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the BUCKHORN *Skinners* Newsletter



January Shoot

will be January 17th at the Masonville Range starting at 10 AM hosted by Deacon (Dave Hoffman). Not sure what Deacon has planned so be prepared for rifle, hawk & knife if you have them otherwise skimmers are known to share.

Dont forget the Christmas Party at the Loveland American Legion 3rd and Cleveland January 16th 5 PM to 10 PM

Check us out on facebook
www.buckhornskimmers.com

✧ Words of Wisdom from the Scribe "Horse" ✧

December Captain's Shoot - 2016

The Skies were clear and the air was crisp! Gut Shot had suggested that Skimmers meet for breakfast at Cielos Mexican restaurant in Loveland before the shoot to fellowship. What a fabulous day, Bloody Muzzle, Gutshot, Hawk Dancer and Horse all met for a very good breakfast of Mexican Style Chicken Fried Steak! We highly recommend the restaurant for good Mexican food and would like more Skimmers to come out a join us before the monthly shoots.

We arrived at the range about 9:30 am and Captain was just getting things organized. We rallied to gather the backstops to set up our shoot on the lower range. Temperatures were rising to the low 30s and it seemed just right for a winter pistol shoot. We set up the range for 10 and 20 yard competition and posted targets. Captain gave the orders and the shoot began. We were 8 shooters strong and ready for some good competition. Captain did not shoot so we had a chance at winning, he is a crack shot with a pistol!

More Wisdom from the Scribe

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Our prior guests, Dez and Ross, both returned for some more fun and brought their rifles rather than pistols, oh well. I guess it is okay to bring a rifle to a pistol shoot. We were happy to have them both attend. Ross is planning on continuing attendance and Dez will head to North Carolina to start a new life. Best of luck to you Dez! Ross, we look forward to seeing you on a regular basis.

Business Meeting:

Captain Peter called the meeting to order at 12:45 pm.

The Treasurer was not able to make it to the shoot and we missed him but we got the word that all was okay with the Skinner's accounts. Thanks for your continue work Mountain Mule!

Old Business:

Captain Peter made a point to thank Bloody Muzzle publically for his willingness to step forward and represent the club with his new leadership position. He is the Colorado Territorials Coordinator for the NMLRA. He has agreed to

take charge after Darrell's retirement and will lead the event each June. All of the Skinners are expected to participate and help out, please let Ron know what you are willing to do at the next event, your help is appreciated. We expect the NMLRA to give final approval in January. Target packs will be assembled in March, please let Ron know if you can help out. We are hoping for better weather and a little less water this June.

Squirrel Shoot - Rifle racks need to be built that are better suited for longer barrels. We will begin to plan for the 2016 Squirrel Shoot and hope for a great turn out and good weather.

We also need to rebuild or replace target stands for the lower range. The ones that we have been using are breaking down and will not last much longer. Ron has some good ideas for using 2"x 2" wood for framing to make the stands light-weight and durable. We will need to work together to rebuild or replace all 8, please let Ron know if you are available to help out.

More Meeting Essentials

Louie Silva has attended > 6 shoots, workdays and continued to seek membership in the Buckhorn Skinners. We voted unanimously to admit him to the club, welcome aboard! We had a number of proposed Mountain Man names and landed on **Bull Whacker**. Louie, we are very happy to have you in the club and appreciate your great spirit of participation and cooperation.

Jim Fahling has also met all the admission requirement but was unable to make the shoot. We held off on his vote until he can attend. Keep thinking of a good Mountain Man name for him, we hope to get him official at the Christmas Party business meeting.

Captain Peter made a recommendations to change one tradition to save money for the club.

- 1) Eliminate the Captain's Cash Prize of \$50.00
- 2) Provide an alternative recognition such as a personalized name tag or medallion.

We will discuss this at the business meeting.

Christmas Party 2016:

All Skinners are invited – Encourage members and friends to attend and participate.

The event will be held at the VFW in Loveland – 3rd and Cleveland

Dave and Holly will cook a turkey

Bring a gift worth ~ \$25 to participate in the gift exchange (voluntary)

Bring your favorite side dish to share.

Horse will work on his slide show.

Deacon will be hosting the January Shoot – Bring your best rifle!

We wish all the Skinners and great New Year with much happiness and good health.

Respectfully submitted,

Horse, Scribe

December Shoot Results

Bloody Muzzle was the “top shooter” overall and took the “coveted” buckle! Way to go man, you will never live this one down. Just goes to show you that you can be the best and the worst, all in one day!

Horse and Louie (Bull Whacker) came in 2nd and 3rd respectively.

Horse was executing a scientific experiment to test the hypothesis that modern weapons were more accurate than muzzle loaders. His two entries represented the muzzle loader vs cartridge pistol. Shazzam, his .50 cal trapper pistol out shot his .357 fancier PPC pistol. Just goes to show you that his hypothesis was rejected and that modern is not always better!

We all brought blanket prizes and got to pick off the blanket in the order that we have signed up. It was fun trading gifts and getting surprises. It was a good shoot thanks for Captain Peter!

Name	Squirrel	25 Ring	6 Ring	Bear	7 Ring	Aggregate
Gut Shot	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bloody Muzzle	8	94	43X	17X	20	182XX
Hawk Dancer	-2	96	48XXX	16	14	172XXX
Horse #1	47	117	42	8	40	254
Horse #2	17	72	42	0	20	151
Louie (Bull Whacker)	0	118	39	5	18X	180
Ross	0	0	0	10X	0	10X
Standing Moose	6	69	0	0	0	75
Dez	0	70	32	0	0	102

2016 CSM LA Winter Convention

SKINNERS PLEASE NOTE: THE 2016 COLORADO STATE MUZZLE LOADING CONVENTION WILL BE HELD IN FORT COLLINS AT THE ELKS CLUB 1424 E. MULBERRY STREET.

The Skinners will have tables for you to put your trade goods on for sale or barter purposes.

Please see the flyer in this issue for the dinner sign up.





Colorado State Muzzle Loading Association

ONE-DAY WINTER CONVENTION and TRADE BLANKET EVENT

March 5, 2016

Ft Collins Elks Lodge 1424 E. Mulberry Street Ft. Collins, CO 80524
(970) 493-3777 (West off I-25 at exit 269B)

Trade room will be open to the public on Saturday, March 5 from 8:00 am to 4:00pm
CSMLA Membership Meeting 4:00pm Banquet, Auction, Awards 6:00pm

REGISTRATION FORM

For this special event the first space or trade blanket is FREE for members!! (based on an 8' front). Additional space cost is \$10.00, if space is available. **Do you want a vendor space or trade blanket? Yes []** Number of additional spaces requested _____ x \$10.00 each = _____ (due at event). Do you need electricity? Yes []. First come basis if available.

Banquet Reservation

Dinner Choice: _____ Baron of Beef _____ Grilled Chicken
Included: Baked Potato, Green Beans, Salad, Dinner Roll, Carrot Cake, Coffee/Tea

Total Number of Dinners: _____ x \$ 27.50 (includes tax & gratuity) = \$ _____

Name: _____ CSMLA member Y[] N[]

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

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Return Completed form by February 20, 2016 to:

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