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# 2004 HUNT REPORT



Pictured above are Gary Young Jr. and Sr. of Winfield, WV with Gary Jr.'s outstanding ram. This ram, at 38", scored 169 1/8 B&C and was guided by Tavis Molnar. Gary Sr. also took a nice 11-year-old ram and they both got caribou.



Proudly posing with her exceptional 41", 167 B&C ram is Cheri Mower of Salem, UT. Cheri and her husband, Darick, who also took a nice ram, were guided by Kaleb Molnar and Travis Wright. Cheri also shot a nice caribou.



Shown here is Howard Kirbyson of Alberta. Howard went home with this fantastic ram and an excellent caribou on a hunt guided by Cam Sidam. Howard's ram was 41 1/2" x 41" and scored 166 B&C.

Our 2004 hunting season was excellent. The season started out extremely dry and smoky. We had very few local fires but in the Yukon to the west, it was one of the worst fire seasons ever, so we dealt with Yukon and Alaskan smoke for a good part of the season. Although there were a few days of limited visibility here and there, the smoke didn't affect the success of any hunts. Our overall success rate for the year was 95%. There was little rain all season so it made for generally good hunting conditions throughout the season. The weather was fairly seasonable for the latter part of the season.

Our hunters went home with many excellent rams, with the average at 37.5" (including broomed rams) and a 10-year-old average. We took some excellent caribou all throughout the season, with two of them gross-scoring over 425 B&C. We also had a great year on moose - our hunters were 4 for 4, with the average at 60" and the widest at 64". One of the highlights of the season was the fact that we had eight women hunters out with us. When you look at the photos here, you'll see that they all did very well. Another highlight was the fact that, at 88 years old, Alex Van Bibber is still willing and able to work with us in the hunting business - Alex hasn't missed a year in the mountains since the 1940's!

Our hunting concession is huge, covering some 10,000 square miles. Every season, we make a few more airstrips which opens up some new country to hunting. We get many repeat hunters every year - backpack hunting seems to attract a special breed of hunters that come north to enjoy the physical challenge of a mountain backpack hunt, the spectacular scenery, the camaraderie and of course, the abundance of wildlife. Our entire crew works hard to make sure that you have a safe, enjoyable and successful experience with us.



Back for his second hunt with us is Dr. Walter Loewe of Germany. Walter took this great caribou that grossed 417 B&C and a nice, heavy ram that is shown inside this hunt report. He was guided by Tavis Molnar.

