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2017 Fall & 2018 Winter

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Nick Jorae



Eric Kuhlman



David Gabel



John Arnaudo



Russell Nichols



David Perry



Lewis Leavitt



Fred Prehn



Jan Vardner



Carson Byram

Mackin Outfitting - Fall and Winter Newsletter 2017/2018

With our cougar hunts all wrapped up and spring right around the corner I have finally got into the office to look back on another highly successful season here at Mackin Outfitting.

The season began on September 1st after a busy month of scouting the area for mature bucks and visiting with landowners. First clients to arrive were repeat hunters Russell Nichols and David Perry of Maryland. Despite the extremely hot and dry condition's both guys arrowed real nice bucks in the mid 160 class. The second group to come was Lewis Leavitt and his brother in law Tom Woodside from Texas. On day three Lewis made a great shot on a huge 186" buck after an 8 hour stalk in the heat and forest fire smoke! Unfortunately Tom did not get his buck as his sights were set on a monster buck he tried for on day 1 but the buck did not provide a good opportunity the rest of the week. The third hunt brought David Gabel of Pennsylvania on his first mule deer hunt. Guide Cody Symonds did a great job helping David reach his goal tagging an old heavy massed buck that scored 184"! We ended September on another high note when good friend and repeat client Eric Kuhlman of Ohio returned to hunt mule deer. This year the stars are aligned for Eric as he was able to harvest his largest ever buck a beautiful 198" monarch, great job Eric! Our last bow hunters of the season arrived in early October both repeat clients here with us. Hughes Marcotte of Quebec had an exciting hunt getting up close and personal with a couple giant bucks and unfortunately the arrow didn't penetrate well and he got away. Next Dale Gaugler of Maryland arrived who was very accommodating with us have to reschedule his hunt from early September due to wild fire conditions. Dale and guide Cody worked very hard getting in on many bucks throughout the week and did get a shot a big buck but he sadly got away.

To start our rifle season we were joined by our good friend Nick Jorae of Michigan. Day 3 of the hunt things fell together for us with Nick harvesting his best buck to date in Alberta a classy large framed buck that taped out at 185". Winter weather arrived just in time for our second rifle hunt in early November. Carson Byram of North Dakota joined guide Cody to brave the deep snow conditions and tag a real nice typical framed 4 x 4. Fred Prehn and I pushed through the deep snow in pursuit of an old non typical buck, on the second day we caught up to him and Fred made a great shot on a real cool heavy buck that scored 186". The weather improved mid-November for the next hunt when repeat client Matt Lund of California brought his friend John Arnaudo up to hunt rutting Alberta Mule Deer. On Day 2 things got exciting when a buck from archery season reappeared with a herd of does, after a steep climb John was able to tag his first Alberta Muley, a giant non-typical 179" buck! A couple days later after looking at numerous bucks throughout the area Matt found the one he wanted. After a being stuck in a white out blizzard we were able to get back on the deer and Matt harvested a real nice mature typical buck. For our last big game of the season new clients Jan Varner and his nephew Kevin drove up from Montana in search of some trophy bucks. With the snow melted away we were able to cover lots of ground and look at numerous mature bucks in the full rut. On day 3 Kevin spotted the buck he wanted and after a great stalk he made a great shot on a real nice 170 class heavy buck, great work Kevin! Jan was fortunate on his second last day to harvest a tremendous heavy and wide and very old buck after hours of patience were needed waiting for the buck to provide a quality shot.

After the fall season was completed, WOW is all I could say as we had the best season to date for harvesting huge mature bucks, both myself and the clients all felt very privileged to have such an opportunity!!

In January the cougar hunting crew; good friends Paul Pierunek and Bob Earl arrived to take advantage of the great snow conditions. This year our client was Denny Forchic of Utah who was in search of a mature tom. After 5 days of snowmobiling around our vast cougar hunting territory the right track was located. Paul's proven hounds did a super job and Denny was able to harvest the huge Alberta cougar of his dreams!

Myself & my wife Angie, are directly involved in all aspects of our mule deer hunts, elk hunts, cougar hunts, black bear hunts and coyote hunts, making sure that every detail of your hunting experience is looked after.

Thanks to all for making this another great and memorable season. If you are interested in booking a hunt with Mackin Outfitting please contact myself Tyson at 403-625-0675 or tyson@mackinoutfitting.com. For more information on our hunts please go to our website at www.mackinoutfitting.com