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BCA ANNUAL MEETING AND BANQUET 2022 - TULSA, OKLAHOMA

by Mark Hannah, Browning Collectors Association President / Life Member

This year another great Wanenmacher's Tulsa Arms Show with a full house. A very good crowd with lots of buying and selling. Friday was a frenzy I haven't noticed before. I saw individuals and dealers actually "running" down the aisles after hearing of an item for sell on another table. I thought last year seemed outstanding for sales, but I saw tables of nice collectables completely sale out, with some only being a single buyer or two buying everything. Although, the BCA does not formally meet I hope the November show will also be good so I may join in. The April show consumes my time with the BCA table, membership care, raffle, banquet, board meeting etc. November without the obligations of my BCA commitment. I hope to see a big turnout of BCA members in November, but PLAN now and start your preparations to attend the April 1st & 2nd 2023 show in Tulsa for our next annual display show, meeting and banquet.

I thought last year's meeting and banquet was wonderful, although from comments received, I was told this was the best meeting and banquet the BCA has ever had. I am not sure how many meetings these individuals have attended to enable such comment, but I do know some have attended many meetings. Anyway, I appreciated the compliment belonging to all involved. The social hour had more comments than before too. I had not realized this would become a "look forward to attending" event. I believe this has become one of the highlights of the evening. I would like to thank Sharla Herrin for again staffing the entrance table with check-in and name badges.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

by Mark Hannah

Greetings to all, Texas summer is here for me. I hope you are well. As for business:

I do need to make a clarification disclaimer: All of you that have an E-mail on file received a flyer from the BCA at the request of Matt Mathews, who graciously donated the Centennial Trombone for raffle for your association.

The flyer made known that Matt had other Centennial Trombones for sale. The flyer was taken from the BCA format and could be mistaken as the BCA was selling these Trombones. We, BCA, do not own and are not selling these rifles. The BCA denies any liability, nor does it have any control over the sale of any of these Trombones outside of the one donated to us and being raffled for the drawing at the annual meeting in 2023. We apologize if anyone concluded we were raffling one Trombone and then trying to sell the others as an Association.

Now business is finished, Wow what a great annual meeting and banquet. A big thank you to all who attended, you are the ones that make this a great event. Renny, Scott and Brian took some pictures, Mark Gregory help set-up the silent auction and BrowninG item for the drawing, Sharla Herrin greeted the attendees at the check in table and made sure all had a name badge, thank you all. A special thank you to Angelo Bee for his presence and as our guest speaker and to his daughter, Joelle, for her attending and care for Angelo. I could never thank my wife Kathey for all she does beginning weeks in advance planning the meeting, designing a wonderful table for your dining experience, floral arrangements, programs among just a few. If you missed this year, please plan for next April's meeting and banquet. There is more about our association's gathering in the enclosed article.

Remember election of officers and directors comes June 2023. If you think you would like to serve your association as an officer or director prepare a short biography and submit to me as they will be published in the Spring edition of the Newsletter in March 2023 before the June election. The new board will begin their duties July 1, 2023.

Do not forget this coming year's meeting in Tulsa will include our display show. Start now preparing your display as we are wanting the best show ever. Contact director Brian Hager for any questions you may have and to let him know you are going to participate. His contact information can be found in the Directors list.

On a sad note. You will notice in the obituaries we lost a few long-time members who had been very active in firearms, collecting and knowledge. **Terrence (Terry) Baxa**, Life Member who was our BCA president from 1994-2001. Although I had never personally met Terry we have had many phone conversations over the years I have been on the BCA board. Terry shipped me my first copy of the BCA Bylaws and the old Life Membership Trust before my first meeting as a director of our association so I would be a little more prepared. Also losing **Joe Wannemacher** an annual member and later becoming an Honorary BCA member. Joe was owner of the infamous Wannemacher's Tulsa Arms Show we all know and enjoy, especially as they host the gun show venue where we meet each year in April to hold the annual BCA meeting and banquet. The show will continue under the leadership of Joe's son, Mark Wannemacher and his wife Bunny who have both been very supportive of the Browning Collectors Association. **Mike Balazic**, a long time member really enjoyed belonging to the association will be sorely missed.



