

Donating Venison to Nova Scotia's Food Banks

Hunger is a fact of life for more than 42,000 Nova Scotians each month. Now, an innovative program offers hunters the opportunity to make a difference for hungry people in our province. *Hunters Helping the Hungry* is a joint initiative of

FEED NOVA SCOTIA and the hunting community, with support from the Nova Scotia Federation of Anglers and Hunters, novascotiahunting.com, Eastern Woods & Waters magazine, and the Nova Scotia Departments of Natural Resources and Agriculture.

The process is easy. Hunters wishing to contribute meat can contact a participating butcher and have a portion of venison ground or made into stew meat and packaged in the pre-labeled bags *FEED NOVA SCOTIA* will take care of it from there.

There is no minimum amount you can give. For amounts exceeding 15 pounds, a form will be available to sign for transfer of meat ownership (as required by NS law). Hunters must have registered their deer before the donation takes place.

A pledge sheet has been posted on the website novascotiahunting.com—you don't need to sign up to give, but having your name there will help show the good heart of our hunters, and encourage others to participate. Good support of this program by Nova Scotia hunters will make a big difference for hungry people in our province.

For tips on proper handling of game meat, refer to the Hunter Education Student Manual for the Atlantic Provinces or see http://www.gov.ns.ca/natr/wildlife/ProcessingBigGame.htm

See the list opposite for participating butchers or have your local butcher contact *FEED NOVA SCOTIA* at (902) 457-1900 or visit www.feednovascotia.ca.



Participating Licenced Meat Cutting Facilities

Agnes Pizza and Grocery Porter's Lake, Hfx. Co.

Phone: 827-3463

Alick's Grocery Springhill, Cumb. Co. Phone: 597-2738

Canning Village Meat

Market

Canning, Kings Co. Phone: 582-3777

Emin's Meat Market Yarmouth, N.S.

Phone: 742-2685

Huston's Butcher Shop Tatamagouche, Col. Co

Phone: 657-3078 Jerry's Superett Ltd. Amherst, Cumb. Co. Phone: 667-3846

Kel's Deli 171 Wyse Road, Dartmouth

Phone: 464-5357

Langille's Meat Market Wallace, Cumb. Co.

Phone: 257-2182

Reid's Meats & Kwik-way Melanson, Kings Co.

Phone: 542-2108

Richard Hatt and Sons Ltd.

Milton, Oueens Co. Phone: 354-4857

Riverview Meat Market Chester Basin, Lun.Co.

Phone: 275-5401

Sunny Acres Farm &

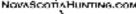
Meat Shop Tatamagouche, Col. Co.

Phone: 657-9328 Vacheresses Meats Antigonish, Anti. Co. Phone: 863-3620

Ward's Groceteria Centreville, Kings Co.

Phone: 678-2411









Moose Sightings	Tracks Only	§ Ž			
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	Unknwn	0			
	Calves	-			
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Distance and Direction to Nearest Town		6 km NE of Stanley			
County		Hants			.
Date Y /M /D		06/11/14			Comments:

We are very interested in your sightings of moose and moose sign across the province. By returning this form you become a valuable part of Nova Scotia's moose management program. Attention Hunters,

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Return Address:

Wildlife Division 136 Exhibition Street, Kentville, NS B4N 4E5

Hunter Reports and Biological Submissions are Essential to Managing Game Species

It is not always practical or even possible to monitor wildlife populations every year by means of surveys or field studies. However, for species hunted or trapped, hunter reports and submission of biological samples provide a wealth of information used to evaluate the health, condition and abundance of the species involved. This information is essential to determine if current levels of hunting are sustainable or should be adjusted in some way. Proper management of game species requires the involvement of those who hunt or trap these animals. It takes each hunter only a small amount of time to provide the information and samples required. Do your part to ensure wildlife remains abundant and hunting is a part of our future.

The following projects depend on your participation. Some programs require input from all participants by law, some are voluntary and everyone is asked to contribute, while others use only a sub-sample of hunters.

