

includes all the shooter needs to get started with the exception of powder. **The American Knight competes primarily with the CVA product offerings.**

#### **CVA**

The premier offering from CVA is the **Eclipse Firebolt Ultra Mag 209** rifle. Equipped with a 26" fluted barrel and rubber coated stock, the Firebolt is targeted to compete with the mid priced Knight rifles. Like the Knight, the Firebolt is equipped with a 209 shotshell primer ignition system. As the name implies the Firebolt utilizes a bolt-action design in the cocking mechanism. The Firebolt is available in blued carbon steel or nickel plated versions with standard black, green or camo stock configurations. Caliber offerings are .45 and .50 caliber.

The first step down from the Firebolt in the CVA line is the **Hunterbolt** rifle. Also utilizing a bolt-action inspired cocking mechanism, the Hunterbolt features a 24" barrel in either blued or nickel plated finish. A three-way ignition system allows the use of 209 shotshell primers, musket caps, or No. 11 percussion caps. **The Hunterbolt rifle is the top seller in the CVA in-line family.**

Next in the CVA line is the **Eclipse 209 rifle**. The Eclipse utilizes a straight, in-line cocking mechanism. Also equipped with 209 shotshell primer capability, the Eclipse ignition system can also be configured to accept musket caps and traditional No. 11 percussion caps. Offered in .50 caliber only, the Eclipse features a 24" barrel in either blued or nickel plated finishes. Black synthetic stocks are the only available configuration.

A true entry level rifle, CVA offers the Staghorn 209 with the basic blued version **retailing just below the \$100 mark**. Equipped with a straight pull cocking mechanism and 24" barrel, the Staghorn affords CVA a serious competitive advantage in the entry level category by offering the consumer a low-cost product that features 209 shotshell primer capability and fiber optic sights. Although the Staghorn is a "no frills" rifle, it serves its purpose well as a price point offering.

#### **Remington**

Remington participates in the in-line Muzzleloading rifle category with the Model 700 ML series of black powder arms. Utilizing many of the same features of the popular, time-tested Model 700 centerfire rifle design such as the bolt, action, and trigger, the Model 700 ML carries tremendous credibility on reputation alone. Regarded by some as the most accurate and dependable muzzleloader on the market, the Model 700 ML is available in a carbon steel, blued version with a 24" barrel, as well as the stainless steel MLS Magnum series equipped with 26" barrels for greater velocities. New for 2002, all Model 700 ML and Model 700 MLS Magnum rifles are equipped with a three-way ignition system capable of using 209 shotshell primers, musket caps and No. 11 percussion caps. The standard Model 700 ML is available in .50 caliber only, while the