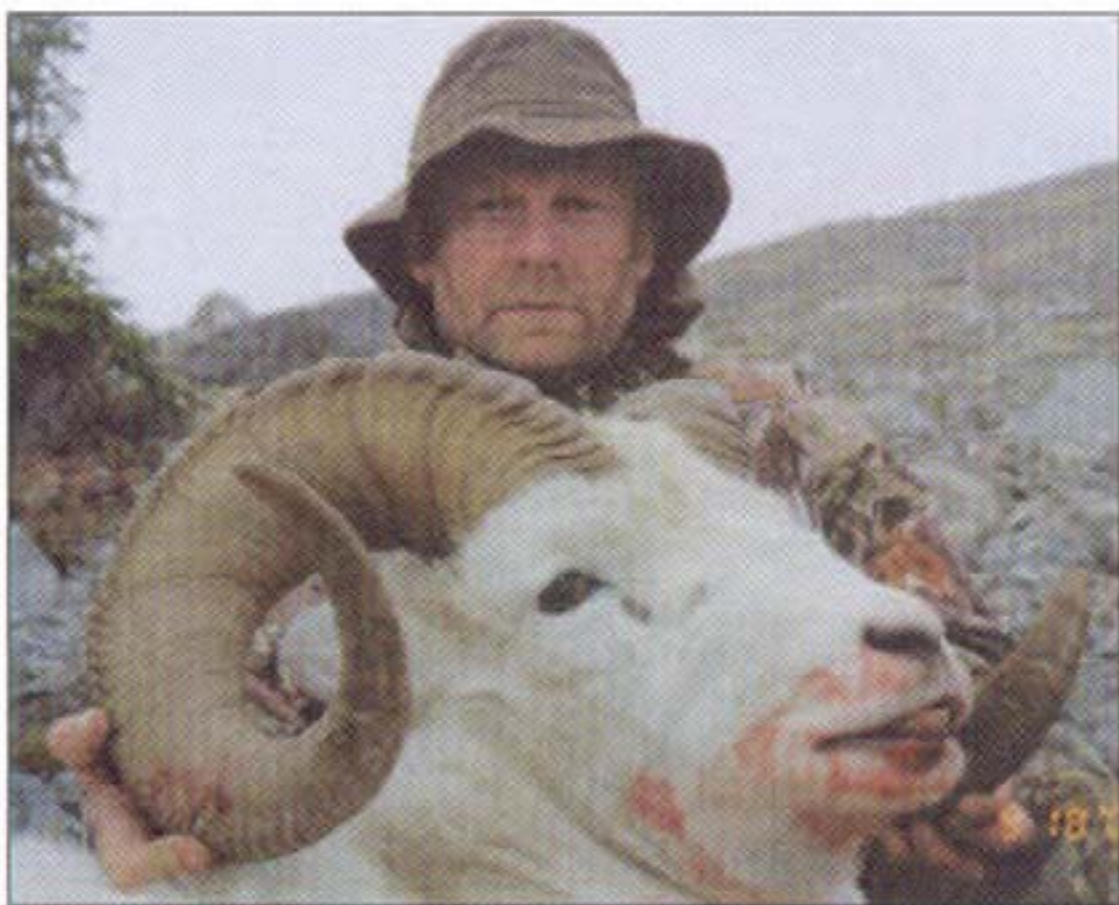


John Starcher, DDS (right) of Charleston, WV is shown here with his 40+ heavy-duty ram and guide Brett Laye. John came north with five friends; they all went home with nice rams and some caribou, all pictured in this report.



Bob and Linda Strong of Steamboat Springs, CO booked a mixed-bag hunt with us. Bob is shown here with his excellent, heavy moose. He was guided by Tavis Molnar. Bob's caribou is pictured inside.

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**North Mackenzie Mountains, N.W.T.**



Pictured above is Ed Monk of Sprakers, NY. Ed has hunted with us several times before and this time booked a 16-day mixed-bag hunt. He is shown here with his beautiful late-season ram and 60"+ moose, guided by Brett Laye.



Craig Flinders of Clarkston, WA booked an early-season hunt and harvested this nice ram and a respectable caribou, guided by Brett Laye.



Linda and Bob Strong of Steamboat Springs, CO are shown here with Bob's excellent caribou on a hunt guided by Cam Sidam.



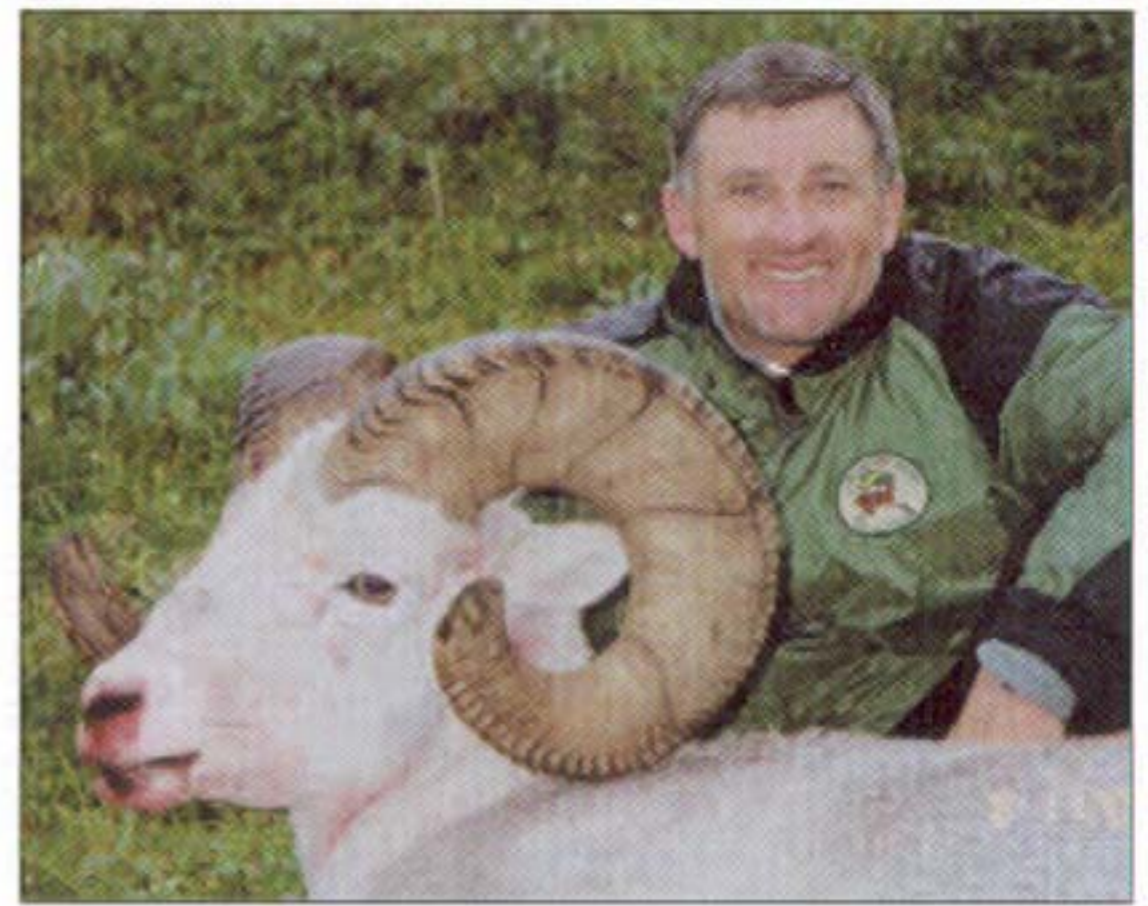
George Earley of Garrett, PA came north with friends and took this nice, even flaring ram on a hunt guided by Travis Wright.



