

## Wyoming State Muzzle Loading Association February 2010

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## 2010 Schedule of Shoots and Events

	Event	Location
February 6, 2010	John Colter's Hell	Meeteetse, WY
February 6-7, 2010	Colorado Winter Trade Show and Convention	Northglenn, CO
February 12-14, 2010	WSMLA Winter Challenge Shoot	Glenrock, WY
April 10-11, 2010	BHBLM Buffalo Gong Shoot	Ten Sleep, WY
April 24-25, 2010	Colorado Squirrel Championship	Loveland, CO
May 1-2, 2010	Ed Green Memorial Shoot	Sheridan, WY
May 28-31, 2010	WRMLA Memorial Day Shoot-WSMLA State Shoot	Riverton, WY
June 11-13, 2010	Deer Creek Annual Shoot	Glenrock WY
June 18-20, 2010	Colorado Territorial Matches	Ft. Lupton, CO
June 19-26, 2010	High Plains Rendezvous	Black Hills, SD
June 30-July 4, 2010	1838 Mountain Man Rendezvous	Riverton, WY
July 10-18, 2010	Rocky Mountain National Rendezvous	Creede, CO
July 21-25, 2010	Bayou Salado Rendezvous	Hartsel, CO
July 23-25, 2010	Sierra Madre Rendezvous	Encampment, WY
July 31-August 1 <sup>st</sup>	BHBLM Primitive Shoot	Ten Sleep, WY
July 31, August 7, 2010	Rocky Mountain College Rendezvous	Jefferson, CO
August 7, 2010	Pie Shoot	Sheridan, WY
August 28-29, 2010	WSMLA State Bench Shoot	Sheridan, WY
September 4-6, 2010	Ft. Bridger Rendezvous	Ft. Bridger, WY
<b>2011 Schedule Shoots and Events</b>		
January 28-30, 2011	WSMLA State Convention and Rendezvous	Casper, WY

***Can you please pass this on to all concerned.....***

I wanted to say thank you so very much for the decisions made this year at the annual convention that made memberships free for those of us serving on Active Duty in the military. I rarely get the chance to get back to Wyoming and participate in the many great events you all have but I enjoy reading the monthly newsletters online and hope to be back there in a few more years when I am eligible for retirement. My parents (Buzz and Kathy Holler) attend the convention each year and when they called me and told me that the membership this year was going to be free - I was awe struck and humbled. Thank you so very much.

v/r

LT Mike Holler  
CVW-9 Tareting Officer  
US Navy  
NAS Fallon, NV

## Note from WSMLA President

Dear WSMLA members, January 31, 2010

Well, here we have January about shot and looking forward to another year on the board. I know I hardly do anything worth while except try and control our meetings but what about Trish's efforts getting us into a new location for the 2011 WSMLA Convention! There is no end of our appreciation for her efforts.

While attending the Sierra Madre matches last Sunday I was able to hand out the shoot/rendezvous dates but also some membership application forms. Let's hope we increase our membership a little bit more. This is such a cool sport we need to share it as much as possible.

I'm not sure if I will be at the Challenge Match at Glenrock. I'm torn between going there and checking out the Meeker, Co. shoot. Meeker requires a handmade blanket prize for entry so have to get real busy for that, it is only a week off, next Sunday in fact.

So here's to another good year of making smoke!



Take care Charlie Romaine

## *Note from Convention Chairwomen:*

*Hi everyone. Just a short note to say thanks to all of you that attended the WSMLA Rendezvous in Casper earlier this month. On the whole I think everyone had a good time, there were a few moments that caused a little extra thought. An agreement has been made with the Parkway Plaza to have the convention there next year. It will be January 28-30, 2011. This date does not conflict with Nebraska's convention or the Pig shoot. Hopefully this will be a good date, so write the date (January 28, 29 & 30<sup>th</sup>, 2011) on your calendars. I will remind you again. Thank you again for helping to make this years event so good. Trish.*

## News from the Editor

Wow what a great convention! If you did not attend you missed a great one! Great weather, good friends, hotel problems, great music, a whole bunch of really nice traders, great auction and camaraderie. I for one was exhausted and broke. I spent way too much money with the traders.

Times are a changing. We have a new slate of directors. I was fortunate to be re-elected to the board, along with Ginger Baumann and Paula Sorter. New to the board are Rooster Baumann, Kyle Lehto and Mark Starr. On behalf of the WSMLA board, we are looking for exciting times in 2010-11. Charlie Romaine was re-elected President, Paula Sorter Vice President, Ginger Bauman Secretary, Carrie Gavin Treasurer. Ed Kern volunteered to be Auction Chairperson, Trish Volunteered to be Convention Chairperson. I was volunteered to do the newsletter and web site. Angie, Paula and Kyle volunteered to be on the entertainment committee.

The WSMLA annual convention and rendezvous is moving to a little later in month to January 28-31, 2011 and with different digs next year. The board has accepted the Parkway Plaza's offer to host the WSMLA convention for 2011. I am excited about the change as this will allow more room for traders, members, along with bigger room for the convention dinner and auction.

