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Now is the time to get your nominations for Muzzle Loader Of The Year In! See message inside from Griz

Upcoming Events

You can catch up on activities across the country at Talking Bear

http://www.talking-bear.com/events.htm

The Buckhorn Skinners Have ongoing activities. Have a look at https://www.buckhornskinners.com

The CSMLA Postal Match is all new for 2023. Many improvements have been made. Read more inside and at https://www.csmla.net/csmla-postal-match

Tallow River Trappers Frozen Toes Rendevous. Feb 23rd thru 26th

Winter Convention & Trade Show March 11th 2023 New location in Aurora. Flyer inside.

The Fort Lupton Muzzle Loading Club has a regular schedule of monthly events. More details on the FLMLC website at http://flmlc.org/ and on facebook https://www.facebook.com/groups/843277089622987

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If you have information on shoots, club meetings, re-enactments, classes or other items that would be of interest to our membership, please send it to: Mike Lee, Editor, CSMLA Poke and Stroke,7430 Devinney Court, Arvada, CO 80005 or email to editorpokeandstroke@gmail.com Written or digital information are prefered, HOWEVER, phone calls will be accepted. Deadline for publication is posted in the most recent edition of the Poke & Stroke. If you have an article to share, we appreciate it. Your name will appear on the article. Material may involve any

aspects of muzzle loading, including but not limited to: history, crafts, trades, gunsmithing, hunting, and rendezvous. Photographs are especially welcome; black & white photos or color is fine. Digital images sent by email are preferred but any format is welcome. The Editor and the CSMLA are not responsible for loss or damage in the mail to manuscripts or photographs. All material will be edited for content and space requirements. Letters to the Editor will be accepted in any legible form. Mention of a product or service in advertisement or article does not imply endorsement, approval nor testing by the CSMLA

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MUZZLE LOADERS OF THE YEAR

1988 Barry Conner 1989 Del Mendenhall 1990 Al Main 1991 Chuck Deats & Fred Newcomb (co-winners) 1992 Ray Ezinga 1993 Bill MacAfee 1994 Larry Webster 1995 Ron Melchert 1996 Charlie Webb 1997 Ken Klabon 1998 Ramona Laffler 1999 Dave Burman 2000 Jack Riddell 2001 Paul & Marcia Kelly 2002 Joy Hicks 2003 Doreen Webb 2004 Stanley B. Honour 2005 Jerry Farringer 2006 Larry Hicks 2007 Doug Davis 2008 Doug & Bridget Rightmire 2009 Ron Ring 2010 John & Mary Jo Kummer 2011 Scott Drake 2012 Tom Gabor 2013 Marlin Johnson 2014 Ken Wee 2015 Estill Ator 2016 Darrel Kolebar 2017 Ron Deurmyer 2018 Ron Mann 2019 Louie Silva 2020 Ted Beaupre 2021 Dee Beaupre 2022 Erin Olefson (Griz)

Clubs and affiliates

If you are a member of a club that is not listed and you would like it to be, or you want to update this information, please contact the Editor.

Buckhorn Skinners

Scott Drake 970-663-2374 #1 Marmac Drive Loveland, CO 80538 damnphoneguy1330@aol.com

Colorado Springs Muzzle Loaders

Ted Beaupre, President 719-329-8126 941 Daffodil Fountain, CO 80817 paper shoot - 1st Sunday 1:00 p.m. www.csmlinc.org

Ft. Lupton Muzzle Loading Club, Inc.

Paper shoot - 2nd Saturday - Fun shoot the third Saturday at 10 AM Daylight time and 11 AM Standard time SPVHS Range

Golden Gun Club at Watkins David Bieber https://goldengunclub.com/blackpowder. php shoot - last Sunday - 11:00 am/winter -9:00 a.m./summer

High Plains Muzzle Loaders Bill Phillips 970-454-2109 Jim Eckersley (970) 353-8200 Jimeckersley@comcast.net shoot - 1st Sunday - 9:00 a.m. June, July & August 10:00 AM other nine months Public welcome.

