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## **BOKPOORT NEWSLETTER - NOVEMBER 2015**

**One of our clients Mr. Kevin Ploetz Collins from NY wrote this lovely letter about his experience with Bokpoort Safaris. Enjoy the experience with him as he describes his journey in detail.**

Bokpoort Safaris in any language or in any way you say it means ... "The beginning of your African Adventure". Owner and operator Christo Roos is your Professional Hunter and really excels in his "bush" skills with all types of game animals. Christo is more than a PH. He can be your hunting guide, and tour guide of the Free State, cook, interpreter, historian and friend. He can even be your bartender if needed! You get all this wrapped into one PH and unlimited hunting possibilities.

I did a spot and stalk for a huge Gemsbok our first day in Africa. The next we hunted on horseback at Christo's ranch and harvested a Black Wildebeest and a Blesbuck, both trophies. We also were surprised with a saddlebag lunch!

The horses did great and our back ends only took two days to heal! On our 3rd day we drove a short distance to hunt a red hartebeest. Upon our arrival Christo provided 4-wheelers to hunt from. After 5 hours on quads I bagged a nice Red Hartebeest from 350 yds. After a couple of days to sight see the area, shop and visit to a lion reserve, we headed North East to hunt Kudu. Christo knew I didn't want to shoot my African Kudu from the truck, so after our 4th spot and stalk on foot, we got within 300 yds and successfully got my 55 inch trophy Kudu.

From there we travelled North again to Pongola to look for a Blue Wildebeest to complete my beast master quest. While there I took a respectful Warthog just to stay in tune.

Although I missed my first chance to complete the Beast Master challenge, I quickly recovered and harvested the next Blue Wildebeest 7 minutes later, thus becoming the "Beast Master".

With the hunting list complete, my wife and I took a much deserved day and a half to enjoy a Safari Drive, Spa Treatment and Boat Safari, a must for Hunters and Non-Hunters alike.

Christo Roos' history is in South Africa just outside of "his" town of Clarens in the Free State. He will surely live and die on the edge of the Maluti Mountains, making history, hunting and providing for his wonderful family. I am only too glad to have made history in Africa with Bokpoort Safaris!

**Kevin Ploetz Collins, NY.**

