

# BUCKHORN SKINNERS NEWSLETTER

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Colorado State  
Muzzle Loading  
Convention and  
Traders Show March  
9th 2019 at the Elks  
Club 1424 E. Mulberry  
Street, Fort Collins, Co.  
For more information  
contact a member of the  
Skinners.

Squirrel Rifle  
Championship Shoot  
April 27th & 28th at the  
Buckhorn Skinners  
Range

Colorado Springs  
Memorial Day Shoot  
in Florence, Co

NMLRA Territorial  
Shoot June 14th, 15th &  
16th at the Fort Lupton  
Range in Fort Lupton  
Colorado.



Captain Louie honored as an  
Ambassador for Muzzle Loading

## Much News from the Scribe: Rob Davis

Buckhorn Skinners  
2019 Christmas Party, January 12, 2019  
American Legion Hall  
305 Cleveland Avenue, Loveland, CO

The annual Christmas party started at 5pm on January 12, 2019 at the American Legion Hall in Loveland. We had 20 members along with their wives, kids, and guests in attendance. Lots of yummy food was available for the partiers. The club provided the meat for the party, with attendees bringing covered dishes such as potatoes, salads, beans, and lots of desserts. Pete (Smoking Toes) and his daughter Kat were a great help in the kitchen getting food ready. Thank you guys! Additionally,



Good eating at the  
Pot Luck meal

February 17th,  
Skinners  
monthly shoot

Gutshot (Darrell K) & Little John (Chris L.) are hosting Sunday's Shoot. Sounds like the standard gear for this shoot. Those Skinners and guests interested will meet at El Cielos for Breakfast at 8 AM Sunday prior to heading to the range.

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New website  
will be up soon.

Some initial tweaking needs to be done and we will have a new look.

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thank you to all the wives for all the help in cleaning up the kitchen during the business meeting at the end of the party. This great help got the club its' damage deposit back quickly. And last but not least, thank you to all the people who brought dishes to share at the party!

There was a gift exchange during the party, with lots of very nice homemade gifts being available. The rules of the gift exchange allowed for an opened gift to be stolen one time after being opened; several gifts were stolen from the original gift opener, causing some people to open more than one gift. Items stolen included a leather covered bottle of whiskey stolen from Ron (Bloody Muzzle), a shooting bag stolen from Scott (Mountain Mule), and rifle rests stolen from Rob (Smiling Brother), and Randy. There was lots of laughing and smiling and talking during the gift exchange; everybody had a great time. Captain Louie and Griz brought more than one gift



each. There were more gifts available than members, so some of the wives and family members opened gifts too.

Ron (Bloody Muzzle) gave a Recognition Award to the outgoing Captain, Louie (Bushwhacker)

A naming ceremony was held during the party and four people have earned their Skinnners names:

- 1) Jerry Hudson will be known from now on as "He who walks Many Trails", or "Many Trails" for short. He was named by Bloody Muzzle.
- 2) Annie Epperson will be forever known as "Stitches." She was named by Bloody Muzzle.
- 3) Rob Davis was given the name "Smiling Brother" from Bushwhacker.
- 4) Chris Little's name "Little John" was given by Mountain Mule.

The Captain's Prize for 2018 was won by Deacon, who earned 95 points during the course of the year for all the work he put in at shoots and work days.

A group photo was taken at the end of the evening. Other than having to rearrange a couple kilts before the picture, the photo was a success and we're happy to report that no cameras were broken in the process.

## Buckhorn Skinner Business Meeting

### January 12, 2019

American Legion Hall, Loveland, CO

Meeting was called to order about 8:45pm by Captain Louie.

#### Treasurer Report:

The club had \$489.84 in the checking account as of January 12 after placing an order for powder and flints that will be picked up at the Wyoming Winter Convention the weekend of January 19-20. The club has \$1,058 in a CD earning .04% interest.

#### Old Business:

The Wyoming Winter Convention will be January 19-20, 2019 in Caspar. Seven members are planning on going to the convention. Ride sharing is available if others want to go.

Deacon and Splinter are the co-leads for the January Shoot on January 21.

A Mountain Man biathlon is being held on January 27 in Laramie, WY. The shoot starts at 9am and awards will be presented at a chili dinner after the shoot is done. If attending, please dress primitively if possible.

New target stand backers are needed for the lower range, so a work day to build new target stands with new target backers is needed.

The 2019 Squirrel Shoot will be held on April 27-28. A work day will be held the weekend before, April 20 or 21.

A Go Daddy certificate is needed for the new website. Once this certificate is obtained, we can get the website up and running. If you have items of interest for the website, please contact Ron Ring so he can put them on the website to share with everybody.

#### New Business:

Full Membership Vote for 2 probational members, Rob Davis and Chris Little. The vote passed.

Changes to Territorial Shoots – There won't be a National Territorial Shoot at Friendship, IN anymore. Your ranking at the national level will be determined by your scores at the Territorial event you attend. Other changes that will take place include weighing bench guns and weighing the trigger pull on muskets before firing the event. Additionally, shooters won't be able to buy into 4 aggregates and shoot a 5<sup>th</sup> aggregate for free anymore. Because of the weight constraints on bench guns and musket triggers, please consider helping out during the shoots.