SECRETARY'S MESSAGE

by Scott Brock

Summer is right around the corner. Business is strong, but we can't help but wonder how long it will last with inflation and fuel cost rising. Membership for the BCA is also strong, as I write my report, we have a total of 616 members. This quarter alone, we have had 21 new members and 4 new life members join.

After three years of not attending the Tulsa show, I was able to make this past one. I decided to skip the airport and the hassle of flying and drive. From my doorstep in New Hampshire to the Double Tree in Tulsa was 1677 miles. I really enjoyed myself and will do it again next year. Mark and Kathey did another excellent job arranging Saturday nights event, which included a silent auction, which was a success. Mr. Bee, a Belgium engraver, who gave a speech, which was very interesting, and a fabulous meal. Thank you to Mark and Kathey for a job well done!

Please remember to purchase tickets for this year's raffle; a custom engraved Browning Trombone Rifle, engraved by Angelo Bee and donated to the BCA from member Matt Mathews; thank you Matt for your support. The rifle will be raffled off at next year's annual meeting in Tulsa. I have seen the rifle, it is beautiful!



NEW MEMBERS

- Kenneth Douglas MiddletonScurry, TX
- Catherine Owen-Middleton.....Scurry, TX
- Etienne Molle St. Anthony, ID
- Lonny Gilbert Macomb, IL
- April Schack New Castle, DE
- Tammy Gregory Gainsville, TX
- Matthew TerstriepSpring Hill, KS
- Rick ElkinsFayetteville, WV
- Donald Laudenklos.....Platte Center, NE
- Frank Judah.....Lancaster, CA
- Anthony White..... Warner Robins, GA
- Richard Collawn.....Woodford, VA
- Andrew SaccoKirkwood, NY
- John Molinaro..... Newton, NJ
- Don FindleyLubbock, TX
- John Crabtree.....Howell, MI
- Donald Hayes..... Haskell, OK
- Robert Blank.....San Jose, CA
- James Brazil.....Braham, MN
- William Gross.....Overland Park, KS
- Randy Gross..... Osage Beach, MO

LIFETIME MEMBERS

- Rick Boots.....Peck, KS
- Alec Ewertz Clearwater, KS
- Thomas Statham Sharpsburg, GA
- Kimberly FittsJasper, GA

MISSING MEMBERS

Below is a list of members the BCA has no good mailing address, no phone numbers or E-mail addresses. All have been members a very long time with most, if not all, being charter-life members. Please help me to locate or find out the status of these members. Please contact the BCA president with any information.

- David P. Brown Madison, IN
- Tom M. Thomas..... Somonauk, IL
- Greg EnglemanCincinnati, OH
- Paula Grosse Congers, NY
- Don Julian Cumbest..... Pascagoula, MS
- Richard E. Lee.....Las Vegas, NV
- C. Richard Vaughan.....Mt. Airy, NC
- Jerry D BeechleyPalacios, TX
- Gary HopperEagle, ID
- Duane J MarcynPortsmouth, OH
- John L. Ying.....Pasadena CA

OBITUARIES

- Joe Wanenmacher..... Tulsa, OK
- Terrence Baxa.....Belleville, KS
- Mike Balazic..... Van Buren, AZ

If there is a deceased member not listed please accept our sincere apology, and please notify the president.

Everyone really enjoys meeting and visiting with one another and this year appeared an ease and comfort with much more visiting and participation than last year. A very comfortable atmosphere with all meeting members they had not had the chance to personally say “hello” in person. New members have the opportunity which has been lacking in the past. There was a cash bar, an opportunity to purchase the Angelo Bee engraved Centennial Trombone raffle tickets and a bidding on five items in the silent auction and as last year the only auction held.

Moving to the banquet hall for the meeting and sit-down dinner, which had been eloquently setup by my wife Kathey, with floral centerpieces, decorations, table runners, BCA colored gold napkins with tied napkin rings, plate chargers etc. Each attendee received a swag bag, including a new design Browning hat and Browning trinkets, all ladies received an extra lady’s bag, from Kathey, as a little special thank you. This year we added another table of eight and did not have the attendance of the Mannlicher Association members and still had a sellout of seventy-two with 14 ladies in attendance which I was very delighted, and this may be a record. It is nice to have the spouses attend the banquet.

