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<https://forums accuratereloading.com/eve/forums/a/tpc/f/4711043/m/2861098911>

jeffosso

06 May 2010, 20:02

Terminal Bullet Performance

quote:

Originally posted by D B Cooper:

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Excellent analogy!

#dumptrump

opinions vary band of bubbas and STC hunting Club

Information on **Ammoguide** about

the [416AR](#), [458AR](#), [470AR](#), [500AR](#)

[What is an AR round?](#) Case Drawings [416-458-470AR](#) and [500AR](#).

[476AR](#),

<http://www.weaponsmith.com>

trophyhunter5000

06 May 2010, 20:30

No interest in driving nails...

I like smashing stuff and for that I like a sledge hammer...

Sometimes there is no spring...

Just the wind that smells fresh before the storm...

RIP

06 May 2010, 20:35

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Ditto!

Luddite Lapdog Logic: Smart as a sack of hammers???

collani

06 May 2010, 20:36

quote:

Originally posted by 10,3x60r:

Hi Michael,

you have probe the IMPALA bullet on the .416?

@10,3x60R

I did some tests with the solids IMPALA from South Africa

<http://www.impalabullets.co.za/>

I got some cartridges in 9,3x62 and I have done some tests in a ballistic labor. Quite funny results. The bullet tumbled after about 16 cm of penetration.

If you are interested in pictures, I can provide some of those pictures.

Good shooting and good hunting
Collani

Gian Marchet Colani - the most famous mountain chamois hunter in the European Alps....

michael458

06 May 2010, 20:42

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Thank you!

Michael

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31/2Makesmelaugh

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Originally posted by michael458:

Well one could paper patch one for sure. But I forgot that I have a Ruger #1 in 470 Capstick that SSK built for me some years ago. You know all those #1s sit in that cabinet and I just forgot about it being there! So all I would have to do is set that rifle up with a scope or something, test with it. I know the barrel is good in that!

M

Michael, send all of those neglected SSK single-shots my way and I will put them through their paces regularly! 🍷

"Archery enshrines the principles of human relationships. The Archer perfects his form within himself. If his form is perfect, yet when he releases he misses, there is no point in resenting those who have done better than him. The fault lies nowhere."(Confucious)

michael458

06 May 2010, 20:48

quote:

Originally posted by RIP:

'Twould be interesting to know what twist SSK used on the 470 Capstick.

Sam's 500 NE might have the CIP standard twist of 1:15"???

That is why the 500 NE has such a sterling reputation. 🍷

RIP

I thought I had asked Brian about the twist on the Capstick, but I did not, but I will now. What I asked him some time ago, and I FORGOT already, was all the .510s, the 50 AKs and the 510 Wells. Which I also forgot, going back in my emails looking for the 470 which I did not ask about, I found the .510s--all at 1;15 twist rate! Don't let me forget, because I already forgot if I added that info to the master sheet we have been posting???? Maybe???? I forgot? Whew, busy here!

DBCoper

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HEH! Have not messed with the #1s in a couple of years. I have one out now in 50 AK that I need to test Js solid with at 1850 fps or so, other than that I forget what's in there, 470 Capstick, 458 Winchester, 458 Lott, 50 AK, 416 Rigby, 416 Remington, 35 Whelen, and that's what I can remember about the #1s, oh, wait one of those 50 Ann 45/70s is somewhere? Might be something else?

I like my 1885s better

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DB so some of those photos I have of you and Dwright out there with the 50 eh???? Look here, gotta hold on tight to those things keep them from moving on ya! HEH! I have so much going on here today, have not had much time to do anything, in fact all week, but I hope sometime today to post some photos of you and Dwright over on the B&M thread!

Back at ya Trophy!



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D B Cooper

06 May 2010, 22:00

SEE ARTICLE 12, Paragraph C, subsection 4 below.

"Isn't it pretty to think so."

DWright

06 May 2010, 22:17

Ya, DB, but yur always having to keep something from biting those knuckles of yours! Hell, remember just last week when we were running from the herd of 'naked, lesbian, pigmy' woman. That after they surrounded yur ass, roped you and pulled you into that big hot tub of stewwed tomatoes and had their way with you?. Ya. . . and you said you had a hard time enjoying being sexually assaulted cuz it reminded you of being in the vagina of an large estrus whale? Heh? Remimber that? Ya, I thought you might; well, I remember how you damn near fell as you were running away when you finaly broke free and stepped on one of um. ? Runnin, and screamin like a little kid.



<http://www.mazamasportinggoods.com>

michael458

06 May 2010, 23:07

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Ya'll boys do some strange things out there on the west side! Hmmm? I'd be a little curious as to how DB knows what the inside of a whales.....never mind, ain't that curious, don't think I really want to know!

