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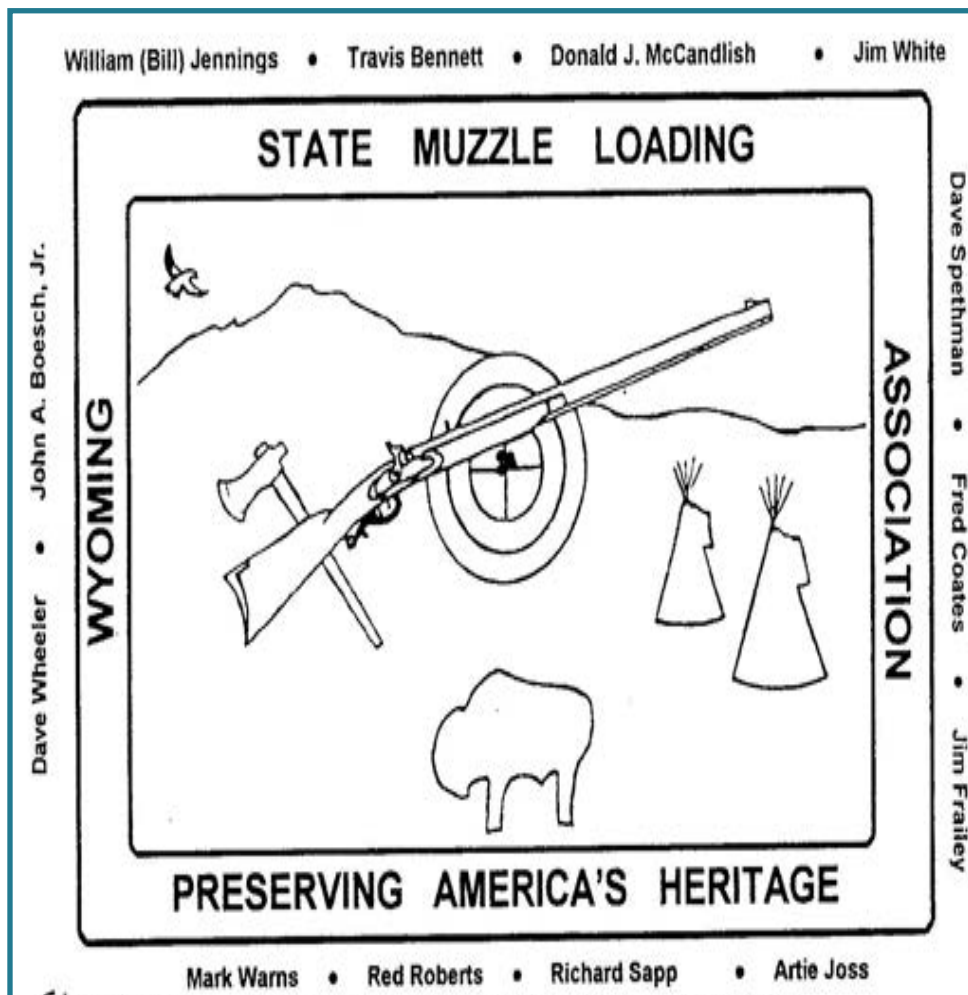
September, 2025

NOTICE: Motions were passed at the 2025 general meeting to increase annual dues and charge an additional fee for paper copies of the newsletter.

Effective January, 2026 membership dues \$30.

Sixty-five and older \$25.

An additional \$10 fee will be charged for paper copies of the newsletter to be mailed. No extra charge for email copies.



President's Letter

Hello

The shotgun shoot at Worland was well attended. We had a great time and the food was excellent. Thanks to Bill and Cathy for the lunch meals. Bonny had her famous cookies. Sandy brought salad, Claude watermelon, Junior Salsa and tomatoes. Hopefully I didn't miss anybody. If I did sorry.

It is possible Junior will make tacos next year. We will share the expense.

I missed the Glenrock shoot because we had family visiting.

