

Nanika News 2002

Nanika Guiding had a well booked Fall Hunting Season, but could have had a few more Spring Black Bear Hunts. I had no hunters from the U.S.A. for the spring Black Bear, Thanks to the groups from Italy, I had eight hunters. The summer months were open with no fishing or other adventure activities.

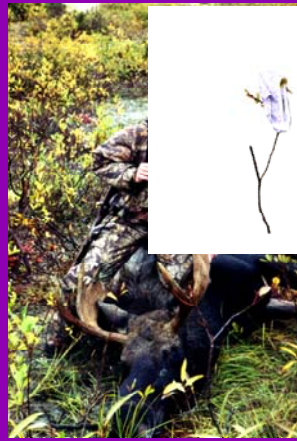
In January, Chad and I flew to Michigan to attend three Safari Club Chapter Meeting and Fun Raisers. We had the Nanika Guiding material on display and gave a talk on what we offered. We did Book a few hunts and donated three Hunts to different Chapters. We stayed at Roger and Bonita Forlings home and they drove us to the various meetings. We sure thank them for their generous hospitality. Roger and Bonita will be here in the Spring for a Black Bear hunt. They also shared some of their alligator Meat with us and we brought it home and cooked it up for a Wild Game Banquet. That was something different for the people in this part of the country.

In March we had two hunters from Oregon come on a Spring Wolf Hunt. We spent many a cold night and morning hunting with no avail. In March 2003, I have one Wolf hunter from Michigan coming to hunt wolf and this time we are going to try a different location and set the bait out earlier. There are getting to be lots of Wolves around and they are working on the Moose population. Also the Mule Deer population is

Starting to increase again. I have been seeing A few nice Bucks right around the we do not winter, the herd should grow.



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We did some renovations this spring and took down the old-house/shop. We had to build a new shop/storage shed quickly to get everything in out of the weather. So that was a big improvement to the look of the place. Nanika Guiding also acquired a ATV to help pull out the Moose and Bear. It sure works great. Plus a new 40 horse jet outboard motor to work our way up some of the back country rivers to get at more of the hunting area. We also worked on the Nanika Lodge and put down new flooring.

I was very happy to have a group of eight Spring Black Bear hunters from Italy this last spring, as they were the only Black Bear hunters I had. The percent success was 80% on Black Bears.

Hunters from Italy.....22% of total hunters

Giorgio Tognini, Marco Tognini, Sergio Montanari, Marco Buratti, Massino Bricchi, Gianni Terzi, Paolo Suighi, Saverio Springhetti, Gianni Castaldello, Paolo Miazzo,

Hunters from Sweden.....5% of total hunters
Mikael Nilsson, Johan Paulsson,

Hunters from the USA.....72% of total hunters
Mike Whited Dennis Brown Robert Merchant, Chris Bee, Larry Watlins Carol Parker, Donald Ungrens, Steven Parker Richard Leaf, Ken Leaf, Mitch Oris, Ron Olson, Harlan Schmidt, Mike Burton, John Merchant, Leslie Williams, Edward Kiss, Steve Tritz, Don Knerr, John Bell, Tom Tritz, Bill Joubert, William Gibson, Mark Hanson, Don Hixon, Sam Myers, Jerry Denney, John Vaghan, Kurt Byerly, Wayne Prather, Gary Peterson, Herman Peterson.

