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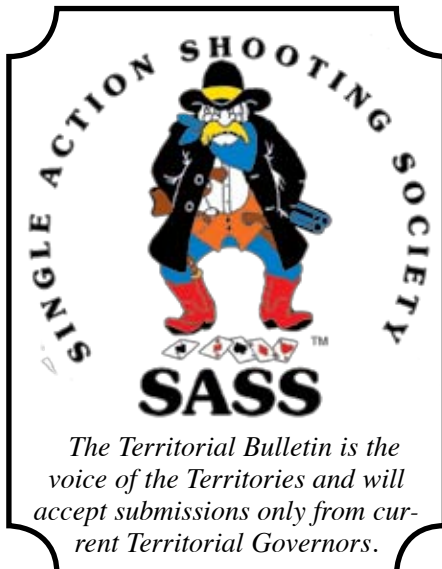
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THE NINTH ANNUAL TERRITORIAL GOVERNOR'S SUMMIT

by Coyote Calhoun, SASS #201

Our ninth Annual Summit is now behind us. We had 180 Territorial Governors representing 270 clubs. This is one of the largest gatherings of Territorial Governors to date. It seems only yesterday we were in the New Frontier Hotel for the first Summit in 1999. At that first Summit we talked about Power Factors and bullet velocities and it was tabled until we could gather more information. I don't think anyone would have thought it would have taken this long but we finally have a rule that is workable and fair. The rule simply reads:

Beginning at End of Trail 2008, the minimum standard for ammunition used in all smokeless categories at State, Regional, National, International and World



Championship Competitions shall be not less than a minimum power factor of 60 and no velocity may be less than 400 fps. The maximum velocity standard for revolvers will remain as 1000 fps. The maximum velocity standard for rifles will remain as 1400 fps. Buckaroo Category shooters choosing to use centerfire ammunition in handguns and/or rifles must also meet all power factor and velocity requirements. Pocket Pistols and Derringers are exempt from the Power Factor and velocity requirements.

The format this year was like the three day format we had last year, which worked very well. The first two days were agenda item discussions and Saturday was reserved for reports from committees, open discussion items, and a Range Officer Refresher and Rules Clarification Session. The Range Officer Refresher and Rules Clarification Session has been very enlightening and beneficial to all that have attended.

Also, in the past nine years we have had 18 Territorial Governors to attend all nine Summits. Next year, being our tenth, we will be doing some special things to recognize all the people that have helped to make our Territorial Governor's Summit a success. So, mark on your calendars December 4 -7, 2008, and let's make the tenth annual Summit the largest in our history. *

Mounted Territorial Summit

By Wild Cat Kate, SASS #7873

The 2007 SASS Mounted Territorial Summit was a great success. The meeting began with Coyote Calhoun, a Wild Bunch member, announcing the solid commitment SASS has to the mounted shooting program. Coyote acknowledged that there are rumors to the effect that SASS is ending mounted shooting after the last Marketing Director left the Wild Bunch - but assured us "that is not so" and wants the National Advisory Board and the TG's to take it from the horse's mouth that, "SASS is excited about mounted shooting and continuing forward full throttle with the program - and that is the message SASS wants out there".

There will be two National Mounted Championships; the Eastern in Florida and the Western in Tombstone, Arizona. Coyote Calhoun said that the two SASS assistants, headquartered in the SASS New Mexico office, Lou Ann, marketing assistant and Prairie Mary, SASS Clubs Administrator, are committed to supporting the mounted shooting program.

There was a discussion at the meeting announcing the Official National Advisory Board Members, their roles and how the interaction works within the organization. Two new members of the nab were introduced: Kid Dilligaf is from Florida; and Coyote Calhoun will represent the Wild Bunch. Note: SASS will be identifying the nab members by title or region in the future. *

2007 SASS Territorial Governor Summit Minutes

Thursday's opening session of the SASS 9th Annual Territorial Governors Summit was begun by a call to order at 9:00 a.m. by Hipshot. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance, a moment of silence and a special remembrance in memory of the anniversary of Pearl Harbor Day and all veterans who have served for their country.

Hipshot and was followed by introductions of the administrative staff, RO Committee and Wild Bunch members present.

