

SEMIFINALISTS



SEMIFINALIST: Dennis Olson, of Cambridge, shot this 9-point buck with a crossbow on Nov. 7 in Isanti County. The antlers had a 15-inch inside spread.



SEMIFINALIST: Dylan Zeroth, of Princeton, shot this 10-point Milel Lacs County buck while bowhunting on Dec. 20. The antlers had a 20 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch inside spread and green-scored 170% gross.



SEMIFINALIST: Bill Gordon, of Worthington, took this 15-point buck while bowhunting in Nobles County on Nov. 20. The antlers had a 25 $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch inside spread and green-scored 186% gross.



SEMIFINALIST: Emily Donner, of Stillwater, arrowed this 10-pointer while bowhunting in Washington County on Sept. 23. The antlers had a 17-inch inside spread and green-scored 140 gross.



SEMIFINALIST: Taylor Christensen, of Montevideo, took this 9-point Chippewa County buck while bowhunting on Nov. 8.



SEMIFINALIST: Tom Buschette, of Detroit Lakes, downed this 13-point buck with a muzzleloader in Norman County on Dec. 7. The antlers had a 17 $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch inside spread and green-scored 161% gross.



SEMIFINALIST: Chelsey Brosig, of Winona, shot this 11-point Winona County buck on Nov. 16. The antlers had an 18 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch inside spread and green-scored 171 gross.



SEMIFINALIST: Paul Gallion, of Zumbro Falls, arrowed this 10-point buck while bowhunting in Dodge County on Oct. 19. The antlers had a 20-inch inside spread and green-scored 150 gross.

The 36th Annual Outdoor News Best Buck Contest has ended – thanks for entering!

As usual this year was better than ever!

Outdoor News readers entered more photos than we have space to print. The judging was difficult – many of the top 30 entries could have ended up winners. As is customary with this contest, the weight and antler size of the deer were not critical factors – it was the quality of the photo, which can get quite subjective. All entries were winners in a sense, and all of these hunters will also have memories of their hunt forever.

Can't wait to see your success again next season!



Cavan Griffith, of Cold Spring, shot this 8-point Otter Tail County buck on Nov. 15. The antlers had a 16-inch inside spread.



SEMIFINALIST: Kale Hedlund, of Long Prairie, shot this 13-point buck in Douglas County on Nov. 15. The antlers had a 19 $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch inside spread and green-scored 186% gross.



Best Buck Winners

Congratulations to all our winners and a huge THANK YOU to our SPONSORS!



1ST PRIZE: Brayden Spiczka, of Pequot Lakes, shot this 12-point buck while hunting in Benton County on Nov. 16.



2ND PRIZE: Duane Koenen, of Rushford, arrowed this 8-point Fillmore County buck while bowhunting on Nov. 5. The antlers had a 20-inch inside spread.



3RD PRIZE: Larry Iverson, of Kasson, took this 10-point buck while bowhunting in Olmsted County on Nov. 5. The antlers had a 20-inch inside spread and green-scored 161% gross.



4TH PRIZE: Dewey Goeden, of Park Rapids, shot this 10-point buck while bowhunting in Otter Tail County on Nov. 6. The antlers had a 17-inch inside spread.



5TH PRIZE: Collin Grass, of Leroy, shot this 12-pointer while bowhunting in Mower County on Nov. 2. The antlers had a 17-inch inside spread and green-scored 170% gross.



6TH PRIZE: Dresden Holland, of Randall, shot this buck while hunting in Otter Tail County on Nov. 9. The antlers had a 23-inch inside spread.



7TH PRIZE: Brianna Boldon, of Rogers, shot this 12-point buck while muzzleloading in Wabasha County on Nov. 29. The antlers had a 15-inch inside spread and green-scored 171 gross.