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FINAL REPORT

2nd Annual Old West Invitational Turkey Shoot

May 12, 13, & 14, 2011

Hosted by:
Wildlife Heritage Foundation of Wyoming
and
The Greater Hulett Community Center

Signature Sponsor:

For more information on the Old West Invitational Turkey
Shoot, visit the Wildlife Heritage Foundation website at
www.wyomingwildlifefoundation.org or call 307-777-4529



The Second Annual Old West Invitational Turkey Shoot was held in Hulett, Wyoming, May 12-14, 2011. The Planning Committee included individuals from Hulett and other Wyoming communities who shared an interest in supporting this event. Planning Meetings were held once a month, August, 2010 through April, 2011.

These individuals were a key component in the planning and organization of the event and each was assigned to a sub-committee covering various aspects of the event. The dedication, cooperation, enthusiasm and attention to detail exhibited by every member of the Committee was evident in the success of the event.

The Greater Hulett Community Center and the Wildlife Heritage Foundation of Wyoming want to express our sincere thanks and congratulations to all on a job well done.



2011 Celebrities

Randy Birdsong
Paul Bogart
Tom Buchanan
Bill, Matt & Ryan Busbice
Mark Drury
Ray Eye
Dave Freudenthal
Reggie Gordon
Kevin Gross
Rob Keck
Jon Koncak
Rick Kreuter
George Kunz
Mike Sullivan
Scott Talbott
Mike Tilleman
Michael Waddell
Tim Wells
John Wendling

Youth Hunters

Cody Boyd
Bryce Conzelman
Austin Dunn
Masen King
Haley Roberge

The Third Annual
Old West Invitational Turkey Shoot
will be held
May 10, 11 & 12, 2012
in Hulett, Wyoming

2011 Sponsors

Key to the success of any event is the monetary and in-kind support from outside entities. Without hesitation Remington Outdoor Foundation stepped forward as the Signature Sponsor of this event for the second year. Our sincere thanks to Jim Moore, President of the Remington Outdoor Foundation and Grant Gregory, Board Member of the Wildlife Heritage Foundation of Wyoming for their support. As our Signature Sponsor, the Remington Outdoor Foundation has taken the lead in providing us with the resources and support we need to make this a first class event. We appreciate that Remington Outdoor Foundation selected us as one of their partners in conservation.

Our sincere thanks to all the sponsors who supported the Old West Invitational Turkey Shoot.

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One Year Members 2011-2012

Haley Roberge
Shane Tweeter

2011 Hunters

John Andrikopoulos	Brian King
Sean Andrikopoulos	Masen King
Carl Asbell	Mitch King
Allie Bass	Tom Klomparens
Samson Bears	Jon Koncak
Chad Berhrens	Carroll Korb
Randy Birdsong	Larry Kruckenberg
Jaren Bloomgren	George Kunz
Paul Bogart	Forest Layton
Cody Boyd	Dave Lockman
Dr Tom Buchanan	Dusty Lockman
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Tim Danley	Tom Scarlett
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Austin Dunn	Chris Schmit
Hugh Dunn	Burton Seigler
Ray Eye	George Sladky
Aaron Feagler	Pete Smith
Phillip Figi	Bill Smoot
Dave Freudenthal	Jim Sorenson
Greg Gordon	Avery Stirratt
Reggie Gordon	Mike Sullivan
Kevin Gross	Scott Talbott
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John Kennedy	John Wendling

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Greg & Reggie Gordon

It must be acknowledged that \$42,615.73 was donated to the Old West Invitational Turkey Shoot for in-kind products and services.

- Participation from Mule Deer Foundation, White-tail Foundation, Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation. They would all benefit from exposure to the Hulett area
- Have the awards event at the tent
- Better weather and a dead turkey!
- Keep doing what you are doing, continue to hi-lite this event in all hunting/media outlets, elevate, increase the youth participation
- More food tables, not much else. Great job!
- For a small business owner such as myself, if I wanted to bring a client or prospect, I would want the ability to hunt with them. If that meant we could not participate in the Calcutta, that would be OK with me
- I would allow the shooters to team up with who they want to for the hunt. A very important part of any hunting experience is the comfort level and confidence you have with your partners. I believe that the Calcutta would be driven much higher as a result of this as well. As it was this year, each team basically went for the same amount of \$100. Now that everybody knows one another it would be easy to team up with another shooter and a guide. Much more competitive.
- I would like to see 1st, 2nd and 3rd place on team shoot to make it more interesting
- I would not mess with too much. Are celebrities becoming too big a part if they are a draw on resources?
- Reward efforts of Mike Schmid more—he did a great job!!
- Have better food at the breakfast and end events on Thursday and Friday by 8:30PM

