

2015 Elk Research Council Animal Benefit Auction

August 1, 2015

Ho-Chunk Casino Hotel & Convention Center, Baraboo, WI

Name of Elk _____ NAEBA Reg. # _____

Ear tag # _____ Birthdate ____/____/____ EK# _____ Farm Weight _____

Sex (circle one): Male: Breeding; Trophy; Slaughter; Calf

Female: Cow; Heifer; Slaughter; Cow/Calf Pair; Calf

If Cow/Calf Pair - Calf Sire _____ Calf DOB ____/____/____ EK# _____

If Cow Consignment Calving Date ____/____/____ If Slaughter, Pedigree not required.

Individual Tests: _____ Accredited TB # _____ CWD Anniversary Date _____

DONATION TYPE: (please check one) _____ 100% _____ 50%

PEDIGREE

(Limited to what is on registration paper.)

Sire: _____	CWI _____	Dam: _____
	SCI _____	
		Sire: _____
CWI _____	Dam: _____	
SCI _____		Dam: _____
	Sire: _____	
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	SCI _____	
Dam: _____	Dam: _____	Sire: _____
		Dam: _____

Comments: (Please print clearly or type. Keep comments limited to what will fit in space provided.)

Ranch/Farm Name _____ Owner _____

Address _____

City _____ State/Prov _____ Zip _____

Phone # _____ Fax # _____ E-mail _____

NAEBA Herd # _____ Premises ID/DNR Reg. # _____

States Approved To Ship To: _____

(PLEASE REVIEW TERMS OF SALE.) I have completed this form to the best of my ability. I have reviewed the rules and regulations of the sale and I'm willing to meet all obligations and deadlines. Enclosed are my consignment fee (\$100), copy of registration certificate and photograph. Furthermore, I understand that the sale committee reserves the right to make final acceptance of all lots consigned to help maintain the overall balance and integrity of the sale.

Signature of Consignor: _____ Date: _____

Mail All Items to: Elk Research Council, 9086 Keats Avenue SW, Howard Lake, MN 55349

Elk Research Council Accepting Animal Donations for Convention Benefit Auction

Donations to ERC are Tax-Deductible

The 2015 NAEBA Convention & Antler Competition will feature a benefit auction for the Elk Research Council. The Elk Research Council serves as NAEBA's research foundation and hopes to raise funds to sponsor research projects for 2015 and 2016.

The benefit auction will take place on Saturday night of the convention along with the NAEBA benefit semen auction and select animal sale. Animals donated will be featured in the auction with 100% or 50% of its proceeds going to the Elk Research Council, depending on the lot and the donor's intent.

This will be the first ERC benefit auction held at the NAEBA convention in several years. The ERC has already committed to financially support several projects while adding more possible projects for the future. At the 2015 January Jamboree in Minneapolis, members had the opportunity to attend the ERC Board of Trustees meeting. During the meeting, ERC Executive Director Travis Lowe and Chairman Eric Mohlman told the members in attendance the projects will capture a broad range of important interests to the elk industry, including but beyond, Chronic Wasting Disease. "The ERC is looking at several strong proposals that provide a strong bang for our buck," Lowe said. "These projects are designed to provide us knowledge and tools to make our elk operations more successful."

The ERC will explain the progress of several ongoing projects on Friday of the convention.

To learn more about the foundation, please visit www.elkresearchcouncil.org

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Rules & Regulations

1. Sale will feature auction lots of elk (cows, calves, cow-calf pairs, slaughter animals, breeding bulls and trophy bulls) for the benefit of the Elk Research Council. Admittance to the sale is first come first serve. There is no limit of the animals that may be donated per member. The sale committee reserves the right to make final acceptance of all lots consigned to help maintain the overall balance and integrity of the sale.
2. The Elk Research Council will provide donors an acknowledgement letter that includes the 501(c) (3) tax identification number.
3. The auction list will include a fair market value of each item. Donors who purchase items at a charity auction may claim a charitable contribution deduction for the excess of the purchase price paid for an item over its fair market value¹. Please check with your tax advisor for specifics. The ERC will mail a letter for your records within three weeks of the auction.
4. **Animals shall meet the following criteria:**
 - a. Consigned elk must be from a TB accredited herd, and/or be able to meet import requirements for perspective states.
 - b. All elk, including trophy bulls, must be purebred elk. All animals, with the exception of slaughter animals, must be NAEBA registered Silver or Gold by the date of the sale.
 - c. Any cows promoted as breeding stock must be able to cite offspring production history, or be maternally related to a quality bull or show consistent production history.
 - d. Breeding stock consignments sired by a bull having a NAEBA certified velvet weight or NAEBA certified hard antler score will receive preferred status for inclusion in the sale. Those consignments sired by bulls without a NAEBA certified velvet weight or hard antler score will still be considered.
 - e. No cows calved after July 15th will be allowed in the sale. No calves born after June 20th will be allowed in the sale.
 - f. Donor will guarantee calf to DNA to advertised sire. If DNA doesn't match, five (5) straws of semen from the advertised breeding sire will be given to the buyer.