Moderator– Hipshot SASS #7

SASS Marketing Director – Coyote Calhoun SASS #201

Recording Secretary/Parliamentarian – San Quinton SASS #4818

RO Committee Representative and Time Keeper – Quick Cal SASS #2707

Prairie Mary – SASS Clubs Administrator

Hipshot recognized the Territorial Governors who have attended all nine of the TG Summit sessions. Eighteen in attendance have attended all nine Summits as follows:

Padre PW, Kizmet, Oh Well, Snakebite, The Elder Katie, Palewolf Brunelle, Rattlesnake Blake, Crosscut, Wagonmaster, Lester Moore, Big Hat, Slow Poke Wyoming, Texas Jack Morales, More or Les, Shenandoah, Quick Cal, Coyote Calhoun, Hipshot

Hipshot outlined the purpose of the TG Summit along with the goals and objectives of the sessions.

Hipshot explained the voting structure and mechanics. The rules as written in the TG Bulletin will be enforced and strictly adhered to. Territorial Governors and the official proxy holders will vote via ballots on Saturday, and the votes are binding if passed by at least a 2/3s majority. Time limits are allotted for each agenda item. Unused time will be allowed to carry over to other items.

Hipshot recognized Coyote Calhoun who announced a new standard for velocities adopted by the Wild Bunch. The Wild Bunch has done extensive research over the last year to come up with this new standard which will go into effect at End of Trail 2008. This standard will only affect State, Regional, National and World level matches. Additional information will be added after discussion with the RO Committee as to the penalty phase.

To assist clubs and matches checking power factors, Dillon Precision has created a “Chronographing Kit” just for SASS Clubs. It consists of the CED Millennium 2 chronograph, a D-Terminator Digital Scale, and a kinetic bullet Puller (stock #09998), the

cost is \$309.00, is a 15% discount over ordering each item separately. A tripod can be included with a similar discount.

After all of the agenda items were covered, Hipshot asked for additional discussion about the minimum velocity penalty options. Ol #4 offered the use of the same penalty rules as within the Black Powder Smoke rules. There was a good deal of support for this idea. Other discussion followed about implementing a penalty that would still allow shooters to compete while using loads that may not meet the minimums. It was clarified that the minimum velocity rules apply only to smokeless ammunition. Consideration needs to be given as to the current rule verbiage.

The entire first session was spent discussing the action shooter agenda items. First session was adjourned at 11:04 a.m. by Hipshot.



Second session called to order at 9:09 a.m. by Hipshot.

Hipshot announced the combination of the RO and External Modifications committee have been combined into one RO Committee for the future.

Hipshot reported that the Power Factor Rules apply only to Non-Black Powder Categories. The penalty for not meeting the minimum power factor rules will be a 30 second Spirit of the Game.

Voting issues were clarified.

Open Discussion Items were covered as detailed below.

Action Shooting Voting ballots were disbursed at 11:00 A.M. Votes were cast, and the meeting was adjourned

Editor - Tex

Conscience - Judge Roy Bean

Governor Liaison - Hipshot

Marketing Director - Coyote Calhoun

Contributing Editor - Coyote Calhoun

Layout & Design - Coyote Calhoun

Clubs Administrator - Prairie Mary

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at 11:15 a.m. There were 180 Club Governors or representatives present and 96 proxies represented. The total possible votes available this year is 276.

Second session was adjourned at 11:15 a.m.



Third session called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Hipshot

Additional Open Discussion Items were covered as detailed below.

Hipshot introduced Birdshot SASS #3616 to offer some information about the practice of “Coning” or crimping shotgun shell to a smaller gauge (i.e. 12 gauge sized down to 16 gauge). Testing by the technical staff at Hodgdon Powder Company has been done using traditional load data and SAAMI standard testing equipment. The “Coned” load test results exceeded the recommended maximum SAAMI standards by as much as 7000 PSI. Therefore effectively immediately, this process will not be allowed and the use of such ammunition will be considered as illegal ammunition. The discussion of “ringing” shotgun shells was discussed and an announcement about this practice was also made. Scoring shotgun shell hulls with a sharp blade is known as “ringing” and essentially makes the round a slug. Therefore effectively immediately, this process will not be allowed and the use of such ammunition will be considered as illegal ammunition. The attendees were reminded that the penalty for the use of illegal ammunition in any SASS match is a Match Disqualification.

Blackjack Zak was recognized to offer some new potential ideas about SASS Categories.

Combine Traditional & Modern to create another age based division within the 30's – 35er?

This information will be added to the Regional discussion process over the next year.

Information from Quick Cal, Chairman of the RO Committee, was presented to update the entire TG body on matters that have come before the committee.