The WSMLA board is encouraging anyone and everyone to participate in state sanctioned events. The State Sanctioned shoots include the Winter Challenge, State Shoot and State Bench. The WSMLA board has agreed to continue with the \$10.00 fee per family, to participants that are not members of WSMLA during WSMLA sanctioned shooting matches. When I am looking at the attendance at the various shoots in Wyoming during 2009, we need to be encouraging everyone with any interest just to show up and support your local club and state events. Take the x-box control away from the kids and grandkids and let them actually try a real smoke pole.

WSMLA board wants to encourage our members who are actively serving in the military. The WSMLA board has agreed to allow a free electronic membership to anyone actively serving in the military. If you want a membership card and to shoot at a state sanctioned shoot you need to present an active military card. We may have a few bugs to work out on this project. The WSMLA is in support of our military.

One important item that our government cannot seem to get a handle on is money, WSMLA is still in the black. This is due to all of our members who continue to support Wyoming State Muzzleloading Association through their paid membership, donating to the auction at convention and purchasing clothing items from WSMLA. Paula Sorter will continue to offer WSMLA logo items like hats, t-shirts, and sweat shirts for sale at state sanctioned events. She also takes special order items, please contact Paula if you have questions. The hats and sweatshirts have been a big hit and make great gifts. The major expense for the WSMLA is the print newsletter. Each member who is able to switch to accessing the newsletter through the state web site saves the association \$25.08 per year. Each newsletter that is printed and mailed costs the association \$4.27 each. So if you can get the newsletter at the state web site you are saving the association some money. I am trying to shrink the size of the print newsletter to keep costs lower, however we do not anticipate the cost of the print newsletter going down. If you do not have access to a computer that is fine. However, the online version is in color. The online version is available as soon as I post it, the print version takes about 10 days after I have posted the newsletter.

If you are looking for something to do in 2010 we have a whole bunch of Muzzleloading events listed in this newsletter and on the web site. I post the fliers on the web site as soon as I receive them. If you are looking for current information it is listed on the web site. If you or your club has something to post please send it to me and I will get the information out on the web.

I am always looking for articles. Each club needs to submit something to add to the newsletter. I look forward to seeing everyone in 2010, starting at the John Colter Shoot next weekend. Keep your powder dry.

*Bill Morrison*



## **COPPER LADIES VITTELS**

**Chili** is one of my favorite wintertime meals - especially when it is a bit warmly seasoned. Recently a hunter friend of my VA daughter offered her some venison for me - and I was delighted to use the burger in chili - which tasted about as good as any I have ever made. Here's more or less how I prepared it (I never do it quite the same way twice). This is a good dish to do ahead, perhaps freeze and carry it to camp to reheat; like spaghetti, it is even better the second day. If you freeze the chili inside a plastic bag that fits your Dutch oven, it will be easy to remove the plastic and reheat it in the oven at camp.

Soak one (1) cup of your favorite dried beans overnight in plenty of water. The next day, replace that water with fresh and simmer the beans, with a chopped onion, for an hour or until beans are tender.

While the beans cook, sauté ½ cup chopped onions, 1 minced clove garlic, and 2 stalks of thinly sliced celery in a small amount of oil. (Opt: add shredded carrots.) Brown 1 lb. ground meat - preferably venison, but other works too, in the pan with veges.

Combine the meat and vegetables with the beans in a large pot along with a can of pureed tomatoes. Season with your favorite chili seasoning - such as 1 Tbsp. chili powder, 1 tsp paprika, 1 Tbsp salt, 1 Tbsp oregano, crushed red pepper, and black pepper. Simmer 1-2 hours for flavors to permeate all ingredients.

I have discovered a southern favorite for chili - top it off with a dollop of sour cream. My topping is often shredded cheddar cheese.

To me the perfect complement to chili is **cornbread**. This can be made ahead, with a package mix, in a full sheet or in cupcake form. For do-it-yourselfers, here's a good recipe. Again, it can be made ahead or at the campsite.

1 cup flour	1½ cup corn meal
2 ½ tsp baking powder	1-2 eggs
1-2 Tbsp sugar	1 cup milk
1 tsp salt	2-4 Tbsp melted butter or oil

Mix liquids and set aside for five minutes. Sift flour, baking powder, sugar and salt into the liquid. Fold in cornmeal and stir.

Pour into well-greased Dutch over and set over hot coals, with a topping of coals on the lid. Baking time will be about half an hour, but check after 5-10 to adjust the heat.

Optional: add a slice of hot pepper, fresh cooked corn cut from the cob, or shredded cheddar cheese folded into cornbread mix before baking.

## Copper Lady

### Report from WRML January 2010 Pig Shoot

Doyle Reid and Mike Irvin put on a fine primitive walk on Saturday afternoon. They had some awesome help on hand to handle and set up the shooting stations. Thanks go out to Doyle and Mikes' better halves, Debbie and Liz, Liz's friend from Alpine and Mokis' wife. We would be remiss if we didn't thank the youngsters for their help also. Thank you to Joanna, Lillian, Savanna and their young friend from Alpine. Thanks you all for braving the cold and being such good sports. There were about 10 shooters that shot, answered trivia questions (or tried to), threw hawk and started fire. Every one won something and I know we all enjoyed the afternoon. Thanks again to the Wind River Party and the hardy souls that love camping in the cold.