September is over and time to set up elk camp. Good luck to the hunters and their adventures. Time for the turkey shoots and don't forget convention in January.

Gary

Sierra Madre Muzzle Loading Rifle Club

44th Annual Rendezvous July 25, 26 & 27

Encampment, Wyoming



A great time at the Rendezvous in Encampment this year! Attendance included 52 participants in the shooting events. Each shooting aggregate winner was awarded \$200 cash prizes. Hawk and knife winners also won cash prizes.

(Top left) Emmitt shows off prizes won at the sub junior knife throw.

Chris (right) was a well dressed shooter who recently played a role in author and producer Candy Moulton's latest mountain man film.

Bo Parker (right) won a brand new muzzle loading rifle.

SIERRA MADRE MUZZLELOADING RIFLE CLUB PRIZE DISTRIBUTION 2025

State Shoot Traveling Trophy Qualifiers

Men Don Caswell Score 49xx Women Sarah Wadas Score 45x
Junior Bo Parker Score 31 Sub Junior Dawson Stern Score 31

MILLHOUSE

Men 1st James Shipley Women 1st Kelley Davis
2nd Doyle Parker 2nd Cyndy Sanders
3rd Burt Blackford 3rd Trish Miller
Junior 1st Abram Hanson Sub Junior 1st Dawson Stern
2nd Zeva Adams 2nd Emmitt Hanson
3rd Ty Baldwin 3rd Elizabeth Whalen

FUN TARGET

Men 1st Gary Millhouse Women 1st Natalie Adams
2nd Burt Blackford 2nd Sarah Wadas
3rd Colorado Bob Hageman 3rd Kelley Davis
Junior 1st Ty Baldwin Sub Junior 1st Dawson Stern
2nd Abram Hanson "Trap" 2nd Emma Whalen
3rd Brenlyn Wallace Target 3rd Elizabeth Whalen

RAFFEL WINNERS

1st Lyman 54 Great Plains rifle donated by Don Caswell—Robert Kiernan
2nd Butcher Block Meat Package—Susan Huntley 8th — \$100 gift card Divide Restaurant and Bar -
3rd Framed print from Gun Works Muzzle Loaders —Gary Millhouse Taylor Huntley
4th \$100 gift card from Scheels—Paula Crozier
5th Shelf and coat rack donated by John Rutherford —Gary Gillen 9th — \$100 gift card from Palamino Hat Bar
6th Mountain Man Picture donated by Frank Bloomquist—Susan Huntley Kyle Thompson
7th \$100 gift card from Palomino Hat Bar of Saratoga—Steve Kerpan

SMMLRC Rendezvous Results Continued

CANDLE SHOOT

Men	1 st <u>Colorado Bob Hageman</u>	Women	1 st <u>Paula Sorter</u>
	2 nd <u>Wayne Strozzi</u>		2 nd <u>Natallie Adams</u>
	3 rd <u>Mike Moon</u>		3 rd <u>Kelley Davis</u>
Junior	1 st <u>Abram Hanson</u>	Sub Junior	1 st <u>Dawson Stern</u>
	2 nd <u>Bo Parker</u>		2 nd <u>Amelia Adams</u>
	3 rd <u>Ty Baldwin</u>		3 rd <u>Emma Whalen</u>

50 YARD SCHUETZEN

Men	1 st <u>Bill Morrison</u>	Women	1 st <u>Trish Miller</u>
	2 nd <u>Colorado Bob Hageman</u>		2 nd <u>Kelley Davis</u>
	3 rd <u>Robert Kiernan</u>		3 rd <u>Natallie Adams</u>
Junior	1 st <u>Bo Parker</u>	Sub Junior	1 st <u>Jason Ortega</u>
	2 nd <u>Ty Baldwin</u>		2 nd <u>Dawson Stern</u>
	3 rd <u>Brenlynn Wallace</u>		3 rd <u>Emma Whalen</u>

