

RECORDS CHANGES

TROPHY TALK



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The year 2020 has no doubt brought challenges to the world of conservation in addition to all of the other challenges that are more front of mind for folks. With outdoor shows being cancelled and folks' rightful hesitation in congregating to have trophies measured, our entries are down. Though through these strange times Boone and Crockett Club Records continues our mission.

Many of you may already be aware that the Club has launched our new website. Available now is a new look as well as upgrades to the "my trophies" section of your personal area which should list all trophies you have measured. Login information is

the same, but make sure to login and ensure everything is correct with your accounts. If you have any issues or have forgotten your password, use the prompts to request a new one. Any problems or updates please let Kyle or I know and be aware that additional functionality will be coming over the next few months.

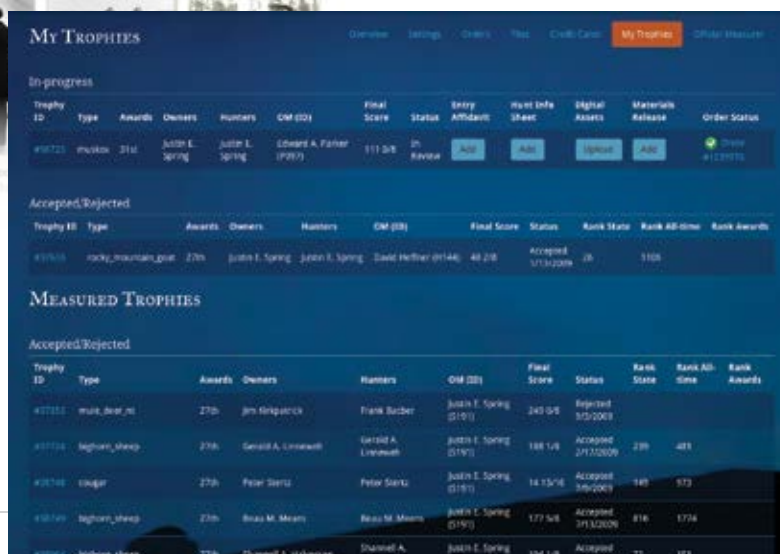
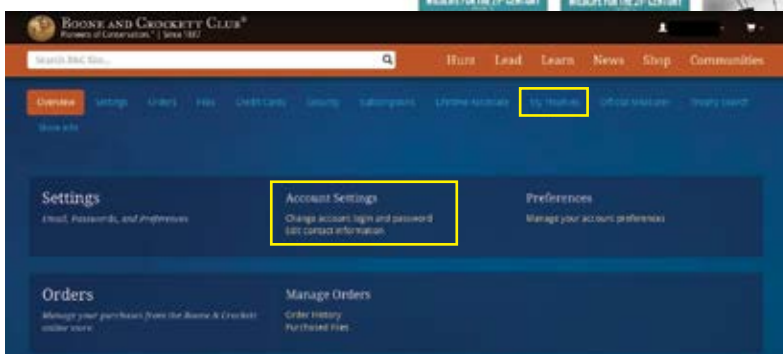
The current system has the ability to accept digital entry affidavits, hunter guide and hunt information forms, and in a limited capacity right now, digital photographs. Please continue to submit full entries as previously requested with the hard-copy requirements through this process, though be aware we are slowly integrating these upgrades.

Please let trophy owners know this transition is causing delays in processing.

Work continues with the Pope and Young Club as we work to bring our scoring methodologies as close as possible. With that being said, there will continue to be a few differences between the organizations. The two major differences are Pope and Young will still require a minimum number of abnormal inches for a trophy to qualify as a non-typical, while Boone and Crockett Club will continue to leave it up to the hunter if it qualifies for both categories. The other main difference is that Pope and Young requires the third circumference on a pronghorn to be above the prong where Boone and

Crockett will continue to allow a third circumference to be taken below as long as the location falls below the swelling of the prong completely. These small rule differences can be attributed to potential issues that can arise with different entry thresholds.

Both organizations continue in the development and presentation of joint scoring courses. On this note, we commonly get inquiries on why we don't allow Pope and Young certified-only Official



As an Official Measurer, when you log into the new website you will have access to your account settings as well as any trophies you have entered or scored.

