Greetings visitors,

The Buckhorn Skinners completed their 2012 Colorado Squirrel Rifle Championship Shoot April 27th, 28th and 29th.

Captain Deacon

The Buckhorn Skinners would like to thank all who came out for the Squirrel Shoot. As you know getting Mother Nature to cooperate can be a challenge at times but some good scores were posted despite the weather.

Despite the windy weather, we still had fifty-four registered shooters and I think that all enjoyed a good weekend of shooting and camaraderie. Friday evening Chef Mountain Mule cooked up some fine vittles mainly LIVER and ONIONS. It was a fine feed and several hearty souls showed up for the fine grub. Friday night the wind was shakin canvas and tin tipi alike. Saturday was dry and windy but determined shooters were on the hill turning some fine scores in to be tallied.

Many of the participants and campers showed up for the good eatin at the pot luck meal as the wind died down and the temperature stayed agreeable. There was some music and various assorted and distorted tails being told throughout the evening. The Colorado State Muzzle Loading Association held a board meeting Saturday night to cover state business. Sunday brought out the less hardy shooters and they posted some very fine scores on a relatively calm day.

The winners on the hunters 'Aggregate Shoot' took home some serious cash for their efforts, congratulations to all of them. A newcomer, Nathan Blanchard took home the coveted Mountain Man Hawk.

As you know Darrell Koleber made these fine hawks for years and now it is a combined effort with Craig Forster on metal work, Mark Birmingham on woodworking and Tammy Raver on the bead-work. Many thanks to the three of them!

We enjoyed a pretty nice day on Sunday to finish up the competitions on the hill and to hold the awards ceremony. We would like to thank Ron Ring, Tammy Raver, Joy Hicks, Doug and Bridget Rightmire and crew for an excellent job of scoring with the Joy Hicks system. I think everyone appreciates being able to see exactly where they are at any given time and if any issues arise, they can be quickly resolved.

We want to thank everyone for attending but especially those folks that come from considerable distances. We know that it takes greater effort and resources to attend and we really appreciate them. I think the new system allows us to get the final information processed quicker, and get to awards quicker and get everyone headed home a little quicker; this is a win-win situation!

Well, this ones in the books and it's time to get ready for the Memorial Day shoot at Florence, give them your support and pray for good weather, and before you know it we will be back at Fort Lupton for Territorials. We all know that some things are starting to go away, please support in any way that you can, the Skinners would like to thank those who came out just to say hi and register even though they could not compete.

Happy Trails,

Captain, Dave Hoffman

The Buckhorn Skinners' Annual Squirrel Rifle for 2012 gathering and competition was April 28th and 29th at our private recreational area in Masonville. We were blessed with visitors, friends, family, and folks who

came to see the happenings. We had approximately 54 registered shooters who did some mighty fine shooting!

2012 Winners:

Percussion winners:

First Place			Second Place		Third Place		
Crow:	Dean Grogan	41	Ken Kleinsorge	40	Ron Mann	33	
Squirrel	Ron Mann	46xx	Carl Schaal	46	Dean Grogan	43	
Frying Pans	Ron Mann	37	Ron Deurmier	28	Craig Forster	27	
Turkey	Ken Kleinsorge	46	Dean Grogan	43	Andrew Ezinga	36	
Chuck	Jimmie Jeffries	35	Nathan Blanchard	35	Ken Ruiz	34	
Bear	Ron Bergstrom	43	Nathan Blanchard	43	Dean Grogan	42	
Flint Winners:							
Crow	Ken Kleinsorge	41	Ken Ruiz	41	Estill Ator	36	
Squirrel	Ken Kleinsorge	45	Tom Gabor	37	Scott Drake	32	
Frying Pans	Estill Ator	46	Stewart Leach	28	Ken Ruiz	25	
Turkey	Ken Ruiz	40	Ken Kleinsorge	36x	Doug Davis	36	
Chuck	Ken Ruiz	35	Doug Davis	25	Tom Gabor	20	
Bear	Ken Kleinsorge	39	Ken Ruiz	35	Stewart Leach	33	
Ladies Winners:							
Crow:	Tammy Raver	22	Bridget Rightmire	20	Joy Hicks	16	
Squirrel	Bridget Rightmire	35	Delores Beaupre	31x	Brenda Juarez	21	
Frying Pans	Delores Beaupre	27	Bridget Rightmire	19	Brenda Juarez	16	
Turkey	Brenda Juarez	29	Joy Hicks	26	Bridget Rightmire	24	
Chuck	Brenda Juarez	19	Delores Beaupre	14	Bridget Rightmire	14	
Bear	Joy Hicks	34	Brenda Juarez	32	Delores Beaupre	32	
Junior Winners:							
Chuck	Ashton Miller	41	Isabella Forster	31	Aaron Forster	23	
Squirrel	Ashton Miller	31	Isabella Forster	31	Aaron Forster	21	
Turkey	Isabella Forster	25	Ashton Miller	24	Christian Herbert	14	

Rabbit	Isabella Forster	26x	Ashton Miller	20x	Aaron Forster	17
Ram	Ashton Miller	16	Isabella Forster	16	Christian Herbert	10
Hunters Winners:						
Crow	Dean Grogan	45X	Ashton Miller	44	Rick Wicks	43x
Squirrel	Estill Ator	49	Bill Lang	48	Ted Beaupre	43
Chuck	Doug Davis	41	Dean Grogan	37	Nathan Blanchard	35
Fox	Estill Ator	49x	Nathan Blanchard	46	Bill Lang	36
Bear	Bill Lang	36xx	Dean Grogan	34x	Nathan Blanchard	31xx
Buffalo	Nathan Blanchard	31	Bill Sathe	29	Jim Kilts	26

A Lou Vinquist custom folding neck knife awarded to top Junior shooter: Ashton Miller won with a 132x

A Ray Ezinga Custom Knife was awarded to the average shooter of 138.9: Delores Beaupre won with a score of 139.

A Ray Ezinga donated Knife was awarded to the shooter with the lowest score: Tammy Raver won with a score of 61.

Hunter Aggregate Winners:

1.	Nathan Blanchard	207xx			
2.	Dean Grogan	201xx			
3.	Bill Lang	184xx			
4.	Estill Ator	183x			
5.	Rick Wicks	176xx			
Juniors Aggregate Winners:					
1.	Ashton Miller	132x			
2.	Isabella Forster	129x			
3.	Aaron Forster	80			
Ladies Aggregate Winners:					
1.	Delores Beaupre	139X			
2.	Bridget Rightmire	137			
3.	Brenda Juarez	122			

Percussion Aggregate Winners:

- 1. Dean Grogan 215
- 2. Ron Mann 209xxx
- 3. Nathan Blanchard 208

Flintlock Aggregate Winners:

- 1. Ken Ruiz 205
- 2. Ken Kleinsorge 192X
- 3. Doug Davis 171

Mountain Man Primitive Competition Winner: Nathan Blanchard

Grand Aggregate Winner: Ken Kleinsorge