

## NTA Mentored Youth Hunt

In October 2011, the NTA will sponsor a Mentored Youth Deer Hunt for two youths who must each be accompanied by a parent or guardian.

The 4-Day hunt will take place on a 1,200 acre private farm near Royal, Nebraska, in the Northeastern portion of the State. Hunting will be from ladder stands that are positioned along active deer trails. With numerous deer in the area, this promises to be a memorable hunt for bucks as well as does.

Two youths from ages 10 to 15 will be selected for this hunt in two different manners.

Youth Essay Selection - Young bowmen who are interested in being selected for this hunt are required to write an essay about why they would like to participate in this hunt or about anything regarding Traditional Archery. Essays should be from 150 to 500 words. Deadline is August 15, 2011, Submit essays to [youthessay@nebraskatraditionalarchers.org](mailto:youthessay@nebraskatraditionalarchers.org). The NTA Officers will select one winning essay. The author of that essay will be one of the two hunt participants.

Youth Rendezvous Selection - This selection will be made from all the youths who shoot at the 2011 NTA Rendezvous September 3-4. Specific criteria for selection will be announced at the Rendezvous.

Nebraska regulations stipulate that all persons age 12-29 must have completed a Bowhunter Education course. Regulations also state that all persons hunting on a youth permit must be hunting under the direct supervision of a licensed adult. This adult can be the accompanying parent, guardian or one of the NTA guides for this hunt, Vince Smith, Dave Thomas or Brandon Abbott.

Youths and their accompanying parent or guardian (hunter or non-hunter) are

responsible for their personal transportation to the hunting site, bringing their personal traditional hunting tackle, hunting licenses, Habitat Stamp, and hunting clothing. The NTA and NTA members will furnish everything else.

Three different deer permits can be used during this hunt, (1) Archery Deer Permit for buck and doe; (2) Season Choice Area 12, (SCA 12), 1,500 permits are authorized, each of these permits allows taking two antlerless whitetails; (3) October Antlerless, each of these permits allows taking two antlerless whitetails. Refer to column at right for permit costs.

Camp cooking and sleeping accommodations will be four white canvas tents, 16'x16', 14'x14', 12'x12', and 10'x10'. There's a small motel about seven miles west in Orchard. The closest large airport is Omaha, which is about 3 hours Southeast of Royal. For more information about this hunt contact the NTA Secretary, Vince Smith (402) 727-9141, 320 W Military Avenue, Fremont, NE 68025, [vsmith2425@neb.rr.com](mailto:vsmith2425@neb.rr.com)