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THE 2009 MASON-DIXON STAMPEDE

By Salty Sal, SASS #34717, & Chuckaroo, SASS #13080 Photos Courtesy of Mr. Quigley Photography

hurmont, MD -The eighth annual Mason-Dixon Stampede (MDS) and Northeast Regional proved to be another outstanding match worthy of its 2008 SASS Match of the Year title. Despite the slightly menacing clouds on day one, the early-October Maryland weather turned out to be ideal throughout the match. Comfortable weather, prime facilities, and superb stages were a winning combination for the 2009 SASS Northeast Regional. Match attracted maximum registration numbers, with 410 shooters from Maine to Florida and Michigan to Texas and even New Mexico: many who were shooting the match for the first time and chomping at the bit for a return to next year's match before the awards were even announced. Rotating morning and afternoon posses provided ample time for the shooters to visit the many vendors assembled and indulge in the lure of the Gettysburg and Antietam civil war battle fields as well as the prox-

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Comfortable weather, prime facilities and superb stages attracted over 400 shooters to the 2009 SASS Northeast Regional – the Mason-Dixon Stampede.

imity to Washington DC and Baltimore attractions.

The match was dedicated in the memory of The Pasadena Kid, SASS #39658, who passed away this year. He was responsible for introducing Cowboy Action ShootingTM to the host club, the Thurmont Conservation & Sportsman's Club, when he brought Chuckaroo and Cody

Conagher to the board of directors to make a presentation on the sport. His widow, Pat Keller, was presented with a plaque in his honor.

This year's theme was the cowboy television series, with stage names and shooters' starting lines familiar to many. Known for putting the "action" in Cowboy Action ShootingTM, Cody Conagher, SASS

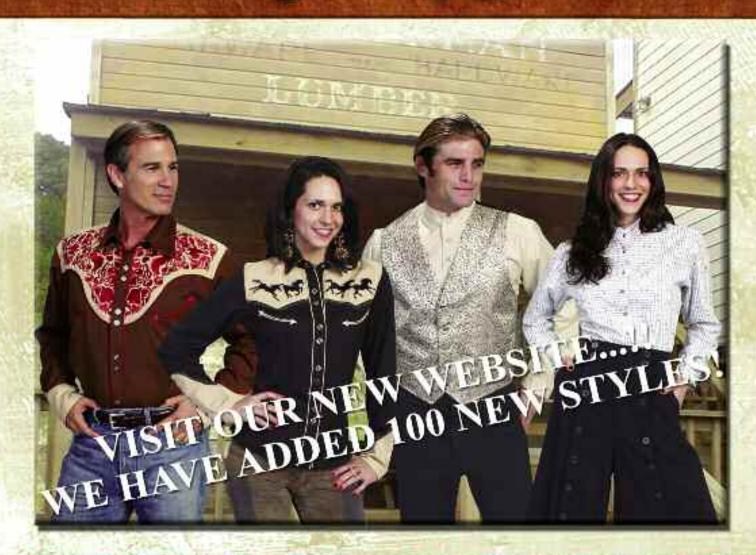
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Life/Regulator #6986, and Bull Shoals, SASS Life/Regulator #25400, designed fast and fun stages that were evident in the 68 clean matches and impressive times made by even the newest shooters. Over a hundred shooters had badge numbers above 60000, lending testament to the success of Chuckaroo's, SASS Life/Regulator #13080, new Cowboy Action clinics.

The four-day event provided plenty participation opportunities, with the Thursday Three-Stage Blast topping 180 shooters. Sunday's team shoot, a Three-man Scramble and brainchild of River Banks, SASS #55949, and No-One, SASS #52804, culminated in the white knuckle excitement of the Top Gun shootout. In keeping with the setting, this year's Top 16 Shootout was a true Mason-Dixon skirmish with Twin, SASS #9553, of West Virginia representing South of the line and Biloxi Bob, SASS #22644, of Pennsylvania North of the line. Following three pulse racing rounds of an ingenious knockdown only, head-to-head stage, tensions on both sides of the Mason-Dixon Line were high. After a firm handshake and the buzzer, the two were off to meet their destiny. Biloxi's expert shooting beat Twin to (Continued on page 70)

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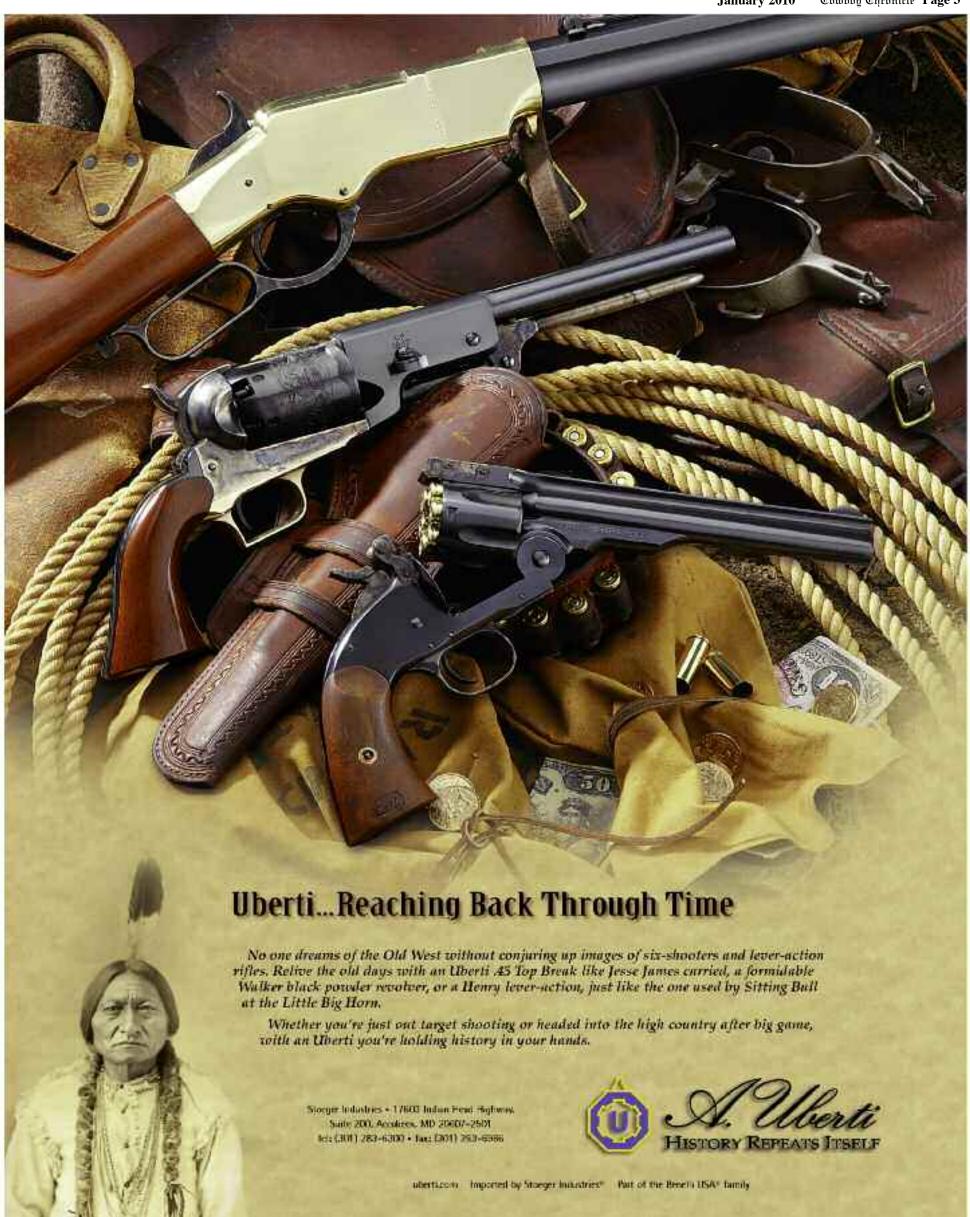


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A special horse reared its head in Carterton, NZ during the SASS 2009 NZ Regional! He jumped into a gallop with the touch of the spurs, and reared with a pull on the reins. Tex couldn't resist his best Wild West Show pose. He later clamped the reins in his teeth, and with a blazing six-gun in each hand, attacked the downrange targets at a full gallop ... hit most of 'um, too! There's a video floating around somewhere ...



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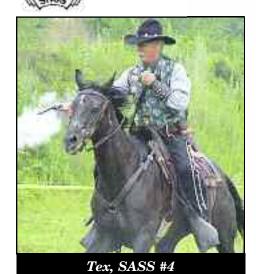
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he short answer is ... because

SASS Hall of Fame Inductee-

it's the right thing to do!

There are literally thousands of folks around the world who are playing Cowboy Action ShootingTM today who are not SASS members. Can one play Cowboy Action without being a member of SASS? Of course! Can one have fun, exciting, and innovative matches without being a member of SASS? Absolutely! Can one wear Old West costumes and giggle with their friends while playing with

WHY SHOULD JOIN SASS?

By Tex, SASS #4

19th Century firearms? Without question! Then, why join SASS?

I've often heard it said, "well, I don't travel to the 'big' matches ... and certainly not END of TRAIL ... so why should I join SASS?" There are also folks overseas that don't speak or read English ... and since SASS publications are all in English, why should I join SASS? And, of course, there are a small number of folks who just don't want to shell out one more dime than they have to for any reason.

So, why SHOULD anyone join SASS?

If there were no SASS, there would be no consistency to our game.
A local club can play Cowboy Action

anyway it wants, but don't expect anyone to come visit your club matches from very far away ... because they'll get unexpected surprises. With no SASS, every club will eventually begin to drift in its own direction ... soon it would be very inconvenient for anyone to travel great distances to attend matches ... the rules, standards, conventions, and even the allowable firearms would all eventually be unique for each club. A healthy SASS and active cadre of Territorial Governors provides the framework to ensure long term consistency, allowing even international matches to be attended with confidence by other SASS members from around the world.

In fact, in the international community it is precisely these consistent

"international" rules that allow Cowboy Action to even exist in many countries. When local authorities realize there is an 80,000 member international community that competes for bragging rights, there is a strong argument to allow the game in that country and to allow the cowboys to retain possession of their firearms so they can practice. It's especially meaningful when members of each country come to END of TRAIL and participate in this international competition for the greater glory of their homeland!

The selection of aliases is controlled by SASS during the registration process. To the extent possible, all aliases are unique and recorded. There is only one Larsen E. Pettifogger in the entire world. When match results are reported so the world can appreciate the prowess of our competitors, think how disappointing it is when a member reads of his alias winning a shooting category at a match he didn't attend. It's also a disappointment when a shooter is not allowed to use his "unofficial" alias, which he has used steadfastly for the past several years because it conflicts with a "real" SASS alias. If all Cowboy Action Shooters were SASS members, problems with



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duplicate aliases would be minimized.

There are some match directors who use the excuse "I'm afraid if I demand all participants in my annual match be SASS members, I'll lose shooters, and my match will be much smaller." Actually, experience to date suggests otherwise. When SASS began to sanction matches, part of the agreement with the match directors was to ensure all competitors were SASS members. Generally, these larger matches offer so much and are so enjoyable to shoot, people WANT to take part ... all the match director has to do is insist the shooter join SASS so they can participate. Have any of these matches ever lost a potential competitor because of this requirement? Sure. But, the numbers have always been very small ... and generally, even the holdouts decide the cost is low enough and enjoyment is high enough, it's worth the cost of a membership! There are a precious few who will refuse to join SASS ... and those few are invested with a bad attitude and are best left to go their own way.

By the way, SASS SANCTIONED matches are standalone matches ... they are never held "in conjunction" with a match sponsored or geared to another organization. One set of awards is appropriate, and they go to SASS members (the only participants). If another organization wants to have its own Cowboy Action championship competition, and it wants to

run the event in accordance with SASS rules, that's fine, but it cannot be a SASS sanctioned event. Internationally, SASS has recognized SASS AFFILIATED status for these events. The reason SASS introduced the SASS sanctioned State, Regional, National, and World Championships is to encourage SASS membership ... and it has worked beautifully, thanks to the committed match directors.

So, a strong SASS has been able to play a critical role in expanding SASS internationally. A strong SASS can ensure consistent competition rules. A strong SASS can continue publishing The Cotoboy Chronicle. A strong SASS can administer an extensive SASS web site containing membership information, club information, event information, and even a "members only" section with constantly changing information of special interest to SASS members, including shooting tips videos by SASS World Champions.

SASS memberships are what make SASS strong and politically influential. Even if you don't travel to SASS sanctioned events, domestically or internationally, your membership is vital in maintaining a framework where consistent Cowboy Action matches can be held and enjoyed by members around the world. If you have friends who play cowboy, but are not SASS members, please encourage them to join ... it's the right thing to do!



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SASS MEMBERS INVOLVED IN PBS' "American Experience: Wyatt Earp"

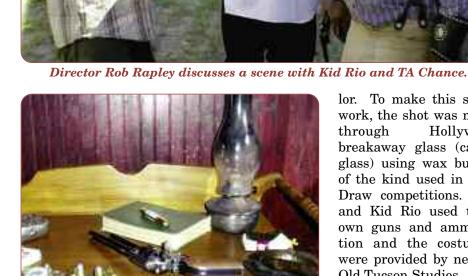
By Kid Rio, SASS #2741 Photos by Katie Lord, Production Assistant

The story of Wyatt Earp and the shootout near the OK Corral has certainly been treated many times. Well, get ready for one more time. However, of interest to SASS members is the fact several members of the Single Action Shooting Society were brought in to help with this production. The show AMERICAN EXPERIENCE: WYATT EARP will air on PBS Television at 9pm (check local listings) January 25, 2010.

The program was written, produced, and directed by New York filmmaker Rob Rapley who was involved in creating films for television, including last year's American Experience productions on Native American history. Rapley also wrote, produced, and directed the PBS film Buffalo Bill. PBS has also done Wild West biographies on Jesse James, Annie Oakley, and Kit Carson.

Director Rapley hired Jim Dunham (Kid Rio, SASS #2741) and TA Chance, SASS #4072, as firearms handlers for the filming of the gunfight and aftermath.

A special ultra speed camera was used to create a super slow motion effect in which the projectiles can actually be seen exiting the muzzles of both Colt Peacemakers and double-barreled shotguns. Because the film people wanted to film live ball ammunition being fired, they contacted SASS personally to make sure it was a safe shoot. The shooting and filming was done on the same sets

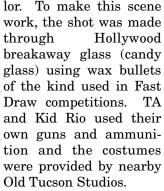


The Colt is now ready for action.

used for the filming of the movie Tombstone in Mescal, Arizona. This worked out fine for TA and his wife, Judy (Mist Chance, SASS #15392),

> who live in Tucson, but Kid Rio had to fly in from Atlanta, Georgia.

> A backstop of alfalfa hay bails three deep and three high was used for the firing, and of course, the crew or anyone was not allowed anywhere downrange. Some very interesting special effects were used, especially to create the shooting of Morgan Earp the evening of March 18, 1882 through a glass window of Campbell and Hatch's Tombstone billiard par-



Dunham was also used as an Old West history authority in the "talk-

ing head" section of the film, and he shares time with a number of top Earp historians, including Casey Tefertiller, who wrote the fine Earp



"Kid Rio," Jim Dunham, readies the shotgun.



TA and Mist Chance watch a scene being set up.



Jim Dunham cleans a Colt for an upcoming scene.

biography "Wyatt Earp, The Life Behind the Legend," John Wiley & Sons, 1997, and Gary Roberts who has written the definitive biography of Georgia dentist turned shootist, John Henry Holliday, "Doc Holliday, The Life and Legend," Wiley Press, 2006.

Since the early 1930's, beginning with Walter Huston in "Law and Order" through Kevin Costner in "Wyatt Earp," the famous Tombstone street fight has been told mostly through the lens of myth. Our hope is this latest effort will bring us closer to the real story.

> Kid Rio Jim Dunham Director of Special Projects Booth Western Art Museum Cartersville, Georgia 🔔



TA Chance sets up a shotgun scene for filming.

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By Pearl Snaps, SASS #85767

he National Day of the Cowboy organization is proud to spotlight the dedication and hard work of SASS member, Dakota Ace (aka Dakota Livesay), by selecting him to receive its Cowboy Keeper Award. He represents a significant force in the preservation efforts of all who believe knowledge of our pioneer history and the embracing of our Cowboy culture adds a vital and enriching dimension to our lives. Dakota Ace, publisher of *Chronicle* of the Old West, will be recognized with a 2009 Cowboy Keeper Award, presented by the National Day of the Cowboy 501(c)(3) Organization and its Board of Directors. The award is traditionally bestowed upon individuals and organizations that make a substantial contribution to the preservation of pioneer heritage and cowboy culture.

Arizonan Dakota Ace, publisher, historian, writer, western promoter extraordinaire, and on-air radio personality, is aptly described by some as "a one-man Old West reality show." Among his numerous endeavors and accomplishments, Dakota publishes Chronicle of the Old West, a monthly newspaper comprised of actual 1800's articles, which he developed in an effort to teach people about the real cowboys versus the 'reel' cowboys. A syndicated radio show of the same name grew from the publishing format. (Continued on next page)



Dakota Livesay has been tapped to receive a 2009 Cowboy Keeper Award from the National Day of the Cowboy in July.



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(from Left to right)

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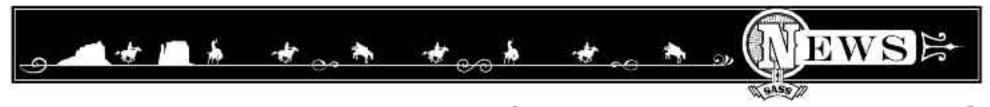


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2009 Cowboy Keeper Award . . .

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Five days a week, Dakota tells stories about people and events from the old West on 140 radio stations. He also has a 60 station, one-hour weekly show, interviewing those who are deeply involved in preservation of pioneer heritage. Dakota was the first to get behind the National Day of the Cowboy in its effort to support the Desert Cowboys while they were deployed to Iraq and Afghanistan. He pens a column for Cowboys & Indians Magazine, too, but not satisfied with history alone, he recently formed "Living the Code Foundation," to encourage others to embrace the precepts that made it possible to succeed on the frontier. Interlaced with these many pursuits is Dakota's active involvement in SASS.

"Here's the thing about the Old West," says Dakota, "No other country has had an era that we had with the Old West. The Pilgrims came here about 400 years ago; for 300 of those 400 years, we've had a frontier, and it's our frontiers that have made us the great country we are."

The Cowboy Keeper Award was conceived in support of the National Day of the Cowboy organization's mission to increase awareness for the Day of the Cowboy; a day of heritage celebration proclaimed by the U.S. Senate, the U.S. House, and various state legislatures, mayors, and governors, every fourth Saturday in July since 2005.

Past recipients of the Cowboy Keeper Award include U.S. Senator Craig Thomas, the Cheyenne Frontier Days Executive Committee, the Golden Boot Organization, the Old Cowtown Museum, rancher Dorothy Wood, Producer Julie Ream, the Silver Spur Organization, U.S. Congresswoman Gabrielle Giffords, and singer/songwriter Michael Martin Murphey.

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SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

FROM ROY ROGERS JR.

Thave been personally agonizing Lover how to start this letter. I guess I will start by saying, "thank you." Thank you for the years of love, support, prayers, and loyalty to the Rogers Family. You, the fans, and our Board of Directors, are the ones who have kept our family's museum going for over 42 years. It has been a wonderful ride. After millions of visitors and countless stories of what Roy and Dale have meant to you, the Board of Directors have voted to close our doors of the Museum at the end of 2009. This has not been an easy decision. Many very emotional and financial issues have been addressed by all of us, as you can well imagine.

The decision to close the Museum has come after two years of steady decline in visitors to the Museum. A lot of factors have made our decision for us. The economy for one, people are just not traveling as much. Dad's fans are getting older and concerned about their retirement funds. Everyone is concerned about their future in this present economy. Secondly, with our high fiscal obligations we cannot continue to accumulate debt to keep the doors open. This situation is one I have not wanted to happen. Dad always said, "If the museum starts costing you money, then liquidate everything and move on." Myself and my family have tried to hold together the Museum and collection for over 15

years, so it is very difficult to think it will all be gone soon.

What will happen to Roy Rogers, Jr. and his family? For those of you that have heard I am retiring, nothing could be farther from the truth. My company, Golden Stallion, and its show tribute to Roy and Dale, will continue. I plan on taking the show to another venue in Branson. We are looking for space now. The show will also be available to travel around the country and take the message of Roy and Dale wherever we travel. I feel this country needs the message Roy and Dale always put forth, not only in their professional lives, but in their private lives as well.

The Museum's last day of operation was December 12th.

Please keep us in your thoughts and prayers. Remember, Roy Rogers and Dale Evans will live forever in our hearts and minds, and will continue to ride across the silver screen through their movies. Every time you think of Roy and Dale, that warm feeling you have always felt, will always return.

Watch our website for further announcements and special dates.

I leave you all with Dad's favorite saying—Good bye, Good luck, and may the good Lord take a likin' to ya! See you in Branson, or on the road.

Love to all of you! Happy Trails Dusty and Family.

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PROUD & HURT 10/2009

confess I was a bit taken aback by Rawhide Buck's negative experiences when visiting "a few clubs," as mentioned in the October 2009 Cowboy Chronicle. We all know stuff happens. However, when I saw his state of residence, I knew I had to write this note. I am a newcomer to Cowboy Action Shooting $^{\text{TM}}\dots$ with a little difference. I was born without any left arm (shoulder disarticulation). Dangerous Dan Dalton and the other Blue Hill Regulators (of Blue Hill, MAINE) not only made me feel welcome, but also came up with a way in which I could compete safely with a rifle. In my experience their attitude was refreshing and affirming. I do not expect to win any championships, although I have hopes to shoot a clean match some day ...

Like many others I was drawn to Cowboy Action ShootingTM/SASS as much by the history bug as anything else. (Okay the opportunity to dress up and buy more new guns had its appeal as well.) In the same issue of

The Combon Chronicle Boots Selleck tackled the belt vs. suspenders (or braces, or galluses, etc.) It is my understanding US Army regs specified either by the time of the Spanish American War. In fact, I recall one clothing supplier advertising 'Roosevelt Trousers.' This referred, I'm sure, to the Rough Riders of 1898. Since the 19th Century US Army was one of the more conservative organizations going, they insisted up until 1917 even their repeating rifles generally be used as single shots with an appropriate cut-off to disable the magazine. Officers who clung to the notion of disciplined volley fire, would never have adopted the belt loop innovation,' unless it had become reasonably common among civilians. A patent search for the belt loop inventor may be in order. However, I suspect it may have come from some anonymous tailor at Brooks Brothers. That store having supplied suits to not only politicians like Abe Lincoln, but also uniforms to T.R. and George Patton.

> Leverton the Pinkerton, SASS #77994 Scotia, NY ...

A REVERSAL OF FORTUNES ARTICLE BY LARSEN E. PETTIFOGGER

Being a very mechanically challenged individual (though I can remove the forearm and barrels from my Stoeger), I decided it best not to attempt the trigger reversal Mr. Pettifogger describes. I did, though, want to decrease the time between firing the right and left barrels of my Stoeger. What I came up with definitely does speed up my time. Instead of pulling the front trigger first and then the rear one, why not reverse the order? Hmmmmm, sounds good, but how do I do that without finger fumbling? Answer: pull the rear trigger first with the middle (or "bird") finger and the front trigger with the forefinger.

You start at the line with the gun open and empty. Drop in your shotgun shells. Snap the gun shut. Keep your forefinger lying along the side of the gun. Pull the rear trigger with

your middle finger, and then slip in your forefinger and pull the front trigger. I'd advise against putting both fingers on both triggers at the same time to minimize screw-up potential. If your shotgun has both barrels with the same choke, or has removable (and therefore reversible) chokes, this solution will work fine.

Kidd Krystin, SASS #70544 Grants Pass, OR 🎩

10 WORST BEST SHOTS BY THE CAPGUN KID

In the November 2009 issue, *The Capgun Kid* wrote the Number Two Worst Best Shot in the History of Cowboy Movies was Jimmy Stewart in "Winchester '73." It was a postage stamp Jimmy Stewart took off of a letter that was placed on a washer, not a piece of tape. An expert marksman, Herb Parsons, successfully accomplished the shot. Please forward and send my regards to *The Capgun Kid*.

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In the spring of 2008, Sebec Ranger, SASS #46714, stopped at our headquarters to see what the National Day of the Cowboy (NDOC) was about. When he arrived home, he encouraged the Pelham Fish & Game SASS chapter in New Hampshire to celebrate the Cowboy Day and to fly a National Day of the Cowboy flag at the Great Nor'Easter SASS Regional.

Not only did they incorporate the NDOC flag in that event, but they sent a fabulous picture of it flying with the Stars and Stripes. They also auctioned a Cowboy Keeper print and sent the funds they raised from it to our organization along with a suggestion we use part of the money to join SASS because its members are devoted to keeping the spirit of the West alive. We're proud of our new SASS membership and look forward to attending some matches to learn more about the workings of the organization and to get to know more members.

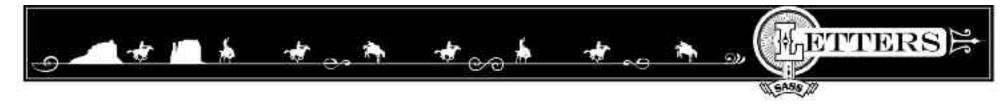
In 2009, Sebec Ranger enlisted the Big Pine Bounty Hunters in Willimantic, Maine, to fly the NDOC flag, too. Also this year, Pelham Fish & Game held their second Cowboy Day celebration and, way back in 2006, the Dalton Gang of New Hampshire became the first SASS group to fly the Cowboy flag. I would just like to say how much we appreciate the interest in a Cowboy Day shown by so many SASS members and groups, and how grateful we are for their support and encouragement.

SASS NEW ENGLAND CLUBS CELEBRATE NATIONAL DAY OF THE COWBOY

By Pearl Snaps #85767







FRIENDLINESS AND THE SPIRIT OF THE GAME

On our recent vacation through the state of New Mexico, my wife and I saw the SASS head-quarters along side I-40 in Edgewood, NM and decided to just drop in and visit. And, that we did. We were met by friendly folks who were more than happy to visit and make us feel at home.

Having a very erratic work schedule that never works out quite right, I thought I might never get to END of TRAIL or any other event at Founders Ranch since we don't get very far away from home but every 10 years or so, I asked if it were possible to go see Founders Ranch. And right away Prairie Mary, SASS #48835, set about to make that happen. She led us out to the ranch and showed us all the facilities, shooting bays, and targets with an enthusiastic explanation of all that goes on at END of TRAIL.

Thanks, Prairie Mary, and all

the gang for the tour and the friendly attitude with which we were greeted. The Spirit of the Game was evident, and the game was not even on!

Cactus Dave, SASS #81110
Butterfield Trail Regulators
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OKIES ARE GOOD FOLKS, TOO!

would like to offer my sincere thanks and a tip of the hat to the fine folks of Sillwater, Oklahoma's Cherokee Strip Shootists. While traveling on business, I found myself with an unanticipated weekend stayover in the Stillwater area. With time to kill, I located the Cherokee Strip Shootists in The Combon Chronicle and then the club website. I communicated with Querida Kate as a courtesy to make sure it was OK to come out to observe their November match and kibitz a bit. The next thing I knew she provided guns and ammunition and had me scheduled to shoot the match, which turned out to be their Annual Match!

All the folks at the match from the Stillwater, Tulsa, and Oklahoma City area took me in, made me feel welcome, and were great ambassadors of the Cowboy Way. In particular, Querida Kate and Paladenton went out of their way to make a stranger welcome. These are great folks, and I highly encourage you to make their acquaintance.

Aggie Desperado, SASS #39761 Magnolia, TX 🎩

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WHAT WOMEN WORE: A Primer For Cowboy Action Shootingtm

Chapter 5 - The Grand (Hard, Late) Bustle Era: 1883(2) - 1889(90)

By Miz Annie Ross, SASS #60919

y the early 1880's, the bustle was beginning to come back! Skirts remained slim in front and on the sides, but very full over a high shelf-like bustle jutting out from the waist in the back. The fullness over the buttocks was balanced by a fuller, lower bust line creating an S-Shaped silhouette. Compared to the soft curves created by the bustles of the 1870's, this profile resembled a small triangle set on the front of a very large square.

The knees were no longer constrained, and most dresses no longer had trains, so walking should have been easier, BUT the weight of the fabrics used and the extension of the heavier bustle structure in the back prevented any real ease of movement. Many fabrics were heavy, upholstery-type material, and the beading, fringe, and furs used as trimmings added even more weight. While summer costumes used lighter fabric, there were still many layers.

Skirts: A petticoat-like underskirt was worn under as many as three draped overskirts. The underskirt might match or contrast with the overskirt.

Querida Kate, SASS #25555, models an amethyst gown of duponi silk with waterfall draping in

Clementine, wears a purple silk brocade dress with much draping and a matching underskirt. It was heavy! Photo courtesy of Major Photography

the back.

size and style of the draped overskirts. Most draping was in the back, but pannier overskirts, with side draping, were also seen. Tapes or elastic bands might be

There was great variety in both the

sewn into the side seams of skirts to control fullness. Drapery on the bustle might also be tied. Bustle pads were sometimes sewn into skirts and steel stays sewn into the bustle area to lift and support the drapery.

Petticoats of this era were very full in the back and had tape ties to create this fullness. The average petticoat was about four yards at the hem and stiffened with horsehair or crinoline. An elaborate evening train might be laced or buttoned onto an everyday petticoat for eveningwear. (Trains were usually seen only on eveningwear.)

Bodices: While similar in some respects to the Cuirass (e) bodice of the Natural Form Era, the bodice of this era was usually shorter and ended above the hips on the sides, but was longer and pointed in the front to cover a fashionably round tummy. Many bodices buttoned down the front rather than being laced up the back.

As the skirt increased in volume and detail, the bodice became plainer. Bodices for day wear became more tailored as shawl collars and revers were added to simulate vests and jackets

Daytime necklines were high with a collar. Choker necklaces and jeweled collars became popular due to the influence of Alexandra, Princess of Wales, who wore them to hide a scar on her neck

Evening dresses were high on the shoulder, often without any sleeve, and low cut both in back and in front. Because of this lower front neckline. bust-improvers were available for ladies who might need them to enhance their figure. These were made of rubber, fabric and stuffing, or of wire mesh, and were worn inside the corset.

Sleeves: It was the sleeves that created variety in the bodices of the



Green-Eyed Gypsy, SASS #60086, wears a flowerpot hat typical of this era that was made for her by Sweet Violet, SASS #51200, based on a fashion plate from Godey's Magazine.



Tensleep's maternal great-grandmother, **Holland Smith Corbett** Jenkins, wears the simple hairstyle typical of this era (photo c. 1886).

1880's. Early in the decade, they were set high on the shoulder, extending to the wrist for daywear. By 1883, three-quarter length sleeves were seen. Throughout the decade, sleeves were straight, simple, and fitted, but by 1888, the top of the sleeves began to become fuller, puffed, and rounded, foreshadowing the sleeve styles of the 1890's.

Fabric: Upholstery-type fabrics were common and with all the layers, a dress might weight 10 pounds! Winter dresses were often made of wool, with gingham, batiste, and crepe de Chine for warmer weather. Sateen and heavy silk were worn year-round.