The meat shoot on Sunday went well. The weather was great (I overheard someone asked Frank if he had done sun dance the day before). Thanks go out to Frankie and Angie for the great lunch. You do not only shoot well but you also are awesome cooks. Anyway, here are the shoot results. As I said earlier, we had 20 or 21 shooters. By the way, we did have a new member sign up. Welcome to Brandon Reed. If you did not meet him, and you happen to at the next shoot, be sure to introduce yourself and welcome him to the muzzle loading family.

Frank did it a little different again this year and I think everyone was pleased with the way it was done. He had numbered bottle caps drawn out of a hat and placed on the meat. You could place 1<sup>st</sup> and end up with pork roast, bacon or whatever cut of meat was one the table. I know Frank got a first and ended up with a leaser cut of meat than he would of in the past. Any way I liked the way it was done. Here are the shoot results:

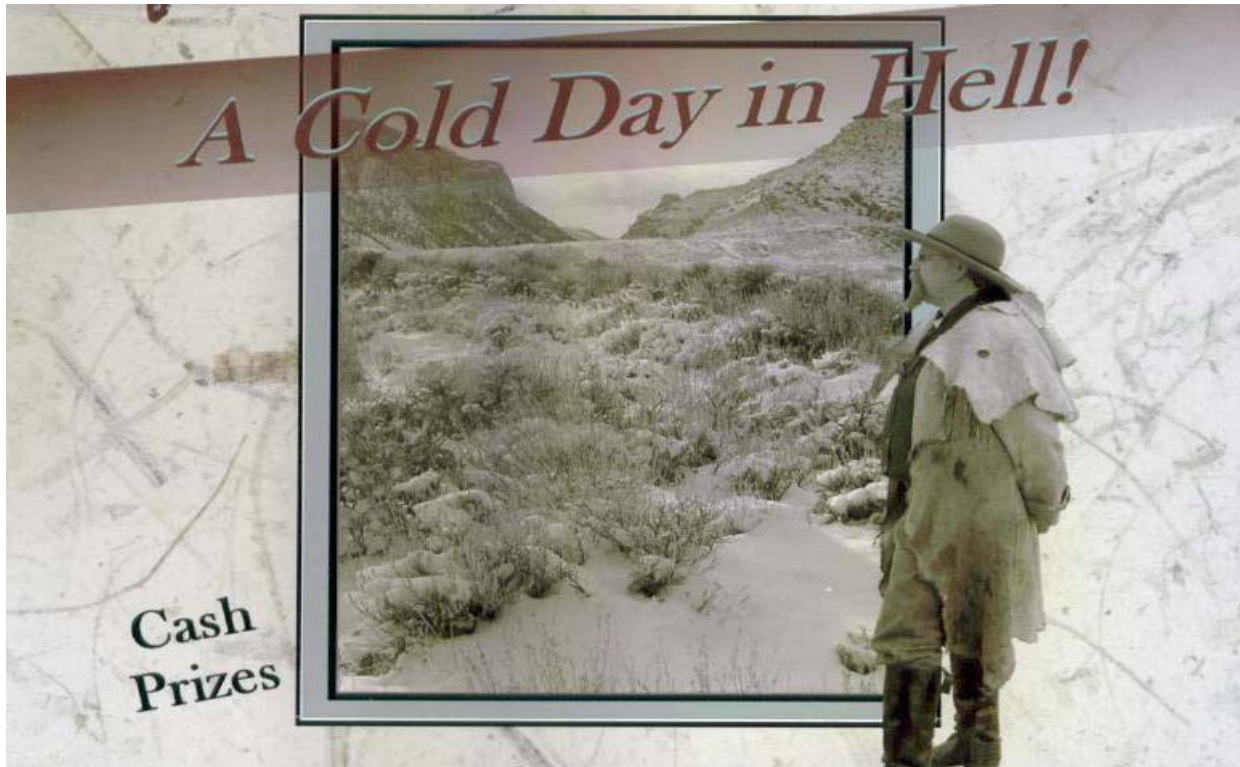
<u>25yd Single Buffalo</u>	<u>50yd Single Buffalo</u>	<u>100yd Single Buffalo</u>
1 - LZ - 49	Bill Rynor - 46	LZ - 27
2 - Gary Gavin - 48xxx	Mike Corrigan - 44x	Jared - 26
3 - RMJP - 48	Ol' Hide - 43	Frankie - 22
4 - Angie - 47x	Angie - 43	Dave Livingston - 20
5 - Rabbit - 47	Willie Felton - 43	Rabbit - 19
6 - Ol' Hide - 47	Dave Livingston - 42	Bill Rynor - 18
7 - Dave Livingston - 47	Rabbit - 40	Kyle - 16
8 - Mike Corrigan - 46x	Kyle - 39x	Mike Corrigan - 14
9 - Kyle - 46	Frankie - 38	Angie - 13
10 - Bill Rynor - 46	Gary Gavin - 38	He Who - 12

Frank ended up winning the Aggregate prize with a combined score of 114. Good shooting Frank. Thank you to Willie and Karen Felton for coming down from Ten Sleep to shoot. We always enjoy your company. I think you can see by the scores that there was some pretty good shooting that went on. Congratulations to all of you that shot and made this a successful event. See you in March.

