

## **27<sup>th</sup> Annual Big Horn Basin Muzzleloaders Primitive Shoot Brewster Ranch, Ten sleep, WY August 3-4, 2013**

The 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Big Horn Basin Muzzle Loader Primitive Shoot was held out at the Brewster's Ranch on the Lower Nowood, August 3-4, 2013. We had 22 registered shooters plus a large contingent of others who showed up to visit and watch the shoot. Nineteen brave shooters tried our primitive range. The club provided hamburgers which Sherry Brewster cooked up. I brought some fresh Worland corn from Stiver's Garden. Other club members and shooters provided potluck fixings. We probably had around 35 people for the meal and there were enough leftovers that we had enough for lunch for everyone on Sunday.

It was the usual hot August weather with highs close to 100 degrees each day. One nice thing about the range at Brewster's ranch is the shade of the trees makes it comfortable. Range opened at 9:00 am for shooting on the paper range and primitive range, range was then closed at 5:00 pm to get ready for the potluck dinner. After the potluck dinner we held the hawk and knife contests. Winners of the hawk throw were Dave Hein and Knife throw was Chris Nickelson. We had a couple of other throwing contests while waiting for it to get dark for the candle shoot. The candle shoot is essentially a lit candle in the hole in the dirt bank. The object is to shoot and put out the flame of the candle without damaging the candle. Usually it is totally dark at night when this is held. Winner of the first round was Dave Hein from Casper. I won the second round after a 3 way tie. We broke the tie by moving back increasing the distance away from the candle each time we shot.

Sunday the ranges were opened again at 9:00 am. We finished up shooting paper targets and Willie Felton took another group of brave souls through the primitive range.

The zombie target seems to be a hit with everyone. Dave Hein finally won with a 5 shot spread of 1 15/16". We had the zombie woman, zombie man, evil jackalope and evil deer. Everyone gets a kick of shooting these targets.

We had one trader, Tim Thornburg, from Pavilion, WY, with Toad's Trading Post showed up to sell his primitive items, like clothing, guns, hawks, knives, beads, books and many other things of the 1840 time period.

We had shooters from as far away as Saratoga, Casper, Riverton, Powell, Lovell, Sheridan and even Harden, MT. Traveling Trophy qualifiers winners were: Men: Dave Hein, Casper, Women: Jane Black, Sheridan, Junior: Matt Boravatz, Worland, Sub-Junior: Ethan Salzman, Worland.

Winners for the Primitive shoot win the coveted "Gorget" which is made and donated by Dave Tyrrell and Tom Brewster were: Men: Dave Hein with a score of 16 out of 20 possible shots, Women, Sherring Burke from Powell with a 9 of 20. Mason Kelley from Worland donated a 50 cal. Hawken Style Thompson Center Rifle for the high junior shooter in the Primitive shoot which was Caleb Salzman with 11 of 20 shots.

After lunch on Sunday, we handed out prizes to everyone who participated in the various contests. Great time was had by the small but enthusiastic group of shooters.

Bill Morrison

**Paper Target Winners**

**Rusty Trapper 25 yd Grizzly target**

- 1 Misfire  
Gene
- 2 Spragg
- 3 Ed Kern

**.40 cal and smaller 25yd Squirrel**

- Gray
- 1 Millhouse
- 2 Dave Hein  
Bill
- 3 Morrison

**.58 cal and Larger 50 yd single Bull**

- Gary
- 1 Millhouse
- 2 Dave Hein  
Bobbi Ann
- 3 Wilczewski

**Any Cal. 25 yd. small single Bull**

- Bobbi Ann
- 1 Wilczewski
- 2 Dave Hein  
Bill
- 3 Morrison

**Any Cal. 50 yd Slug Gun Target**

- Gary
- 1 Millhouse
- 2 Dave Hein
- 3 Ed Kern

**Sub-Junior, Junior 25 yd Grizzly**

- 1 Caleb Salzman
- 2 Ethan Salzman

**Sub-Junior, Junior 25 yd Golf Game**

- 1 Ethan Salzman

**Traveling Trophy 25 yd Double Buffalo Target**

**Men** Dave Hein 49

**Women** Jane Black 41

**Junior** Matt Boravatz 48

**Sub-Junior** Ethan Salzman 33

**Primitive Shoot 20 possible targets**

**Junior**

1 Caleb Salzman 11

2 Matt Boravatz 6

**Women**

1 Sherring Burke 9

2 Jane Black 3

**Men**

1 Dave Hein 16

2 Gary Millhouse 15

**Any Cal 100 yd Single Bull**

- 1 Dave Hein  
Gary
- 2 Millhouse  
Jim
- 3 Hanchett

- 3 Mark Brewster 15
- 4 Jim Hanchett 15
- 5 Dave Tyrrell 14
- 6 Tom Brewster 14

**X-stick, 50 yd double Buffalo**

- 1 Dave Tyrrell
- 2 Misfire  
Chris
- 3 Nickelson

- 7 Bill Morrison 13
- 8 Misfire 12
- 9 Nick Bader 12

**Men's Pistol 25 yd, Pistol Target**

- Gary
- 1 Millhouse
- 2 Dave Hein  
Chris
- 3 Nickelson

- 10 Spencer Wooly 12
- 11 Gene Spragg 12
- 12 Ed Kern 12
- 13 Lyle Bader 9

**Women's Rifle, 25 yd, Fer-de-Lac**

- Bobbi Ann
- 1 Wilczewski
- 2 Jane Black

- 14 Chris Nickelson 7
- 15 Jr. Molina 6