The meeting consisted of the Pledge of Allegiance and an invocation and then everyone enjoyed another fine banquet dinner. Browning products were given away throughout the entire meeting with the assistance of Kathey Hannah and Julien Perez, son of Director Renny Perez and wife Cristina. After dinner the BCA Board was introduced, new members introduced to include members in attendance for the first time. A short “Good of the BCA” and then what all had been waiting for, our speaker the renowned engraver Angelo Bee introduced by BCA member Matt Mathews. Afterwards Angelo was presented with a Lifetime Achievement Award plaque by BCA Director Bruce Levinson. What a pleasure to have Angelo agree to speak with us as many members had their first opportunity to meet him in person. We also enjoyed the presence of one of Angelo’s daughters, Joelle. We send her a special “thank you” for her attendance.

We had a last call for the silent auction and purchase of Trombone raffle tickets and adjourning at 2130.

To the BCA board, all members who helped set up I personally thank you, including Mark Gregory’s set-up help with the silent auction and items given away. Jackie Love, Browning Customer Service Manager, a personal thank you for providing the items for the silent auction and the many Browning items given to the members throughout the annual meeting, to include the swag bags for Browning products. Also, a big thank you to the staff assigned to our banquet from the Embassy Suites -Tulsa. They were superb in organizing the social, banquet and board meeting rooms and the social and personal dining service was excellent.



BCA table Bruce Levinson, Kathey and Mark Hannah



Food and Decor for Royalty



Sharla Herrin greeting members at check-in



Julien drawing another winning ticket



Younger life members Gary and Gage Niemann being lectured by Terry Tejrel



Last year's raffle winner Bob Clausen and wife Mary



Gary Chastain, Mark Jones



Kevin Miller, R. J. Peters & Bruce Blankenship



Bruce Levinson, Brian Radcliffe, Renny Perez



Angelo Bee and Bruce Levinson-
background Kathe & Jim Hendricks



Angelo Bee and Matt Mathews talking Trombones



Angelo's speech



Banquet Room

BROWNING FUN FACTS


Started by Bob Creamer - please submit your own for the next editions

DID YOU KNOW?

1. In February 1919 Browning gave 5,000 fishing poles to schoolboys to keep them out of trouble.
2. The building Browning occupied while inventing more than 30 guns including the Winchester 1894, 1892, 1893, 1897 as well as his machine guns and a number of famous pistols, became a ladies ready to-ware store (L. R. Samuels) in the 1930's.



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GUN RAFFLE

Centennial Model
depicting the 100th Anniversary
of the Trombone .22 Rifle
(1922 - 2022)

#1 of 22

Engraved by Angelo Bee

\$50 per ticket

Limited number of tickets available



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DRAWING WILL BE HELD AT THE ANNUAL MEETING/BANQUET IN APRIL 2023

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FOR SALE: Browning FN Belgium Medallion High Power Bolt Action Rifle in 7MM Rem Mag with Redfield 3x-9x Scope and original Browning hard case. Mfg. in 1970. \$5,000. Contact lefevrepierce@gmail.com for photos and/or call (334)717-1250.

FOR SALE: "Browning Auto-5 Shotguns, The Belgian FN Production" By H.M. Shirley, Jr. and Anthony Vanderlinden. First Edition that is signed by both authors. Features serial numbers, sales figures, and total number sold by gauge with numerous photos and official company records. 233 pages. Slight damage to outside of the dust cover, otherwise excellent condition. \$125; shipping in the lower 48 included. Larry 801-831-6221 or Ldstauch@aol.com. Thanks guys.

FOR SALE: "Browning Superposed": John M. Browning's Last Legacy black leather bound collector edition in ivory linen case with gold lettering and gold on the outsides of the pages - September 1, 1996 by Ned Schwing. Chronicles the history of North America's best-selling over and under gun. Ned Schwing offers serial numbers, sales figures, and total number sold by gauge with rare photos and official company records. 496 pages. Slight damage to top binding area of the dust cover, otherwise excellent condition. \$475 shipping in the lower 48. Larry 801-831-6221 or Ldstauch@aol.com. Thanks guys.