Kit Carson Mountain Men Park G Wood 719-688-5696 27039 West Ridge Lamar CO 81052

Rocky Mountain Men of Aurora Chris Baker (720) 936-4218 shoot - 1st Sunday at Aurora Gun Club

San Luis Valley Renegades Earl Wilson 719-580-9750 Meetings 2nd Thursday of every month 6 PM. Call for location Shoot Sunday after 2nd Thursday 10 AM. (Weather permitting)

South Platte Valley Historical Society P.O.Box 663Ft. Lupton, CO8062www.spvhs.org

Starvation Trails Muzzle Loaders

C.J. Biwenga (303) 646-3090 John Kummer (303) 646-2724

 Tallow River Trappers

 Members of SPVHS

 https://www.spvhs.org/tallow

We will run a flyer free for any club subject to space available. CSMLA affiliate clubs have priority on space. To affiliate, 50% of your members must belong to the CSMLA. Simply send a membership list and a request to affiliate on club letterhead to the Editor or Membership Director.

LIFETIME ACHEIVEMENT AWARD WINNERS

2013	Ray Ezinga
2014	Larry & Barb Webster
2015	Jack "Mato" Cardinbal
2016	Darrel Koelber
2017	Doreen Webb
2018	Joy Hicks & Gwen
	Blanchard
2019	Ron Ring
2020	Dale Crabb
2021	(snowed out)
2022	Doug Davis

CSMLA Membership Offers

The CSMLA offers for sale, the following items:

Iron-on Patch	\$6.00
Outside Window	v Decal \$1.50
Inside Window	Decal \$1.50
Belt Buckle	\$15.00
Hat	\$10.00
Hat Pins	\$7.00
T shirts	\$10.00
Sweat Shirts	\$15.00 - \$20.00

Prices do not include shipping and sales tax.

Also available at CSMLA events at discounts if not shipped.

Contact Joy Hicks 719-598-5715 to order or for more details.

Advertising in the Poke

Did you know that you can place your business card advertisement in the Poke & Stroke for only \$10 per issue? Contact the editor at editorpokeandstroke@gmail.com

Editor's Notes

If you are listed on the be sorely missed. She has taugh great deal but there is so much and advise the editor of any needed corrections.

President's Message

Hello All,

I hope you had a Happy Holiday Season and would like to wish you a Happy New year! The new year will be an exciting one for the CSMLA so start planning with us.

2022 was an amazing year for the Association and 2023 will be even better because of the efforts of our membership and groups. The Winter Convention is just over 2 months away and State Shoot is only 8 months out. The Association is trying something new with the Convention by holding it at the Victory Grange Hall, 2025 Tower Rd, Aurora, CO 80011. This move will allow easier access for our members and vendors while increasing foot traffic for them. The evening dinner will be a little different this year as well but people will appreciate the new pricing. Please reserve your trade tables and dinners ASAP with Joy Hicks or Ron Ring so they have a chance to get accurate numbers. Elections will take place in conjunction with the annual Membership Meeting to be held after the floor has closed. I have a Zoom meeting set up as well for all who like to participate but cannot be there in person. The Zoom details will be shared a the end of this letter. All of our members are urged to participate in the business of their group so I would like to see as many of you as

possible.

The Association is in need of volunteers to fill some board positions and the soon to be vacated position of at Membership Chairperson. Joy Hicks is stepping down from the Membership Chairperson and State Shoot Coordinator positions effective March 11th. Joy has served the CSMLA for over 30 years so she will be sorely missed. She has taught me a great deal but there is so much more integral to the operation of our Association so they need to be filled post haste or we will have interruptions in the flow of information to our membership. If you are interested in taking over all or part of her responsibilities or would like to become a Regional Director or Education Coordinator, please contact me before or at Winter Convention so I can give you more information.

State Shoot dates have been set for August 11th - 13th so the Committee is working on the program for the event. With the success of the 2022 Shoot we have many of the standards plus some new events that should make the whole experience more interesting for more participants. I will not ruin the the surprise but an old favorite is coming back after many years of absence with the help of one of our Coordinators. Please watch the Poke, our website, and Facebook for updates. If you need more information about State Shoot, please contact one of the Coordinators.