**He Who**



**3rd Annual John Colter's Hell  
Muzzleloader Shoot  
February 6, 2010      10:00 AM**



**BLANKET COOKIE SHOOT**

**Each shooter must bring either home made or store bought cookies for a blanket shoot. Awards plus cookies to top shooters.**

**WHERE:** Meeteetse Shooting Range, Meeteetse Wyoming.

**DIRECTIONS:** From Meeteetse, the range is located south towards Thermopolis Approx 1/2 mile. Also located beside the Meeteetse rodeo grounds.

**TIME:** 10:00 am

**CONTACT:** Jeff McManus 307-765-4584 or Ned Dunn 307-754-4498

**Notes:** Cookies are the entry fee. Both Iron and Paper Targets, Special discount meal offered after shoot in downtown Meeteetse. Awards and Payoff downtown at meal.

*Period Dress, Guns & Accoutrements encouraged.*



DEER CREEK MUZZLE LOADERS  
WSMLA WINTER CHALLENGE SHOOT  
February 12, 13, 14, 2010

Hear Ye! Hear Ye! Attention Muzzle loading Clubs and Individual shooters: The Deer Creek Muzzle Loaders challenge you to form your best teams of men and women and join us in a fun weekend match. Enjoy a late winter muzzle-loading shoot! Shake that case of cabin fever and dust off your muzzle-loading rifle and come over to the Arnold Ranch near Glenrock. If you are an individual shooter or are short of having a full team, we will sign you up and make up teams as they sign up. If you are a couple bricks short of a load, one of our DCML teams may just whoop up on ya! This is why we call it the Winter Challenge Shoot. Men's teams are to be composed of 5 men; Women's teams are to be composed of 3 women. Women may shoot on a men's team but not vice versa even if a kilt is worn. This is a WSMLA sanctioned shoot. Each shooter must be a member of the WSMLA. You can join or pay your 2010 dues at this shoot.

**Matches & Entry fees:** The entry fee per shooter is \$20. This will include a target packet of ten targets. A lunch will be available to shooters Sat & Sun and is included in the entry fee. Medallions will be awarded to the top three men's and women's teams, and plaques for men, women, and senior individual high scorers. So challenge yourself and try to best the records for individual aggregate and team aggregate scores. The DCML range offers challenging matches at 25, 50, 100 and 200 yards. You must use a traditional muzzle loading, hunting type rifle with open sights and use black powder or substitute and a patched round ball. No underhammer or in line actions or black powder cartridge rifles. NMLRA scoring rules apply. New this year: You can re-enter ONE of your targets. 100% of the proceeds will go to WSMLA

**Camping:** The DCML Range on the old Arnold Ranch offers fine primitive and modern camping areas in the cottonwoods. Wood is provided but you will need to bring your own water. Dogs ARE allowed in camp but must be on leash, in control of an adult and kept a safe distance from the range. No horses. Come have a winter rendezvous and burn some powder with us.

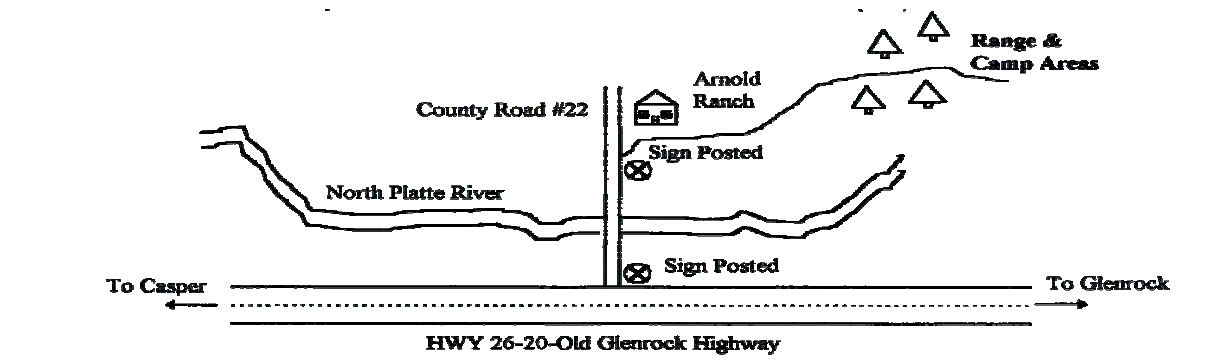
**Schedule:** Friday Feb 13 – Set up your camp, registration and shoot in afternoon

Saturday Feb 14 - Range open 8-5

Sunday Feb 15 – Range open 8-12. Awards at 1:00

Continue to enjoy a winter camp

**Information:** Phil Nissen, 235-8889, Delbert Lesser, 436-8809, Trish Miller, 234-6591





Traders Row



Rooster and Ginger Baumen announcing award winners



Carry Gavin and Charlie Romaine



Good Attendance at General meeting



Trish, Paula and Ginger the movers and shakers of WSMLA



2009 WSMLA Band: Swing Sounds from Casper. Great job guys!

# **Nowood Black Powder Cartridge Match**

**Sixteenth Annual**

**April 10th & 11th 2010**

**Hosted by the Big Horn Basin Muzzleloaders**

**In Memory of George Sinn & Mike Cash**

NO Food Service Available

Where?

The Big Horn Basin Muzzleloader Range located between Ten Sleep and Hyattville, Wyoming on the Brewster Ranch

Rifles and Loads?