FOR SALE: "Browning Superposed": John M. Browning's Last Legacy Hardcover - September 1, 1996 by Ned Schwing. Chronicles the history of North America's best-selling over and under gun. Ned Schwing offers serial numbers, sales figures, and total number sold by gauge with rare photos and official company records. Slight damage to top binding area of the dust cover, otherwise excellent condition. \$375 shipping in the lower 48. Larry 801-831-6221 or Ldstauch@aol.com. Thanks guys.

FOR SALE: Belgium Browning Medallion rifle, 1962, .270 Win. Mauser action, 22" pencil barrel with No

factory sights and 7lbs. Condition: NO wear on bluing, varnish, or engraving, all very nice. If you collect these Browning rifles, you might need this one...\$3000.00 + sh. Bob Luckow.....MN. 320-247-2536 OR jlluckow@gmail.com

FOR SALE: Numerous Browning parts and accessories. Too many to list, butt plates & pads, toy FN 45 pistol, A-5 barrels, 12 ga. receiver, shotgun shells, early dealer envelopes & hang tags, early oil cans, early superposed fore end, dealer signs, knives, Baby parts, Belgian era manuals & sleeves, Browning books numerous early .22 pistol parts, large collection of .22 ammo, .22 wheel sights, early takedown barrel w/ GI fore end, shell plungers, .22 takedown case ('70) etc. Shortened list, please call as I may have what you need: Jim Reeves 417-830-5588 or jrreeves@prodigy.net

FOR SALE: Browning 22 Auto short, grade C SE 902 made in 1990 for BCA 10th anniversary.. Very low serial number. Engraved by L. Ernst with signed book and all paper work. Comes in Browning box. Engraved squirrel on one side and fox on the other side. Also has Browning Naugahyde case that is slightly damaged- \$3300 plus shipping and insurance. Open to offers. Can send photos. Have a new Naugahyde case for A5 shotgun-\$350, also have various calibers of Browning Ammo and price lists; Browning catalogues form 1979 - 2008 except '81,'82,'84,2003 and 2008 as well as manuals and various Browning Books. If interested contact for information and prices John Hay CH 304 phone 225-665-2971 cell 225-485-2410, email:jmhay@bellsouth.net

FOR SALE: ONE OF ONE. Model 42 shotgun. This is the first special edition gun for raffle. It was given away at the 1993 BCA meeting in Tulsa. It is engraved by Angelo Bee with 18K and 24k yellow/white gold \$5000, Contact:John Hay,CH 304, 225-485-2410, jmhay@bellsouth.net.

FOR SALE: thinning out my 65 year old .22 Trombone collection. Call and tell me your wants. Cell 907-244-5270 or email: matthew5@gci.net

FOR SALE: 1964 Pointer Grade 30" Broadway rib f/m dbl-signed by Raymond Risack. All original, excellent condition. Standard dimensions and LOP. Price: \$7995 plus S&I. Email: randydennis@yahoo.com

FOR SALE: 1962 FN B2 Grade 30" Trap xf/m dbl-signed by Nelly Watrin. All original (except period-consistent replacement Browning /white line pad), 90% condition. Relatively rare factory Monte Carlo parallel comb (1-1/2") standard LOP. Price: \$5795 plus S&I. Email: randydennis@yahoo.com

FOR SALE: BROWNING (FN)-TROMBONE FORE ENDS. I have 2 checkered fore ends for trombone 22's. Nice color and figure. One lighter in color the other darker. Pictures on request. \$375 each or both for \$700. Shipping and Ins. extra. Dave Banducci Ph.-720-272-9914 db80439@comcast.net

FOR SALE: Browning Safari walnut stock for non-magnum caliber rifle, with butt plate, above-average wood, with (3) linear surface scratches on comb-side of stock & (2) very small slightly deeper scratches on either side of stock near butt plate, overall finish otherwise perfect. For information, call Jack at (517) 277-0479 EST (afternoons/evenings best) or email jonhobzjr@hotmail.com