All of our local groups are gearing up for their big shoots. Flyers are being circulated for shoots all over the state and in our neighboring states. If you have flyers or information about an event in the area, please send it to Mike Lee for publication in the Poke and the website. The CSMLA Facebook page is always a good way to get the word out as well so if you do not already follow us, join our growing Facebook membership.

I am still accepting nominations n

for 2022 Muzzle Loader of the Year so send me your nominations or contact

me for more information.

I hope to see as many of you as possible at Winter Convention with the rest of the crowd we are expecting. Tell your friends or anybody who might be interested to keep our numbers growing.

Thank you and Happy New Year!, Griz 2022 CSMLA President 2022 Northern Director 2021 Muzzle Loader of the Year 2022 Buckhorn Skinners Scribe

A Special Note From Griz I need your nominations for 2022 Muzzle Loader of the Year as soon as possible so we can have a selection by Winter Convention. If you need information about the process and criteria, please contact me.

Email: <u>1.e1.g1.o1@gmail.com</u> Phone: 970-308-0488

CSMLA POSTAL MATCH

Here's some exciting news about our CSMLA members postal match. Starting with the new year the format and rules will change in a way that will make the match more accessible to all our members. . Here are the changes

1. What is the entry fee? There is no entry fee. There is no cost to participate.

2. Who can enter? The CSMLA postal is for CSMLA members only. Memberships include all family members including children under age 18.

3. How do I get targets? You can download targets at

https://www.csmla.net/csmla-postalmatch

4. What if I don't have access to

the internet how can I get targets? This issue of the Poke includes a target. Use it to make as many copies as you might need. FUTURE ISSUES WILL NOT HAVE THE TARGET INCLUDED so save the target in this issue. In a pinch, you can contact Gwen Blanchard for targets,

03 Balfour Ave, Colorado Springs, CO 80909 gwynbl57@gmail.com 719-291-0995

5. Targets do not have to be mailed in. You can email a photo of your target OR mail your target. Full instructions are printed on the target.

6. Targets and photos of targets must be whole. No missing corners or torn off portions.

The match is annual and monthly. At the end of the year the shooter with the highest total score for the year will win 2 pounds of powder. The shooter with the second highest total score for the year will win 1 pound of powder. Bragging rights will be on a monthly basis. The scores for the monthly will be updated in each issue of the Poke and on the website at https://www.csmla.net/csmla-postalmatch ****

Wildlife Report by David H. McCord, Wildlife Director,

Keep Colorado Wild Pass –State Parks admission, comes with your vehicle registrations in 2023, \$29. You can choose to opt out.

CPW and partner agencies seek qualified volunteers (shooters) to assist with an elk dispersal project in the Sand Dunes National Park and Wildlife Refuge in the San Louis Valley. Two days, antlerless elk, can keep meat Must be able to hit elk vitals at up to 300 yards.

Wolves no longer protected under the Endangered Species Act. Animal activists Wildearth Guardians are suing before the 9th Crt of Appeals in Washington State in appeal – asking Pres. Biden to return wolves to the ESA.

The draft Colorado Wolf Restoration and Management Plan will be available Dec. 9, 2022. Five upcoming meetings around Colorado will be open for discussion on the plan.

The Colorado Wildlife Conservation Project members plan to host a legislative reception and recognition in Feb. at the Buckhorn Exchange. The goal is to explain wildlife issues and gain support (esp. from the urban legislators, many of who are newly elected).

I advocated that the Colorado Ag Leadership annual conference in Feb. include a breakout session on wildlife. They did and invited me to be speaker, not my intent, and deferred to Gaspar Pericone and Hogan Peterson, Mule Deer, both with the CWCP. I think Gaspar was a member of the CPW Commission. Denver Post will do a report on the "Mad Rabbit" trail project and CWCPs member responses to the Environmental Assessment. I sent in our endorsement of a letter to oppose the project and advocating for a full EIS. The name comes from a local stream with Mad in the name and the Rabbit Ears landmark.

Possible legislation in '23:

The anti-cat hunting bill or similar may return.

CPW is to examine use of nonlead bullets, esp. experience in other states, including ammo exchange. Pro-wolf people may sponsor a wolf license plate bill with funds in part going back to their non-profit organization – petition needed. In response, CWCP members are proposing a license plate bill where funds would stay public (in CPW) and used to cover livestock losses due to wolf predation – would not require petition as funds do not go out to sponsor.