- Auction too late after 3AM rise
- Long lines for food
- This is not a dislike but rather a concern about the overall turkey population. I think the birds are way down due to winter kill and poor reproduction with the wet springs. Success could really be down in the next few years
- Can't think of one
- The food and service sucked
- None
- Rain, temperature, all others good!
- The events on Thursday and Friday need to be over sooner so everybody can get some sleep

Tell us in your own words what you would do to make this event better in the future

- More efficient way to serve on Friday night
- I would caution the organization to be careful not to get too many hunters. If you have too many, the quality of the hunting may come into question
- Everything was perfect
- Great Job!
- Have it earlier in the season
- Just keep refining
- Maybe have a scramble golf event after the morning hunt?
- Price silent auction items sold for, banquet needs a better sound system
- Have a couple more back up landowners/properties for people to hunt, There was only 1 tom on the property we hunted and the 1st hunter killed it on Friday
- Have "real" guides for each team (the landowner can accompany the hunter & guide) - some

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Revenue

Sponsorships, Auction, Calcutta	\$158,519.91
Anticipated additional revenue	<u>19,027.17</u>

Total Revenue **\$177,547.08**

Expenses:

Operating Expenses	38,637.85
Printing	1,887.25
Marketing	269.00
Travel & Lodging	6,811.29
Food/Catering	4,160.32
License Fees	4,409.50
Miscellaneous	<u>1,351.28</u>

Total Expenses **57,526.49**

Total Revenue over expenses **\$120,020.59**

2011 Past Shooters Memberships - 2,350.00
(Retain)

Total Net Profit **\$117,670.59**

**50% to Greater Hulett
Community Center** **\$ 58,710.30**

50% to WHFW **\$ 58,710.29**
\$117,670.59

All donations and expenditures were handled by the Foundation's Financial Agent, McGee, Hearne & Paiz in Cheyenne and are subject to audit.

Participating Guides

Our sincere appreciation to the following guides for volunteering their services.

Frank Amos	Bob Lott
John Berndt	Will McAmis
Wes Bush	Scott McNaughton
Dennis Cease	Jay Norman
Roy Conzelman	Jw Nuckolls
Casey Dickinson	Claude Rauch
Charles "Booie" Dirks	Dave Redding
Mike Dirks	Jimmy Roberts
Robert Ellis	Mike Schmid
Tim Farris	E.O. Sowerwine V
Rick Foster	Troy Svoboda
Danny Fowler	Eric Thomas
Emris Graham	Jerry Westover
Jackie Griffith	John Williams
Josh Gullett	Charles "Bill" Wilson
Todd Helms	Kellen Wilson
Bill Howard	Calvin Wolf
Charlie Hook	
Alan Ista	
Lee Jay	
Mike Johnson	
Wayne Jordan	
Gary Jorgenson	
Nick Kafcas	

- Being able to participate in the shoot, people in the town of Hulett, meeting different people
- The location, the group events, the fundraising aspect
- Quality of meals, social, organization
- People, area, hunting

Tell us in your own words the three things you liked LEAST about the event

- Liked the food better last year
- Weather
- Drawn out auction, some of the food was not very good, no alcohol at the Community Center
- Everything was perfect
- None
- Food
- Should be able to hunt until dusk/late check-in
- Calcutta should be extended to include Saturday
- Difficulty in locating guide and other hunting partner after draw, food tasted great but was cold at a few meals, uncooperative turkeys, Have number ranges in tent for guides and hunters to meet at
- Lack of knowledge of some of the guides, not having an archery division
- The food on Thursday, how late (hunter and guides draw) takes on Thursday night
- Nothing negative
- None
- The weather was kinda cold
- The long social times in the evenings before Dinner
- None

