

# TROPHY TALK

## Boundary Changes



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**I'm pleased to announce** the availability of the second edition of *Measuring and Scoring North American Big Game Trophies*. Nearly all of the changes and updates have been discussed over the years in various issues of this magazine and its predecessor, *The Boone and Crockett Club Associates Newsletter*. There are some significant boundary changes/updates in the new manual, however, that have never been included in any previous Boone and Crockett Club publication. Therefore, I would like to mention them at this time. If you want to read more about these changes, I suggest you review the second edition of the scoring manual, *Measuring and Scoring North American Big Game Trophies*.

### GREENLAND TROPHIES

The southern boundary for the Club's North American Big Game Awards Program is the south border of Mexico, and the northern boundary is now described as the limit of the continent and associated waters held by the United States, Canada and Greenland. Prior to this Greenland was not a part of the boundary description for

the Awards Program even though nearly every records book since the first edition was released in 1932 has included Atlantic walrus and muskox trophies from Greenland. Thus, the decision to include Greenland in this description is simply a housekeeping matter that I want to bring to your attention.

### MULE DEER/COLUMBIA BLACKTAIL DEER BOUNDARY CORRECTION

Immediately prior to releasing the second edition of the scoring manual a serious oversight was detected in the description for the Columbia blacktail/mule deer boundary in Washington state. When the description was originally approved a number of years ago it was believed the boundary connected to the northern boundary of Mt. Rainier National Park, which it then followed, at its northeast corner. In fact, the range line the boundary followed is approximately three miles east of the northeast corner of the park. The boundary description in Washington was rewritten as follows to correct the oversight:

*"Beginning at the Washington-British Columbia border,*

*the boundary line runs south along the west boundary of North Cascades National Park to the range line between R10E and R11E, Willamette Meridian, which is then followed directly south to its intersection with the township line between T18N and T17N, which is then followed westward until it connects with the north border of Mt. Rainier National Park, then along the north, west and south park boundaries until..."*

Deer taken east of this boundary are classified as mule deer, and those taken west of it are Columbia blacktail deer.

### ROOSEVELT'S ELK BOUNDARY EXPANDED IN CALIFORNIA

Until recently the only elk eligible for entry in the Roosevelt's elk category from California were those taken in Humboldt and Del Norte Counties in the extreme northwest corner of the state. California's Roosevelt's elk boundary was recently rewritten as follows:

*"Roosevelt's elk are acceptable from Del Norte, Humboldt and Trinity Counties, as well as that portion of Siskiyou County west of I-5 in northern California."*

This change is due to successful transplants conducted by the California Department of Fish and Game with the goal of repopulating historical Roosevelt's elk habitat. The transplants, which used animals captured from viable Roosevelt's elk populations in California and Oregon, have been so successful that we recently accepted the first trophy bull taken in Siskiyou County by a modern-day hunter. It was taken by 15-year old

## MEASURING AND SCORING NORTH AMERICAN BIG GAME TROPHIES

After much blood, sweat, tears and anticipation the second edition of Boone and Crockett Club's official scoring manual, *Measuring and Scoring North American Big Game Trophies*, is now available.

This manual is a valuable resource for understanding all aspects of the Club's copyrighted scoring system and its related policies. An order form is located in the center of this issue of *Fair Chase*.

The second edition incorporates all the changes and updates to the Club's scoring system approved and implemented by the records committee since the first edition was released in 1985. *Measuring and Scoring North American Big Game Trophies* is a handy reference tool that should be in every big-game hunter's library. If you're looking for a holiday gift-giving idea for that special friend or relative (as well as yourself), look no further. Pick up the telephone now and order your copy today to insure it will be under the tree on Christmas morning.



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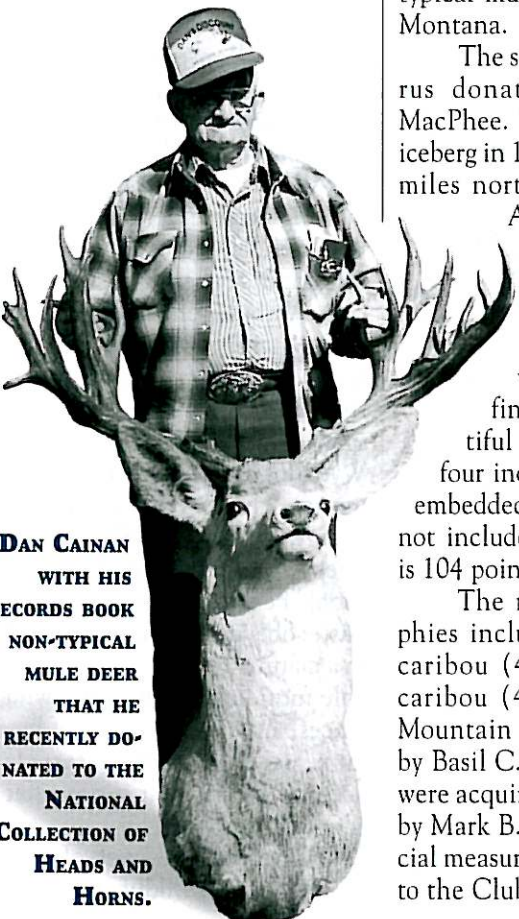
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Michael R. Bell during the 1996 hunting season in Siskiyou County. It has six points on each antler and scores 297 points.