Any single shot rifle or replica in the spirit of the era (Late 1800 to early 1900)

Any lever action rifles of this same period ( Must be loaded singularly.)

BLACK POWDER OR SUBSTITUES. METALLIC SIGHTS, CAST LEAD BULLETS ONLY!

Scope Class-----Traditional Style Scopes Only!

Scope Competitors will not qualify for overall winner but will be recognized!

Targets

Five Metal Gongs

250 Yd gong shot offhand

All other gongs shot from crossticks!

Matches will be Six Shots per gong.

Range Hours

Range open Sat. 9AM to 3PM for sight in and practice

Sunday 8 AM to 10:00AM practice and sight in

Must be PAID BEFORE practicing!!!!

MATCH BEGINS SUNDAY 10:00 AM.

ENTRY FEE \$20.00

Contacts CABINS & RV PARK

Dave Tyrrell 307 765 2289 Ten Broek Campground

Bryan Youngberg 307 266 9692 307 366 2250

Tom Brewster 307 366 2391

**WSMLA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
WYOMING**

**January 8, 2010**

The Board of Directors meeting was called to order by President, Charlie Romaine. Members in attendance: Ned Dunn, Carrie Gavin, Phil Nissen, Trish Miller, Dave Lehto, Paula Sorter, Ed Kern, Bryan Youngberg, Angie Frederick, Ginger Baumann, Charlie Romaine, and Bill Morrison.

**Minutes:** Ginger passed out copies of the last meeting minutes to be reviewed by the board. Phil moved to accept the minutes as written and fore go the reading. Trish seconded the motion and motion carried.

**Treasurers Report:** Carrie gave a treasurer's report.

Bryan moved to accept the treasurer's report. Seconded by Phil, motion carried.

**Committee Reports:**

**Convention:** Trish updated the board on current status of this year's convention. Then the board discussed plans for next year's convention. Phil submitted a bill from the Swing Sounds band to the treasurer for \$420.00.

**Auction:** Ed reported that we have an auctioneer and the Auction should go well again this year.

**Photo Contest:** Phil is setting up the contest in the registration room so that it will not interrupt the general meeting. We will have the same categories as last year.

**Traveling Trophy:** Ginger has all the metals and plaques for Traveling Trophy and State ready. Ginger submitted a bill for the plaques to the treasurer for \$225.75.

**Newsletter:** Bill reports that the website is doing well. The board stated it's appreciation of all the time and work Bill does with the website. Articles are always needed from the membership for the newsletter.

**Video Library:** Charlie brought the library to pass on to the Deer Creek Club. Most of the movies are on VHS tape. Charlie wondered if changing the library over to DVD's would increase usage.

**Historian:** Dave didn't have anything new to report.

**Old Business:** Paula ordered more hats, sweatshirts and tee shirts to sell at convention and future shoots. Discussion was opened on a "Muzzleloader of the Year Award". After many good ideas were reviewed, Ned moved to continue this discussion at the Sunday morning meeting. Seconded by Trish and carried.

**New Business:** Angie suggested the creating of business cards with our organization logo and our website address. These could be carried by members to pass out to people and be on the registration tables at future shooting events. This could help increase the use of our website and maybe increase our membership. Carrie moved to have the cards made and ready to pass out during the Winter Challenge Match. Seconded by Dave, motion carried.

Ned gave the board a letter of resignation to be read at the General Meeting.

There are now five directors needed for the board. Terms ending are:

Bill Morrison, Phil Nissen, Ginger Baumann, Paula Sorter, and Ned Dunn.

**Adjourned:** Dave moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Phil and motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,  
Ginger Baumann  
Secretary

**WSMLA  
CONVENTION GENERAL MEETING  
CASPER WYOMING**

**January 9, 2010**

The meeting was called to order by president, Charlie Romaine who welcomed everyone to the meeting. Roll call was done with the following Board members present; Ned Dunn, Carrie Gavin, Bill Morrison, Phil Nissen, Trish Miller, Dave Lehto, Paula Sorter, Ed Kern, Angie Frederick, and Ginger Baumann.

Minutes: Minutes from 2009 meeting have been posted. Bryan Wilczewski moved to approve the 2009 General Meeting minutes as posted and proceed right into the meeting. Seconded by Dave Lehto and motion carried.

Treasurers Report: Carrie gave a treasurer's report  
Doll Maker moved to accept the treasurer's report. Seconded by Angie Frederick, motion carried.

Committee Reports:

Convention: Trish reported we have some issues with the new management of the Ramada Plaza. The Parkway Plaza has approached the Board with a proposal for the 2011 State Convention. The Ramada Plaza is scheduled to give its presentation to the Board on Sunday January 10<sup>th</sup>. The future site of the State Convention was discussed with the general membership. John Boesch moved to have the Board review the proposals of each hotel and make a decision. Seconded by Willy, motion carried.

Auction: Ed reported that we will have a live and silent auction. Many items have been donated by the members and trading vendors. We will need some volunteers to be spotters at the live auction tonight.

Photo Contest: Phil has the contest setup in the registration room. We have a record number of entries and some great photographers within our membership. The contest will close at 3:30 pm, please stop by and vote. The winners will receive trader's bucks.

Historian: Dave did not have any new updates.

Video Library: Charlie has passed the library on to the Deer Creek Club.