Deer Registration**
Deer Antler Measurements
Deer Jawbone Collections
Moose Hunter Report Form*
Moose Jaw Collections**
Moose Sighting Report*
Small Game Report Card**

Small Game Report Card^*
Waterfowl Hunting and Wing Survey
Woodcock Hunting and Wing Survey

Bear Report Forms**
Bear Jawbone/Skull*▲
Furharvester Report**
Furbuyer Receipt Slips*
Furbearer Carcasses (selected)*
Flying Squirrel Carcasses

* Required by law: A conviction for failing to return Mandatory Information Returns may result in a penalty of up to \$2000. When submitting a Report Card or Form, a no-kill report is just as important as a successful report.

** Required by law: All hunters successful in taking a deer must registered the deer, either at a Deer Registration Station or by Online Deer Registration. In so doing, hunters will have fulfilled their reporting requirement for deer. See page 70.

- *Mail-in reports forms can be found within this booklet, or these reports can now be submitted via the Internet at http://www.gov.ns.ca/natr/wildlife/web/obserharvt.htm
- *After September 1st each year, hunters who were successful the previous fall (and submitted the jawbone/skull for tooth extraction) may call their local DNR office and ask for the moose or bear's age. The age can only be looked up if the hunter is able to provide the Bear Hunting, Bear Snaring or Moose Licence number, under which the bear or moose was taken.

Be A Responsible Hunter - Do Your Part.

Your Ad could be here!

If you wish to advertise in this publication, contact Judy Clattenburg at the Department of Natural Resources, P.O. Box 698, Halifax, NS B3J 2T9 or phone (902) 424-2351, fax (902) 424-7735, or email clatteji@gov.ns.ca.

ATTENTION FUR HARVESTERS

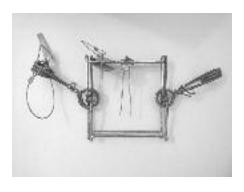
Beginning October 15, 2006
Fur Harvesters will be required to clearly mark their traps or snares with their Wildlife Resources Card Number

* As of June 2006, the new *Wildlife Resources Card Number* is the only accepted identification for Fur Harvesters in Nova Scotia. However, trappers who held a Fur Harvester Licence in 2005/06 or earlier may use their old Fur Harvester Code number but only to mark their traps and snares.

Traps and snares can be marked in several ways.

Regardless of the method used, the identification number must be clearly marked.

Traps and snares set for red squirrel do not require identification.



Nature

Nova Scotia

Nature Nova Scotia is a non-profit organization affiliated with Nature Canada. Its purpose is to promote the enjoyment of wildlife, the establishment of nature reserves, and the preservation of wilderness areas and natural ecosystems. It also promotes the protection of threatened and endangered species and their habitats.

For more information on Nature Nova Scotia's programs, or to become a member, contact your local Natural History Society, visit us online at www.naturens.ca or write us:

> Nature Nova Scotia c/o NS Museum 1747 Summer St. Halifax, B3H 3A6



NOVA SCOTIA FEDERATION OF ANGLERS AND HUNTERS

P.O. Box 654, Halifax, Nova Scotia B3J 2T3 Tel/Fax: (902) 477-8898 Email: tonvrodgers@eastlink.ca

The Nova Scotia Federation of Anglers and Hunters is a volunteer, non-profit, non-government organization of hunters, fishermen, and outdoorsmen dedicated to conservation and the wise use of our natural resources.

As demand on wildlife increases, sportsmen in Nova Scotia need a sound and united voice to air their concerns

The NSFA&H has been that voice for over 76 years. Your support is needed to ensure that quality hunting and fishing continues in the future.

To join the NSFA&H, complete and mail the coupon with \$20.00 to the above address. Family membership \$30.00 for spouse and children under 18. Enclose names on separate piece of paper.

NSFA&H is celebrating 76 years of service to wildlife conversation, please visit us at www.nsfah.ca.

Membership Application Form

YES! I support the objectives of the NSFA&H. Please sign me up as an Associate Member. This entitles me to all membership benefits, including membership card, recognition tag, and 4 issues of *Nova Outdoors* magazine.

Name	
Address	
Postal CodeTelephone	
cheque or visa visa	Mastercard
Card No.	
Signature	Expiry Date



Dear Friends:

As Grand Chief of the Mi'kmaq Nation, it is with great pleasure and pride that I introduce to you in this insert, the Mi'kmaq concept and tradition of **NETUKULIMK**.