SPLIT BALL

Men	1 st <u>Wayne Strozzi</u>	Women	1 st <u>Natallie Adams</u>
	2 nd <u>Korbe Wadas</u>		2 nd <u>Sarah Wadas</u>
	3 rd <u>Chris Nickelson</u>		3 rd <u>Rachel Whalen</u>
Junior	1 st <u>Daisi Wallace</u>	Sub Junior	1 st <u>Jason Ortega</u>
	2 nd <u>Abram Hanson</u>		2 nd <u>Dawson Stern</u>
	3 rd <u>Ty Baldwin</u>		3 rd <u>Elizabeth Whalen</u>

Old Timer Shoot (65+) - Robert Kiernan

Women's Frying Pan Throw—Virginia Parker

Men's Discus Throw—Charles Whalen 52' 5"

Junior Throw—Ty Baldwin 49' 4"

Sub Junior Throw—Jason Ortega 39' 6.5"

Best dressed Men —Josh Crozier

Best Dressed Women—Sarah Wadas

Best dressed Junior—Bo Parker

Best Dressed Sub Junior—Dawson Stern

Overall Aggregate Winners

Men—Bill Morrison

Women—Natallie Adams

Junior—Abram Hanson

Sub Junior—Dawson Stern

SMMLRC Rendezvous Results Continued

PISTOL

Men 1st Nick Elzay
 2nd Gary Millhouse
 3rd Robert Kiernan

Junior 1st Ty Baldwin
 2nd Abram Hanson
 3rd Bo Parker

Women 1st Kelley Davis
 2nd Michelle Parker
 3rd Rachel Whalen

Sub Junior 1st Elizabeth Whalen
 2nd JASON Ortega
 3rd Amelia Adams

ADULT KNIFE THROW

Men 1st Colo Bob Hageman
 2nd IAN Knight
 3rd Tony Larvie
 4th Kyle Thompson

Women 1st Brenlyn Wallace
 2nd Z Werner
 3rd Bo Parker
 4th Kelley Davis

KIDS KNIFE THROW

Junior 1st Joey Wallace
 2nd Bo Parker
 3rd Daisi Wallace
 4th Emmitt Hanson

Sub Junior 1st Emmitt Hanson
 2nd Bo Parker
 3rd Daisi Wallace
 4th Joey Wallace

ADULT HAWK THROW

Men 1st Colo Bob Hageman
 2nd Kyle Thompson
 3rd Dalton Knight
 4th Burt Blackford

Women 1st Bo Parker
 2nd Natalie Adams
 3rd Ashley George
 4th Virginia Parker



DEER CREEK MUZZLELOADERS

Deer Creek Muzzle Loaders Summer Shoot

The Summer Shoot for Deer Creek Muzzle Loaders went really well. We had 47 shooters, and they came from all over the state, Colorado, and Montana. We shot a lot of lead, and burned a lot of powder.

We had a carry in meal on Saturday night. Thanks to all of you that brought something to share. No one left hungry by no means. A lot of camps participated in staying the night in their rendezvous tents, and plenty of people also stayed in their tin teepees. One of the greatest things to do when everyone gets to stay at the range, is to get together at night around the fire for a good time, and story telling by most campers.

A big thanks to Jim Miller, for asking sponsors like Pepsi, and Indian Ice to participate in helping our club keep all shooters hydrated. Thanks to all the ladies that pulled targets, ran the tent, sold targets, wrote the scores down in the book, and up on the board. Thank you, Brian Youngberg for scoring all of the targets so it made the ladies job a lot easier. Thank you, Melissa for being on the prize committee. You do a great job sorting and giving out prizes. A big thanks to all of those who ran the range, booshwayed, and ran an event, like the trade gun, (Dane Sorter), primitive, (Jim Miller, and Melissa), and hawk and knife (Brian Connely, and Shawn Rothmeyer). Thank you, Jim Shipley, and Wayne for mowing the range. It was nice not to walk in tall grass. Thanks to all that participated in the shooting as well.