Solid colors were most popular. but stripes, dots, and muted floral prints were also seen. Gem tones such as ruby red, emerald green, sapphire blue, and amber were popular throughout the decade with softer shades of pink, yellow, light green, and sky blue appearing in the latter 1880's.

Hats: Both bonnets and hats had curvy brims. Bonnets had ribbons that tied behind the ears and under the chin. Hats of felt had tall crowns and closerolled brims. Leghorn hats of Italian straw, trimmed with flowers, were also worn. Headgear was as ornate as the gowns with feathers, ribbons, flowers, and birds (sometimes live birds!) used to create elaborate trimmings.

Hats were often peaked to complete the apex of the triangle. These peaked hats, some called flower pot hats, rather than the small hat worn tipped forward is a way to distinguish this Late Bustle Era from the Early Bustle Era.

Hair: Styles were generally simple and the hair was worn close to the head. Most women still wore a bun at the nape of the neck with bangs. Hair was usually pulled back at the sides with a low knot, a cluster of ringlets, or a French twist in back. Later in the era, hair was swept up to the crown or to the top of the head. Bangs remained popular through the decade, either straight or curled over the forehead.

For eveningwear, ladies adorned this same hairstyle with ribbons, bows or flowers, or other ornamentation.

To find out more about the Late Bustle Period and to learn about other styles of the Victorian Era, email <u>MizAnnieRoss@dixiecowgirls.org</u> to purchase a copy of her book What Women Wore: A Primer for Cowboy Action Shooting $^{ extsf{TM}}$ Cowgirls. $extsf{ extsf{1}}$

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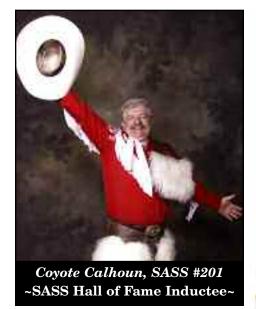


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he SASS Convention and Wild West Christmas is over! I'm back home decompressing from the non-stop frenzy associated with the Convention. This year's Convention was excellent and not to be missed. One of the new attractions this year was the SASS / Wild West Performing Arts Society (WWPAS). The biggest names in Rope-Spinning, Whip-Cracking, Gun-Twirling, and Knife-

Throwing were there, vying to become the World Champion Performer in each category. There were some great performances, making this one of the closest contests ever. The winners were:

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Anthony Delongis} Gun Spinning Co-Champions ~ "Pistol Packin' Paula & Hotshot Johnny Tuscadero" {Reserve Champion ~
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"Dan Mink"
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"Dan Mink!"

Next year the SASS / WWPAS competition will be bigger and even better and there is plenty of

space to grow. Incidentally, there were also numerous seminars where these folks happily passed along their knowledge in these "cowboy disciplines." It was a wonderful opportunity to learn to throw a knife, twirl a rope, crack a whip, and spin a gun!

The Convention started with a FREE continental breakfast, the Wooly Awards, and an inspira(Continued on next page)

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tional speech by NRA President Ron Schmeits. The doors to the Convention Hall then swung open!

Although there were a few less vendors than last year, all of the attending vendors were stocked and ready to go. Thursday sales were great, and merchandise flew off the shelves. Several told me this was one of the best SASS Conventions they have ever had in terms of sales. (SASS Members apparently are not participating in the so-called economic recession!) And, from the looks of the bags being carried out, there were many happy shoppers!

Other Convention activities were well attended. The Classic Cowboy Dance floor was crowded and the music provided by Syd Masters and the Swing Riders upbeat. Syd and his band are great, and we are very fortunate to have them so close to us in New Mexico.

Continuing on with Friday, The SASS Hall of Fame inducted six new members. It is wonderful to watch the videos that show the inductees' accomplishments. It was a great honor for me to be inducted this year. It was made more special by having some of my immediate family in attendance, and, of course, having my SASS family there. Friday continued with "How the West Really Was." This is my favorite part of the Convention. It's terrific having such knowledgeable people as Jim Dunham and Paul Hutton share their knowledge of the "Old West." To cap-off Friday, the Dooley Gang and Karaoke took over the Top of The Riv from 8:30 'till Midnight. If you have never sung Karaoke with the Dooley's, you've never sung Karaoke! It's non-stop energy, and one heck of a good show.

The Territorial Governors had are not "broken."

The Dodge City Ball with its wonderful costumes was the place to be Saturday evening. Mad Mountain Mike, Miss Tabitha, and The Grandview Orchestra helped us dance the night away. The Best Dressed costumes were recognized during the evening ... the results of both this costume contest and the Thursday evening Saloon Dance costume contest will be reported separately.

Sunday was the time for the Indoor Championships awards, some last minute shopping, and some good-byes. It was a nice way to finish off the year. And for 2010 ... it can wait 'till next month!

By the way, if you missed the Convention, Tupelo Flash, Marshal Halloway, and the Outdoor Channel put together some great video. Just follow this link:

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'Till next time ... 🔔

Safety" concerns, and it certainly had everyone talking. In terms of

Saturday off. They had much to discuss with their "Circle of total votes, this was the largest number of votes ever cast at a Territorial Governors Summit. But, once it was said and done, the Territorial Governors made quick work of the agenda by defeating all of the items up for vote. I think the Governors are saying the rules

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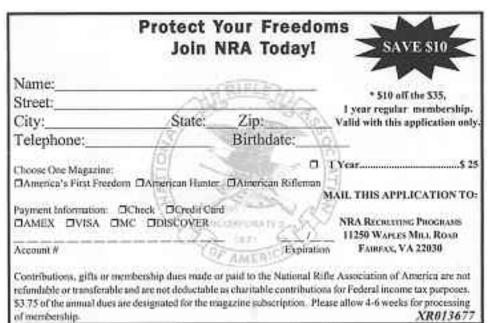
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T've been critical of politicians for recurring and inexcusable failures. But like you, I hate folks that complain and never offer any solutions. So here is how I'd answer the question, "What would you do, Colonel?"

Security: The primary duty of government is national security, but this responsibility has been criminally neglected. Since World War II, our forces have secured borders worldwide while our own remains wide open. Consequently, we have no idea who's here! The corrective action is straightforward—reassign our forces to America's borders-north, south, east, and west and deny all social benefits to illegals. I have great faith our military, law enforcement, and intelligence agencies could secure this country given three critical elements—the mission, the resources, and the backing-but they need all three to be successful.

Sovereignty: To remain independent and free, we must be the masters of our own fate. We cannot be held hostage by ANY outside element like the UN or countries funding our debt. We must not enter into treaties that take precedence over our Constitution or become so economically indebted to others that they call the shots. This would require the guts to say No-primarily to the UN. I'd inform the world we are Americans first and will gladly trade with all, but entangle ourselves with none-sound familiar? I'd see myself as the quintessential "obstructionist" where the surrender of our liberty and sovereignty was concerned. The world would know precisely where we stood with no compromise. Commercial trade yes; compromised sovereignty no!

Economy: Americans are hurting. Unemployment is rising, and the value of our dollar is falling while our debt skyrockets. Business and industry is being killed by government taxation and regulation at

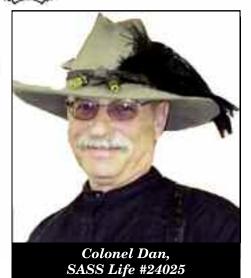
all levels. If this continues, we won't have the resources necessary to sustain or secure our country. This needs attention! There's no need for genius here, just the application of sound economic principles that have worked since man started trading with money. The greatest tool for success here is free-market incentives coupled with American initiative and ingenuity overseen through <u>HONEST</u> law enforcement by <u>LIMITED</u> government.

Unleash the giant that originally brought this country to the pinnacle of prosperity, stand back, and watch the miracle unfold. It happened before, and it can happen again, but it will take tax and regulatory reform. Remove the tremendous burden imposed by government and you'll see an explosion of economic recovery. Ask any businessman, large or small, about the hoops and taxes they must deal with, and you'll be astounded. Give people the freedom to improve their lives by creating personal wealth, and that rising tide will lift all boats. For proof, we have only our own history to consult. The significant reduction of individual and corporate taxes making available increased investment capital is a much better solution than trying to tax and regulate our way to prosperity. With true reform, e.g., the Fair Tax, not only will more American dollars be available for investment, but foreign money would come gushing in as they, too, saw that renewed awakening. Our overall standard of living would improve dramatically, people would be back to work, and our debt would shrink so rapidly that those currently financing that debt would invest in our industry rather than our bonds.

Energy: We are literally over a barrel of foreign oil, and there's no reason for it. America has sufficient energy reserves and resources of all kinds required to satisfy our needs for

centuries IF allowed to tap into and develop them. But, this would require incentives and rewards for developing ALL forms of energy. By executive order, the President could declare a national emergency and make things happen. Tax and free market incentives, reduction of heavy-handed regulation coupled with modern technology and we are on our way to TRUE energy independence.

Health Care: Two major adjustments are needed and neither inserts direct government control into our health care system—tort reform and competition. Much of what drives health costs is the liability threat. Doctors and hospitals are defensively reacting to ambulance chasers. Constrain the vulture element and those defensive costs go down. Secondly, allow insurance companies to compete for your business and watch what happens to your premiums. Currently you can't buy insurance from other states even if they offer a better deal. Why? Government says so. Remove that impediment and let the competition begin. When businesses, including insurance companies, compete for your dollar, prices go down and quality goes up. But government won't get out of the way because that would mean surrendering power when more power is always their goal. If they control your health



care, they control you and everything you touch—to include your guns. There's a move afoot that seeks to classify guns as a health issue requiring government oversight, but that's a subject for another column.

Constitutional Amendments: I would introduce and push hard for three. The first two would repeal the $16^{\rm th}$ and $17^{\rm th}$ amendments. "What are they Colonel?" Look them up. The third would impose term limits on federally elected officials—one term only for any and all offices. I call it the damage control and corruption limitation act.

"You're too simplistic Colonel." Well, complexities of the past have only served to entangle us in a worldwide political Gordian knot, so let's try a simpler approach—the philosophy our Founders preferred by the way. I've found that "simple" is best in most endeavors to include dealing with problems caused by humans—especially those with deceit and corruption at their core.

Just the view from my saddle ...

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Personal Narrative – English 9 Honors

By Snazzy McGee, SASS #66689

ames. My parents were reading names; names of people I knew - names of the fastest, quickest, most accurate shooters all day. These were the names of those who were in the Top 16 Team Shoot Off, something I never even thought was a possibility for me. I felt I lacked the skill or the speed to achieve such a high goal. Of course my parents were in; I took no thought to this. It was just something that always happened. Even when either of my parents had a bad shoot, they still made the cut. Even at their worst, they were the best. At least I thought so. But when my Mom said, "Guess who your father is shooting with?" I became puzzled. She smiled at me, like she was just waiting to blurt out a name I would never see coming. "I don't know." I started to guess people of significance that would make my Mom so secretive about their identity. Every single guess gave my Mom another reason to smile and shake her head. "Well then, who?" I asked. "You." She replied, finally getting the pleasure of seeing my mouth drop. "No. I don't



Rowdy Bill, SASS #9628, gets the tag from his partner, Miss Delaney Belle, SASS #6860 (AKA Evilene).

believe you." She looked at me and said, "Em, you're in." And all I could say was, "Dad. I call rifle."

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Calico Jan, SASS #61842, seated, watches her partner, James Samual Pike, shoot the rifle.

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years; two single action revolvers holstered (five rounds each), a rifle (ten rounds), and a side-by-side shotgun ... all in full cowgirl attire. You even make up a new name for your cowboy persona. To all my cowboy friends, I am known as Snazzy McGee!

All the shooting is in a specific order; for any misses, add five seconds each and shoot it in the right order or get 10 seconds added to your time. Yes, it's timed, which makes what you do with every second critical. People may think we are crazy, and I understand. It's definitely different. But the truth is, once you start doing it, it becomes a way of life and a beloved hobby.

Each year at the MA-CT-RI State Championship, we have a Top Gun Team Shoot Off. I knew how team shoot offs were run. I had seen my parents and grandparents do them before, whether they were in it or running it. It was a standard setup - the Top 16 men paired with the Top 16 women, (#1 paired with #16, #2 with #15, etc.) One partner shoots rifle and revolver, the other shoots revolver and shotgun. One partner is seated while the other starts shaking hands with their opponent. Then, when they hear "BREAK!", they run to their first gun, the rifle, shoot it, and then shoot the next gun (a revolver), tag their teammate, and then their partner shoots one revolver and their shotgun. Misses are made up with the shotgun, and I knew I was going to miss, so I was thankful my Daddy was shooting the shotgun. Whoever hits the last shotgun target first, wins the round. It wasn't run like normal match stages. It was an entirely different game.

On Sunday afternoon, everyone gathered at the shoot-off bay ... the ones that were in it and the ones that came to cheer on all the teams. Everyone cheered for everyone as it's just the cowboy way. The air was overflowing with excitement. Me? I was

just nervous. Every nerve in my body tingled, and I could feel the sweat forming on my neck. I wiped my forehead. I was lucky to have great friends. Yukon Mike, SASS #23165, James Samuel Pike, SASS #53331, and Smokey Sue, SASS #39531, were all great support for me, since they were in this Shoot Off and had been in many others, not to mention encouragement from my parents and grandparents. Everyone was telling me the same thing ... "It's just another stage. Relax. Breathe." How do you breathe again? I didn't see how this would qualify as just another stage though. There were so many differences. In a regular stage, it wasn't you against another. It was how fast you could complete the scenario. Naming all these differences in my head just made me even more nervous. Then, before I knew it, it was game time!

We all lined up to load our guns. My hands were shaking as I slid the shining golden bullets into my revolver. One ... two ... three ... four ... five. The metal was cold and smooth against my fingers. I thought to myself, "Don't fail me. Hit the targets. You can do it." I knew they could, but the real question was if I could. It takes skill to hit the targets. It also takes practice and experience, which were both limited to me. I stood next to people who had been shooting for decades, and I had made it this far in about four years. I took a long breath. I was confident with my rifle. Only one thing would guide those bullets to the steel targets - me aiming my sights and pulling that trigger.

And that's just what I did. I aimed, worked the action, and pulled the trigger, again and again. These continuous motions were engraved in my head, as it is just something you learn and never forget. Up at the firing line everything else goes away, the noise, the shots from the other side of the range, everything behind you is

gone. It's just you, the guns, the bullets, and the targets. Nothing else seems real: nothing else is in your head. Your mind is focused on one thing only - winning. And focusing on winning is focusing on sights, guns, order, and movement. And when all my bullets were gone, I stretched my outspread hand to my ready partner, my Dad, Quaker Hill Bill, SASS #61021. He's a two time Connecticut State Champ and one of the best. But more importantly, he was my Dad. And seeing him shoot that shotgun so fast, I knew we were the team to beat. And, by the time I caught my breath again, it was over. Our target went down first, and my heart stopped. We had done it. We were moving on!

When again it was our turn to shoot, I looked up at the former New York State Champion, my big brother, my friend, my competition, Yukon Mike. He was paired with the Rhode Island State Champion, Wild Sage SASS #40879. She was fast. He was faster. I gulped as he hugged me and said, "Just shoot your game. You'll do fine." I was still freaking out. He was just too fast! I felt this was the end for me that our journey was about to stop here. But once again, our stop plate fell first, and I jumped out of my seat and cheered.

After our second round win, I was more confident, more driven, more focused. My heart still felt as if it were to leap out of my chest and fly away at any given moment, but I had controlled

my nerves a bit since our first victory.

Now our next round's competition was a team I had hoped we would not have to face. This team had won it all last year, Milo Sierra, SASS #22947, and Appaloosa Amy, SASS #63949. Did I forget to mention she is my Mom? I found myself looking at my mother and thinking, "Win or lose, it was gonna be a long ride home." So, when it came down to my Mom and Dad and their shotguns, and they shot at the final stop plate at the same exact time, I heard everyone gasp. It seemed like time stood still as our target fell first under theirs. I could hear everyone yell. I was amazed. My mom was amazed. The crowd was open mouthed. We had just beaten my mother's team. I yelled to her, "You still love me, right?" with a grin. She gave me a controversial look. I laughed. We were going to the finals.

In the end, we did not get the title of "Top Gun Team." but what I did get was a sense of accomplishment. Sure I was disappointed at first, but after awhile, I felt more determined to become better. Although it had been a nerve-racking experience, I really hoped there would be more to come. I had learned how to conquer my nerves and cope with the pressure. I knew the dos and don'ts. And, I also learned I had done what others with more experience and more years of shooting hadn't. I had gotten into a Top 16 Shoot Off. I can't wait 'till the next one!





THE HONORABLE SHO



Part

By Tennessee Jack Sledger, SASS #65872

Synopsis; Tennessee Jack Sledger and Roland, the lawyer, have set out to avenge the murder of Kathleen Morningstar, and bring the tong leader, Fang Wo Chin, a notorious gangster, to justice.

he challenge for a duel to the death between Tennessee Jack Sledger and Fang Wo Chin was naturally set for noon. Just before the appointed hour, Jack arrived in the large paved square in front of Fang's palatial mansion. His

mode of travel was very unusual because he drove up on the seat of a hearse with large plate glass windows on each side. Heavy purple drapes covered those windows from the inside. The team of jet-black horses that drew the hearse wore ominous black plumes on their heads. Jack leaped from the driver's seat and crossed the square to a large fountain in the center. The three story verandas on the façade of Fang's villa were packed with tong hatchet men, all heavily armed. Many had bolt-action rifles of European manufacture. So much for the honor of Fang Wo Chin. With a sardonic smile, Sledger tossed a small parcel in front of the fountain, away from the mansion.

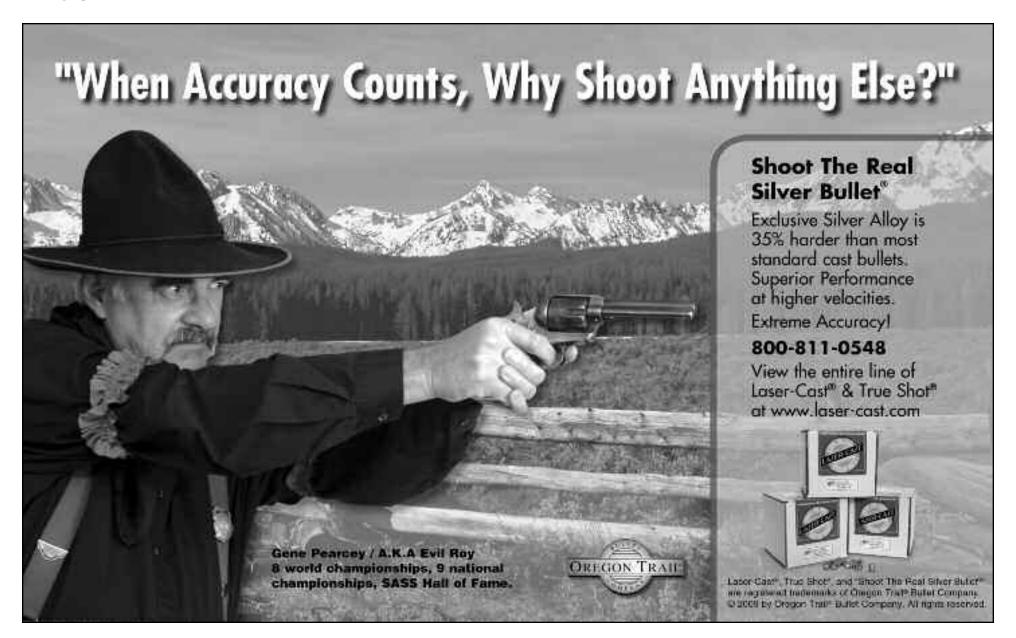
He checked his pocket watch. It was five minutes, twenty seconds before noon. Jack took out a cigar, lit it, and called out.

"Fang Wo Chin! You darest t'face me?"



"One thing remained foremost in his mind. To be steady and sure.'

Fang appeared at the front door of his mansion, walked across the porch, and stepped to the curb. He wore traditional Cantonese clothing of the finest silk, but carried his two Webley R.I.C. .45's in shoul-



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der holsters. At the curb Fang began shouting traditional insults at Sledger accompanied by roars of approval from his henchmen. He then began a tirade about the death of Kathleen Morningstar with disgustingly explicate details about how she was skewered three times on his sword. This was followed by cheers from his retainers. Jack said nothing.

At the first stroke of the noon-time bell from a nearby tower, Fang stepped into the street and Tennessee Jack moved from the fountain. He had to keep Fang as far away as possible, because at close range his 1875 Remington Single Action .45 was no match for the firepower of the two double action Webleys. From 30 or 40 feet, however, Sledger's accuracy would have the advantage.

The opponents approached each other, Fang spewing invectives. Tennessee Jack had never been in a man-to-man showdown like this before. Quick, sudden dive-outs, like the gunfight in Bismarck didn't count as duels. He was doing this as his last homage to the medicine and spirit of Child of Fire, who had become Kathleen Morningstar. His will forced down the swirling turmoil he felt inside so as to appear calm and cool, in the face of destruction. He paid no mind to the notion that this was the one he *had* to win, heeding only the sure conviction that he would. Jack put the knowledge out of his mind that his opponent had trained all his life, and reveled in, killing, and that he, himself, was just an ordinary fella with no particularly great skill as a fighter. One thing remained foremost in his mind. To be steady and sure.

Finally, Jack answered his opponents taunts..

"Hey, Fang, you jus' gonna t' stan' there a-yelling at me like a squall-baby or are you gonna try t' be the man y' let on t' be? Ah know y' kill wimmin. You be proud of that? Reckon y'kin take a man?"

A hush fell on the masses of tong killers. Fang stopped in his tracks. Sledger had hit upon his great weakness, intense vanity and a terrible temper. After a moment he gave a vell and drew both Webleys. He fired five shots before Sledger cleared his holster. Jack stepped sideways to Fang, drew his long barreled revolver, followed his front sight, at arm's length, to Fang's throat, putting all of his concentration on this one shot. With heavy lead buzzing over his head, Tennessee Jack took his time and was quick about it. One .45 was all that was needed to hit Fang squarely between the eyes.

Jack turned and dove behind the fountain as a fusillade of rifle fire erupted from the verandas. When the firing paused, as the private army reloaded their guns, he took the small bundle, which was sticks of dynamite bound together, stuck in a seven-second fuse, lit it with his cigar, and sprang to

his feet to hurl his grenade with all of his might at the front of the mansion. He then dove for cover behind the fountain as the blast destroyed the façade of the villa. The multi tiered veranda was blown apart dumping the tong soldiers and assassins to the ground below as flames began to spread.

Tennessee Jack rose and ran to the rear of the hearse, opened the door and sprang inside. He tore back the purple drapes, kicked out the plate glass window and commenced firing on the remaining tong killers with a Gatling gun Roland had requisitioned for him from the state militia armory.

In very short order all resistance from the Sum Yop men ended, and the once glorious villa was a roaring inferno. Sledger secured his Gatling gun, scrambled out of the hearse, climbed into the driver's seat, and drove away. He had counted many coups for Kathleen Morningstar. Roland's quest was satisfied.

The power of Sum Yop was broken. The remnants were attacked by the other tongs, led by Suey Sing and Kwang Docks who had long resented their power. Public outrage over the killing of the reformers and police officers ensured civic corruption and gang power would never return to its previous levels. It would take another generation, an earthquake, and a cataclysmic fire to cleanse San Francisco of its sins, but a start was made here.

On the evening before Sledger would leave San Francisco to return

to New York City, Roland invited him to dinner at the Hotel Carleton with the promise the meal would rival anything Jack might have enjoyed in the finest Manhattan restaurants. During the magnificent five-course dinner, Roland told Jack that San Francisco no longer held any attraction for him. He would soon leave for Boston to take a professorship in the college of law at one of the most prestigious universities in America. He would teach law ethics and a new subject called criminology.

"It is the study of crime and criminals. There is a growing body of knowledge on this subject. I have had some articles published concerning the forensics of small arms ballistics that have been favorably received. There have also been several monographs written by an Englishman who claims to be the World's first consulting detective, although I *might* be able to dispute that claim. Nevertheless, this man's work is scientific to the extreme and many of his methods have been adopted by the police agencies of Europe. His own investigative work is quite impressive. I have read several of his case studies, written by a medical doctor, and his system and results are quite remarkable."

Tennessee Jack Sledger wished Roland the best of luck. Together they drank a toast of the very best brandy to the memory of Kathleen Morningstar and the medicine of Child of Fire.

The End 🦺



Whooper Crane, SASS #52745

et your hands off me, you big hairy ape!!!" Sounds like the famous line from Charlton Heston in the original Planet of the Apes, doesn't it?

And, in actuality, it wasn't uttered by this month's featured B-Western Heavy ... but it could have been!

Our bad guy was a good guy in one of his earliest flicks, the one in which he rescued the lovely Fay Wray from the clutches of filmdom's most famous simian, *King Kong*!

Yeppers ... Bruce Cabot, the guy we booed many a time watching some of our favorite oaters, played hero Jack Driscoll in that 1933 classic!

It seems a shame the guy we're featuring as a Movie Heavy started out as a minor matinee idol in his early flicks, but that's the way things go in Tinseltown.

"Bruce Cabot" began life as Etienne Palissier Jacques de Bujac in Carlsbad, NM in 1904, the son of a French military officer. His early days were spent in cowboy country. They stood him well in his later film career.

Like so many youths, Etienne had trouble finding his calling. He spent a couple years at University of

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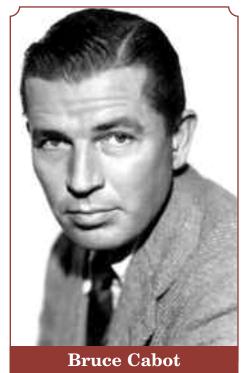
the South, but dropped out to try his hand at working ... at everything from cowhand to sailor to slaughterhouse worker ... before migrating to Hollywood to see if his good looks might find him a place in the movies.

Luck was on his side, and he landed a bit part in a B-Western called *Scarlet River*, along with such "big names" as Lon Chaney, Jr., Betty Furness (yes, the TV refrigerator spokeslady in the 1950's), unknowns-at-the-time Joel McCrea and Myrna Loy, and that greatest of all cowboy stuntmen, Yakima Canutt.

Now known by his movie name of Bruce Cabot, our young upstart was tapped to play heroes in several low-budget pot-boilers before being selected to play "the-hero-who-gets-the-girl" in the 1933 blockbuster, *King Kong*. Later on in his career, Cabot said he'd have become a bigger name in Hollywood if his first starring role hadn't been overshadowed by his 30-foot costar.

Bruce played a whole flock of parts in over forty flicks during the 1930's, sometimes as a hero, but more often as a villain. Directors said he had such a menacing way of looking through his dark eyebrows that he got typecast as a Heavy.

In 1936, Bruce played one of acting's most-desirable villain roles, that of the Huron Indian Magua, in Randolph Scott's version



of The Last of the Mohicans.

In 1939, Bruce signed on to play outlaw Jeff Surrett in the classic Dodge City with Errol Flynn. In that same year he was screen tested for the role of The Ringo Kid in John Ford's Stagecoach. As all us Duke fans know, that role was given to another young actor, John Wayne. This is ironic, 'cause in later years Bruce and Duke became great drinking buddies (on and off the set).

In 1942, Bruce landed the starring role of Wild Bill in the oater Wild Bill Hickok Rides, which got the attention of several Hollywood

Producers. More glamour roles seemed to be heading his way.

Then along came WWII. Like many other stars, Bruce enlisted. He wound up in the Army Air Corps and served out the war as an ATC operations officer in North Africa.

Following the war, he returned to Tinseltown but found he was preferred for supporting roles rather than handsome hero roles. He made the most of these opportunities, however.

From 1945 until his final film in 1971, Bruce made over fifty films, twelve of them with his newfound pal, Duke.

In some, he played a Sidekick to Duke. In others, like the block-buster *The War Wagon*, he played the adversary. His mean-spirited portrayal of the larcenous Frank Pierce showed just how nasty a villain can be ... to the point of mounting a gatling gun to the top of the stagecoach to keep Duke and his chums away!

Bruce played Heavies opposite some of Hollywood's most colorful (and diverse) stars. He was Cole Younger to Robert Ryan in Best of the Badmen ... Jake Stillman to Abbott & Costello in Lost in Alaska ... and Cart Belknap to Bob Hope and Lucille Ball in Fancy Pants.

But mostly he loved helping his pal John Wayne win The West as a reliable supporting player (not always the villain) in flicks like

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The Comancheros, McClintock, The Undefeated, Big Jake, and Chisum.

His last role cast him with another fine actor, Sean Connery, in the 1971 James Bond thriller Diamonds Are Forever.

In a career that spanned forty years, Bruce Cabot appeared in over 100 movies and TV shows. He was one of the guys Hollywood Directors knew they could count on for a professional performance every time (even if he'd spent the night before tossing 'em down with his buddy, Duke).

Bruce rode off into the sunset in 1972 and is buried near his old homestead in Carlsbad, NM. If you're in the neighborhood, you might want to stop by for a howdy.

Next month we'll say Howdy to another one of John Ford's Acting Company members ... and a guy who really knew how to make a wagon train click.

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THE OTHER BUCKHORN

By Palaver Pete, SASS Life/Regulator #4375

he Buckhorn Restaurant & Museum in San Antonio is one of two famous western restaurants with the name Buckhorn. Although similarly named, they are not related. Both are world famous and heavily frequented by Cowboy Action Shooters. I can't remember ever talking to a SASS member who hasn't been to one or the other of these famous restaurants, including Cody Kid, SASS #23066, and his lovely wife, Buxom Boo, SASS #23067, out Tennessee way.

The first Buckhorn I wrote about is located in Denver—the Buckhorn Exchange, established by "Shorty Scout" in 1893. You may remember in my last article I mentioned Shorty's family has George Armstrong Custer's saber given to them by Sitting Bull's clan (what a treasure!). The San Antonio Restaurant featuring all the stuffed hunting trophies,

antlers, and Texas Ranger Museum, like the one in Denver, is noted for its quality of food. My wife and I were



This is no Texas long story.

Those horns are 8 feet across,
and this fellow drew lightening,
like some drew flies.



The Passageways and walls are adorned with western memorabilia and history—a must see for SASS members.

fortunate during this last road trip to be able to visit both within one week. This, of course, accounts for the several extra pounds gained on the roada result of eating very, very well—another justification for traveling from restaurant to restaurant in between shoots!

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The San Antonio Buckhorn was actually the first Buckhorn, opening its doors in 1881, with the standing offer to all patrons—"bring in your Deer Antlers and you can trade them for a shot of whiskey or a beer."(1) As of this writing, the Restaurant & Museum has been in continuous operation for 128 years—opening 45 years after the fall of the Alamo. But unlike the Buckhorn Exchange in Denver, this establishment has undergone several changes in décor, business, and ownership. Today it has regained

its original splendor, and is considered a "must see" museum and eatery for Cowboy Action Shooters.

The history of this world famous establishment is an important part of the story of San Antonio. Albert Friedrich opened Albert's Buckhorn Saloon on Dolorosa Street some 12 years before "Shorty Scout" opened the Buckhorn Exchange in Denver. Albert's father, Wenzel Friedrich, provided handmade horn furniture for the saloon, starting what became the world's most unique collection of horns and antlers—now you know

why the standing offer of free whiskey or beer for the antlers. During the turnover of various owners, the Buckhorn was briefly The Lone Star Brewery, then Stroh's Brewery, and then a few other owners until finally, the granddaughter of Albert Friedrich, Mary Friedrich Rogers and her husband Wallace Rogers acquired the restaurant and the various collections. December 22, 1998, the new Buckhorn Saloon & Museum opened on Houston Street, a few blocks from the original 1881 location, and the famous "River Walk." (2).

