



Roger McCosker (NV) took this Kuban (Western) tur in Karacheyevo-Cherkesiya, Russia during September 2007.



Roger McCosker (NV, left) and Butch Kufalak (CA) and their Caucasian chamois taken in Karacheyevo-Cherkesiya, Russia during September 2007.

Roger McCosker (NV) completed his Ovis World Slam in October 2007 by taking a Kuban (Western) tur as #11 and a Mid-Caucasian tur as #12. Here is what Roger had to say about this hunting milestone:

*This also completes my tur slam, with the Dagestan (Eastern) tur I successfully hunted in Azerbaijan in 2004. I have sent along an extra picture of myself and **Butch Kufalak** (CA) with our Caucasian chamois as another view. Besides being a member of the GSCO board, Butch is one of the most accomplished mountain big game hunters in the world.*

"Tur hunting is a substantial challenge. The mountains and scenery are stunningly beautiful, but the hiking/climbing in tur country is rough; daily, we traversed thousands of feet in altitude in steep mountains and cliffs, in loose rock/shale footing. It did cross my mind during the hunt that personal determination in hunting is certainly a positive, although it could also be construed as slightly crazy! After hiking the Caucasus

mountains for over nine straight days, my feet, legs, thighs and back were screaming and I was pleased to take my ram at 250 yards.

*I have valued all my time in the mountains hunting and appreciate GSCO's efforts on behalf of hunters. From what I understand in THE HUNTING REPORT for October 2007, **Dennis Campbell** was the major contributor to the designation of the three different species of Caucasus Mountain turs, as designated as Ovis/Capra trophies. Thank you for your efforts.*