

TROPHY TALK

Cabela's Fort Worth Store Site of 26th Awards Program



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B&C's Records Committee is very pleased to announce the selection of Cabela's Fort Worth, Texas, store as the site for Boone and Crockett Club's 26th Awards

Program Banquet and related activities scheduled to take place April through June 2007. The Doral Tesoro Hotel and Golf Club in Fort Worth has been selected as the headquarters hotel for some of the events.

This is the second time Cabela's has hosted one of the Club's Awards Programs. Many of you will recall that Cabela's Kansas City, Kansas, store was the site for the 25th Awards Program in 2004. With Cabela's support and cooperation, the 25th Awards Program was the most successful such event the Club has ever conducted. A

record number of 117 trophies were received, judged, certified for Boone and Crockett Club medals and certificates, and displayed at Cabela's Kansas City store where they were viewed by literally tens of thousands of people.

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The 26th Awards Program activities will culminate during the weekend of June 21-23, 2007, with the 26th Awards Program Banquet and a whole host of exciting activities. So, block off those dates now on your calendar and start making plans to attend. Not only will you have an exciting and fun-filled time with your family and fellow hunters, but you will have the opportunity to view some of largest trophies ever taken in North America and hear first-hand accounts from the folks who took those trophies. A complete schedule of activities will follow in an upcoming issue of *Fair Chase*.

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26th Awards Program Deadline Notice

Measurers and trophy owners especially should mark December 31, 2006, on their calendar, as it is the deadline for entering trophies in the 26th Awards Program. All trophy-entry materials must be postmarked no later than this date to be includ-



Source for Aluminum Measuring Box Sought

A number of Official Measurers have expressed an interest in obtaining a scoring box (see below) for measuring skulls. Thus, if anyone has a source for making these, please contact me at 406/542-1888, ext. 205, with the person's name and contact information. If we can find a reliable source, we plan to include measuring boxes in B&C's catalog.



ed in the 26th Awards Entry Period, which began January 1, 2004. Any score charts or entries received with postmarks after December 31, 2006, will be entries in the 27th Awards Program that begins January 1, 2007, and closes December 31, 2009.

December 31, 2006, is also the deadline date for getting a trophy listed in Boone and Crockett Club's 26th Big Game Awards book that will be released early next fall. Trophy entries received after that date will not be listed in a records book until 2010.

I know that December 31, 2006, sounds like a long way away at this time, but it will be here and past before you know it. So, if possible, please don't wait until the last minute to submit any trophies you have that make B&C's minimums. In the past, we received as many as 400 trophies postmarked with the deadline date, and unfortunately many of those did not get accepted in time because of missing entry materials or because of necessary adjustments in scoring procedures.

Emeritus Measurer Designation Now Available

Over the last few years, the records office has received a number of reports from trophy owners who have been told by an Official Measurer they contacted to score a trophy that he is "retired" or no longer measuring.

However, that Measurer has not told the records office they retired from scoring activities, so that Measurer's name continues to be distributed (via mail and the internet) to trophy owners who need a trophy scored. This creates problems for both the trophy owner and the Club. The owner may have to travel many additional miles to another measurer, requiring substantial outlay in both time and expensive fuel. On the other hand, the Club, which expects the measurer to make himself reasonably available to score and enter trophies in the Awards Program, is prevented from training a replacement for that area.

To honor those Measurers who would like to slow down or cease measuring, "retire" so to speak, but who wish to stay in touch and value their O.M. status, B&C has established an Emeritus Measurer designation. Measurers who wish to become an Emeritus Measurer will be removed from the active Measurer list distributed to the public, but the Emeritus designation will allow them to receive the *Fair Chase* subscription, continue to score an occasional trophy if they so desire, and receive an Emeritus Measurer ID card, for an annual fee of only \$15, \$10 off the annual fee. Please consider this option if the situation applies to you. If you wish to become Emeritus, call 406/542-1888 and tell the operator what you would like to do. ■

VOLUNTEER DRIVERS NEEDED

B&C is planning to make the 26th Awards Program and trophy display in Fort Worth, Texas, the most spectacular and successful ever conducted. Thus, we are looking for volunteers in different regions of the United States, Canada, and Mexico to pick up many of the invited trophies and coordinate their delivery to Cabela's in Fort Worth, Texas, and/or a Cabela's store near you. Some of this might involve gathering a few trophies from a region and hauling by trailer. If you, or anyone you know, are interested, please contact Ryan Hatfield or Jack Reneau at B&C headquarters for details. The receiving period at the Cabela's Fort Worth store is April 9-20, 2007. Delivery to other Cabela's stores for inter-store transfers to Fort Worth, Texas, should begin by April 1, 2007. Volunteers would also coordinate return of the trophies to their owners after the Awards Banquet on June 23, 2007.

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- 1) Black Bear - Oct. 1st
- 2) Pronghorn - Oct. 8th
- 3) Alaska-Yukon Moose - Oct. 15th
- 4) Dall's Sheep - Oct. 22nd
- 5) Bison - Oct. 29th
- 6) Grizzly - Nov. 5th
- 7) Mountain Caribou - Nov. 12th
- 8) Desert Bighorn - Nov. 19th
- 9) Whitetail - Nov. 26th
- 10) Cougar - Dec. 3rd
- 11) American Elk - Dec. 10th
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