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#### 2008 Schedule of Shoots and Events

1	Event	Location
August 16, 2008	Fort Fetterman Shoot	Douglas, WY
August 23, 2008	Pie Shoot	Sheridan, WY
August 30-Sept 1, 2008	Ft. Bridger Rendezvous	Ft. Bridger, Wy
September 6-7, 2008	BHBLM Primitive Shoot	Ten Sleep, WY
November 9, 2008	Mike Underwood Memorial Shoot	Encampment, WY

#### **Note from WSMLA President**

The summer is flying by way to fast. There is to much to do and not enough time to get it done. The fuel prices have curtailed my travel somewhat, so I haven't made some of the events I would normally have done, plus the boss, (Jeannie) has had me doing some projects, (fencing-hay-horse stuff) and that has all taken time.

I did manage to go to Chadron, Nebraska. What great adventure that is. It was good to spend time with my oldest son, Sean, along with Bret Smith, the star family; Tom Fletcher, Blue, Top Know, Cheap, Bad Hand and Tim. What a great bunch to be around. There was a mishap while at Chadron and we will talk about it in Casper at the Convention.

While at the last shoot in Sheridan, they talked about having the Ed Green Memorial Shoot in the spring of 2009. They also had some discussion about the State Bench Match. We will learn more about that later. Hope to see you all later.

#### **Ned Dunn**

### Cowboy Manners

- 1. Until the cook had called to tell the cowboys that the food was ready, no one got into the food.
- 2. A Cowboy could put as much food as he wanted on his plate.
- 3. He was expected to eat everything he took.
- 4. Remember to be quick when getting food. Lingering to long while dishing up your plate would aggravate your fellow cow hands.
- 5. It was not polite to take the last piece of anything unless you knew for sure that all others were finished eating.
- 6. Cowboys sat on the ground.
- 7. It was alright to hold your plates on your lap.
- 8. Cowboys did not wait for others to be served, before they started eating.
- 9. If during the meal, a cowboy got up to get more coffee and another cowboy yelled, "Man at the pot" the first cowboy up was supposed to fill the coffee cups of anyone who wanted it.
- 10. It was considered polite to wipe up leftovers on the plate with a biscuit.
- 11. When finished eating, they put their dishes in a "round pan" or "wreck pan" (names for dish pan).

#### **News from the Editor**

Summer seems to be getting away from me again this year. Now it is almost hunting season. I have been waiting for some shoot results for this newsletter. However, I also need to publish some shoot events coming up. So I decided just to get the newsletter done and out of here. We are on our way to the "show me state" for a few days.

We made it down to the Deer Creek Muzzleloaders annual summers shoot. Every one had a great time. Deer Creek Muzzle Loading Club has a great range with a lot of hard working members. A big thank you goes out to the great cooks. Everyone is still laughing about Tail gunner and the Highway Patrolmen. Note to self: Do not allow Charlie and Angie go shopping again! Bell is growing like a weed, she is very ornery and nothing is safe from her sharp teeth. She also knows how to bark.

I made a quick trip down to the 1838 Rendezvous. Dropped some money with the traders. Hopefully next year, I can spend more time and enjoy more of the Rendezvous. Had a good visit with Tailgunner and others down at 1838.

Shoot events coming up are the Fort Fetterman shoot, the Pie Shoot and the BHBMLA primitive shoot. I plan on making a trip over for the Pie shoot. This is always a great time, with the best of all prizes, pies. BHBMLA is working on their annual primitive shoot. There will be paper targets, traveling trophy and primitive shoot contests. Willie and Lyle are planning a couple of new targets. The bridge is gone so the shoot will be held on the north side of the river.

The Holiday Inn in Casper has been sold; it is now the Ramada Plaza Riverside. The new managers will honor the previous WSMLA room rates and contracts. Ramada Plaza Riverside phone number is 307-235-2531. However, I would suggest if you have reservations with a Holiday Inn confirmation number to call to get a new confirmation number.

I look forward to seeing everyone at the shoots. I hope everyone a successful and safe hunting season.