Pas+may Silipay Kji-saqmaw wjit Mi'kmaq

The Mi'kmaq Aboriginal people of Nova Scotia have been harvesting animal, fowl, fish and plant life for over 10,000 years. We have managed this harvest within our own communities since time immemorial and continue to do so today. Our past, present and future Mi'kmaq society and economy is based on the use of the natural resources. Conservation and management of these resources have and still are an important part of Mi'kmaq culture. We have an intimate knowledge of the land, waters and natural life in and around Mi'kma'ki, our traditional territory, part of which is present day Nova Scotia.

After European contact some 500 years ago, the Mi'kmaq and the British established formal agreement for a co-existence and friendship relationship through a series of Nation to Nation Treaties.

"When the English began to make their new homes in our land our fore fathers protected the livelihood and survival of the Mi'kmaq by signing Treaties with their Kings.
Throughout the seasons the Treaties have remained."

Grand Chief Donald Marshall Sr. October 1, 1986

Today the Mi'kmaq harvest the natural resources through a concept known as Netukulimk. Netukulimk includes the use of the natural bounty, provided by the Creator, for the self-support and well being of the individual and the community at large. Without limiting the meaning of the concept of Netukulimk, the objective includes achieving adequate standards of community nutrition and economic well being, without jeopardizing the integrity, diversity or productivity of our native environment.

The Constitution of Canada has entrenched Aboriginal and Treaty Rights within the laws of Canada. As a result of this, the courts have upheld the rights contained in the Treaty of 1752 and the underlying Aboriginal right that the Mi'kmaq have to harvest natural resources in Nova Scotia under their traditional authority and guidelines.

Article 4 of the Treaty of 1752 states in part:

"It is agreed that the said Tribe of Indians (Mi'kmaq) shall not be hindered from, but have free liberty of hunting, fishing and fowling as usual..."

On October 1, 1993 the Premier of Nova Scotia, the Honourable John Savage formally proclaimed on behalf of Nova Scotia "the Government of Nova Scotia recognizes all Treaties which were signed in good faith between the Crown and the Mi'kmag."

In Nova Scotia there are some 115,000 sport fishermen and some 100,000 sport hunters within the non-native community. The total Aboriginal harvesting community represents 1/2 of 1% of the total non-native population hunting and fishing today.

We have made our peace and friendship and we have agreed to coexist and co-share. Today it is time to work together to ensure that all our children will have the same right or privilege to access animal, fowl, fish, and plant life in the future.



Bigger T

The new Super Licence includes Fishing and Small Game Hunting

You could spend the rest of your life hunting and fishing all over Nova Scotia Free

Announcing the 14th **Licence of a Lifetime Lottery** from the Nova Scotia Federation of Anglers and Hunters. This year, we will be awarding two (2) lifetime licences to two (2) lucky applicants.

That's right, you could hunt and fish from Sydney to Yarmouth, from Amherst to Canso — all over the province, every year, for the rest of your life. And best of all, you'll never have to buy another Fishing*, Small Game** or Deer‡ hunting licence.

It's easy to enter, just complete the attached form, and mail it along with your entry fee. Tickets are \$2.00 each, or 3 for \$5.00. Enter as often as you like, and good luck!

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Name:	
Address:	
City/Town:	
Postal Code:	Telephone:
You may pay by using	your − M/C 🗖 or VISA 🗖
Card number	expiry
Signature	

One Entry - \$2.00 3 Entries - \$5.00

6 Entries - \$10.00 12 Entries - \$20.00

Rules

- Applicants must be 16 years or older to enter.
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 Open to Nova Scotia residents only.
- Entry forms are to be completely filled out in ink or typed.
- The licencee is subject to the laws respecting hunting in the same manner as with any hunting licence.
- This licence is not transferrable, and may be cancelled, suspended, or forfeited in accordance with the law.
- Incomplete, illegible, or improperly filled out entries will not be accepted, and entrants will not be notified or have fees refunded.
- All entries must be postmarked no later than November 30, 2006 – entries postmarked after November 30 will be included in next year's draw.
- All entry fees are non-refundable do not send cash make cheque or money order payable to: Nova Scotia Federation of Anglers and Hunters, P.O. Box 654, Halifax, N.S. B3J 2T3.
- Draw date is December 15, 2006.
- Not including salmon—sponsored by the Nova Scotia Department of Fisheries and Aquaculture
- ** Not including migratory birds
- ‡ The Deer Licences are sponsored by the Department of Natural Resources.