HEH
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michael458

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Dwright

Now you did it! DB is doing an Alf!



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DWright

06 May 2010, 23:39

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Originally posted by michael458:

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Originally posted by D B Cooper:

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Dwright

Now you did it! DB is doing an Alf!

Hmmm, not exactly, said he was gunna re-write the other post to one up me before the fact. he's sneaky thataway. . . . but then he got all side tracked and hadn't got back to it yet.



M

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D B Cooper

06 May 2010, 23:45

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I was just saying that the .50 stock is too short for me.

I see DWright is off his meds again.

"Isn't it pretty to think so."

Macifej

06 May 2010, 23:47

quote:

Originally posted by michael458:

Sam

Not smarter, just determined and impatient!!!!

Don't be embarrassed about the bullets, and I did try, I flitized, I scrubbed, I steel wooled, I tried everything I had, no go!

I ordered two packets of the brass balls, 1/2 inch, they are not cheap, about \$.78 each. Just to see what they do.

quote:

260 is cartridge brass. Same stuff cases are drawn from. Not likely you're gonna get it down the pipe unless it's undersized. Patched 52100 steel balls would be tougher and cheaper.

So J you think I should or should not push a couple of these down a .500 barrel????

M

Dunno ... if it was tightly patched I suppose it wouldn't be bouncing off your rifling. Good idea to get a material spec on the balls. Could be soft or not.

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Yup



Heh. . . . who said that. . . . ?



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boom stick

07 May 2010, 04:34

.500" brass round balls @ 3,000+ fps should be a decent wound channel. They would be good for 50AE and 500 S&W for non expanding light solid.

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michael458

07 May 2010, 05:08

Boomy

I received those brass balls today! I only ordered them yesterday afternoon! Fast delivery! I have 20 of them.

J, don't forget my barrels are .500, not .510. Should not rattle down the bore? 1/2 ball.

Very busy here this week. I am not so sure I am going to get to shoot anything this week?

Lab locked up for the night, have not had time to measure the balls for sure, will measure them in the morning. Should be .500

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boom stick

07 May 2010, 06:59

Michael... You have a lot of balls!!!

Call them non tumbling RNRT Round Nose round tail 

Good for hogs I bet.

What is the cost per ball?

Please note weight as well.

500 MDM for max velocity?

Looking forward to the results when you have time.

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michael458

07 May 2010, 13:31

Boomy

I am not sure what they would be good for just yet. I think I will start them off in the 50 Super Short to see what is what first. Accuracy might be an issue??? Very expensive, .78 cents each. I won't get any test work done today, but I am going to sneak out of this office today and do some shooting anyway, if I can get by the boss! I have to check on my new formed 400 Sierras and 500 Hornadys, and see if I can punch a couple of these balls down a super short just to get a feel for them. I must see if I can trap one too, I want to see what is engraving on them?

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boom stick

07 May 2010, 14:10

Minimal engraving so good for doubles! 577 balls? Good thin skin bullet. Seeing the 2,150 and 3,000 fps results would be cool. What about your DPMS for this?

I would think that a cnc lathe can pop these out of 1/2" bar stock pretty cheap say 15 cents a pop for materials.

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500N

07 May 2010, 14:22

Rounds balls from Big Bores like 4, 8, 10 etc absolutely flatten Buffalo according to a mate who had someone hunting with them.

Knocked a Charging Buffalo off it's feet.

michael458

07 May 2010, 14:34

Boomy

Man, I don't know? I'd rather start with the super short, would be easier, move from there and see. CNC? Just about anything about these balls, I don't know? CNC ?
I confess freely my ignorance!

Price just went up on the brass balls to \$1.00 each, got invoice via email few minutes ago including shipping! A bit expensive.

500N

I don't doubt that one bit, got a lot of diameter and mass hitting, which counts for a whole lot!!!!!!! I would think .500 caliber balls are small bore in that arena!

Like I said, will do my best to start some down the bore this morning, just to see what's what!

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DWright

07 May 2010, 19:01

50 cal round balls. . . .
This is going to be very interesting for sure.



