

# BUCKHORN SKINNERS NEWSLETTER



## Notes from the Scribe: Stitches

*Louie working on target frames*

### The Shoot:

Pleasant day with high overcast skies, little wind, and a chance to try out the range expansion.

Shoot hosted by Ron Ring and Randy Starks, multiple positions for multiple gongs; postal shoot is the tie breaker.

Happy to have Tom Boudreaux (Club name?) rejoining us after many years hiatus. Welcome Back!

Griz CSMLA report:

Meeting in Elizabeth this coming Saturday (27 June) at Casey Jones park starts at 11, leave here about 9:30 latest. Griz taking 6 in carpool.

Range modification discussion: Will give us a lot of flexibility and opportunity for future shoots. Pat: drive in the road, don't take out across the field since you'll take out pipe that's in the field. Stick to the road, and run the fence line in the new range.

Thanks to Ron, Scott, Louie, Dale and Charlie for all their work on the range modification; Louie has addressed water. We have lots of room for 25 yard, 50 yard. The 75 and 100 yard



Charlie and Dale working on target frames

**Skinner's read over the material for the Range Officer Safety Course.**

shooters are stacked. We now have a 300 yard shooting line; minimum number of safety officers is 5 people on the line at all time. Person #6 is Range officer. Need to address PA/Radio communication; we have a pile of them owned by Griz and others. We have socially distanced room for 50 shooters on the 25 and 50 yd ranges (2 shooters alternating at each shooting point) and 30 shooters alternating at each shooting point on the 75yd and gong range.

**Squirrel Shoot:**

This will be held over Labor Day Weekend instead of State Shoot, little room for social distancing at Ft.

Lupton range.

We are planning for more shooters this year. In the past we've been at 1.5 days; this time we are talking 2.5 days: Sat Sun full days, Monday range closes at 1PM; awards at 3PM on Monday;

We'll need two more workdays between now and then.

Need to do a lot of promotion: we are at 2 months and 2 weeks out from SS

Pat generously makes 200 acres available to us, meaning there's lots of space to camp.

We will follow social distancing guidelines. The range modification allows for the recommended 6' spacing. Presently the Governor has declared a limit of 25 people in an outdoor setting; perhaps we are hoping that in July it will go up to 50.

Planning for Pete and his cantina; lots of water; ice runs; we could put Scott's maintenance/repair table next to Pete's food so folks can have a snack while Scott works on their gun.

Will need awnings; shelters. Will need signage directing folks to camping, to parking, registration, etc. ; Range safety flags; radios, bull horn. Air horns. Stitches will send out a note to coordinate needed items such as tables, shelters, as well as some of the work that'll need to be done before and during the shoot itself.



Louie, Dale and Charlie hard at work on the target frames

Hooters: Pat has a backhoe that leaks a lot of oil so we will need a lot of oil; Or, we can use a tent and some potty chairs that Pat will let us use. [UPDATE per Pat: a new hooter will be dug and built before SSI]

Deacon will set his mountain man course south of the range modification, near/ along the access road

Ways to entice folks to come and shoot: bigger stuff, including gongs (3 - 5 sets of gongs) [could do cash gongs: 4 gongs cost \$10; 6 shots per, 24 shots total. Each hit they get .25 back. If they hit all 25 shots, they get \$6 back. = 60/40 split]. This is one week before black powder hunting season = good practice for them. To allow shooters .45 and above caliber. Also: can we adapt one or two of our existing squirrel packets to hunters agg 2; could perhaps use the juniors packet which we have lots of. Could we perhaps add bench or table shoots, we would need to do some serious work to make this work



Be prepared for folks providing target runs, especially at the farthest distances. If we can pull off squirrel shoot here this year, maybe we can host state shoot here next year.

Treasurer's report:

Right now we have \$1300.00. In the bank account. Much money has been sunk into the range modification, most notably \$500 for new backboards.

New Business:

Thing to consider for the future: range trauma kit; = future budget line item.

[UPDATE: Dale is going to buy and donate.]

[UPDATE: UHealth Sciences offers Stop the Bleed training. Club members encouraged to attend. <https://www.uhealth.org/events/events/> - search for Stop the Bleed; there are 12 sessions between now and the end of the year, many in Colorado Springs.]

Christian is inducted into the group; club name is Northern Raven.

Tom suggests a Practice Day to alternate with shoots, Is there interest?

Next month is eagle shoot; bring snacks to share.

Key and box are missing. Please bring it back if you have it. Who opened in May? Is it someone who came during the week?.

Tuesday work day 9 am bring a shovel and gloves.

Ron and Scott will be giving range safety officer training/testing at July and August shoots; 20 question test based on materials Ron emailed out earlier in June.

Safety class - Ron and Scott in July!!!

Link to workday pictures: <https://www.dropbox.com/sh/19ixpqclmsajc7a/AAADoNovof0UojrQfie8ss23a?dl=0>

Link to shoot day pictures: <https://www.dropbox.com/sh/67dyv9zt1gf2m1y/AACcBcP7mv2ZPojdEUKl3QLPa?dl=0>

Annie

## JUNE SHOOT RESULTS

1ST PLACE

RON MANN

2ND PLACE

CHRISTIAN HAMMER

3RD PLACE

HENRY BIELINSKI