

Utilizing Volunteer Scorers for the Florida Buck Registry – An Evaluation of Need



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What is it?

- Recognizes trophy deer harvested by fair chase in Florida.
- Uses Boone and Crockett scoring methodology.
- Antlers are measured in inches to achieve a score.
- Minimum entry score is 100.
- 8,600+ scores and counting.
- Voluntary.
- No second chance.



Links

- Regional Offices
- Hunting
- Licenses & Permits
- Rules & Regulations
- Wildlife

[Admin \(Requires Login\)](#)



The Florida Buck Registry was established in 1982 to provide hunters with a record of the number and quality of white-tailed deer taken in Florida. The minimum antler score necessary to qualify is 100 Boone and Crockett inches for typical antlers and 125 for non-typical antlers. To get your buck registered, contact the FWC regional office nearest you using the link at the left.

Search The Buck Registry Database (8708 records)(8708 records)

Search For:
as the
Hunter
(leave blank to show all deer)

When searching 'Final Score' use:
☒ > or =
☐ < or =

Method Taken:

For QUALIFYING scores select a Hunt Season and press the Submit Query button.

[Submit Query](#)

To view all QUALIFYING scores for a county

select only

Current Top 10 Buck Registry Scores

Typical Deer

Hunter	Kill Date	County	Net Score	Method
Larry Furr	1/1/1977	Gadsden	168 1/8	
Roy Ems	11/30/1983	Leon	165 2/8	Shotgun
William Scharber	1/1/1990	Pasco	162 4/8	Rifle
Bobby Davis	1/14/1994	Dixie	159 4/8	223 Ruger
Felton Sheffield	11/12/2003	Alachua	159	3006
David McQueen	10/12/2008	ALACHUA	157	ARCHERY
Chris Harrell	11/19/1987	Madison	156 7/8	Modern Weapon
Gary Leis	12/30/1987	Taylor	156 5/8	Rifle
Ricky Richarte	11/15/1996	Madison	155 4/8	Rifle .367 lever inner arm
Gary Borland	11/25/2001	Martin	155 2/8	30-06 Remington

Non-Typical Deer

Hunter	Kill Date	County	Net Score	Method
James Stovall	9/25/1999	Pasco	206	compound bow
Clark Durrance	1/1/1940	Wakulla	201 3/8	
Henry Brinson	1/1/1959	Jackson	186	
Dennis Ross	1/1/1951	Taylor	185 3/8	(Find - Pick-up) None
W.L. Hurst	12/1/1970	Calhoun	181 2/8	
Lee Crews	11/11/2000	Alachua	179	Rifle
Tommy Sims	1/22/1994	Jackson	172	
Robert Partin	11/25/2010	ALACHUA	170 6/8	RIFLE
Clay Mickler	1/5/1985	Pasco	170 4/8	



What's the problem?

- FWC has many programs open to volunteers.
- Volunteers not accepted as scorers in FBR.
- Issues:
 - Integrity
 - Accountability



Objectives:

- Evaluate how important scoring accuracy and integrity are to the FBR program.
- Evaluate perceptions that volunteer scorers are less accurate and less reliable.
- Cultivate conditional acceptance for volunteer participation in FBR.



Stakeholders:

- Internal FWC
 - Scientific, Public Relations
 - Law Enforcement
- Public
 - Potential Volunteers, Hunters
- Hunting Industry
 - Publishers, Contest Holders

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4th Place Prize Your choice of a pair of Oakley Sunglasses (up to \$200 retail value).

Prize drawings for all entries - 3 McCoy's Gift Cards for \$100.00 each.

Contest Rules

- Entry must be a Florida Whitetail Deer.
- The whole deer must be brought to McCoy's to qualify for the contest.
- The highest grossed scored deer will determine the winner.
- Each entry is required to provide an official signed FWR score sheet.
- Deadline for entries is February 26, 2012.
- All FWR score sheets must be submitted to McCoy's by March 11, 2012.
- No entry fee required.

Winners will be announced on March 18, 2012 and be published in the Jackson County Floridan on March 25, 2012.

