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SASS Club Representative,

Thank you for your club's interest in the SASS Sanctioned Wild Bunch Match Program. In this package you will find the following documents for the 2013 shooting season:

- 1 SASS Sanctioned Wild Bunch Match Application**
- 2 SASS Sanctioned Wild Bunch Match Agreement**
- 3 SASS Sanctioned Wild Bunch Match Guidelines**

The Wild Bunch has requested Clyde Wason, AKA Pecos Clyde, a member of the SASS/WBAS (Wild Bunch Action Shooting) committee, and the forum administrator for the SASS/WBAS website review your documents.

The SASS office will forward a copy of your application to Clyde. In addition to the application requirements there are certain criteria in regard to being awarded the SASS/WBAS State Championship match that are included in the Guidelines **Please take the time to read and understand these documents. Then complete and sign the State Match Application and Agreement and return them to the SASS office. Please mail to the attention of "SASS Clubs" at the above address.**

Once your club has communicated to Pecos Clyde that it can conduct a SASS/WBAS State Championship match under the **requirements** listed in the Guidelines, your application will be forwarded to the SASS office with his positive recommendation.

Pecos Clyde, also, has the additional responsibility to such clubs for answering questions they may have concerning the state level SASS/WBAS matches once they have been awarded.

The fulfillment of these requirements, and your clubs *consideration* of the recommendations will help ensure SASS/WBAS state level matches are conducted with the consistency and continuity which will be appreciated by all Wild Bunch Action Shooting participants across the country, as well as internationally.

Please feel free to contact Pecos Clyde with any questions you may have. He has a good deal of experience in assisting with the organization, stage writing and the operation of Regional, National and World Championship SASS/WBAS events.

Email or telephone works well, **480-266-1096**, pecosclyde@msn.com

Thank You, *The Wild Bunch*

SASS[®] SANCTIONED WILD BUNCH MATCH GUIDELINES

MINIMUM CLUB AND ORGANIZER REQUIREMENTS:

- Club must be SASS affiliated with current proof of insurance.
- Club must invite the participation of all clubs in their state.
- Club must require SASS membership for all participants and provide final list of registered shooters to the SASS office for verification of membership. This should be done at least 30-45 days prior to your event to allow time for shipping of materials back to you. **SASS will not send the winner awards until the shooters list is received by the SASS Office.**

FACILITY:

- Shooting facility must accommodate **100** or more shooters.
- Facility must provide a written safety plan for both participants and spectators.
- Shooting facility must accommodate merchandise vendors.
- Shooting facility must safely accommodate the public.

THE MATCH:

- The match will be conducted as a stand alone match. It may be held in conjunction with a CAS match for purposes of convenience (ie. scheduling, maximizing attendance, logistics and facility availability).
- State level WBAS matches must be conducted under all current SASS/WBAS rules. No exceptions to firearms requirements specified in the rules will be made.
- 10+ main stages and computerized scoring system.
- Scoring may be accomplished by Rank Points or Overall Time.
- Club must conduct the match in accordance with the current **SASS Wild Bunch Action shooting Handbook and the Wild bunch Action Shooting Range Operations and Match Directors Guide.**
- All competitors will have their Pistol and Rifle ammunition tested over a chronograph during the match to ensure compliance with the ammunition requirements.
- All Range Officers must have completed the SASS Basic Range Operations Safety Course.
- No money or prizes may be given for place of finish in the main match, side matches, pot shoots, or demonstration matches. All prizes must be distributed randomly.

MARKETING:

- Club must provide SASS with information to help keep the SASS Website and *The Cowboy Chronicle* up to date ensuring the general membership has an opportunity to compete.

DETERMINING THE SASS WILD BUNCH WINNERS:

SASS State Wild Bunch Winners are recognized in each category and shall reside in the state of the event. The highest-ranking person in each category, regardless of their state, should also be recognized as the Match Category Winner. **Both the Overall Man, and Woman match winners will be recognized.** "Residence," if in doubt, will be determined by a current valid driver's license. Active Military "residence" will be determined by where they are currently stationed.

MINIMUM SIZE TARGETS AT MAXIMUM DISTANCE:

These are the minimum standards for Wild Bunch Matches. The use of more difficult targets such as plate racks, dueling trees, hostage targets, etc. is both common and encouraged. The higher power factor ammunition makes these targets react easily and many Wild Bunch shooters appreciate a higher skill level. It is important to remember, however, that Wild Bunch Action Shooting is an Action Shooting sport that promotes speed, movement, and accuracy. It is not a bullseye competition. Wild Bunch match directors should keep targets and sequences appropriate for all skill levels. Smaller or more distant difficult targets placed strategically in the match is fine, but this concept should not dominate the design.

- **1911 Pistol target** distance is 7 to 10 yards.
- **Shotgun target** distance is 8 to 16 yards.
- **Rifle target** distance is 13 to 50 yards.

SALE OF SCORE ENHANCING ITEMS:

SASS State Wild Bunch Matches may not sale or otherwise incorporate any score enhancing items such as “Free Misses” or “Do-overs.”

RE-SHOOTS:

A shooter is committed to a stage once the first round has been sent down range. There will be no re-shoots based on a shooter's equipment or ammunition failure. Re-shoots are allowed when it is the undeniable fault of the prop, timer, or Range Officer in circumstances beyond the competitor's control.

SASS SHOOTING CATEGORIES:

SASS State Wild Bunch Matches are required to offer only a few shooting categories. Categories are divided into two main divisions **Traditional** and **Modern**. Each division should offer a Men’s and Ladies Category.