These successful transplants illustrate the important contributions hunters continue to make to conservation as their dollars are put to work.

### BARREN GROUND CARIBOU

The barren ground caribou boundary description has been rewritten so that trophies from the Canadian provinces of Manitoba, Saskatchewan, and Ontario are no longer acceptable for entry in this category. This change was necessary because of the expansion of the Central Canada barren ground caribou boundary into Manitoba a couple years ago, and because it is not the proper classification for caribou in these provinces.



**DAN CAINAN WITH HIS RECORDS BOOK NON-TYPICAL MULE DEER THAT HE RECENTLY DONATED TO THE NATIONAL COLLECTION OF HEADS AND HORNS.**

### DONATIONS TO THE NATIONAL COLLECTION OF HEADS AND HORNS

The Club would like to acknowledge the generous donation of several spectacular trophies from three individuals to its National Collection of Heads and Horns. The first is a non-typical mule deer, scoring 236 points, taken and donated by Daniel I. Cainan. Dan was hunting along Rye Creek, Ravalli County, Montana, in 1957 when this massive buck suddenly stood up about 50 yards from his stand. It is one of the finest non-typical mule deer ever taken in Montana.

The second is a Pacific walrus donated by Norman S. MacPhee. Norman took it on an iceberg in 1978 approximately 35 miles northwest of Savoonga, Alaska. This beautiful trophy was prepared as a European mount with the skull and tusks fixed on a solid walnut plaque. The final score of this beautiful trophy, with at least four inches of each tusk still embedded inside the skull and not included in the final score, is 104 points.

The remaining three trophies include a barren ground caribou (413-5/8), mountain caribou (406-3/8) and Rocky Mountain goat (50-6/8) taken by Basil C. Bradbury. All three were acquired from Basil's estate by Mark B. Steffen, a B&C official measurer, who donated them to the Club.

The B&C National Collection of Heads and Horns, which was founded in 1906, is currently on display in a specially prepared exhibit at the Buffalo Bill Historical Center in Cody, Wyoming, where it is viewed by nearly a



**BASIL C. BRADBURY WITH HIS MOUNTAIN CARIBOU THAT SCORES 406-3/8 POINTS. THIS TROPHY IS ON DISPLAY AT THE BOONE AND CROCKETT CLUB NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS IN MISSOULA, MONTANA.**

quarter million visitors each year. I encourage you to stop by and see the exhibit the next time you are in Cody.

Norman's Pacific walrus and Dan's non-typical mule deer will be displayed with the National Collection in Cody early next year. The other three trophies will remain on display at the Club's headquarters in Missoula, Montana, since there are already specimens from these categories in the Collection. ▲▲▲

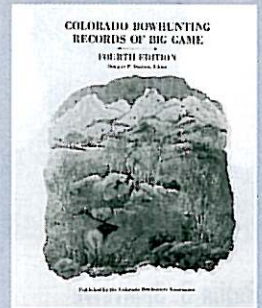
### BOOK REVIEW NOTICE

There are many state, provincial, and private organizations publishing local records books that use the Boone and Crockett Club's copyrighted scoring system with permission of the Club. Since there is no single reference source for these books, and because there are many hunters who collect them, we will review them as time and space permit.

However, the Boone and Crockett Club cannot vouch for the accuracy of the data contained in these books. Some of the books featured in this column may contain trophies not listed in any Boone and Crockett Club records book. Further, some of these books may include trophies that were not scored by certified Boone and Crockett Club official measurers.

If there is any question about the status of a trophy listed in any of these books, the Boone and Crockett Club's records books/archives are the final reference source to settle any and all discrepancies.

## RECORDS BOOK REVIEW



### COLORADO BOWHUNTING RECORDS OF BIG GAME

The Colorado Bowhunters Association is proud to announce the release of the fourth edition of *Colorado Bowhunting Records of Big Game*. This book is a listing of record book big game animals taken with a bow in Colorado.

The fourth edition has over 3,200 entries for the 10 species of big game found within Colorado's borders. Within its 252 pages are nearly 300 photographs. Included in this edition are 13 bowhunting World's Records (present and past) taken within Colorado.

Copies can be ordered by writing to Colorado Bowhunters Association, P.O. Box 24250, Denver, CO 80224, or by calling Scott Hargrove at 970/349-5816. Prices, including shipping and handling, are \$23 for the soft cover edition, \$43 for the hard cover edition and \$53 for the limited edition.