One of the many interesting exhibits there is a Thai carving of The Tree of Life. The artist worked 10 hours a day, 7 days a week, over 2-1/2 years, and the detail is astounding. Teddy Roosevelt frequented the old Buckhorn bar. The chair he used was fashioned from 62 horns-although interesting, the horned furniture collectively did not look that comfortable to me-like sitting down in the middle of a bullfight. It is rumored Roosevelt's Roughriders drilled by day in a city park and re-grouped at night in the Buckhorn bar.

Another impressive museum sight is the Texas Longhorn that was hit by lightening, the horns of this magnificent animal measured over 8-feet across—this is not another Texas "big" story, as the Longhorn is there to see (check the photo). Among the many museum displays, are the vintage guns used by famous outlaws. The gory death photos of Bonnie and Clyde along with newspaper accounts of their escapades and guns used are located alongside other famous guns used for illicit purposes.

A beautiful Cathedral made out of 50,00 matchsticks is located within the Hall Of Horns, and close by is a freakish two-headed calf. There are literally hundreds of trophy mounts and animal bodies from Africa and Asia, in fact from all over the world. This really fascinated my wife, who continued on through the museum while I took myself off to the bar. I still couldn't escape the mounted wildlife as they adorn every wall in the saloon. No problem, after a couple of good and very dry gin martini's, you find yourself right at home with all the other stuffed animals.

If you like things western Pards, this is the place to go. After you have visited both Buckhorn's, or have returned to both, you are on your way to being a true western aficionado-just ask Tex, he's been there. You're a Daisy if ya do.

1) Ed. Art. "History of the Buckhorn Restaurant and Museum," web site: http://www.buckhornmuseum.com/ 2) Ibid.

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Palaver Pete, SASS Life/Regulator #4375

hot topic nowadays is "Range Protection." The recent Supreme Court decision upholding the Second Amendment has encouraged anti-gun groups to look elsewhere for vulnerable areas to attack. Unfortunately, publicly owned Shooting Ranges happens to be one of those areas considered by them as most vulnerable, along with environmental contamination. With this threat in mind, my heart soars like a Hawk whenever I hear of a SASS affiliated club that shoots on

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its own range—there's nothing like private ownership! I'm filled with admiration when I hear of Ranch or Farm families that convert generous amounts of their property to the establishment of a Cowboy Action ShootingTM range—now that's true dedication—we need more property owners like that! And the owners themselves are very sensible in realizing that land can still be profitable as well as providing secure facilities for the shooting sports. Fortune shines on those shooters that gain from such generosity—I wish similar good fortune could be bestowed on all Cowboy Action Shooters.

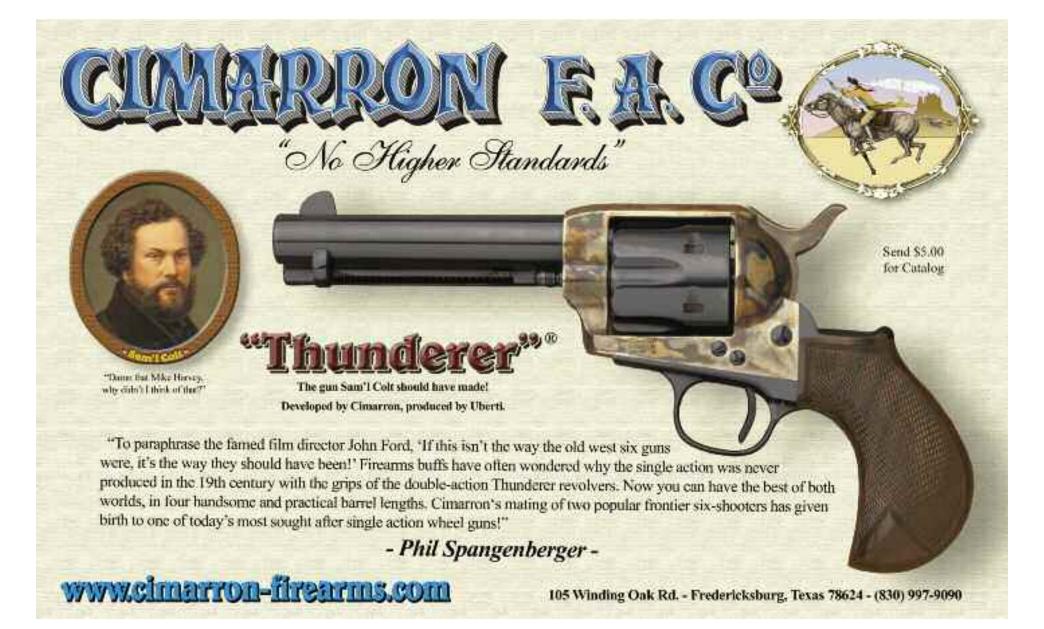
As the population of our nation grows, the greater the threat to the stability of city, county, state, and federally owned range facilities. Tenuous indeed is the future of any shooting club located on public lands.

Wise are the shooters who opt to purchase and manage their own facilities. As urban growth boundaries expand, we shooters are driven further and further into the booniessoon there won't be any boonies out there, especially in smaller mid-western states. Here in Central Oregon, even though we are in high desert country, many of us drive over 70 miles round trip to the range. The Ranges that existed closer to town have long been covered over with asphalt and housing developments.

The problem is further compounded by the fact it's not cheap to set up Cowboy Action bays and props. SASS clubs that have invested considerable amounts of money on improving publicly owned ranges face the risk of being expelled on a moment's notice by shaky bureaucrats who succumb quickly to public

outcries against ranges and the shooting sports. Especially vulnerable are those ranges located close to picturesque scenery and appealing rolling hills. Ranges can be compared to airfields, big and small. Unsavory developers place housing developments next to airfields, and unbelievably there are people who buy within these developments, then cry: "NOISE!" Then the Judge rules in favor of the damaged plaintiffs, and the source of noise ordered to cease and desist, and eventually eviction or abandonment takes place. Unfortunately this scenario applies to shooting ranges also. An injustice that makes us often wonder about the state of mind and preferences of those appointed to sit on the bench. Again, there is nothing like private ownership of

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It is often said, especially by Realtors, "don't worry about anyone building next to you, as this property is BLM or U.S Forest Service property!" Bigger lies are seldom said. Federal Government properties are always up for grabs or trade, and if the stakes are high enough, and your range is located on desirable federal land, you are in jeopardy. Your Range can be traded from under you in a matter of minutes—with or without public hearings.

HOORAY FOR TEXAS!

I believe there are more privately own ranges in Texas than in any other state. Most prominent amongst them are the Stieler Ranch in Fredericksburg, where the Texican Rangers host the annual Commancheria Days Shoot in April (a great shoot), and the now world famous Dooley spread, Badlands Bar 3 where the Comin' At Cha Southwest Regional is held. Also noteworthy and under new ownership is the Tin Star Ranch in Fredericksburg where a December Old West Christmas Shoot-out is planned. Congratulations to new owners, Jim and Cherry McKinnon, "Mickey," and "Tin Star" Lily, all SASS Life Members.

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Article, Protecting Ranges, American Rifleman Magazine,

HOORAY FOR IDAHO ALSO!

This past spring, the State of Idaho passed an innovative new law that may become a model for other states to follow. The Idaho Sport Shooting Immunities Act will provide protection from reckless lawsuits, both for government entities that manage ranges and for the volunteers and professionals who operate them. These new laws will enable ranges to stay open, and should encourage government agencies to build more ranges in the $future^{(1)}$. I especially like the "reckless lawsuit" provision of the new Idaho law, but regard the "protection clause" for government agencies to build more ranges as one of those legislative tradeoffs sometimes required to gain passage. Nevertheless, this law is a good start and may encourage other states to pass similar laws with stronger provisions for protection of privately

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The other day, when we were down in Tombstone shooting the Bordertown match, my old shooting buddy, Kickass Mule, and I stopped in at the Boot Hill Cemetery to pay our respects to the McLaurys and the Clantons.

As you know, these bad boys got into a dustup with the Earps and Doc Holliday one sunshiny day in October of 1881 ... and came out in second place!

No, they didn't get a nice buckle for finishing second but, as you'll recall if you've ever watched *Tombstone*, they did get a nice ride in

WILD WEST "WHEELS"

What Cowboys Rode When Old Paint Was At The Blacksmith's Getting New Shoes

By Whooper Crane, SASS #52745

a fancy carriage down Fremont Street with all their glowering Cowboy buddies following along behind.

Now, this carriage wasn't one a cowpoke would rent to take his sweetheart for a ride down by the creek. This was The Black Mariah, the town hearse, trimmed in 24k gold and sterling silver and pulled up the hill by two all-black stallions. (You can see the actual Black Mariah at the Bird Cage Theatre when you're in town).

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rior "furniture" and trim. It all ended up as a splendid ride.

Most hearses could accommodate two "passengers."

According to Tombstone lore, the McLaurys shared the ride

to Boot Hill. Billy Clanton rode in another vehicle.

The Chauffer and Helper were normally dressed in appropriate livery, with black suits and top hats (often bedecked with black ostrich feathers), white gloves, and dour countenances.

In order to clear the way for a funeral procession in the 19^{th} Century, the hearse was often preceded by a drummer who beat a slow rhythm on a muffled drum.

All in all, the procession was properly respectful of the honored guest, his family, and his friends.

Following the internment, the bereaved found solace in a toast or two to their dearly departed at home or at a convenient watering hole. Rumor has it the Cowboys had a 3-day binge following the departure of Frank, Tom, and Billy. We're not sure *what* the Earps were doing!

Next time we'll take a look at another important set of "wheels" that pards used when Old Paint was in the livery stable. It's the one that a cowboy named Curly from Oklahoma made famous when he went sparkin' a gal named Laurey.

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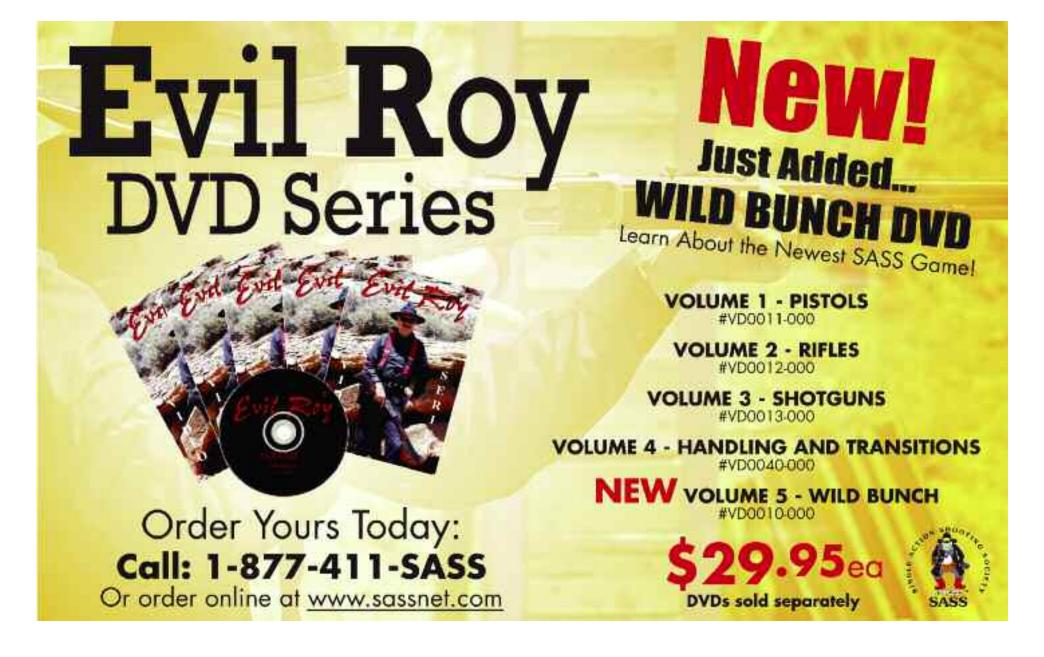


COWBOYS ON THE TRAIL ...

The following was written the summer of 2009 by Wanda Foster, wife of SASS Member Texas T-Bone, SASS #79255, who was on his way with Gunnabe Cowboy, SASS #78032, to True Grit in Little York, IL, home of the famous Shady Creek Shootists. This description happens all over the country, and it should make you smile!

"In the early morning, one could sense the excitement in the air ... the back of the Tahoe was filled with gear, the gun cart and the coolers, several varieties of long and short guns, and other remnants of an era long past ... there was the enticing scent of gun oil, leather, sweat, cowboy boots, and new wood (the cart) in the air ... (combined with the potpourri I have tucked under the seat to counter events such as these!!) The dogs were milling around—they knew something was up ... the men were rapidly moving ... from Jeep to Tahoe ... from back door to Tahoe ... checking to be sure everything was prepared to their specifications ... nothing could be left behind. One cowboy (from the south country) even remarked, "We may need to get a trailer ..." Probably the next dream for our cowboys ...

And now, in their minds, they are racing on their beautiful horses ... with dust flying behind their hooves and beautiful tails blowing straight out in the wind, as they pass through canyons and small villages (like Good Hope, IL and Preemption, IL) just like in the Westerns ... and long ago ... although, rather than going to Dodge City, they are heading up the stage path to the North Country ... (Little York, IL) to enjoy the beauty of the wilderness, kick the sagebrush, enjoy the day ... and then plan for the next trail ride ... while enjoying being men ... and maybe just touching on the delight and continuing to fan the faint flicker of still being a boy ... with holsters, cap guns, cowboy boots and hats, and dreams of being a real Cowboy ... some day ...".





Tuolumne Lawman, SASS Life #6127

GETTING STARTED IN COWBOY ACTION SHOOTINGTM ON A SHOESTRING ... REVISTED 15 YEARS LATER! Part Two:

By Tuolumne Lawman, SASS #6127

'n 1994, a person could get a start in Cowboy Action ShootingTM for well under \$1,000 if they shopped carefully. When I started Cowboy Action ShootingTM that same year, I had a total of less than \$875 invested in my armory. Unfortunately, in today's market, you will not even come close to that! The receding economy, post election hysteria, and the deterioration of the exchange rate of Dollar against the Euro have driven the price of all firearms up.

The purpose of this series of articles is to tell you how you can still get started on a shoestring. Last month we talked about good buys on Cowboy Action ShootingTM rifles. This month, I will talk about the next most important item in the armory: the shotgun. Why do I put



Hanging Judge Hemp with Norinco 1897

the shotgun ahead of the handgun? In reality, scatterguns were used more in the West than handguns were. Virtually every farmer and settler in the West had a shotgun. Let's first look at the history of the shotgun in the West to better understand our choices now, and why they are entirely appropriate and correct.

OLD WEST SCATTERGUN LORE

The shotgun, or "street howitzer" as it was often called, was the first choice of lawmen and badmen alike. Black Bart Boles, the gentleman bandit of the California Motherlode in the 1870's and 1880's, was always armed with a scatter-gun and a poem as he victimized the local stage lines. Wyatt and Virgil Earp's first choice for patrolling the town and preserving order was the shotgun. Doc Holiday used a 12 gauge at the OK Corral, and Wyatt Earp used one at Iron Springs when he killed Curly Bill Brocious.



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The term "riding shotgun" is due to the proliferation of double barrel terrors on stagecoaches to discourage bandits. Even back during the heyday of the California Gold Rush, guards and express messengers used double barred, muzzle loading shotguns to keep outlaws at bav. Practically speaking, the shotgun is a far superior deterrent than any other weapon. On occasions too numerous to count in my over 20 years as a real life lawman, the scattergun dissuaded a malefactor from pursuing further violence.

Some purists would have us believe a shotgun has to have exposed hammers to be "period" for Cowboy Action ShootingTM. That is simply not true. What is true is external hammer or "hammered" shotguns were the first to appear. Initially, shotguns were muzzle loading, percussion arms until the late 1860's. Before that, there were some primitive attempts like the Roper system to design breech-loading shotguns. British makers began pro-

ducing a variety of breech loading shotguns in the late 1860's. Initially they were very expensive, and scarce here in the United States.

Around 1873, Remington introduced the first practical American breech loading 10 and 12 gauge shotguns. In short order, Purdy, Colt, and a host of others followed. These were external hammered, breechloading shotguns. Only two short years later, in 1875, the British firm of Anson and Deeley patented and produced internal hammered, or "box-lock" shotguns. These were instantly popular in the United States. By 1883 Colt, Harrington and Richardson, and several other American makers were producing their own versions of internal hammered shotguns. Even after box-lock (hammerless) shotguns appeared on the scene, though, the external hammer scatterguns continued in production. The internal hammered "box locks" tended to be much more expensive than hammered guns, causing the hammered guns to continue to be sold and still be popular into the early 20th Century.

The first of the pump shotguns was actually the Spencer/Bannerman around 1882. It resembled the modern pump shotguns, except for the external hammer in the bottom of the action. It was a six-shot weapon, and fed from an under barrel tubular magazine like modern pump shotguns. The action is fairly complicated, though, and was prone to jams and breakage. The Spencer shotgun was chambered for 2 5/8" blackpowder shells only. The action is so weak to shoot even a smokeless low base shell in it would be suicide.

The Spencer/Bannermans were designed by Spencer (of the .56-56 Spencer Civil War repeater fame) and marketed by Bannerman's in New York City. Though produced until the turn of the century, production amounts of the Spencer pumps were modest, and they are now very scarce. I handled one several years ago, and was not impressed. I personally would not shoot one, even with blackpowder loads. They were popular enough, however, to open the door for other manufacturers like Winchester to introduce their own pump shotguns.

The next to appear was the 1893 Winchester. It was designed by firearms genius John Browning, and patented in 1890. It was similar in appearance to its well-known successor, the 1897 Winchester pump. One main visible difference between the 1893 and the 1897 is the larger open ejection port of the 1893. The 1893 (and later 1897) have the distinctive external hammer on the top/rear of the receiver, and both hold six rounds in the tubular magazine under the barrel. The 1895 Sears Roebuck mail order catalogue lists the "New Winchester Repeating Shotgun Model of 1893" for the princely sum of \$16.88, or about a week's wages at the time. The Winchester 1893 was initially a success, offering a shotgun that "shoots six times!"

While it was very popular, the Model 1893 Winchester quickly gained a reputation for unreliability and breakage. Unfortunately, the 1893 Winchester had its share of new design problems. In addition to that, it was designed for the old 2 5/8" blackpowder shells, the new smokeless 2 3/4" shells having been introduced at about the Winchester slightly same time. redesigned the 1893, ironing out the bugs. Even though they continued on in the same serial number series, they renamed the improved version the Model 1897 in order to distance themselves from the 1893's less than sterling reputation. By 1897, the Model 1893 was such a marketing disaster Winchester offered to replace any 1893 model with a brand new improved 1897 model FREE OF CHARGE! I guess that is the first large-scale product recall in firearms history.

The 1897 Winchester was initially made only in 12 gauge, and only with a solid frame, having a nonremovable barrel. Some of the very first ones produced had 2 5/8" chambers for the blackpowder loads commonly used, even though they had fluid steel barrels as standard, rather than Damascus barrels. Damascus barrels, however, could be had on special order. By 1898, they were producing the 1897 with removable barrel variations as well. Winchester also started making some 16-gauge guns by 1900, though those are exceptionally scarce. Other features such as fancy wood, special order barrel lengths, and straight grip English style stocks could be had for a price by special order.

The 1897 was an unqualified success, being a favorite long beyond its 60 year production history. It has always enjoyed a reputation for being strong, simple, and ruggedly built. Sportsmen and lawman alike favored it. It was a favorite with Railway Express and payroll guards because of its 6+ 1 firepower of OO Buckshot! The 1897 was produced until 1957.

Cowboy Action ShootingTM BARGAIN SHOTGUNS TODAY

One purpose of doing the history of the shotgun first, was to lay the groundwork for a Cowboy Action ShootingTM competitor using the shotgun that is the "best buy" available. That best buy I found is a used boxlock double like the Stevens 311. I recently surveyed GunBroker.com and found an absolute treasure trove of American made, very affordable, used double-barreled 12 and 20 gauge shotguns. Savage, Stevens, Western Field, Ranger, and names like that populate the used shotgun auctions. Prices are often down in the \$200 range. That is still a bargain.

Hundreds of thousands, if not millions of the double guns have been made in the last 125 years. With people wanting "tacticool" pump and auto shotguns, there seems little demand for grandpa's old upland game Stevens. In fact, I found the prices on Gunbroker (when it comes to doubles) was better than gunshow prices. While they may not have the "cool" external hammers, or the sexy title of "Coachgun" like the Stoegers, they are both appropriate and utilitarian for Cowboy Action ShootingTM. Most of these have 26 inch barrels, but in reality, most of the Old West shotguns were also long barreled. This allowed for it to double as a game getter putting food on the table. Hey, that's a good idea, even today!

Next category would be those modern doubles, both hammered and hammerless, that have been designed with Cowboy Action ShootingTM in mind: Rossi, Stoeger, Tri-Star, Bakail, TTN, and Norinco are a few of the manufacturers that have made Cowboy Action ShootingTM double barreled shotguns. Some models have hammers, some don't. What they have in common, besides their short barrels, is price. Even used, they tend to be at least quite a bit higher priced than the non-Cowboy Shooting $^{\text{\tiny TM}}$ doubles. Surveying, prices for used ones seem to start in the \$350 range and go up from there. In 1994, I paid about \$150 for a used Rossi hammered coach gun to start my Cowboy Action ShootingTM armory. It would be more than double that now!

Finally, let's go to pump shotguns. When I started in 1994, Winchester 1897 pumps were both plentiful and reasonably priced. I gave \$125 for a 1901 made 12 gauge with a 30 inch barrel. While it was worn and loose, it worked like a champ, never jammed, and shot true. With the popularity explosion of Cowboy Action ShootingTM in the last 15 years, and the tremendous increase in demand for original 1897's (especially with the increase in "Wild Bunch" side matches), prices have gone through the roof. I think it would be fair to say that prices have quadrupled since I started.

Norinco in China saw an opportunity and capitalized on it. About ten years ago, Norinco copies of the 1897 Winchester became readily available. While the Norinco's are fairly well made now, early samples had their problems. Norinco, however, was smart enough to listen to the feedback, and started over. Working through Davidson's, one of the most reputable wholesalers in the United States, they introduced a new 1897 Winchester clone, made from modern, ordnance steel (probably the same steel they use in their Type 56 Klashnikovs), which is proofed for all modern high-base 12 gauge loads. They have also introduced much better quality control.

I was really impressed right off the bat with the Norinco 1897. It approximates an 1898 vintage fixed barrel model. It has hardwood furniture with a walnut stain and light varnish. The stock has a fairly correct "period" type checkered hard rubber butt-plate, and also the period authentic "teardrop" shaped pistol grip. The metal has a very uniform, nicely polished deep "blue-black" finish. The barrel is 20" long, with a

cylinder choke, just right for Cowboy Action ShootingTM. Sighting is like the original 1897 Winchester with a bead on the barrel, and "U" notch on the forward, upward swelled portion of the receiver.

The action of the Norinco 1897's I have handled are very tight, though I did not find it overly so. The Norinco Model 1897 has a hammer half cock, the slide release button on the left side, and also the magazine catch release buttons just as the originals do. As far as I can see, it is identical to the solid frame 1897. While I don't know if parts interchange, I suspect some may, as they just reverse engineered an original 1897 Winchester for a prototype.

Prices were modest in the beginning, and very affordable. With increased demand and the drying up of original 1897 Winchesters, however, the price of the Norinco copy has also increased. If you shop smart, though, you can find one for around \$300 plus change. Some folks will want action jobs done on them to slick them up, but that defeats the idea of "Getting started on a shoestring" thing!

CONCLUSION

It doesn't matter whether you choose a \$200 used Steven 311 as a scattergun for your Old West armory, or decide to go more modern with a used 1897 Winchester clone from Norinco so you can also use it in Wild Bunch matches. They are both honest to goodness cowboy shootin' irons. They both certainly qualify for the getting started on a shoestring category. Not only can you use them as Cowboy Action ShootingTM guns, but also for hunting. Open choke doubles are great for rabbit, dove, and quail. If an 1897 was good enough for the "Wild Bunch" and soldiers in the First and Second World Wars to use as "Trench Brooms," I guess it is good enough for a home defense weapon as well. Few goblins have the nerve to argue when looking down the barrel of a street howitzer! I had originally planned on this article being about the revolvers, but I'll save that for next month. ...



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Ireceived an e-mail concerning posse members yelling out instructions to shooters. Sometimes the posse members were in official positions as spotters. The question was asked what the TO can do to keep this additional "help" to a minimum. Most of the time it just confuses the shooter.

Probably the hardest thing to do while running the timer is having

WHAT'S THE CALL?

By Oracle, SASS Life/Regulator #4854

the spotters do what they are supposed to do. There are several things a Posse Marshal can do.

At the first stage of the day have the posse marshal go over the rules about spotters ...

- they must see the target move
- they must see the strike of the bullet on the target face (NOT the target stand)
- they must hear the bullet hit the target face (each target has a different sound)

I look for the identifying symbol (Dynamite stick, neckerchief, or the like) and establish eye contact with each spotter every time a shooter comes to the line and passes it on to the person relieving them so they can go shoot.

For smoky powder shooters, spotters DO NOT stand behind or close to

the shooter. Have them move out to the edge of the firing line.

After the course of fire, have the spotters hold up fingers for the number of misses for what THEY SAW and heard.

If the Timer Operator sees a spotter looking around to see how many fingers the other spotters are holding up, remind them, gently, their job is to count misses, not look at the other spotters to see how many misses they counted. If the spotter continues to disregard the admonishment, the TO should get another spotter. I don't know of any shooter who doesn't want a fair count.

Sometimes the TO has to remind the spotters not to talk with each other during the course of fire until the TO has the count and given it to the scorekeeper.

What we use to indicate a procedural is to hold up the thumb of the other hand. That way the TO has a visual reassurance he observed the shooter correctly in calling the procedural, or they may have to ask the spotter(s) what the procedural was because he was observing the shooter NOT looking down range for misses. Experienced TO's learn to use the edge of their vision for target acquisition of the shooter while observing the shooter at the same time.

Clubs can hold classes. As part of the spotter class, select three students, read them the job responsibility of the spotters, show them a piece of paper with the number of misses and or procedurals, have them close their eyes, and tell them to give you the count and/or procedurals call

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without using their voice. You will want to have at least a dozen pieces of paper with different count/procedurals written on them. Have a scorekeeper write down the count as given by the TO. Have the TO call out the count. This is also good practice for new TO's without the pressure of an actual shooting stage.

You can divide into teams (three spotters and a TO) and make a game out of it if you have enough students.

The TO's have to make the spotters do their job. That is part of having to make the HARD CALL of a RO ... but, if you are reading this article, I am preaching to the choir.

Remember, if you don't know or are unsure ... LOOK IT UP! If you can't find it, the benefit of doubt goes to the shooter.

Stage description: Shooter starts with shotgun at port arms. At the buzzer they advance one step and shoot the first shotgun target, then advance another two steps and shoot the second shotgun target, advance three steps and shoot the third shotgun target. Lay the shotgun on the table, pick up the rifle, and triple tap the rifle targets R1, R2 R3. Lay the rifle on the table, advance to the next shooting position, and double tap the

pistol targets P1, P2, P3, P4, P5 left to right or right to left.

The first shooter was using a double barrel shotgun.. Can you see it coming? They loaded both barrels at the first shooting position and shot one barrel, and then took another two steps without opening the shotgun. The TO called "Cease Fire." What's the Call? Was this good or bad stage design?

> No Call Procedural Minor Safety Violation Stage Disqualification Match Disqualification The answer is on the Pocket Card.

Question 2: It's a monthly club shoot. The shooter is an experienced shooter and is blazing away at the knockdown rifle targets. One of the spotters, also an experienced shooter, yells after each shot "Down" or "Up." After the first stage, the shooter asks people not to yell after each knockdown. The next stage it happens again, but with the pistol knockdowns.

What options do the TO's have?

Ask the spotter, a second time, to not do it again? Replace the spotter, but leave them on the posse? Ask the spotter to leave the range? Give the shooter a re-shoot? Turn it over to the Range Master?.



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Whooper and The Missus

There's a famous phrase cowboys all knew in the Old West: "Dollar a day and Found." This was the standard pay cowboys earned, whether they were working at the ranch, out at one of the line shacks, or driving the herd out on the trail.

The Dollar is obvious, but the "Found" seems a bit confusing. But it's

ONE POT CHUCK

Cooking Up Some Tasty Grub Like Cookie Did Out On The Trail

By Whooper and The Missus

not, really. "Found" was the term for Room & Board the rancher provided as daily pay in addition to the Dollar.

From the cowboys' point of view, Found meant Food ... and, hopefully, GOOD Food. Many ranches had Cookies who took pride in their "Chuck" (their name for the grub they prepared and fed to their hungry hands). Just as many ranches had Bean Rollers who didn't know beans about cooking. These were usually broken down hands on whom the ranchers took pity and kept around for old times' sake ... to the frustration of the cowboys

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(Continued from previous page) who had to eat their grub.

Sometimes cowbovs decided whom they'd work for depending on the reputations of the Cookies at the various ranches. For our articles (which we'll be sending in every month) we'll pretend we're the Cookies who created GOOD chuck!

Now, let's get something straight right now: Variety of food and access to it ... and the implements Cookies used to whip it up in their ranch kitchens were pretty rudimentary. They made do with a lot less stuff than we have available to us today.

In our articles we're going to prepare food in the manner used by Cookie out on the trail—usually in a nice-sized cast iron Dutch oven. But, we're going to do our food shopping at our local supermarket ... and using stuff that's on the shelves

The title One Pot Chuck means just that: the meals we'll make are completely put together in one pot. You can use any good-sized stock pot right on your stove if you like, but we hope you'll dig out your cast iron Dutch oven and create our meals the way Cookie did ... on coals ... on the ground.

The meals will typically be stews, chilis, burgoos, casseroles, and other meals that fit the One Pot method, but through the months we'll also throw in some side dishes you might want to use to help fatten up your crew ... like sourdough biscuits, homemade applesauce, and all kinds of taters. And, we'll throw in some tasty desserts, of course. (All cast iron cooks know the raves they get from pineapple upside down cake and peach cobbler).

We hope you'll like our column. We'll include some interesting trail cooking lore and a few "windies" in addition to the recipes once in a

This month's recipe is one of our favorites. It's named for Marcia, one of Gus McCrea's pigs that accompanied the Hat Creek outfit as they drove their herd from Lonesome Dove, Texas to Montana.

Enjoy the chuck!

Marcia's Pork & Sauerkraut Burgoo

Ingredients

- 4 Nice-sized pork steaks
- 1 32 oz. jar of sauerkraut
- 2 Large onions
- 15 oz. can of diced tomatoes
- 1 14.5 oz can of Trader Joe's diced & fire roasted tomatoes with green chiles
- 2 Tbs. Beef bouillon powder
- 2 Cups of hot water
- 1 Grinder bottle, garlic/pepper seasoning
- 4 pcs. Buttered toast
- 2 Btls. Dos Equis

Directions

Make a nice bed of coals for medium heat. Save some for the lid. Heat up your Dutch oven on the

Put pork steaks in to brown, two at a time.

Season steaks with garlic/pepper seasoning, NOT salt.

Remove browned steaks, set aside. Drain and thoroughly rinse sauerkraut.

Slice onion into rings.