Measurers to score for our organization. For the most part, the scoring methods have historically been similar between the organizations but the history and purpose of Boone and Crockett differs from that of Pope and Young. As such, we feel that for the scientific integrity of our dataset, we still require all Official Measurers to attend a Boone and Crockett course to be certified. With that in mind, we are working to develop a curriculum to bring current Pope and Young measurers up to speed on Boone and Crockett Club history and mission. Completion of this will allow those interested in scoring for us the opportunity to do so without re-taking all the scoring instruction they have already received. This curriculum development was pushed back due to covid-19 and cancellations of previously planned courses, but look for additional information in the future.

This work is in line with bringing the clubs

closer together, and as most of you know, a joint measuring manual is currently in the works. As both scoring committees work through each chapter, certain rules and clarifications are coming to light. Because of these discoveries, a Boone and Crockett Records Committee meeting was held via teleconference June 9 with three scoring items on the agenda.

The first topic on the agenda was a discussion of allowing a cable to be used on pronghorn. A good number of Records Committee members were also on the committee when the Club originally approved the usage of the cable for taking beam and tine lengths on antlered game. While the committee uniformly agreed that the use of the cable would speed the process, there were concerns of slight variations in measurements between the two methods due to the differing width and flexibility of the tools. The committee voted to maintain the current scoring

instructions and continue to require all measurements of the pronghorn horns to be completed with a quarter-inch steel tape.

The second item was the addition of diagrams explaining the process to determine the origination of a tine from either shared point material (common base rule applies) or origination off a webbed beam, which is considered normal material. The Official Measurer must take into account the natural swelling a point exhibits where it intersects the base. If any point material is shared, definitive separation must be present for both projections

to be measured to the beam. This clarification was unanimously approved, and the drawings are being produced for publication in the upcoming manual.

The final consideration before the committee was a clarification on the wording regarding wireless trail cameras. The committee as a whole firmly believes that cameras delivering real time images to a hunter violates the principals of Fair Chase as defined by the Club. This question arose: If you get a photo the previous year or while scouting, is this a violation of the entry requirements listed on the Fair Chase affidavit?

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After much discussion the committee voted to maintain the current scoring instructions and continue to require all measurements of the pronghorn horns to be completed with a quarter-inch steel tape.

With consideration to the ever-increasing list of technologies coming to market, the group wanted wording that not only covers current technology but clearly states what aspect of the technology violated Fair Chase rules. The line that was decided upon is that any technology that delivers real-time location data electronically to a hunter is a violation if used to harvest game. This includes two-way radios, cell phones, mapping apps where a hunter may receive the location of an animal being pursued in real time from another hunter, cellular trail cameras, drones, arrows or other devices that leave a transmitter in hit game, etc. This doesn't ban the usage of these technologies for other purposes, but it does prohibit the transmission of real-time

location of the animal to the hunter during the hunt. The committee approved wording as follows:

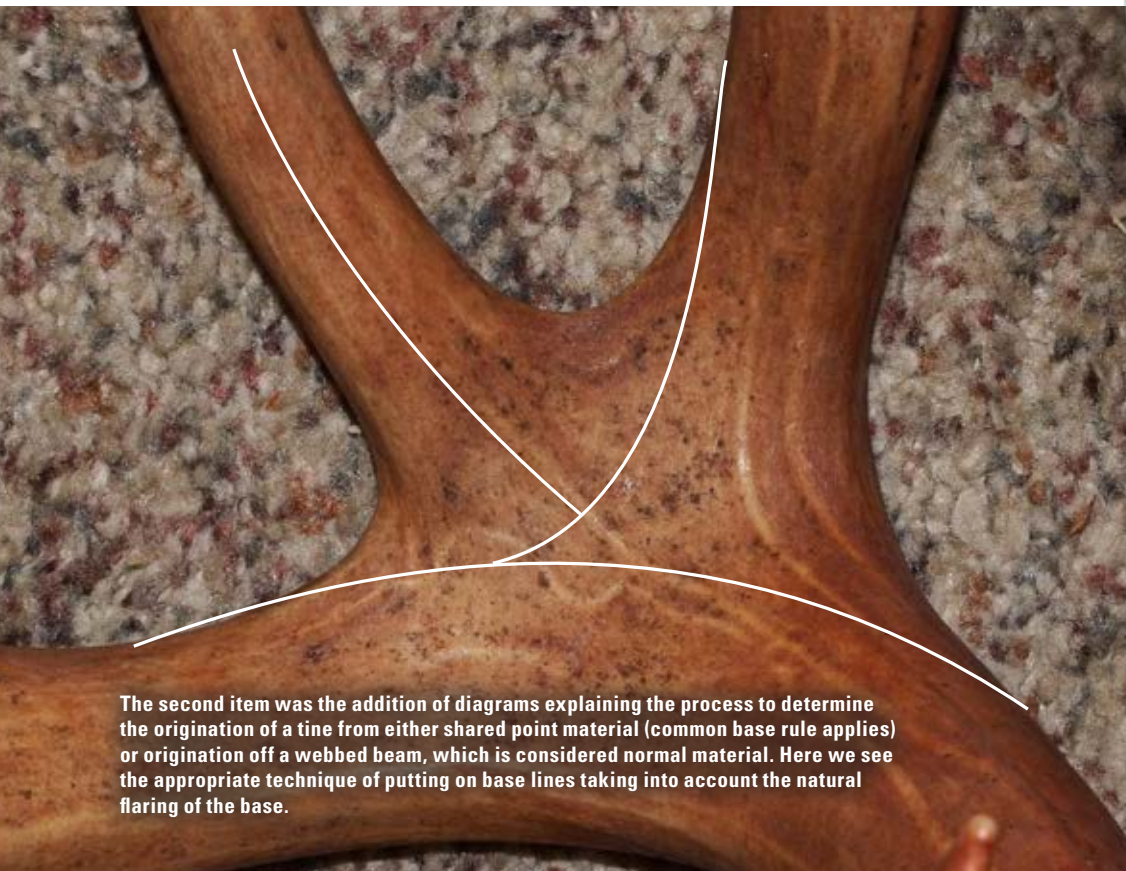
The use of any technology that delivers real-time location data (including photos) to target or guide a hunter to any species or animal, that elicits an immediate (real-time) response by the hunter is not permitted.

