

BEST OF 2010

Fair Chase is proud to present the results of our second annual trophy field photo competition. All trophies that were accepted in 2010 were eligible and automatically entered into the contest. Within these pages, you'll find the top 17 photographs selected by the Fair Chase editors and staff and additional guest judges from the Big Game Records Department and Swarovski Optik.

Kanina M. Fulton
Mountain Caribou - 373 5/8
Rabbit River, British Columbia
September 2006



JUDGES COMMENTS

Clear stand out. This is a remarkable example of using your surroundings to improve a photograph. The antlers are well positioned to show their uniqueness and the composition with the group is well done. -J.H.

JUDGES COMMENTS

Excellent composition and background
- K.K.

I chose this photo because of the fine composition, beautiful animal and grand scenery. - W.K.

JUDGES COMMENTS

To me this drips big game hunting at its finest. The unbelievable country, the animal that lived there, the effort shown on exhausted, but proud faces all having taken part in a group-shared experience, frozen in time in a well composed single photograph - K.B.

From a list of finalists, each judge was asked to select their 20 favorite photographs as well as their top pick and provide feedback to share with the readers. Each pick received one point and the top picks received four points. As many of the judges noted, all of these images are fine examples of quality field photographs. Judging field photos is a subjective task as beauty is in the eye of the beholder. We hope you enjoy and pick up a few tips for the next time you're in the field.

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L. Victor Clark
Stone's Sheep - 165 3/8
Ogilvie Mts., Yukon Territory
September 2009



JUDGES COMMENTS

While it is very difficult to find a bad field photo of a Stone's sheep, this one is especially impressive. A field photo needs to capture the essence of the hunt and this does so perfectly. There is no visible blood, the ram is positioned very naturally, and as we commonly see, it is in some of the most gorgeous country in North America. - J.S.

James W. Hamberlin
Non-typical Mule Deer - 235 4/8
Mohave County, Arizona
September 2009



JUDGES COMMENTS

This is a proud and happy hunter, remote landscape, legal tag on antler, framing, and antlers against the sky help define the trophy - S.W.

WINNERS RECEIVE



FIRST PRIZE
STM 65 HD



SECOND PRIZE
EL 10x42 WB



THIRD PRIZE
Z3 3-9x36

JUDGES COMMENTS

This is a beautiful deer with a great view reflecting the habitat it came from. - H.M.

Randy W. Hopp
Typical Coues' Whitetail - 110 3/8
Grant County, New Mexico
October 2009



#4
TIE

#4
TIE



Byron Whitney
Dalls Sheep - 160 2/8
Snake River, British Columbia
August 2009

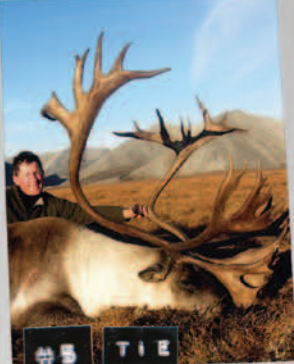
JUDGES COMMENTS

What a magnificent animal taken by a youth hunter. - T.S.

JUDGES COMMENTS

It is obvious that some effort went into composing this photo. A youth hunter and his guide are happily posing with the youth's outstanding and well positioned trophy. They're both smiling, and I like how the guide has his arm around the successful hunter. I also like how they used the beautiful blue sky for a backdrop. This photo will enable the youth to pleasantly recall his hunt for this trophy of a lifetime for the rest of his life. - J.R.

Gregory Menzies
Mountain Caribou - 411 3/8
Arctic Red River, NT
September 2009



#5
TIE



Cole G. Medlin
Typical Whitetail Deer - 180 1/8
La Salle County, Texas
December 2009

#5
TIE

Jimmy J. Lisauand
Bighorn Sheep - 108
Chouteau County, Montana
September 2009



#5
TIE

Larry A. Meyer
Musk Ox - 188 2/8
Kugluktuk, Nunavut
March 2010



#6
TIE



Dean Stebner
Typical Whitetail Deer - 179 3/8
Carroll County, Ohio
November 2009

#6
TIE

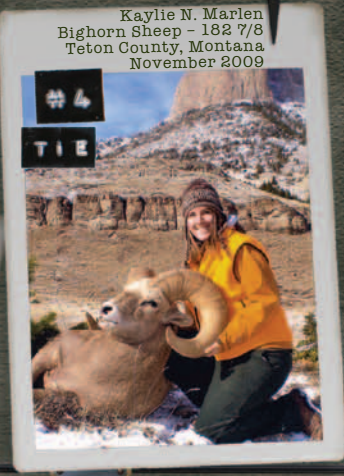


Kerry G. Keane
Pronghorn - 80
Sioux County, Nebraska
October 2009

#6
TIE



Non-Typical Whitetail - 200 4/8
 Canaan W. Haywood
 Wabash County, Indiana
 November 2009



Kaylie N. Marlen
 Bighorn Sheep - 182 7/8
 Teton County, Montana
 November 2009



Bryce M. Towsley
 Musk Ox - 119
 Inullk Lake, Nunavut
 March 2005



Typical Mule Deer - 188
 Jason J. Gisi
 Sonora, Mexico
 January 2006



Non-Typical Whitetail - 210 5/8
 Beane R. Barrington
 La Salle County, Texas
 October 2009



Typical American Elk - 371 1/8
 Perry S. Burch
 Dealy's Sheep - 166
 Mackenzie Mts., Northwest Territory
 July 2006

FAN PICKS

We opened up our annual field photo contest this year and gave our FaceBook fans an opportunity to weigh in on their favorites. We posted all of the finalists for them to review. Their top three picks are shown below. Each winner will receive a one-year Associate subscription and a copy of the Club's award-winning book, *Hunting the American West*:



Lorenzo Sartini
 Non-Typical Mule Deer - 238 1/8
 Garfield County, Utah
 October 2009



Brian M. Stephens
 Non-Typical Whitetail Deer - 232 5/8
 Highland County, Ohio
 November 2009



Zachary J. Hastie
 Typical American Elk - 371 1/8
 Elko County, Nevada
 September 2009

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