Add the bouillon powder to 2 cups of hot water. Stir thoroughly.

Put the bouillon solution, sauerkraut, and sliced onions into the oven.

Lay the pork steaks on top of everything.

Put on lid with a dozen glowing coals on top.

Stew for 1/2 hour.

Add the diced tomatoes on top of the other stuff.

Put lid back on and stew for another

Remove from heat and dish up on top of buttered toast.

Goes good with cornbread and apple butter.

Also goes good with the Dos Equis! Eat hearty, Boys! ...

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Purdy Gear, SASS Life #33315

Some of the funnest friends I have are working cowboys, good, hardworking fellers who do dangerous work and laugh hard. Now and again I get phone calls explanating how a colt just finished mopping the round pen with one of them and how their britches pockets have been ironed that flat and tidy on account of. Some days it's the comment that the universal excuse for missing a

WHEN WORDS COME BACK TO HAUNT YOU

By Purdy Gear, SASS Life #33315

loop or getting bucked off really is "I swallered my chew" and then there are the gems about a fellow puncher who embarrassed them by bringing red silk pajamas and custom-built soogans to a round-up!

A waddy up in Wyoming was telling me about a day where the skies were threatening. In that part of the world, a day like that can be so electrically-charged your hair literally stands on end! At the time of his story, he was standing at the back door of the ranch house sassing his mama—and holding on to an aluminum door. About that time—you guessed it—he was knocked over by a big bolt of ball lightning.

The funny part of this is he says it made his chronically-gimpy knee better. Once he came to, he also discovered his dog about had the willies scared out of him and was in the field next to the house running laps around the perimeter and ki-yiping to beat the band. It took a while to calm the dog down and his mom maintains, "For the small sins, God gets you right away!"

I was visiting this same spread a couple of years back when they were marking and branding the heifers. There were some pointed remarks from the hands that, after a big ranch lunch nobody could rope

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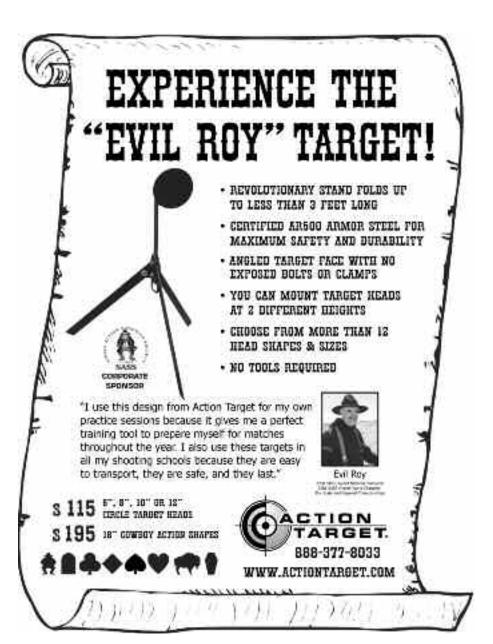


Purdy, 15 years back, hat blowed off and aboard the hurricane deck of a frog-walkin', sunfishin', sho nuff bronc!





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worth a flip. There were also some remarks that their agility had been somewhat compromised by the pies and coffee. About the time those comments were being made, one of the flankers got kicked in the head by a cow. He went over in a heap, but came up shaking his head saying he was okay. He was, too, except for a welt the diameter of a quarter, one-quarter inch tall under his lip and a monster headache. Once he swallowed about four ibuprofen and shook his head out some to prove he was in working order, the boss of the outfit looked him over and said, "Good thing you had a mustache to cushion that blow some."

Then there was the day we were pushing some cows from one pasture to another. I was out with a father and son team. The spring melt was on, and the creeks were running cold and deep and fresh. We finally stopped working long enough for the horses to blow and get a drink. The father's horse was packin' a powerful thirst 'cause he dunked his head in the stream clean up past the browband and just stood there waggling his ears suckin' water. The son gave his dad a serious look and hollered, "Hang on, Dad! If he goes down, I'll throw you a line! We'll save you!"

Now ranchers as a group don't

much care for rare beef. We were sitting down to dinner and the lady of the ranch was putting out a humongous crown rib roast—you know the ones—they're the one the butcher ties up with string so they don't fall to flinders in the oven. Well, there were some red juices running on the plate and just as she goes to cut the strings, her husband hollers out, "Don't cut him loose! He'll just run off, and I'll have to catch him again!"

I don't get much riding time in. That's the cost of being on the bench all the time. That's bad when it comes to getting out on a spread where you have to get up on a horse now and again. I'll admit I creak pretty bad for the first few days after getting on a pony after a long time away. I can take the comments pretty good about being creaky. I always tell 'em I wear chaps 'cause I'd rather be warm and dry and laughed at instead of miserable and wet and laughed at. My modest revenge is when my muscles actually acclimatize and I can step up on a tall pony in fine fettle. One morning a puncher watched me climb aboard and remarked, "Why, you stepped up there just like Dale Evans!" I flipped back with, "Thanks a bunch, she's only about 80 years old!" and rode off leavin' his jaw flopped to his saddle horn making apologies as to how he was only tryin' to be complimentary. I was laughing my head off! And, yup, it was worth all the sore and stiff muscles to be able to sass back at him. I expect it was pure good fortune there was no ball lightning around!

Some of the words and circumstances cited above have been told and retold around the shop here and over more than a couple of campfires and cups of Arbuckles. They're not legend, but they're good for a laugh, and I'm told the lines have come in handy a couple of times for friends who've been in similar circumstances. To be honest, I've been got by lines from my own past articles. Spurs made of Swedish steel go yingle yangle, and yes, we have no bandanas. But the worst, the absolute worst was this:

Some time last summer, I decided to move some stuff in the shop around. I conned a friend—a cowboy shooter—to lend a paw when it came time to move the leather. It wasn't a particularly tough job. Mostly it involved putting the hides on my venerable little green wagon, tying them down, and wheeling them over to where they needed to be. Well that worked real good up to the point where the bungee cord with the big carabiner tie-down got loose and whacked

me—HARD—right on the elbow. On a scale of 1 - 10, it was a 13, and I was "talking in tongues" (a mixture of Aramaic and Swedish, I think-maybe with some Swahili and Cockney rhyming slang tossed in). I questioned the parental heritage of things. I used "expressive language." My helper stood by and waited me out and when I ran out of words and pretty much figured out nothing was broken or irrepairably damaged, he very quietly (having first assured himself I wouldn't be likely to ventilate him with a 3-1/2" Sheriff's model in .45) uttered these words: "That'll quit hurtin' when the pain stops."

Where's a good lightning storm around when you need one?

Compadres, once in a while, I know things can get grim. But if you see the humor in it, that ol' lightning storm can be a ray of sunshine. Laugh hard, may the wind be at your back, your bullets find their marks with sonorous dings, and may you and yours be safe in your travels. I'll see you on down the trail!

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The Dooley Gang

Badlands Bar-3 Ranch, English, Texas, November 2009—If you're looking it up on MapQuest, it's the English in Red River County. For some reason there are three towns in Texas named English (but only one named Cut-N-Shoot). This is the home of the Dooley Gang. The Dooley Gang built it. It consists of 10 bays with intricate sets and props. T-Bone Dooley, Red Dooley, and Dog Dooley run the Dooley Gang. Dog Dooley is not a SASS World Champion (because SASS doesn't allow dogs to shoot). T-Bone and Red are. T-Bone is a six time END of TRAIL Classic Cowboy World Champion, three time indoor World Champion, twice overall shooting Classic Cowboy. Red was END of TRAIL Classic Cowgirl World Champion once. Several Dooley Gang members are world or national champions. This bothers some people. They think the only way these people can all be so fast is to cheat. T-Bone's boots, for example, have been protested at five separate events and found



T-Bone Dooley briefs the "shoot through" posse the weekend before Comin'At'Cha, the Southwest Regional.

DISPATCHES FROM CAMP BAYLOR

By Captain George Baylor, SASS Life #24287



Which of these shotgun targets is still up?

legal at all of them. They have been accused of cheating so many times the Dooley Gang belt buckle has "CMF" on it. If asked, they will tell you it means "Country Music Fan."

"I'd rather help a friend be a champion than be a champion with no friends"

But they don't cheat. They practice. T-Bone and Nuttin' Graceful (T-Bone's self-described "straight man") worked very hard to become champions. This work involved exploring the fastest way to do every aspect of shooting a match. Shooting a stage at world championship speed requires every move take a minimum of time. They measured the time needed to do each task and experimented until they figured the fastest way for them to do it. They didn't keep that to themselves. They taught the other shooters at Badlands. Then they taught classes at matches around the country. "I'd rather help a friend be a champion, than



Red Dooley managed to shoot and still be everywhere doing everything.



It was number 4. Wasn't it obvious?



"BAYLOR PKWY" is a regulation Texas highway sign at an intersection inside Bar-3 Ranch.

be a champion with no friends," said T-Bone.

There is the Dooley Gang, now up to over 800 members, people you see at matches with a purple sleeve garter on one arm, and there is the original Dooley Gang, the "badge holders," the original 20 who wear Dooley Gang badges in addition to purple arm garters. These few people put on the best match I've Comin'At'Cha, attended, Southwestern Regional. When they were awarded the Southwestern Regional Championship, the previous event had 100+ shooters. This vear's Comin'At'Cha had almost 400 contestants. No other event has as many good features: great

stages, super parties, unmatched hospitality, Elvis, and 20+ guns given away. Elvis? Well, two years ago Elvis (or at least a good impersonator) performed. One gun is given away to each posse, and several are given in a drawing after the awards presentation. The final gun is always something special. This year it was a Kimber Presidential with full engraving. Each year there is a professional fireworks display that lasts about 15 minutes longer than my neck muscles. Not professional like your crazy neighbor's shows used to be, but professional as in the quality big cities use for their displays. The barn, where everything happens, has grown a smooth concrete floor, a clubhouse/bar/saloon copied from the Our Gang comedies, a food court, and more.

At one point I heard Ringo Fire swearing in a new Dooley Gang member. Ringo is a professional comedian, and his voice is unmistakable. He said, "I, state your name," and the prospective member said, "I, state your name." I thought, "Yeah, he'll fit right in." For the record, the rest of the oath is, "... do solemnly swear to uphold the low standards of the Dooley Gang."

This year 100 tons of gravel were (Continued on next page)



After two consecutive match DQs, Nuttin' Graceful was determined to not repeat. He shot clean and fast and won Duelist category!



A collection of belt buckles from the Dooley Gang and Comin'At'Cha. The top one you can buy. The other four you have to win.

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put down on the entrance road and the "outdoor" stages (four stages are under cover with board floors). Red Dooley told me every time the club gets a little money, they spend it on improvements. This improvement would prove absolutely necessary.

As with previous Comin'At'Chas, the "all inclusive" entry fee covered everything, the side matches, lunch, and the banquet. Over 20 guns were given away—not raffled. You bought your chance with your entry fee. You could shoot without carrying your wallet. Don't try that at other events that nickel and dime you to death.

The Shoot Through Posse

For the last two years I've gotten there a week ahead, so I could work the workers' posse. Some vendors shoot there, but mostly it's The Dooley Gang, the badge holders, and "ranch hands" who work on the event. Still think they cheat? Nope. T-Bone is a VERY strict posse marshal. Last year he even gave stiff penalties to his wife and father-inlaw. This year generally he didn't have to enforce penalties. The shooters did it themselves. He was a good example. "Give me a safety," I heard him say. He had loaded 10 rounds for an 8 round stage.

"The only thing you bring to this sport is your integrity"

Three time END of TRAIL Duelist World Champion Nuttin' Graceful received match DQ's in the last two Comin'At'Chas before this one. This year he was smoking every stage, shooting fast, clean, and smooth. He told me when he and T-Bone were up and coming, Long Hunter told him people would be watching them. He should behave accordingly to be a good example. "The only thing you bring to this sport is your integrity," he said.



The shotgun shells say
"Dooley Gang" on them. T-Bone buys
pallet loads of Remington STS shells
with Dooley Gang on them and sells
them for \$70/case. First place
awards included a bottle of
Dooley Gang Crown Royal.
T-Bone says, "Others talk. We do it."

Nuttin' never forgot. Nuttin' is a guy you would want to work the timer when you shoot. He gave the shooter as much help as was legal. He was encouraging. You didn't have to ask if the shotgun target was up or down. He yelled it out each time. It should be noted the shotgun targets at Badlands Bar 3 are the absolute worst I've encountered in 10 years of SASS shooting. T-Bone is proud of them because they make good shotgun shooters out of you. Most of them have a "sweet spot" that is fistsized. They're bent up. Some only seem to fall about 10-15°, so they look up when down. Nuttin' told the posse to consider it a team sport, that encouraging the shooter was the posse's job. I heard a chorus after each shotgun shot telling the shooter "Down!" or "Up!"

Some people like the Dooley Gang. Some don't. At least one END of TRAIL official put a person on their posse who was seen reporting to the match director often. After all, they had to be cheating to shoot so well. The "spy" reported they weren't cheating. They were just good. In 2006 a Dooley Gang shooter who shoots .32 H & R's was called for not meeting the new blackpowder smoke standard. When he was tested, he passed, but T-Bone had words with the match director for what T-Bone thought was unfair treatment of the Dooley Gang. END of TRAIL hired the Dooley Gang for entertainment at a couple of END of TRAILs. They had very popular karaoke nights and did the trophy presentation better than I've ever seen. If you've seen their act, you know it's a professional quality act. Other entertainers got a half page in the program book. The Dooley Gang was mentioned in fine print in parenthesis. That was their last END of TRAIL as entertainers.

It's END of TRAIL's loss.

In all of the times the gang has been protested or put under close scrutiny, it has been found legal. They don't cheat. They do work together. They do encourage each other. Spotters were expert. I didn't see unearned misses called. I didn't see any unearned hits, either. This was a posse you would want to shoot with.

Shooting the event on shoot through day was not the best way to get a good score. For one thing, most of them shot 10 stages with no lunch break. Those who couldn't were allowed to shoot the stages the next day. A few of us made ourselves available to run them through. If you shoot like this, even if you pace yourself and shoot 5 and 5, you don't get the groundswell of energy you do shooting a Regional. It was like shooting a monthly match. That hurt some scores. But they did it anyway.

The next week the Dooley gang would put on another nearly flawless Comin'At'Cha. The fields were still soaking wet from torrential rains of biblical proportions, so they parked many of the over 125 RVs close

together on what dry ground there was and on Baylor Parkway and the other trails of new gravel about a foot above ground level. Several RVs got stuck, but the Dooley Gang pulled them all out. The field cleared in an orderly manner after the awards ceremony was over. Trash was picked up throughout the week, never piling up. The barn had gone from long tables to all chairs overnight Saturday night. awards ceremony needed 400+ chairs. Soon after the awards ceremony was over, the chairs were all packed away. The Ranch Hands, the workers, did all of the dirty work seamlessly and without complaint. The rain had cooperated. God tried to ruin a Comn'At'Cha several years ago when Hurricane Rita closed it down. This time he just sat back and enjoyed the show. Rumor has it he is sporting a purple arm garter ...

Author's note ...

Shortly after this article was written, T-Bone Dooley announced he had purchased 48 new shotgun targets from Dodger Targets for next year's Comin'At'Cha.

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hen on the road camping at Cowboy Action Shooting™ events, full hook up is not always an option, and if it is available sometimes the cost is more than the price of the match. So we try ta conserve battery power in any and every way. One change that helped big time was installing LED interior lights in our vintage trailer.

The Vicar's Wife and I recently purchased a 1969 Airstream Trailer and spent the summer restoring it to almost new condition. My brother-in-law, Russ, had put LED lights in his "Aluminum Can" so I got the web address from him and ordered some at www.jclampstand.com or JIRAH Company, PO Box 9192, Ontario, CA 91762. According to the information I read, you can have nine LED lights running for the same energy it takes for one of the old style lights. They are a little pricey, but the ole battery holds its power a lot longer. We

By Cree Vicar Dave, SASS Life #49907 TG ~ Sucker Creek, Michigan



ordered three different types of lights.

The square board lights that have thirty some little bulbs on it plug right into the 12v camper light sockets. You can just plug em in and let the light shine through the globe, or as I did on a few, or extend the wires and place the light board just outside the globe where it shines a little brighter. It says in John 12:35b; "Walk while you have the light, before darkness overtakes you. The man who walks in the dark does not know where he is going." With LED bulbs the light lasts longer.





camping at a

Cowboy Action Match

Another good tip I got from Russ was a solar nightlight. He took some of those solar lights on a post that people have stuck in their lawn, took the globes off, put them in a wood holder, and places them in the window of his RV. They charge up all day and make a nice nightlight when the sun goes down. I took this idea one step further. My son, "Gold Tooth Dave," made a stand for four solar lights. The lights, with the reflector globes left on, fit upright in the stand. I set the stand on the RV bumper or another flat area in the sun during the day and bring 'em inside at night. If the lights do not last all night, you can let one shine,

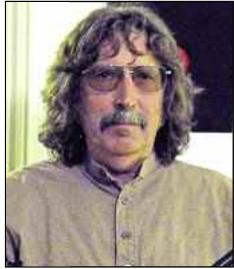
and place another one on its side up near the light. The light from one light will keep the second light from coming on until it goes out. Then when the first light goes out, the second one comes on.

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to come on

Lastly, I changed the exterior lights on the trailer to LED lights. I got the taillights and marker lights from www.inlandrv.com in California. What a difference in brightness! The best part is when I checked the 12 marker lights and 2 taillights on the AMP meter, they were drawing less than 2 amps. LED lights let you literally walk in the light.

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fast enough to win!

By Snake River Clay, SASS #34984







The DALMER ALMER

By Palaver Pete, SASS Life/Regulator#4375



The following generation—
Whispering Wade, Arctic Annie, and their two
Cowboy Action Shooting™ sons, Smilin' Matt Hatfield
in the background, and now Marine, Shifty McCoy.



These are the two that continued the family dynasty, Arctic Annie (Teresa) and Whispering Wade, (Wade Palmer).



These are the two
that started it all.
Diamond Willow (Sharon)
and The Legend,
(Gary Palmer).

"It all started with an issue of The Cowboy Chronicle ..."

here are many shooting families in SASS, and if you feel as I do, when you see them on the range together, you pause and look at them with envious memories of the times when you were able to shoot with your kids. Perhaps you are fortunate enough to have your grandkids to shoot with, providing you with yet another opportunity to help mold responsibility and good citizenship. SASS bends over backwards to recognize shooting families whether it is through articles such as this, or simply photos in The Cowboy Chronicle. The Scholarship Fund

Diamond Willow, The Legend, Arctic Annie, and Whispering Wade.

is another program used by SASS to encourage edu-

First and second generation.

is another program used by SASS to encourage education as well as youthful participation in our game. We all have a spot in our hearts for the shooting family. When that spot fades, our cause will also fade.

The Palmer family is one of those families we collectively like to admire. Gary and Sharon started a dynasty that follows the American dream and way of life. Working hard throughout their youthful years, the Palmer's emigrated from California to Alaska in the mid-60's to take advantage of the lucrative labor market there. While grandma Sharon, AKA Diamond Willow, SASS #37688, stayed at home caring for son Wade and daughter Carla, grandpa Gary, who carries an appropriate Cowboy Action Shooting™ handle of "The Legend," SASS #36069, worked in the oil fields at Prudoe Bay on the Bering Sea. If you have watched Ice Road Truckers on television, you can appreciate some of the locations Gary worked, such as Dead Horse and Attigan Pass, and, of course, Valdez, infamous for the big Exxon oil spill. After retirement he and Diamond Willow followed their son's family to Central Oregon where they now reside. Daughter Carla remains in Alaska, raising her family of a boy and a girl.

Son Wade, AKA Whispering Wade, SASS #36209, and daughter in law, Arctic Annie, SASS #37265, raised two sons who are both Cowboy Action Shooting™ competitors. The oldest son, Mike, is now a Marine stationed at Camp Pendleton, California, with pending orders to Afghanistan. When shooting cowboy, Mike goes by the handle, Shifty McCoy, SASS #39734. Before joining the Corps, Mike's shooting mentor was none other than Lead Dispenser, SASS #27115, who provided valuable shooting tips to both Shifty and his younger brother, Smilin' Matt Hatfield, SASS #39735, (seems like there's a Hatfield—McCoy connection here that the two brothers may have cooked up)? Matt was a recent recipient of the SASS

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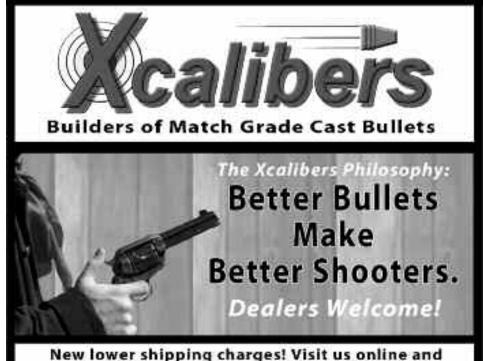
Scholarship fund and is pursuing his college degree (see the June 2009 Comboy Chronicle, page 52). Matt is also an excellent baseball pitcher, and could possibly wind up playing professional ball. If not, he is considering following his older brother into the military, but has yet to divulge which branch.

Whispering Wade was responsible for introducing the Palmer family to Cowboy Action ShootingTM. It all started with an issue of The Combon Chronicle, given to Wade at a gun shop in Anchorage, Alaska. The Combon Chronicle was so appealing to Wade he joined the Alaska 49er's in 1999. Soon dad, wife, and small sons were all shooting Cowboy Action ShootingTM. Grandma was also there offering her encouragement and helping the club by keeping score and doing other volunteer work. The entire family was hooked—the need to purchase a couple of motor homes to travel to more Cowboy Action Shooting TM shoots was soon recognized (sounds familiar).

Central Oregon in 2002, and Grandpa and Grandma followed after Gary's retirement in 2003. Soon the family found themselves traveling around the west attending Cowboy Action ShootingTM events up and down the coast. Of particular interest was the California shoots held at Bakersfield and San Luis Obispo. Now the entire family shoots together as part of the Pine Mountain Posse, a Central Oregon Whispering Wade and his dad, The Legend, placed in the top six in the Gunfighter Category at the recent Oregon State Championship Shoot (a youngster by the name of Badlands Bud won the category and the match). Arctic Annie placed 4th in the Ladies Wrangler category. Not bad considering the shoot drew over 200 shooters. Oh, and yes, Diamond Willow was also there volunteering her time helping keep score.

Grandpa Gary and son Wade apply their carpentry skills in helping both their club and the Central Oregon range organization by constructing various props and buildings, many of which have been featured in several past Combou Chronicle articles. Families like the Palmer's, who give their all to Cowboy Action ShootingTM and the shooting sports deserve our praise and thanks. That old adage, "a family that shoots together, stays together," certainly applies to the Palmer's. Semper Fi Mike! Watch your back in Afghanistan, and all us SASSers will be thinking of you and looking for the entire Palmer gang at our next big shoot. You're a Daisy if Ya do. 🦺





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Every cowboy, cowgirl, gun-slinger, saloon girl, gambler, trooper, and tippler who has been to END of TRAIL has fond memories of the Belle Union Saloon. It is THE place for washing down trail dust and blackpowder smoke after a day on the dangerous streets and

TALES OF EARLY CALIFORNIA The First Belle Union

Col. Richard Dodge, SASS Life #1750

trails of the Old West.

Well, pardner, I'm here to tell you about another Belle Unionthe first one, actually. That notorious watering hole was a landmark in of all places, Los Angeles, California, or more properly: el pueblo de Los Angeles, as reported by Major Horace Bell of the California Rangers from observations in 1851 when he joined the rush to California's gold fields.

These are his colorful description of the old saloon as he found it after an unforgettable break-neck race from the Port of San Pedro, several miles to the south.

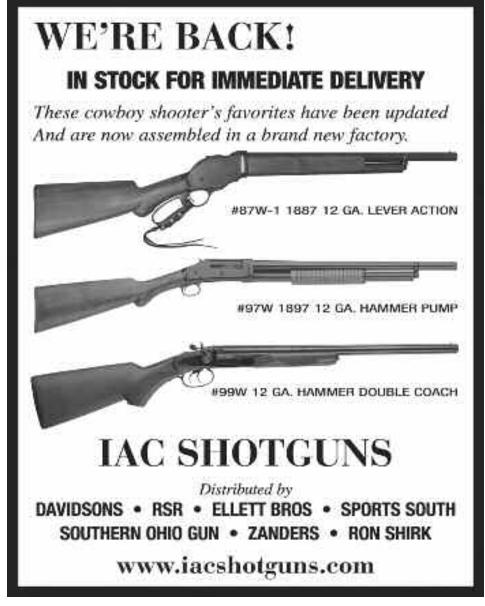
" ... With the whole pack (of dogs) at our heels, we drove up to the Belle Union Hotel, now the St. Charles, at least a half-block to the rear of the winning party ...

Winston and Hodges kept the Belle Union at that time. The house was a one story, flat-roofed adobe, with a corral at the rear, extending to Los Angeles Street, with the usual great Spanish portal, near which stood a little frame house. On the north side of the Belle Union corral, extending from the back door of the main building to Los Angeles street, were numerous pigeon holes or dogkennels. These were the rooms for the guests of the Belle Union. In rainy weather, the primitive earthen floor was sometimes, and generally, rendered quite muddy by the percolations from the roof above, which, in height from floor to ceiling was about six or seven feet. The rooms were not over 6x9 in size. Such were the ordinary dormitories of the hotel that advertised as being the "best hotel south of San Francisco." If a very aristocratic guest came along, a great sacrifice was made in his favor, and he was permitted to sleep on the little billiard table.

 $\lq The\ bar\ was\ well\ supplied. \lq\ So$ said the advertisement. It was well patronized. We registered and smiled at the bar. The grim, desperado-looking bartender by no means smiled back at us. He looked as though he had not smiled since his father was hung. Mind you, I don't say the man's father was hung, but he should have been before becoming the father of such an ill-looking fellow. He was a vindictive appearing man and wore an old dragoon

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TALES OF EARLY CALIFORNIA . . .

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overcoat and a red hat, a vicuna so common in the country at the time; open-legged Mexican calzoneros (trousers) with jingling buttons from hip to bottom, and by no means immaculate under-linen; protruding from under his flowing robes could be seen the ugly-looking Colt's revolver, while, with the red fringe-work of his Mexican sash could be seen mingled a chain of ponderous golden nuggets that hung from his fob. That bartender looked as though he never smiled. I am sure that no man, though he may never have been so hard up, so dry, or so desperate, would have the temerity to take a drink at that bar without treating that bartender with the utmost civility.

In one corner behind the bar stood a double-barreled shotgun, while, lying within convenient reach, could be seen a pair of Colts of the old army pattern, carrying half-ounce balls, and commonly called "batteries" ...

I most solemnly asseverate that the patrons who came and went during that hour were the most bandit, cut throat looking set that this writer had ever set his youthful eyes upon. Some were dressed in the gorgeous attire of the country, some half ranchero and half miner; others were dressed in the most modern style of tailoring; all, however, had slung to their rear that never-failing pair of Colt's, generally with the accompaniment of the bowie knife."

So, there you have it from an eyewitness to the original Belle Union. Can our own Belle Union ever hope to present so colorful a picture? Perhaps it's best we don't make the attempt, but wouldn't it be fun?

Bell, Horace, Reminiscences of a Ranger; Yarnell, Caystile & Mathes, Printers, Los Angeles, CA, 1881.

LITTLE KNOWN FAMOUS PEOPLE WAY OUT WEST -

By Joe Fasthorse Harrill, SASS #48769



ock-Eyed Frank Loving
was born in Missouri in 1860 and
his family moved to Fort Worth,
Texas when he was 12 years old. At age
18, Loving migrated to Dodge City,
Kansas where he launched a career as a
professional gambler. An argument
between a man named Levi
Richardson and Cock-Eyed Frank
resulted in a gunfight at the Long
Branch Saloon in which Levi was
killed. The Dodge City Marshal,
Charlie Bassett, arrested Loving,

but he was released when the coroner declared Frank had acted in self defense. Loving later left his wife, son, and daughter and showed up at Trinidad, Colorado where he renewed his acquaintance with a Dodge City gambler named John Allen. An argument with Allen over a loan led to another gunfight in which Loving was shot and killed. Allen was tried for murder and found not guilty.

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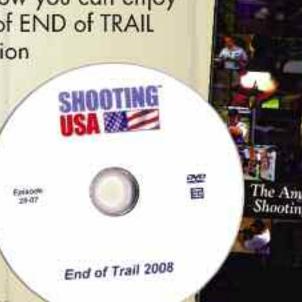


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It was the best of times, it was the worst of times; it was the age of wisdom, it was the age of foolishness ...

owboy Action Shooting™ at 95°. The best of and worst of times, indeed. At times, I have wondered what everybody smelled like back in 1880. Strange thing to think about, but if you have ever spent all day on a posse with 30 cowpokes on a really hot summer day you, too, would gain an inkling of what it was like.

Well, living in the 21st century as we do, there is a solution to that (other than throwing the cook into

the horse trough). I am speaking of modern fabrics assisting us in keeping cool. There are a host of theories regarding how to keep cool while wearing authentic period clothing and most of them boil down to this: Sweat enough to soak your inner garment and then via evaporative cooling you will more comfortable. stay Remember Boy Scouts and wetting the felt covering on your metal canteen? It is the same idea. Perhaps if that was my only option I would learn to enjoy it, but I just play in the 19th century and do enjoy the benefits of technology.

Revi Technical Wear calls Greensboro, North Carolina, home. Producing high-tech wicking fabrics since 1987, they are a leader in custom team apparel for groups such as shooting teams, NASCAR pit crews, and bicycle racing teams. Earlier this year, company president, Six-String Jimmy, SASS #84967 (aka Jimmy Murray), launched J.

A TALE OF TWO SHIRTS

A review of the "Cooler Cowboy Shirts" by Hedley Lamarr, SASS Life #14478

Hornaday Dry Goods, which he named in honor of his grandfather. Ten sizes, three different patterns (solid, strip, and paisley) and twenty colors means there is something that will satisfy most any cowboy or cowgirl.

Revi-X Moisture Management Knits are modern technical wicking fabrics, which draw moisture away from the body. They are made of polyester, which, unlike cotton, absorbs very little water. Cotton will hang onto your sweat, making your garment heavy and unpleasantly clammy. Wicking polyester picks up moisture and carries it away from your body, spreading it out to evaporate easily on the outside of the fabric. Therefore, you stay cool and dry.

I was one of the first to receive the new shirts. One is red with black stripes and the other is white with blue stripes. Both have a solid white band collar. With a four-button placket, they are of the "Henley" pattern. (See Image 1) I examined both shirts and noticed a few things. Inside, the seams are quite well finished with no loose thread ends. The buttons have a substantial amount of color-matched thread holding them on. This is a real pet peeve of mine. I own many shirts from different manufacturers, and almost all of them have had the buttons come loose in the first wash. Not so the J. Hornaday shirts. The colors are rich and vibrant, and the fabric feels like a heavy silk. (See Image 2) The fit is accurate to my

am sure both would add to the cost. All in all, its a well-designed and good-looking shirt.