#### Bill Morrison

I read the short story on the Brass Monkey. I served in the Navy for a few years at sea. I hope you did not mean for that story to be serious. That is the story told to Land Lubbers and Apprentice Seaman as a joke. There is no fact to the story. There is another story that is a joke of sailors. They'll tell a "Boot" that ships don't sink all the way to the bottom in deep water. They'll remind him of the intense pressure found at great depths. As an example, if a diver breaks his pressure suit they pull up the helmet with the ruptured suit and the diver is in the helmet, all of him. That is how much pressure there is down there. So it stands to reason that the ships can sink only so far and the pressure deeps them from reaching bottom. Forever and forever they float in the sea Twix bottom and surface.

You can put this in the newsletter if you like.

Jim Archibald



## GRAND MOTHER'S RECEIPES

## **Basic Pemmican**

2 oz cooked, ground and dried beef5 Tbsp lard or vegetable fat (shortening or butter)

Place the meat in to a container lined with plastic film. Melt the fat and let it cool slightly to a gluey consistency. Pour the fat over the meat and let it harden. Wrap airtight and store, preferably in a freezer if you be using the permican right away.

#### Pemmican

(Prepare as above)

2 oz Cooked, ground, and dried beef 6 Tbsp. lard vegetable fat or butter ½ oz. Dried (heat dried) ground berries.

#### Formula for Soap

5- Lbs fat- rendered and strained

6 -quarts of water

1- Can of lye

3- Tablespoons borax.

Mix in a granite container. Let stand 48 hours or longer, stirring mixture 2-3 times a day until it is the consistency of cottage cheese.

Place on the stove at low heat, let melt, stirring once in a while, till it looks like honey.

Can be left in the pan you made it in or maybe poured into a box and cut into bars.

Then it can be shredded & boxed for storage.

## WATER CRESS CANAPES

This canapé is very refreshing. Chop until fine or chop coarsely:

Water Cress

Mix it with:

Soft Butter

Grated onion or chives

A dash of salt

Spread it on:

Thin crust less slices of white bread Serve the canapés rolled, open or double deck Or spread the slices with:

Cream cheese softened with cream

A thin layer caviar

Place on each slice:

A sprig of water cress.

Roll the sandwiches, letting the green leaves protrude. Serve them around the edge of a platter, letting the water cress form a wreath. Fill the center with shrimp, curled celery, radishes or olives.

#### WATER CRESS AND BRAUNSCHWEIGER SANDWICHES

Combine and mix to a paste:

1/4 lb braunschweger

1 or more tablespoons cream

Add:

½ cup or more chopped water cress.

Serve on rye bread or toast.

#### **Subject: Cowboy & Church**

One Sunday morning an old cowboy entered a church just before services were to begin. Although the old man and his clothes were spotlessly clean, he wore jeans, a denim shirt and boots that were very worn and ragged. In his hand he carried a worn out old hat and an equally worn out Bible.

The church he entered was in a very upscale and exclusive part of the city. It was the largest and most beautiful church the old cowboy had ever seen. The people of the congregation were all dressed with expensive clothes and accessories.

As the cowboy took a seat, the others moved away from him. No one greeted, spoke to, or welcomed him. They were all appalled at his appearance and did not attempt to hide it.

As the old cowboy was leaving the church, the preacher approached him and asked the cowboy to do him a favor. 'Before you come back in here again, have a talk with God and ask him what he thinks would be appropriate attire for worship.' The old cowboy assured the preacher he would.

The next Sunday, he showed back up for the services wearing the same ragged jeans, shirt, boots, and hat. Once again he was completely shunned and ignored. The preacher approached the man and said, 'I thought I asked you to speak to God before you came back to our church.'

'I did,' replied the old cowboy.

'If you spoke to God, what did he tell you the proper attire should be for worshiping in here?' asked the preacher.

'Well, sir, God told me that He didn't have a clue what I should wear. He

said He'd never been in this church.'