Newsletter: Bill did a presentation with an overhead projector on accessing and navigating though our website. Our website is helping reduce the expenses of mailing out newsletters. Each member that is able to switch to accessing the newsletter though the website saves the association \$25.08 per year. Currently we have 107 mailed copies of the newsletter going out; each one incurs a \$4.27 expense. Bill is always in need of articles for the newsletter. GREAT JOB WITH THE NEWSLETTER BILL! WE APPRECIATE YOU!!

Old Business:  
Paula has shirts and sweatshirts for sale in the registration room. There are several styles and she can take special orders also.

New Business:

Elections: Terms ending this year are: Bill Morrison, Phil Nissen, Ginger Baumann, Paula Sorter, and Ned Dunn (who has given the board his resignation letter). It appears that there are four 3 year terms and a one year term to be filled.

The floor was opened up for Nominations:

Kyle Lehto; Bill Morrison; Paula Sorter; Rooster Baumann; Uncle Albert (Pierce); Mark Star; and Ginger Baumann.

Willy moved to cease nominations, seconded by Geri Boesch and motion carried. The membership voted and the new board members are:

Paula Sorter.... 3 year term  
Ginger Baumann.... 3 year term  
Kyle Lehto.... 3 year term  
Bill Morrison.... 3 year term  
Rooster Baumann.... 1 year term

Angie and Carrie will be making some business style cards to send to each club. These cards will have our state logo, information, and website. The cards could be passed out to persons interested in muzzle loading during our shoots.

Kathy Holler voiced a concern about membership fees for our military members. Our military across the nation give their all for us. Could we discount their membership to show our support of them? The board will review this concern, vote on it then post the decision in the newsletter.

Winter Challenge Match Awards: Phil Nissen presented the high overall score awards.

Men's...Dane Sorter...388xxx  
Women's...Ginger Baumann...292xx  
Senior's...Ned Dunn...299x

Postal Match Awards: Trinidad was unable to attend the meeting. There were only 2 participants this past year. He will take care of the awards outside of the meeting. Unfortunately there will not be a Postal Match this year.

Traveling Trophy Awards: presented by Ginger and Rooster Baumann  
2008-2009 Qualifiers

Bench Rest Shoot-08.....Bruce Schwindt 49xxxx	Teri Schwindt 45x
Deer Creed Shoot-08.....Dave Lehto 50x	Ginger Baumann 49xx
Sierra Madre Shoot-08.....Ben Jarrett	Maye Moore Jr Lucas Jarrett Sub Jr Marshal Hill
Sheridan Pie Shoot-08..... Brett Smith 47xx	Patty Tyrell 46
Big Horn Basin Shoot-08..... Rod Salzman 50x	Jane Black 42
Winter Challenge-09.....Dave Hein 50xx	Carrie Gavin 50xx
Riverton-State Shoot-09.....Bryan Youngberg 49x	Angie Frederick 48x
Jr Matt Dillion 28	Sub Jr Richard Anderson 47xx
State Shoot - Deer Creek-09.....Ed Kiser 50xxx	Trish Miller 46x Jr Rick Clark 44

2008-2009 Traveling Trophy Winners  
Bruce Schwindt 47x  
Ginger Baumann 49  
Jr Rick Clark 45xx

State Shoot Awards: presented by Ginger and Rooster Baumann

#### WYOMING STATE SHOOT WINNERS 2009

TRAVIS BENNETTE MENS' FLINTLOCK AGGREGATE:	Aaron May 152
MENS' PERCUSSION AGGREGATE:	Bruce Schwindt 163x
LADIES AGGREGATE:	Ginger Bauman 151
CALEB PIERCE JUNIOR AGGREGATE; 1 <sup>st</sup> :	Brooke Mason 85
CALEB PIERCE JUNIOR AGGREGATE; 2 <sup>nd</sup> :	Rick Clark 81
CALEB PIERCE JUNIOR AGGREGATE; 3 <sup>rd</sup> :	Kaylee Sorter 74
SUB – JUNIOR AGGREGATE; 1 <sup>st</sup> :	none
SUB-JUNIOR AGGREGATE; 2 <sup>nd</sup> :	none
SUB-JUNIOR AGGREGATE; 3 <sup>rd</sup> :	none
BUSTER HARLOW SMALL BORE AGGREGATE:	Rabbit 84
BIG BORE AGGREGATE:	Mike Dunn 81x
ED GREEN CROSS STICKS AGGREGATE:	Bruce Schwindt 88xxx
REGGIE PIERCE PISTOL AGGREGATE:	Bruce Schwindt 166x
LADIES PISTOL AGGREGATE:	Teri Schwindt 144
JUNIOR PISTOL AGGREGATE; 1 <sup>st</sup> :	Rick Clark 78
TRADE GUN AGGREGATE:	Dave Hein 93
BENCH REST AGGREGATE:	Roger Roebeling "Misfire" 117x
BUNNY HARLOW PRIMITIVE AGGREGATE:	"Big" Ed Kiser
MENS' KNIFE:	Bill Morrison
MENS' HAWK:	"Uncle" Albert Pierce
WOMEN'S HAWK:	Trish Miller
WOMEN'S KNIFE:	Luella
JUNIOR HAWK:	Kaylee Sorter
JUNIOR KNIFE:	Ben Levine
SUB-JUNIOR HAWK:	Franklin Froehlich
SUB-JUNIOR KNIFE:	Forest Cox

The Wind River Muzzle Loaders have requested to host the State Shoot for this year on May 28<sup>th</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup>. The membership voted to have WRML host the state shoot for 2010.