Participating Landowners/Lessees

- Well organized, my guide, beautiful area
- Getting out and seeing beautiful country, meeting nice people and getting a brand new gun
- Socializing, eating, hunting
- People, hunt, auction
- Networking/coordination, always something to do, everything in close proximity, random selection of guides and landowners/partners
- Great people of Hulett Area. Everyone was very nice and helpful to me and my family, Staff: Craig, Melodee and Roene were outstanding, smooth flow of events
- Camaraderie of it all—lots of socializing, kids being involved in it, hunting turkeys
- The camaraderie of the people, the small town appeal, the laid back feeling of the weekend
- The people I met, the hunting, the auction
- It was fun
- Socializing, getting to know a lot of people, the good it does for the area
- All the great people at it
- I had a great time and experience, the food was awesome, everyone was friendly
- Shooting my first turkey, meeting new people and the Annie Oakley
- I enjoyed meeting new people, the people of Hulett were more than hospitable, the food and its preparation were just great
- Beautiful country and great hunting, wonderful people and hospitality, helping a worthy cause
- Great experience, excellent food
- Unique experience, town involvement, meeting other hunters/guides
- Sense of community is amazing, nice people, very well organized

Without the participation of the following local landowners, we would not have been able to hold this event. Our sincere appreciation is extended to each and every one.

Bacon Rind Ranch, Bruce & Peggy McAmis
Butte View Ranch, Dick & Lynn Conzelman
Campstool Ranch, Ogden & Zannie Driskill
Conzelman Ranch, Jean Conzelman
Deer Creek Ranch, Don & Terri Johnson
Diamond Bar D Ranch, Charles & Pat Dirks
Dirks Ranch, Bill & Julia Dirks
Ellefson Ranch, Al & Linda Ellefson
Hauber Ranch, Wes & Bonnie Bush
Hedges Place, Tam Hedges
Hook Family Ranch, Lenord & Carolyn Hook
Hutton Land & Livestock, Ken Hutton
IPY Ranch, George & Vicki White
Ista Ranch, Alan & Hannah Ista
Jay Ranch, Leon Jay
JH Ranch, Mae, Chip & Joni Neiman
Merle Clark Ranch, Merle & Susan Clark
Morken's Belle River Ranch, Chuck & Janet Morken
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Thomas Ranch, Eric & Andrea Thomas
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Tom Moore Ranch, Tom Moore
U/7 Ranch, Walter Gordon
Wagner Ranch, David & Denise Wagner
Wilson Ranch, Wayne & Susan Wilson
Wolf Ranch, Tom & Donna Wolf
Wood Ranch, Jackie S. Griffith

Seventy-seven hunters participated in the Old West Invitation Turkey Shoot and twenty-seven turkeys were harvested. Turkeys were scored using the official scoring method of the National Wild Turkey Federation. Awards were given for the three largest turkeys harvested, as well as the Guide and Landowner.

1st Place Hunter	Phillip Figi
1st Place Guide	Casey Dickinson
1st Place Landowner	Walter Gordon, U/7 Ranch

2nd Place Hunter	Randy Birdsong
2nd Place Guide	John Williams
2nd Place Landowner	George White, IPY Ranch

3rd Place Hunter	Ray Eye
3rd Place Guide	Will McAmis
3rd Place Landowner	Charles McAmis

- Ran very professionally
- Although the items were good, it ran too long into the night
- Great hospitality
- Hard to hear the speakers
- Live auction was great, would like to see silent action expanded with more items
- It was Okay
- All enjoyable and well run
- I thought it was well run
- Thursday the chicken wings were basically raw, Friday and Saturday night were excellent
- It was a fun atmosphere
- It was long and as a hunter I was tired after getting up early
- I enjoyed the auction very much. The Auctioneers were outstanding!
- I like the auction being spread out over the weekend of activities
- Started too late. Overall a great event. Food was excellent but needed more serving basics, stagger tables getting in line
- It began too late on Friday night. I think many people were tired and had to get up early the next morning to hunt
- I liked how smooth it ran
- Very well organized, sound system good
- Very well run
- Very satisfied
- I think you should sell everything with no reserve

Tell us in your own words the three things you liked MOST about the event

- Involves the whole community. Exposure of our turkey hunting. Revenue for Community Center. Thanks for everybody's hard work.

