



# Guide Outfitters Association of British Columbia

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## MEMBERS UPDATE

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### Region 3

We have a new local. John Sievers is the president and Bruce Ambler is the vice-president of the Thompson Region.

### Mountain Hunter.com

We would like to have 5 hunts on the auction at once. Currently, we have two. To help the auction be successful we need more hunts. You are able to set a reserve bid at 60% or 80% of market price. This is another mechanism to sell hunts. We encourage you use it as another advertising method.

### GOABC.tv

The latest episode is on-line. This features Beaverfoot Outfitters, BC Guide Outfitters, and Pelly Lake Outfitters. Please send your video footage to take advantage of this marketing opportunity.

### CITES

Conservation Force and their alliances are lobbying for the 40 polar bears harvest before May 14, 2008 (when the population was listed as threatened under the Endangered Species Act) to be imported into the US.

### Boating regulations

As of November 7, 2009 operator of "a vessel not more than 8 m in length that carries 6 or fewer passengers, and used on sheltered waters" will require the operator to have a Pleasure Craft Operator Card and a (marine) first aid ticket. Canadian Federation of Outfitters Association (CFOA) is lobbying to get the marine first aid reduced to the basic first aid ticket.

### Mountain Goat Workshop

Register now for GOABC's next Wildlife Stewardship Series on mountain goats. December 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> at the Thompson River University in Kamloops. The cost is \$99 per person or \$79 per Life Member – prices subject to GST. Please book through the office. Accommodations are available at the Four Points Sheraton (250) 374-4144 or e-mail [raystromer@fourpointskamloops.com](mailto:raystromer@fourpointskamloops.com)

### Meeting Dates

Cariboo / Chilcotin Guide Outfitters Association semi-annual meeting December 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> at the Tower Inn in Quesnel.

### 14<sup>th</sup> International Exhibition of Hunting, Fishing & Outdoor Life –

April 1 thru 5, 2009, New Munich Trade Fair Centre. If you are interested in participating the deadline for registration is October 16, 2008. Call (416) 237-9939 for official representation in Canada.

### International Sportsmen's Exposition 2009

**San Mateo** Jan 8 to 11

**Sacramento** Jan 15 to 18

**Denver** Jan 22 to 25

**Phoenix** Feb 27 to Mar 1

**Salt Lake City** Mar 12 to 15

Call (800) 545-6100 for more information or download show

brochure at [www.sportsexpos.com](http://www.sportsexpos.com)

### Shipping Luggage

Shipping luggage as "cargo" is not recommended as it will get held delayed at customs and duties will be charged. Clients should be advised to travel with their luggage at all times.

### SCI Insurance

Mones requires the actual SCI insurance request forms be submitted to them for processing. These forms can be sent to the GOABC office for furtherance.

### Guide Declaration Forms

The office has Guide Declaration forms available but the Ministry has requested that large orders (in excess of 20) be directed to [deanna.nogueira@gov.bc.ca](mailto:deanna.nogueira@gov.bc.ca).

### Mountain Hunter Magazine

If you have any awesome vertical, **high-resolution** photos consistent with our previous front covers, submit them to the office for a chance of being selected for the cover of Mountain Hunter magazine.

Please ensure materials submitted for the magazine include dates and clearly identify the subjects – the hunter, the guide, the area, left to right in the photo, etc.

### Photo & Video Release

Please ensure your clients sign a photo & video release form if they are to be considered for inclusion in Mountain Hunter or GOABC TV. Forms are available from the office by e-mail or fax (and shortly on the Members Only section of the web site).

### Exporting Game & Trophies

If your clients plan to export game or a hunting trophy to the US, please contact the Fish & Wildlife Service before you leave at (800) 358-2104. For additional information refer to pages 20 thru 23 of the 2008 – 2009 Hunting & Trapping Regulations.

