele bulls in Africa. This is an affordable way to an ele bull!





I did 3 trophy bulls in these areas and it's my intention in the not too distant future, to focus only on these bulls. These are areas that we have constantly averaged 60 lbs a side and one always has excitement when following massive tracks that the ever illusive 100 lbs just might be at the end of the track. This year we did track up a bull that was north of 80 lbs but the wind changed and despite following him for another 7 hours he gave us the slip. This is the purest hunt left in Africa today relying on great trackers and team work!!





### 2023 Going Forward

CMS has entered into a marketing agreement with an investor on several areas, including two of Zimbabwe's finest dangerous game areas being Nyakasanga and Sengwa Research.

### NYKASANGA

This incredible area does not need an introduction as CMS has been hunting it for several years and our success speaks for itself. The investor has taken over the management of Nyakasanga on a long-term lease agreement with National Parks and is already implementing several outstanding programs that will only improve this beautiful area including putting in more solar boreholes, bolstering anti-poaching, camp building and a more stringent Quota management.

As we stand right now Nyakasanga would be considered the best free range dangerous game area in Zimbabwe. However, with the investor involvement and substantial experience in proven conservation methods combined with CMS's strict ethical hunting practices, I do believe that Nyakasanga will be comparable (if not better than) the best Tanzanian areas in the near future. Currently we utilize the river camp which will be upgraded and further investment will be made to establish a small but comfortable fly camp inland!

### SENGWA RESEARCH

Sengwa Research is probably the most beautiful scenic area in Zimbabwe. This area is 37,000 hectares and borders the Chizarira National Parks and Chirisa safari area. The



magnificent sandstone look-outs over the Sengwa river are truly one of the most beautiful views you will ever see.

Sengwa has been well managed by the previous operators and under their great management the game has done extremely well and the buff plains game numbers are excellent.

The current operators Sengwa lease comes to an end on completion of the 2022 season. Thereafter the lease forms part of an overall management agreement for the Chirisa safari area, which includes the Sengwa research section.

The investment relationship has already benefited National Parks with appropriate vehicles, upgraded facilities and ongoing general maintenance, most importantly an additional revenue stream.

Quotas will also be reduced in Sengwa, and the hunts that will be conducted there will, no doubt, be excellent! CMS is very excited to have Sengwa under our banner and be able to offer our clients another amazing and truly fair-chase dangerous game option!

### GOKWE

Gokwe is one of the CAMPFIRE safari areas and borders the Omay safari area. This area is 70,000 hectares and while described as communal area, there are some stunning areas to hunt in Gokwe. Leopard, buffalo, tuskless, hippo, croc and limited plains game with dedication and hard work can be achieved.

The quota is very limited and daily rates will be low with exaggerated trophy fees. In this way, our clients will be able to hunt the prime species at a very manageable daily rate and only have to pay on the success of their hunt.

2023 season is looking like it will be an amazing year and we look forward to seeing old and new friends at Dallas 5 - 8 Jan **booth 2216** and SCi 22 - 25 Feb **booth 2926**.

CMS would like to thank you all for your continued support and friendship over the year and we hope you have a wonderful Christmas!

Cheers Buzz, Myles and the whole CMS team.