FOR SALE: Browning Complete Centennial 1878 set: 1) Browning Mountain Rifle 50 Cal Black Powder Ser#1878A 0081 N.I.B. Wood Case; 2) Browning Superposed Express 30/06/20ga. O/U Barrels #1878C-0081 N.I.B. Wood Case; 3) Browning Centennial 92 Lever Action 44 Mag Ser#1878B-0081 N.I.B.; 4) Browning Hi-Power Centennial Model 9mm Ser#1978D-0081 Wood Case N.I.B.; 5) Browning Centennial 3 pc. Knife Set Wood Case N.I.B.. Price Reduced \$13,900. Photos Available, Joe Amato, 495 Wood Street, Oceanside, NY 11572, 516-766-2020 Info@crownsnestmarina.com

FOR SALE: Fabrique Nationale 30-06 Supreme Belgian #44616 Tasco 3x9 Scope Masure98 Action 1952(?) 95% 98% will send pictures \$900 Joe Amato, 495 Wood Street, Oceanside, NY 11572, 516-766-2020 Info@crownsnestmarina.com

FOR SALE: Browning BPS 10ga 3-1/2" Magnum Barrels 26" & 28" Invector w/ Full choke. New never used. Left over inventory after retail store closing. \$100 each OBO plus shipping/insurance, Bob Prince 208-659-3812 bobprince@roadrunner.com

FOR SALE: Fabrique Nationale trombone, .22, serial no. 144444 (1972), Belgium, with a Browning 3/4" 4X scope and rings, 99%, \$2925 plus shipping; Browning SA-22, semi-auto, .22, wheel sight, serial no. T19304 (1957), Belgium, with a Browning 3/4" 4X scope and rings, 99%+, \$2225 plus shipping; Browning T-Bolt, T-2, .22, bolt-action, serial no. 20874X6 (1966), Belgium, no salt, with a Browning 3/4" 4X scope and rings, 98.5%, \$1850 plus shipping; Browning BPR-22, .22 pump action, grade 1, serial no. 07141RR176 (1977, the first year of only a five year production) with a Browning 2X-7X scope and rings (mfg. in 1977 only), 98.5%, \$1150 plus shipping; Browning Buck Mark Silhouette semi-automatic .22 RH pistol, 9 7/8" barrel, matte finish metal, hooded sights, ejection deflector, walnut forearm and grip (w/ brass medallion), 98.5%++ in a pristine vintage case. The case is a two-tone suede/ leather (orange and tan) with dark brown strap handles and a name tag window below gold embossed Browning logo. Bright white stitching accents on the exterior with a very plush lamb's wool interior. Brass Buckmark deer medallion on the zipper, \$950 plus shipping John Fotsch 847 452-8684, jwfotsch2@aol.com

FOR SALE: Browning "International Challenger" Set. As new in custom Browning (Medalist-like) box. Gun has 5 7/8" International ventilated rib barrel as well as the 4 1/2" barrel described in a factory letter. Two magazines. The gun (S/N XXX63U6) includes Browning Renaissance grips. It is, truly, a dazzling

set in the presentation case. \$2200.00.
• Browning Renaissance Medalist (S/N XX056T70). Mint \$6995.00. Call for additional details or to request photos. R J Peters - BCA Life Member (1980) 405 255-3920 ATC-ZKC@cox.net.

FOR SALE: 1979 Browning 30-06 Bar Grade 3. Belgium. Asking \$2,500; Browning B78 Bicentennial Edition. Asking \$3,500; Browning Citori Robert E. Lee Heritage 1 of 12. Asking \$3,200; Browning A5 Final Tribute 12 Gauge *NIB*. Asking \$3,300; Browning 30-06 Model 1895 High Grade *NIB* Asking \$1,800; Centennial high power 9mm; 1969 12 gauge superposed in MINT condition; Open to Offers, Jordan Eddleman 720-879-1091 mobile