Weekly entries will run in the Jackson County Floridan or go to www.jcflo.com to see all entries

Each photo will be placed on our braggin' board located at McCoy's.

Enter at McCoy's • 2823 Jefferson St. Hours 5:00am - 7:30pm

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SITUATION ANALYSIS/ASSESSMENT MATRIX

ISSUE: Utilizing Volunteer Scorers for the Florida Buck Registry

STAKEHOLDERS	POSITIONS	INTERESTS	POWER	"Likelihood of Engagement"	HISTORY/OTHER?
<i>Cory Morea</i>	<i>Anti-volunteer</i>	<i>Accountability Integrity Professionalism</i>	<i>High</i>	<i>High</i>	<i>Responsible for FBR training and recordskeeping, and certification.</i>
<i>Diane Eggeman</i>	<i>Unknown</i>	<i>Integrity Functionality Popularity</i>	<i>High</i>	<i>High</i>	<i>Division Director, HGM</i>
<i>Aaron Portwood</i>	<i>Anti-volunteer</i>	<i>Popularity Accuracy Integrity</i>	<i>Medium</i>	<i>Medium</i>	<i>Runs Big Buck Contest through magazine; managing editor</i>
<i>Bill Sargent</i>	<i>Pro-volunteer</i>	<i>Public contact Scoring</i>	<i>Low</i>	<i>High</i>	<i>Currently an FBR scorer</i>
<i>Jim Ellis</i>	<i>Pro-volunteer</i>	<i>Public contact Scoring</i>	<i>Low</i>	<i>High</i>	<i>Desires to be an FBR scorer</i>
<i>Lee Crews</i>	<i>Pro-volunteer</i>	<i>Public contact Scoring</i>	<i>Low</i>	<i>Medium</i>	<i>Only volunteer scorer in FBR; former FWC LE officer</i>
<i>Prize Providers</i>	<i>Unknown</i>	<i>Product Sales</i>	<i>Low</i>	<i>Low</i>	<i>Need to gauge interest</i>
<i>Mark Asleson</i>	<i>Anti-volunteer</i>	<i>Integrity Quality Control</i>	<i>Medium</i>	<i>High</i>	<i>FBR trainer and scorer</i>



Methods

- Personal Interviews

3 in person

2 by phone



- Timeline

September 2012 – Evaluation and discussion of basic project idea; obtain supervisory approval.

October 2012 – Incorporating others input into project design; basic idea write-up.

November 2012 – Project development and elaboration; planning.

December 2012 – Set up and hold first interviews; further narrowing of pertinent issues.

January 2013 – Continue interviews and data collection.

February 2013 – Collection and evaluation of information.

March 2013 – Report preparation.

April 2013 – Report presentation.



What was learned:

Common Ground

- Integrity very important
- Accountability very important
- Accuracy of score very important

Differences

- No scoring backlog,
why make changes?

Side Issues

- Affidavit not rigorous enough
- Some fraud may be occurring



Were the objectives achieved?

- Confirmation of accuracy and integrity importance.
- Volunteer contributions evaluated with perceptions and assumptions.
- Select volunteers could be accepted as scorers.



Next Steps:

- Show these findings to FWC internal stakeholders.
- Develop criteria for volunteer scorers. Use PN.
- Evaluate contributions of volunteer scorers.



NRLI Concepts and Skills Used:

- Conflict Identification and Resolution:

- Circle of Conflict Diagram

- Two groups with different solutions.

- Use a data driven conflict solution strategy to manage this issue.

- Empathic and Effective Listening

- Both sides had significant input

- Issue Framing

- Advocating for the “other” side

- Negotiation

- Not all volunteers acceptable; develop criteria.



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***Third Place: \$50 Gift Card to Scott's Gunsmithing**

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All applicants must complete an entry form
prior to hunting deer. *Official rules on reverse side.

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NRLI Concepts and Skills Used:

- Situation Assessment
- Planning – Timeline
- Triangle of Interests/Satisfaction:
Volunteer advocates feel
their interests were minimized.
- Consensus Building
Both groups agree on:
The importance of integrity
and accountability.
Some use of volunteers.



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