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July, 2014

Hello everyone,

The month of July is almost over and our Founder's Day weekend has come and gone. Seems like summer just started and now kid's are getting ready to go back to school.

We had 19 shooters for the over-the log event on Saturday, June 28<sup>th</sup> and 18 for the afternoon festivities. A great turn out. Targets were close for the over-the-log match with Mark Hazel at 2.661", Larry Bevard at 2.028" and Page Carr at 0.049". (I believe a new club record) Some great shooting from all of them. Neil did an excellent job hosting (with some assistance by Mark Herman) and two options were allowed. Either over the log, or for those who can't or are uncomfortable getting to the ground the new stepped bench shooting. All winners came from over the log so I may try the bench next year.

For the afternoon we had five targets. The Schutzen target by Ken (netting \$46, like my pun), breaking a small shaker peg by me and three targets by Dave Nunes (of course a running target, driving nails and shooting through a hole to make a flag move). It wasn't difficult to come up with winners. One relay on the shaker pegs netted one break, three relays netted one driven nail, one relay netted one shot through the hole and two relays on the running target. The first relay provided 5 hits with the second relay narrowing it down to one. Thanks goes to those who helped out. I didn't keep track of who won each event.

Everyone, please remember to go to the end of the line to do any type of ball pulling. If you can't get a patch out or dry ball there is no excuse not to go to the end by the pond and use the hook on the last post.

The weather was decent, but more like August and the rains hit for a brief shower Friday evening. We had a reasonable show for camping, which consisted of five camps, the Grubaughs, Steve Larue, Mark Hazel, Larry Bevard and yours truly. Ralph Arms joined us

and shared a camp, and Ron and George stuck around for quite some time. Glad to have you all out. If I missed someone I apologize.

On Sunday (Our Founder's Day shoot) we had around 20 shooters. I don't remember how many and didn't seem to write it down. I do remember we had one dry ball by Tim Merz. Welcome to the club. The Hall of Shame list includes Bob Hurlburt, Tom Darfus, Bill Grubaugh, Rick Harkless and now Tim Merz. The Founder's Day is our memorial shoot. We broke at noon and Ken said a few words and a prayer followed by a 3 shot volley. We were lucky this year and believe we didn't lose any past or present members. I ran the shoot, which went very smoothly (if I say so myself) with a lot of help from Ken in the scoring shack. Sunday's targets were paper, as usual, but we had one 50 yard target. The portable rack worked out well, with 4 shooters at a time it only took 5 relays to get it in. Wayne Slaughter had high aggregate score. As Top Gun he won the Founder's Day aggregate prize, a powder horn made by Frank Bevard. The top gun list now consists of Page Carr, Ron Goudy, Rick Horton, Frank Bevard and Wayne Slaughter. Rick Harkless took free shooter for the Saturday, August 2nd shoot being hosted by Mark Donaldson. The rain held out on Sunday until just before handing out the prizes and most camps were closed up before they got wet.

Please remember our fund raiser, the quilt raffle. Attached to this is a sheet of tickets with info about the quilt. Share with your friends or take to work.

See you August 2nd,

Your Pres,

Rick Harkless