

## 2007 Season Summary

Spring Hunts: 28 hunters harvested 20 bears, wounded 2 and missed 2.

11 were bow hunters and 17 were gun hunters.

We try and weigh every bear taken with us, however, in the spring it seems we always leaves some out due to the 18-20 hour work days. We took some really nice mature bears, 2- 300 pounder's the same night of the last week. All bears had prime pelts, no rubs. I hunted in Quebec in back of the camp and shot a real monster that weighed over 400 pounds. He came off the same bait a 300 ponder was shot on 5 days before. The power of the spring rut.

Maine fall: 19 hunters, 9 bow, 10 gun, harvested 14 bears, wounded 3 and missed 2.

Every bear was weighed for a total of 2948 pounds with the average weight being 211 pounds. Great numbers for Maine. Lee Sweat from Ohio shot a giant with a shot gun that weighed 455 pounds. I personally had the pleasure of sitting with a 12 year old girl from Michigan and watched her make a perfect double lung shot on a really nice bear on her first night in the stand. It was her first big game animal. Her mom shot a huge dry sow the same night and her dad harvested a nice bear on Wednesday. I hope to see them back someday.

New Brunswick Fall: (archery only) 11 hunters harvested 8 bears, missed and wounded 9, 17 bears were shot at. Tremendous success on numbers of bears seen.

I drew my first moose tag in Maine. 24 years in the lottery. Weather was exceptionally hot and wet for September season. Usually September is prime time if you get cold weather. 4 days were in the 90's. Bulls were not moving or responding to calls. I passed on 4 bulls during the week, holding out for a trophy. I ate my tag and it did not taste too good. I guided Ed Miller to a trophy bull during October hunt. First morning rut was in full swing. We went to a farm where I had seen 2 bulls on my hunt. I knew that there were trophy moose in the areas. His bull weighed 940 pounds and had a 24 point rack that was 54 inches wide. A great Canadian moose. Ed miller and his wife, Joy, were a pleasure to spend time with. Ed is a seasoned hunter and travels to many destinations to pursue big game. He had just hunted Newfoundland for 2 weeks prior to his hunt in Maine. He has applied for a permit for 15 years and finally got the coveted tag. Read his testimonial on "REFERENCES & TESTIMONIAL" page. I was truly happy for Ed and his lovely wife Joy.