Shoot Dates were noted and documented...see list at the end of this Report.

A move to adjourn the meeting was made by Paula, seconded by Trish and motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,  
Ginger Baumann

#### 2010 Calendar Shoot Dates:

Jan. 15<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> ...Riverton WRML Pig Shoot  
Feb. 6<sup>th</sup> ...Meeteetse John Colter Shoot  
Feb. 12<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> ...Glenrock DCMLA Winter Challenge Match  
April 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> ...Big Horn Basin Black Powder Cartridge Shoot  
May 1<sup>nd</sup> & 2<sup>th</sup> ...Sheridan Ed Green Memorial Shoot

May 28<sup>nd</sup> to 31<sup>th</sup> ...Riverton State Shoot  
 June 11<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup> ...Glenrock DCMLA Shoot  
 June 22<sup>nd</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> ...Pelton Creek Rendezvous in Laramie  
 June 30<sup>th</sup> to July 4<sup>th</sup> ...1838 Rendezvous in Riverton  
 July 10<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> ...National Rocky Mt. Rendezvous ...Creed CO  
 July 16<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> ...Montana Big Sky State Games in Billings  
 July 23<sup>th</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> ...Encampment Sierra Madre Shoot  
 July 31<sup>st</sup> to Aug 1<sup>st</sup> ...Ten Sleep Primitive Shoot  
 Aug. 7<sup>th</sup> ...Sheridan Pie Shoot  
 Aug. 28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup> ... Sheridan State Bench Rest Shoot  
 Sept. 4<sup>th</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> ...Ft. Bridger Rendezvous  
 Jan. 28<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup>, 2011 ...WSMLA State Convention... Casper in Parkway Plaza

WSMLA  
 BOARD MEETING  
 CASPER WYOMING

January 10, 2010

The meeting was called to order by president, Charlie Romaine.

Roll call: Charlie Romaine, Carrie Gavin, Ginger Baumann, Trish Miller, Ed Kern, Dave Lehto, Bill Morrison, Bryan Youngberg, Paula Sorter, Angie Frederick, Kyle Lehto, and Rooster Baumann present.

Minutes: Rooster read the minutes from the last meeting. Angie moved to accept the minutes as read, seconded by Paula, motion carried.

Filling of Vacancies: Rooster noted that the board is still short one director. After reviewing the By-Laws, it became clear that we needed to fill the 13<sup>th</sup> director's position.

Dave moved to ask the next nominees, Albert Pierce and Mark Star, from our election Saturday to join the board, seconded by Carrie motion carried. Mark Star welcomed the opportunity to serve on the Board of Directors.

Treasurers Report: Carrie gave a treasurer's report.

Several bills have been submitted to Carrie for payment. Carrie also had a letter from the 4-H Club concerning a donation for the year 2010. Dave moved to send the 4H Club the same \$300.00 donation and pay any bills, seconded by Angie, motion carried. Dave also moved to accept the treasurer's report, seconded by Paula motion carried.

Committee Reports:

Convention: Trish introduced Heidi Sedar, Ramada sales manager. Heidi gave a presentation of the package the hotel could offer the State Convention in 2011. The board agreed to review the information and notify her of our decision.

Auction: Ed reported that we had a nice selection of items for the auction last night, due to the generosity of our membership and trade vendors. The auction generated around \$2487.00 this year, which did not include 3 outstanding (unpaid) items. Ed did a wonderful job with the auction. Thank You!

Photo Contest: The photo contest went very well. Phil will pass on all the supplies to the next chairperson. Carrie moved to have Angie be the chairperson for the Photo Contest, Paula seconded, motion carried.

Traveling Trophy: Ginger volunteered to continue as chairperson of the Traveling Trophy and State Awards.

Video Library: Charlie passed the video library on to the Deer Creek Club.

Newsletter: Bill reported that the newsletter is doing well. Bill agreed to continue on as chairperson of the newsletter also. Thank You Bill!!!

Historian: Dave also volunteered to continue as the Historian.

Election of Officers:

Dave moved to re-elect the same officers, Rooster seconded motion carried.

Charlie ... President.

Paula ... Vice President.

Ginger ... Secretary.



Carrie ...Treasurer.

Committees:

Ed volunteered to continue as Auction chairperson.

Trish volunteered to continue as Convention chairperson.

Old Business:

Paula will continue working with the WSML logo items. She is open to any suggestions and is taking new or special orders. She will have some of these items for sale at the Winter Challenge Match in February.

The board members agreed to table the "Muzzle Loader of the Year" topic again, thus allowing some time for thought.

The board agreed to continue with the \$10.00 fee per family, to participants that are not state members, during WSMLA sanctioned shooting matches.

Membership for our military:

The board of directors all agreed that our military members need a show of support from our association. Dave moved that we allow a free electronic membership, applied for yearly, to any currently active military service person (which may be verified through presentation of an active military card), seconded by Trish motion carried. This will be added to the By-Laws under Article III Membership; section 3.5 Membership for our Military.

