

FROM THE EDITOR

Preview of 23rd Awards Book Stories

Each new issue of Fair Chase presents a challenge to the editors as we attempt to put together an issue which will provide our readers with informative, thoughtfully written articles. In this issue I chose to do something different and feature five of the hunting stories which will be included in the *Boone and Crockett Club's 23rd Big Game Awards* which we are currently editing for publication this fall. The

Pawlacyk desert bighorn article appealed to me because it was a New Mexico ram and illustrates a great wildlife management milestone in the reestablishment of the desert bighorn sheep in New Mexico. The Arledge non-typical mule deer is a unique trophy and is a tribute to an excellent mule deer management program facilitated by the Idaho Department of Fish and Game. Craig Martin's black bear is a tribute to

a life-long trophy hunter to whom the fair chase ethic is paramount. The Jones bison story is a tribute to a man who has spent twenty years pursuing his fascination with bison. The Hogeland non-typical mule deer article is a reminder that hunting's future lies in our youth. I hope you enjoy the 23rd Awards stories in this issue of *Fair Chase!*



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