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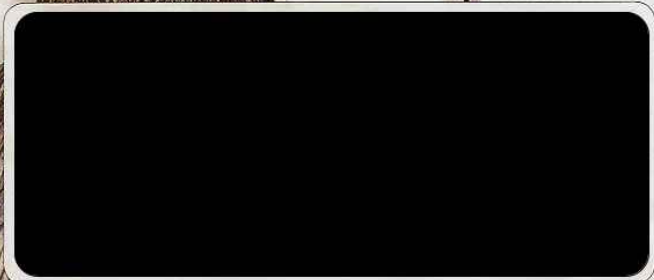
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SHOOTER'S UPDATE

STAFF REPORT

Buffalo Bore .32 H&R Magnum +P Loads

The .32 H&R Magnum cartridge has a small but loyal following. It's a fine small-game round, and some of the serious cowboy action shooters enjoy its good power and low recoil. Standard factory offerings generally run in the neighborhood of 1,100 fps for an 85-grain JHP bullet, producing about 230 ft-lbs muzzle energy. Cowboy loads run about 750 fps with a 90-grain cast bullet. Now, Buffalo Bore has a couple new +P heavy-bullet loadings. One is a 130-grain hard cast loading that is said to go 1,139 fps out of a Ruger Blackhawk with a 5.5-inch barrel. The bullet is a Keith style with a BHN rating of 21 to 22. Designed to be a deep-penetrating hunting load, it reportedly will penetrate up to 3 feet in flesh and bone. The other is a 100-grain JHP loading that reportedly generates 1,340 fps in that same 5.5-inch-barreled Blackhawk.

I've been a fan of the .32 H&R round ever since it was introduced in 1983, and I've owned a bunch of single-action and double-action revolvers and one lever-action rifle chambered for it. Currently, I have just one—a Ruger Single-Six with 6.5-inch barrel.

I've been having fun shooting both of Buffalo Bore's new loadings, and out of my Single-Six the 100-grain JHP averaged 1,271 fps measured 12 feet from the gun's muzzle. The highest reading was 1,292 fps. Factory energy figures are 375 ft-lbs at the muzzle and 336 ft-lbs at 25 yards. The 130-grain hard cast load averaged 1,088 fps out of my Single-Six. Both loads average 200 to 350 fps less and 100 to 130 ft-lbs less than the newest and most powerful .32-caliber handgun cartridge (the .327 Federal Magnum) with a 100-grain JSP.

I haven't hunted anything with either of these new loads yet, but I'm champing at the bit to give them a go on bobcats, turkeys, and coyotes. And the 100-grain JHP load ought to do well as a self-defense load, too. Price: \$29.33 per 20-round box.

Buffalo Bore warns that shooters should not use +P ammo in original H&R .32 Magnum revolvers.

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—Joel J. Hutchcroft



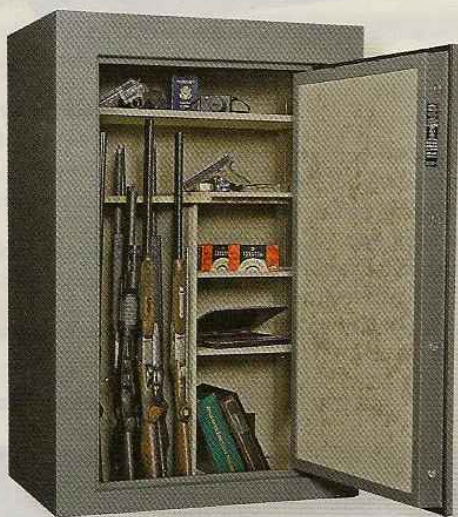
Cannon Scout Safes

The new Cannon Scout is a full-featured safe that offers Cannon quality, security, good looks, fire protection (a verified fire rating of 1,200 degrees F for 30 minutes), rugged construction, and a variety of features, including a state-of-the-art internal power supply system and a USB port and RJ45 Ethernet connection to keep computers and other electronics charged and connected.

The Scout Series features a 4-inch steel composite door, surefire multiple re-lockers, truelock internal hinges, and 1-inch active-locking bolts. Each safe is predrilled for bolting to the floor, and contents are accessed with a high-security commercial-grade Type 1 electronic lock that is protected with three layers of extra-hard 60+ RC steel hard-plate.

The safe's interior shelves, walls, and inset door panel are finished with high-grade upholstery. Seven different sizes of Scout Safes are available, all with hammer-tone black or hammer-tone gray premium paint. Price: \$871 to \$1,743.

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