Changes in verbiage and corrections of conflicts within the RO material clarifications will continue to be made as situations arise.

Specifically, cocked firearms leaving the shooter's hands has been identified as a potential conflict within the RO materials. All references to cocked firearms leaving the shooter's hands within the RO materials and Handbook will be reviewed and modified as necessary.

An 1887 Winchester shotgun was presented to the RO Committee for review. This shotgun had been modified with an “improved two shot drop mechanism” which includes an externally visible screw. This modification is not an approved external modification at this time.

The Territorial Governor Forum is intended to allow an open debate/discussion of items of interest regarding our sport. Those discussions must be kept on the TG Forum ONLY. Posting them to the regular wire forums or providing the information to non-TG members creates hard feelings and make the process MUCH more difficult to achieve. Violators will receive a warning from the Moderators.

The remainder of this session was dedicated to refresher coverage and discussions about the RO courses and rule enforcement led by Quick Cal.

Page 6 RO I – Item G – need to have verbiage added to cover counting shots as one of the Timer Operator's responsibilities.

The voting results for action shooter items were distributed. The minutes of this meeting along with the minutes of all of the other TG meetings will be included in the Territorial Governor Bulletin at the some time during the year so all Governors can be aware of the information offered at this meeting.

Hipshot thanked all in attendance for their participation and invited them back for the 10th Anniversary TG Summit in 2008.

Third session was adjourned at 11:05 AM. *

A Special Thanks to San Quinton for writing and compiling the minutes of all the meetings.

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2007 SASS Territorial Governor Summit

Action Agenda Discussions

1. Should we change the current Classic Cowboy category rules to require Chaps and Spurs at all times and drop the other clothing requirements to three choices?

Cody Conagher made a motion to change the wording to add Chinks or Botas to the above statement. The motion was seconded and passed by a majority.

Several comments were made about heat factors created by Chaps, spurs requirements as a safety issue and such. Comments both for and against were made by many but the overwhelming consensus was that there were lots of other categories to choose from if Classic Cowboy seems too restricted.

Ol #4 clarified that these changes would really only impact State level and above matches.

2. As of now you may get as many Minor Safety penalties as you incur per stage. Should we change the rules to limit Minor Safety penalties to one per firearm per stage?

Discussion toward the continued need to encourage safety and the highest level and therefore should remain as is.

Pale Wolf Brunelle clarified that this change would limit minor safeties to a maximum of four minor safeties per stage. There are currently a few issues where a shooter can get two minor safety penalties such as loading too many rounds in a rifle and leaving a round on the carrier.

Discussion was also offered about a more “shooter friendly” option of not having more than one minor safety per firearm.

3. As of now you are not committed to the stage until the first round goes down range. Should we change the rule to read as follows: A shooter, if properly started, is committed to the stage once the timer sounds.

Hipshot offered some history as to why the current rule was put into place. This issue has arisen out of abuse of the current rule such as fumbling shotgun shells as the first firearm encountered.

It was offered that many of these issues can be addressed by stage design. Other discussion was offered as to how some of the abuse issues could be handled by the Timer Operator on the line.

Deadlee Headlee offered a motion to change the wording to allow no more than one restart per stage. A second was offered but the motion was defeated.

Discussion both in favor of and against changing the currently was offered from the floor. A great deal of argument ensued about allowing RO's to use common sense in allowing restarts.

4. The largest maximum shot size currently allowed is a #4. Should we change the maximum shot size to a #7 ½?

Some in attendance were opposed due to the use of reclaimed shot.

Local clubs currently have the ability to strengthened as long as those rules are published in advance.

5. Should we adopt the Proposed New Long Range Optical Category with the rules as follows:

(a) No length or power limitation on the scope. Scope tube body to be ¾” or less in diameter and any ocular or objective lenses, adjusting or assembly rings to be less than 1” in diameter.

(b) No internal scope adjustments for windage or elevation.

(c) Mounts are to be of a traditional style of the period and contain the windage and elevation adjustments for the scope in either, or both, the front or rear mounts. No click adjustments in the mount. Either dove tail mounting or scope block mounting is allowed.

