



Idaho State Bowhunters (ISB) Newsletter
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In this newsletter we get to know the Vice President of the Idaho State Bowhunters, Jakob Bourgoin.



When did you start hunting? I started going out hunting with my Dad when I was around 5 years old. He would take me bear hunting and hoist me up in his tree stand with a rope!

When did you start bowhunting? The bow was the first weapon I ever hunted with. At the age of 5 I had a little yellow fiberglass bow that I would shoot everything with. I took hunters education when I was 12 and started hunting after that.

When did you take your first big game animal with the bow? When I was 18. It was a mule deer doe. I had no idea how to gut the deer because Dad always did it! When I got it home my buddy came over and found that I hadn't removed the lungs/heart!

How did your hunting season go in 2019? Well, I'm an over the road trucker, have my own truck so hunting opportunity is limited. I did rifle hunt elk in the Sawtooth Zone but, it was so cold and snowy it seemed to move the elk out. We saw some bulls but, ended up empty handed. I also did a muzzle loader antelope hunt in another unit a couple of days but, nothing. I filled my extra whitetail doe tag with a rifle up North. That was it.

Any animals that you really enjoy hunting with a bow? I've taken a couple of nice antelope bucks with the bow on spot and stalk hunts. I killed one that probably would have put me in the record book but I had it stored in my buddies freezer and his Mom threw it away!

What made you decide to take the position of ISB Vice President? Tad Sherman talked me into it!

What are some of the things that you would like to accomplish while you are the Vice President of ISB?

- Grow the Jamboree – get more people involved
- Have more events at Jamboree to attract people
- I would like to get more vendors
- We are going to try and do the pancake breakfast on Sunday and a movie on Saturday night
- Jamboree will be in the same general location as it has always been in. We have a meeting this Spring with the Forest Service to determine exactly where we can do the shoot because there is going to be some timber sales going on in that vicinity. There may be an opportunity for us to adopt the area and plant trees, etc.