

WSAA RECOGNIZES HUNTER ACHIEVEMENT

WSAA Big Game Awards

The Washington State Archery Association sponsors a Big Game Award program to recognize its member archers who take big game animals with the bow and arrow. Big game animals considered for this award are listed in the box below. In addition, turkeys and bobcats taken in Washington are eligible for this award.

The award consists of a yew wood "stump" mounted on a black, bell-shaped base, commonly called the "stump award". The recipient's name is engraved on a silver-like plate attached to the base, and a specially prepared broadhead is added to the stump, indicating the animals taken. Subsequent awards consist of additional broadheads.

To be eligible for these awards, you must have been a member of WSAA at the time the animal was taken, and you will need to apply for the award using the application form printed in this issue (or a copy thereof). The form includes instructions for submission.

WSAA would like to thank Del-Ma Archery for their support of this award by subsidizing the broadheads.

Fair Chase Rules

Animals taken under the following conditions will not be considered for WSAA Big Game Awards or for entry into the Washington State Records System:

- "Yarded" in deep snow
- Helpless in water
- Helpless on ice
- Helpless in a trap
- While confined behind fences as on a game farm, etc.
- In defiance of game laws or out of season
- By "jacklighting" / shining at night
- From a power vehicle or powerboat
- Any other method considered by WSAA Hunting Committee as unsportsmanlike.

WSAA Big Buck Award

This trophy, donated by Martin Archery of Walla Walla in 1972, is a perpetual challenge trophy. It is awarded to the WSAA member taking the largest buck deer, by Pope and young scoring, in the state of Washington. Ranking is based on the deer that comes closest to or exceeds, on a percentage basis, the state record for the respected species, i.e. Mule Deer, Blacktail Deer, or Whitetail Deer. It is required that the animal meets either WSAA or Pope and Young minimum standards to be eligible.

To be eligible for this award, you must have been a WSAA member at the time the animal was taken, and will need to apply for this award using the form appearing in this issue (or a copy thereof). You also are required to submit a copy of the scoring form, properly filled out and signed by an official measurer. It is required that your buck be scored officially after the required 60-day drying period has elapsed.

Applications for this award must be sent to the person indicated on the form.

Big Game Trophy Animals

Alaska Brown Bear
Black Bear
Grizzly Bear
Bison
Barren Ground Caribou
Mountain Caribou
Quebec Labrador Caribou
Woodland Caribou
Cougar
Blacktail Deer
Coues Deer
Mule Deer
Whitetail Deer
Roosevelt Elk
Yellowstone Elk
Rocky Mountain Goat
Alaska Moose
Canada Moose
Wyoming Moose
Pronghorn
Bighorn Sheep
Dall Sheep
Desert Sheep
Stone Sheep

WSAA Big Bull Award

This trophy, donated by the Grays Harbor Bowmen of Aberdeen, is a perpetual challenge trophy. It is awarded annually to the WSAA member taking the largest bull elk, by Pope and Young scoring, anywhere in North America. Ranking is based on the elk that comes closest to or exceeds, on a percentage basis, the state record for the respective species, i.e. Yellowstone or Roosevelt. It is not required that the animal meets either WSAA or Pope and Young minimum standard to be eligible.

To be eligible for this award, you must have been a WSAA member at the time the animal was taken, and will need to apply for the award using the form appearing in this issue (or a copy thereof). You also are required to submit a copy of the scoring form, properly filled out and signed by an official measurer. It is required that your bull be scored officially after the required 60-day drying period has elapsed.

Applications for this award must be sent to the person indicated on the form.

Below: Big Buck Trophy



**WASHINGTON STATE ARCHERY ASSOCIATION
BIG GAME AWARD APPLICATION**

From: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

To: WSAA Big Game Awards Chairman Date: _____

1. Species: _____ Sex: _____ Weight: _____
2. Date Taken: _____ Where: _____
3. Distance in yards to animal when shot: _____
4. Distance in yards animal traveled after shot: _____
5. Type of bow (longbow, recurve, compound): _____
Draw weight of bow: _____ Draw length: _____
Arrow shaft material (wood, alum, carbon): _____
Broadhead type & weight: _____
6. Was animal dispatched in any other way than with arrow? _____
7. Were firearms present at anytime during the hunt? _____
8. How many seasons have you hunted with the bow? _____
9. Have you previously received a WSAA Big Game Award? _____

Applicant Signature: _____

Witness Signature: _____

**Mail Application prior to 15 May to: Big Game Awards Chairman
Tom Burt, 560 Hawk Haven Road, Cle Elum WA 98922**

**WASHINGTON STATE ARCHERY ASSOCIATION
BIG BUCK / BULL AWARD APPLICATION**

From: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

To: WSAA Big Game Awards Chairman Date: _____

1. Please enter my _____ to be considered for the
WSAA BIG BUCK AWARD BIG BULL AWARD.
(Circle one; use additional applications if more than one species)
2. Have you submitted this animal for entry into the Washington State Big Game
Records? Yes No
If yes, the requirement for scoring form, fair chase affidavit, and photo to
accompany this application are waived.
3. Have you submitted the above animal into the Pope and Young Record
System? Yes No
If so, when? _____
4. Who was the official measurer? _____
5. What was the official score? _____
6. Have you submitted the above animal for WSAA's Big Game
("Stump") Award? Yes No When? _____

Applicant Signature: _____

Witness Signature: _____

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