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RE: Powerbelt Disintegrates - 12/31/2006 10:04:26 AM

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RE: Powerbelt Disintegrates - 12/31/2006 10:38:01 AM

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ORIGINAL: sproulman

i used 295 powerbelt in my .50 cal flintlock t/c hawkins..i got a huge 8 point buck, biggest one in 50 years on weight/spread of horns..

i shot him behind shoulder at 20 yds ..he fell right down..bullet went thru both sides..

i may go to 348 next year, but that bullet worked fine..

i believe that any hollow point bullet is not good if you hit shoulder on hip etc..so, if you are that type of hunter, DONT USE A POWERBELT..

i ALWAYS shoot behind shoulder or buck WALKS..so, powerbelt is good one for me..

NOW, if i was type of hunter that shoots at running deer or at angle etc..

no way i would use a POWERBELT..i would use a MAXI-BALL..

so, it comes down to type of hunter you are, use ole sprouls thinking, been at it for 50 years and 36 of it with a flintlock..been there done it..

i like powerbelt best now because i dont have to mess with BORE BUTTER at 10 above zero..

Excellent wisdom Sproulman for your type of hunting---FL, no scope, most shots ≤ 50 only excellent shots behind front shoulder. The only thing I would add to your logic is as we age we start seeing less clearly, and our aim is not always perfect because we are shooting on a rest we are shooting off hand in the field. I always aim "right behind the shoulder" like I was bow hunting, just as you do, but sometimes on 100 yard shots I do there. Therefore since I can't guarantee where my bullet will hit the buck 100% of the (unless I take only 50 yards and under shots with my 3x9 scope on my Omega--makin sorta a waste) I want to shoot a bullet that will hold together when hitting bone or very muscle.

Your number 1 criteria is ease of loading in very cold weather, which the PBs do nicely. don't ever miss your mark with those 50 years of hunting experience eyes, you will not what the PB does, it wounds the animal and gives you a miserable "flashback" to what could do differently--been there done that myself.

Please review this bullet performance site for ML:

<http://www.snipersparadise.com/tsmag/July03/july03.htm>

and this chart:

<http://www.the-gleasons.com/TSD%20Wound%20Chart-MZ.htm>

I believe the Copper Magnum Black Belt is the PB with another name.

Since your shooting a FL without a scope (my guess) and most of your shots are ≤ 50 the PBs will work fine for your experienced eyes, but can you honestly recommend the young hunter with a scoped in-line shooting off hand at a buck 120 yards away? All you do is read the threads on this Forum, and they speak for themselves.

Chap Gleason VA

i agree, if i was hunter ,older or young that is not good shot, i would not use the other sabot ones or MAXI-BALL..

if i was hunter that DOES not wait for good shot, i would NOT use powerbelt

if i was hunter that shoots HOT LOADS,i would not use powerbelt..

if i was determined to use POWERBELT even tho i am a hunter that does nothing but the HEAVIEST powerbelt and reduce load down..

i shoot my t/c hawkins flintlock ,.50 cal ,80 grs of geox 2f,295 pb hp,i shot bullet went thru,side to side..this load or 70 grs shot best out of my

hawkins..

next year as this is almost same length as the 370 MAXI-BALL and it is hea

this is first year i used POWERBELT.i did it because i like to LOAD DOWN on accuracy was always between 70/80 grs of 2f with my gun for 36 years..i d NOISE, FLINCHING,MEAT DAMAGE..

YOU CAN load DOWN not up with hollow point powerbelt,get best accuracy higher,and know that the bullet WILL OPEN UP on deer..

man, thats best of both worlds in my book and why i like the powerbelt now

also, no more bore butter to mess with in winter,i like that alot to..

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right on,for varmints, go HOT and light bullet..for deer, GO HEAVY and lowe

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 RE: Powerbelt Disintegrates - 12/31/2006 12:38:25 PM

alsagr

Rack Buck



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"They shed their jacket, therefore loosing enery doing that instead of drivin doesn't weigh a lot, but if it gets shed it can't break bone as well as a Nosle other bonded bullet. They are good, just not perfect."

Go to the 300 grain XTP Magnum. Gurantee that it will not shed the jacket

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Posts: 1842
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I guess I would have to disagree with that statement.... XTP's will loose the enough and it hits something really solid or very tough to penetrate with en even stripped Hornady's interlock .458 -300 grain rifle bullets...

My quote would be "got to the 300 grain XTP magnum, I believe I could gur stronger bullet than the Powerbelt"

Here is a collection of Hornady's that have lost their jacket as compared to ; into the same medium....