#### **Deer Creek Muzzle Loaders**

## Muzzle Loading Match at Historic Fort Fetterman

Join us for a special primitive shoot on the grounds of old Ft. Fetterman on Saturday August 16th. We will start launching round balls at 10:00 AM and finish up around 2:00 or 3:00 PM. There are no entry fees for this shoot and the State Historical Society has given us \$500 for prize money which will be paid out to the top twelve shooters. High aggregate shooter will win \$100. This event which falls on the final day of the Wyoming State Fair is being heavily promoted with the public and should draw several spectators. Thus primitive dress is encouraged but is not required. Camping is allowed. Call 358-2864 for reservations



#### For more information, contact:

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Located north of Douglas on Hwy 93, take exit 140 off I-25. A restored officers quarters and an ordinance warehouse are original buildings that house interpretive exhibits and artifacts of the fort's history. There are several picnic areas. Established in 1867 as a military post, and with the expansion of the railroad into the high plains, the fort was needed as a major supply point for the army operating against the Indians in that period after the civil war. It was abandoned in 1882 after outliving its usefulness when Indian tribes were confined to reservations

#### 2008 Wyoming State Muzzle Loading Bench rest Match

June 7-8, Casper, Wyoming

The 2008 edition of our bench rest match got off to a flying start on Saturday, June 7. We had dry, cool, clear conditions for the match at the Stuckenhoff shooter's complex in Casper. This match is shot on the main (modern) range facility since it has good shooting benches at each firing point. We can accommodate up to 42 shooters on the line at one time if all positions are used. Since our numbers are not that high, we usually use the 10-20 benches located under the roof and protected by the building from the wind. This range is set up to fire to the east so it is a better afternoon range than a morning range. Saturday proved this with both with the light conditions as well as the wind. Although it was breezy during the afternoon, it was consistent enough to adjust for while shooting your targets. Some very good long-range scores were posted on Saturday.

Rules governing this match are pretty simple. The state board adopted them a number of years ago and they are specific as to equipment and firing position. The rifles used in the match must be legal offhand rifles. They must be traditional side action locks, traditional iron sights (no peeps or other sights), and the rifle must accommodate a ramrod. The firing position allows for sand bag support of the fore stock and the butt stock will be supported by the shooter. This means no rear sandbag. The course of fire uses a number of familiar targets. We have each shot hundreds of them over the years. We shoot a six bull at 50 yards, a musket target (9 ring black) at 75 yards, standard 100 yard target (8 ring black) and the official 200 yard target (huge thing that is still easy to miss). In addition, we have reentry targets at each range so that you may practice a bit before going on to the aggregate targets. The targets are as similar as we can make them without using the same targets over.

One odd fact we have learned over the years about this bench match, every target we shoot has been scored better off hand than from a bench. This may be changing at least in the 50 yard pistol match but as far as rifle targets; I think better scores have been turned in from off hand efforts.

In addition to the rifle aggregate and reentry matches, we have a 50 yard reentry pistol match. This is shot on the standard 25 yard 10 shot target but at 50 yards. The shooter may use two hands and rest the pistol on sand bags for this match. We also shoot traditional muzzle loading schuetzen targets. We have a 10 shot off hand 50 yard target as well as a 10 shot 100 yard bench target. The rules are the same as for our regular bench rest events. Since this is a state sanctioned match, we provide an opportunity to qualify for the state traveling trophy. There is enough shooting for almost everyone to put in a full day if they want.

One new addition this year was the use of spotting scopes or binoculars. The state board authorized the host club for the bench rest match to use its discretion in regards to optics. After this year's match, we discussed the pros and cons of their use. No complaints were brought up so we intend to permit them in the future if we continue to hold the match.

The future of holding this match is dependant on the participants. We have seen our participation decline to the point of having to ask whether or not it is worth the trouble to hold the match. Those of us that have been shooting it find it fun and challenging but as the hosting club we wonder if it is worth the trouble to tie up so much of the range for so few shooters. Remember, you all have the required equipment to shoot this kind of match. No special bench guns are even legal by our state rules. I can't make it any plainer than that.

Here are the scores from this year's event.