Women's Pistol

27-25 yd Pistol target	1st Angie Lheto 84xx	2nd Cyndy Sander 71x
28-50 yd Pistol target	1st Angie 75	2nd Cyndy 36
29-Aggregate	Aggregate Angie 159 xx	

Re-Entries

30-Junior -25 yard bottles	Palmer 30
31-Women- 50 yd 3-bull	
32-Any Caliber-50 yd 5-bull buffalo	Mike Corrigan 24
33-Big Bore-50 yd slug gun-.58 cal minimum	Gary Millhouse 34
34-Small Bore-25 yd squirrel-.40 cal max	Claude Tyrell 45
35-Rusty Trapper-25 old crow/rusty trap- age +score (min age 50)	Claude Tyrell 130
36-Man/Women-25 yd double buffalo-5 shots each	Cyndy S/Mike C 91
37-X-Sticks-100 yd single bull-8 ring black	Randy 25
38-Bench-200 yd large bull	
39-Pistol-25 yd pistol target-5 shots	Josh Sailer 42
40-Smooth Bore-25 yd single bull buffalo	John Booker 30
41-Traveling Trophy-double buffalo 2 shots /3 shots	Men- Kyle Lheto-49x Women-Angie L 44
	Jr-Kyle Miller 41 Sub Jr- Maddie 46x
	Linda 41
42 Women's Rusty Skillet- 5 shots	
43-Women's Salute-25 yd -5 shots	
44-Jar Shoot- 50/50 shoot 5 shots	Clyde Tyrell

Until the next overnight shoot,

Happy Shooting,! Sandy

DCML Summer Two Day (Cont.)

Primitive winners

Knife	Men	1st Shawn	Sub Junior	1st Maddox
		2nd Tony L		2nd Will
		3rd Kyle L		
		4th Boone		

Hawk	Men	1st Tony L	Sub Junior	1st Will
		3rd Kyle L		2nd Maddie

Women 1st Melissa

Men's Percussion/Flint

1-25 yd-six bull-8 ring black	1st Claude Tyrell 41	2nd Dane Sorter 40
2-50 yd-six bull-7 ring black	1st John Cheevers 32	2nd Brian Connely 30
3-50 yd-single bull buffalo-8 ring black	1st Claude Tyrell 42	2nd Jim Miller 41
4-100 yd-single bull- 7 ring black	1st John Cheevers 27	2nd Phill Nissen 26
5 Aggregate	Aggregate John C 128	

Women's

6-25 yd-six bull-8 ring black	1st Cyndy Sander 32	2nd Breana 30
7-25 yd-single bull -8 ring black	1st Angie Lheto 42	2nd Trish Miller 42
8-50 yd-single bull buffalo-8 ring black	1st Breana 35	2nd Angie Lheto 33
9-100 yd-single bull-7 ring black	1st Sandy Ladwig 23	2nd Jamie 19
10 Aggregate	Aggregate Angie Lheto 116	

Junior's

11-25 yd-six bull-8 ring black		13
12-25 yd-single bull, 8-ring black	Boone	0
13-50 yd-single bull, 8 ring black		16
14 Aggregate	Aggregate	29

Sub Junior

15-25 yd-6-bull 8 ring black	1st Maddy 43	2nd Palmer Lheto 42
16-25 yd-single bull-8 ring black	1st Palmer 45	2nd Will 43
17-50 yd-single bull -8 ring black	1st Maddy 44	2nd Will & Palmer 38
18 Aggregate	Aggregate Palmer	125

Trade Gun

19-25 yd-double buffalo	1st Dane Sorter 83x
20-50 yd-Pistol Target	2nd Gary Millhouse 63xx
21-5 clays	3rd JR Molina 59
22 Aggregate	

Men's Pistol

24-25 yd Pistol target	1st Josh Saier 88	2nd Claude Tyrell 82
25-50 yd Pistol target	1st Josh 64	2nd Bryan Y & Gary M 53
26 Aggregate	Aggregate Josh Saier	152

Big Horn Basin Muzzleloaders

The Big Horn Basin Muzzleloaders Willie Felton Memorial Shoot was held May 16th, 17th, and 18th, 2025. This shoot is held out on the Brewster Ranch, 10 miles northwest out of Ten Sleep.