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Tally of Votes - Action Shooter Items



Agenda Item	Item Text	For	Against	Abstain	Result
1	Should we change the current Classic Cowboy category rules to require Chaps, Chinks or Botas and Spurs at all times and drop the other clothing requirements to three choices? Percentage	112 40.58%	160 57.97%	4 1.45%	FAIL
2	As of now you may get as many Minor Safety penalties as you incur per stage. Should we change the rules to limit Minor Safety penalties to one per firearm per stage? Percentage	124 44.93%	150 54.35%	2 0.72%	FAIL
3	As of now you are not committed to the stage until the first round goes down range. Should we change the rule to read as follows: A shooter, if properly started, is committed to the stage once the timer sounds. Percentage	84 30.43%	190 68.84%	2 0.72%	FAIL
4	The largest maximum shot size currently allowed is a #4. Should we change the maximum shot size to a #7 ½? Percentage	72 26.09%	198 71.74%	6 2.17%	FAIL
5	Should we adopt the Proposed New Long Range Optical Category with rules as follows: (a) No length or power limitation on the scope. Scope tube body to be ¾" or less in diameter and any ocular or objective lenses, adjusting or assembly rings to be less than 1" in diameter. (b) No internal scope adjustments for windage or elevation. (c) Mounts are to be of a traditional style of the period and contain the windage and elevation adjustments for the scope in either, or both, the front or rear mounts. No click adjustments in the mount. Either dove tail mounting or scope block mounting is allowed. Original scope mounts of either the Cataract or Malcom style or variations thereof, or replicas or derivative conforms to the criteria of paragraph (c) above. This rule matches exactly with the NRA Rifle Silhouette Rules of March 2005. Percentage	242 87.68%	26 9.42%	8 2.90%	PASS

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Mounted Agenda Discussion and Voting

- Engaging the course without the consent of the Ranger Master shall be a penalty of 99.99 seconds. A flag or similar signal device must be used.

YES - 4 NO - 11 DIDN'T PASS

- Accidentally breaking the start timer during warm-up and before the Ranger Master has been given the OK to engage the course, shall incur no penalty and the timer shall be reset. The rider will be given a warning for that stage. A second breakage of the timer will result in a 99.99 second penalty.

YES - 15 NO - 0 PASSED

Minutes: Engaging the course and accidentally breaking the start timer were separated into two items. It was discussed and added that the MRO must use a flag or similar signal.

- Use the word target instead of the word balloon throughout the rule book.

YES - 15 NO - 0 PASSED

Minutes: Clear cut change, we moved on.

- A contestant receives a win toward a move up if he or she wins an Overall or Reserve position in a SASS sanctioned match, while placing above contestants in his or her Class or a higher Class, or if he or she beats the required number of contestants in his or her Class, regardless of gender, at a match with 15 contestants or greater.

YES - 4 NO - 11 DIDN'T PASS

Minutes: We discussed this to clarify the meaning and intent.

- It is required that all stage barrels be plastic and they be closed at both ends.

YES - 15 NO - 0 PASSED

Minutes: Motion passed that the word 'required' be added and the word 'stage' be added to this item.

- An accidental discharge of a round outside the arena before or after a run, will be a 99.99 second for the stage you were loaded for; if the competitor reloads

and shoots the pattern he or she shall be disqualified from the match.

YES - 15 NO - 0 PASSED

Minutes: Discussion revealed that all agreed a discharge of a round was a safety issue and should have a severe consequence.

- A competitor may shoot an entire set of 5 targets each with either hand while maintaining the designated course of fire.

Minutes: THIS AGENDA ITEM WAS STRICKEN - IT WAS DISCUSSED THAT IT IS REDUNDANT SINCE THERE IS NO RULE PROHIBITING THIS.

- CLOTHING

SASS puts a great deal of emphasis on costuming because it adds so much to the uniqueness of our game and helps create a festive, informal atmosphere that supports the friendly, fraternal feeling we encourage in our competitors.

Every contestant **MUST** be in costume at all match events, including dinners, award ceremonies, and dances.

SASS DRESS REQUIREMENTS FOR COMPETITORS

Shirts and Blouses: Long sleeve traditional western design may include snap button shirts, button up, lace up, smiley pockets, shield shirts, plaid shirts, denim shirts, leather shirts. Shirts may have appliqué, fringe, piping, embroidery, or different colored yokes. Sleeves may be rolled up to the forearm. Ladies may wear short sleeve western cowgirl or Victorian style shirt, peasant blouse, camisole.