Notice the Hornady jacket on the left, how complete it is other than it is mis the-less I truly believe the Hornady to be a better bullet than an elongated thin electroplated copper jacket...



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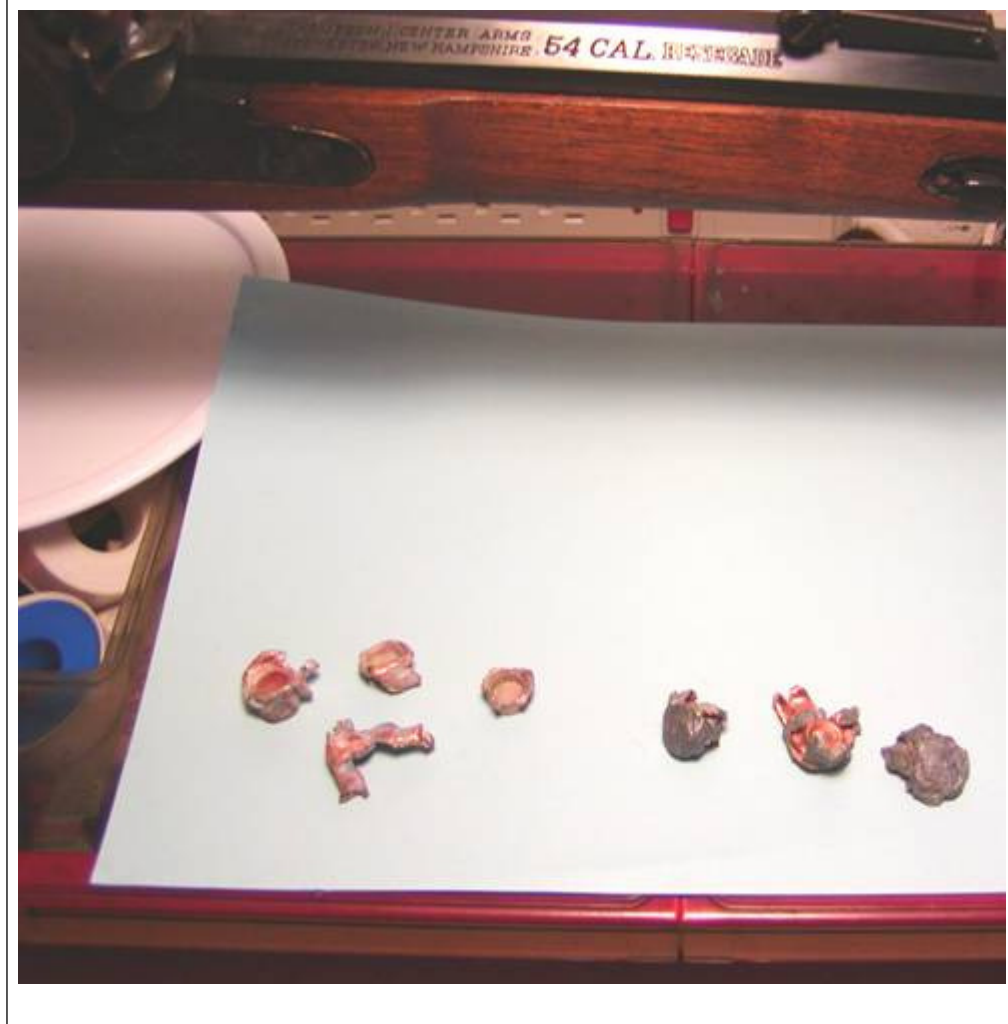
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Here is a collection of Hornady's that have lost their jacket as compared to a Speer Gold into the same medium....

Notice the Hornady jacket on the left, how complete it is other than it is missing its lead. the-less I truly believe the Hornady to be a better bullet than an elongated round ball wi thin electroplated copper jacket...



very good pictures and info..you guys are something..

if powerbelts were built like others you suggest, they would be fine..

hollow point made light like the powerbelt is going to blow up if pushed hard. HARDER even with hollow point, i think,only good guess ,they would hold tog velocity..

if i was powerbelt company, i would make the powerbelt HARDER,let the holl suggest on box that you dont shoot them at high velocity..i would use new p HIGH VELOCITY powerbelt..

so, they could say on box, hey sproul, here is our great bullet for your FLINT LOW VELOCITY..i like low velocity in my flintlock as it shoots BEST lower,not

then they could say on other box,HEY SPROUL, IF YOU USE IN-LINE,HIGH VE NEW PLATINUM BULLET..they will not blow -up..i dont know if the new bullet dont, thats way i would sell the bullets..

i think as most of you say, pushing a powerbelt hollow point or aero,at high v mistake,UNLESS you hit deer right in heart..

bullets for 2 different VELOCITYS..thats way i would sell them..