Steven Duncan, MD of Pittsburgh, PA went on a marathon cross-country hunt with guide Brett Laye and was rewarded with this niceley broomed 12-year-old ram.



Garth Carter of Cedar City, UT is shown above with his two beautiful trophies taken on a mid-season hunt guided by Brett Lave. Garth and Brett ended up making a new airstrip which opens up some new hunting country for the future.



Pictured with Chris' ram are Tracy and Chris Dianda of Carson City, NV. They hunted some new country with guide Kaleb Molnar. Chris also got a caribou and a wolf.



Craig Wilson of Las Vegas, NV took this very nice 12-year-old ram on an early-season hunt that was guided by Kaleb Molnar.



Amy and Kevin Peterson of Reno, NV returned again and are shown here with Amy's great 64" moose, taken with guide Derek Bruce.



Jim Speck of Incline Village, NV hunted hard with guide Cam Sidam and took this nice, evenly-flared 11-year-old ram in some rough coal country.



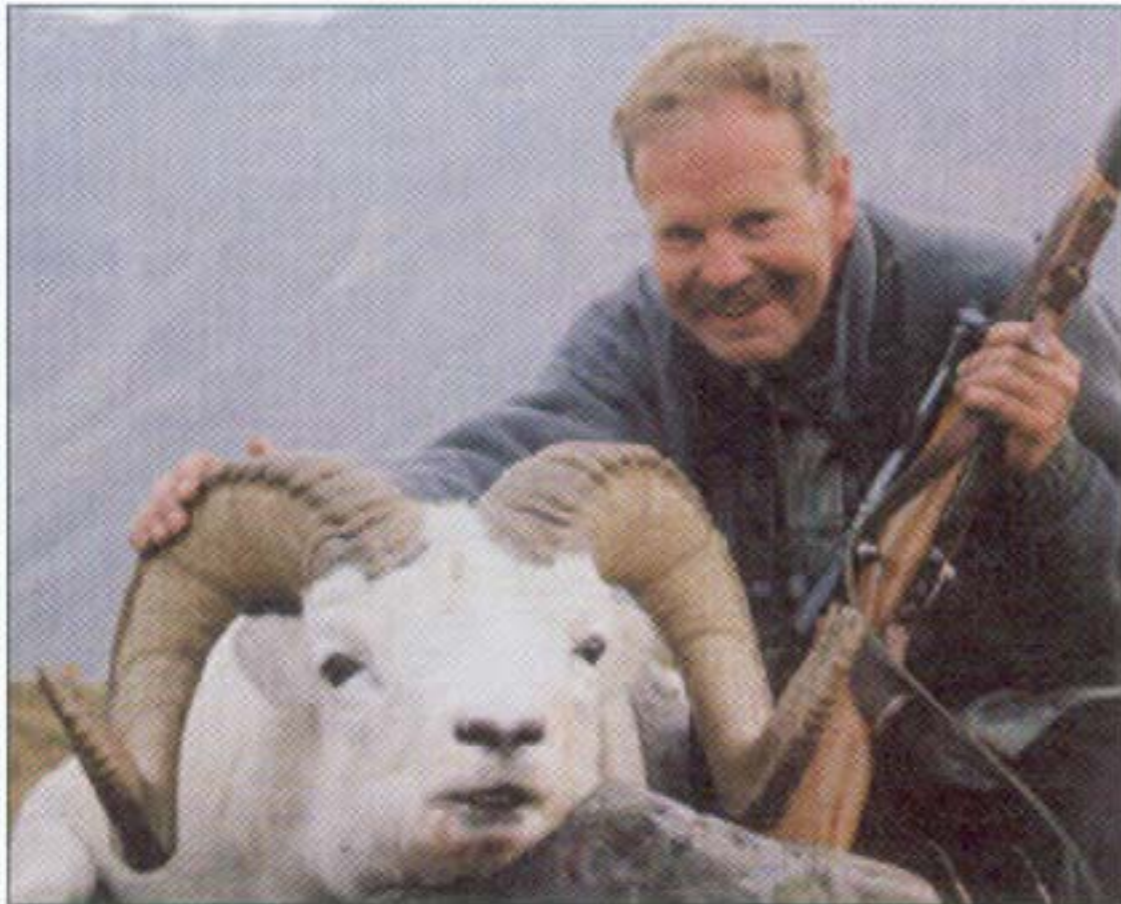
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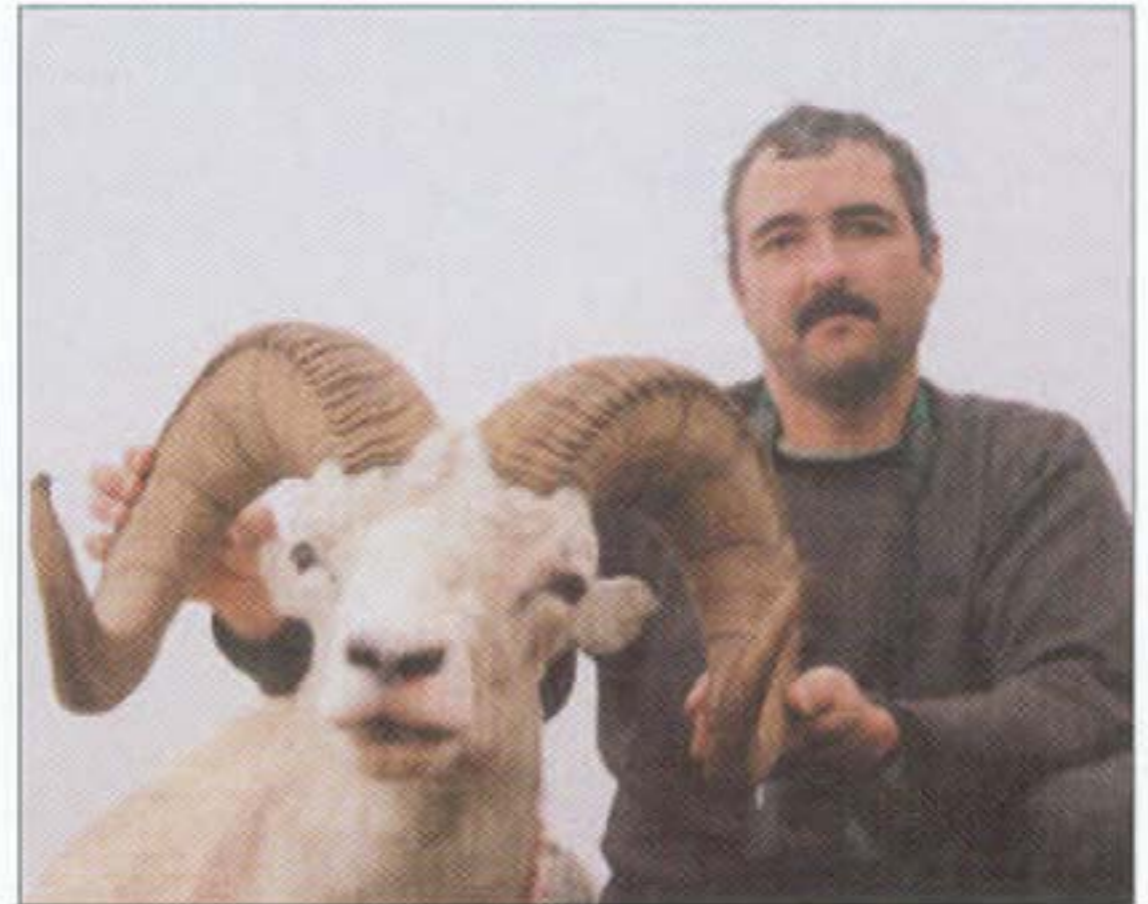
Christine Wooldridge and Chris Winkel of Reno, NV endured winter-like conditions on their caribou hunt and went home with two nice caribou, guided by Al Klassen.



