



Texas Trophy Hunters Association™ and Nikon™ Sport Optics

Present

The 2009 Hunters Extravaganza®
ANNUAL DEER COMPETITION

RULES

ELIGIBILITY

The Hunters Extravaganza® Deer Competition is open only to current members of the Texas Trophy Hunters Association™ and their immediate family (immediate family is specifically limited to spouse and minor children).

All entries must have been killed (picked up deer are not eligible) during the 2008-2009 season (excluding Division V: Best in Previous Five Seasons—see additional rules), and by legal means as described in the applicable state's game laws. High-fenced ranches must be 200 acres or more. All entries must have been killed by the contestant (person entering the animal) though the physical entry at a Hunter Extravaganza event may be made by a person appointed by the entrant to act in the capacity of a designated alternate. The alternate must provide all necessary entry information at the time of entry. Each deer may be entered only in one (1) Hunters Extravaganza event (San Antonio, Houston, or Dallas/Ft. Worth). Official contestant photos of each entrant or their designated alternate will be taken at the time of entry. All entrants release use of their photos and likeness for marketing and promotional use by TTHA. All entries MUST remain on display until after the awards presentation (4:00 p.m. Sunday of each show).

Immediate Disqualification will occur for any entry that is determined by TTHA Contest Officials to be found (picked up), purchased, taken prior to the current competition, or a mounted shed. All decisions will be final!

ENTRY DEADLINE

All entries must be registered for competition no later than 4:00 p.m. Saturday afternoon on the weekend of each city's Hunters Extravaganza. The official Time Clock is located in the TTHA Deer Scoring Booth. Entries may be registered as early as Friday at 3:00 p.m.

SCORING PROCEDURES

TTHA Contest Officials of the 2009 Hunters Extravaganza Annual Deer Competition will score each entry utilizing **net** scores, as determined by the Boone and Crockett (B&C) method of scoring, with the following exception regarding non-typical classification: bucks possessing fifteen (15) or more inches of non-typical antler will be considered by the TTHA Contest Officials to be non-typical entries. Bucks possessing less than fifteen (15) inches of non-typical antler will be considered by the Contest Officials to be typical entries. A score sheet prepared by a certified B&C official may be accepted by TTHA Contest Officials as a 2009 Hunters Extravaganza Annual Deer Competition score sheet at the discretion of the TTHA Chief Scorer. All scores and decisions of the TTHA Chief Scorer are final.



DIVISIONS & CATEGORIES

There are four primary Divisions for which entrants may qualify:

DIVISION I: Modern Arms – Open Range

DIVISION II: Modern Arms – High Fence

DIVISION III: Archery – Open Range

DIVISION IV: Archery – High Fence

Within each of the four primary Divisions are three Regional Subdivisions:

- **North Texas**
- **South Texas (including Mexico)**
- **Out of State (U.S. & Canada)**

For Divisions I-IV only, each entry will be made in the qualifying Regional Subdivision (under either the typical or non-typical classification) in the following six categories as it applies to the status of each contestant on August 31, 2008:

- **Adult Male (17-64 years old)**
- **Senior Male (65 years and older)**
- **Ladies/Women (17 years and older)**
- **Senior Ladies/Women (65 years and older)**
- **Youth Male (16 years and younger)**
- **Youth Female (16 years and younger)**

In addition to the four primary Divisions, two special Divisions for which entrants may qualify:

DIVISION V: Best Whitetail in Previous Five Seasons

Only deer killed during the 2003-2004 through 2007-2008 seasons will qualify in this division in the following Regional Subdivision categories:

- North Texas
- South Texas & Mexico
- Out of State (U.S. & Canada)

DIVISION VI: Best Texas Mule Deer

Only mule deer killed in Texas during the 2008-2009 season will qualify in the following categories:

- Typical
- Non-Typical



AWARDS

Only the top three scoring entries from qualified contestants for each category will be eligible for awards (excluding Division V: Best in Previous Five Seasons—see additional rules). In the event of a tie, inside spread will determine the break in place. All first-place winners must be present (or have a pre-arranged representative designated) to receive an award. All award decisions will be final!

