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srose

25 August 2012, 22:58

Terminal Bullet Performance

quote:

Originally posted by michael458:

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Originally posted by srose:
 Congrates to Mike, Beau and Mark. Glad to see more people using the #13s with same results.
 Sam

And Carl and Eric too!

Yes I meant Carl and Eric also but sometimes my brain doesn't function properly. My typing is awful too.

Sam

srose

25 August 2012, 23:07

CCMDoc,

I'm not going to say you can use a non con for frontal brain on elephant but I am saying I would if that was all I had.

Sam

LionHunter

25 August 2012, 23:39

Sam,

Thanks, and I appreciate all your work and contributions as well. Looking forward to seeing you and all the B&M aficionados at Michaels' booth at DSC.

Mike

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Cross L

26 August 2012, 00:51

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capoward

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Jim

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26 August 2012, 08:06

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Todd Williams

26 August 2012, 12:00

251 pages of the most interesting and educational data and discussion on the entire forum IMO. Congratulations Michael.

I too am in complete agreement concerning the 375. I've shot a couple of buff with the 375 and yeah, it will kill them and shot placement is the name of the game, but there is no arguing the fact that a well placed 500NE is more effective than a well placed 375H&H.

What is with the other experiment on the forum and the Home Depot buckets full of water? That one I just don't get. Seems to me the water buckets tell you what the bullet will look like in the end and how many buckets it will go through. Not much else. No witness info about what the wound channel looks like, stability of the bullet, did it tumble, did it stay dead straight or veer off at the end, etc. Then to top it off, the guy running the show says he hasn't seen any data on the CEB BBW#13 and would like someone to provide a link to any data on said bullet if available!!!! YGBSM!! 251 pages of data on the same Big Bore Category? Anyway, thanks to Michael for the time, money, effort, and commitment, not to mention the expertise, necessary to compile such thorough data all while staying true to following the information wherever the truth lead the experiment. If it worked, it was reported. If it failed, it was reported. The objectiveness of the project led to small tweaks here and there that made several of the bullet designs even better. Now all the test work is being verified on actual dangerous game such as Buffalo and Elephant. The other experiment is backing up the water buckets with digging bullets out of the range backstop, not actual animals.

This thread allowed us to separate the manufacturers advertising claims from reality. It also showed which manufacturers are interested in improving their products and which are just interested in selling bullets.

michael458

26 August 2012, 16:33

quote:

Originally posted by LionHunter:
Sean-

Best of luck on your safari! Shoot straight and watch your six.

Same here Sean, good luck, good shooting, we are here and looking for your safe return!
Enjoy!

Michael

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Todd

Thank you so much. Right here we have a great many very experienced Dangerous Game hunters/shooters! These things coming from someone as experienced as yourself, Lionhunter, Sam, Doc, and many many others, too many to even mention, means a great deal to what we have accomplished, together. What we have done here, translates to the real world. We see it over and over, what has been successful in the test work, has been successful in the field. We can correlate that data, and have done so, and have proven it, regardless of the nay-sayers current, and past. We see it here in the field reports coming in weekly, we see it ourselves in our own field experiences. Digging bullets out the dirt bank? OK, well not sure what that means, or proves. No trauma observations, no penetration depths, no knowledge of bullet behavior during terminals, straight, tumble, veer, impossible to determine. No valuable data, no tweaking of performance as no real determinations can be made, in dirt or simple water buckets. None is given, as nothing can be determined.

All testing is good, regardless. Some are better than others. We have studied real terminal performance since the early 1990s, in this same sort of test medium. We have tested every bullet known to man, and nearly all big bore calibers. Some obscure or less popular calibers, .423 and some we have not tested, but data from .416 will translate to .423 under most circumstances, so not much has been left out.

I saw mention of softs not being able to penetrate buffalo heads. What rubbish. I have actually shot a good many buffalo straight between the eyes, or in the skulls, and never found any of those bullets stuck in the heads, all passed through, and out the back of the head. Most were finish shots, some .458 Swifts, some Barnes and BBW#13 Solids, several NonCons of late. Only one buffalo was shot in the head that was a self defense shot, last year in Zimbabwe a very severely shot buff wanted one last go, from 5 yards or so I gave him a .500 caliber 460 BBW#13 NonCon right under his left eye, slightly to the middle of his nose, this bullet blew a hole out the back of his skull big enough to put your fist through it! No, did not find any bullet. I quickly put a 500 gr BBW#13 Solid just next to it, of course it had a free ride through the skull, proceeded through the neck, and entire body of the bull, found sticking out the hide, nose first, in the ass end, dead straight penetration, 7 feet or more. I am sure you all remember this photo I took.