New Business:

2011 Convention site:

The boards of directors carefully reviewed the differences between the Ramada's and Parkway's presentations, to discern who could serve our membership and convention needs best. Bryan moved to have the State Convention hosted at the Parkway Plaza next year, Kyle seconded motion carried. Dave also moved to have the Guidelines amended to read, "The State Convention shall take place in January." seconded by Angie, and motion carried. Trish will forward any new information concerning changing over to the Parkway Plaza.

Dave requested the \$500.00 for the Wind River Muzzle Loaders to host the State Shoot in May. Kyle moved to give WRML the funds for hosting the state shoot, Angie seconded motion carried.

Angie, Paula, and Kyle volunteered to be the Entertainment Committee. They will check out entertainment for our convention next year and report back to the Board during our next meeting.

Our next meeting will be at the State Shoot in Riverton, on Sunday, May 30<sup>th</sup>, 12:00 pm, at Bryan's tent.

Dave moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Trish, motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Ginger Baumann

## **My prayer for better things to come in the land of ours, 2010**

Hear me, Great Spirit, Giver of Life and Guardian of the Hole Medicine – I grieve for the breaking of the Sacred Hoop, for the great closed circle that is wounded and open. The people are turned against each other and into each other, friend against friend, son against son, and the animals of the land are as caged beasts under the sun.

I pray for the people, Oh, Great Spirit – for the closing of the hoop, for the healing of the break of life that has driven the breath from the people and the wind from the land. Lead my moccasins down the Holy trails to the places of strong medicine, through the embers of past fires where the old ones dwell in their tipis through the winters and the summers of the lost life; where the past is living and remembered, where the voices of the lost children sing in the meadows and the sound of bone knives scraping skins are not swept away in the thunder of the people's loss. Let me find the tussocks and the hillocks, and gaze once more at the buffalo surging through the grasses and the hawks arcing the sky.

Give me your knowledge, Great Spirit, help me to cry to the spirits of the land and those that dwell in the seas and waters. Help me lift my soul to the skys to the camps of those that dwell in the air and the Sun and the Moon. Let me understand that which is, so that I will know and understand and I might reach out my hand and my heart and gather about me the lost people and envelop them in the Holy Medicine and make them strong again. We are strangers in a land that has gone from underneath us, where our footing is unsure and our eyes are weak from seeking to see the truth. Many suns and moons have passed and the prayers of the four directions are not spoken. We see not, nor do we join in the ceremony of the pipe, the Sun-Dance has whispered into memory and the medicine is poor and falling and the children are growing into a living death. Our hearts, Great Spirit – give us our hearts, for we have our hands which can heal this land – we have our eyes that can follow the deer, our souls that are crying to be healed and strengthened and filled with the Holy Medicine. We ask once more to fly with our horses over golden plains, cascading steams and high mountains to the camps of our past and our people. Give us the homes we have lost and the lives that we cry for – close the hoop!

Elkman



*Who can name all 3 in this picture and where was the picture taken? Prize?*



**Name this couple?**



Charlie Parkhurst

Wells Fargo Historical Collection

## Charlie Parkhurst – A Life With A Twist!

Charlie Parkhurst had a secret. People had noticed that Charlie never talked much about his past or himself, but then, that wasn't unusual in California in the 1800s. Lots of people had pasts that they didn't want brought up. Charlie's secret however, was different from most.

Charlie had been born in New Hampshire sometime around 1810. Some say Charlie was an orphan and some say Charlie grew up on an uncle's ranch, but all accounts agree that Charlie grew up loving horses. Charlie had a "way" with horses and often said he got along better with horses than with people. When Charlie was 12 he ran away, because he was being forced out of the stable work he'd done up until then. Charlie gradually worked his way out west...arriving in California sometime around 1850. There he became a stagecoach driver for Wells Fargo, steering six horse teams over narrow, windy Sierra Nevada roads.

Charlie was known for being one of the safest and most reliable stagecoach drivers in California. Stagecoach robberies were common in those days, and Charlie was robbed twice. The first time, the villains got away with the gold that the coach had been carrying. The second time Charlie was prepared and coldly pulled out his gun and shot both would-be bandits dead. Charlie was never robbed after that.

Most people liked Charlie Parkhurst. He was known to be rather stand-offish and shy, but he was kind and often helped people in need. One story tells of a widow about to lose her farm. Charlie took out his savings and paid off the deed on the farm, saving the woman's home. Charlie drank, smoked, played cards, and shook dice with the rest of the drivers, but he never got too close to anyone. He never married either, nor did he ever visit the whorehouses or brothels that were common in those days. Charlie pretty much stayed to himself.

Charlie retired from stagecoach driving around 1865, having had enough of the mud and cold. He opened a stage stop and saloon, and eventually did some cattle ranching and even chicken farming when he got really old. His last years of life were spent with a bachelor partner in a small cabin near Watsonville, California.

Charlie died December 29, 1879. That's when his secret was revealed. Charlie Parkhurst was a woman. Apparently Charlie had run away from the orphanage when they attempted to train her in "womanly duties" at age 12. Charlie dressed and acted like a man from that day on, even registering and voting in 1868, some 52 years before women could legally vote.

Charlie's was buried in Pioneer cemetery in Freedom, California. Her tombstone reads simply "Parkhurst" and no one was really sure what her real name was.

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