

Alaska Trophy Adventures



2010 Hunts

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Stan Schmidt from Willows, CA and guide Hank Flatow with Stan's tremendous ram from 13D. 40 6/8" x 40 5/8" x 14 1/8". B&C green score 166 3/8. Stan took a 39 5/8" ram with us in 2003. He's going to keep applying to see if he can get an even bigger one.



Paul (left) and **John** (middle) **Leroux** from Thermopolis, WY and **Bert Scherer** (right) from Windsor, NY with John's 9' bear. We had a great time guiding these gentlemen on their spring bear hunt.



Mark Stock from Laramie, WY with his 9 3/8" mountain goat, green score 48 4/8 B&C. This great 9-year-old billy is just the kind of trophy we work so hard to take.



Steve Dodds from Oak Hills, CA with his beautiful 13D ram, 40" x 39 7/8" x 13", green score 158 5/8 B&C. Steve said it was always somebody else that got the Big One, not him. It's your turn, Steve. Congratulations!

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2010 was a great year for us, we went 100% on everything. We had a wonderful group of hunters and we made a lot of great friends. They all enjoyed their Alaskan experiences and we enjoyed sharing them.

Brown Bears We started our year hunting spring Brown bears on the Alaska peninsula. It was very challenging weather this spring! We had a five day blizzard with three foot drifts before the season even started. We only take two bear hunters on our spring hunt and guide them ourselves. We took our first bear on the fifth day of the hunt and the second bear on the 11th day. Our clients were two of the best gentlemen you could ever ask for! Both bears were boars, one squared 9' even and the other 8' 6".

Sheep The great news for 2010 is that the big rams are back in unit **13D**! This was the third year that the unit was on a draw permit basis and it has really made all the difference in trophy quality. All of our hunters in this unit saw at least one 40-inch class ram on their hunt. We went 5 for 5 on rams in 13D this year. Two of them made the magic 40 inch mark or better. Our biggest was 40 6/8" and green scored 166 3/8 B&C. Overall we averaged 38.3 inches on horn length. The horn lengths on these rams are 40 6/8", 40", 38", 37 4/8", and 35". In unit 13D we left on the mountain what I believe are a couple of rams in the 41" class and four or five in the 40" class. 2011 is looking like it will be a great year in this area. Those two big rams should be pushing 170 B&C next season, certainly in the high 160s.

We took one ram in our **14C** unit this year. He was 39 1/8". 14C is really hurting for big mature rams right now but the state has cut back the number of permits again this year and this unit should come back strong in a few years. There is an area or two that has a big ram in it right now, but the big ones are very scarce.

Mountain Goats We had another good year for mountain goats, going 4 for 4 on nice big billies. All of our billies were over 9" this year and the youngest was 8 years old. Our biggest goat measured 9 6/8" and green scored 50 0/8" B&C. Since I started business in 1993, all of our mountain goat hunters that have hunted seven days have been 100% successful. I think we have some of the easiest mountain goat hunts in North America, in some of the most spectacularly beautiful land you will ever see.

We had a great year in 2010 and are expecting an even better year in 2011. We can't thank our crew enough for all their hard work and dedication. Without them it wouldn't be possible. Thank you Nolan, Hank, Fred, Doug, Rick and Tom. I hope everybody has a great 2011 full of awesome adventures and takes home their trophy of a lifetime. We'll do our part to make sure our clients do!

Take care and good hunting,

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Dana and Jim Divis from Brewster, WA with Dana's 13D ram that she worked very hard for. 38" x 37 2/8" x 13 6/8". Green score is 159 0/8 B&C. Dana had a lot of challenges on this hunt and she met every one of them with a smile and kept going. She can cross this one off the list.



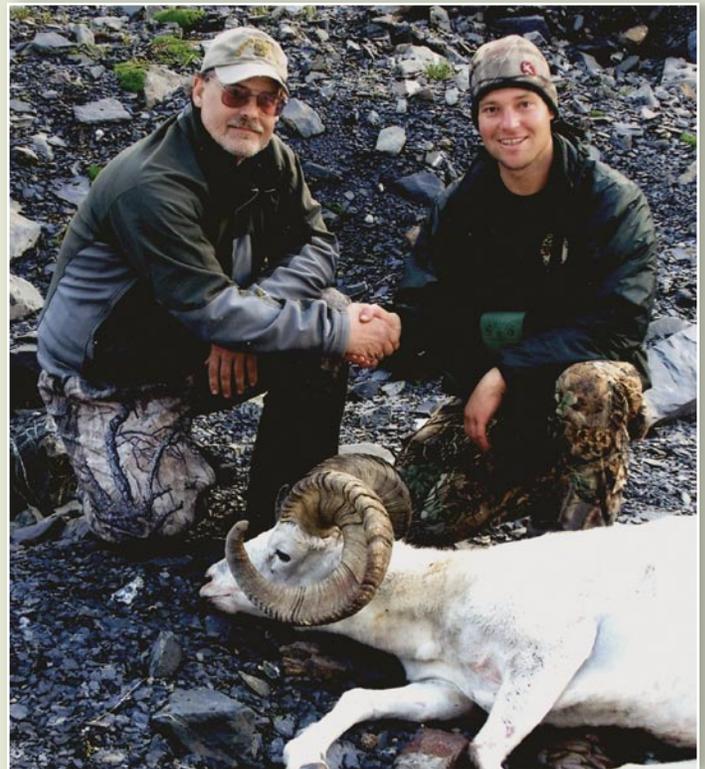
Jeff Choules from Pocatello, ID with his nice 37 1/2" 13D ram he took on opening day. Jeff was very impressed with the rugged country these rams live in but he was up to the challenge.



Nate Watne from Bemiji, MN with his giant old 9 3/8" billy, green score 48 6/8 B&C. Nate could have taken this big guy on his first day but he hunted him with his bow instead and took him on the fifth day with a rifle.



Sam Hern from Corning, OH with his 9 1/8-inch 10-year-old billy. Sam had a great time on his hunt. His only regret was missing a nice wolf.



Mark Gregson (left) from Davison, MI and guide Nolan Eck (right) with Mark's curl and a quarter 10-year-old ram from 14C; 39 1/8" x 36 4/8" x 12 4/8", green score 154 3/8 B&C. This is Mark's biggest Dall to date but he is putting in again to try for a bigger one.



Case Dewit from Missoula, MT with his 35" 13D ram. Case saw 27 rams his first day of hunting and one looked like a big 40-inch class ram. He shot this ram out of the door of his tent at daylight on the second day.



Nate Watne with a nice black bear he arrowed on his last day after taking a great mountain goat.



Mark Stock with his big boar black bear. The skull green scored 19 4/8 B&C. Mark got this old guy while checking out a landing strip for me with one of my guides.



Tony Gettel from Fergus Falls, MN with his 9 6/8" mountain goat he took on November 3rd, green score 50 0/8 B&C. This goat ended up in the bottom of a treacherous gorge and it took lots of rope and a whole day to get him out.

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