Additional age based categories may be added to the Traditional and Modern category headings if the demand warrants.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. We recommend that at least the top 5 shooters in each category be recognized (certificates are certainly suitable particularly for larger matches).
2. We recommend that you attempt to keep posse size in the range of 15 to 18 shooters.
3. We recommend that you have as many posse marshals as possible be certified WBAS Range Officers (this will likely be changed to a Requirement in **2013**).
4. We recommend that your match director not only be knowledgeable with regard to WBAS rules, but he or she also be familiar with the inherent differences between WBAS and CAS (specifically in the area of stage design).
5. We recommend that your club consider having a WBAS Orientation training day for interested shooters. (this promotes safety and understanding of the rules and will assist your club in creating a successful State Championship match.)

SASS WILD BUNCH MATCH APPLICATION 2013

Application for which SASS State _____

Club Name: _____ **Abbreviation:** _____

Name & location of range: _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____

Club Phone: _____ **Website Address:** _____ **E-Mail:** _____

Total # Club Members: _____ **Total # of Mounted Shooters:** _____ **Total # of Annual Matches Held:** _____

Insurance Provider: _____ **Expiration Date:** _____

Please attach a copy of your current Insurance Policy -Applications without proof of Insurance cannot be accepted

Club Contact:

Name: _____ **Alias:** _____ **SASS#:** _____

Address: _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____ **Country:** _____

Phone: _____ **Phone (work):** _____ **Fax:** _____ **E-Mail:** _____

Questionnaire:

1. Is club SASS affiliated? ____ Yes ____ No
2. Does club have proof of insurance? ____ Yes ____ No
3. Does club intend to invite the participation of all clubs in their state? ____ Yes ____ No
4. If Yes, which clubs? _____
5. Will club require SASS membership for all participants and provide final list of registered shooters to the SASS office for verification of membership? ____ Yes ____ No
6. Does club's shooting facility accommodate **100** or more shooters? ____ Yes ____ No
7. Does club have a written safety plan for both participants and spectators? ____ Yes ____ No
8. Does club's shooting facility accommodate merchandise vendors? ____ Yes ____ No
9. Does club's shooting facility safely accommodate the public? ____ Yes ____ No
10. Will match use a computerized Scoring System ____ Yes ____ No
11. Will match be conducted in accordance with the current **SASS Wild Bunch Action Shooting Handbook and the SASS Wild Bunch Range Operations and Match Director guide?** ____ Yes ____ No
12. Will club purchase at least one one-quarter page advertisement in *The Cowboy Chronicle* so the general membership has an opportunity to compete? ____ Yes ____ No
13. Will all Range Officers be required to take the SASS RO Safety Course? ____ Yes ____ No

We have read and understand the requirements of SASS Affiliation and agree to conduct our State Wild Bunch Match in accordance with the SASS Wild Bunch Guidelines.

Club Representative Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

2013 SASS[®] STATE WILD BUNCH MATCH AGREEMENT

SASS commits to sanction _____ as “**A SASS STATE WILD BUNCH MATCH**” scheduled for _____, subject to the terms and conditions contained in the following outline.

(Match Title)

(Date)

SASS commits to fulfill its State Wild Bunch Match sanction support by providing the following:

- Endorsement of the match as a SASS Sanctioned State Wild Bunch Match.
- SASS Wild Bunch Awards for State Category Winners.
Space for a post-event article in *The Cowboy Chronicle*. (Article preparation and submittal is responsibility of the host club.)
- State Wild Bunch Match select exposure on the SASS Web Site and a bold listing in *The Cowboy Chronicle*.

Club agrees to the following:

- Conduct match in accordance with “**SASS WILD BUNCH MATCH GUIDELINES.**”
- Provide single card recognition as “**SASS[®] Presents**” before “**MATCH TITLE**” and “**THE SASS _____ STATE WILD BUNCH MATCH**” after “**MATCH TITLE**”
(State)
in all advertising, printed materials, event program cover, shooters program, and awards presentation.
- Print the “**SASS SANCTIONED MARSHAL**” logo in every instance the “**MATCH TITLE**” is used as outlined in the previous paragraph.
- Provide display space for **SASS** banners.
- Event Program advertising: One black and white full page on inside front cover. Also, the following, if needed: (SASS will contact you thirty days prior to your event.)
- 10' x 10' **SASS** vendor display space in choice position on Sutlers' Row.
- Two passes to the event, Hospitality Tent, and all social functions.
- Two shooter entries and two preferred parking passes.

Trademarks

The club understands SASS[®], Single Action Shooting Society[®], END of TRAIL[®], EOT[®], The Cowboy Chronicle[™], COWBOY ACTION SHOOTING[™], bow-legged cowboy design, Wild Bunch[®], Wild Bunch Action Shooting[®] and the rocking horse design are all trademarks of The Single Action Shooting Society, Inc. The Single Action Shooting Society grants permission for the use of all SASS trademarks, registered, and copyright materials for use in the presentation of your **SASS Wild Bunch Action Shooting State Championship**. It is understood this permission to use all SASS trademarks, registered, and copyright materials is for the presentation of your SASS Wild Bunch Match, for a period of one year, beginning six-months prior and ending six-months following your event. This permission will not transfer to any other projects without express written permission of SASS.

Term of Agreement:

This agreement is for calendar year 2013 only.

If you agree to and accept the terms of the aforementioned, please fill out and sign in the designated areas below and return to the address on this letterhead:

Affiliated Host Club: _____

State Wild Bunch Match Title: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: () _____ FAX: () _____ e-mail: _____

Representative: _____ Title: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Acknowledgement:

SASS Representative: _____ Title: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

* (“single card” means no other titles, words, or logos can be printed on the same line.)