Pants and Skirts: Traditional styled western pants. Jeans may be worn but must be worn with chaps or chinks over them. Ladies may wear split riding skirts, full-length dress or Victorian-styled long formal dress, Spanish, Indian style, or saloon girl dress is appropriate. Dresses may be short sleeve or sleeveless.

Headwear: Headwear must be worn for the entire match. Headwear may include western style felt cowboy hat, cavalry style felt hat, Mexican style sombrero of felt or straw, native American style headband with feathers, or protective headwear.

Footwear: Boots may be lace up or pull on and must be a traditional design of leather or leather looking material;

Mounted Agenda Discussion and Voting Continued

moccasins or military style boots must be of leather or leather looking material. Ladies may also wear Victorian style shoes or lace up shoes. They must be of leather (leather looking material), silk, or brocade fabric.

Accoutrements: Accoutrements are strongly encouraged. They may include, but are not limited to the following: gloves or gauntlets, scarves with slides or tied around the neck, coat, jacket, vest, frock coats, dusters, chaps, cuffs, belts or buckles, period watch, hat bands, sleeve garters, knife in sheath, botas, leggings, suspenders, sashes. Ladies may also wear period jewelry, period hair ornaments, snood, feather boa, cape, sashes, stockings, bustle, hoop, and corset.

You will not be allowed to compete unless you comply with the SASS dress requirements for mounted shooters.

OUTLAWED

The use or presence of any outlawed item is a Stage Disqualification

- Short sleeve shirts (Male competitors only)
- Hip-hugger or designer jeans
- Short sleeve tee shirts, long sleeve tee shirts, and tank tops for all competitors. Long sleeve Henley type shirts with buttons are acceptable.
- Spandex or other modern body-hugging material, fitted tops.
- Modern feathered cowboy hats (Shady Brady) Straw hats of traditional design (e.g. Stetson, Bailey, sombreros,) are acceptable.
- Ball caps
- All type of athletic shoes or combat boots no matter the material from which they are constructed
- Nylon, plastic, or Velcro accouterments.
- Promotional or sponsor's logos on tack or clothing are forbidden

Please use common sense on the fabric content, your choice of garments, accoutrements and hat; we are trying to achieve the look of the traditional Old West and classic cowboy and cowgirl. When in doubt, consult with the Match Director or other SASS official.

Mainly, SASS wants our participants to be safe, have fun, develop their competitive shooting skills, and enjoy the rich traditions of the Old West. We ask you join us in the friendly spirit of competition and preservation of our heritage.

YES - 15 NO - 0 PASSED

Minutes: Motion passed to add a consequence for non-compliance to dress requirements to read as follows: You will not be allowed to compete unless you comply with the SASS dress requirements for mounted shooters. It was discussed that this section is fair and comprehensive for the competitor and manageable for the match director.

Three items from 2006 TG Summit: were used in competition year 2007 and are to be voted on for ratification:

- No Alibi Rule – NO – 5 YES - 10 - PASSED

Proposal: A no alibi rule shall be put in place for all SASS sanctioned matches. There are no squibs, high primers, or misfires accepted. There shall be no rides or scoring adjustments for ammo problems.

- Two Balloon Rule - YES - 15 - PASSED

Proposal: If a contestant hits two or more balloons of the same color with one shot, the remaining round may be used to pick up a target of that same color that may have been missed while maintaining the designated course of fire.

- Description of a Match - YES - 15 - PASSED

A “match” is an event that provides the opportunity for division move-ups and points and is conducted under the rules and guidelines set forth in the SASS Mounted Shooters Hand Book. Yes 15

*Minutes: Discussion of alibi rule was varied; the point that rider has no control over squib was brought up. It was suggested that a gram scale be provided by match director for competitor to weigh rounds and be responsible to check primers. Two balloon rule wording was revised to reflect what was printed in the SASS 2007 Mounted Handbook – which made the rule very clear. **



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RO & Modifications Committees

Meeting Agenda

Meeting was called to order by Coyote Calhoun at 2:35 p.m., Thursday 12/6

Attendees: RO Committee: Quick Cal, Pale Wolf Brunelle, San Quinton, Coyote Calhoun, Tex, Hipshot

Modification Committee: Rowdy Yates, Cheyenne Culpepper, Snakebite, Rattlesnake Blake, Jubal Sackett, J T Wild

Wild Bunch: Coyote Calhoun, Hipshot, Tex, General US Grant

Guests: The Elder Kate, Lobo Joe, Blackjack Zak

General US Grant offered information on the SASS International information program. He and The Elder Kate will be working within the SASS International program foreign countries abroad in expanding the RO program and SASS in general. The process of the SASS RO Certificates needs to be expedited within the International Program.