I was unable to shoot a match while wearing the shirts, but I managed to find substitute activities. The red stripe was up first. My garage was around 50°, and after several hours wrenching on my iron horse, I noticed the outside of the shirt was slightly damp, but the inside was dry, and I was comfortably warm. That evening I wore the white shirt out to a dinner get-



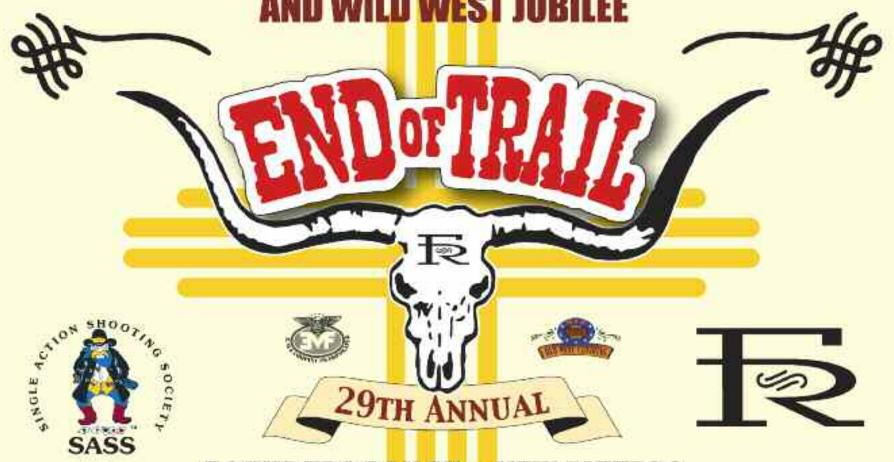
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size, and the sleeves are just the right length and have a nonstretch cuff with a subtle logo. Another nice touch is a five-inch extension of the shirttail, which means no matter how many times you bend over to pick up brass and targets, the shirt should stay tucked in your pants. Personally, I would like to see a split cuff with a couple of buttons and change the clear plastic buttons used on the placket to metal, although I together with a dozen folks. It was over 80° in the crowded bar, and I worked up a good sweat mingling and practicing my gunfighter skills (a whisky in both hands). Again, at the end of the evening, the shirt was dry against my skin, and there was no clammy feeling. The next day I tossed both shirts into the wash, and they came out as good as new, with the added advantage of no wrinkles. With these shirts, there is no need to carry an iron in your saddlebags!

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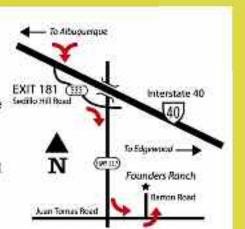
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By Wm. B. Shillingberg Reviewed by Kid Rio, SASS #2741

he two most famous towns of the Wild West were unquestionably Tombstone, Arizona Territory and the end of track cattle town of Dodge City, Kansas. Western researcher and writer William Shillingberg of Tucson gave us the best Tombstone history a couple years ago and now he has done the same with Dodge City. This is great timing for SASS members who want to use this year's Las Vegas Convention theme as a chance to expand on their Old West knowledge.

Most of us first heard of Dodge City from watching TV's Gunsmoke or Errol Flynn in the movie "Dodge City." Neither one presented the true facts. Neither did the series based on Wyatt Earp starring Hugh O'Brian. Like everybody else, I became fascinated by frontier history and Old West guns because of the entertainment world. The movies, however, drove me to the library, and I immersed myself in reading about the real West. Stuart Lake's "Wyatt Earp, Frontier Marshal" has been criticized as containing much fiction, but it led me to Stanley Vestal's "Dodge City, Queen of the Cowtowns" (Harper & Brothers, 1952) and Odie B. Faulk's "Dodge City" (Oxford University Press, 1977).

Shillinberg's new book, however, is the best of the lot and will open the door to learning about the complicated world of politics and law enforcement of this town that rose to greatness in the hey-



"Dodge City Peace Commission Photo, June 1883." Front row from the left, Charles Bassett, Wyatt Earp, "Kid Rio" Dunham, Neil Brown. Back row, William Harris, Luke Short, W.B. "Bat" Masterson, W.F. Petillon.

day of drovers and gunfighters. Dodge City began as a place to bring bison hides for shipment to the eastern markets. With the Northern Cheyenne and the Arapahoe attacking the Buffalo hunters, the military presence expanded and Fort Dodge was built. With the access to fresh water and vast grazing lands, the Atchison, Topeka, and the Santa Fe Railroad promoted the town as the next great place to ship Texas Longhorns, and "See the Elephant." By the late 1870's Dodge City had become

"Queen of the Cowtowns." The roles played by Mayor "Dog" Kelley, "Mysterious Dave" Mather, Ed and Jim Masterson, Luke Short, and Charlie Bassett, as well as Wyatt Earp and "Bat" Masterson are wonderfully fleshed out in this fine history of the notorious "Bilious Babylonian" of Cowtown history.

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There weren't a lot of people who knew Dennis Daskalakes ... but everyone knew who The Greek was. An intelligent man, knowledgeable on a plethora of subjects, The Greek always had a good story to tell. The perfect campfire companion, The Greek was not one to sit in the shadows and listen, rather, he was always center stage, and before to long he would have the whole assembly laughing and having a good time.

Born March 28, 1941 in Pottsville, PA, The Greek grew up in Allentown, Pennsylvania. When he was old enough, he joined the US Army and served with the paratroopers. He worked at the Steel Mill in Bethlehem, forging the molten iron that helped build our great nation. For over 30 years he was slinging hot steel, and then he went to slingin' lead, becoming a devoted member of the Mainville Marauders posse, shooting regularly at the Mainville Sportsman gun club.

No stranger to other shooting associations, The Greek could be found at many of the surrounding clubs shooting on a regular basis. No one would dare call The Greek a gamer, yet he was adept at the sport of Cowboy Action ShootingTM, being both accurate and fast!

Hunting and Cowboy Action ShootingTM were his two big passions his wife, Kathie. next to

Unfortunately for us all, he left the prairie on September 29, 2009 at the age of 68 hunting Wyoming. He is survived by his wife Kathie, his six dogs, his daughter Gina, two grand-



and two great grandchildren.

We'll miss The Greek's smile, with his rows of gold and silver teeth, his laughter, and his jokes, but most of all we'll miss the man-Dennis Daskalakes ... better known as "The Greek!".

SANDIA RED, SASS #24579, **AKA Mike Moore**

January 19, 1956 - October 29, 2009

By Sandia Red's father Mustang Moore, SASS #30733

t is with great sorrow we announce the passing of Sandia Red, Mike Moore, after a two-year battle with cancer.

My son was the first to introduce me to SASS when he asked me to go to Winter Range with him, and I thought, WOW, this

would be a great thing for me to do with my son. I joined SASS that year. He called and said he had signed up for a shoot in Bayhalia, MS, and I would be going with him. He didn't suggest I practice at all. When we got there he ended up having pneumonia and didn't get to shoot, but I did and came in 4th from the bottom, and we still had a good time! He moved to Sandia Park, New Mexico and changed his alias to Sandia Red.

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A TRIBUTE OL' SCOUT, SASS #323

(Richard F. Clark) 1933 - 2009

By Red Sun, SASS #635

Tpland, CA – The first time I met Ol' Scout, he was with JovBelle (aka Barbara Lent) down at one of my Frontier Days Blackpowder matches in Pala. He was a tall, distinguished, and very soft-spoken individual when I was first introduced to him. This was about 10 years ago. The relationship grew as we shared thoughts on blackpowder related subjects-guns, powder, history, and reloading. We had numerous discussions on future joint projects with blackpowder cowboy matches. Soon a decision was reached, and one of the Frontier Days matches was held at Cajon Cowboys in 2003. It drew a respectable crowd, and everyone had a great time. This relationship developed further and later

became part of the Brimstone Pistoleros organization.

Richard F. Clark was born in 1933, an only child with most of his upbringing in the Ontario/Upland area. He was married with two stepchildren, a boy and girl. He started learning gunsmithing as a youngster from his father and became quite proficient. He was a very sharp and dedicated individual, making all of his own tooling and obtaining recognition that later resulted in a consulting job with law enforcement groups in the San Bernardino area. He talked about his college days—his career began in Geology and the Mining Industry. Apparently, this did not last, and he further continued into the field of

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electronics. His spent many years in the engineering sector of General Dynamics in analog RF (radio frequency) electronics from which he eventually retired.

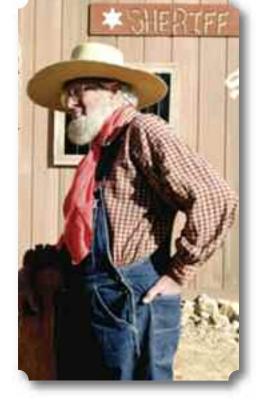
Richard had many interests other than firearms. One was Indian Motorcycles. He mentioned once about riding out in the Devore Canyon area and meeting actor Steve McQueen who was a serious Indian Motorcycle collector. Also, he and some of his friends purchased and restored an antique steam engine that was later sold to the Disney Studios in Burbank.

His involvement in firearms was deep, but his real love were the guns of the Spanish American War. His vast knowledge of early Remington autoloaders, European bolt actions, and so forth was amazing. A single question would lead into his vast database of detailed information. Part of his interest here led to the Wild Bunch category of firearms. He had prepared quite a thesis on the subject matter covering what he considered as the most "correct" assemblage of firearms to be used.

As for blackpowder guns, he had a unique taste for percussion pistols-Rogers and Spencer, Starr, and Colt 1862 Police. He always shot his Rogers and Spencer's at the matches. Those apparently were his favorites.

He was a fanatic about developing different loads for blackpowder cartridges and religiously spending time on a weekly basis out at Devore testing them. He tested about all of the different manufacturers' products also. His preference was Schuetzen. He also provided blackpowder cartridges for others at matches so they could enjoy an opportunity on the "dark side."

As SASS #323, Ol' Scout was part of the early days. He was on the Board of Directors of the Cajon Cowboys with the development of the property and also with the Double R Bar Regulators in Lucerne Valley. He loved the desert and owned a few pieces of property out in Lucerne Valley. He even talked



about eventually moving out there. The Brimstone Pistoleros organization was his base for promoting Blackpowder Cowboy Action ShootingTM matches. He was a great person to run thoughts by for ideas on what we could do next. He just wasn't satisfied with the "standard" SASS shooting categories. He was a real promoter of long gun style matches.

Healthwise, he suffered from COPD that resulted from his early years of smoking. He would comment frequently out of all of the things he missed, he missed his lungs the most. He was limited in getting around on the range and later set up an electric "mule" cart that he cruised around in. He built ramps and mounted a winch in the bed of his pickup for it. Unfortunately he did not get a chance to use it very much.

After suffering from a long series of complications from COPD, Ol' Scout passed away on August 7, 2009. He is survived by his son and daughter and his cat, Yo-Yo, who is currently under the excellent care of his Aunt Lois. Ol' Scout will definitely be missed by us all. ...



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North Carolina State Blackpowder Championship Is A 44

By Pearl, SASS #68593 Photos by Red River Russ, SASS #76824, and Cindyella, SASS #79345

Wagram, NC - Smoke on the Border, so named because of the proximity of North and South Carolina, was the long-awaited culmination of the dreams of some hard-working North Carolina shooters. On May 2, 2009, a bunch of Carolina smudged faces (80 shooters) got together in Wagram, North Carolina. The Cross Creek Cowboys, the proprieters of this range, hit the ground running. They only finished building this range last year and

have already hosted last year's "3:10 to Wagram" and this match. Match director and stage writer Carolina Jack, SASS #18432, based his stages



Camille Eonich is North Carolina's Top Lady Blackpowder Champion.



Well done!



Southern Draw outlasted the rest of the blackpowder competitors to become the North Carolina Blackpowder Champion. Congratulations!





on early episodes of the TV classic "Gunsmoke." As always, Jack instructed and entertained us.

Hardworking match officials were Carolina Jack, Penelope SASS #45702, Petticoat, Huckleberry Mike, SASS #45701, Saddleburr Jack, SASS #51757, Sandhills Slim, SASS #22998, and Ms. Jewel, SASS #62556. Most of us had never shot blackpowder before, but were willing to give it a shot, as long as our buddies who do it all the time were there to give us counsel and advice. I owe a big debt of gratitude to Jefro, SASS #69420, who not only loaded my blackpowder rounds for me, but stayed at the unloading table through the entire match, cleaning everyone's guns in between stages. We had no idea how superstitious blackpowder shooters were until we experienced first hand Jefro's special combination of "Moose Milk" and Murphy's Oil Soap!

We had a warm and yet slightly breezy day, so there was not a miasma of blackpowder haze over the range, just the waft of fragrance associated with "The Holy Black!" Two fine shooters were the overall winners, Southern Draw, SASS #75363, for the men, and Camille Eonich, SASS #48444, for the ladies.

A moment of silence was observed for a very special lady who is no longer with us. Cornbread Mama, who was not a shooter, but whose husband, Stick, SASS #63181, is, was our vittles' coordinator. We will see her at the last roundup. Her cheerful smile is missed.

Next year, Smoke on the Border will be a three-day event, April 15-17, 2010. Side matches on Thursday, the 15th; then six stages on Friday and four stages on Saturday. Contact Penelope Petticoat (muhcah@aol.com) for applications.

Winners

WranglerSouthern Draw, SASS #75363 L Wrangler Camille Eonich Wendover Kid, 49erSASS #37552 L 49er Charlotte, SASS #55777 BuckarooGatlin Gun Greg, SASS #81335 Junior Linden Kid. SASS #57332 B-Western Dakota Mac Wolverine Woman, L B-Western SASS #60366 C Cowboy Layden, SASS #22953 C Cowgirl Circle City Blondie, SASS #71563 DuelistDirty Skunk, SASS #46862 L Duelist Myra Venge. SASS #72463 Gunfighter Bo Harley MacRide, SASS #58974 Hot Lead Heather, L Gunfighter SASS #69421 Sandhills Slim Senior L Senior Ms Jewel Salvador Dally, E Statesman SASS #37299 Frontiersman Carolina Jack, SASS #18432

S DuelistS Senior

CLEAN SHOOTS

Carolina Leadfoot, Wolverine Woman, Ringo Steele, Bo-Harley MacRide, Sandhills Slim, Wendover Kid

Carolina Leadfoot,

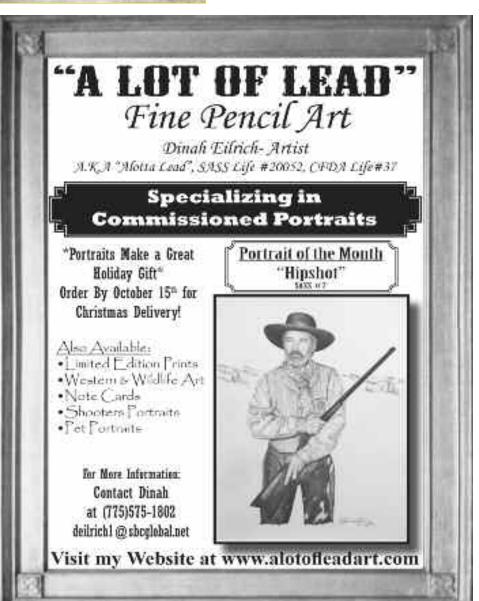
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Lean Gene,





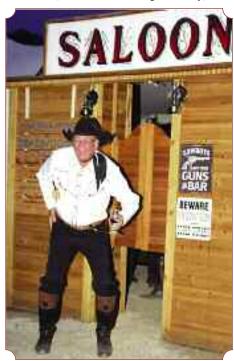


CALIFORNIA STATE CHAMPIONSHIP AT 5 DOGS CREEK

By Professor Cubby Bear, SASS #29521 Photos by Doubleshot Darlin', SASS #70752

akersfield, CA - The 2009 SASS California State Championships was hosted by 5 Dogs Creek. The match was held from April 30 through May 3, 2009 at the 5 Creek Range outside Bakersfield, California. Yours Very Furry was there, and hereby bears witness to the achievements of this successful championship match.

First, and most importantly, the



Tucson Smith is caught unarmed leaving the Howling Wolf Saloon.



Professor Cubby Bear and Little Miss Mo take a spin across the dance floor.



Merry Meg is ready for a mandatory shooters meeting.

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For Even Dozen Outlaw, 5 Dogs Creek is a family affair.



Hennessey Hayes and Raspberry Hayes enjoy a nightcap.

	winners				
California	State	Cham	pion		
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Man Long Swede. SASS #22129 Lady Sweetwater, SASS #1122

Category Champions

Frederick Jackson Turner, SASS #28271 B-Western Black Raven Bob, SASS #34144

BuckarooLil Bravo, SASS #83731 C Cowboy Hud, SASS #16409 Drew II, SASS #29080 Cowboy

Cowgirl Sweetwater Jackalope Jasper, DuelistSASS #54049 Bloody Bill Anderson, E Statesman

SASS #61673 F C Duelist Lefty Eastman, SASS #20645

F Cartridge Cole Younger, SASS #4237 Rowdy Yates, Frontiersman

SASS #141 Grand Dame Stage Coach Sally, SASS #26400

GunfighterCross Creek. SASS #38136

L 49er Lusty Lil, SASS #4103 L B-Western Fannie Mostly, SASS #41799

L DuelistBank Robbin Robin, SASS #59040

L F Cartridge Jessie Lyn. SASS #7989 L Modern Texas Yellow Rose, SASS #15347 Paniolo Lady, L S Senior SASS #28694 L Senior Cicada, SASS #21345 L Wrangler Anita Margarita, SASS #54050

ModernLong Swede S Duelist Coop, SASS #5720 Badmann Bob, S Senior SASS #70751 SeniorTex Fiddler, SASS #10127

Taggart, SASS #14398 Wrangler Kid Tutt, SASS #80311 Young Guns

Clean and Smooth

Beartrap Bandit, SASS #57175 Black Raven Bob Carlos el Hombre, SASS #37659 Chuckwagon Jim, SASS #63427 Gus Ashcroft, SASS #27341 Hop Sing, SASS #2021 Paniolo Lady Papa Willie, SASS #47161 Rowdy Yates Shenandoah, SASS #749 Wobblin Bob,

SASS #63710

Plainsman

Lefty Eastman EastWestBadmann Bob LadyFannie Mostly

Side Match Winners

Bo Bean, SASS #61280 **Speed Pistol Speed Rifle** Lefty Longridge, SASS #9240

Speed Shotgun

Pump/Lever Long Swede

Double Wildroot, SASS #33149

Long Range Lever Rifle P Caliber Wildroot

R Caliber Sackett, SASS #9179

L R Rifle Single Shot

Tuolumne Tweed, Blackpowder SASS #5538

Smokeless Brushwacker, SASS #11679

Double Dog Dare

ManSwifty Swede, SASS #33879

LadvSweetwater

Couple's Shoot

Long Swede and Sweetwater

Spirit of the Game

Adam Cartwright, SASS #50175

Howling Wolf Saloon Apple Pie Hay Guy, SASS #56246 Contest



Filthy Lucre is proud to be shooting with his grandson, Kid Tutt.



The shooting at 5 Dogs Creek was blazin'!



Sweetwater shows why she is a champion.

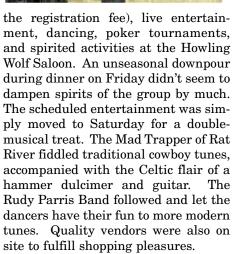
2009 California State Match was an achievement in safety. 225 main match shooters and other attendees were present. 114 campsites were occupied. Nearly one hundred thousand cartridges and shotshells were discharged from over 1,000 firearms in an area of less than six acres. Skilled paramedical professionals were available and standing by in the event of injuries. Their skills, while appreciated, were almost completely unemployed. By the end of five days of shooting, the injuries reported to the First Aid Station consisted of two cases of splinters and one scraped knee. This fact is a tribute to the safety consciousness, not only of club leaders, match officials, and posse leaders, but also to every participant who contributed to making the match a safe and fun experience for themselves and everybody else.

Secondly, the 2009 California State Match was an achievement in club leadership. Say what you wish about SASS issues like shooting categories, modification covenants, and stage design. However, those issues are secondary to the need for strong local clubs as the bedrock of participation in our sport. Strong local clubs begin at the top with responsible and constructive leadership. Last year, the 5 Dogs club was in a period of transition. After many years of service, nearly all of the club officers needed a much-deserved break and were replaced by new officers. To their considerable credit, the outgoing officers agreed to complete their service to the club and to our sport by assisting the new leadership in hosting the 2008 California State Match. They did so admirably, helped their successors succeed, and have continued to provide advice and guidance.

This year was the first match at which Mayor Dirt McFearson and his new generation of club officers were charged with managing a major match. Yours Very Furry was able to check in with Mayor McFearson, Sheriff Mescalero, and other club officers during the match. Originally, there was a sense of foreboding; things were going so well that surely some crisis would rear its ugly head at any moment. But the ugly crisis never arose. Minor problems occurred. They were dealt with, and the match went on smoothly. Foreboding gave way to confidence, and, finally to achievement. A new generation of club leaders proved themselves capable of their assigned tasks.

Thirdly, the 2009 California State Match was a showcase for the hosting facility. 5 Dogs Creek is truly fortunate to have a range where incremental development of an outstanding facility for Cowboy Action Shooting™ is permitted. Not only are permanent props and facades in the shooting bays, but also amenities outside of the bays are available like covered picnic areas, permanent restrooms with lighting, and even a presentation stage.

The facility makes it possible for many after-shooting events. Evenings were replete with an outdoor showing of "The Cheyenne Social Club," two nights of catered dinners (included in



New to the match was the welcome addition of the Kern County Shrine Club as the vendor serving dinner on Thursday and breakfast and lunch the rest of the weekend. All proceeds from the weekend will directly benefit their charities.

Fourth, the 2009 California State Match took an interesting approach to the main match stage design. Nine of the 12 main match stages (75% of the main match) conformed to the contemporary trend for large, close, regularlyshaped targets with limited movement between shooting positions. remaining three stages were expressly designated as "Challenge" stages. In those stages, the targets for one of the three types of firearms (but only one of them) were forthrightly set up to chal-The "Pistol lenge the shooter. Challenge" required plates be shot clear from a star-armed frame while alternating shots between the plates and a standard target. The "Rifle Challenge" presented a rack of tombstone plates set between the infamous 5 Dogs triangular coyote targets and well back from the firing line. The "Shotgun Challenge" included a pair of clay bird throwers.

All match directors work to find a perfect compromise between fast and easy "action shooting" stages that test the speed of our best shooters while making the sport accessible to "differently-abled" participants while presenting enough variation to keep the stages interesting and challenging. While that perfection may be elusive, the 5 Dogs approach of having a limited number of expressly designated "challenging" stages and limiting the "challenge" to one firearm type per stage seems to have a great deal of potential merit.

Of course, no match is perfect. Notwithstanding these four achievements, the 2009 California State Match had some minor problems. The absence of a Black Powder Night Shoot was disappointing to me. An infestation of uninvited earwigs annoyed the non-insect attendees of the match, but that's part of being on a ranch. The sound system at the awards assembly was not completely satisfactory. However, these few flaws were more than offset by real achievements. To describe the 2009 SASS California State Match at 5 Dog Creek as a success is merely to do it justice.

Mark your calendar now for the 2010 California State Championship to be held April 29 – May 2, 2010 at 5 Dogs Creek. ...





A GUNFIGHT IN DIXIE VIII The 2009 SASS Tennessee State Championship

By Rosebrook Kid, SASS ##74349

Arlington, TN – As the Memphis Gunslingers prepared for their eighth annual Gunfight in Dixie, which was set for mid-September 2009, they had extra motivation: it would be their first time they would host the Tennessee SASS State Championship. Match Director Cherokee Sargent, SASS #38868, and Mountaineer Lefty, SASS #68058, Memphis Sport Shooting Association (MSSA) VP for Cowboy Action pulled out all the stops to make the Town of Gunsmoke ready for the big shindig.

The Town of Gunsmoke is nestled in an eight acre section of the 190 acre MSSA complex in Arlington, TN, a couple of miles northeast of Memphis. Gunsmoke has ten stage sites that have electrical wiring for fans, sheltered loading/unloading tables, and several enclosed shooting points. David Borman from MSSA worked closely with Cherokee and Lefty in getting the shelters finished in time for a trial run during the club's first Sunday match, September 6. All went very well.

The preparations proved their worth Friday morning as the Wild Bunch shooters got things rolling and were greeted by "intermittent showers" (the National Weather Service issued flash flood warnings and there was this little guy in a toga walking around saying something about "Two by two"). Twentyone shooters had a damp good time shooting stages written by Capt. Brick Bond, SASS #73307. Everyone found the stages easy to shoot with all targets being large and close enough to miss (sorry, but the half fast shooters had to be recognized). The shooters voted to have one large posse, which worked out very well. It was wet, wild, and a lot of fun!

Saturday started out with cloudy skies, but no deluge! 165 shooters from eight states and two countries gathered under the cook shelter for the opening ceremony led by Match Director Cherokee Sargent who delivered the opening remarks.

The theme for the match was "Remembering TV Westerns." Music from many of the classic TV shows was played throughout the match



Match Winners—Dew R. Dye and Prestidigitator.
Outstand Shooting!

over the PA system. It brought back a lot of good memories.

Stage One was shot at the "Outlaw Cabin." Captain Parmalee of the Texas Rangers and Senator Sparks have been taken prisoner by the notorious Davis Gang-from the "Laredo" series circa 1965. Among the challenges the posse faced while riding to the rescue were triple tapping three rifle targets, shotgun targets shot from behind a fence, a swinging horse head released by another shotgun target, which revealed another shotgun target, and then alternating pistol shots on two pistol targets while avoiding the horse head. And then a dump five pistol shots on one of the Davis Gang in the doorway of the outlaw cabin. It was FUN, but woe unto he (or she) who hit the horse!

Stage Two was "The Buffalo Range," and the posse is on its way to aid Adam Cartwright and Ruth, the White Buffalo Woman from "Bonanza" circa 1960. With your first pistol you begin a double tap sweep on five targets. After your first pistol you double tap sweep five rifle targets from the left side of a prop horse (which is stationary this time). With your shotgun you engage two targets from the left of

the horse and two from the right side of the horse. With your second pistol you complete the double tap sweep of the pistol targets. Do you see a pattern forming—smooth, flowing motion, and lots of targets? Challenging and lots of fun to come!

The Stage Five posse joins "Wagon Train" (1962) scout Flint as he protects a young boy from the gang that murdered his father. Beginning with a stick of dynamite held between both hands at the left side of the Wagon, the shooter has a choice of firearms (rifle cannot be last) to engage a pair of larger than life cowboy figures (Big John and his larger little brother, whose center is a gong) with alternating double taps for the rifle (you had to hit Little Brother's gong), or double tap Big John with your first pistol alternating with a standard pistol target. The shooter then moved to the right side of the Wagon and chose between the shotgun and four knockdown targets and alternating the second pistol between Big John and another standard pistol target.

Inside Dixie Gun Works the Stage Six posse helps Heath Barkley from "The Big Valley" (1965— "Wyatt Earp" (1955) enlists Posse Seven to help clean up Ellsworth, Kansas from The Jail. From inside the Jail office, the shooter engaged five targets in a Nevada Sweep, three pistol targets in a Nevada Sweep, and delivered four shotgun targets their comeuppance. This was one of the most popular stages with many shooters clearing it with times in the mid twenty-second time range. A couple of really hot guns cleared it with 18's!

Matt Dillon ("Gunsmoke" 1957) is trying to prevent a range war in Stage Eight. At Boot Hill the posse deals with three coffin pistol targets by shooting two on either end followed by three shots in the center with the first pistol, followed by five shotgun targets in any order. The rifle is fired at two outside targets followed by three in the center and shots on the opposite side with three more in the center. The stage was concluded by two pistol shots on the opposite side with three in the center. More than one shooter had to take a deep breath in order to remember which pistol coffin was shot first!

With the help of the posse, "The Lone Ranger Fights On" (1949!) at The Mine for Stage Ten. After dropping a bag of silver, the shooter engages three rifle targets in a pair of Lawrence Welk Sweeps (a one, and a two, and a three ...). Moving to the left with the shotgun, three targets got knocked down in any order, rhythm optional. Moving further left both pistols were fired in Bandleader Sweeps on three targets.

At the end of the day Saturday more than thirty shooters had clean matches going for them. The rain had held off, for the most part, and the sun even made a brief appearance mid-afternoon.

Supper was provided by Outback and you can imagine how good those steaks were! Dooly Sworn's Band provided entertainment for the evening.

Can't Shoot Dillon, SASS #29712, led a moving Cowboy Church service with Dahlonega Dave leading our cowboy choir in singing. You should hear Dave sing—his voice would keep even the most skittish herd calm during a dark and stormy night.

About the time all the posses

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had completed their first stage Sunday morning that intermittent rain, which had held off most of Saturday, came back with vengeance. One running joke was you might get a "P" for rubber boots being out of wardrobe for your shooting category, but you deserved a bonus for common sense. The "Cowboy Way" prevailed as RO's, spotters, and other shooters helped each other deal with things. Capt. Augustus, SASS #6390, summed things up very eloquently: "Cowboys had to live, work, AND SHOOT in all kinds of weather and all kinds of conditions." And, he shoots from the Dark Side.

After shooting ended, everyone gathered under the cook shelter for door prize drawings, results, and awards. Bella Spencer, SASS #63491, handled duties as MC and kept everyone entertained as the scores were entered and results compiled. Do ya' ever wonder what an old time cowboy would think of a computer? Whoa!

There were two really special door prizes. Dahlonega Dave won the grand prize—a cased commemorative pair of Ruger revolvers, and Tumblin Tom, SASS #69099, won a beautifully hand-made wooden clock crafted and donated by Red Jack Morgan, SASS #55212. Tom's better half, Phoenix Rose, SASS #72641, made it clear that clock would look just fine on the wall of her camper! There were a total of sixteen shooters who shot clean matches (including 'Tator and Dew R Dye), many of them shooting either Frontier Cartridge or Plainsman. Quite an accomplishment. It was quite a weekend! The "Cowboy Way" was evident in many forms and expressions. New friendships were made and many Cowhands had a glimpse of some of the issues our western role models from the 1800's had to deal with. Congratulations to all who participated, you were winners everyone! ... Lil' Weasel, Winners Senior SASS #61585 Top Overall & S Duelist Cherokee Sargent, **Tennessee State Champions** SASS #38868 Man Prestidigitator*, Christmas Kid, S Senior SASS #52251 SASS #34945 Lady Dew R. Dye*, Wrangler Blackfish Kid, SASS #59089 SASS #21537 Categories Mr. Black, SASS #84716 Young Guns Dooly Sworn, 49'er SASS #34690 *= clean shoot; no misses, no penalties Randy Saint Eagle*, **Working Costumes** B Western CowgirlOglala Sue, SASS #9965 SASS #64903 No Me, SASS #75262 Mississippi Tom, BuckaretteCowboyHurricane Rayne, SASS #50619 BuckarooWild Bunch Deadwood Miner, SASS #72368 SASS #45575 C Cowboy Marshal Red Stockburn, **Side Matches** SASS #69658 Speed Rifle Prestidigitator C Cowgirl Bella Spencer, Speed Pistol Prestidigitator SASS #63491 '97 Shootgun Prestidigitator Cowboy Prestidigitator* Three Gun Prestidigitator Cowboy + Moreguns Massey, Canyon Clay Doubles SASS #69565 Prestidigitator & Sugah, SASS #80446 Cowgirl Blackfish Kid. Cowgirl + Cheyanne Rayne, SASS #21537 SASS #72367 Blackfish Kid Let's Go, SASS #82713 Duelist Speedy Gonzales E Statesman The Arizona Ranger, Buck Dodgers, SASS #5824 Southern Outlaw, SASS #39695 F Cartridge L Speed Rifle Dew R. Dye SASS #79879 L Speed Pistol F C Duelist Bill Carson, Dew R. Dve L '97 SASS #52250 Dew R. Dye L Three Gun Dew R. Dye Fire N. Fallback, Frontiersman L Speedy Gonzales SASS #60185 G DamesFeisty Mama, Dew R. Dve Long Range SASS #54613 Boomerang*, L PC Lever Oglala Sue, SASS #9965 Gunfighter L Rifle Lever Oglala Sue SASS #25728 Mrs. Pleasant, L SS Rifle L 49'er Oglala Sue L Buffalo Rifle SASS #76987 Oglala Sue Wendy, SASS #56657 PC Lever Diamond Lilly, L B-Western Rifle Lever Louisiana Cuz, SASS #20005 Wildcat Belle, SASS #37504 L Duelist SS Rifle Blackfish Kid SASS #77506 Buffalo Rifle Texas Bill, SASS #9964 Last Kiss, SASS #34954 L Gunfighter Wild Bunch L Senior Sunny Girl, SASS #45500 Overall & Modern Texas Bill L S Senior Ozark Red. Capt. Brick Bond, TraditionalSASS #21968 L Wrangler Dew R. Dye* SASS #73307 Hico Kid, SASS #35226 Outlaw



*SHOOTOUT AT HARD TIMES

The SASS Ohio State Championship

By Corbin Dallas, SASS #41040

iqua, Ohio, June 12, 13, and 14 – Another year has past as we come again to the town of Hard Times and the Ohio State Shoot. For the seventh year in a row, The Piqua Fish and Game Protective Association, in conjunction with the Miami Valley Cowboys, hosted this prestigious event.