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 RE: Powerbelt Disintegrates - 12/31/2006 1:58:59 PM

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sproulman

I do not know the answer to this because I do not use PB's, but what is the between regular PB's and the Plat variety - other than the shape of the Poly Plats...??

The Plats can not be to much harder than the copper ones otherwise the w/ operation of the PB system would fail. I doubt very much that the thicknes: much thicker than the copper variety. I would believe they would a tighter new skirts and the new skirts might even hold onto the bullet better hangin

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My 2 cents from a non-scientific mind...

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sproulman

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of shooting a given weight round ball and an elongated round ball of different weights I choose the elongated round ball and match it to the hunting situation...

My 2 cents from a non-scientific mind...

I pretty much agree that plats are just PBs too. I've been thinking about ge 444s. Strictly for hunting elk during ML season in Colorado. One reason is barrel is, at least in part, designed to shoot them better than other makes c

I'll be still hunting forest where I know they bed, where I've found them bel seen others taken. It it'll be a rare occurrence to have a shot which exceeds

Lets say my first card is short range (less than one hundred yards), dense v

The regs here require open sights during regular ML season.

Lets say my second card is open sight shooting.

For a bullet I want something which has very high momentum but low spee open sights, I don't want a twig I am unable to see, to substantially deflect upon impact, I want a projectile with sufficient senctional density to penetr shooting deeply and expand at low velocity so that a large deep wound char

Lets say my third card is a 444PB.

I want to deliver in excess of 1500 ft-lbs to 100 yards. So I use the little ba calculate the muzzle-velocity required to do that. I need a muzzle velocity lbs. Now just to figure how much powder will be my fourth card. I know fo volume the 444 will deliver about 22% more muzzle energy than a 300 grai 100 grains 777 2f should propell the 444 to an energy of 2562 ft lbs. This i need. So I just divide the 1891 ft-lbs I want by 2562 ft-lbs and get .738. I and I find 73.8 grains is sufficient to do it so I try 75 grains and find its sho groupings.

Lets say my fourth card is 75 grains 777 2f.

Shot placement is my last card. I will have this card be shot right behind th the bullet passes through both lungs, possibly the heart and the mass of m there.

I now have the hand I'll be playing and the 444 PB plays a very important r partition or a 250 SW can not. It's a different hand, even a different hunt t 300 grain sabotated partition. But its the right hand for this particular hunt.

It not about absolutes at all. This better than that. Its about hunting situat preference, what one's rifle likes, and so on, and so on

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lemoyne

For those that really have a need to use PB for game like elk and moose I w

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flat point dangerous game bullet it not only don't have that varmit bullet ho constructed for penetration of a lot better materials[and expensive but bett HP] Lee

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sabotloader
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lemoyne

Another 2 cents... so I am up to four cents...



At the velocities that we are shooting ML bullets I really like the HP bullet. . . grain HP's for deer (whitetail/muleys) and a 300 grain Protected Point (esse Elk. I have shot a couple of deer with the 300 and it passes right through - channel and the deer is deer is dead - he/she is just not sure of it yet.... an quick low to the ground run until they are dead.. Now with the 260 the peta immediately open hitting the skin - now as that thing passes through it crea hydrosatic shock - the vitals are mushed - red jelly... again the deer is deac knows on the spot something is drastically wrong (this is real shock) - so wi muster up the adrennalin (sp) to get much of a run.

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All of this is theory because I have never recovered a Nosler - in fact I don't recovered one from a centerfire harvest either.

HP's really work for me but in fact so do soft points - I just use the measure the deciding factor.

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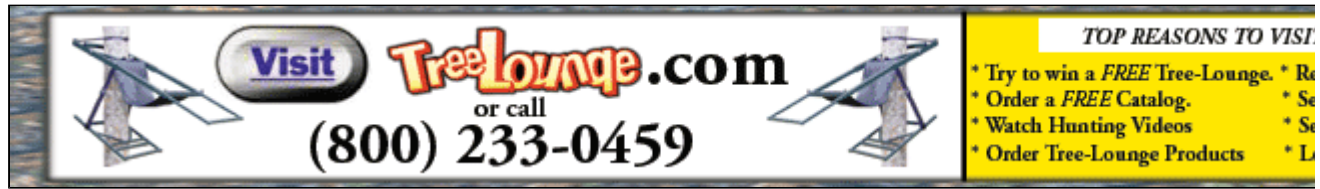
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