Colorado Territorials will be held June 14-16, 2019 in Fort Lupton at the SPVHS range at 2001 History Parkway, Fort Lupton, CO 80621.

Club Insurance Costs – Insurance costs for the Buckhorn Skinners club runs about \$800/year. The club is able to meet this expense by hosting the Colorado Territorial Shoot and the Squirrel Shoot. Each event brings in about 1/2 the amount to pay the insurance.

#### Election of Officers:

Captain: Erin Olofson (Griz)

Lieutenant: Jerry (Many Trails) and Annie (Stitches) were elected as co-lieutenants.

Treasurer: Scott (Mountain Mule)

Scribe: Rob (Smiling Brother)

Powder Boy: Pete (Smoking Toes) and Dave (Deacon)

Meeting was adjourned 9:15pm.

## Buckhorn Skinners January Monthly Shoot

### January 20, 2019

This was a rifle shoot only

Period Dress Required

Shoot was held by the Hay Field

16 paid competitors

1 Guest Shooter

This shoot was co-lead by Deacon and Splinter. Gutshot and Hawk Dancer did the scoring. Everybody pitched in and helped set up target stands, a shooting flag, and set the shooting line. Thank you everybody for all the help in making the shoot successful!

The course of fire for the day included 4 rifle targets at 25 yards and a gong set at 50 yards. Shooters took 5 shots at each of the 4 targets at 25 yards, 5 shots at the 50-yard gong, and 1 shot at a tie-breaker target set at 25 yards.

The match started around 10am and was over by 1pm. The weather was changing throughout the shoot, going from warm and sunny to windy, cold and cloudy, and then back to sunny. Coats were being taken off and then put back on during the course of the morning and lots of coffee/tea was consumed between shots thanks to the cold breeze. Bushwhacker caused a bit of a stir when he moved one of Stitches' and Many Trails' guns over to his pickup while nobody was looking; everybody got a chuckle out of this bit of tomfoolery. Everybody had a good time in spite of the cool temperatures; smiles and laughter were a large part of the day.

A cease fire had to be called during the shoot when a couple of hikers came down off the hill while we were shooting. Luckily, Splinter was keeping an eye out and called for an immediate cease fire when he spotted the hikers. Deacon went to the hikers and got them safely behind the firing line. This reinforces that we all need to think about safety all the time when we are shooting. If you see something that is unsafe, please call a cease fire.

## January Business Meeting after the Shoot January 20, 2019

Meeting called to order at 12:50pm by Captain Griz

### Treasurer Report

The treasurer was missing in action (he was attending the Wyoming Winter Convention) so we didn't have a treasurer report today.

### Old Business

The annual squirrel shoot is coming up on April 27 and 28. Signup sheets for working the squirrel shoot will be coming soon. If people can show up around noon on the Friday before the squirrel shoot (April 26) to help set up, that would be greatly appreciated.

Work days before the Squirrel shoot will be on April 13, 14, and 20.

An Easter Shoot will be held on April 21.

### New Business

Pat came to the meeting. Somebody has been shooting and leaving their brass on the ground after shooting. Please clean up all brass after shooting.

Meeting was adjourned about 1pm.



# January Shoot Results

Shooter #	Shooter		Pumpkin	Small Pumpkins	Squirrel	Pumpkin Pie	Gong	Tie Breaker
1	Louie Silva	Bushwhacker	0	9	-15	6	10	
2	Randy Preston	Ramrod	30	19	30	14	50	
3	Linda Preston		20	6	15	17	30	
4	Pete Bruning	Smokin Toes	10	13	30	10	40	
5	Henry Bielinski		0	12	17	8	20	
6	Chris Little	Little John	0	0	40	1	10	
7	Erin Olofson	Griz	10	5	30	8	10	
8	Rob Davis	Smiling Brother	20	24	30	20	40	
9	Jerry Hudson	Many Trails	10	11	-1	2	20	
10	Annie Epperson	Stitches	10	10	10	0	0	0
11	Rick Zinc		20	10	0	0	0	0
12	Michael Tillotson	Proby	20	5	17	4	20	
13	Ian Weidner	Proby	0	19	12	13	30	
14	Paul Westerfield	Guest		0	-14	9	0	
15	Jim Westerfield	Dancing Bear	10		-7	0	0	
		1st Place	30 (#2)	24 (#8)	40 (#6)	20 (#8)	50 (#2)	
		2nd Place	20 (#8)	19 (#2)	30 (#8)	17 (#3)	40 (#8)	
		3rd Place	20 (#3)	19 (#14)	30 (#2)	14 (#2)	40 (#4)	
	<b>Shoot Leaders:</b>							
	Dave Hoffman	Deacon						
	Mark Birmingham	Splinter						
	<b>Scorers:</b>							
	Darrell Koleber	Gutshot						
	Jerry McConnell	Hawk Dancer						



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