The next step before the above wording is adopted officially is approval by the Club's Board of Directors. Any updates or formal approval will be announced in the next column of this magazine and will appear in the forthcoming OM manual.

I hope everyone is staying well in these interesting times. Remember to stay safe

and vigilant while performing your measuring duties. If you are not comfortable with meeting someone to measure, that is understandable, but please let the trophy owner know of your concerns and work to schedule a time in the future to get the scoring of the trophy accomplished. Please remember to always call back a trophy owner requesting a scoring. Even if your schedule will not allow you the opportunity to score the trophy right away, let them know what is going on so they don't feel they are being ignored.

As always thanks for all you Official Measurers do and keep up the good work. ■



The second item was the addition of diagrams explaining the process to determine the origination of a tine from either shared point material (common base rule applies) or origination off a webbed beam, which is considered normal material. Here we see the appropriate technique of putting on base lines taking into account the natural flaring of the base.

NOTE: Please continue to follow all CDC guidelines regarding travel, social distancing and maintaining personal safety during this time.

New Prizes!

Thank you to all of our Official Measurers that continue to ask every trophy owner you come in contact with or anyone else you know who has a passion for hunting and conservation to join the Club as an Associate.

We are entering the fourth year of this program and have added new items!

When an OM signs up 150 Associates they will receive an \$800 gift card to Bass Pro Shops/Cabelas.



Once an OM has signed up 200 Associates they will receive a package from Vortex Optics.
(Value up to \$1,400)



Current Associates!

Would you like to give an Official Measurer credit for your renewal? Let them know when it is your time to renew and they will provide their OMID number to include with your renewal so they will receive credit.

Associate Sign-Up Incentive Program Leader Board

*As of July 20, 2020

**CONGRATS TO
OUR TOP 10 PRIZE
WINNERS!**

*Each time an OM signs up
a B&C Associate we'll put a
credit by their name.*

HERE'S THE BREAKDOWN

- 3 Associates – \$25 off any item
in the B&C store
- 5 Associates – Buck Knife
- 10 Associates – B&C Boyt sling
- 25 Associates – OM Wool Vest
- 50 Associates – Sitka Gear (value up to \$350)
- 75 Associates – YETI cooler and rambler
package (value up to \$500)
- 100 Associates – KIMBER RIFLE
- 150 Associates – *Congratulations!*
\$800 GIFT CARD TO
BASS PRO SHOPS/CABELAS!
- 200 Associates – *Congratulations!*
VORTEX OPTICS GEAR! (value up to \$1400)



NOTE: Limit one rifle per year, three rifles per Official Measurer.

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2. Philip A. Herrnberger – 109
3. Ken Witt – 101
4. Stanley Zirbel – 100

5. John Bogucki – 36
6. Jerry E. Lunde – 25
7. Charlie Adams – 23
8. Robert Wood – 21
9. Daniel A. Doughty III – 16
10. Dale Weddle – 16

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