FOR SALE: Original Browning factory Parts: For .25, .32, .380, .22 Belgian handguns. Parts all factory in new condition made for Browning or FN. Nomad/Challenger Barrels \$200, 4 1/2" or 6 3/4"; Challenger grips \$90; Challenger Renaissance barrels, factory engraved, 6 3/4" \$595; Mags for 1910-55, 1970-74, .380 or .32 cal. \$60 each, new condition; Left-hand Medalist grips \$120; Instruction manuals for Medalist, \$35, Challenger, Post-69, .380, .25 cal. \$30 each; 22 breakdown \$30, each for early manuals; Combination manual for .25, .380 and 9mm \$30 each. Nomad manuals \$30 each; All parts new, original factory, no aftermarket. Have all internal parts for above guns; Grips for .25 Baby, 1910-55 \$60 per pair; Left hand wood grips for 1970-74 .380 \$45 per pair, Nick Riggio, Sr., P.O. Box 6031 St. Louis, MO 63109, 314-808-6400. The website is CommemorativeArms.com Please feel free to browse.

FOR SALE: Original invoice from Browning Brothers - Wholesale Distributors - Ogden, Utah (no zip code of course), dated 12-9-24, for M/51 Remington Automatic Pistol 32. Details selling price of \$15.75 with \$.12 tax for a total of \$15.87. Sold to Theil and Olson Brothers, Montpelier, Idaho. This authentic paper has the holes from a paper punch for a notebook near the top. Can be yours for \$8 plus shipping. Contact Dennis Carpenter at 606-331-7491 or carpenter@lagrant.net.

FOR SALE: (Revised) Browning Catalog Collection=1958, 1962, 64/65, 66, 69, 73,79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 90, 90 Price List, 91, 91 Price List, 93, 93 Price List, 94, 94 Price List, 95, 96, 96 Price List, 97, 97 Price List, 98, 98 Price List, 98 Apparel, 99, 99 Price List, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 1991 custom built Browning catalog (showing all the engraving patterns available then), Matt Eastman's Guide To Brownings (dating 1924-1987), 1996 Euro FN Browning, Auto 5 Final Tribute Flyer, Euro 325 Flyer, and Broadway Introduction 1961 Flyer. All catalogs in good condition. Many older ones show use, many newer ones never used. Reduced \$350 for the lot-shipping included. Rick at rickmilligan@comcast.net or 206-365-6599

FOR SALE: Set of Supertubes 20-28-410, came with a 12ga Diana that I bought a few years ago. They are just sitting in my cabinet and if someone is interested I would part with them. The 20 tubes look as if they have been fired but look good. The 28 and 410 tubes are shiny and look unfired. The tools, instructions and hang tag are with the set. The case is a bit scratched but not all that bad. If you want I can email photos. Make me an offer. Shipping to be added at cost or pickup is fine. Cal Birdsall 713-419-1977 cal@jcbpe.com

FOR SALE: 1953 Standard 16, 28 in. Mod plain barrel \$1400,00 John McDonald 716-741-4157

FOR SALE: Browning A-5, 2 Millionth Commemorative, #237 of 2500 made. Never fired comes in Leather case and all the paperwork. \$2850.00, Larry Crafton 870-793-6383.

FOR SALE: Two Browning Belgium bolt action rifles, first gun is a 1960 Safari grade 300 SAVAGE with Mauser action, bridge sights, 22" barrel with dark wood with fiddle back in wood. \$8,500.00. 2nd gun, 9.3x62 caliber 24" barrel made in 1969 with light colored wood. \$9,500.00. both guns are in mint condition. Please call Jeff at 817-676-2370.

CLASSIFIEDS

FOR SALE: Browning BAR Grade IV 270 WIN semi-auto rifle Belgium made 1981 vintage NIB rifle, Browning lever action 1886 High Grade 26" Octagon Barrel 45-70 Gov NIB "1 of 3000 made" rifle, 1886 High Grade lever action rifle Saddle Ring Carbine 45-70 caliber, 22" barrel. All three guns are New in the Box, Mint condition with beautiful wood. Please call Eston at 417-224-2573 for pricing or questions.

FOR SALE: Browning SA 22 Breakdowns. 1956 Grade 111 wheelsight near mint. 1st year production. \$6000. 1958 Grade 11 wheelsight unfired as new. \$3500. 1956 Grade 1 wheelsight. Fired. Mint blueing and stock. \$2200. Shipping included on all. Browning 22 Caliber Rifles, 1914 to 1984, Special Edition, signed, No. 440 of 1000. Mint. \$425, shipping included. John at 714 637 6565 or seymour.j@sbcglobal.net.