¹ <http://www.irs.gov/Charities-&-Non-Profits/Charitable-Organizations/Charity-Auctions>

- g. Animals resulting from AI breeding should have DNA test completed prior to sale time proving parentage. If consigning a 2015 calf, pull hair at time of tagging, shortly after birth and promptly submit for DNA comparison.
 - h. Breeding Bulls consigned (2 years and older) must have a minimum NAEBA certified velvet weight or NAEBA certified hard antler score as follows:
 - 2 year: 15 lbs. (300 Typical, 350 Non-Typical)
 - 3 year: 22 lbs. (350 Typical, 400 Non-Typical)
 - 4 year: 27 lbs. (400 Typical, 450 Non-Typical)
 - 5 year: 32 lbs. (425 Typical, 475 Non-Typical)
 - 6 year and above: 35 lbs. (450 Typical, 500 Non-Typical)
 Spikers and bull calves need to have depth of pedigree and production on cow side of pedigree to warrant inclusion.
 - i. Trophy Bulls consigned (2 years and older) must have an actual measured score before sale day. Score sheet with all measurements and width must be made available to the auction staff before sale day for dispersal to potential buyers.
5. All guarantees are between the buyer and the donor.
 6. Donor agrees to board animals over 1 year of age for 30 days after the sale and calves for 90 days after the sale. After the above time length, boarding is negotiable between buyer and seller and NAEBA is not responsible for any additional boarding agreements between buyer and seller.
 7. Consignors are encouraged to make applications for importation of elk into states where perspective buyers are located before catalog printing.

Consignment application requirements:

- All entries **must include** a complete consignment application (it is not the sale committee's responsibility to find stats or other pertinent info that qualifies perspective consignments). Incomplete applications will not be considered.
- Photograph of animal consigned
- Copy of original NAEBA registration certificate.
- Recent weight on consigned animal if available.
- Breeding stock consignment applications will be accepted until June 10, 2015. Trophy bull consignment applications will be accepted until July 24th, 2015. Only consignments submitted by June 10th will be included in the catalog to be mailed out. Late or incomplete entries may not be accepted if the sale is full. **DEADLINES ARE ABSOLUTE!**
- After the catalog is printed, any additional trophy bull consignments will be added to the auction list to be shown during the auction and will be included in the online catalog.
- A full pedigree chart will be shown in the sale catalog, proof of pedigree is required and not the sale committee's responsibility to complete.

Sale information:

- This is a no reserve absolute auction. All lots will be sold to the highest bidder!
- Buyers will pay ERC in full at the close of the auction, unless the donor states other terms. Payments will be accepted by cash, check or credit card.
- Donors will have the option of offering a lot at a 100% or 50% donation. If it is a 100% lot, the entire sale value will be donated to the ERC. If it is a 50% donation lot, half of the value will be donated to the ERC with the remaining half paid to the donor/seller.
- No commission would be paid by the donor/seller that opts for a 50% donation.
- 50% donors will receive full payment within 10 business days after the sale date.
- 50% donors can state payment terms other than those listed above, but the 50% donation for the ERC is required to be paid at the close of the sale. Any terms between donor and buyer for payment schedule is strictly between those two parties and NAEBA/ERC makes no guarantees of payment if full payment is not required at sale time.
- All sales are final. All elk are sold "AS IS". There is no guarantee of any kind as to soundness, condition or quality of any elk sold in this sale, except in the case where the owner makes a specific guarantee. In such case the guarantee is strictly by the owner and not by the sales management.
- All buyers must register for the sale and agree to the terms of sale. Upon which time they will receive a bid card.
- The sale management, auctioneers, ERC, NAEBA and NAEBA representatives act as agents for the donors,

but assumes no liability for either buyer or donor. Any representations made by the sales management are on behalf of the seller.

- Each lot of animal(s) will be sold to the highest bidder. The auctioneer reserves the right to accept or reject any bid and in all cases of dispute the auctioneer's decision is final.
- Every effort has been made to ensure correctness of the catalogue, however, owners, auctioneers and agents will assume no responsibility for errors or omissions and assume no liability as to any statements, either written or verbal, regarding any elk sold other than the information given was given "in good faith". Any known correction will be made at sale time and will take precedence over the catalogue. Buyers are encouraged to contact consignors directly for full details of animals.
- All arrangements for the physical transfer of the animal(s), their care, responsibility of and liability for them is to be arranged privately between the buyer and the seller. We recommend the buyer purchase insurance. All transportation costs are the responsibility of the buyer, unless other arrangements are made between the buyer and the seller.
- All registration transfers are the responsibility of the donor, and to be completed 60 days after the sale.
- All buyers agree to be bound by the above terms as well as any other conditions announced by the auctioneer.
- Each buyer agrees to be responsible for all charges to them. If any check given to NAEBA is not honored for any reason, it is understood that such amounts will remain outstanding and no transfer of ownership will occur until full acceptable payment is made and the buyer issuing the check or credit card may face civil and/or criminal charges.