Buffalo, Ulrik, tried to tell them down there on that thread, but it fell on ears that don't listen. Or able to listen?

Anyway, thanks for the support, I did not do this all by my lonesome, many many of you have contributed, and come up with ideas of how to improve things, and through two companies, that are loyal to "Performance", and willing to go the extra mile for us, REAL, DG Shooters/hunters, we have to give thanks to both Cutting Edge Bullets and to North Fork! Without them we would still be in the "Dark Ages".

Michael


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capward

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

michael458

26 August 2012, 22:21

Doc

Sam
You
Don??? Did Don do something with 577? I did not know that one, I don't think?

Aaron with the 600 Nitro and 577.

Tell me what Don did!

All I know of they were the hammers of Hell!

I can promise this, I know it for a fact--The Ultra Bores are now earning their reputation! They are more effective now, than ever in their entire History. All of you know, I had little respect for Ultra Bores until the BBW#13s came along!

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buffalo

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agree M...

And I still look forward to try a 750 grs BBW#13 .585 solid in my 577 TRex at 2600 fps.... guess if shot frontally in the jaw he will have teeth in his ass....

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No Dave, I don't think solids in 9.3/375 are the answer to be honest. I know how much trauma the NonCons inflict, and it's a lot. My 9.3 B&M was absolute hell on zebra, wildebeast, hartebeast and those thin skinned critters in April, with a 210 Raptor at 2900 fps. It turned those animals inside out, destroyed everything they had inside, on hartebeast, blades were going all the way through to the far chest cavity, hits on these animals were extreme, and they let you know it quickly.

BBW#13 Solids, Hyrdos and North Forks would all do damage, all penetrate, but not as much damage as a NonCon, or an Expanding North Fork CPS on buffalo. Had plenty of penetration, penetration is not the issue. It's just the calibers on buffalo. Buffalo are far different than any thin skinned animal, including lion, leopard or bear. They are big, they absorb bullets like sponges. The bigger the bullet, the less they can absorb. The big bore NonCons I have used, 458-.500, knocks the hell out of buffalo, and they show it. They show it more with NonCons than anything I have ever shot buffalo with in my life, which is quite a few with 458s and 458 Lotts. But dropping that caliber down so does effect on them.

Even my little tiny Super Shorts, 50 and 475, with 320-335 NonCons, 375 North Fork Expanding CPS, at moderate velocity from 2200-2300 fps were FAR FAR more effective than my 9.3 with a 255 at 2600-2650 fps. It was noted not just by myself, but Paul and Sam as well. In fact, both Paul and Sam mentioned it to me first.

To impress buffalo, you need caliber to begin with, and then the meanest, kick ass bullet you can get, and it needs to penetrate, punching two holes, in, and out.

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CCMDoc

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You're right - I forgot about Aaron. He and I were hoping to get a bunch of 577NE and 600NE folk together for DG in 2013 or 2014,

THAT would be fun if it can be pulled off.

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In any event, no doubt the CEBs are **THE** bullet 🤔

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I can't wait to hear the stories!

Doc, I already switched over to the 🍺, and while it don't help the memory any, I feel better anyway! LOL.....

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Second - **"I told you so"** about the pleasure and ease of using s 577NE

Third - as a rule the CEB #13 solid and Non-Con go to the same place keeping all other components and charges equal. And they go to the same place as Woodleighs for the same charge, in

HEH HEH----- 🤔

I think Biibs can't count that high!!!!

LOL

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Have a good one. It will go by all to quickly. Did you say this is your first Safari?

I've mentioned this before but I think it was Ruark that said: I've know movie stars, millionaires, and even members of the Royal Family but I envy no man, except the man going on his first Safari!!

You'll know exactly what that means when you get back!

prof242 27 August 2012, 10:12

Michael,
Alright, you have convinced me. I'm giving my .375 H&H barrel to my son for prairie dogs and antelope. 😄

However, RIP and I have our .395s which we can use on buffalo. 🛋️
Oh, I'd better not forget the .458 in the closet, just in case I might need it in Australia.