As I drive up to the clubhouse, it seems like it was only eight months ago we held the 2008 shoot. Oh yeah, it was only this past October we held the 2008 shoot! But, to meet the needs of the shooters, the club changed the date to June, and garnered in half again as many participants.

First stop is the registration table to pickup my shooter's packet and finding the finest, most informative booklet I have ever seen. Starting with a full color cover jacket of seven local cowboys, AKA the Magnificent Seven, Seven Men, One Destiny—Buckshot Jones, Rio Loco, Cotton Cassidy, Ol' Short Tom, Doc Eells, The Jingle Bob



Ohio State Winners, Two Bit Drifter and Sage Chick



Overall Winners, Two Sons and Deuce Stevens



Clean Shooters

Kidd, and Smokin'Iron.

The theme this year is Ten Favorite movies, as voted on by the Miami Valley Cowboys. They are Silverado, The Searchers, Outlaw Josey Wales, Unforgiven, Open Range, Tombstone, The Man Who Shot Liberty Valance, The Wild Bunch, Stagecoach, and True Grit. No surprise that John Wayne had four movies out of the ten. In respect for The Duke's contribution to western lore, The Jingle Bob Kidd paid a wonderful tribute to him during the opening ceremony.

But now it's time to get to the range, as I am working stage sevenpocket pistol and derringer. But before I walk down the path, I need to stop at the chuckwagon for some vittles, a nice bowl of biscuits and gravy along with a tall drink of coffee.

In addition to the side matches that morning, The Jingle Bob Kidd is holding the ever-popular three-stage mini-match. And, if that weren't enough, Two Sons was holding her Ladies Side Match competition.

By now it was getting close to noon, and my side match replacement just arrived, so I could go up and get some grub before the safety meeting for the Wild Bunch Match. Last year Ol' Short Tom and Doc Eells put on a fine match for 18 shooters. Well, the word got out, and this year Tom and Doc welcomed 50 shooters for this match! Fun, gun, and some run made for a fast, fun afternoon. Gunny Q slicked up my 1911, but musta left a few misses in the barrel. Oh well, better aim lower and straighter next year!

Can't leave the side matches without going to the .22 gallery. Buckshot Jones took the year off in 2008, but was back better than ever this year, giving away many fine looking stuffed animals.

Now that my shootin's over for the

day, I have time to go to the motel with the great cowboy discount, check-in, freshen-up, and get back to the clubhouse for a mighty fine steak dinner with all the fixin's.

Saturday morning and the safety meeting and tribute to John Wayne, then a whoop and a holler, the posses formed up at their stages and time for us Berm Marshals to describe the scenarios. We were shooting six stages today and four tomorrow.

Much has been written on the



B-Western Cowboys

Winners					
Overall Winners					
Ian	Deuce Stevens,				
	SASS #55996				
a de	Two Song				

LadyΓwo Sons. SASS #12636 **Ohio State Champions**

Two Bit Drifter, ManSASS #32899 Lady Sage Chick, SASS #48454

Categories

Duelist

Two Bit Drifter 49'er B Western Cheyenne Culepper, SASS #32827

Apache Wolf, Buckeroo SASS #65272 C Cowboy R J Law, SASS #15466

Samuel Doc Eells,

SASS #40531 Teton Tomahawk, E Statesman SASS #40443

Frontiers manMarcus Allen, SASS #4357 F Cartridge Doc Roy L Pain,

SASS #28321 F C Duelist Stone Creek Drifter, SASS #58853 Gunfighter Lassiter, SASS #2080

Ol' Short Tom, SeniorSASS #12635 S Duelist Smokin' Iron, SASS #22149 S Gunfighter

Silver Senior

Wrangler

Young Gun

C Cowgirl

Lady 49'er

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L Young Gun

K. C. Jones, SASS #39124 Colt McAllister, SASS #13823 Marshal Westrick, SASS #62113 Dusty Boots Marge, SASS #41903 Turkey Legs, SASS #48384 Pearly R Mateeth, SASS #29198 Miss Lead Lisa, SASS #51615 Ruthless McDraw, SASS #37556 Clementine Valentine, SASS #66179 Two Sons Rose Louise Reasoner, SASS #12516 Cactus Kay, SASS #15157 Short Fuse Ruby, SASS #47939 Shana Sureshot, SASS #67122 Sage Chick

Cripple Creek Kid,

SASS #10614



Rose Louise Reasoner shows how a gal can shoot a 1911 one handed!

wire about the Shooting Scenarios. Suffice it to quote Korupt Karl, "The target placements and scenarios were excellent." Rio Loco wrote ten of the finest, friendliest, stages one could ever hope to shoot. Speaking for myself, I had my best match ever, and a lot of it had to do with the stage/target set-up. Way to go Rio!

And, now the match. Every ready line was from one of the ten top movies. First up was the Lead Mine. Shooter says, "Deserves got nothing to do with it!" and the shootin' begins. Double sweep in a 2-1-2 pattern—first

"Now, let go of that stud!" and you better be ready to shoot! First pistol with one round on each target, then shotgun, then rifle with two rounds on five targets, and back to the pistol. Deuce Stevens cleaned this stage at 15.92 seconds, and he needed that time as Colt McAllister was only two seconds behind!

Then on to the Cattle Emporium where the roles were reversed as Colt came in third at a whopping 14.86 seconds, a full 3 seconds ahead of Deuce. This is just an example of how fast and furious the stages were.

Since the shooting was completed fairly early, we had plenty of time to go back to the motel to dress for the banquet held at the local Eagles Banquet Center. A nice touch this year was complementary appetizers. To go with that first adult beverage was a spread of cheese, crackers, chips, and veggies with dip while listening to the cowboy music played by The Smilin' Valley Riders, a local favorite. After dinner and some raffle prizes, they played various western music, and many couples were up on their heels dancing. The Mac O Chee Kid, leader of the band, told me later people were requesting songs he hasn't played in twenty years!

Sunday broke clean and clear as



Ol Short Tom timing Waco Al

pistol 2-1-2, the shotgun, and back to the second pistol.

My Berm Marshal post, the Cantina, was next, and the ready line was, "That will be the day!" Seems after Buddy Holly saw the movie, *The Searchers*, he woke up the next morning and wrote the song using that same phrase.

We then moved on to the Bank, then the Pony Express, and came up on the newest stage, The R.R. Station. This line was from the opening of *Tombstone*,



Dusty Feller making the shells fly

the posses formed to shoot the final four stages. The last four stages were as fast at the first six, and the competition never let up. Coming up on stage nine, The Gallows, with the ready line from *Open Range*, "You the one that shot my friend?" Colt beat out Deuce Stevens by 0.35 seconds. Wow, can't get much closer than that!

By noon we finished and moseyed on down to the R.R. Station for the Man on Man contest. The event had some pretty competitive match-ups and a few that proved to be very one-sided. Buffalo Dick was not that enthused to have to go up against Lassiter, but took it in stride and shot well, just not good enough to win.

Then on to the clubhouse for some free vittles and the match awards.

Beautiful weather, one of the best ever shooter's book, fast, fun stages, and great grub made for a most excellent 2009 Ohio State Shoot. And hard to believe ... it'll be even better come 2010!

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where you go, the action is fast, the targets are (usually) big, and our volunteer clubs are among the very best. There's a reason USPSA club shooters have long dominated the action pistol events, including Steel Challenge, IDPA, ICORE, and the Masters.—Come find out what our organization can do for you!





The 9th Annual Was A Great Match!!

By Haycamp, SASS #24645

Yortez, Colorado – As we arrived ✓on Friday morning, from the top Long Range you could look out and see the array of different outfits many a cowboy and cowgirl were wearing ... it was a sight to behold. Of course I was dressed in my Classic Cowboy attire. My trusty gun cart was at my side, loaded and ready for the day.

The Windygap Regulators added a Quigley Shoot, it was three shots offhand. O Bar Freddie, SASS #22369, took that honor with three hits. Ole Wise Sass, SASS #55311, belched out smoke and fire and was the top gun in the Single Shot Long Range. What a great way to start the Revenge!

Morning brings us shooters from

around the world. Intermingled between the random gunshots, we hear "G'day Mate" and a hearty "Howdy." Sunshine and a cool breeze find cowboys gathering around Colorado Cast Bullets walking away with heavy loads or swamping Mollogon Drifter with the most intricate details of beautiful designs to be put on our gun stocks and grips. Artie Fly and Sexy Sadie could be seen flitting from bay to bay, taking wonderful pictures of all our cowboy friends.

As morning turns into afternoon, The Windygap Regulators start their side matches. We had rapid-fire precision plinkin with .22's at some of those nasty birds that were about 2" high.

Jackaroo,

Little Bit, SASS #35291, took top honors in that. We had Clays-a-Flying, with a tie between Stu Kettle, SASS #34047, and T.L., SASS #5365. We had poker dealing, Aspen Wrangler, SASS #50536, producing a hand of four aces, along with our Run'n'Gun side match, won by Blastmaster, SASS #47480.

But "Hell's Revenge" took it all! It was the brainchild of Awfull Ernie's twisted mind. You truly had to see it to believe the fun that was had. I'll just give a hint ... it involved six shotgun knockdowns, which one shot gave a Texas star a pretty good spin, two Texas Stars, random spinning pistol targets, a charcoal thrower, a lone, small Spinning Rifle target, and lots of



Match Winners-Blastmaster and Miss Ruby Redsmoke! Congratulations!

lead down range! Miss Ruby Red Smoke, SASS #48421, from New Zealand did a "schoolin" on everyone by shooting it clean and fast.

We shaded up for about an hour when all hell broke loose down at Parrot City. "Watch My Back" put on by The Windygap Regulators' Shakespearian Company was shooting up the town! When the smoke cleared, Utah Bob, as the Sheriff, Awfull Ernie, the rascally cowpoke, along with his saner sidekick, that would be "Me," were laying in the dirt. All fell victim to the Parrot City Saloon Girls, Helda Huginkiss, Aneeda Huginkiss, Cripple Creek Sue, and Helza Poppin. When the smoke cleared, the only cowboy out alive was Deputy Captain Woodrow K. Kelso, SASS #9845. As he walked away with two girls on each arm, they made their way down the dusty street to Wagon Wheel Gap for a fine evening of cheating at cards, high ruckus, and a few libations to wash the dust down. Just when we think these cowboys are ready for their bedrolls, we hear a distant rumble. Back at Parrot City there is a new batch of heathens, Big Sage and his brothers from the Dark Side are throwing fire and brimstone down range. What a grand closure for the day!

Just when I think it can't get any better ... the sun rose for a new day and I ponder, "How can them Regulators top the opening day?" Without a hitch, our Match Director, Piedra Kidd, SASS TG #35070, led us all in the Pledge. Some covered their hearts, some saluted, and

Winners

Blastmaster, SASS #47480 Miss Ruby Redsmoke, SASS #48421

Categories Cowgirl

Overall

Man

Lady

L Wrangler

Cowboy Wrangler

Modern

49er

F Cartridge

Gunfighter

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Dixie Bell, SASS #5366, Washington, UT Ms. Clancy, SASS #46433, Australia Mogollon Drifter,

SASS #13690, Ahlman, MN Little Bit.

SASS #35291, Montrose, CO Kodiak Kid,

SASS #35294. Montrose, CO Blastmaster, SASS #47480,

Nucla, CO Alvira Sullivan Earp, SASS #4300, Australia Edgy Tom,

SASS #72735, Edgewood, NM Awfull Ernie, SASS #50018, Cortez, CO

Shotgun Shell, SASS #50019,

SeniorL Senior

Silver Senior

L S Senior

S Duelist

Duelist

E Statesman

Grand Dame

B-Western

L B-Western

C Cowboy

 $C\ Cowgirl$

SASS #29989, Australia Lefty Jo, SASS #18830, Grand Junction, CO San Juan. SASS #1776. Montrose, CO Just MHO, SASS #52704. Humboldt, AZ Sam Balin. SASS #31217, Australia Ruff Cobb, SASS #7548, Durango, CO OT Hutch, SASS #25134, Sun City, CA Stage Coach Sally, SASS #26400, Sun City, CA Constable Nelson, SASS #11784. Australia Miss Ruby Redsmoke, SASS #48421, New Zealand Hank a Chief, SASS #43655, Glendale, AZ Lead R Rip Lu, SASS #59176,

Mancos, CO

BuckerettLil Smart Sass, SASS #78896, Bloomfield, NM Buckaroo Young Gun Lyle, SASS #81108, Durango, CO Appy Dan, F C Duelist SASS #67998. Black Diamond, WA L F C Duelist Tolinka, SASS #71378, Byers, CO Courtnee, 800067, L Young Gun Farmington, NM **Long Range** Sam Balin, Repeater

SASS #31217 Australia P C Rifle San Juan. SASS #1776 PistolRuff Cobb, SASS #7548

Clean Matches

Blastmaster, SASS #47480 J.T.Wild, SASS #20399 Ole Wise Sass, SASS #55311 Philip Doboy Taylor, SASS #38237 Rooster Cockburn, SASS #11791 Ruff Cobb, SASS #7548 Wicked Sister, SASS #76746

(They were each given a T-Towel made from a Flour Sack donated by our local milling company and a bar of soap, courtesy of Tansy Aster, SASS #65112, of Durango Colorado.)

others just stood in honor and respect of our Great Country. He honored our Hall of Fame Shooters, Dixie Bell and Virgil Earp. What a terrific accomplishment that is. Then, the posses were off to enjoy a day of putting lead down range, a smidgen of fellowship, and loads of fun. As soon as the first beep went off ... the sound of the last beep for the day rung in our ears. The day was done ... shooters were invited to clean up and share in some good grub and a few spirits at our American Legion. The women were attired in beautiful gowns, and the gentlemen all looked dapper, but Helda Huginkiss, SASS #23799, and Hawkshaw Fred,

Sunday morning found us with four more stages to complete. Along with fast guns and team matches, Stumble Leena and Cripple Creek Sue were busy un-coding the scores. Yours truly was given a Cow Butt Award and

SASS #36811, took the goodie bags

home for best dressed.

honorary Spirit of the Game. Apparently the loading table is used for loading the rifle and **both** pistols!

I sometimes find it refreshing to load my pistols after the BEEP.

Alamo Kid's name was drawn for a win on the Derringer, and Lefty Jo won an entry into the Colorado State Match put on by San Juan of Montrose, Colorado, September 4th, 5th, and 6th.

The Windygap Regulators wish to thank all who participated in the 9th Annual Revenge of Montezuma. We hope you had a good time, and will visit us again. "Ain't it great to be tired from so much Fun?" Make your plans early to join us next year for the 10th Annual Revenge of Montezuma, hosted by THE WINDYGAP REGULATORS, CORTEZ COLORADO ... See ya'll Soon. ...





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ITSMAN WORLD SENIOR GA

A "Unique" Cowboy Action ShootingTM Event!

By Major Payne, SASS #86012

"It was the best of times; it was the worst of times...," (Charles Dickens: A Tale of Two Cities)

t. George, UT – Howdy, Major Payne here ... the timeless quote from Charles Dickens above, illustrates some of the feelings I experienced as a new "Greenhorn" at the recent Huntsman World Senior Games held in St. George, UT October 6th through the 10th.

I use the first portion of the quote, "It was the best of times ..." because it was my 5th Cowboy Action Shooting TM event, and I experienced it at the marvelous new 15 bay shooting range, carved out of the beautiful and colorful red hills of southwest Utah and superbly hosted by the Dixie Desperados, the local St. George area club. The "Ramrod' for this "unique" event is Buzzard's Brat, SASS #44341, supported by many of his fellow Desperado members who do a wonderful job with this "one of a kind" shoot.

A little history on the Huntsman World Senior Games (HWSG) may be helpful here. The HWSG is a "unique" sporting event because it's for "senior citizens" only. It began in 1987 and was founded by Daisy and John H. Morgan, Jr. Their vision was for men and women 50 and older to participate in an "International Senior Sports Competition." The second year the age requirement was dropped to age 50 to include more athletes and encourage older folks to

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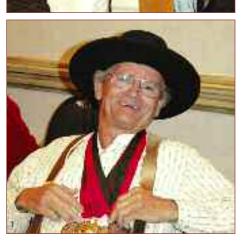
















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get involved in a personal fitness program or team sport. This year there were over 9,000 athletes participating in 25 sports from over 35 different countries from around the world!

In addition to the Cowboy Action Shooting TM event, participants enjoy all the amenities of the Games, a sponsor provided social, free health screenings, an official HWSG shirt, and they let us march in our cowboy outfits during the opening ceremonies. If you are age 50 or older, or will be by next October, this is an opportunity you will not want to miss.

The 12-stage shoot included Frontier Cartridge, Open, and Duelist categories \mathbf{for} men

Winners

and Open, Traditional, and Duelist categories for women. Shooters competed in 5-year age divisions. Also available were side matches, man-on-man and team shoots, all in pursuit of the gold, silver, and bronze medals just like the regular Olympics (except we are older).

The second half of Dickens' quote, "it was the worst of times ..." in the sense I had so much fun and met so many wonderful people I only wish I had found Cowboy Action ShootingTM years ago so I could have enjoyed the fun and camaraderie sooner.

Over the week I met some of the early founders and some wonderful characters of SASS including Tex, the

Belinda Belle,

OPENING CEREMONIES







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lovely Cat Ballou, Ol' #4, and others. It was great to hear the stories and laugh with these folks, especially from Tex and Ol #4. Did you ever notice that you really don't have to look to see where Tex may be? Just listen and his laugh will get your attention soon enough. It was, pardon the pun, a "blast" just being around them.

For a "newbie," I probably

Top Shooters			SASS #42966
\overline{Man}	San Juan, SASS #1776	Lady 60	Lefty Jo
Lady	Lefty Jo, SASS #18830	Lady 65	Camptown Lady,
Categories			SASS #8303
Duelist		Lady 70	Frisco Nell,
Lady 50	Colorado Honey,		SASS #38665
-	SASS #72573	Lady 75	Twinkle Toes,
Lady 55	Autum Rose,		SASS #75358
	SASS #21869	Side Matches	
Lady 60	Bitterroot Beaver,	Plainsman	
	SASS #50432	Man	William Waddy,
Man 50	Doc Blondie,		SASS #48486
	SASS #46708	Lady	Dixie Avenger,
Man 55	Just Ace, SASS #63501		SASS #55754
Man 60	Hank A. Chief,	Flying Challe	enge
	SASS #43655	Man	Ol' #4
Man 65	Ruff Cobb, SASS #7548	Lady	Frisco Nell,
Man 70	Double Dollar,		SASS #38665
	SASS #28621	Speed Pistol	
Man 75	Silas Whistleberry,	Man	Deputy Duke,
	SASS #75357		SASS #3325
Frontier Cart	ridge	Lady	Lefty Jo

| Lady 55

Hobble Creek Marshal SASS #48486 ManDixie Avenger LadvMan 55 Jubal O. Sackett, Speed Shotgun (SXS) SASS #22531 Ruff Cobb Man 60 Sunwapta Haze, ManSASS #63407 LadvCamptown Lady Speed Shotgun (pump/lever) Man 65 Ol' #4, SASS #41004 Lodem Larry, Wrangler Ron, Man 75 SASS #7122 SASS #38981 Open

William Waddy,

Aspen Filly,

Light Angel, SASS #57609

Shot-z Lady,

Knitin Sue,

Molly Starr,

SASS #50535

SASS #60903

SASS #38185

SASS #39244

SASS #70038

SASS #42374

SASS #16884

SASS #60902

SASS #61221

SASS #51084

SASS #37442

SASS #50114

Annabelle Peacock.

San Juan

Hey Granpa,

Peacock Pete,

Panuco Bob,

German Jack,

Hobble Creek Marshal,

Diamond Jim Bandy,

Gateway Kid,

Cicada, SASS #21345

Man 50

Lady 50

Lady 55

Lady 60

Lady~65

Lady 70

Lady 75

Man 50

Man 55

Man 60

Man 65

Man 70

Man 75

Man 80

Man 85

Lady 50

Traditional

Dixie Bell, SASS #5366 Lady

Long Range (PC) ManSan Juan Lady Dixie Bell **Long Range Pistol** ManGateway Kid,

Speed Rifle

SASS #70038 Shot-z Lady LadvLong Range (RC)

Oh Well, SASS #2364 ManLady Autum Rose, SASS #21869

Long Range (Buffalo Gun) ManOl' #4

LadySecond Fiddle Sue, SASS #55872

.22 Caliber Pistol

Hobble Creek Marshal ManLadyBelinda Belle. SASS #42966

.22 Caliber Rifle

ManHobble Creek matshal Lady Junction Jan, SASS #57689

Pocket Pistol

Territorial Ryder, ManSASS #31939

Lady Dixie Bell

Derringer

Man Ol' #4 Ladv



Lefty Jo See more *HIGHLIGHTS* on **76**

SASS NORTHEAST REGIONAL



(Continued from page 1)

the final knockdown.

While not a North-South confrontation like the men, the Ladies' Sweet 16 Shootout between Kill Em All Kate, SASS #45804, and Kiddo Caldwell, SASS #55054, ended in a tense three re-load attempt at the final knockdown target amid the collective groans of the crowd with each missed shot. Kiddo muscled through and edged Kate out by a split second. In an earlier round, proving that not all the great ladies are in the South, two-time New England Regional Ladies winner Stormy Shooter, SASS #57733, of Maine graciously ceded her round win to Gemstone Jamie, SASS #35515, of Virginia in lieu of a reshoot, when outside interference



Match Director Chuckaroo rides his trusty motorized steed at the Mason-Dixon Stampede.

disrupted Jamie's performance.

The 2009 Mason-Dixon Stampede found new Northeast Regional champions, Slick Silver Kid, SASS

#28339, of Pennsylvania and Kiddo Caldwell of Maryland, with overall match winners Slick Silver Kid and Appaloosa Amy, SASS #63949, of



SASS Northeast Regional Champions—Slick Silver Kid of Pennsylvania and Kiddo Caldwell of Maryland. Slick Silver Kid was also the Overall match Winner. Outstanding performance!

Winners Categories $L\ S\ Duelist$ Miz Annie Ross, SASS #60919 F C Duelist Smoky Hill Thompson, SASS #7923 L B-Western Shamrock Sadie, SASS #78511 Green Eyed Indian, L S Senior SASS #51116 Linden Kid, Young Gun SASS #57332 Frontiersman Patchogue Mike, SASS #8626 L Duelist Myra Venge, SASS #72463 S DuelistTrooper Steve, SASS #15263 Gunfighter Walker Colt, SASS #3035 Geronimo Jim, Senior SASS #21775 Rowdy Bill, S Senior SASS #9628 C Cowboy Travis Spencer, SASS #59583 F Cartridge Rowdy-Finn, SASS #54595 Lost Rider, Bunckaroo SASS #77567

Queen of Hearts,

Twin, SASS #9553

SASS #65017

SASS #48564

SASS #59582

Black Hills Barb,

SASS #34171

SASS #60070

SASS #28413

Stormy Shooter,

SASS #57333

SASS #32827

SASS #67591

Cheyenne Culpepper,

Sassy Shooting Sours,

Mustang Megs,

Bonnie Dee,

Will Kilya, SASS #9568

SASS #9938

Doc Noper,

Lil Feathers,

Tricky Trina,

L Senior

Wrangler

49'er

E Statesman

L F C Duelist

L F Cartridge

C Cowgirl

L Gunfighter

Grand Dame

FC Gunfighter

L Cowgirl

L 49'er

L Wrangler Appaloosa Amy, SASS #63949 Duelist Big Fred, SASS #28338 BunckaretteK Darlin, SASS #59843 B-Western Slackjaw Jack, SASS #76378 Slick Silver Kidd, Cowboy SASS #28339 L Young Gun Snazzy Mcgee, SASS #66689 **Mounted Shooting Overall Champion** Man Crown Royal Cowboy,

SASS #57926 Lady Logan's Lady, SASS #78662 **Divisions** Crown Royal Cowboy Division 3

Division 1 Nottum, SASS #52811 Division 2 Rusty Outlaw, SASS #75978 $L\ Division\ 1$ Logan's Lady Outlaw Jimmy Wales, J Division 1 SASS #49316

All Around Cowboy

Nottum Man LadyDang Janner, SASS #86144

Costume Contest Presented and Sponsored By The Dixie Cowgirls **Evening Wear**

Juniors The Buckaroo's Bandamo Brothers Baltimore Ed. Man SASS #11754

Judges' Choice

SASS #68972; Marshlan, SASS #22743; and Sundown Charlie, SASS #61859) Lady Loco Linda, SASS #52696

Judges' Choice

Wyoming Schoolmarm, SASS #32070

The Corona Brothers

(Corkscrew Charlie,

Couples Clementine, SASS #79956 and Remo Williams, SASS #77880

Judges' Choice

Side Saddle Sue and Hand Cannon, SASS #73023

Shooting Costume

Lead Slinging Nick, **Junior** SASS #82660 Loco Linda, Lady' SASS #52696 Gray Squirrel, Man SASS #46705

Judges' Choice Awards

Baltimore Ed. SASS #11754 and Cheyenne Culpepper

Starpacker Cowboy Spirit Award Miz Annie Ross,

SASS #60919

Top 16 Shoot Off

Biloxi Bob, SASS #22644

Sweet 16 Shoot Off

Kiddo Caldwell, SASS #55504

Side Matches Three Stage Blast

Punch, SASS #4368 ManLady Stormy Shooter LY Gun Snazzy McGee, SASS #66689 Lead Slingin' Nick Buckaroo

Three Person Team "We Scrambled It"

River Banks, SASS #55949, Quaker Hill Bill, SASS #61021, Dapper Dan, SASS #40887

Speed Derringer Man

Jimmy Spurs, SASS #65014 Tricky Trina, Lady SASS #59582

Pocket Pistol

ManTwin Tricky Trina Lady

Speed Pistol

Deuce Stevens, ManSASS #55996 Lady Sunshine Marcie, SASS #64900 Young Gun The Linden Kid, SASS #57332 L Y GunSnazzy McGee, SASS #66689

Lead Slingin' Nick Buckaroo Derringer

Lady Tricky Trina

Speed Shotgun Pump

ManTwin Lady Appaloosa Amy, SASS #63949

The Linden Kid, Young Gun SASS #57332

L Y Gun Snazzy McGee, SASS #66689 BuckarooEagle Eye Drew,

Double

Deuce Stevens ManAnnabelle Bransford, Lady SASS 11916

SASS #74807

The Linden Kid

Lead Slingin' Nick

Lead Slingin' Nick

Young Gun Buckaroo**Speed Rifle**

Deuce Stevens ManLady Appaloosa Amy Young Gun The Linden Kid Buckaroo**Outlaw Jimmy Wales**

Long Range Rifle Lever Big Bore

Jug Browning, ManSASS #22356 Tricky Trina Ladv

Pistol Caliber

ManDoc Noper Lady Bonnie Dee, SASS #28413 Young Gun Two Gun Tuco, SASS #78297

Buckaroo

Single Shot ManSlick Jim, SASS #72679 Tomahawk Teri, LadySASS #52808 Buckaroo**Outlaw Jimmy Wales**

THE 2009 MASON-DIXON STAMPEDE





Shoot-off Winners-Kiddo Caldwell & Biloxi Bob. The Shoot-offs were exciting and closely contested!



Top Lady Overall, Appaloosa Amy. Congratulations!

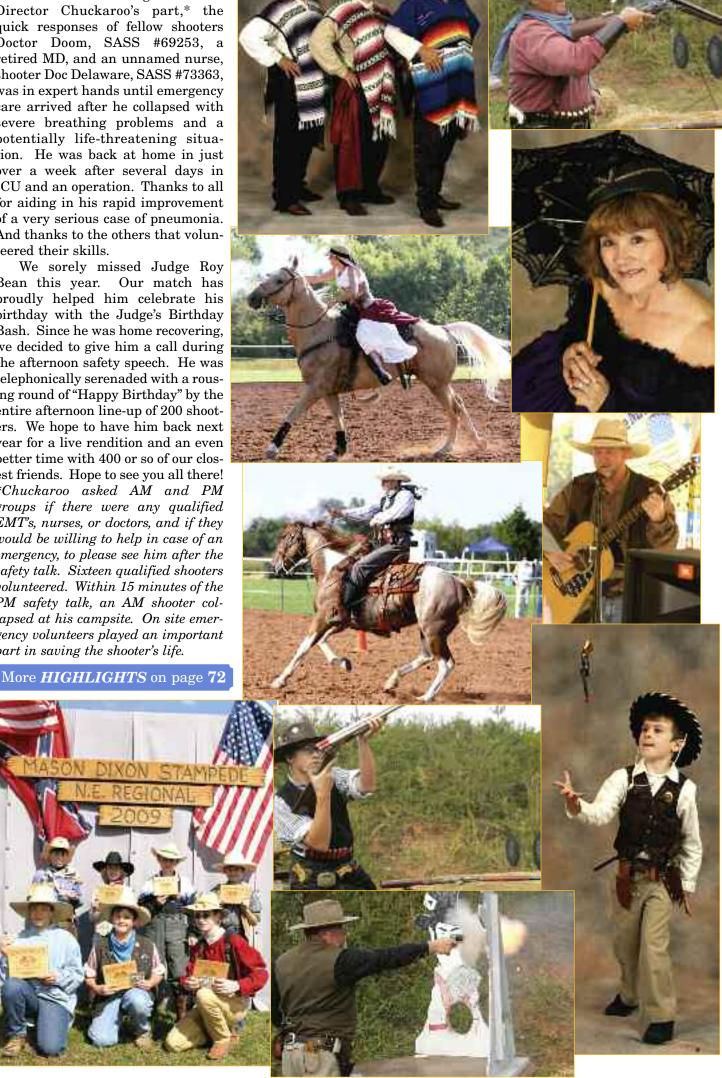


Top Buckaroo/Buckerette-K Darlin & Lost Rider. **Great Shooting!**

Connecticut for the ladies.

