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JPK
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posted 05 May 2010 03:13

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But mostly, rather than criticize someone for using bullets for what the hell they were designed for - and that isn't shooting wet paper or hardboard - and reporting results, maybe you ought to shut up, pack up and go hunting and find out first hand what happens with solids in real elephants, on real hunts, in the real world.

JPK

I have been there I have done it! I have shot elephants, buffalo, and a damn sight more things than you can even imagine!

So smartass lapdog, you want to direct that comment to me? Real elephants! Real Hunts. Real buffalo! Real Lions and how I got there and was successful is because I shot real paper! So you shut the F%*K up with your inexperienced mouthing off! And while you are at it get off my thread and don't come back.

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JPK
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Somehow, this one got lost. Wouldn't want you to miss it, Michael458. Pay special attention to the bottom, where I quote an earlier post. Maybe, just maybe you will figure out what solid bullets were intended for. Clue: It isn't shooting wet paper.

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michael458

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465HH

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It's never been said, never stated, but yet even in your post above, you insinuate this.

You know very well what your comment was about, as does every reasonable person that sees it. I know damn well what it was about, and your boy stated it very well with it's intent. The intent was not to be educated on anything, but to speak down to someone that has not shot elephants, as if that was the end all of experience and knowledge, which it is not. It is but a part of the equation, but not the sum! Is this enlightening enough?

And who professes to be an expert? Not I of course, as I have stated many many times I am student of terminal ballistics only. Shooting elephants alone, does not make an expert. Testing in dead tissue does not make an expert, especially the body mass of a dead elephant. If you say it is easy to 100% track bullets in dead elephant tissue, then I have not learned how to do that just yet myself! Maybe I could get a lesson.

As stated, animal results are part of the equation, not the sum of. You being a sticker for sample sizes, must surely see value in consistent test medium to test one bullet against another bullet? So please.

I was quick to put your animal results in this thread! I was quick to invite you to bring that here to add to our knowledge.

I also was quick to bring Jack over with his results.

So don't lay that here, that song is not in tune!

465HH, we have had few disagreements this is true, and certainly nothing of import anyway. Sample size, in some terms you are correct, in others, being short of experience with this test medium you are not correct, so I suffice to say we can both be correct, and wrong, so little to disagree about on sample size. When something is in question, then I do in fact want a larger sample size to hopefully answer that question. I know for a fact that I discounted something because of too small a sample size, and I will tell you all exactly what it was. 480 gr 458 caliber Hornady DGS. I tested it, lousy stability and performance, and in my mind condemned ALL HORNADY DGS from that one sample test. I was very very wrong, and I am not correcting that. Now I find the 500 gr Hornady DGS is excellent, the 470 caliber DGS is trying, and with a proper twist rate I bet it gets there too, the .510 caliber DGS did excellent in 500 Nitro last week, and I was supposed to test the .510s 570s in my 510 Wells at higher velocity this week. So far, results are very good and promising for the DGS in faster twist rates, and even the .510 did great in Sams double with 1;18! SO I WAS VERY VERY VERY WRONG ON THAT COUNT. So yes, there are times and I agree.

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JPK has stated several times that RN SJ solids penetrate better than FN solids on elephant heads. I haven't weighed in on that statement because I have only used about a dozen on elephants. From that very limited experience, I found the opposite to be true but hope to increase the number during the next year. In this regard if you read Dan McCarthy's article on bullet performance in elephants which even you have referred to then you will see that his results showed Woodleigh RN solids penetrated deeper on elephant heads than NF, Bridger or GS Custom combined. It was only when the abysmal failure, the Barnes RN mono-metal bullet was averaged in did FN penetrate deeper on elephant heads.
465h&H

465H&H,

My results show FN's penetrate elephant heads deeper than RN's. Actually, on frontals and on side brain shots they all exit the skull, except when on a side brain shot they strike the offside zygomatic arch, or where the green dot was. But the FN NF's continue into the neck further on frontals, not infrequently exiting between the shoulder blades. But my results also show that the copper FN's are not so reliable as the steel jacketed Woodleighs.

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And I believe that the NF FN's are superior for any additional shots required as well, because of their tremendous penetration.

As we discussed, I am not as concerned about over penetration on elephants as you are, especially if they are fleeing a missed brain shot.

JPK

AKA: Your ever faithful Lapdog 🐶 😊 😄 😂 😁

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michael458
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Some people, no please let me correct that, one person, I won't say who. Does not have enough sense nor reason to be able to understand that in fact the test work does correlate directly back to animal tissue. In fact by their own results, that are the same. But explaining some effects is a waste of time on some that do not have the capability to comprehend, beyond the abilities to do so. Rather sad I think.