Aggregate:	First	Second
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50 yard 6 bull 8 ring black	Ned Dunn 42	Jake Jacobsen 42
75 yard musket 9 ring black	Ned Dunn 46	Teri Schwindt 44
100 yard 8 ring black	Teri Schwindt 43	Ned Dunn 40
200 yard target	Roger Roebling 31	Teri Schwindt 27

Aggregate Teri Schwindt 146

## **Reentry Targets** Winner

50 yard 6 bull 7 ring black	Ned Dunn 43
75 yard X target	Ned Dunn 45
100 yard 7 ring black	Ned Dunn 45
200 yard (50 yard pistol target)	Roger Roebling 31
50 yard pistol (25 yard pistol target)	Bruce Schwindt 94xx

50 yard off hand Schuetzen Roger Roebling 238 4c 100 yard bench rest Schuetzen Bryan Youngberg 195 1c

### **State Traveling Trophy Qualifiers**

Men Bruce Schwindt 49xxxx Women Teri Schwindt 45x

Thank you to all of this year's competitors and to Dennis Obert of the Platte Valley Muzzle Loaders for running the match and keeping everything in order.

#### Cure for Snoring

Some retired deputy sheriffs went to a retreat in the mountains. To save money, they decided to sleep two to a room. No one wanted to room with Daryl because he snored so badly. They decided it wasn't fair to make one of them stay with him the whole time, so they voted to take turns.

The first deputy slept with Daryl and comes to breakfast the next morning with his hair a mess and his eyes all bloodshot. They said, "Man, what happened to you?"

He said, "Daryl snored so loudly, I just sat up and watched him all night."

The next night it was a different deputy's turn. In the morning, the same thing--hair all standing up, eyes all blood-shot.

They said, "Man, what happened to you? You look awful!"

He said, "Man, that Daryl shakes the roof. I watched him all night."

The third night was Frank's turn. Frank was a big burly ex-football player; a man's man. The next morning he came to breakfast bright-eyed and bushy tailed. "Good morning," he said. They couldn't believe it! They said, "Man, what happened?" He said, "Well, we got ready for bed. I went and tucked Daryl into bed and kissed him good night. He sat up and watched me all night long."

# SHERIDAN BULL SHOOTERS EIGHTH ANNUAL PIE SHOOT Saturday, August 23, 2008

The whining & sniveling will start at 10:00 a.m.

\$6.00 FEE FOR ALL DAY
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# **MUZZLE LOADERS ONLY!**



## **Big Horn Basin Muzzleloaders**

Est. 1986-2007 22<sup>st</sup> Anniversary Shoot

## September 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> 2008

Potluck dinner Saturday evening

Primitive Matches: Saturday morning, afternoon, and Sunday morning.

Limited Paper Matches Paper Range 9-5 Saturday 9-12 Sunday

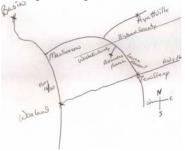
Hawk/Knife/Cow Chip Throwing Saturday evening

Candle Shoot Saturday Evening Traveling Trophy Qualifier

The Big Horn Basin Muzzleloaders are planning their annual primitive shoot at the Brewster Ranch, located north of Ten Sleep, WY. We are planning on a fun shoot with lots of great prizes. We are hoping for a little cooler weather for competitors.

A full slate of traditional Muzzle loading events is planned. Primitive matches \$10.00, Paper Matches \$2.00. No optics except by range officers. Open front and rear sights only. NMLA rules for scoring. Only traditional Muzzle loading hunting rifles using patched round balls. No under hammer or in-line actions and no Black Powder cartridge guns.

Camp Rules: -Dogs are allowed but must be under adult control. No horses allowed. No vehicle parking allowed in the primitive camp area except to load and unload. Wood available, bring drinking water.



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Please also e-mail the results to Bryan Youngberg bryan.youngberg@gmail.com

Qualifiers: (The highest score qualifies but all scores 50 or over qualify)

Men's	Name:			
Score;				
		State:		
Men's	Name:			
Score;	Address:			 
	City:	State:	Zip:	
Women's Name:				 
Score;	Address:			
	City:	State:	Zip:	
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