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michael458

08 May 2010, 16:34

Well, have some ??? about these brass round balls???? I decided to try some out, just load and accuracy in one of my 50 Super Shorts. Just to get a feel for them. Measured and weighed, they are .4995 and weigh 140 grs. I will take some photos later and post. So I figured to start out low, check accuracy if they were going to work. 50 Super Shorts love WW 296. I use a Fed 210 in them. Light load 35/WW 296, loaded 3 to check accuracy. Not having a clue as to where they are going to hit, I shot at 25 yds. This did extremely well, 1988 hi 1963 fps low average 1971 and all three touching at 25 an inch hi and inch left. Good to go. So I proceeded 1 load at a time, I only have 17 left now. So I went 40 grs, 45 grs and 50 grs of WW 296. 40 gave 2174, 45 gave 2542, 50 gave 2747 fps. OK, moving along correctly, everything looks great, no issues, so I came in loaded one with 55 grs WW 296. 55 gave 2012 fps???? What? Chrono? Anomaly? OK, load another at 55 it gives 2025 fps? Ok something does not make sense. I chrono a known load and it is spot on for 3. Not chrono. OK, back to 50 grs which gives 2747 a bit ago. OK, now 50 grs gives me 1930 fps???? Starting back down??? That's where I left it. Shot some more known loads with the 400 Sierra, 44/296 giving 1920 fps, exactly correct, 47/296 giving 2020 fps, exactly correct. So not chrono issue? I don't know. Small variances, round ball, maybe, but

700 800 fps and going back down the ladder, after climbing perfectly up for the first 4 loads? I don't get it. What am I missing? Possible that not enough pressure to burn the powder consistently, getting some blow by, even with 50-55 grs? I am missing something for sure?

Accuracy of all the X1 loads which was 6 was one hole (almost) think I pulled one about 1/2 inch left, other 5 in the same hole. Accuracy at 25 very adequate. Surprised a bit. 50 who knows? Problem is I only have about 11 left so not much more to test with, as I wanted to get velocity up a bit. But I am dropping instead of going up.

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srose 08 May 2010, 16:49

Michael,

Try a felt or cardboard wad under those balls to get a good gas seal. Walters fiber wads would work also. Toilet paper wads would be a quick try.

Sam

michael458 08 May 2010, 17:01

Sam
Excellent Idea. I will try that, I have plenty of good wads from back when I was playing with some shotshells for these guns! That's exactly what I will do.

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boom stick 08 May 2010, 23:33

Glad the size is perfect!
at 180 grains it is like shooting a nominal weight for a 30-06 but pre expanded.

Would be great to see some high velocity terminal reports. You the man Michael. Maybe we can see a revival of men playing with er um... men having um I mean balls shooting oh that does not sound good... A renaissance and resurgence of sphere shooting.

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michael458 09 May 2010, 00:29

140 grs Boomy. I was thinking about the wad over the powder, then the ball, as Sam suggested, I bet that sorts out the issue with the balls. If not??? I don't know. Will try again first of the week. Run out of weekend now.

At 55 grs of 296 I should have been at 3000 fps with the 50 Super Short! The 50 B&M will take it on up pretty high I would think, 500 MDM would shoot it to the moon I suppose. For now however I will keep it in the Super Short.

By the way Colin, thanks for the tip on where to get them! Fast next day delivery too!

That place has the Balls for sure!

Michael

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Extremist458

09 May 2010, 17:21

Something ironic popped up this morning:
<http://www.ballisticproducts.com/fo.asp?number=TXRB50>

Also contacted my tungsten guy and they said they could do 18g/cc tungsten balls any diameter for a \$200 set-up fee, but he could do some samples after that to make sure they are right. They can even polish them perfectly round if you like. In perspective, lead is 10.8-11.2 (alloy to pure soft), and this tungsten composite is as hard as steel, if not more. Hope that helps.

-Extremist

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"I hope you live forever" -300
"Never judge an enemy by his words, he might turn out to be a better shot than a writer"
<http://www.gscustomusa.com>

boom stick

09 May 2010, 21:00

Hi Extremist. Tungsten balls would be great for a big bore smooth bore but can you add a jacket as to not harm the rifling?

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Extremist458

10 May 2010, 21:13

Yes, that can be done fairly easily. I know of two sources that will plate the bullet, but only one is really worth your efforts. Thing about them is they like very large numbers. Big company, big machines, very expensive stuff, but more precise than your barrel! They can do pure copper, nickel, nickel/PTFE, black nickel...and a bunch of stuff. Just get the balls undersized and plate up to size...(this can get ugly :-). Anyways, it's not tough, but is there a calling for it?

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boom stick

11 May 2010, 01:10

It is too ahead of the curve now but brass will have to do for now. If it means 70% more gain in weight and won't harm barrels it is interesting.

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michael458

11 May 2010, 03:14

Boys, the balls are getting way too expensive I think for the value! Tungsten + plating would be astronomical and for what return?? I am not sure, but I have doubts that a ball can give us anything beyond something to play with, taking into account the expense of it. Now plinking around with lead balls, cheap and fun to play with, another matter. Even these damn brass balls ended up at \$1 each! That's the price of a TSX or a banded solid?

I am going to attempt to stabilize velocity probably tomorrow with the brass balls. Then if I can do that, maybe get a quick test in with them. If all that occurs I might be able to get some .510 solids tested too, this is my goal anyway!

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