This shoot was a laid back shoot with 12 shooters participating. There were paper matches, shotgun matches, and an awesome primitive match. The primitive match was 25 shots at gongs, balloons, turkeys, walnuts, marshmallows, and several other fun targets. The primitive shoot was a blanket shoot, so everyone won a prize.

There was a meal provided by BHBML, on Saturday night. Thanks to Tom Brewster for cooking on his barbeque pit, located on the range. There was plenty of food to eat and no one went home hungry. After dinner, on Saturday night, many sat around and visited. Shawn, and Burt went fishing and caught some nice fish, while Bill Morrison put on a candle shoot. You have to shoot the wick off the candle, and not the candle itself. Yes, it was dark. Junior Molina won the candle shoot.

After the shooting was done on Sunday, awards were given out. A big thanks to the Brewster family for letting us come and shoot, and camp on the property, and have a good time. We hope to go again next year.

Hope to see you then.
Happy Shooting

Sandy Ladwig



Worland Shotgun Shoot

The Spring Worland Shotgun Shoot was held April 25th, 26th, and 27th. The weather was good for traveling, and it was a real laid back shoot. There were 12 shot gun shooters, and it was good to see everyone come out for a fun filled weekend. This shoot is held in the spring as a fun time shoot, and it is one of the first shoots of the year. No prizes are given at this shoot, only bragging rights. There are 20 matches to choose from, and most are re entry, so you can shoot a match more than once.

Bill and Kathy make sure that you stay well fed, and that you enjoy the shoot.

The September Shotgun Shoot, prizes are given away, and Frank Elzay, and Bill Morrison, would love to see more shooters come to this shoot. If you have never shot a black powder shotgun and would like to learn, plan on attending this shoot in September, in Worland. If you have shot before, or have that old shotgun stored away in the closet because you can't hit anything, come to this shoot as well to get some all around fun practice in.

Hope to see you next time.
Happy Shooting.

Sandy Ladwig



2026 WSMLA PHOTO CONTEST

The Wyoming State Muzzle Loading Association will feature a photo contest at State Convention in Casper on Saturday January 24 & 25 2026. This event is open to all members and your participation is encouraged.

Categories:

- A. ***Humorous*** - Relating to our sport
- B. ***Shooting/Hunting*** - black powder target shooting or hunting
- C. ***Camp Life/Portraiture*** - rendezvous, primitive camps, people
- D. ***Scenery/Nature*** - a picturesque view or landscape/wildlife
- E. ***Captioned Photos*** - photos submitted with a phrase or saying attached to them

****If your photo does not quite fit one of the above categories, we will, with your help place it into one anyway.**

Who may enter: Any paid up member and their immediate family

Rules:

*Photos must be enlarged to 8 X 10 and matted. Digital photos are acceptable but Xerox copies and pictures that are framed will not be allowed. This is to make it fair to all participants. Please try to have your photos turned in at the photo contest table by 10:30 A.M. on Saturday January 24th. Remember, the earlier you have it on display, the more time people will have for voting on your entry. Limit of three photos per category per person.

Awards:

- * 1st, 2nd and 3rd place prizes will be awarded in each category.
 - * 1st prize in each division will be \$ 15.00 in Trader Bucks
 - * 2nd prize in each division will be \$10.00 in Trader Bucks
 - * 3rd prize in each division will be \$5.00 in Trader Bucks
 - * A grand prize for best photo overall will be awarded \$25.00 in Trader Bucks
- **These Trader bucks will only be valid for this year's convention**

Judges:

All members (including family) will be allowed to vote during the viewing period on Saturday. You will vote for one photo per category plus the best of show. Judging will be closed at 3:00 p.m. to allow for a count of the ballots. Prizes will be awarded during the auction. Photos may be auctioned off at the owner's discretion.

If you have any questions about the photo contest, please feel free to contact Cyndy Sander at: (307) 462-9012 or by email at soncyndy52@hotmail.com.

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