Glenn Koch of Fairfield, ID booked our first hunt of the year and took this long, pretty, wide-flaring ram on a hunt, guided by Brett Laye.



Dr. Walter Loewe of Germany is shown here with his nice, evenly-broomed ram on a hunt guided by Tavis Molnar. Walter's great caribou is pictured on the cover.



Jesus Gutierrez of Mexico returned for his third hunt with us and got this nice heavy 11-year-old ram and a wolf, guided by Tavis Molnar.



Rob Niedemayer of Cranbrook, BC returned for his third hunt and is pictured here with his beautiful, wide-flaring ram taken on the first hunt, guided by Al Klassen and Travis Wright.



Maurus Sorg, MD is shown here proudly posing with his dandy 11-year-old ram taken on a smoky early-season hunt, guided by Cam Sidam.



Pictured here are Dana Corbett (left) of Madison, WI and his guide Travis Wright with Dana's very respectable caribou taken on a late-season hunt.



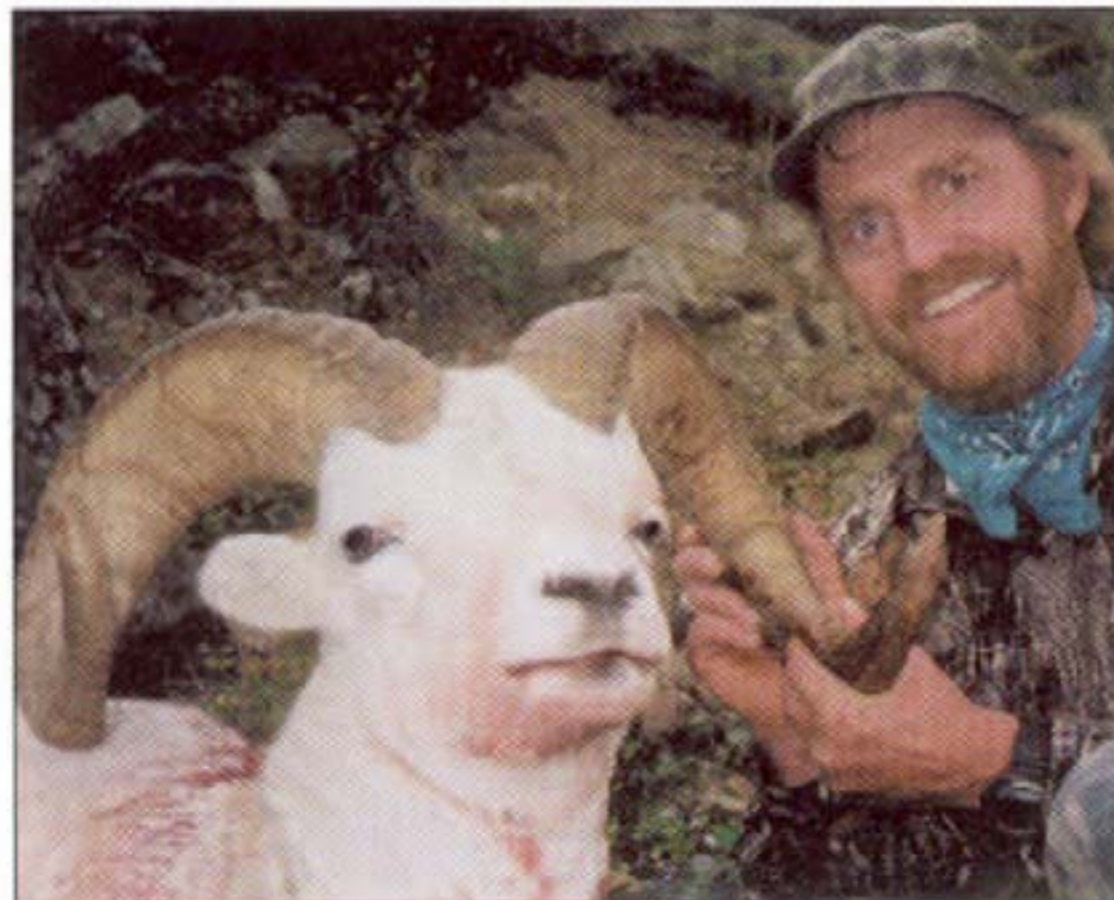
Bill Gadd of Bridgeport, WV came north with friends to hunt sheep and got this nice, twister ram on his first hunting day. Bill was guided by Al Klassen.



