

NPHA BIG GAME CONTEST

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

Species (Bear, Boar, Bobcat or Lion) _____

Date Killed _____ Location _____

Number of dogs used _____ (Plotts Only) / Owner of dogs: _____

Witness to Kill _____ / ____ / ____
(Signature) (Date)

(Address) (Phone number)

MEASUREMENT _____ Date Measured _____

MEASURED BY _____ / ____ / ____
(Signature) (Date)

(Address) (Phone number)

MEASURE WITNESSED BY: _____ / ____ / ____
(Signature) (Date)

(Address) (Phone number)

ENTRANTS SIGNATURE _____ / ____ / ____
(Person entering contest) (Date)

--- MUST BE PAID UP NPHA MEMBER TO ENTER.

---This form must be completed and forwarded to the NPHA Secretary no later than two weeks prior to Plott Days.

---Contest runs from July 16 of current year to July 15 of the following year.

--- A picture must be submitted with each entry.

---Witness will be contacted to prevent fraud.

--- Owner of Plott Dogs responsible for the kill is eligible for this award, even if he or she didn't kill the animal.

Bear - Boone & Crockett Skull Measurement

Lion - Boone & Crockett Skull Measurement

Boar - Length of tusk from tip to base of jawbone

Bobcat - Whole weight

(Official scoring form is also required for Bear and Lion entries)

BEAR EVENT RULES

N.P.H.A.

I. DRAG RACE

- A. THE DRAG RACE IS DIVIDED INTO TWO (2) CATEGORIES: LINE AND TREE.
- B. DOGS WILL BE DIVIDED INTO HEATS, NO MORE THAN SIX (6) DOGS IN EACH HEAT.
- C. HEAT WINNERS WILL ADVANCE TO SEMI-FINALS AND SEMI-FINALS WILL ADVANCE TO FINALS. (LINE WINNERS COMPETE AGAINST LINE WINNERS AND TREE WINNERS COMPETE AGAINST TREE WINNERS).
- D. ONLY THE FIRST PLACE LINE AND TREE DOGS IN EACH HEAT WILL ADVANCE TO SEMI-FINALS AND FINALS.
- E. DOG THAT PASS THROUGH LINE FLAG WITHIN THIRTY (30) FEET DIAMETER OF HOME TREE IS AWARDED FIRST TREE.
- F. LINE FLAGS TO BE APPROXIMATELY ONE HUNDRED (100) YARDS FROM HOME TREE AND APPROXIMATELY 100 FEET APART.
- G. DOGS WILL WEAR COLORED COLLARS.
- H. DOGS WILL BE ALLOWED FIFTEEN (15) MINUTES FROM TIME OF RELEASE TO RUN TRACK AND CROSS LINE. AFTER FIRST DOG CROSSES LINE, FIFTEEN (15) MINUTES WILL BE ALLOWED TO QUALIFY FOR TREE.
- I. DOGS INVOLVED IN FALSE STARTING IN SEMI AND GRAND FINALS WILL BE DISQUALIFIED.
- J. NO ONE IS PERMITTED WITHIN FIFTY (50) FEET OF RACE COURSE, LINE FLAGS OR HOME TREE EXCEPT JUDGES, BEAR HANDLER, AND DOG HANDLER.

II. BEAR BAY

- A. DOGS WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO MAKE CONTACT WITH BEAR.
- B. DOGS WILL BE KEPT ON A LEASH AT ALL TIMES.
- C. DOGS COMPETE ONE AT A TIME.
- D. HEATS WILL BE ONE (1) MINUTE DURATION.
- E. EVENT WILL BE JUDGED BY THREE (3) JUDGES.
- F. WINNERS WILL BE DETERMINED BY MOST BARKS PER MINUTE.
 - 1. TIES WILL BE RE-ENTERED AND BROKE.
- G. TROPHIES AWARDED WILL BE A MINIMUM OF THREE (3) PLACES MAXIMUM OF FIVE (5) PLACES.
- H. DOGS WAITING TO ENTER WILL BE KEPT FIFTY (50) FEET FROM DOGS COMPETING AT ALL TIMES.

GENERAL INFORMATION

- A. THE BEAR EVENT IS DESIGNED TO DISPLAY THE QUALITIES REQUIRED TO SUCCESSFULLY CATCH BEAR WITH HOUNDS. THE DOG MUST HAVE TRACKING ABILITY, SPEED, TREEING ABILITY, AGGRESSIVENESS, AGILITY, COURAGE, STAMINA, AND INTELLIGENCE. EACH EVENT WILL BE JUDGED BY NO MORE THAN THREE (3) JUDGES.

BEAR CHAMPIONSHIP

- A. THIS EVENT IS THE MEANS BY WHICH ANNUAL NPHA BEAR DOG CHAMPIONS ARE NAMED. CHAMPIONS ARE NAMED IN THESE CATEGORIES: LINE, TREE, AND MOST AGGRESSIVE. THIS EVENT IS HELD IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE ANNUAL PLOTT DAYS EVENT.

NOTE: VARIATIONS TO THE EVENT AT THE VARIOUS SECTIONALS, SUCH AS PACK EVENT, MAY BE HELD IF TIME PERMITS AND THERE SEEMS TO BE ENOUGH INTEREST. ALL ENTRY FEES ARE SET BY HOST CLUB.



OFFICIAL SCORING SYSTEM FOR NORTH AMERICAN BIG GAME TROPHIES
Records of North American Big Game

Minimum Score:

Alaska Brown 28
Black Bear 21
Grizzly 24
Polar Bear 27

BEAR

Kind of Bear _____

Sex _____

SEE INSTRUCTIONS BELOW	Measurements
A. Greatest Length without Lower Jaw	
B. Greatest Width	
TOTAL AND FINAL SCORE	
Exact locality where killed	
Date killed	By whom killed
Present owner	
Address	
Guide's Name and Address	
Remarks: (mention any abnormalities or unique qualities)	

I certify that I have measured the above trophy on _____ day of 20_____

At

(address) _____ City _____ State _____

And that these measurements and data are, to the best of my knowledge and belief, made in accordance with the instructions given.

Witness: _____ Signature _____

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Measurer

Official

INSTRUCTIONS FOR MEASURING BEAR

Measurements are taken with calipers or by using parallel perpendiculars, to the nearest **one-sixteenth** of an inch, without reduction of fractions. Official measurements cannot be taken for at least sixty days after the animal was killed. All adhering flesh, membrane and cartilage must be completely removed **before** official measurements are taken.

A. Greatest Length is measured between perpendiculars parallel to the long axis of the skull, without the lower jaw and excluding malformations.

B. Greatest Width is measured between perpendiculars at right angles to the long axis.