

Guide Nicolai (left) and Pete Studwell (NY, right) crossing another divide, looking for the elusive Kamchatka rams on the ninth day of the hunt. About the inset photo, Pete said: "Reward of a long, hard hunt.. last day ram."

Pete Studwell (NY) is close now. He got #11 toward the Ovis World Slam last fall on the Kamchatka Peninsula of Siberia. He hunted with Profi-Hunt and was accompanied by Maxim Vorobiev. Pete said it was a long, hard hunt in late August and early September 2002. He actually got the ram on the last day of the hunt.

Well, since Pete only needs one more to complete the World Slam, what will it be? I have an awfully good idea. Pete is participating in the second scientific expedition within the Magadan region of Siberia. Those guys will be after both Yakutia and Okhotsk snow sheep. It will be the same deal as last year, in that they will go to remote, never-hunted areas and explore for three weeks. DNA tissue samples are to be taken and combined with all those collected (and being analyzed even now) from the past few years. Remember that one slot has opened for this expedition, as reported on page 30. If interested, call me immediately at (205) 674-0101.