The Elder Kate reported that her trips abroad in teaching have been very successful but the RO materials need some adjustments in some specific terms that do not translate very well. Tex and Coyote will undertake making the necessary changes within all of the SASS materials. The enthusiasm for SASS is growing rapidly.

Quick Cal was recognized and thanked for his tenure as Chairman of the RO Committee. The issue of appointing a new Chairman was discussed. Coyote Calhoun announced that the RO and Modifications committee will be collapsed into one as the continuation of the RO Committee. Blackjack Zak was invited as the newest member of the committee. Coyote expressed the desires of the Wild Bunch that a member of the Wild Bunch serve to chair the committee. San Quinton was appointed to continue as the Recording Secretary for the Committee.

In an attempt to expedite the External Modification Approval process, applications for new firearms and/or external modifications will be handled twice a year. End of Trail and the SASS Convention will serve as voting sites for approval or disapproval. The RO Committee will submit a report to the Territorial Governors prior to a voting session.

The penalty for shooting ammunition under the new Power Factor will be considered a Spirit of the Game violation. Shooters will be subject to random and suspect situations.

1) Should the Beretta Laramie be allowed to shot in the Traditional Category?

In Favor

2) SASS Reference Items (Handbook, RO Materials)?

Cocked Firearms leaving the shooter's hands. All references to cocked firearms leaving the shooter's hands within the RO materials and Handbook will be reviewed and modified as necessary.

3) Rule Enforcement

Saturday refresher session

4) Shotgun Shells

The process of downsizing shotgun shells to a smaller gauge has been researched and proven to be extremely dangerous due to increased pressures. Therefore, this process will not be allowed. Birdshot from Hodgdon Powder Company will address the Territorial Governors on Saturday morning about this issue.

Thou shalt not "ring" shotgun shells. Scoring shotgun shell hulls with a sharp blade is known as "ringing" and essentially makes the round a slug.

Shotgun shells may not be sized down by the use of any die not manufactured for the specific gauge.

5) Gun Malfunctions

If a competitor has a firearm malfunction that cannot cleared on the line, the shooter may not leave the berm/stage until the firearm has been cleared. A Match Disqualification will be awarded to the shooter if they leave the berm unless under the direct supervision of a Match Official.

6) Two Drop 1887 Modification

An 1887 Winchester shotgun was presented with an "improved two shot drop mechanism" which includes an externally visible screw. This modification is not an approved external modification.

7) Buckaroo Category Clarifications

Knockdown requirements – no matter what caliber Power Factor – Center fire calibers must meet PF 60

RO Committee meeting – 8:00 AM Saturday 12/8/07 *



Regional Championships Directors

Meeting Agenda

Meeting was called to order by Coyote Calhoun at 1:30 p.m., Thursday 12/6

Attendees: Southeast – San Quinton
 Northeast – Cody Conagher, Chuckaroo
 Midwest – Deadwood Stan, 7 Mile Tom
 Western – Desert Dawg, 5 Jacks
 Southwestern – T Bone Dooley, Red Dooley, Nuttin' Graceful, Billy Boots,
 Ringo Fire
 Northwest - Elder Kate
 High Plains-Deputy Cuny
 Winter Range-Lobo Joe, Black Jack Zak
 RO Committee – Palewolf Brunelle
 Wild Bunch – Coyote Calhoun, Tex,
 Hipshot

Coyote Calhoun is the contact person for the Regional events.

The Southwestern Regional will be with the Dooley Gang in 2008.

Coyote thanked all in attendance for successful regional events and encouraged everybody in attendance to work together to make their matches more successful.

Coyote announced that effective 2008, all Regional events will receive two full page black and white ads at no charge. SASS will now provide these advertisements instead of payments to the Regional events.

The SASS Regional event sponsors will remain essentially the same. There will be a new web page with all Regional Sponsor logos for publication updated regularly. All Regional events are encouraged to respond positively to the sponsors. A thank you should be sent to each sponsor.

Coyote discussed some safety issues at matches. One item was a broken gun issue. If a competitor has a firearm malfunction that cannot be cleared on the line, the shooter may not leave the berm until the firearms have been cleared.

The new Power Factor rule will be in place for all Regional level matches after End of Trail 2008. Coyote will be available to work with clubs if issues arise.

