

THE BUCKHORN SKINNERS NEWSLETTER

A Mountain Man Club

Buckhorn Skippers Christmas Party

Please read the old/new business in this newsletter regarding the party at the American Legion in Loveland. January 20th.

CSMLA Winter Convention

Please read the old/new businesssss in this newsletter regarding the convention March 3rd.

Squirrel Rifle Championship Shoot

The shoot is April 28th and 29th. Skippers are expected to help with the shoot and donate a prize worth about \$25.00.



Notes from the Scribe: Horse

The day was clear, cool and crisp. It's great to live in Colorado. Gut Shot and Horse met up for breakfast at El Cielos. They headed to the range by 9:00 am to find out that Grizz and Hawkdancer both arrived late for breakfast and missed them. They opted to get a burritos "to-go" and headed for the range. Everyone converged at the lower range to help Bull Whacker and Bloody Muzzle set up the backstops, targets and prepare for the day's event. A total of 11 shooters arrived, all towing meat in the cooler and a few other goodies to share.



The competition culminated with a selection for meat by all, mighty good pickings. We had turkey, beef, elk, ham, pork and pumpkin pie! Bloody Muzzle provided fresh pie for all. Annie and Jerry brought home made brew to wash down the pie. Many thanks to Bloody Muzzle and the Hudsons!



Bloody Muzzle and Bull Whacker called the meeting to order.

No treasurer's report provided.

The club financial status seems to be good. Many thanks to Bloody Muzzle and Gutshot for managing the club funds.

Meat and Beverage



**Newest Skinners
Jerry, Grizz & Annie**



Old and New Business

-The club Christmas Party is scheduled for Saturday January 20th at the American Legion, Veteran's Hall in Loveland. The Hall is located at 305 Cleveland Ave, Loveland, CO 80537. Remember that members should bring a gift worth ~ \$25 for the gift exchange if they want to participate. Horse and Fallen Angel will cook a turkey.

Members and guests should bring a dish to share. The dining room is the Skinners from 5:00 pm to 10:00 pm so, please plan to stay and have a good time. The bar will be open and the club usually picks up the first round. You can't bring adult beverages from home, please use the bar and tip them for the hospitality.

The gift exchange will be lots of fun, be creative and make something this year. Horse is planning to work in the garage, he retires from CSU 12/31 and plans to enjoy some leather and metal work.

Horse will provide a slide show again so keep your eyes open for some great photos from recent and distant times. The slide show usually included pictures to remember and some you wish you could forget.

-The CSMLA Winter Convention and Swap is planned for March 3rd, place the date on your calendar. We will have a day of fun selling, trading, business and celebration. The first trade table is free and more can be added for \$10 ea. The business meeting is at 4 pm and dinner at 6:30 pm. We've got some special awards to give out so, come and celebrate with us. The event will be at the Elks Lodge in Fort Collins: 1424 E Mulberry St, Fort Collins, CO 80524. Please don't bring any food or drink to the lodge, it has a full bar with food. Horse will be on a trip around the world and miss out this year! Party on without him.

-The Squirrel Shoot is around the corner! We'll need to have a workday or two to get things in good shape. Beg letters have gone out. Please don't be shy about asking for donations. Please bring donations to any shoot, we store them in the trailer under April.

-Speaking of workdays, we need to check in with Pat to see if any repairs or other work needs to be done on the property. We are grateful for the privilege to shoot and support the ranch with work contributions. All members are expected to make workdays and contribute.

-The State Shoot is planned for Labor Day Weekend (Friday, Saturday, Sunday & Monday) and will be in Ft. Lupton. The event is supported by Buckhorn Skinners, Colorado Spring MLC and the Ft. Lupton MLC. We would not be able to do it all, the collaborative effort is great and much appreciated. Plan to attend and have some fun.

-The NMLRA Colorado Territorials will be June 15 - 17 this next June in Fort Lupton. Club members are expected to help out. -The next CSMLA Exec Board meeting is 12/2 at the Village Inn in Castle Rock from 10 am - noon. CSMLA members are welcome.



-The club has decided to suspend scheduling future Saturday shoots in 2018. If anyone wishes to sponsor a Saturday shoot, please send the word out and let's have some fun.

-Hawkdancer and the Little Fiddle played at the Big Thompson Brewery for a fund raiser, hope that you made it on the 24th.

-There remains an interest in having a table at the Loveland Gun Show. We agree that a table is needed and a means to capture emails and phone numbers of interested folks.

-We need to update the membership list, please send any email, address or phone number changes to Horse.

-The Captain's Shoot is 12/17 and you can bet it will be tough! Captain Smoking Toes is a crafty fellow who likes to make the shoot challenging for all. Lots of fun but challenging for sure.

Motion to Adjourn

Respectfully submitted,

Horse, Scribe



Dancing Waters & Bloody Muzzle



Two Eagles

Horse recommended adding the CSMLA mail-in target to the match. Bull Whacker did so and the match was set for serious competition. We had three targets, gongs and shotgun. Bloody Muzzle ran the range and we all enjoyed the targets.

Shooter	Shotgun	Gongs	7-Ring Bull	8-Ring Bull	Turkey	Total
Two Eagles	0	4	36	37	3	77
Hawkdancer	3	3	17	8	10	31
Jerry Hudson	4	2	35	21	7	62
Annie Hudson	0	1	21	5	9	27
Grizz	3	4	41	36	5	84
Splinter	0	0	0	0	8	0
Horse	0	5	41	40	4	86
Gutshot	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bull Whacker	3	4	33	37	6	77
Dale Crab	2	3	43	31	2	79
Deacon	1	5	39	37	1	82

The shoot was great! Bull Whacker was beside himself that Horse won with a 0/5 on shotgun.

- Horse was in the Zone as #1 with 86 points (despite the 0/5 shotgun)
- Grizz took 2nd place with 84 points
- Deacon 3rd place with 82 points



Deacon



Hawk Dancer & Gutshot



the fearsome foursome