.395 Family Member
DRSS, po' boy member
Political correctness is nothing but liberal enforced censorship

capoward 27 August 2012, 10:56



Jim 🤔
"Life's hard; it's harder if you're stupid"
John Wayne

Norwegianwoods 27 August 2012, 15:09

Hope you will have a great hunt **Cross L** .

quote:

Originally posted by RIP:
 capoward,
 Good enough.
 Alf's credentials in the African game fields, bushwar combat surgery, civilian mayhem,
 and a half century of the scholarly-scientific-obsessive-compulsive collection of knowledge and dead animals
 (such as rhino with a handgun)
 give him a pass on showing photos of his lab.
 It was relocated from RSA to British Columbia, and all the old experiments he has done do not need repeating, so he likely does not have the lab set up, nor even unpacked all the old evidence.
 😊

I am smalltime in comparison to Michael or Alf, by any comparison. I have limited hunting experience on only two continents, but I am a former flight surgeon with undergraduate chemical engineering background, and have done some "testing" myself, being of the shooter-tester bent.
 My favored medium was the Iron WaterBoard Buffalo.

The IWBB is a square-tubed stainless steel and angle Iron (plated steel) frame in which I set plywood boards and flatsided plastic buckets of water in series.
 Bolted together like a giant Tinker Toy.
 Modular to allow replacement of members damaged by side-veering bullets.
 That always happened with roundnose solids.

Ten compartments each 10" deep. 100 inches of IWBB.

The IWBB would be a nice holder for wet newspapers and magazines too. But since I am not a pulpwood tycoon, the plywood and water buckets are easier for me.

Hell, I could put ordnance gelatin in the IWBB compartments in 10" blocks times 10 too, but that would involve an industrial scale mixing and refrigeration plant, and I would have to buy a quality BB gun to calibrate each block of gelatin before each test shot. 😊

Animal hide, meat, ofal, bone, anything could go in those flat-sided buckets, but that would require a slaughterhouse at my beck and call, as well as a landfill.
 And it still would not be a live game animal,
 yet each shot would be different, totally unscientific reproducibility, shot-to-shot.
 That would reduce it to anecdotal data from game animals though, eh?

We use what we can make do, us shooter-testers.
 We see what bullets do best, guess what is going on with the failures or successes, or get someone like Alf to explain it,
 and then take the best evidence to the field.
 Evidence-based, NASA-like rocket surgery. 😊

I too need a new cartridge or bullet to whet the desire.

Here is one I need to get Boomer to help me finish designing,
 the **12 Gauge/.510 Bore rifle**:



The mockup uses the Browning "Little Skeeter" in .410 reduction for 12 gauge chamber insert.
 However, in its current external configuration, it is triple-head-spacing: rim, shoulder, and case mouth.
 maybe that square, thick case mouth could be tapered to a second neck and shoulder, Weatherby-style venturified of course. 😊

DRG says: "Kiss my liberal grits!" 😊

Whatever the individual credentials, whatever the experience in the field of whatever science it may be, it doesn't make a sense to me whatsoever, that shooting solids at 90* angle into the box of dry, damp, wet news paper is the proof of decisive judgement. If a leg of pork, cattle shin bone, shoulder blade etc. would be hit at the front end of the box 5-6" deep and then the line of the bullet taken as a evidence I would be far more incline to at least say this test has at least some miniscular merits to it. Everything said about the FN may be 100% true, but the box test alone is not what I would call a convincing evidence.

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"A well-rounded hunting battery might include:
 500 AccRel Nyati, 416 Rigby or 416 Ruger, 375Ruger or 338WM, 308 or 270, 243, 223" --
 Conserving creation, hunting the harvest.

I guess the elephants and buff I and my hunting partners have killed, not to mention all the other AR members who have similar experience with these bullets in live DG, and then examined the path of the BBW#13 flat nosed bullets have no meaning? Anecdotal, well yeah, but used and examined by real hunters on real DG. I wonder how the scientific method using live elephant and buffalo in the wild would be conducted? Oh, wait a minute, I guess it couldn't actually be done!



What a load a crap, by a new guy with no location.

Mike

DSC
DRSS (again)
SCI Life
NRA Life
Sables Life
Mzuri
IPHA

"To be a Marine is enough."

Pyzda

29 August 2012, 09:54

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Todd Williams

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Well there you go. Proof positive that this guy doesn't know what the hell he is talking about. 13 recovered bullets? No. Wake up to yourself man! The number 13 is the name of the bullet as in CEB BBW #13 Solid or Non-Con. It isn't the number of bullets recovered. It's the name of the bullet.