- Division V: Best in Previous Five Seasons will be determined by the whitetail entry in Division V that is the *closest to or in excess* of the B&C minimums (170 typical or 195 non-typical). For example, if the top-scoring typical deer scores 175, it is five (5) inches *in excess* of the 170 typical B&C minimum. If the top-scoring non-typical is 190, or five (5) inches *under* the 195 B&C minimum, the 175 typical will win the high award even though the 190 is a bigger score.

Additional Awards

Additional awards will be given to winners in the following categories:

1. High Overall Women's Category
 2. High Overall Youth Category
 3. Best of Show
 4. People's Choice Award
 5. Best Perfect 8 Point Whitetail
- These High Overall Awards (High Overall Women's, High Overall Youth and Best of Show) will be determined by the whitetail entry in each classification that is the *closest to or in excess* of the B&C minimums (170 typical or 195 non-typical). For example, if the top-scoring typical deer scores 175, it is five (5) inches *in excess* of the 170 typical B&C minimum. If the top-scoring non-typical is 190, or five (5) inches *under* the 195 B&C minimum, the 175 typical will win the high award even though the 190 is a bigger score.
 - Best of Show will be determined from *all* combined entries at each Hunters Extravaganza event from Divisions I, II, III and IV.
 - High Overall Youth and High Overall Women's winners will be determined from the entries in those respective classes only from Divisions I, II, III and IV.
 - People's Choice Award will be decided by a popular vote of attendees at each Hunters Extravaganza show who completely fill out an official ballot. Only one vote per household will be counted.
 - Best Perfect 8 Point Whitetail will be determined by the highest **net** score of a whitetail entry from the entries in those respective classes only from Divisions I, II, III and IV, with exactly eight natural points (three (3) natural points off the beam on each side including the point of the beam,) containing zero (0) inches of abnormal growth or signs of broken or removed growth. Any deer suspected of once possessing more than exactly eight natural points will not be eligible.



PRIZES

First place winners will be recognized in *The Journal of the Texas Trophy Hunters*. Any member may win only one jacket. The following prizes will be given to winners in the following categories:

- **Division I-IV: Whitetail Deer**
 - First place for each Division, Regional Subdivision [North Texas; South Texas & Mexico; Out of State (U.S. & Canada)] and Class [Adult Male; Senior Male; Women; Youth-Male; Youth-Female]: TTHA Certificate Plaque
 - Second and third place winners: certificate
- **Division V: Whitetail Deer (Best in Previous Five Seasons)**
 - First place for each Regional Subdivision: TTHA Certificate Plaque (3 potential winners)
- **Division VI: Mule Deer**
 - First place for each category: TTHA Certificate Plaque and a Nikon™ Spotter XL16-18X60 Outfit (2 potential winners) (total retail value from Nikon \$740.95)
 - Second and third place winners: certificate
- **Prizes for Additional Awards**
 - Best of Show: “Best of Show” Certificate Plaque; TTHA Trophy Jacket; TTHA Platinum Life Membership; Nikon™ Monarch 4-16X42SF RifleScope Matte BDC; and a Nikon™ RifleHunter 550 Laser Rangefinder (total retail value from Nikon \$1061.90)
 - High Overall Women’s Category: “Women’s Champion” Certificate Plaque; TTHA Trophy Jacket; a Nikon™ 10X42 Monarch ATB Binocular (total retail value from Nikon \$484.95)
 - High Overall Youth Category: “Youth Champion” Certificate Plaque; TTHA Trophy Jacket; a Nikon™ Monarch 8X36 Binocular (total retail value from Nikon \$249.95)
 - People’s Choice: “People’s Choice” Certificate Plaque; a TTHA Trophy Jacket; a XXXL Ground Blind; and a Nikon™ 10X42 Monarch ATB Binocular (total retail value from Nikon \$484.95)
 - Best Perfect 8 Point Whitetail: “Best Perfect 8 Point Whitetail” Certificate Plaque; and a TTHA Trophy Jacket; and a Nikon™ 8X42 Trailblazer ATB Binocular (total retail value from Nikon \$216.95)
 - At each show, a winner will be drawn from all the ballots for the People’s Choice Award and will win a XXXL Ground Blind.