The 5th Annual John Colter shoot was held at Meeteeste, Wyoming on 2/25/12. There was about 22 shooters and lot of spectators that showed up to brave the elements on a sunny yet, blustery day in Wyoming. Some of the shooters were from Casper, Riverton, Cody and Lander. Jeff McManus, Ned Dun and crew got the gongs put up and paper targets things were ready to around 10:30.

The wind started about the time we got the shoot started and really made shooting a challenge at all of the targets. Now I officially know why it is called Colter's Hell, when the wind blows the powder out before you can even pour it in the barrel.

About ½ of the shooters started out on gongs and the other ½ started out on paper. Jeff, being the evil person that he is had the 25 yd paper target as the "fun" target. I now know a few other names for this target and "fun" is not a name I would call it now. Jeff even had a few choice words for the fun target.

After the shoot we gathered at the Elk Horn Bar for a special chicken fried steak dinner and fixings. Jeff McManus, Ned Dun and Larry Jones had gathered up some cash for the winners and plenty of donations for prizes for all shooters; plus the entry fee of a dozen cookies.

Some of the donations were from Craig Kirkland with Bear River Powder, Rocky Mountain Discount Sports, Denny's Guns, Elkhorn Bar, Dave Owen's Big Horn Quilts, Larry Jones, Jeff McManus, Bryan Youngberg, Ned and Jean Dun, Bar Nunn Canvas. The Irma Hotel and Buffalo Bill Cody provided discounts to participants.

The John Colter shoot is a great one day shoot due to the hard work of Jeff McManus and Ned Dun. Ned Dun donated the steel gong targets. Big Horn Basin Muzzleloaders donated the paper targets. What a fine way to spend the weekend in Northwest Wyoming. Bill Morrison

2012 John Colter Shoot Results

Meeteetse, Wyoming 02/25/2012

	40 yd Gong	75 Yd Gong	100 yd Gong	125 yd Gong	Total Gongs Time 5	25 yd Fun Target	100 yd bull 10 shots	Grand total	Placing
Bryan Youngberg	1	1	2	1	25	12	34	71	5
Alison Youngberg	2	1	0	0	15	28	5	48	14/15
Bob Englebach	1	1	1	1	20	26	23	69	6
Al Royal	1	2	1	0	20	31	0	51	12
Dave Owens	2	2	1	1	30	16	0	46	16
Dennis Nichols	1	3	2	2	40	32	21	93	1
Frank Elzay	1	2	1	0	20	11	0	31	18
Ben Elzay	1	3	1	0	25	12	5	42	17
RMSP	2	3	3	1	45	18	18	81	2
Sherri Foust	0	1	2	0	15	21	14	50	13
Bill Morrison	3	1	1	0	25	30	19	74	3⁄4
Rich Sell	2	0	1	0	15	3	5	23	19
Jim Hanchett	0	0	0	1	5	34	26	65	7
Willie Felton	1	1	0	1	15	24	24x	63x	8
Judy Lawrence	2	2	2	0	30	17	6	53	11
Kim Lawrence	1	0	0	0	5	28	28	61	9
Ethen Kolacry	2	2	2	0	30	18	8	56	10
Jim Betters	0	1	0	0	5	3	0	8	20
Dave Tyrrell	3	1	1	0	25	36	13	74	3⁄4
Jeff McManus	1	1	1	1	20	22	6	48	14/15

A few pictures form the John Colter's shoot February 25, 2012