M

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If you shot the elephant with your left barrel first maybe you would not miss the brain. 🇺🇸

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465H&H

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posted 05 May 2010 04:14

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Michael458,

I think when anyone takes a stand such as macfej did to the point of turning it into a personal attack it is only fair to ask on what experience he is basing his opinion. The fact that he has no experience with any type of bullet on elephant definitely affects the credibility of his opinion. That does not mean that he isn't entitled to an opinion or that his opinion has no value. I certainly didn't mean it as a slight and don't know why anyone would take it that way. I have no idea what his experience is. I think you know me well enough by now to know that is not my style.

I have completely stayed out of your pissing match with JPK. I am not going to take sides on any pissing match. Maybe I missed something but from what I can remember JPK has criticized your techniques, media and opinions of what your results mean. I don't see that as a personal attack. If we are willing to give an opinion based on whatever then we should be able to take criticism. Maybe I missed a personal attack he has made at you personally if so let me know. I don't approve of personal attacks whether by you, JPK or Macfej. I told you I was anal in this regard.

465H&H

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Michael

Boy, what a bunch of hog wash!

1. You infer from your wet paper shooting that RN steel jacketed solid veer in game. They do not. Your very heavy inference is there, and it is drivelt to continue to pretend that you are not drawing false conclusions from your wet paper shooting.
2. You profess to not being be an expert! Just read your own words, you make the claim at every turn! You profess here to be a "student of terminal ballistic only." Your own words repeatedly belie that, moreover, your repeated efforts to ignore or real world solid bullet performance (except when it supports your contention) renders you a student of wet paper and ad hoc media terminal bullet performance. You consider the real results presented to you ONLY when they support your wet paper shooting results, you try your damndest to ignore them, or discount them, or downplay them, or to attack them by attacking the provider EVRYTIME they are contrary to your wet paper results.
3. The only thing out of tune, is your flip flopping, your hypocrisy regarding using real in game results and not, about extending your wet paper results to the prediction of in game performance.
4. You make much of 465H&H's relationship with me or vice versa. We exchange results, theories, pleasantries. He isn't creating results, nor am I. If I dropped dead this moment, he would not change his views, since they are based on his real results. And vice versa. Divide and conquer cannot work, we each have drawn our own conclusions from our own real world, real hunt, real game experiences.
5. As I have written, I have resorted to personal attack only in response to your prior personal attack. And light going at that. The remainder has been mere refutation of your irrelevant results as they apply to real solid bullet performance in real elepahnts and other game, to your irrelevant wet paper so called "tests" and to your hypocritical denial of and following extension of your wet paper shooting results to performance of solids in game, especially steel jacketed RN solids.

As for a vote, the jury is rigged. And to what avail anyway.

Really, you see as insulting ANY disagreement with you. Your intentional misreading of 465H&H's post, your utter mistreatment of him - noted in post twice in the last several days by Dave - is sufficient evidence of this. You may find me thorny or prickly, even ornery, and maybe you think you are responding to me in kind, but it is damned hard to find 465H&H anything but contemplative and thoughtful.

Quit whining. Quit crying oh poor, poor Michael. Respond to disagreement with fact based argument.

The world does not end when someone disagrees with you or thinks your wet paper shooting is irrelevant and leads to false predictions with regard to solid bullet terminal performance.

JPK
AKA: Lapdaog

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michael458

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OK, it is important to take into account field experience. As stated for sure, it is very much a part of the "Equation" but it is not the "Sum". Many other factors must come into play to come to real conclusions. One reason that field experience CANNOT be the SUM and the end all of results and conclusions is right in front of us, for all to see.

I have not near enough experience in this particular matter, elephants and elephant heads. But for sure I have taken that into account, to add to test work done before hand. Still it is not the sum of all conclusions.

I find myself that the few flat nose solids I have shot in elephant heads they for sure penetrate far deeper than any round nose I have used. However, this is only two types of bullets, 500 gr 458 caliber old Barnes round nose solids and my current .500 caliber 510 gr flat nose design, most all of you have seen. Without doubt, I never had the old round nose barnes exit, the .500 caliber did exit. So limited experience tells me this only--those two elephants my .500 caliber .510 gr bullet penetrated that head of that elephant better than the 500 gr barnes round nose penetrated the other elephant that day.

So my vote for penetrating elephant heads goes to the flat nose.

Now the "so called" expert elephant head shooter says that FN out penetrates elephant heads too. But has stated many times the RN penetrates elephant heads better, and that is why he choses the Woodleigh? OK, little lost on that? But regardless one says this, the other says that! ANother says FN penetrates deeper (I think that is what is said) for elephant heads, but limited experience and wants more of a sample size. Yet another says that the Woodleigh penetrates deeper than all the rest.