FOR SALE: Browning Belgium rifles in mint condition. Please call JIM for pricing at 712-441-6854 #1, 243 WINCHESTER PB MEDALLION GRADE (12351Z69) #2, 222 MAG PB MEDALLION (5465A5) #3, 222 MAG PB SAFARI (1519Y4) #4, 243 WINCHESTER PB SAFARI (1299Z4) #5, 243 WINCHESTER HB SAFARI with 4X-12X SCOPE (10369Z8) #6, 22-250 REM PB OLYMPIAN (1620574) #7, 222 REM PB SAFARI (253Y5) #8, 222 MAG HB SAFARI (5772Y7)

LOOKING FOR OWNER: I purchased a Midas Superposed from Rod Fuller many years ago and sometime later he sent me some paperwork thinking it was for my shotgun but it isn't. I have it and would like to send it to the owner of a Superposed Midas with the serial number 2990 V 73. Jim Christy jimc@aerostaraircraft.com

WANTED: info on model 65 and model 71s with serial number 00006. I bought four of these with the same basic serial number in 2012 and would like to know who ordered them. Factory letters show they were sold through Steinbergs in Baton Rouge, LA. I am sure I read a for

sale notice for guns with serial Number 00006 in a past newsletter but can't find it now. Might have been around 2010. Richard Calver tfmuch@bigpond.com BCA #3908.

WANTED: Looking for 16ga & 20ga round knob Auto 5 shotguns NIB (original unfired Guns) or any high grade engraved A5 guns. Wes Howard 615-400-5838

WANTED: Sweet Sixteen vent rib barrel for my Sweet Sixteen that I have only a Buck barrel for. I would be interested in any choke and any length so long as it is a vent rib barrel. Larry 801-831-6221 or ldstauch@aol.com. Thanks guys.

WANTED: Browning 625 in any gauge and any barrel length, including Golden Clays. Would prefer longer barrel lengths as opposed to shorter. Larry 801-831-6221 or ldstauch@aol.com. Thanks guys.

WANTED: Browning Model 92 in .44 Mag. Larry 801-831-6221 or ldstauch@aol.com. Thanks guys.

WANTED: EARLY 1960'S DEALER PLAQUE - MOOSE HEAD EDITION. Call Scott at 603.332.8020

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'Engravers of Herstal' brochure (by Space Cloropub FR 1989-1992). Email: randydennis@yahoo.com

FINDING A NEW LIFE MEMBER

Submitted by Renny Perez, BCA Director

During the Easter Holiday my family and I went to the North Georgia Mountains. On our way up we stopped at the Appalachian Gun, Pawn & Gun Range. It's a family owned and run business and once you walk in the door your greeted like if you were family. Old fashion hospitality. Kim and Ralph Fitts are some of the finest people you will ever meet. Appalachian Gun, Pawn & Gun Range offers many firearms including Brownings, lots of ammo and all types of accessories you can't even imagine, including a state-of-the-art shooting range.

Ralph has recently ordered a Browning B15 top grade shotgun, it will be displayed at the shop with much pride. He is also working with Matt Mathews to acquire a BCA Trombone by Angelo Bee.

I am also proud to say that Kim has become a BCA life member! If you are heading to the Georgia Mountains stop by and have a free coffee with them, these folks are top notch, and I am proud to call them my friends.

P.S. My son Julien loved to play with their hound dog! He loved the big ears!



