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DEER HUNT YIELDS FAMILIAR LOOKING ELK SHEDS

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It all started in 2002. We had just harvested a 350 class bull and were ecstatic! We had spent two days watching this bull and trying to pattern where he might be opening morning. Little did we know that we were just getting introduced to some big bulls, and many with the same genetics. This 2002 bull had really good tine length and a devil's point on the right side.

In 2003 we went back to the same general area with two tags and hopes of finding a couple respectable bulls. We filled one tag with a nice 6-point on the second day of our hunt. On the fourth day we experienced something we will never forget, and something that still excites us to this day.

It was a stormy day. Raining, snowing, and blowing from every direction possible. We contemplated going back to camp as conditions were not favorable, but we kept climbing. Three hours into our hunt we spotted a spike bull and decided to sit down and watch for a little while, with hopes of his big brother emerging from the adjacent pine thicket. Sure



enough, luck was on our side and a nice bull fed out of the thicket. With a quick "size up," and a couple shots from the .300 Win. Mag. this 6x7 bull was on the ground. Awesome! We had "tagged out" with two really nice bulls! Things couldn't get much better than this...right? Well, sort of.

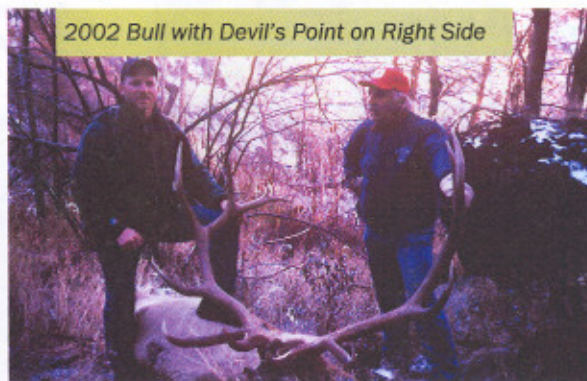
It was then that we saw it...two really nice bulls (bigger than both of the bulls we had harvested) emerge from the same thicket. We sat in awe,

glassing both bulls. Both were in the 350-360 class and we had no tags left to fill. One of the bulls

had a devil's point on his right side, as well as a kicker off his right G4. He had good tine length, a main-beam in the high 50's and we guessed him to be a 350-ish class bull. The other bull was equally impressive, but much different in antler frame. He was somewhat shorter on the front ends, but had nice G4s and was a really tall 7x7, with antlers going straight up in the air with little curvature. Few words were spoken as we watched these monsters feed into the next thicket as if they knew our tags were filled. What a sight!

We have relived that moment many times since 2003. And actually there are many more bull stories prior to and since 2003 from that same area, but that one has stuck with us. End of story, right? Wrong! The rest of the story materialized this year during deer season.

2002 Bull with Devil's Point on Right Side



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