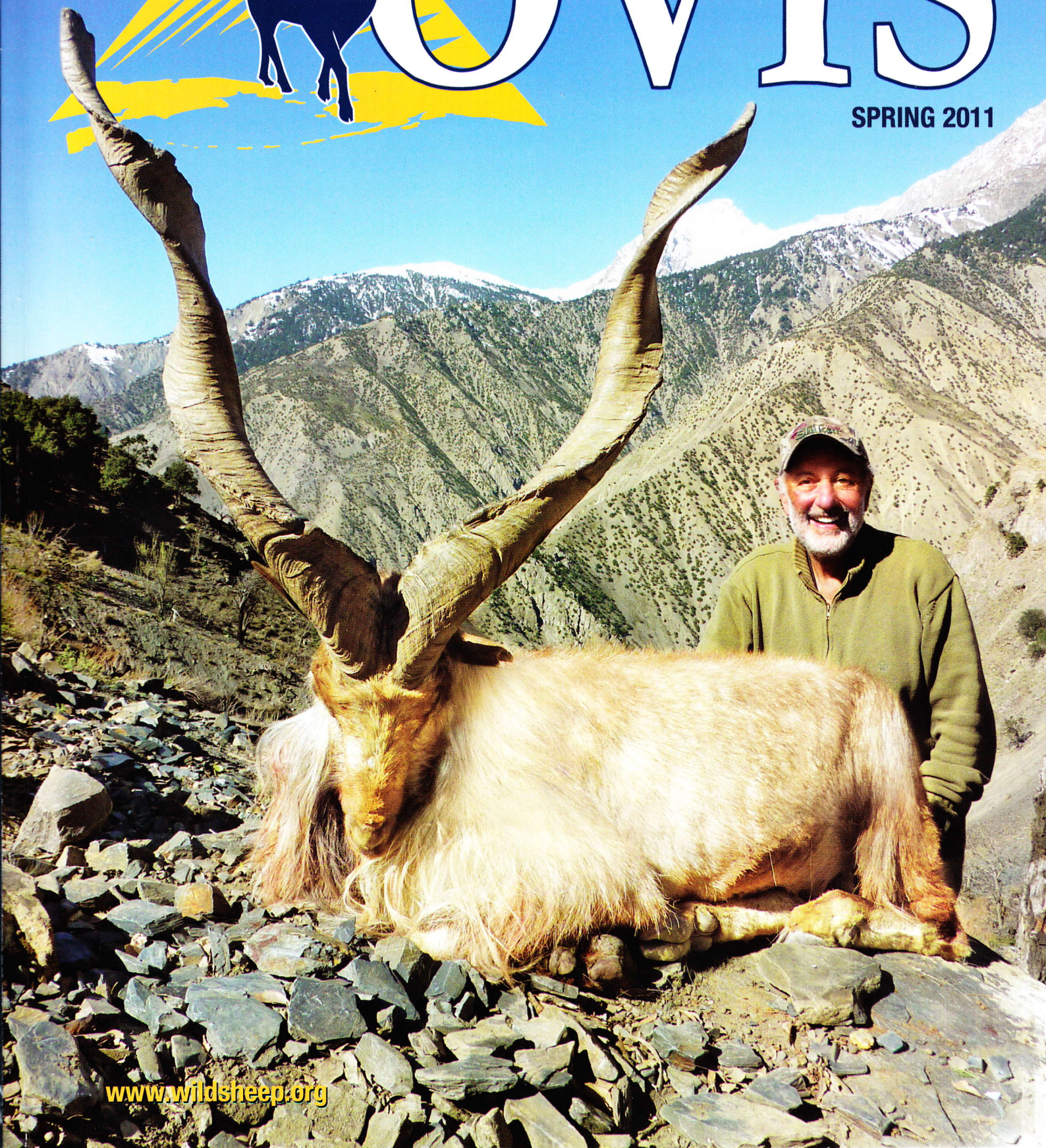


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would have been easy to climb, but the stony ground was frozen and very slippery. We hunted all day seeing many sheep but only young rams, ewes and young sheep.

The following evening as we were walking back down the mountain, we had the classic stroke of luck! We saw in the undergrowth a wonderful set of horns. This was the sheep I was looking for! He was walking slowly about 120 meters away from us. The position I was in was good so I decided to take the shot. I put my carbine on the tripod and squeezed the trigger. My shot placement was good, but not perfect; however it was enough to stop the animal. I ran down the hill and finished off the aoudad.

Ruben Velatta (Italy) hunted for aoudad in Spain with **Fernando Saiz** (Spain) and had this to report:

My trips to Spain continue, looking for the missing sheep and goat species on my list. On this hunt I was after aoudad. After landing in wonderful Madrid, I rented a car and drove toward southern Spain. I finally arrived in Ayora and after a quick snack, I immediately went to sleep.

I woke up at dawn to discover it was snowing and the temperature was below freezing! We began walking up the mountain, which on any other day

For all of you who have visited our website, you may have noticed that we have a link to the **European Chapter** of Grand Slam Club/Ovis. Many of you would be surprised at how many European members we have here in GSCO. Since the European Chapter started in 2010, we have added dozens of new members. That web site is www.gSCO-ec.eu. What prompted this announcement is the preceding report from Ruben Velatta. Ruben is the president and founder of the European Chapter. He has done a great job, and we look forward to even greater things in the future – possibly even a mini-conven-



This fine aoudad was taken by Ruben Velatta (Italy) in Spain, January 2011.



Ivo Denicola (Italy) took this handsome Alpine chamois from Italy in November 2010.



This mid-Asian ibex from Kyrgyzstan was taken in November 2010 by Christian Cavallazzi (Italy).

tion! At any rate, any of you European members who have not joined this chapter should consider doing so. Also, Asian members nearby (such as in Turkey) should consider joining the GSCO European Chapter as well.

Speaking of such things, new European member **Ivo Denicola** (Italy) did a self-guided hunt in his home country during November 2010 and was able to collect a fine Alpine chamois for his efforts. Another new Italian member, **Christian Cavallazzi** (Italy), hunted in Kyrgyzstan during

November 2010 and was able to get a fine mid-Asian ibex without the assistance of a guide. We hope more of our European members will use Ivo and Christian's example and send in photos and hunt reports from your latest adventures.