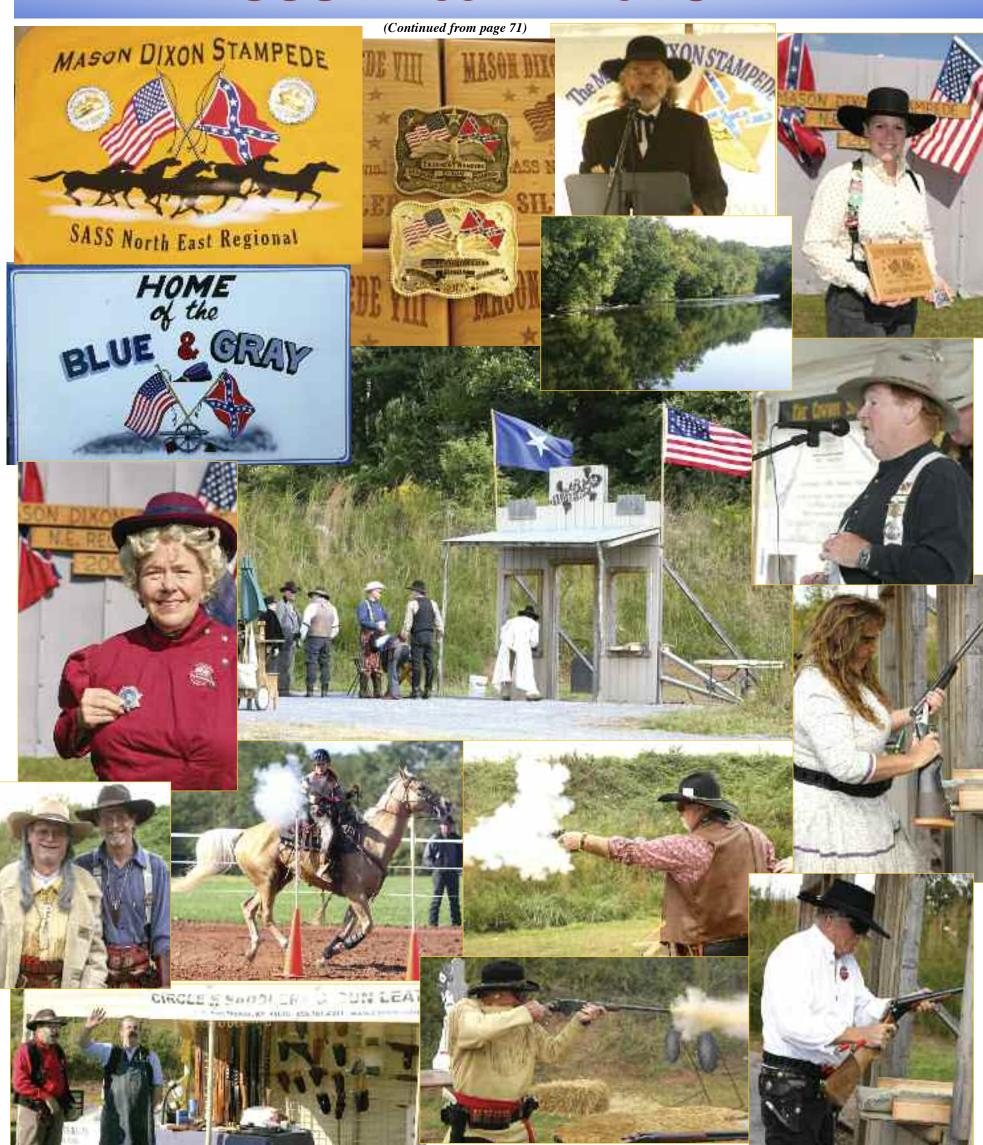
Along with any shooting sport comes the safety factor. Through some advance thinking on Match Director Chuckaroo's part,* the quick responses of fellow shooters Doctor Doom, SASS #69253, a retired MD, and an unnamed nurse, shooter Doc Delaware, SASS #73363, was in expert hands until emergency care arrived after he collapsed with severe breathing problems and a potentially life-threatening situation. He was back at home in just over a week after several days in ICU and an operation. Thanks to all for aiding in his rapid improvement of a very serious case of pneumonia. And thanks to the others that volunteered their skills.

We sorely missed Judge Roy Bean this year. Our match has proudly helped him celebrate his birthday with the Judge's Birthday Bash. Since he was home recovering, we decided to give him a call during the afternoon safety speech. He was telephonically serenaded with a rousing round of "Happy Birthday" by the entire afternoon line-up of 200 shooters. We hope to have him back next year for a live rendition and an even better time with 400 or so of our closest friends. Hope to see you all there! *Chuckaroo asked AM and PM groups if there were any qualified EMT's, nurses, or doctors, and if they would be willing to help in case of an emergency, to please see him after the safety talk. Sixteen qualified shooters volunteered. Within 15 minutes of the PM safety talk, an AM shooter collapsed at his campsite. On site emergency volunteers played an important part in saving the shooter's life.



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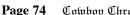
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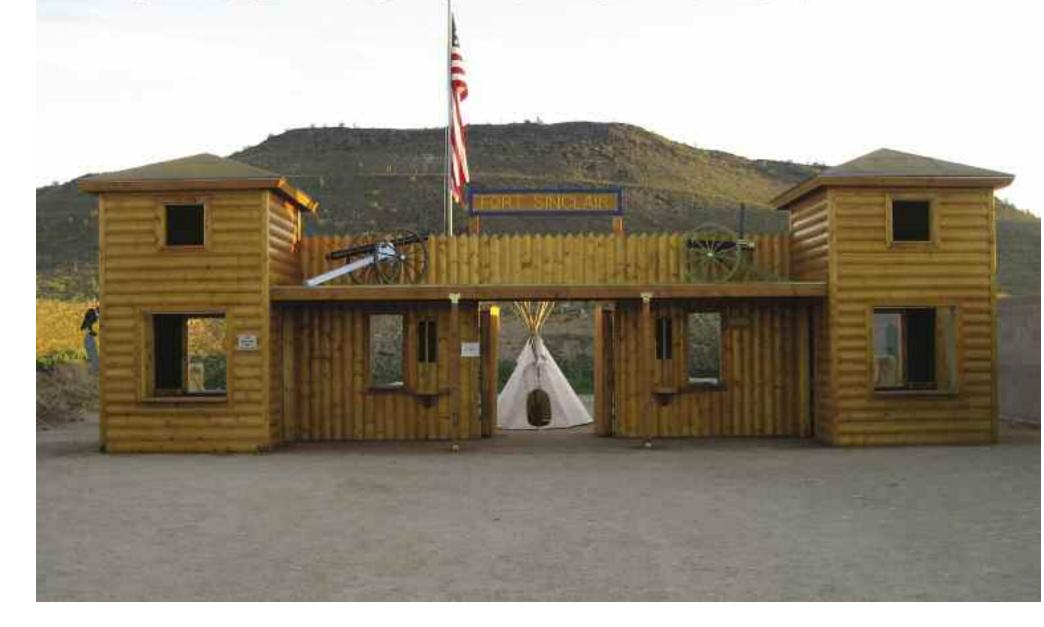
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HUNTSMAN WORLD SENIOR GAMES!...

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learned more about Cowboy Action Shooting™ by just asking questions and watching folks like Tex, Ol' #4, San Juan, T.L., Dixie Bell, Wolf Wind-Walker, and Jubal Sackett. It was a great experience and I still smile every time I think about it.

WOW! What can I say ... Cowboy Action ShootingTM, just like my career in the Army, gave me the chance to play with guns, meet great American citizens, plus re-live those wonderful days of yesteryear when there was a clear distinction between good guys in white hats and bad guys in black hats. It pains me to see such a blur-

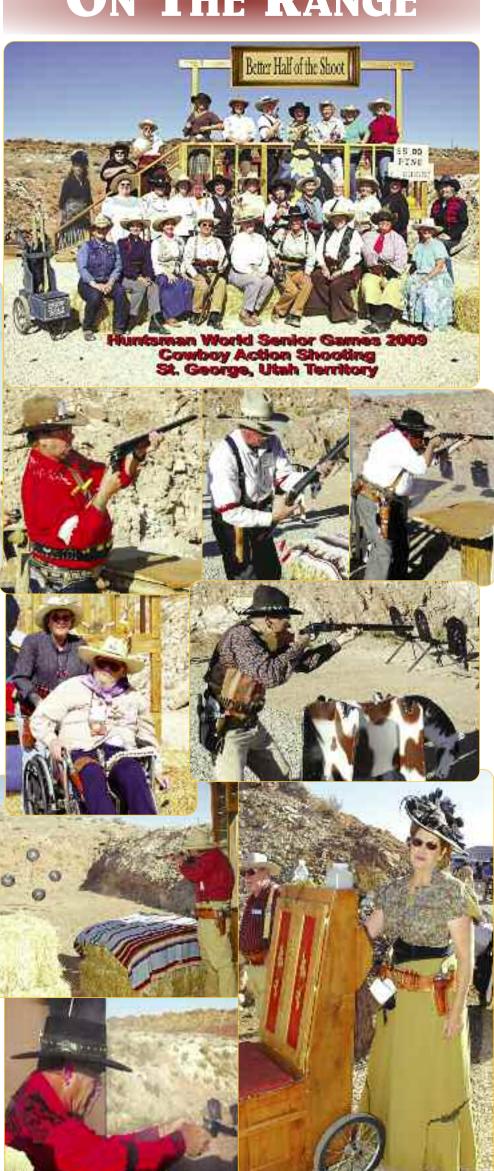
ring of those clear values in our society today. But I do believe there is hope ... as long as Cowboy Action Shooting TM and the "Spirit of the Game" is alive and we can promote these values and pass them on to new shooters, especially the younger ones ... I believe we will have done a little justice to all those who have gone before us, sacrificed, and gave us the gift we cherish today ... Freedom!

Thanks to the Dixie Desperados and the Huntsman World Senior Games for the "unique" experience ... and God bless SASS, Cowboy Action ShootingTM club members everywhere, and God bless the USA!





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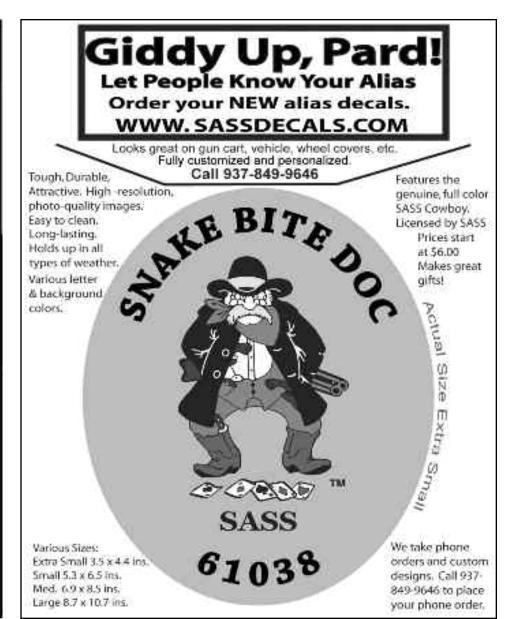


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HALLOWEEN SHOOTOUT AT MILICAN VALLEY, OREGON TERRITORY

By Palaver Pete, SASS Life/Regulator #4375

The night before the Halloween Shoot, the full Moon was sitting on top of Pine Mountain, and the valley below was covered with a knee-high surface fog. This fog gave the eerie appearance several motor homes belonging to members of the Pine Mountain Posse were floating on a waterless lake. If this wasn't spooky enough, eyewitnesses swear they saw a canoe with a headless oarsman row by the floating motor homes. Children were gathered up and locked inside the homes as dark figures were seen flying across the moon on brooms. People of average intelligence were home sitting by the fire and enjoying a hot toddy. Those with below average intelligence were at the range waiting to become victims of the aforementioned aberrations. Sitting by campfires didn't seem to help. Somehow, someway, they all went to sleep, and the following morning they all appeared to be normal. But wait, look and listen!

This takes place at Stage 1. "Do I have three Spotting Ghouls?" asks the T.O.

In response, he hears three screech-

Winners

Overall Buffalo Wings, ManSASS #58658 Arctic Annie, Lady SASS #37265 Categories 49'er Cowboss, SASS #49066 L 49'er Cascades Annie,

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Volunteer Shootout (first place tie)

Badlands Bertha, SASS #72977 Diamond Willow, SASS #37688 Sierra Sage Sue, SASS #57487 Stargazer Sal, SASS #57411 Shifty Pat, SASS #800015 Sugarfoot, SASS #800014



"Is the Warlock and his broom ready?" asks the T.O. of the Shooter.

Yes, you simple earthling," responds the Warlock (actually he responded using an unprintable word not found in the SASS Handbook).

"Standby ... mount your broom ..." Beep!

The Warlock cavalierly throws his dark cape over his right shoulder and draws both revolvers in true gunfighter fashion. "Let there be 10 perfect hits!" he vells as his bullets hit dead center on two up close targets (did you hear that, Captain George Baylor and Tex?) ... Up close targets, something like seven feet! This Club listens.

The Warlock holsters his revolvers, mounts his broom, and flies to the next firing station. His moves are quick. The Spotting Ghouls seem confused—is he shooting his rifle, or is he shooting his broom? But before that distinction can be made, they hear nine boom-clangs on the close by rifle targets—they are swept clean, so to speak. The Warlock's rifle is placed back on the hay bale open and empty (so it was his rifle, not the broom). Still stunned, the Spotters see four knockdown shotgun targets bite the $dust, falling\ in\ lightning\ speed,\ almost\ as$ if by magic. The Warlock holds his open and empty shotgun up high and retrieves his open and empty rifle and flies quickly to the unloading table, where another Ghoul clears him. The Spotters, T.O., and audience are in awe. Who can this Warlock be? It's not Bad Lands Bud (it's too cold in Central Oregon for him), nor is it Evil Roy (too warm for him to be here). Who is this masked man? Suddenly he reveals himself (wait, that didn't sound right). No, he emerges from under the dark robe (that sounds better), and lo and behold, it's one of the oldest "folks" (boy, did I clean that up!) in the club—it's none other than the Legend, SASS #36069. He remounts his broom and silently flies to the next stage. The Posse is awe struck. The Frightening Events Continue ...

Five Stages were shot this All Saints Day ... Well that's what it was called in 1700 when it all started. Some of the Elder Statesmen and Grand Dame members of

the Posse seem to recall the day it was changed to Halloween. At least the wrinkles on their faces indicated they could have been there when it was changed.

The blackpowder shooters were very popular this day. The acrid smoke seemed to rejuvenate the captive shooters instead of bothering them—the deep and penetrating sulfur smell was much to their liking—it smelled very much like what they brew in their cellars. Many flew around in a cloud of ecstasy, driving

R.I.PHere Lays Beach

the RO to fits, but alas it all ended, and the posse gathered around the burning corn stalks to enjoy the various brews and hear about the category winners. And amongst the screeching and biting, this is what they heard:

Relax me Ghouls and you shall hear ... Next year fires will be lit throughout the Valley. We will need all the help we can get, so help out by joining us next October. You're a Daisy if ya do. 🌲



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SECRET GOVERNMENT CLONING FACILITY DISCOVERED IN UTAH MOUNTAINS

By Texas Slick Willy, SASS #53477



Evil Roy Secret Posse Group

Dateline: September 12, 2009 pringville, Utah – A recently discovered topsecret Government cloning facility in a remote section of the Utah Mountains would seem to explain a Cowboy phenomenon that has been a mystery for many years. It has come to the attention of the writer and many other Cowboys the appearance of Evil Roy at so many shoots taking place in so many varied and distant locations would seem to be a physical impossibility, but through the diligence and sleuth of several private detective agencies, this question may have just been answered. It appears the person we thought we knew as Evil Roy is not just ONE PERSON but MANY different individuals apparently cloned from his DNA. The attached photographs from the secret Utah training facility of many of these clones going through intensive Cowboy Action Training would seem to be the proof of this assumption. While there are many similarities, we noticed several slight differ-

ences in the appearance of some of the clones as they are in many different stages of the aging process.

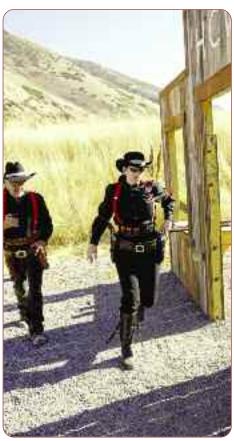
Some of the clones appeared to be as he was when younger and others to be used as he ages; a ploy we found quite diabolical. We also



Evil Moab, Evil Stoneface, Evil Keyhole

noticed the soon to be "Evil Roy's" were in various stages of training in regard to their proficiency, as some were quite fast and very accurate shooters, while others were still honing their skills. An even more perplexing phenomenon we noticed and photographed was several of the "Roy's" appeared to be ... WOMEN! How this could be, we are unable to explain. With this discovery we are lead to ask the question: "could there be more than one Holy Terror, Badlands Bud, or other top shooters, as these competitors also seem to be everywhere all the time ... hmmmm! Or, are they even human? We are asking all Cowboys and Cowgirls to keep a close watch on these and other top shooters and to report any multiple sightings to the SASS committee immediately. Think Elvis, although reportedly passed on, he seems to still be sighted everywhere all the time!

Of course the above is all in fun and with the permission of the "Evil" one himself, the Hobble Creek



Evil Marshall, Evil Secret



Evil Culpepper, Pete, Tamarak, Bill, & Dutch John

Wranglers in Springville, Utah had what we believe to be the first ever Evil Roy Shoot. What makes an Evil Roy shoot you ask? Simple really, you just have to dress as the Evil one: you know, black everything with red suspenders, arm garters, and beyond that just have fun. Since Evil Roy is one of the most recognizable shooters in his all black outfit, we figured he would be the easiest well-known Cowboy to imitate.

This shoot has been in the mind of the Match Director and in the planning stages for many months, and it was a great success with all the Evil's, (everyone dressed the part was Evil whomever they wanted to be) having a great time. With 40 Cowboys showing up for this shoot, to my great surprise, all but four shooters were dressed for the event in all black with the appropriate embellishments. I have also been informed there is not one black shirt or pair of red suspenders left for sale in the entire state of Utah! As each shooter arrived at the match, they were continually surprised and commenting on how strange it appeared

to see each and every shooter dressed in the same outfit. Oh yes, and trying to find someone you knew well was at times difficult for the very obvious reason—we all looked the same. One other very gratifying result of this shoot is that we had shooters come out and shoot with us that we had not seen in many months, or in several instances, even years. Our top shooters at this event were Evil Willy, followed by Evil Rabbit, Evil Westwater, Evil Gunn, Evil Stoneface, and so forth down to the final Evil shooter.

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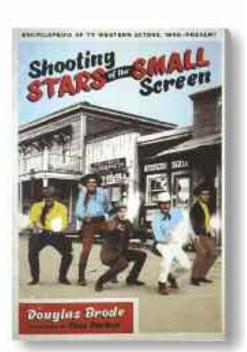
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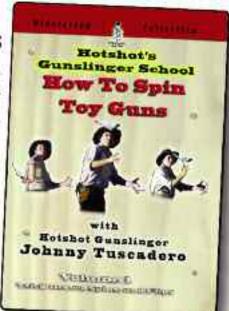


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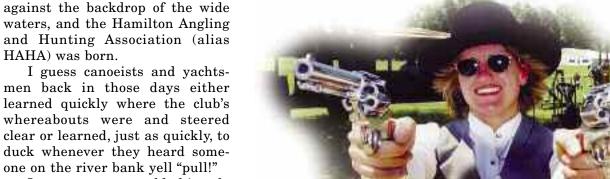
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way back on February 6, 1921, before The Great Depression was even a warning shot across anybody's bow, the elite of Hamilton decided they wanted somewhere to shoot their Purdey, E. J. Churchill, Greener, and Holland and Holland shotguns at clay birds.

So they cleared a bank of Southern Ontario's Grand River, I was told, set their bird launchers

BUNKHOUSE BIDNESS %

By Bad Penny, SASS #1453



Victoria Secret ready for action.

men back in those days either learned quickly where the club's whereabouts were and steered clear or learned, just as quickly, to duck whenever they heard some-

I was no sooner told this tale than I was informed, "that's bushway. He's mixing it up with Caledonia Fish and Game." But no one actually knew.

February 24, 1948 HAHA was incorporated as a non-profit corporation but still no site is known by any of the present membership I could reach. So what is known for sure?

About 1960 the club bought 95 acres in rural Ancaster, now an upscale suburb of the city of Hamilton, but was soon in trouble trying to pay the mortgage. To stave off eviction, 60 acres were

sold to a neighboring farmer named Baker. The remaining 35 acres became HAHA. That is until, some seven years later, Ontario Hydro planned to build transmission lines "right over the top of us" as one member put it. Normally the hydro company leased back the land to the farm-

ers after the lines were built but were wary of a gun club. They didn't want some town to get gunned clean off the National Grid every time someone yelled "pull!" Ontario Hydro were generous, and a year later HAHA was able to

buy outright its present site less than a mile away. Set in 61 acres of park-like grounds, HAHA now has a clubhouse with full kitchen, meeting and training rooms, plus sections and ranges for archery, rifle, and pistol disciplines as well as the shotgun sports. With the Grand River no longer available, (if it

Fido's dead duck retrieving skills. But it wasn't until October 8, 1995 that archery and pistol sec-

ever was) they built a 1.5 acre dog training pond to straighten out



Cowboys gather under the flags for the safety meeting.







From left to right: Badlands Striker, R.T. Ways, Victoria Secret, Rattin' Rose.



Wildcat
O'Shea
and
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wait for
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tion member Stoney Creek, SASS Life #4952, brought Cowboy Action Shooting TM to HAHA.

His welcome was muted. The long elegant barrels of the Purdeys and Parkers looked down horrified at the stubby coach guns, and so few cowboys showed up it was the first and last match ever won by your correspondent.

And that was that for 11 years! In 2006 Badlands Striker, SASS #68218, and his wife Rattlin' Rose, SASS #68240, linked up with long time members R.T. Ways, SASS #23418, and his wife Victoria Secret, SASS #48722, not just to bring Cowboy Action ShootingTM to HAHA but to do nothing less than

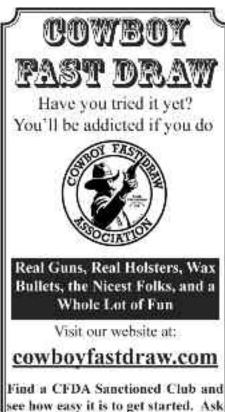
revolutionize the sport in Southern Ontario and take that fantasy thing to a whole new level.

R.T. Ways changed his original SASS alias of Arty Ways, shooting orders can be inconveniently alphabetical sometimes, but both aliases signified his status as a fine artist and visits to END of TRAIL and other big matches in the U.S. had inspired him to go one better. He designed and built elaborate stage scenery—a saloon, gallows, a ruined adobe, a remarkably full graveyard, even a surrey was bought, albeit with no fringe on top, to shoot from. He designed and had made unique steel targets like three wolves howling at a finger nail moon. Everyone got so sick of missing the sliver of moon, a huge, round, full moon was made for the wolves to howl at and for the cowboys to actually hit.

Heavy equipment and expert crews heaved the props and steel on and off the ranges. No steel parties or volunteering for HAHA Badlands shooters, just socializing over catered lunches of roast suckling pig.

R.T. Ways also envisioned and founded the Canadian Cowboy Confederacy symbolized by a belt buckle with the three C's designed into intertwined horseshoes and a

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BUNKHOUSE BIDNESS . . .

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motto of "Aimin' to have fun ..." At \$100 a pop, a gratifying number of buckles quickly sold.

It was all an heroic and visionary effort that exceeded expectations, leaving not only a legacy and reputation for the best attended and most spectacular matches held in this region, but also a grubstake of financial support in the way of a new bank account and accumulated assets of steel targets and storage facilities. Not to mention a new brand as an officially affiliated SASS club to hopefully attract new members

Although in three years only seven matches were held, quality had always been the aim over quantity. The idea of the CCC was to inspire others to lift their games and not for HAHA Badlands, with its central location in Ontario's richest area in both population and economic clout, to suck the oxygen away from surrounding cowboy clubs.

How easy life would be if there were no perfect storms to blow us off course ...

Just at the moment when the first phase of this experiment had succeeded so well and our four pioneers needed a pause and some tranquility to figure out the next steps, mounting business and family pressures and a foul economy started blowing a gale. Added to this was the fact that in order to push their ideas ahead and see them realized, the Badlands pioneers had kept strict control over the whole process, which meant there were no volunteers stepping forward with ideas and help. Now, just when rest and renewal were needed, 2009 loomed with no shoots planned and a whimper threatened to replace the happy bang/clang of Cowboy Action ShootingTM.



But you are forgetting the fantasy. Isn't there always a line of brave riders that appear on the horizon just when times are at their darkest and save the day for freedom, Western values, and the cowboy way?

Of course there is. Stoney Creek and Bad Penny rode back into town. Both had spent the intervening years "on the scout," putting on monthly matches at their own clubs (which they still do) and the last 16 years traveling all over North America to shoot cowboy matches together. Gleaning tips everywhere—Winter Range, END of TRAIL, Guns of August, Plum Creek ... these rascals had become shameless stage robbers! No stage scenario was too big or too small to steal, provided the targets were big and close, stage descriptions simple and straightforward, the amount of steel required didn't need a iron foundry to produce, and didn't kill the help putting it up or taking it down. Retro rather than revolutionary, they were prepared to bridge any gap with simple, straightforward monthly shoots.

With the help of a small band of cowboys—Bear Butte, SASS

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And the dream lives on. The pause needed to perfect Phase Two was hopefully just what everyone needed.