Indigenous peoples hunting licenses (vague info on this). The So. Mtn. Utes and Ute Mtn. Utes now may hunt on reservation lands.

Stream restitution – high altitude, could include controls on nuisance beaver trapping.

Website Update

Improvements to the website are coming along a bit at a time. I eagerly solicit content and suggestions that our members may have. If you have not visited lately, go to www.csmla.net

The CSMLA has a printer for sale.

Kyocera TASKalfa 4500i with Duplexer and Finisher, Serial # NLS1X00075. \$2500 Currently located in Colorado Springs.

Contact the Editor if interested editorpokeandstroke@gmail.com

Muzzleloading on a Center Fire Range in Arizona

that Mike Lee was I heard for looking muzzleloading that miaht stories be entertaining to be submitted to the Poke & Stroke. Here is my attempt being а bit at humorous and entertaining.

Arizona is known as the land of sun and guns. Well, based on my previous experience at a local shooting range, the only shooters haven't even seen a bench. muzzleloader up close.

The big morning came on a By this time, all the shooters is armed with a cap or primed Saturday in November when I along the line had noticed the with was going to take a Canadian activity centered around my explained that muzzleloaders friend out to shoot his first rifle. As I began to load my never point a gun downrange, muzzleloading rifle. We paid fouling shot, I noticed a crowd no matter what our range fees and headed to forming around me. I found out perspective the shooting line, where they a bit later that none of them have a slightly elevated crow's had nest for the head range officer. muzzleloader I approached him, showed him before. my rifle, and asked if he wanted me to load at the rear So, on it went for the first up and finally leave me alone. or the shooting line bench. I twenty minutes until they Well, not exactly leave me stated that the last time out, closed the range. All firearms alone. they had me load at the rear were required to be placed on bench about 12 feet behind the the line bench with the barrel Whenever they closed the shooting line.

mystified, and said, "Well, go standing ahead and do what you did last time. So, I headed to my Here came the trio of range if I would consider becoming a shooting lane.

ground pointing up and was sure the gun is without powder doing? I explained what was it's said to the crow's nest R.O. The crow's nest guy.

that these were volunteers brass caps, nipples, frizzens, from local shooting clubs and flints, familiar not see huddled at the crow's nest, group of

guns they must be referring to They returned and said that I answered that from a legal are centerfire because most needed to load at the line perspective; yes, said fine proceeded to do just that. Then doesn't came my first shot.

experienced beina

pointed downrange and the range to shooting, my rifle was chamber cleared and visible. carefully inspected for one of He looked at me, kind of Of course, my rife was left those fancy brass caps! straight up.

officers wanting me to put the range officer and to help them rifle on the bench. I explained write the I started to set up at the rear that it was not safe because happens when a muzzleloader bench with my rifle butt on the there is no way to know for shows immediately accosted by the and a round-ball bullet just by I'm still shooting line range office. He looking at it. It doesn't have a generous offer of no pay but wanted to know what I was breech that opens to see that plenty of work. Where have I clear.

man then called over the Once again they huddled again time. He constantly tells people "Head" range officer for a to take up the unloaded gun how cool shooting one of those discussion. After a bit, they question. After a bit, they old rifles was. So, in the end, it trotted off to chat with the meekly walked back over to all ended on a high note. me and asked, "Well, how do Except that every time I think you know it's unloaded?" My Canadian friend asked what At his point, I decided to have a find myself guivering in my was going on, and I explained little fun. I now tried to explain boots! priming,

with patches, and round balls. Try to I'll bring my flintlock along just muzzleloaders. We could now say all of that guickly without to make it a little all five range officers stumbling or cracking a smile. interesting.

not it's and loaded. I explained that the law consider а muzzleloader loaded unless it pan powder. 1 also the legal is.

a I don't think they were totally shot satisfied, and I'm not at all sure what it would take to satisfy them. But they decided to give