Deer Hunters! Add to Your Crest Collection



Successful deer hunters will receive a high quality embroidered crest when they turn in the lower jawbone and the antler measurements of their deer to a local office of the Department of Natural Resources. Not accepted at DNR's Halifax office.

Jawbones will only be accepted if they are accompanied by antler measurement data and the location of the kill. **Offer is good only until the end of the current year.**

From the jawbone, the age of the deer can be determined. Aging a sample of deer jawbones each year provides information which can be used when making recommendations for seasons and bag limits (see page 47 regarding submission of antler measurements).

This information is especially important to monitor the effects of the deer hunting regulations. Your cooperation and involvement is appreciated.

"Skunked" Deer Hunter Crest

Deer hunters would like to be successful every year, but sometimes things go wrong. Bad weather on your days off, too much work to do around the house, forgot your rifle at home, heck, you know the list of reasons. Well, we have a way of keeping your crest collection up to date. Presenting the new "Skunked" Deer Hunter Crest from the Nova Scotia Federation of Anglers and Hunters.



No jawbone required, no deadline to apply by—make sure your hunting buddy gets one for Christmas! Just fill in the form below and mail it with your cheque, Money Order, Visa or Mastercard number to: Nova Scotia Federation of Anglers and Hunters—Crest, P.O. Box 654, Halifax, Nova Scotia, B3J 2T3. Cost is \$6.00 each.

Please send me crests, for my buddies of course.
Name
Address
Postal Code Telephone
☐ Cheque or money order ☐ Visa ☐ Mastercard
Card Number
Signature Expiry Date



The Big Game Society of Nova Scotia P.O. Box 305, Windsor, N.S., B0N 2T0 (902) 798-4036

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The Big Game Society of Nova Scotia, established in 1988, is a volunteer, non-profit society dedicated to the preservation and conservation of Big Game species of Nova Scotia. Its goals are: to keep accurate records of trophy big game animals, to promote fair chase and conservation, and to develop unity and purpose among hunters. Further, it strives to promote special studies and research on big game, and advocates resources and strategies appropriate for the proper management of big game in Nova Scotia.

The Society will have their 5th edition of the Nova Scotia Big Game Record Book published in December 2006. Like each previous edition, it contains all new material. It will contain 200 photos, 1800 trophy entries, information and statistics...all from Nova Scotia. The Society measures trophies which, if of minimum score, may be entered in the record book. Contact the Society for a list of official measurers, to become a member or to purchase record books.

5th book	\$20.00 🖵
4th book	\$12.00
3rd book	\$8.00 🗖
2nd book	\$5.00 🗔
Membership	\$10.00 🖵

Send cheque or money order to the address at top and please include \$3.00 per book for shipping and handling.

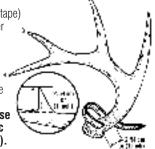
Antler Growth Information Needed

Research has shown that if habitat conditions are good, the body growth of deer will increase. The antlers of a deer under good conditions will also be slightly larger. By recording information about the antlers of a large number of bucks, this can be used as an indication of herd condition.

To collect this information we need assistance from YOU the hunter.

As shown in the diagram, measure the circumference or distance around each antler beam, about 2.5 cm (1 inch) above the hair line. **Record these measurements and the number of points on each antler, in the spaces provided below.** Antler points less than 2.54 cm (1 inch) **DO NOT** count as a point (see diagram).

Use a soft tape (sewing tape) to measure around the antler base. OR use a string or shoelace and then measure the length of string used, by holding it next to the measuring tape printed on the back outside cover of your licence booklet. Record these measurements in metric (centimetres not inches).



Remove all meat and air dry for two days. Please do not use plastic bags.

Remember to turn in the antler information with the jawbone. Without the jawbone to tell the age of the deer, the antler information is of little value.

Circumference	right antler: left antler:	cm cm
Number of points	right antler: left antler:	

Thank you for helping manage your deer herd.
HUNTERS CARE!