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aster rifle maker Lex Webernick of Rifles, Inc. has been exhibiting at the DSC convention since 1988, and he is frequently asked what is his favorite rifle.

"It depends on the intended purpose," Webernick said. "Everyone wants the Corvette that can haul a ton of hay."

Are the hunts planned for long-range antelope/mountain goat/Africa plains game/African dangerous game?

"My Lightweight Strata model at 5 pounds is going to handle a wide range of hunts and be especially nice for mountain and strenuous hunts — but you could also go more specialized with a heavier Masters at 8 pounds especially for long-range flatland hunts. A dangerous game rifle is more than likely going to be based on a control-feed action and heavier caliber. Between these extremes is my Classic model at 6 1/2 pounds."

Webernick's caliber choice is the .300 Win Mag.

"I can go hunt about anything from Alaska to Africa with it," he said. "I enjoy building calibers such as the 6.5/284 and .416 Rem Mag. — they are both great calibers — but not usually a hunter's first rifle choice. The caliber is more about matching the tool to a specific job."

Optics is the other consideration.

"I want to make sure to match the optics magnification and overall size of the scope to the rifle weight," Webernick said. "I don't use many compact scopes even when I'm building a 4 1/2-pound

rifle. I find for most rifles if I stay with a scope that is 15-18 ounces and magnification from 3-4 to 14-16 — it's a good match."

The gun maker prefers multiple-line reticles that match up for the rifle, bullet and velocity.

"I am finding hunters are shooting and practicing at longer ranges more and I'm comfortable with their choice of ballistic turrets. I have a page on my website that addresses the pros and cons of the different aiming systems," he said.

Shooting and get familiar with the rifle is paramount, Webernick said, and he makes it easy.

"When I finish building a rifle, I send along a target sheet with it," he said. "This sheet shows the target and lists the exact ammo, velocity and external ballistics — the trajectory out to 500 yards is computed."

"My goal is to build you 'your' perfect hunting rifle."



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