Shown above is Paul Stuart from Middletown, NY. Paul got this heavy and even ram near the end of his hunt, guided by Derek Bruce.



Glenn Livelsberger (left) and his son Tegan (right) hunted with guides Travis Wright (center) and Kaleb Molnar to harvest two respectable caribou on a late-season hunt.



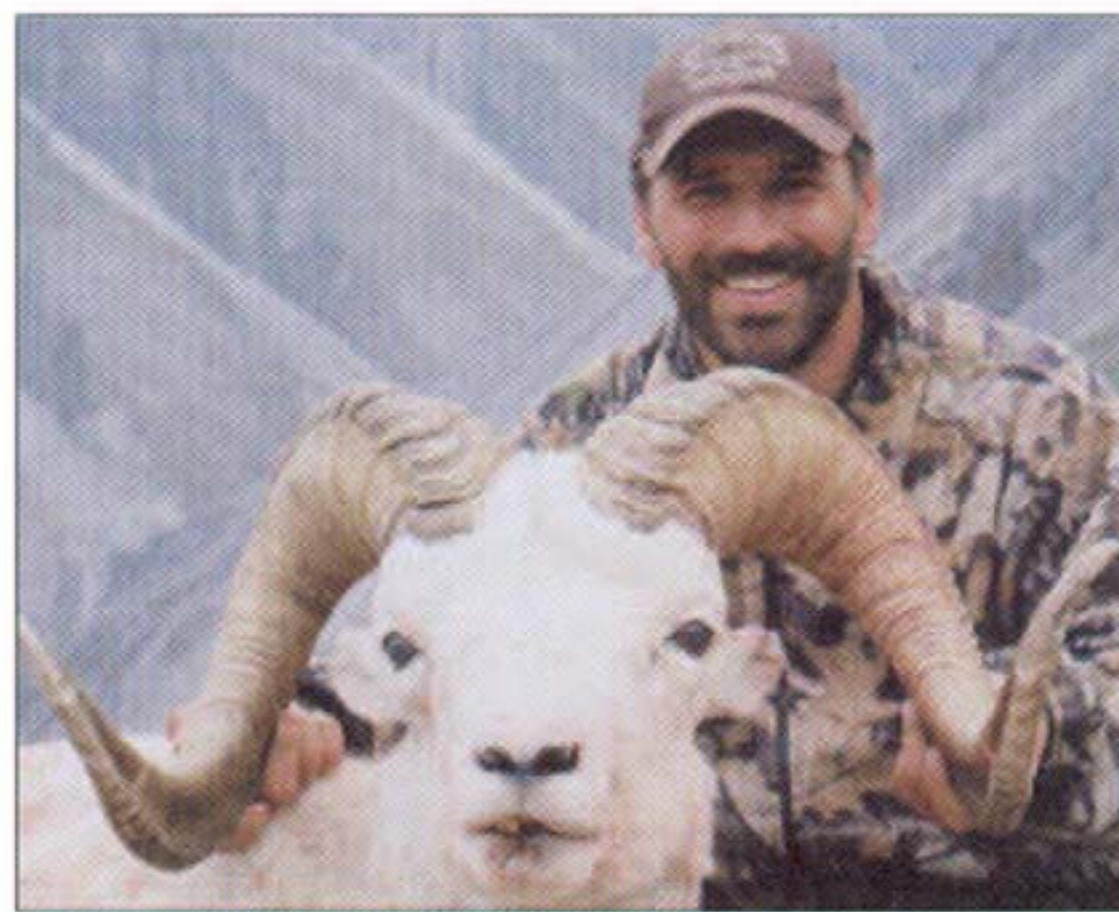
Jeff Shoaf of Aspen, CO is shown here happily posing with his nice and even ram taken on a mid-season hunt, guided by Kaleb Molnar.