All regional events must submit registered shooters to the SASS office in advance of their match so that the membership database can be cross checked. Prairie Mary will be the contact person at the SASS Office to submit the information and any conflicts. The SASS Number and full alias are all that is required.

The Territorial Black Powder Championship program was discussed. These matches can be combined with a Regional match. All representatives reported good participation. Pins will be available once again from the SASS office.

Each Regional event will host a Territorial Governor meeting. Each event needs to provide administration for the meeting to be sent back to Coyote Calhoun for additional publication. All TG's from the region should be encouraged to attend the meetings at their respective events. Each Regional event is also required to schedule RO courses and should encourage instructors within the region to participate. Each Regional is encouraged to seek out new sponsors and vendors for their matches.

Tex reminded everybody to send an article and pictures to the SASS office quickly for the event. Match winners need to be sent to the SASS office along with pictures and names. If there is a particular picture that needs to be on the front page of the Chronicle, indicate so along with a caption. Notify the SASS office as soon as possible with match information and dates for the upcoming year.

Coyote announced that there is not a requirement to produce a mounted match as a part of the Regional Event Program. If it is available, that works well but is not required.

Meeting was adjourned at 2:15 P.M. *



State Championships Directors

Meeting Agenda

Meeting was called to order by Coyote Calhoun at 2:35 p.m., Friday 12/7

Attendees:

Railroad Road Bill – IL, Rattlesnake Blake – LA, Jubal Sackett – UT, R J Law – MI, Timber Smoke – MD, Yankee – MA, Padre PW – IN, JM Brown – NC, Chuckaroo – MD, Cody Conagher – WV, Shenendoah – CA, Joe Cross – WY, Terry Lane – WY, Lester Moore – PA, Palewolf Brunelle – OR, San Quinton – GA, Ricochet Robbie – WA, Crisco – WA, TA Chance – AZ, Mist Chance – AZ, Four Bucks – AK, J T Wild – UT, Puffbuster – UT, Cactus Kay – MI, The Lady – MI, Coyote Calhoun – Wild Bunch, Hipshot – Wild Bunch, Tex – Wild Bunch, Prairie Mary – SASS

Coyote Calhoun welcomed the attendees to the meeting.

All State events must submit registered shooters to the SASS office in advance (at least 30 days) of their match so that the membership database can be cross checked. Prairie Mary will be the contact person at the SASS Office to submit the information and any conflicts. The SASS Number and full alias are all that is required.

SASS will give first preference to clubs that hold at least six monthly matches annually. Application dates are from Jan 1 – May 1. If more than one club applies for the State Championship, the club will be chosen by the Territorial Governors from the State. If no application is received by May 1, SASS will generally award the State match to the first club to apply. Clubs who have previously held the State match will be notified by the SASS office for the upcoming application process. The State match application is not an online process within the SASS web site, so please contact Prairie Mary for the application. Club affiliation can be done via the same process. Clubs within each State are encouraged to work together if more than one club has a desire to host the State Championship.

Tex reminded everybody to send an article and pictures to the SASS office quickly for the event. Match winners need to be sent to the SASS office along with pictures and names. If there is a particular picture that needs to be on the front page of the Chronicle, indicate so along with a caption. Notify the SASS office as soon as possible with match information and dates for the upcoming year.

State Championships are encouraged to have some sort of fund raising effort for the SASS Scholarship Foundation.

Coyote Calhoun gave a short report on the progress of the SASS Scholarship Foundation and SASS Museum.

Coyote discussed some safety issues at matches. One item was a broken gun issue. If a competitor has a firearm malfunction that cannot be cleared on the line, the shooter may not leave the berm until the firearms have been cleared.

The new Power Factor rule will be in place for all State level matches after End of Trail 2008. Coyote will be available to work with clubs if issues arise.

Meeting was adjourned at 3:25 P.M. *

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Original scope mounts of either the Cataract or Malcom style or variations thereof, or replicas or derivative conforms to the criteria of paragraph (c) above.

This rule matches exactly with the NRA Rifle Silhouette Rules of March 2005.

Hipshot offered information about the use of original type optics. Examples of these optics were passed around for all in attendance to review. Snakebite clarified that NRA BPCR current rules allow the use of optics within the same categories as open iron sights. As a general rule, it is not considered an advantage to use original optics in long range events. Passing this item would only create one Optical Category and may grow into expanded options in the future. *

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