

RESULTS FOR THE COMANCHE HILLS SPORTING CLAYS SHOOT

Held on September 19, 2015. The weather was fine, thankfully the thick smoke from fires cleared up a few days before our shoot. They had a interesting course laid out for us, a number of fast, true pair, window shots. From the many comments I received it seemed that everyone enjoyed the shooting.

After shooting we assembled on the Clubhouse patio for lunch & the ceremonies.

The *hi-five* shooters were - highest score Dave Slade 83 - 2nd place Mike Krezman 82 - 3rd Larry Shelton 80 - 4th Rob Shelton 79 - 5th a tie between Larry Ruppert & Don Berry, 78 each. They posed for a *hi-five* picture which will be included in next email.

The theme for *Favorite Gun*, judging was *Duck Guns* and we had six tables of some very interesting guns. We had a tie for first place between Steve Helsley's, 12 bore, lifter Powell and Ken Descovich's, 20 ga. J. P. Sauer once owned by Clark Gable. Each won a case of shells.

Second place also tied - Kirk Lubbes 8 ga. Dougall and Rob Shelton's 12 ga. W. & C. Scott, Hammer gun with rib marked *Duck Gun*. They split a case of shells.

We wrapped things up with a door prize drawing, lots of small unique prizes, most members won a prize.

Larry Shelton, Chairman N. Ca. SxS Society
Author of newly released book *J. P. Clabrough Gunmaker*



Gathering on club porch for lunch



Six tables of duck gun displays



Powell - William Powell & Son 12-b pinfire 'lifter' 30" Damascus barrels (re-browned by Clark (not Clark Gable), 7lb 6oz. Sold 31 May 1867.



Sauer - J. P. Sauer 20 ga. 28" barrels sold through Abercrombie and Fitch in New York, November 1936 and given to Carole Lombard, they ended up getting married in 1939, Carole was killed in Las Vegas Nevada she and her mother were on a flight to go sell war bonds and the plane crashed into the mountains near Vegas in 1942. Clark sold this gun to a fellow trap club member in Southern California and his son sold it to Peter Buxton who sold it to me. The Abercrombie and Fitch records still exist and show Clark Gabel as the purchaser.



Kirk Lubbes - An 8 bore, serial # 3053, 36" Damascus-barreled SxS hammer gun, dating from 1872. The gun is in unusually good condition, retaining about 90% of the case hardening. A feature not seen on most shotguns is the sliding lock which bolts the Lockfast's lever closed to prevent the gun from accidentally opening. The gun weighs 12 lbs, 8 oz.



Each shoot we honor the top five scores of the day. The honorees for the Comanche Hills shoot are - First place DAVE SLADE score 83, 2nd place MIKE KREZMAN 82, 3rd Larry Shelton 80, 4th Rob Shelton 79, 5th Larry Ruppert & Don Berry were tied with 78.

Pic. from right Dave Slade 83, Mike Krezman 82, Larry Shelton 80, Rob Shelton 79, Don Berry 78, Larry Ruppert 78.



Steve Helsley with his Winning Powell & Ken Descovich & Clark with Clarks 20 ga. Sauer.

Have no picture for Rob Shelton's - W. & C. Scott, 12ga. hammer gun, in fine condition, mfg. 1889, marked on rib CASTLE DUCK GUN, wt. 9 lbs.