



**The Boone and Crockett Club and the Wild Sheep Foundation have had a long-standing partnership. When the Wild Sheep Foundation was formed in 1977 there were an estimated 25,000 highhorn sheep in North America. Today this number is 85,000.**

"The conservation ethic and history of the Boone and Crockett Club is beyond reproach," said Gray N. Thornton, president and CEO of the Wild Sheep Foundation. "We have had the honor to conserve wild sheep across the

globe with a conservation foundation undoubtedly constructed by the original founders of the Club. Although wildlife conservation can be difficult at times, the legacy established by those before us has kept our efforts on track, and the path forward evident."

The sponsorships that are shared help support hunting and conservation as a whole. The Wild Sheep Foundation was the Presenting Sponsor at the Club's 30th Big Game Awards Banquet last year in Springfield, Missouri.

B&C President Tim Brady said, "Not everyone is a hunter, but those who are have a special relationship with nature and an understanding of what it takes to keep wildlife thriving. Some gather together and go a step farther by committing time and resources to ensure someone is paying attention to a particular species. That's the story with the Wild Sheep Foundation and their efforts on behalf of wild, mountain sheep."



The Boone and Crockett Club was honored to receive a plaque for 25-plus years of support for the Wild Sheep Foundation. B&C Professional Member and Director of Big Game Records, Justin Spring, (second from right) was presented with the Platinum Sheep Show Sponsor plaque at the Grand Finale banquet. On stage with him was WSF President and CEO and B&C Professional Member Gray Thornton (far left), B&C Regular Member Tony Caligiuri (second from left) and WSF Director of Marketing and B&C Professional Member Keith Balfour (far right).





The Mountain Hunter Hall of Fame Award is Wild Sheep Foundation's most prestigious award. The award is reserved for those select few who are recognized as icons in the sheep hunting community. The emcee for the Mountain Hunter Hall of Fame Award was B&C Regular Member and Vice President of Conservation, Tony Caligiuri.



The keynote speaker at the Grand Finale banquet was B&C Regular Member Simon Roosevelt. Simon spoke about the importance of Fair Chase in today's society as a modern hunter. *Read more about this topic on page 24 of this issue.* Simon was also awarded a Wild Sheep Foundation Honorary Life Membership after his address.

The Boone and Crockett Club had an exhibitor's booth during the Sheep Show. People were able to stop by during book signings and get their *Great Rams IV* signed by the author, Robert M. Anderson (left). Find out more about *Great Rams IV* on page 41. Official Measurer Bucky Ihlenfeldt (center) was in the booth encouraging people to join as B&C Associates, answering questions, as well as helping take photos for the Club. He also helped score a few sheep at the Stone Glacier booth. B&C Honorary Life Member and former Vice President of Big Game Records Eldon 'Buck' Buckner (right) was there to show his support.



During the Sheep Show guests were able to sample our Boone and Crockett Whiskey during tasting sessions at the Stone Glacier and YETI booth's. Boone and Crockett offers an American Blend, Straight Rye, and Straight Bourbon Whiskey. To learn more or order online visit [www.BooneandCrockettWhiskey.com](http://www.BooneandCrockettWhiskey.com) or ask for it at your local liquor store.