

# THE BUCKHORN SKINNERS NEWSLETTER

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Update:

Skinner Dave Gilkey, Scott Drake and Ron Ring are working on getting a new web sight up and running. It will have a new look and be easier to manage.

We will need to change the material on the site especially the front page in order to keep interest up and attract more people to our club.

Be thinking of things to contribute: pictures, hunting stories, articles read, etc.

## NEWS FROM THE SUBSTITUTE SCRIBE:

The Skinkners gathered on a very comfortable and sunny weekend for the annual Buckfest hosted by Dancing Waters and Smokin' Toes. Friday Smokin' Toes, Bloody Muzzle and Henry worked on assembling the the tipi in a regular and tight formation. After several tries and reading Laubin's Book on tipis the task was accomplished and looked better than the last several setups. Smokin' Toes spent the night in his lodge after he and Bloody Muzzle toasted their fine work around a warm fire in the lodge.

Saturday brought more skinkners out to the range. Dancing Waters set up his nearly new tent next to the tipi and later Mountain Mule came out to set up his pyramid tent for the evening.

Skinkners started assembling on the lower range for the potluck dinner. A campfire was started and the food started arriving. Hammer Hand started some antelope vitals in his dutch oven along with some tasty rolls and more food appeared from the rest of the skinkners. After some tales and bragging at dinner Smokin' Toes

brought out the preparations for the candle shoot. Darkness was coming on and approximately 9 or so shooters appeared with their shooting gear. The candles were lit and the shooting began. I cannot relay all that was done or said but much bragging occurred with each flame that went out and with those shots that missed the mark some teasing was necessary and expected. The shooting lasted until the candles were hit and blown apart or just disappeared. As I recall the younger eyes in the group were doing most of the bragging: Charlie, Ian, Chris and possibly Henry was in the mix. Every Skinner that participated had a good time with a chance to brag or make excuses for loading, priming, capping and finding the sights in the dark. Firearms and gear were put away for the evening and liquid refreshments were opened so all could embellish their shooting achievements earlier. Later the company dispersed and skimmers were homebound. Ian and Charlie stayed with Smokin' Toes in the tipi, their first experience I believe.

Sunday Morning the Skimmers rallied again on the hill for the main event. Dancing Waters and Smokin' Toes had a lineup of gong shooting to challenge the shooting skills of all Skimmers. They had us shoot in teams so we could trade off being range officers in our respective groups. The only paper was the tie breaker target. The gongs were at unknown distances and challenging and rewarding for all at some point.

We headed down the hill for the club meeting as follows:

Captain Bull Whacker and Standing Moose were Elk hunting so Lt. Griz brought the meeting to order at 13:55.

Treasurers report: Scott Drake reported we have \$3,288.00 in checking, Beg letters have been sent out for Squirrel Shoot. Stamps and envelopes were purchased. We need to buy more powder and flints from Craig Kirkland, Scott will order. Ron will order medallions for next years Squirrel Shoot. This is Ians second visit to the Buckhorn.

Scott will reserve the Vets Club for our annual Christmas Party. This is a carry in Pot Luck, bring a side dish to share. The Skimmers Club will provide Turkey and Ham. Elections will be held at the party and please sign up for putting on a shoot for the coming year. There will be a gift exchange if you wish to participate please bring a gift (handmade or store bought) worth about \$25.00.

Dave Hoffman will put on the January shoot.



November is our annual meat shoot. Please bring some meat (turkey, ham, Pork, Bacon, Sausage, game meat, etc.) you can be reimbursed for the meat. Entry fee is \$10.00.

December shoot will be put on by the Captain.

New Skinner names have been chosen for Annie and Jerry and will be announced at the Christmas Party. Thanks Dancing Waters and Smokin' Toes for a fine Shoot.

Meeting adjourned.



Gutshot making Music

## *WE WILL SOON HAVE A NEW LOOK ON OUR WEBSITE*

*Skinners don't forget that besides powder we have roundball, patches, flints and caps available.*

*Shoot results: The colors listed below refer to the gongs which were hanging at different distances.*

Buckhorn Skinners Score Sheet								Date: 10/21/18				Page 1	
Shoot Sponsor: Pete Bruning, Dale Crabbe						Target #/Name:							
Shooter Name	Member	Shooter	Blue	Brown	White	Lt. Blue	Red				MATCH PLACE	Tie Breaker	
Please Print	Affiliation	#	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	TOTAL			
Dale Crabbe	Member	1						100		100			
Griz	Member	2						100		100			
Ian	Proby	3						40		40			
Henry Bellinski	Proby	4						145		145	1		
Chris Little	Proby	5						100		100			
Deacon	Member	6						100		100			
Charlie Altvater	Proby	7						100		100			
Ron Ring	Member	8						110		110	2		
Robert A.	Guest	9						100		100	3	1	
Pete Bruning	Member	10						100		100			
Annie Epperson	Member	11						60		60			
Jerry Hudson	Member	12						40		40			
Scott Drake	Member	13						70		70			