SERIAL NUMBERS FOR BELIGUM BROWNING .22 L. R. PISTOLS

Submitted by Lee Manicke

My first Belgium Browning Challenger was a used 1963 model I bought in 1968 for \$30. That Challenger was my collection of one for several years. Life's priorities of a new job, house, and car payments, etc. kept me away from sporting goods stores and gun shows for several years. In early 1997 a local paper advertised a Browning Medalist and Challenger with a \$100 discount to purchase both. I took the discount. With this purchase came an application to join the Browning Collectors Association. I joined. At that time there were many questions and answers concerning the variations of the Belgium Browning .22 LR pistols. An article about collecting suggested collect what you like and have an objective or goal for the collection. The first part was easy, I liked them all. Practically set in and I realized I couldn't afford the early Winchesters or Colts. A collection of long guns would take a lot of space. This left me with the Medalist or Challenger. I went with the less expensive Challenger with the goal to obtain as many of the variations as I could. With the collection maturing I wanted to find when the different variations occurred. This led to watching serial numbers to see just when the variations changed. The September/October 2000 Browning Collectors Association Newsletter had an article where then Browning Historian, Glen Jensen searched his records and found the last 1961 Nomad serial number was 139 and first 1962 number was 140. Since I was watching serial numbers to find when there was a change from one variation to another why not watch for change from one year to another. The following is what I have so far:

SUMMARY OF KNOWN BEGINNING AND ENDING SERIAL NUMBERS, BY YEAR, FOR BELGIUM BROWNING .22 LONG RIFLE PISTOLS

(Letter to designate model intentionally left off) (year of manufacture left off except for 1969) First known serial number is 17. Prior numbers are assumed to be pre-production models.

<u>Year</u>	<u>Beginning #</u>	<u>Ending #</u>
1961	17	139
1962	140	23295
1963	23429	35949
1964	35973	45790
1965	46305	55448
1966	55677	69189
1967	69256	94812
1968	94989	121111
1969	121229_9	135951_9
1969	128_69	25956_69
1970	25368*	38871

continued

<u>Year</u>	<u>Beginning #</u>	<u>Ending #</u>
1971	39489	44376
1972	44795	49613
1973	50038	60290
1974	60357**	70894
1975	70932	76030***

* Note that the last number for 1969 is larger than the first number for 1970. The change from 1969 to 1970 appears to have occurred over a range of serial numbers as there are several serial numbers in 1970 that are lower than the last numbers for 1969. There are several numbers in late 1969 that are in mid-1970 range.

** There are several Renaissance 1974 models with serial numbers in the late 1973 range.

*** Serial numbers for 1975 shown above extends to the last known Challenger or standard Medalist with a BAC barrel address. Production in 1975 continued from the last serial number in the above chart to at least serial number 83889175 with production of International slab side barrel Medalist.

For some years there is a small gap between the ending number of one year and the beginning number on the next year. In others there is a larger gap. Because of these large gaps the approximate number per year could vary considerably. It is hoped that these gaps can be narrowed as research continues. Accurate input from others is appreciated.

All known serial numbers after 76030 are for International slab side barrel Medalist except for 76138P75 and 78456U75 which have a FN barrel address and a 150 mm length barrel. We cannot verify if there are any more Challengers or Medalist after 76030. It is also reported there were ten Medalist made in 1976 that had a BAC barrel address.

Using the serial numbers cited above, approximate total production of all Belgium Browning .22 Long Rifle pistols can be calculated as follows:

Last known single digit 9 known for 1969 production	135,951
Last known serial number for 1975 Medalist made in 1976	76,030
Estimated total production of Belgium Browning .22LR pistols	10
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	211,991

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The membership's help is needed to send in articles, questions, musings, and ads to make the newsletter as interesting as possible.

Please understand material received on the actual closing day might not be inserted in that issue if we already filled all the space. All effort will be used to get your material in, so please do not wait until the last day to send it to the editor.



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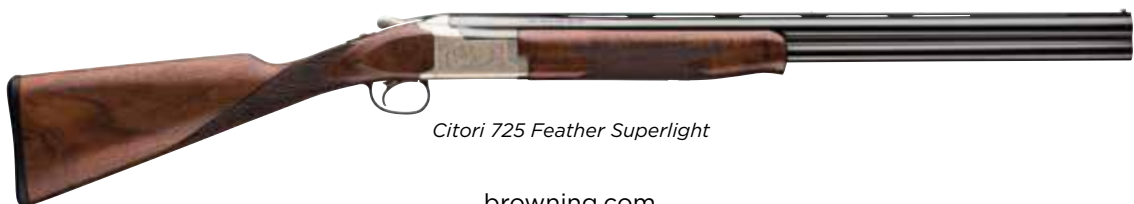
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