

Tristan Scudder's First Archery Deer

It was the evening of October 12th, 2009, as Tristan and his dad, Steve, headed to their favorite stand overlooking their acre patch of standing beans, where Tristan had just took a deer 2 weeks prior on Indiana's youth hunt with his muzzleloader. It was a fairly warm evening with a slight North wind. They had got a later start than usual due to some prior commitments. They got to their hunting spot around 4:30 and started a hike back through the timber, following a cleared tractor path that leads up through the woods to an open field where the Scudders have a clover/alfalfa-alfalfa/chicory mix planted. As they approached the field, Steve spotted a deer through some multi-floral rose bushes grazing not 20 yards from them. It was totally unaware of their presence. Tristan got ready and set up for a shot as it fed about. After a few minutes the deer finally grazed out past the rose bushes, giving Tristan a perfect broadside shot at 20 yards. He drew, settled his SURE-LOC QC 2 sight pin, and touched off his release sending an arrow through what turned out to be his first ever archery deer, and 6th deer total of his hunting career. After giving the deer some time to expire, they set out to find it. After an 80 yd tracking job, Tristan found his downed deer. He hunted hard the rest of the archery season after a buck but never had an opportunity for a shot within his range. He's now patiently waiting for the 2010 season to get here.

Tristan has been shooting his current bow since January of 2008. He joined a youth archery league that shoots once a week back in March of 2009, and has been shooting his SURE-LOC sights since April of 2009. He was shooting the sights that came on his bow and was doing OK with them. After getting the SURE-LOC sights mounted up on his bow, he really improved his groups.