My session ended with а surprising twist. They asked me regs for what up shoot? to

considering their heard before? that Μv Canadian friend had a great about going out there again, I

powder, Hum.... Maybe the next time, more

reading a manual. I could One of them said, "So if I don't Respectfully submitted; sense the frustration of this see one of those fancy brass Tom Boudreau people. caps on the dull metal nipple, AKA - Two Dogs Running it's unloaded, right?" T

YUMA TERRITORIAL LONG RIFLES Jan 12-15, 2023 RENDEZVOUS

THE FOLLOWING SHOOTING IS FOR YOUR PLEASURE. YOU MAY SHOOT ANY AMOUNT YOU CHOOSE TO SHOOT. THIS IS NOT A MARATHON IT IS FOR FUN SO DON'T FEEL YOU HAVE TO SHOOT IT ALL. HAVE FUN-ENJOY OLD AND NEW FRIENDSHIPS

COURSE OF FIRE

The following courses of fire are for your shooting pleasure. You do not have to shoot everything offered here, or you can shoot it all. This is your choice. You are responsible for turning in all paper targets you do shoot as soon as you have finished shooting them. This will help with the scoring and speed up the awarding of prizes on Sunday. After you have shot all the gongs, please turn in your score cards as soon as possible. The tie breaker target is to be shot by everyone. We will use it to break any and all ties.

Rifle Aggregate (Paper and gongs) Men, Women, 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place.

1. 25 yd.	Off hand	(5 shots)	6 bull (8 ring black)
2. 25 yd.	Off hand	(5 shots)	Crow
3. 50 yd.	Off hand	(5 shots)	Double Buffalo
4. 100 yd.	Off hand	(5 shots)	Single Buffalo
5. 20 steel	targets	1 shot each.	Surgio Danaio

Pistol Aggregate (Paper and gongs) Men, Women, 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place.

1. 25 yd	(10 shots)	25 yd Pistol Target	9 ring black
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2. 50 yd (10 shots) 50 yd Pistol Target 8 ring black

3. 10 steel targets 1 shot at each. They will be designated on the gong range as pistol targets.

one or two hands allowed
 revolvers allowed

Trade Gun Aggregate (Paper and gongs) 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place

- 1. 25 yd (5 shots) 100 yd MLRA rifle target
- 2. 50 yd (5 shots) 200 yd MLRA target

3. 10 steel targets 1 shot at each. They will be designated on the gong range as trade gun.

SQUIRREL GUN AGGREGATE (paper) (40 Cal. Or less), 1st, 2nd, 3rd Place 3 different SQUIRREL TARGETS 5 shots each target All at 25 yds.

FLINT LOCK AGGREGATE (paper) 1st, 2nd, 3rd Place

1.25 yd	(5 shots)	NMLR slug Gun 6 bull
2. 50 yd	(5 shots)	Slow fire 25yd pistol target (red center)
3. 100 yd	(5 shots)	100 yd. SB rifle target
We reserve the righ	t to substitute a diffe	erent paper target from those listed above.

<u>**Tie Breaker target;**</u> 1 shot, 25 yd. offhand, everyone shoots it. This target will be used to break all ties.

All paper targets and gong matches can be shot from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM Thursday, Friday & Saturday. Please turn in targets and score cards as soon as you have finished shooting. To be eligible for awards you are responsible for turning in all your targets and or score cards.

SUNDAY MORNING -- TRAIL WALK





ONE-DAY WINTER CONVENTION and TRADE EVENT March 11 2023

March 11, 2023			
Victory	Grange	2025 Tower Road	Aurora, CO 80013
Trade room	will be ope	n to the public on Saturday, I	March 11 from 8:00am to 4:00pm
Classes:	10:00am	Hands on Trade Silver - Lloy	d Shindelbower
	11:00am	The Underhammer - Ron Ma	ann
	1:00pm	Hands on Copper - Lloyd Shi	indelbower
	•	Flints - Stewart Leach	
CSMLA Mem	bership Me	eeting – Election of Officers 4	:00pm Banquet, Awards 6:00pm
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The Buckhorn Skinners Sponsor The 47th Annual

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Men Flint & Percussion, Ladies, Juniors & Hunters Hunters Aggregate and Gong Shoot -Any Caliber - Cash Pay Back Mountain Man Walk - Show off your skills

