

2017 BIGGEST YEARLING BUCK CONTEST

Whitetails of Wisconsin & Wisconsin Cervid Farmers Foundation Biggest Yearling contest

Whitetails of Wisconsin (WOW) and its foundation, the Wisconsin Cervid Farmers Foundation (WCFF), will be sponsoring a 3rd Annual “Biggest Yearling Buck Contest.”

The contest will consist of two categories; one for the largest non-typical yearling and one for the largest typical yearling. The only way to be eligible for the contest is to win or purchase a straw of semen at the Whitetails of Wisconsin 2017 annual meeting.

Donated straws of semen can be purchased on the silent or live auction at the 2017 WOW meeting. Various games will be available at the meeting for a chance at winning a straw of donated semen.

Semen donors can choose to have their straw of semen placed in the auction or placed in a game/raffle. This will be the donor’s preference.

\$2000 will be awarded to the winner in each category. The winner of each category will also receive a free full page ad and an article featuring their farms in the Whitetails of Wisconsin newsletter.

The donors of the semen that produce the largest yearlings in each category will receive a free full page ad and an article featuring their farms in the Whitetails of Wisconsin newsletter. The donors will also receive a life time membership to Whitetails of Wisconsin or a \$500 cash prize.

Rules for the contest:

1. Semen will need to be used in the 2017 breeding season.
2. A maximum of 3 does can be bred per straw of semen. **(SUGGESTION: If your does are not already DNA’d, pull their hair samples at time of breeding.)**
3. All does will need to be declared by completing the attached Doe Declaration form and providing it to the WCFF Office with each doe’s official tag number, secondary tag number and pedigree and submit it prior to or at the 2018 Annual WOW Banquet.
4. Doe DNA numbers need to be registered with WCFF by **August 1, 2018.**
5. Each winning yearling buck will need the buck’s antlers DNA certified in order to be eligible for the contest payout. The cost to DNA certify the antlers will be absorbed by WOW.
6. No limit on the amount of entries per farm/ranch.
7. Buyers of semen who do not AI can partner with someone else who does AI or can buy an open doe and AI the doe at another farm.
8. The contest is not limited to Wisconsin buyers and is open to everyone.
9. Scoring of the antlers will be done at the 2020 WOW meeting by an official SCI scoring panel.
10. All semen donated to WOW or WCFF cannot be resold.



2017 Biggest Yearling Contest Doe Declaration

As someone who purchased a straw of semen or won a straw of semen at the Whitetails of Wisconsin's annual fundraiser in 2017, you are receiving this letter as notification of the deadline for submitting doe identification as entry into the contest. **The deadline for submitting this form stating the does' tag numbers and pedigrees is prior to or at the 2018 WOW Banquet.** Pedigrees for each doe **MUST** be included with this form.

As stated in the contest rules, for each straw obtained at the 2017 WOW Auction, no more than three dams are eligible for the contest. If you only bred one or two does with the straw of semen, only submit those numbers. Three does is the maximum allowed. Please sign and date the form, include the numbers of the three does that were bred to the semen you won or purchased April 8, 2017 at the WOW banquet, and return the form to:

Whitetails of Wisconsin/WCFF
525 Old Highway Road
Mineral Point, WI 53565

ID for Doe #1: Official ID _____, Secondary Tag _____
ID for Doe #2: Official ID _____, Secondary Tag _____
ID for Doe #3: Official ID _____, Secondary Tag _____
Semen Used: Buck Name _____ DNA # _____ if available

Doe DNA numbers are due by August 1, 2018.

Final DNA submission will be retrieved from each of the winning yearling buck's antlers of which WOW will absorb the cost of testing through NADR.

Date _____
Signature _____
Farm Name _____
Phone Number _____

WOW will be using NADR for DNA registration. The link to their website is: http://deerregistry.com/?page_id=7 If you register your animals online at this address, the cost per animal is \$68.

If you do not use the online service, cost of DNA is \$75 per animal. The form to submit a DNA sample can be found online at the same link.

The DNA sample can be mailed to:
North American Deer Registry
1601 Medical Center Dr., Suite 1
Edmond, OK 73034