SURVEY continued

Quality of hunting experience—

- 16 Very Satisfied
- 3 Somewhat Satisfied
- 1 Somewhat Dissatisfied

Quality of land hunted on—

- 16 Very Satisfied
- 3 Somewhat Satisfied

Thirty of those surveyed indicated they were looking forward to being invited back again next year.

Quality of Meals—

- 17 Very Satisfied
- 14 Somewhat Satisfied
- 1 Somewhat Dissatisfied*
- 1 Very Dissatisfied

*all meats except Friday night ribs were under cooked

Comments received on the Surveys follow:

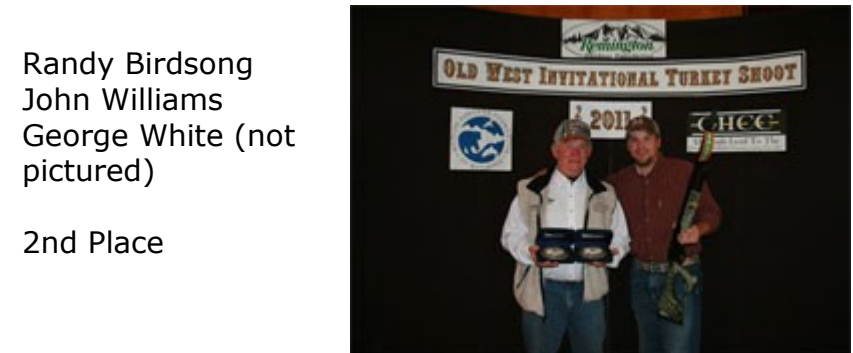
Tell us in your own words what you liked or disliked about the auction.

- I did not like the Calcutta auction
- Pretty long and the items that have minimums should start at the minimum. This would move things along
- In response to this series of questions, I thought the events were very well organized and reflected positively on the Turkey Shoot. The weather was the biggest negative, understand there is no control. Perhaps a few additional



Phillip Figi
Casey Dickinson
Walter Gordon

1st Place



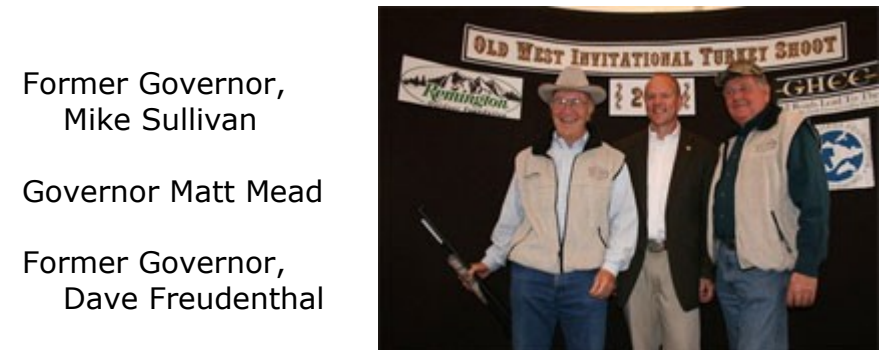
Randy Birdsong
John Williams
George White (not pictured)

2nd Place



Ray Eye (not pictured)
Will McAmis
Charles McAmis

3rd Place



Former Governor,
Mike Sullivan

Governor Matt Mead

Former Governor,
Dave Freudenthal

Planning Committee

Julie Amos, Hulett Motel, Hulett, WY
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Bobby Yach, Bass Pro, Independence, MO

SURVEY

A Survey was sent to Landowners, Guides and Hunters immediately following the Old West Invitational Turkey Shoot. Surveys were to be returned by June 20, 2011.

Thirty-nine responses were received. Fourteen were from hunters, 4 were from guides, 14 were from landowners, and 1 from a sponsor. Not everyone answered every question.

All but 3 attended the Thursday night Social, 3 did not attend the Friday night Auction, 8 did not attend the Saturday night Awards Dinner. Twenty-two indicated they participated in the Turkey Shoot at the Fairgrounds.

Of the 29 who indicated they attended the evening and down-time activities, 24 said they were Very Satisfied and 5 said they were Somewhat Satisfied.

Twenty-five said they were Very Satisfied with the impact on the Hulett Community, 2 were Somewhat Satisfied.

Those who hunted noted the following:

Quality of Guide—

14 Very Satisfied
3 Somewhat Satisfied
2 Somewhat Dissatisfied