So there is one or two for FN and one or two for RN, all from real world experience. Part of the equation most certainly, but to get to the sum one must have more objectivity and experience doing tests in "consistent" medium, to come up with direct and consistent "conclusions" or the real sum of the total!

This is exactly why real experience is not the end all of the matter. There is no consistency with even conclusions from one experience to the next, one hunter to the next, one bullet, velocity, twist rate, cartridge, rifle, an so on, far too many variables and too many opinions, and all different. Even my own! To test in the field only, with no experience in other areas of consistency, is an act of futility. To say otherwise, is an act of foolishness! All things must be considered.

Michael

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Dave Bush

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Dave
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Chapuis 9.3X74
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"Git as close as y can laddie an then git ten yards closer"

"If the biggest, baddest animals on the planet are on the menu, and you'd rather pay a taxidermist than a mortician, consider the 500 NE as the last word in life insurance." Hornady Handbook of Cartridge Reloading (8th Edition).

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You know that. Why ask?

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Michael

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Edited. Not edited, left out because it was not pertaining to my reply. FYI this thread is not solely created for steel jacketed RN solid terminal performance.

Stated that you have never mentioned anything about a soft expanding bullet is EXACTLY THE POINT. This thread is not steel FMJ solids only, in fact more expanding bullets are tested than solids of all types here.

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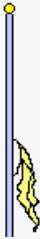
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STANDARD REPLY-jpk, lapdog

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and this may be the 17th dumbest comment ever made on AR.

RN's integrity, like your own, is questionable.

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If Alf would come back and play this thread would get real interesting

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LOL! I just spit coffee on my keyboard!

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"Building Carpal Tunnel one round at a time"

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Dave Bush
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posted 05 May 2010 17:02

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quote:

Originally posted by jeffeosso:
Dave,
results will be simple on the hawk bullets.. pancakes if soft, misshapen if solids .. but they deliver the goods on thinskin game

Jeff:

I was wondering.... have you ever tried any Hawks with the heavier .050 or .065 jackets in any of your hunting.

I have to admit that Andy has me intrigued with his "dead soft" concept. I have a friend who always shoots his bison with a 45-70 or perhaps it's a 45-90 but he always uses lead. He has gotten some spectacular results just like they did in days gone by. That's kinda how I see the Hawks.... lots of expansion, big holes, and plenty of punch if you use a bullet of appropriate weight...

Dave
DRSS
Chapuis 9.3X74
Chapuis "Jungle" .375 FL
Krieghoff 500/.416 NE
Krieghoff 500 NE

"Git as close as y can laddie an then git ten yards closer"

"If the biggest, baddest animals on the planet are on the menu, and you'd rather pay a taxidermist than a mortician, consider the 500 NE as the last word in life insurance." Hornady Handbook of Cartridge Reloading (8th Edition).

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Dave, I have used the Deadsofts (.035 jacket?) in my .416 Rennie and my .458 Lott on some hogs and while they do expand impressively, they also tend to come apart. I have experienced complete core separation in the .458 especially even though we ran really subdued velocities (2,100 fps). I wasn't too impressed to say the least.

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Originally posted by CowboyCS:
I think I'll just stick with my big balls, they've been working for me for years....
Colin



It's good to inject a little humor into these kinds of topics every once in a while and besides I couldn't pass up the opportunity to talk about my balls. I figure AC/DC wrote that song just for me "I like big balls, she likes big balls, dirty big balls"

quote:

Welcome by the way! I think there is some discussion about those round balls that you might be able to add to. I promise I have ZERO experience with "balls". Not really looking for any experience in that direction either!

Micheal458,

There really probably isn't much I could add concerning roundball performance, the subject has been covered very well by men with more knowledge and experience than me. And nothing about roundballs has really changed in the last couple hundred years. There are really only a few factors involved with round balls, Velocity, diameter, mass, and hardness of the material.

Most of my experience is obviously with muzzleloaders, since that is what I primarily build. The only real change in roundballs in the last couple hundred years is the materials(alloys) available today and the ability to heat treat or harden them. As for Cartridge roundball guns, I've had an idea rolling around in the back of my head for a few years to build an 11 Bore(.751") using 10 gauge brass necked down and shoot 3/4"(.750") 260 alloy formable brass bearings in it. Lighter than lead roundballs, so the velocity could be increased for equivalent loads, and the hardness is Rockwell B75-B87 as compared to lead alloys at around B20. No real point to it, but it would make for a fun round ball gun with more thump than it's lead equal.

Colin

Posts: 2329 | Location: USA | Registered: 02 February 2009



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