



When the next edition of the Guinness Book of World Records is published, Makayla Scott's name will be in it! The 16-year old from White Sulphur Springs was among a team of five, which included one adult shooter and four teens, who planned to try and break the world record for most clay targets broken in a 12 hour period.

Mission Accomplished.

"It went amazing, we went entirely above and beyond," said Makayla.

The old record was 4,652, but the plan was to try and break 10,000 to set the new record. Again, Mission Accomplished.

"We broke 14,167!" laughed Makayla.

The five shooters planned to take a brief break every hour and it was going well until the record was actually broken. Makayla said that derailed the plan for a little while.

"We were taking a 10 minute break every hour, but four hours in they announced we broke the record so we had to take 20 minutes out for the announcement and pictures and so forth. So we had to ramp it up and for the next eight hours, we had no more than five minute breaks."

In case you're wondering how many rounds it took for five shooters to bring down 14,167 clay targets, there is an answer. Somebody counted the empty hulls and according to Makayla is was more than 20,000 shotgun shells, she couldn't remember the exact total.

Shooters started out by loading up with four shells. Each shooter had two machines to throw birds. They would throw one pair, and a report pair would follow.

"We started out loading up four shells, but by the end we were loading up five," she said.

Bubbly with enthusiasm, Makayla drank in the moment.

"I started out pretty rough, but I got better as the day went along. I was very proud of myself," she said. "Throughout the entire day, I was the one jumping up and down. By the time the 12 hours was over, I had had a dance party and played fetch with the dog! I was so excited about the whole event."

Source: WV Metro News



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How to Make Handprint Snowman Ornaments

Tools

- Funnel
- Paintbrush
- Scissors
- An egg carton

Materials

- Clear ornaments
- Washable white paint
- Fake snowflakes or glitter
- Ribbon
- Permanent markers



- Step 2: Cup the bottom of the ornament gently, not moving your fingers as you hold it.
- **Step 3:** Place the ornament into the egg carton right side down, allowing the hand print to fully dry.
- **Step 4**: Use permanent markers to draw snowman shapes onto the fingers of the handprint. Write your name, age or year along the bottom of the ornament.
- **Step 5**: Remove the top of the ornament, then use the funnel to fill the ornament with the snowflakes or glitter. Place the top back on when done.

Step 6: Cut a piece of ribbon and tie it onto the top of the ornament for the loop.



Mathews Rolls Out New VXR Hunting Bows





The all-new Mathews VXR 28 and VXR 31.5 hunting bows are poised to make serious waves in the archery market.

Mathews didn't become a household name in the bowhunting industry by being complacent. They've built their reputation on staying in front of the pack with new, innovative technology to maximize their always-improving products.

So, if they're refreshing their products year after year, what else is left to do to actually make the bow better?

In the case of the VXR 28 and VXR 31.5, Mathews seemingly took that question as a challenge, addressing stability, quietness and maneuverability.

Mathews reached a new level of stability with the Extended Bridged Riser, which ultimately led to a platform that cut weight while maximizing length and rigidity in critical areas.

With this six-bridge riser, the VXR shoots like a target bow with the maneuverability of a hunting bow.

Additionally, Mathews employed its SwitchWeight Technology, which allows hunters to adjust their peak draw weight and draw length with the quick change of a module, each of which is programmed to deliver maximum efficiency, resulting in an ultra-smooth draw without sacrificing speed. These are available in peak weights of 60, 65, 70 and 75 pounds.

Reducing noise is a priority for any bowhunter, which is why the VXR takes on Mathews' new Silent Connect System. The SCS kit allows hunters to quickly and silently attach the new Mathews Genuine bow rope and bow sling.

It also uses 3D Damping, which they repositioned and tuned to the specific harmonics of each VXR model to reduce post-shot vibration and noise.

Bowhunters will also take a liking to the new Engage Grip, which offers an ergonomic design for less torque and more consistent accuracy when taking shots. And, they'll appreciate the dovetail mount, which accommodates the Integrate MX Rest by QAD.



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SNOWMAN

WINTER

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PINETREE

SNOWBALL

SNOWSUIT

CHILLY

FROSTY

GLOVES

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