



WHITE-TAILED DEER ANTLER MEASURING AND JAWBONE AGING DISPLAY and EVENT

At the
57th Annual EASTERN SPORTS & OUTDOOR SHOW
State Farm Show Complex, Harrisburg PA
February 4-12, 2012

Co-Sponsored by:
PA State Chapter-QUALITY DEER MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS: Any legally obtained White-tailed Deer Mounted Head or Antlers (including shed antlers) may be submitted for scoring (B & C, P & Y, PGC, NEBBC, NASHC, NMLRA) and display at the Feature Display Area of the Show. (Any North American big game species can be officially scored, as time permits, but will not be entered in prize drawing.) Entries may be left for the day, a few days or the duration of the Show. Additional chances to win prizes will be available for those entries displayed for more than the day of scoring (one ticket for each day displayed) and also for white-tailed deer lower jawbones brought in for aging (3 tickets for each jawbone.)

ENTRY FEE/DONATION: \$15 for an Official Score, \$10 for non-official score. \$2 for each jawbone submitted for aging. Entries will be accepted every day of the show from opening until 2 hours before closing. All entrants who leave an entry for more than 1 day will be granted a half-day pass to pick up their entry at the event area on the agreed upon day at no charge.

Anyone leaving an entry for display, to be picked up the last day of the Show will be admitted to the Show free of charge after noon.

Entries will be scored and aged in the order received; some delays may result based on number of measurers available and number of heads received for scoring. Every attempt will be made to score all heads received on a given day by show closing at the end of that day.

ENTRIES and JUDGING: All entries will be scored and aged according to the appropriate scoring system. (Boone and Crockett, Pope and Young, PA Game Commission, North East Big Buck Club, National Muzzle Loading Rifle Association, North American Shed Hunters Club) Official measurers representing those organizations will be available each day of the show. Extra fees, forms and procedures may be required for trophy entry into record books of those organizations, forms and procedures will be available from official measurers at the event. Trained and experienced “unofficial measurers”, certified by PA QDMA, will be available to measure antlers for those not requiring an “official measurement”.

WINNERS OF PRIZES WILL BE DRAWN FROM A POOL OF ALL ENTRANTS- SCORE WILL NOT INFLUENCE YOUR CHANCE TO WIN.

The number of chances each entry has to win will be increased by leaving the head on display for more than the day that it is scored:

- 1 chance for entering head/antlers to be scored. (\$10 or \$15 donation)
- 1 extra chance for each full day left for display.
- 3 chances for each jawbone entered for aging. (\$2 donation) This is so we can build a database of the age of harvested deer in PA and especially to be able to correlate the age of Bucks with Antler Size

PRIZES: Gift certificates and various outdoor gear will be awarded to the winners. (Prizes still being solicited.)

DRAWING: Drawing for prizes will be held at 5:00 PM Sunday 2/12/12. Winners will be announced and prizes may be picked up after 5:30 PM. Winners not present Sunday will be notified by telephone and small prizes will be mailed. Winners of large items will be required to make arrangements for pick up or have it delivered at cost.

RECOGNITION: The Highest Scoring entries in all categories will be recognized on posters at the Display Area, in the News Media, in Magazine/Newsletter articles of the sponsoring organizations and announced at the end of the Show. The display categories will be:

PA DEER: Typical and non-typical; **OPEN:** (Deer from other areas): Typical and non-typical; **YOUTH:** Typical and non-typical; for entrants under 17 years old (when the deer was harvested); and **SHED ANTLERS** .

The results will be sent to numerous outdoor writers throughout PA and surrounding states and could show up in a number of different publications.

Also, the information gained from scoring and aging and particularly correlating age with the size of a buck’s antler could benefit future deer management strategies and/or programs.

CONTACTS: For Further information about the above event or sponsoring organizations contact:

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