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# BUCKHORN SKINNERS

## NEWSLETTER

THE BUCKHORN SKINNERS CLUB HAS TURNED 40



### *Schuetzenfest Target*

*Captain Peter and Dave Hoffman hold the target used for the Schuetzenfest shooting activities.*



Darrell Koleber and Carl Schaal handled the registration process

## ✘ Notes from the Scribe ✘

### *“Horse”.... Dave Gilkey*

Schuetzenfest Campers and Revelers

The 40 year anniversary of the Buckhorn Skinners Mountain Man Club began on Friday afternoon

with early arrivals who set up lodges and camped out for the weekend. More Skinners, family and friends arrived on Saturday and Sunday to participate in the exciting event. The concept of Schuetzenfest (or competition between warriors) has a tradition that can be traced back to the middle ages. However, the modern tradition began



in the early 1800s and was firmly established by the mid 1800s by the German Rifle Association Today's

Schuetzenfest Fest events throughout Germany may draw 5,000-10,000 participants and are highly celebrated. We owe the Inaugural Buckhorn Skinners Schuetzenfest to our Captain, Luetje Peter tho Seeth, who developed and sponsored the event entirely, thank you Captain Peter!

# BHS 40th Anniversary Activities

Activity began bright and early Saturday morning with a weed removal party! The troops pulled Mullein for two hours to clear the advancing weeds from the pasture. By 10 am the temperatures were heating up and we called it quits.

Time to rest and continue setting up for the Sunday event. We erected the State Tent and secured it for registration.

Saturday evening we gathered for a nice meal sharing food, drink and conversation among the group. Smoking Toes fired up some fine "Chicken Salsa Velveeta" extraordinarily delicious!

The Mountain Mule Bar was open and we enjoyed adult libations. Andrew and Heather were introduced to Horse's favorite beer: Left Hand Brewing Co., Nitro Milk Stout, way yummy! We all slept well and enjoyed the mild summer night.

Sunday morning the troops were up early to enjoy Smokin Toe's breakfast burritos. He's a true camp cook and always seems to share with whoever is around.

Captain Peter arrived back on site and we commenced with the final set up for our event. By 10 am, we assembled a nice crowd of shooters and onlookers. Captain provided the detailed instructions and the event began. Horse was shooter #1 and promptly shot the Apple off the Eagle!

It was looking like a quick shoot. However, Horse did not get to shoot for the next 2 ½ hours while the round-robin of shooters progressed through the areas of

the Eagle. The dissection process was slow and not always as planned. Heather Robb shot off the Left Talon, Splinter removed the Right Wing, Ken Kleinsorge shot off the Crown and Standing Moose removed the Eagle's Head. Accidental removals included Andrew dropping the Eagle's Tail and Hawk Dancer took off the Left Wing and Scepter. It was great fun and folks got to do a lot of shooting! Captain Peter took pity on the group and moved the fining line to 25 yards. Louie split the 2" x 4" support board and Ken Kleinsorge shot the Eagle's body off to become the first Schuetzen King! Horse took lots of pictures and Bloody Muzzle will upload to the website.



Dave Gilkey first to shoot and he removed the apple from the eagle's talon.

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## *More of BHS 40th Anniversary Shoot*

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- Ken Kleinsorge was dubbed: “Crown Prince” and “Schuetzen King”
- Horse was dubbed the: “Second Knight”
- Splinter was dubbed the: “First Page”
- Heather Robb was recognized as the shooter that removed the Eagle’s Left Talon
- Standing Mouse was recognized as the shooter that removed the Eagle’s Head

The event was marvelous and a significant departure from our traditional monthly shoots. Ken Kleinsorge, the 2015 Schuetzen King, will be sponsoring and holding the next event in 2016, one of the privileges and obligations of the King.

The weekend culminated in tear down and putting away the two registration tents and helping folks take down their lodges. Thanks for chipping-in and helping out everyone. We appreciated the use of the north pasture and give thanks to Pat for her support. We also want to recognize those who worked the event: Gut Shoot & Standing Moose at Registration tent, Mountain Mule local Bartender and Dog Soldier and Smokin Toes for his fine Cooking and Great Grub, thanks all of the help and support you four!

I look forward to next year’s Schuetzenfest and the great fun it will be!

Respectfully Submitted, Horse, Scribe



*Ken Kleinsorge*

Winner and crowned Prince and Schuetzen  
King



Captain Peter presented the winners with certificates and pins.

The pins were purchased in Germany and represent the same pins used in the German Schuetzenfest Matches.

**Please remember the Jean Ezinga Memorial Shoot**  
**August 15th**

## *Schuetzenfest Winners*



*Dave Gilkey*  
Crowned the  
Second Knight



*Heather Robb*  
Removed the  
Eagle's left Talon



*Mark  
Birmingham*  
Crowned the First  
Page



*Carl Schaal*  
Removed the Eagle's  
head