Pictured above is Tom Petry of Canton, SD with his exceptionally pretty flaring ram. Tom also took home a nice caribou and was guided by Travis Wright.



Brittany Streissguth (left), winner of our donated FNAWS youth hunt, and her mother Sharon from Snoqualmie, WA both got excellent caribou guided by Kaleb Molnar and Travis Wright.



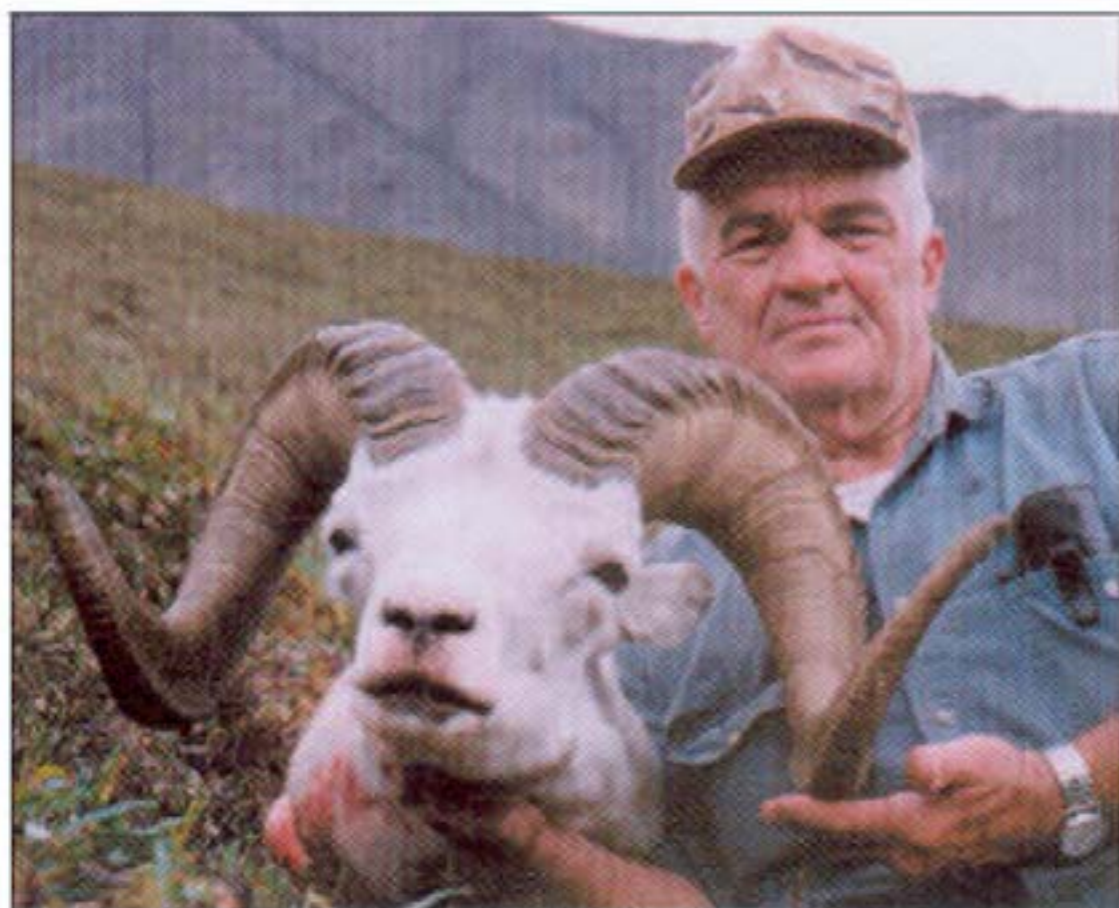
Ryan Foutz of North SLC, UT came north with friends to hunt sheep. Ryan hunted hard and was rewarded with this very even and pretty ram near the end of his hunt with guide Tavis Molnar.



Shown above is Gary Greensage of Houston, TX. Gary took this beautiful flaring ram and a caribou that grossed 431 B&C on a hunt guided by Al Klassen.



Dan Murphy of West Winfield, NY shot this exceptionally heavy and evenly broomed ram on a cross-country hunt with guide Cam Sidam.



Bill Foose from Montague, NJ returned for his fourth hunt with us and took this dandy long ram with guide Cam Sidam.



Daryl Rice of Sitka, AK booked our 16-day mixed-bag hunt and took home three beautiful trophies including this nicely palmated record-book caribou.