# BUCKHORN SKINNERS NEWSLETTER

## November Meat Shoot

Skinners remember to bring meat to put on the blanket. Turkeys or game meat or hamburger or steaks or brots or ham or any meat you pick up at the grocer.

December is the Captain's Shoot

Not sure what Captain Griz has in store for his shoot but it will be passed on as soon as he decides.





Bushloper 1st place Buckfest Shoot 2019

# **NEWS FROM THE SCRIBE Smilin Brother:**

Buckhorn Skinners October Monthly Shoot and Buckfest Campout October 19-20, 2019

This was a rifle shoot Period Dress Required Shoot was held in the Grotto due to the wind. This shoot was co-lead by Pete (Smokin' Toes) and Dale (Dancin' Waters).

Buckfest 2019 started with people setting up camp on Saturday afternoon. There was at least

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### January

<u>Christmas Party</u> at the American Legion details will be in the next newsletter. Will include election of officers and sign up for upcoming shoot dates.



<u>January Shoot</u> will be the 18th.

<u>Wyoming State Winter</u> <u>Convention</u> Casper, Wyo.January 17, 18 § 19.

<u>Snowshoe Bíathlon</u> ín Laramíe, no date gíven yet.

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two tin teepees, a canvas wall tent and four or so diamond fly's. Everybody staked their shelters down well because of the afternoon wind, but latenight adjustments were needed to keep everybody from being blown away because the wind blew so hard.

After the camps had been set up, everybody pítched in to cook for the potluck dinner. Darrell (Gutshot) purchased a one gallon wooden keg along with a kit to make "Bents Fort", a potent drink indeed. There was some great food prepared



Ray Ezínga 2019 Elk Harvest

for dinner, including brats, chili, chicken, cornbread, beans, pie, and other great desserts. After dinner, a fire was started in a fire pit and

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everybody gathered around to tell and listen to stories.

One of the specialties of Buckfest every year is a candle shoot. Two people participated in the candle shoot this year, Annie (Many Stitches) and Scott (Mountain Mule).

The course of fire for the monthly shoot on Sunday included 4 gongs set at varying distances up the draw from the grotto. The shoot was supposed to be held up the draw, but it was too windy. Henry (Bushloper) took 1<sup>st</sup> place, with a score of 255 points. His high score was followed by Brad in 2<sup>nd</sup> place (190 points), Dave (Deacon, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 188 points), Ron (Bloody Muzzle, 4<sup>th</sup>, 180 points), Erin (Griz, 5<sup>th</sup>, 170 points), and Carl (Standing Moose, 6<sup>th</sup>, 140 points). Congratulations on some good shooting in windy conditions, everybody.

# <u>October Business Meeting</u> October 20, 2019

Meeting called to order at 1:20pm by Lieutenant Annie Epperson.

#### Treasurer Report

The Buckhorn Skinners had \$2,743.18 in the bank account as of September 30, 2019. Upcoming expenses include an order for tomahawk heads, an SSQL bill for \$39.99, charges for the Christmas party, and insurance (around \$700). A motion was made and seconded to purchase the one gallon wooden keg (\$140) from Darrell for future events.

If anybody has receipts or bills that should be paid by the club, please get those to Scott (Mountain Mule) so he can reimburse you or pay the bills.

The club netted about \$250 from the Territorial Shoot last summer.

#### Old Business

Pat had asked about getting a landowner permits for deer and elk on the property. Scott did the research and found out that she is eligible to receive one deer and one elk private landowner license. He provided the information to Pat.

Club members are encouraged to apply for Game Management Unit (GMU) 20 elk permits, which the property lies within.

Pat would like the elk to be chased off her property. If elk are seen on the property, please take the time to scare them up over the hill and away from the pastures along the road.

Future Shoots:

November Shoot, November 17

- This is a meat shoot, bring some meat to put on the prize blanket
- May be a team shoot and follow a board game layout such as "Follow the yellow brick road"
- It is not decided yet, but this shoot may include rifles, pistols, and shotguns



Ray Ezínga with his 2019 Elk harvest taken at 40 yards with the Ray Ezínga rífle

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#### Territorials

A new Director for future Territorial Shoots is needed. If anybody from the Buckhorn Skinners club wants to be Director of the Territorial Shoot in the future, Ron has offered to help the new Director and Scott has offered to help with computer work such as scoring.

To gauge interest in continuing to host the Territorial Shoot in Colorado, an email will be sent to all club members asking if they want the club to continue hosting the Territorial Shoot. If the club desires to continue hosting the Territorial Shoot, a new Director will have to volunteer. The application for Territorials is due in November, 2019. Please respond to the email about hosting future Territorial Shoots ASAP.

At the monthly meeting, the discussion about continuing to host the Territorial Shoot included the following points:

- This was historically a money-making venture for the club.
  - With rising costs, the profit made from the Territorial Shoot has decreased.
- Finding help was a big problem.
  - The Director and other volunteers didn't get to shoot.
- The club can offset the loss of income from not hosting future Territorial Shoots
  - o With a small increase in annual dues, and/or
  - Income from shooters fees from an additional monthly shoot.
- The future of Terrítorial Shoots being held is uncertain since the National Shoot at Friendship, Indiana has been canceled.

New Business Squirrel Shoot 2020 will be held next April 25th and 26th

If you have business contacts for Squirrel Shoot prizes, please provide that information to Scott (Mountain Mule).

Club member contact information: Please check your information and let Scott (Mountain Mule) know of any changes that need to be made.

Charlie Altvater needs a .480 round ball mold. If anybody has one for sale, please contact Charlie.

Scott (Mountain Mule) received a letter from a previous member who has lead, a lead pot, and other bullet casting supplies for sale. Please contact Charlie (Ten Penny) Gross at 970-225-8100 or <u>cgross30@msn.com</u> if you are interested.



Meeting adjourned at 2:15pm

Dog teaching 2 skinners how to socialize??????

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