W.M.L.A.

2022 BIG GAME AWARDS FINAL REPORT

There are six entries for 2022 as of 1,9,2023

Black Bear: (One)

Whitetail Deer: (Five)

Wild Turkey: {Spring} - (None)

Wild Turkey: {Fall} - (None)

Canadian Goose: (None)

Predator Entries: (None)



A Black Bear: A 16 year old sow was harvested by Norm Hotz of Eagle WI.on September, 9,2022 and witnessed by Pete Baumgnn. The bear was harvested in Bayfield County, WI. Norm used a CVA Accura inline muzzle loading rifle with a Konus scope and a 250 grain Hornady sabot bullet and 120 grains of black powder with a 209 primer. No official score was taken, The estimated score was: A 16 year old Black Bear Sow, that weighted 212 pounds dressed. Entered into the W.M.L.A. Big Game Record book as such.

A Whitetail Deer: (A 12pt. buck) was harvested by Scott Donovan of Waukesha, WI. Scott harvested the deer on December, 3,2022 in Sauk County, and witnessed by Scott Donovan Sr. Scott used a Traditions Pursuit 50 cal. rifle, 95.5 grains of loose black powder, and a Hornady sabot bullet. He had been hunting the deer for 2 seasons and with the conditions perfect on a cold day, with the wind in his favor, he made a shot at 260 yards and the deer went less than 50 yards. After the 60 day drying period the official score by Ronald Walter, Official Wisconsin Buck and Bear measurer, the final score was 138 5/8 points. The 12 point buck moves Scott Donovan in 5TH place in the W.M.L.A. Big Game Record Book. Jon R. Erdmann held 5th. place in the record book since November, 3, 1996 with a score for his 10 point buck of 138 3/8. Jon now moves into 6th place.

A Whitetail Deer: (A 8pt. buck) was harvested by Bill Swenson of Madison, WI. Witnessed by his son Will. Bill harvested the buck on December 2, 2022 on land in Vermont, township between MT. Horeb and Black Earth, WI. Bill shot the buck with a T.V.M. Tennessee 50 cal. percussion long rifle that he built from a kit over 20 years ago .Bill used a patched round ball with 90 grains of 2f black powder. The estimated score for the 8pt. buck was 70 – 80 pts. He did not have it officially scored. (pin award).

A Whitetail deer: (A spike buck) was harvested by Gary Lang of Stratford, WI. and witnessed by his wife Lori Lang. Gary harvested the buck on December, 4,2022 on land he owns in Marathon County. Gary used a T/C Black Diamond 50 cal. rifle with a Nikon 3X9 power scope. He used a Traditions Smack down 250 gr. sabot bullet, 90 grains of Triple (7) 2ff powder and a Winchester 209 primer for muzzle loaders. Gary dropped the deer at 110 yards with a good shot, (No tracking). No score given! (pin award).

A Whitetail deer: (A spike buck) was harvested by Charlie Brown of Milton, Wisconsin on November, 19,2022 and witnessed by Ray Brown. The buck had 5 inch spikes with three non scoring points on each spike. Charlie shot the deer on land that he owns near Lone Rock, Wisconsin. Charlie made his one shot kill using a Harpers Ferry 54 Cal. flintlock rifle. No score given! (pin award).

A whitetail deer: (A nub buck) was harvested by Harley Whitt of Beloit, Wisconsin. on November, 19,2022 in Crawford County, WI. and witnessed by Ron Machajewski.

Harley shot the deer using a 54 cal. under hammer muzzle loading rifle (Old Greensides) with 95 grains of 2ff black powder and a .530 round ball. A 60 yard off hand shot was made with no tracking. No score given! (pin award).

The above is the Wisconsin Muzzle Loading Association Inc. Big Game final report for the year 2022 .

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