

THE LION HUNTER

"Every time I set the dogs loose, I say good-bye because they're out there in the wild all by themselves—and I'm not doing them any favors, sending them after a 180-pound cat." While crossing this frozen lake near Cadomin, Alberta, guide Byron Stewart and his hounds almost lost the track of a trophy male that was two days ahead of them. Beside him (second from right) was his lead dog, Ricki, who would be killed by wolves a month after this hunt. "These silly old smelly hounds—it's always a relief to gather them up at the end of the day."