CSMLA Members \$12.00/Aggregate -- Non-Members \$15.00/Aggregate In- Lines Welcome // Ladies Aggregate -Any Caliber

Juniors (16 & Younger) & Sub-Juniors - \$5.00 - 5 Targets-Any Caliber

Mountain Man Walk - \$5.00 Camping - \$5.00 Registration - \$5.00

Early Setup Fri after Noon - Range Hours : Sat 8am-5pm Sun 8am -1pm

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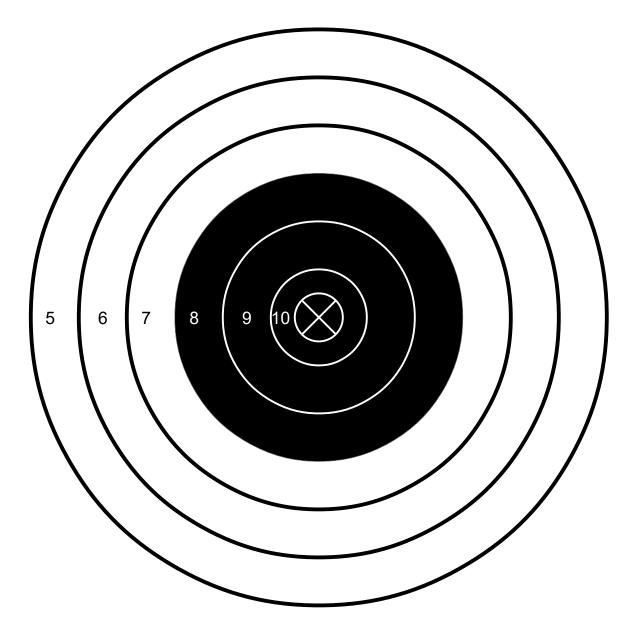
Potluck - 6:30pm Saturday Night -- Council Fire

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CSMLA Postal Match



Instruc 1. Post target at a measured 25 yards and shoot five shots off 2. Complete registration information below 3. Sign your target, take a photo of the entire target and email Balfour Ave, Colorado Springs Colorado 80909	hand
NAME: ADDRESS: EMAIL:	PHONE:
I ATTEST THAT THE ABOVE TARGET WAS SHOT IN THE ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIAL RULES OF THE CSMLA P	
SIGNATURE [.]	DATE

THE COLORADO STATE MUZZLE LOADING ASSOCIATION, INC. NEEDS YOU!

We offer information and activities for all muzzle loaders and those who want to get involved in muzzle loading. Our numbers include reenactors, collectors, builders, hunter education instructors, match competitors, shot gunners, hunters, and buck skinners. If it loads from the front end, we have matches for it and members who share your interests or are eager to help you get started.

Over the years we've grown! CSMLA now sponsors more different kinds of events and ventures than ever. The State Shoot, and a Winter Convention provide camaraderie, fun, and opportunities to learn more about muzzle loading or re-enacting. We've increased our efforts with the Colorado Wildlife Commission and the Division of Wildlife to get the best quality hunting opportunities for muzzle loaders. The 'Poke & Stroke', our bimonthly newsletter, contains more information about muzzle loading events.

WE INVITE YOU TO GROW WITH US! Hunters we especially need you. The primary thing that gets a politician's or bureaucrat's attention is numbers of members. We need you to be one of our "numbers". Competition for the resources that support hunting and competition amongst hunters for types of hunting seasons is increasing. We've been successful in helping to establish and maintain an early muzzle loading season. With your support we can do an even better job.

Through the 'Poke & Stroke' you'll learn of Colorado Wildlife Commission decisions about your hunting seasons, matches, shoot schedules, types of matches at events, rendezvous, club activities, and all aspects of muzzle loading. Join up and get the 'Poke & Stroke'.

Please help—JOIN THE CSMLA. New muzzle loaders we need you!

Please use the membership application below this invitation and JOIN THE CSMLA!

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Application for Membership

COLORADO STATE MUZZLE LOADING ASSOCIATION, INC.

R	eturn with your \$30.00	Junior Membership (8yrs – 1/yrs): \$1	.00:
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