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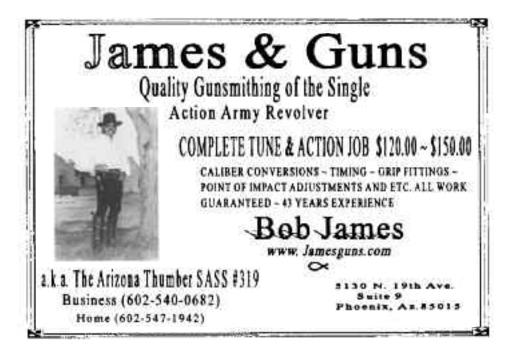
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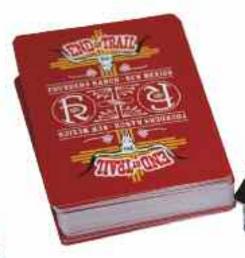
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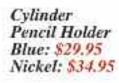
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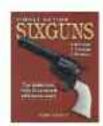
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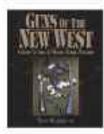
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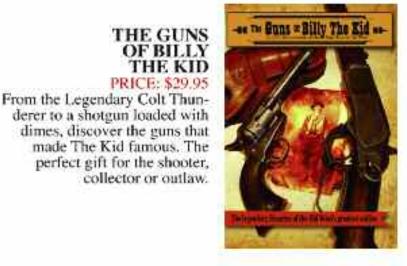
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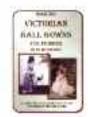
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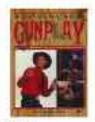
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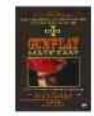
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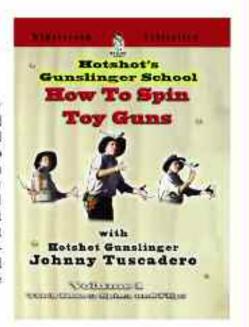
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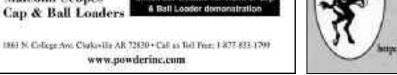
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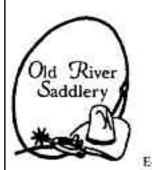
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Mad River Rangers	4th Sat	Kid Kneestone	707-445-1981	Eureka/Arcata	CA		As Sched	C. C. Top	574-354-7186	Etna Green	IN
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The Cowboys	4th Sun	Captain Jake		Norco	CA						KS KS
									620-345-3151		KS
							4th Sun	Newton	785-925-0281	Topeka	KS
	1st Sun		970-252-1841		CO	Gun Association					KS
											KY KY
Castle Peak Wildshots	2nd Sun	Old Squinteye	970-524-9348	Gypsum	CO	Knob Creek Gunfighters Guild	1st Sun	Cumberland Drifter	502-548-3860	West Point	KY
											KY KY
Pawnee Station	3rd Sat	Red River Wrangler	970-225-0545	Wellington	CO	Ohio River Rangers	3rd Sat	George Rogers	270-554-1501	Paducah	KY
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Thunder Mountain Shootists	3rd Wknd	Pinto Being	970-464-7118	Grand Junction	CO	Border Vigilantes	1st Sat	Cooper York	504-722-8988	Sorrento	LA
			970-656-3851			Bayou Bounty Hunters	2nd Sat		985-796-9698		LA LA
Black Canyon Ghost Riders	4th Sun	Double Bit	970-874-8745	Hotchkiss	CO	Cajun Cowboy Shooters Society	2nd Sun	Durango Dan	225-752-2288	Baton Rouge	LA
						Grand Ecore Vigilantes			318-932-6637		LA LA
CT Valley Bushwackers	2nd Sun	Cayuse	203-457-1031	East Granby	CT	Guns of Sabine Pass	3rd Sat	Hobbel-A-Long	337-463-5690	Hineston	LA LA
Gold Coast Gunslingers	1st Sat	L. Topay	305-233-5756	Fort Lauderdale	FL	Jackson Hole Regulators	4th Sat	Slick McClade	318-395-2224	Quitman	LA
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Hernando County Regulators	1st Sun	Shady Brady	352-686-1055	Brooksville	FL	Shawsheen River Rangers	As Sched	Yukon Willie	978-663-3342	Bedford	MA
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Club Name	Sched.	Contact	Phone	- ,	State	Club Name	Sched.	Contact	Phone	City	State
Thurmont Rangers Monocacy Irregulars	1st Sun 2nd Sat	Cody Conagher Church Key	304-258-1419 304-229-8266	Thurmont Frederick	MD MD	Border Rangers Diamond Four	2nd Sun (Apr-Oct) 3rd Sat	Badlands Buzz Kayutah Kid	607-898-3581 607-796-0573	Greene Odessa	NY NY
Damascus Wildlife Rangers Beaver Creek Desperados	4th Sat (Mar-Nov) As Sched	Chuckaroo Jimmy Reb	301-831-9666 207-698-4436	Damascus Sanford/Springvale	MD ME	Hole In The Wall Gang NY Circle K Regulators	3rd Sat 3rd Sun	El Fusilero Smokehouse Dan	631-864-1035 518-885-3758	Calverton Ballston Spa	NY NY
Big Pine Bounty Hunters	As Sched	Ripley Scrounger	207-876-3541	Willmantic	ME	D Bar D Wranglers	4th Sat	Captain M.A.F	845-226-8611	Wappingers Fall	NY
Blue Hill Regulators Capitol City Vigilance Committee	As Sched As Sched	Dangerous D. Daltor Mark Lake	1 207-667-3586 207-622-9400	Blue Hill Augusta	ME ME	The Long Riders Rockdale Renegades	4th Sun As Sched	Loco Poco Lobo Scheriff Richie	585-467-4429 607-783-2752	Shortsville Rockdale	NY NY
Hurricane Valley Rangers	As Sched	Leo	207-829-3092	Falmouth	ME	The Shadow Riders	As Sched	Dusty Levis	646-284-4010	Westhampton Beach	n NY
Rockford Regulators River Bend Rangers	1st Sat 2nd Sat J	No Cattle onathan Slim Chance	616-363-2827 574-277-9712	Rockford Buckanan	MI MI	East End Regulators Sackets Harbor Vigilantes	Last Sun Last Sun Rang	Diamond Rio ger Clayton Conagher	631-585-1936 315-465-6543	Westhampton Sackets Harbor	NY NY
Butcher Butte Bunch Double Barrel Gang	2nd Sun 2nd Sun	Grubby Hardrock Dakota Fats	810-750-0655 269-721-8190	Fenton Hastings	MI MI	Big Irons Middletown Sportsmens Club, Inc.	1st Sat 1st Sat	Deadwood Stan Deadwood Stan	513-894-3500 513-894-3500	Middletown Middletown	OH
Chippewa Regulators	3rd Sat	Lazy Eye Ben	906-632-2720	Sault Ste. Marie	MI	Tusco Long Riders	1st Sat	Split Rail	330-364-6185	Midvale	OH
Sucker Creek Saddle & Gun Club Hidden Valley Cowboys	3rd Sat 3rd Sun	Cree Vicar Dave Saulk Valley Stubby	989-654-3636 269-651-5197	Breckenridge Sturgis	MI MI	West Jeff Ghostriders Firelands Peacemakers	1st Sun 1st Wed, 3rd Sat	Col. Cord McNalley	614-563-6070	West Jefferson	OH
Eagleville Cowboys Johnson Creek Regulators	4th Sat 4th Sat	Trusty Rusty Rainmaker Ray	231-342-6462 248-991-9073	Central Lake Plymouth	MI MI	Sandusky County Regulators	& 5th Sun 2nd Sat	Johnny Shiloh Woodfox	440-984-4551 419-726-7950	Rochester Gibsonburg	OH OH
Rocky River Regulators	As Sch	Terrebonne Bud	248-709-5254	Utica	MI	Shenango River Rats	2nd Sat & 4th Sun			· ·	
Saginaw Field & Stream Club West Walker Rangers	As Sched As Sched	Katie Callahan Two Rig A Tony	989-585-3292 616-891-6917	Saginaw Grand Rapids	MI MI	Miami Valley Cowboys	(May-Oct) 2nd Sun	Shenango Joe Buckshot Jones	330-782-0958 937-418-7816	Yankee Lake Piqua	OH OH
Lapeer County Sportsmans Club	_			•		Scioto Territory Desperados Inc.	3rd & 5th Sun	Pickaway Tracker	740-477-1881	Chillicothe	OH
Wranglers Cedar Valley Vigilantes	Sun 1st & 3rd Sat	Ricochet Bill D M Yankee	810-441-2438 612-701-9719	Attica Morristown	MI MN	Wilmington Rough Riders AuGlaize Rough Riders	3rd Sat 3rd Sun Deputy	Paragon Pete Diamond Desperado	740-626-7667 419-722-6345	Wilmington Defiance	OH OH
Crow River Rangers Lookout Mountain Gunsmoke	1st Sun	Cantankerous Jeb	763-682-3710	Howard Lake	MN	Ohio Valley Vigilantes Central Ohio Cowboys	4th Sat 4th Sun	D. J. McDraw Stagecoach Hannah	740-767-2326 614-868-9821	Mt. Vernon Circleville	OH
Society	2nd Sat	Wagonmaster	218-744-4694	Virginia	MN	Jackson Six Shooters	Last Sat (Mar-Oct)	Flat Iron Fred	330-538-2690	North Jackson	OH
Granite City Gunslingers East Grand Forks Rod & Gun Club	2nd Sat & 5th Sat 3rd Sun	Rev. Cepheus BB Gunner	320-267-6576 218-779-8555	Saint Cloud East Grand Forks	MN MN	Shortgrass Rangers Cherokee Strip Shootists	1st Sat & 3rd Sun 1st Sun	Captain Allyn Capro Paladenton	n580-357-5870 405-547-2533	Grandfield Stillwater	OK OK
Ike's Clantons	4th Sun (Apr-Sep) 1st Sat	Dawgnapper	320-275-2052 417-442-3144	New Ulm Cassville	MN MO	Rattlesnake Mountain Rangers	2nd Sat	Black River Jack	918-908-0016 918-376-4376	Checotah Tulsa	OK OK
The Ozark Posse Rocky Branch Rangers	1st Sun	Dry Creek Jum Iza Littleoff	816-524-1462	Higginsville	MO	Tulsey Town Cattlemens Assn Oklahoma Territorial Marshals	2nd Sat & 4th Sat 2nd Sat & 4th Sun	Curly Thom Mabry LeRoy Rogers	405-799-0381	Oklahoma City	OK
West Plaines Waddies Moniteau Creek River Raiders	2nd & 5th Sat 2nd Sun	Buckshot Baby Doolin Riggs	417-284-1432 573-687-3103	Tecumseh Fayette	MO MO	Indian Territory Single Action Shooting Society	2nd Sun, 3rd Sat, 4th Wed & 5th Sun	Burly Bill	918-830-2936	Sand Springs	ОК
Central Ozarks Western Shooters	3rd Sun	X S Chance	573-765-5483	St. Robert	MO	Tater Hill Regulators	3rd Sun	Taos Willie	918-355-2849	Tulsa	OK
Gateway Shootist Society Southern Missouri Rangers	3rd Sun 4th Wknd	Bounty Seeker Smokie	636-464-6569 417-759-9114	St. Louis Willard	MO MO	Horse Ridge Pistoleros Inc. Dry Gulch Desperados	1st & 3rd Sun 1st Sat	Big Casino Runamuck	541-389-2342 509-525-2984	Bend Milton Freewater	OR r OR
Natchez Six Gunners	1st Sat 3rd Sat	Winchester	601-445-5223 601-825-8640	Natchez	MS	Merlin Marauders	1st Sat	Bear Bone Smith	541-582-4144	Merlin	OR OR
Mississippi Peacemakers Mississippi River Rangers	4th & 5th Sat	Squinter Easy Lee	662-838-7451	Mendenhall Byhalia	MS MS	Molalla River Rangers Siuslaw River Rangers	1st Sat 1st Sun	Gold Dust Bill Johnny Jingos	503-705-1211 541-997-6313	Canby Florence	OR
Honorable Road Agents Shooting Society	1st Sat	Diamond Red	406-685-3618	Ennis	MT	Table Rock Rangers Pine Mountain Posse	1st Sun & 2nd Sat 2nd Sun	Jed I. Knight Cowboss	541-944-2281 541-548-7325	White City Bend	OR OR
Sun River Rangers Shooting Societ	y1st Sun & 4th Sat	Jeb Stuart	406-727-7625	Simms	MT	Klamath Cowboys	2nd Sun & 4th Sat	Mad River Mongo	541-884-1905	Keno	OR
Gallatin Valley Regulators Rocky Mountain Rangers	2nd Sat 2nd Wknd	Gooch Hill Drifter Jocko	406-763-4268 406-847-0745	Logan Noxon	MT MT	Jefferson State Regulators Oregon Trail Regulators	3rd Sat 3rd Sat	Jed I. Knight T. J. Maverick	541-944-2281 541-667-2669	Ashland La Grande	OR OR
Bigfork Buscaderos Lincoln County Regulators	3rd Sat 4th Sat	Bodie Camp Gideon Withette	406-883-6797 406-250-4790	Bigfork Eureka	MT MT	Orygun Cowboys	3rd Sat & 4th Sat	Dog-leg Don Mid Valley Drifter	702-378-9885 541-259-2774	Sherwood	OR OR
Montana Territory Peacemakers	4th Sat	Backstrap Bill	406-652-6158	Billings	MT	Oregon Old West Shooting Society Fort Dalles Defenders	4th Sun	Frisco Nell	360-835-5630	Albany The Dalles	OR
Yellowstone Regulators Flatwood's Cowboys	4th Sat 1st Sat	Chisler Wood Seth Hawkins	307-690-2676 910-346-3612	West Yellowstone Hubert	MT NC	Umpqua Regulators Lewis River Rangers	4th Sun As Sch	Big Lou Johnny Colt	541-484-5900 503-289-1280	Roseburg St. Helens	OR OR
Old Hickory Regulators	1st Sat	Wendover Kid	252-908-0098	Rocky Mount	NC	Columbia County Cowboys	As Sched	Kitty Colt	503-642-4120	St. Helens	OR
Old North State Posse Walnut Grove Rangers	1st Sat 1st Sat	Tracker Mike Hiem	336-595-8853 828-245-5563	Salisbury Rutherfordton	NC NC	Dry Gulch Rangers Perry County Regulators	1st Sat 1st Sat	Pepc Holic Tuscarora Slim	724-263-1461 717-789-3004	Midway Ickesburg	PA PA
Buccaneer Range Regulators Carolina Cattlemen's Shooting	2nd Sat	Dodge City Dude	910-270-3351	Wilmington	NC	Boot Hill Gang of Topton Chimney Rocks Regulators	1st Sun 1st Sun	Lester Moore Hattie Hubbs	610-704-6792 814-696-5669	Topton Hollidaysburg	PA PA
and Social Society	2nd Sat	Wicked Wanda	919-266-1678	Creedmore	NC	Factoryville Freebooters	1st Sun	Tad Sloe	570-489-0652	Factoryville	PA
High Country Cowboys Bostic Vigilantes	2nd Sat 2th Sat	Wild Otter Bostic Kid	828-423-7796 704-434-2174	Asheville Bostic	NC NC	Whispering Pines Cowboy Committee	1st Sun	Mac Traven	570-723-8885	Wellsboro	PA
Cross Creek Cowboys	3rd Sat	Huckleberry Mike	910-980-0572	Wagram	NC	Conestoga Wagoneers	1st Sun (Dec-Mar)	No Change	215-431-2302	Southampton	PA
Gunpowder Creek Regulators Carolina Single Action Shooting	3rd Sat	Fannie Kikinshoot	828-754-1884	Lenoir	NC	Heidelberg Lost Dutchmen Logans Ferry Regulators	2nd Sat 2nd Sat (Apr-Nov)	Ivory Rose Mariah Kid	717-627-0694 412-607-5313	Schaefferstown Plum Borough	PA PA
Society Piedmont Gunslingers	3rd Sun 3rd Sun	Carolina's Longarm Sam Carp	919-383-7567 704-596-7120	Eden Churchland	NC NC	Mainville Marauders The Dakota Badlanders	2nd Sun 2nd Sun	Dodge Bill Barley Pop Bill	570-477-5667 610-770-1189	Mainville Orefield	PA PA
Iredell Regulators	4th Sat	Stump Water	704-630-9527	Statesville	NC	Westshore Posse	2nd Sun	Doc Hornaday	717-432-1352	New Cumberland	d PA
Badlands Bandits (The) Dakota Rough Riders	3rd Sat As Sched	Roughrider Ray Roughrider Jim Bob	701-260-0347 701-673-3122	Belfield Moffit	ND ND	River Junction Shootist Society Jefferson Outlaws	3rd Sat 3rd Sat (Mar-Nov)	Deputy Keck Oracle Jones	724-423-6255 410-239-6795	Donegal Jefferson	PA PA
Trestle Valley Rangers	As Sched	Doc Hell Wild Bivor Boso	701-852-1697 701-588-4331	Minot Kindred	ND ND	Easton Greenhorns Blue Mountain Rangers	3rd Sat (Mar-Oct) 3rd Sun	Ragweed	610-847-2798 610-488-0619	Lower Saucon Township	
Sheyenne Valley Peacekeepers Platte Valley Gunslingers	Last Sat (Apr-Sep) 1st Sun	Wild River Rose Firewater	308-226-2255	Grand Island	NE	Matamoras Mavericks	3rd Sun	Cathy Fisher Hammerin Steel	570-296-5853	Hamburg Milford	PA PA
Alliance Cowboy Club Eastern Nebraska Gun Club		Panhandle Slim Miles Flint Valdez	308-760-0568 712-323-8996	Alliance Louisville	NE NE	Silver Lake Bounty Hunters Purgatory Regulators	3rd Sun N 3rd Wknd	Marshal T. J. Buckshot Dry Gulch Geezer	570-663-3045 814-827-2120	Montrose Titusville	PA PA
Flat Water Shootists of the						Elstonville Hombres	4th Sun	Basket Lady	717-949-3970	Manheim	PA
Grand Island Rifle Club The Dalton Gang Shooting	3rd Sun	Fortyfour Maggie	308-383-4605	Grand Island	NE	Stewart's Regulators El Posse Grande	4th Sun 4th Sun (Mar-Oct)	Sodbuster Burt Black Hills Barb	724-479-8838 570-538-9163	Shelocta Muncy Valley	PA PA
Club, of NH LLC Merrimack Valley Marauders	3rd Wknd (Apr-Oct) As Sched	Littleton S. Dalton Sheriff R. P. Bucket	603-444-6876 603-345-6876	Dalton Pelham	NH NH	Palmetto Posse Piedmont Regulators	1st Sat 2nd Sat	Dun Gamblin Chase Randall	803-422-5587 864-843-6154	Columbia Anderson	SC SC
Pemi Valley Peacemakers	As Sched	Laconia	603-524-2240	Holderness	NH	Hurricane Riders	3rd Sat	Saloon Keeper	843-361-2277	Aynor	SC
White Mountain Regulators Thumbusters	As Sched 2nd Sun	Dead Head Doc Fanizzo	603-772-2358 732-892-7272	Candia Minmouth	NH NJ	Savannah River Rangers Geechee Gunfighters	3rd Sun 4th Sat	Surly Dave Edisto Ike	803-892-2812 843-869-2429	Gaston Ridgeville	SC SC
Jackson Hole Gang Magdalena Trail Drivers	4th Sun (Mar-Nov) 1st & 3rd Sat	Papa Grey Grizzly Adams	732-961-6834 575-854-2488	Jackson Magdalena	NJ NM	Greenville Gunfighters Cottonwood Cowboy Association	4th Sun 2nd Sun	Cowboy Junky Dakota Nailbender	864-414-5578 605-520-5212	Greenville Clark	SC SD
Rio Rancho Regulators	1st & 4th Sat	Sam Brannan	505-400-2468	Rio Rancho	NM	Black Hills Shootist Association	3rd Sun	Hawkbill Smith	605-342-8946	Pringle	SD
Otero Practical Shooting Association	1st Sat	Saguaro Sam	505-437-3663	La Luz	NM	Bald Mountain Renegades Bitter Creek Rangers, The	4th Sun 1st Sat	Grease Cup Silver Stallion	605-598-6744 931-707-9452	Faulkton Crossville	SD TN
Buffalo Range Riders	1st Sun	Johnny Bayou	505-281-5181 575-626-9201	Founders Ranch	NM	Wartrace Regulators	1st Sat	Will Reily	615-948-4143 423-357-8464	Wartrace	TN
Chisum Cowboy Gun Club Bighorn Vigilantes	1st Sun 2nd Sat	Two Bit Tammy Lawdog Bob	505-883-8829	Roswell Edgewood	NM NM	Greene County Regulators Memphis Gunslingers	1st Sat 2nd Sat	Mort Dooley Mountaineer Lefty	901-388-6420	Rogersville Arlington	TN TN
Lincoln County Regulators High Desert Drifters	2nd Sat 2nd Sun	John Steele Phillip Doboy Taylor	575-937-3023 r 505-286-6686	Ruidoso Edgewood	NM NM	ORSA Cowboys North West Tennessee Longriders	2nd Sat 3rd Sat	Kid Ziggy Can't Shoot Dillion	865-675-1270 731-885-8102	Oak Ridge Union City	TN TN
Rio Grande Renegades	2nd Wed, 3rd Sat, 4t	h Sun,		C .		Tennessee Mountain Marauders	3rd Sat	Double Barrel	423-593-3767	Chattanooga	TN
Gila Rangers	& 5th Sat/ Sun 2nd Wknd	J. W. Calendar Chico Cheech	505-856-4046 575-388-2531	Albuquerque Silver City/Mimbres	NM NM	Highland Regulators, Inc Ocoee Rangers	3rd, 4th & 5th Wknd 4th Sat	I Iron Maiden Ocoee Red	423-628-2715 423-476-5303	Winfield Cleveland	TN TN
Lost Almost Posse	3rd Sat	Beau Legg	505-662-4757 575-885-9879	Los Alamos	NM NM	El Vaqueros	1st & Last Sun	Tom Doniphan	254-559-9896	Breckenridge	TX
Seven Rivers Regulators Rio Vaqueros	3rd Sat 3rd Sun & 5th Sun	Stink Creek Jones J. W. Brockey	575-744-4484	Carlsbad T or C	NM	Alamo Area Moderators South Texas Pistolaros	1st Sat 1st Sat	Tombstone Mary Long John Beard	210-493-9320 210-414-7786	San Antonio San Antonio	TX TX
Monument Springs Bushwhackers Picacho Posse	4th Sat 4th Sat	Val Darrant Fast Hammer	575-396-5303 505-647-3434	Hobbs Las Cruces	NM NM	Texas Peacemakers Texas Riviera Pistoleros	1st Sat 1st Sat	Deadeye Greg Long Star	903-593-8215 361-334-1978	Tyler Corpus Christi	TX TX
Tres Rios Bandidos	4th Sun	Largo Casey	505-330-2489	Farmington	NM	Texas Troublemakers	1st Sat	Lefty Tex Larue	903-539-7234	Brownsboro	TX
Lone Wolf Shooters, LLC High Plains Drifters	1st & 2nd Sun 1st Sun	Penny Pepperbox Irish Ike	775-727-4600 775-424-2336	Pahrump Fernley	NV NV	Orange County Regulators Buck Creek Bandoleros	1st Sat \$ 3rd Sun 1st Sat & 3rd Wknd	Texas Gator Hoofprint Prine	409-243-3477 254-897-7328	Orange Nemo	TX TX
Eldorado Cowboys	1st Wknd	Charming een Springs Thomsen	702-565-3736	Boulder City Elko	NV NV	Comanche Trail Shootists Plum Creek Carriage	1st Sat and 5th Sat	Dee Horne	432-556-8446	Midland	TX
Nevada Rangers Cowboy Action						& Shooting Society	1st Sat Sun	Delta Raider	512-376-2602	Lockhart	TX
Shooting Society Roop County Cowboy Shooters	2nd Sun	Cross Keystone	702-506-7023	Jean	NV	Badlands Bar 3 Thunder River Renegades	1st Wknd 1st wknd	T-Bone Dooley Double Down Dan	903-272-9283 281-259-5202	Clarksville Magnolia	TX TX
Association	2nd Sun	Russ T. Chambers	775-747-1426	Sparks	NV	Concho Valley Shooters	2nd Sat	Roamin Shields	325-656-1281	San Angelo	TX
Desert Desperados Silver State Shootists	3rd Sun 3rd Sun	Buffalo Sam Tahoe Bill	702-459-6454 775-586-9178	Las Vegas Carson City	NV NV	Bounty Hunters Travis County Regulators	2nd Sat 2nd Sat	Cable Lockhart Cherokee Granny	806-299-1192 979-561-6202	Levelland Smithville	TX TX
Steptoe Valley Raiders Silver City Shooters Society	4th Sat 4th Sun	Cheyenne Kid Iona Vequero	775-296-2053 775-764-0257	Ely Indian Springs	NV NV	Texas Tenhorns Shooting Club Texican Rangers	2nd Sun & 4th Sat 2nd Weekend	Diablo Slim Dusty Chambers	214-695-1946 830-377-6331	Greenville Fredericksburg	TX TX
Alabama Gunslingers	1st Sat	Bum Thumb	585-343-3906	Alabama	NY	Lone Star Frontier Shooting Club	2nd Wknd	Long Range Rick	817-980-7206	Cleburne	TX
Tioga County Cowboys Crumhorn Mountain Cowboys	1st Sat 1st Sun	Dusty Drifter Lefty Cooper	607-659-4770 607-547-6008	Owego Maryland	NY NY	Oakwood Outlaws Canadian River Regulators	2nd Wknd 2nd, 3rd & 5th Sat	Texas Alline Blacksmith Jim	903-545-2252 806-355-7158	Oakwood Clarendon	TX TX
Pathfinder Pistoleros Boot Hill Regulators	1st Sun (Apr-Nov) 1st Sun (Apr-Oct)	Sonny Judge Zaney Grey	315-695-7032 845-352-7921	Fulton Chester	NY NY	Old Fort Parker Patriots Big Thicket Outlaws	3rd Wknd 3rd Sat	Slowaz Molasses Shynee Graves	254-412-0904 409-860-5526	Groesbeck Beaumont	TX TX
Bar-20, Inc.	2nd Sat	Renegade Ralph	315-363-5342	West Eaton	NY	Cottonwood Creek Cowboys	3rd Sat	Tracks	325-207-1094	Snyder	TX
Salt Port Vigilance Committee	2nd Sat	Twelve Bore	585-613-8046	Holley	NY					(Continued on pa	ıge 98

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Gruesome Gulch Gang San Antonio Rough Riders	3rd Sat 3rd Sat	Eli Blue Tombstone Mary	806-293-2909 210-493-9320	Plainview San Antonio	TX TX		EUROP	E MONTHLY	MATCHE	S	
Tejas Caballeros Red River Regulators	3rd Sat 3rd Sun	Whiskey Runner El Rio Rojo Ray	512-288-3399 903-838-0964	Driftwood Texarkana	TX TX	Sweetwater Gunslingers Austria	As Sched	Fra Diabolo	office@sass-austria	.at Vienna	AT
Texas Historical Shootist Society	3rd Sun	Charles Goodnight	281-342-1210	Columbus	TX	Old West Shooting Society					
Butterfield Trail Regulators Green Mountain Regulators	4th Sat 4th Sat	Texas Slim Singin' Zeke	325-668-4884 830-693-4215	Abilene Marble Falls	TX TX	Switzerland Association of Western	As Sched	Hondo Janssen	044-271-99 47	Zurich	СН
Purgatory Ridge Rough Riders Huaco Rangers	4th Sat 4th Sat (Jan-N	Armed to the Teeth fov) Blueeyed Bear	806-777-6182 254-715-0746	Slaton China Spring	TX TX	Shooters	As Sched	Thunderman	420-603-222-400	Prelouc	CZ
Comanche Valley Vigilantes	4th Wknd	Denton Dancer	214-384-3975	Cleburne	TX	Cowboy Action Shooting-Germany	Last Sat	Marshal Heck	+49 160 97652588	Edderitz	DE
Tejas Pistoleros, Inc. Tin Star Texans	4th Wknd 4th Wknd	Texas Paladin Tin Star Lily	713-690-5313 830-685-3464	Eagle Lake Fredericksbu	TX irg TX	Jail Bird's Company	Monday	Orlando A Brick Bond Niers River Kid	0049 2131 7423065 0049-2823-98080		DE DE
Big Hollow Bandits Copenhagen Valley Regulators	1st Sat 1st Sat	P.J. McCarthy Lance Vigil	435-671-1929 435-723-5115	Heber Mantua	UT UT	SASS-Europe Cas-Europe	Monday Wed	Hurricane Irmi	0049-2823-5807	Wegberg Bocholt RW	DE
North Rim Regulators	1st Sat	Autum Rose	435-644-5053	Kanab	UT	SASS Germany Association of Danish	Wed	Rhine River Joe	0049-2823-5807	Spork	DE
Wasatch Summit Regulators Crow Seeps Cattle Company L.L.	1st Sun C. 1st. Sat	Boots Rob Buffalo Juan	435-649-3625 435-528-7432	Park City Mayfield	UT UT	Western Shooters	As Sched	Mrs. Stowaway	+45 602 013 65	Greve	DK
Dixie Desperados Deseret Historical Shootist Society	2nd &4th Sat	Moe Greens Pronghorn Pete	435-668-6622 801-498-7654	St. George Kaysville	UT UT	Classic Old Western Society of Finland	As Sched	Capt. Woodbury Kane	3.58505E+11	Loppi	FI
Hobble Creek Wranglers	2nd Sat	Hobble Creek Marsha	ll 801-489-7681	Springville	UT	SASS Finland	Various	Capt. Woodbury Kane	3.58505E+11	Various	FI
Rio Verde Rangers Cache Valley Vaqueros	2nd Sat 2nd. Sat	Doc Nelson Wasatch Ranger	435-564-8210 435-723-1651	Green River Logan	UT UT	L'Arquebuse d'Antony Club de Tir Beaujolais	2nd Sun As Sched	Jeppesen Jesse Sandwhite jean-cla	01 46 61 17 98	Antony e.fr Villefranche sur Saor	FR ne FR
Utah War Diamond Mountain Rustlers	3rd & 5th Sat 3rd Sat	Jubal O. Sackett Cinch	801-944-3444 435-724-2575	Salt Lake Ci Vernal	ty UT UT	Les Tireurs de l'uzege	Dimanche	Lictevoet Jean-Claude	+33(0)466 759 529	Uzes	FR
Mesa Marauders Gun Club	3rd Sat	Copper Queen	435-979-4665	Lake Powell	UT	Club de Tir de Bernay Societe de Tir Bedoin Ventoux	Sat Sat-Sun	Chriswood Sheriff Ch. Outhpaw	02.32.45.59.00 049 035 1973	Bernay Bedoin	FR FR
Three Peaks Rangers Castle Gate Posse	3rd Sat 4th Sat	Second Amendmer Fargo Kid	t 435-590-5436 435-637-8209	Cedar City Price	UT UT	Tir Olympique Lyonnais	Sun	Barth	33 0 6 13 24 61 28	Lyon	FR
Wahsatch Desperados Pungo Posse	4th Sat 1st Sat	Sly Steadyhand V. B. Southpaw	801-546-4843 757-471-6190	Fruit Heights Wakefield	s UT VA	Cowboy Action Shooting France	Varies Char	les Allan Jeppesen Lasalle	33146611798	Varies	FR
Liberty Long Riders	1st Sun	Thunder Colt	540-296-0772	Bedford	VA	Golden Triggers of Freetown	1st Sun Cap	ot. Jack Dimonds LeBeau	(33) 627721309	Villefrache de Rouergu	ie FR
Cavalier Cowboys Virginia City Marshals	1st Sun (Mar- 1st Tues	Dec) Kuba Kid Humphrey Hook	804-270-9054 703-801-3507	Hanover Cou Fairfax	unty VA VA	Kells County Regulators Green Hearts Regulator	1st Sat 1st Sun	Indepenence Carroll Marshal Steven Gardiner	028 9336 8004 r -24883	Varies Trevi	IE IT
Blue Ridge Regulators K.C.'s Corral	2nd Sun 3rd Sat	Bad Company Virginia Rifleman	540-886-3374 804-550-2242	Lexington Mechanicsvi	VA	Lassiter Fan Shooting Club	3rd Sun	Ivan Bandito	-430708	Mazzano	IT
Mattaponi Sundowners	3rd Sun & 4th	Sat Flatboat Bob	804-785-2575	West Point	VA	Fratelli Della Costa Onlus Old West Shooting Society Ital	As Sched	Oversize Alchimista	+ 35 056424677 39-3342068337	Livorno Italy	IT IT
Bend of Trail Pepper Mill Creek Gang	4th Sun 4th Sun	Cavern Bill Slip Hammer Spiv	540-380-4965 540-775-4561	Roanoke King George	VA VA	Honky Tonk Rebels	Last Sun	Kaboom Andy	39 335 7378551	Vigevano	IT
Stovall Creek Regulators	As Sch	Brizco-Z	434-929-1063	Lynchburg	VA	Wild West Rebels	Sun	Alchimista	-3342068304	Malegno-BS	IT IT
Rivanna Ranger Company Verdant Mountain Vigilantes	See Sched As Sched	Virginia Ranger Snake-Eye Alger	434-973-8759 802-476-6247	Charlottesvil St. Johnsbur		Maremma Bad Land's Riders Old Gunners Shooting Club-	As Sched	Alameda Slim	alamedaslim@owss	s.it Siena	11
Mica Peak Marshals North East Washington Regulators	1st & 3rd Sat	Old Timer Gus Granny Gunsmoke	509-325-9253 509-684-4476	Mica Colville	WA WA	Western Shootist Posse SASS Luxembourg	As Sched As Sched	Martex Smiley Miles	-551695 +352-621 280 606	Toppo di Travesio Varies	IT LU
Renton United Cowboy		·				SASS Netherlands	As Sched	Lightning Anja	0031-517-592120	Leeuwarden	NL
Action Shooters Mima Marauders	1st Wknd 2nd Sat	Jess Ducky Okie Sawbones	425-271-9286 360-705-3601	Renton Olympia	WA WA	Quantrill Raiders Schedsmoe County	un (May-Sep)	Charles Quantrill	4793259669	Loten	NO
Wolverton Mountain Peace Keepe Colville Guns and Roses	rs 2nd Sat 2nd Sun	Hellfire Snapshot Sal	360-513-9081 509-684-6787	Ariel Colville	WA WA	Rough Riders	Thurs	Jailbird	47-6399-4279	Lillestrom	NO
Smokey Point Desperados	2nd Sun	Mudflat Mike	425-335-5176	Arlington	WA	SASS Norway SASS Sweden	As Sched Varies	Charles Quantrill Wild Bull	47-932-59-669 4658612045	Loten Varies	NO SE
Apple Valley Marshals Ghost Riders	3rd Sat 3rd Sun	Silent Sam Sidewinder Sam	509-884-3875 425-836-8053	East Wenatch Fall City	hee WA WA	SASS Sweden	varies	Wild Bull	4030012043	varies	3E
Black River Regulators Custer Renegades	4th Sat 4th Sun	Montana Slim Joe Cannuck	360-754-4328 360-676-2587	Littlerock Custer	WA WA	SOU	UTH AF	RICA MONTI	HLY MATC	HES	
Pataha Rustlers	4th Sun	Doc Day	509-382-4898	Dayton	WA	Western Shooters of					
Poulsbo Pistoleros Rattlesnake Gulch Rangers	4th Sun Last Sat	Sourdough George Ricochet Robbie	360-830-0100 509-628-0889	Poulsbo Benton City	WA WA	South Africa	3rd Sat	Richmond P. Hobson	027-21-797-5054	Cape Town	SA
Beazley Gulch Rangers Rock River Regulators	Last Sun 1st & 3rd Sat	An E. Di Stoney Mike	509-787-1782 608-868-5167	Quincy Beloit	WA WI	DO.	XX/NI TIN	DED MONTH	TI XI NA ATC	HEC	
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Bristol Plains Pistoleros Crystal River Gunslingers	2nd Sun 2nd Sun	Huckleberry Ghost Chaser	815-675-2566 715-281-7823	Bristol Waupaca	WI WI	SSAA-SASA Little River Raid	lers	-			
Wisconsin Old West Shootist, Inc.	2nd Sun & 4tl (Apr-Oct)	n Sat Tracker Jack Danie	ls 715-643-2011	Boyceville	WI	Single Action Club Cowboy Action Shooters	3rd Sun			Ielbourne VIC	AU
Liberty Prairie Regulators	3rd Sat	Dirty Deeds	920-748-4833	Ripon	WI	of Australia Fort Bridger Shooting Club Inc	3rd Wknd			eralba NSW rouin VIC	AU AU
Hodag County Cowboys Oconomowoc Cattlemen's	3rd Sun	Hodag Bob	715-550-8337	Rhinelander	WI	SSAA Single Action Shooting- Australia				Iillmerran QLD	AU
Association The Bad Guys Posse	4th Sat As Sched	Marvin the Moyle Speedy Dan	414-254-5592 262-728-6577	Concord Elkhorn	WI WI	Adelaide Pistol &					
Dawn Ghost Riders	1st Sun	Coffee Bean	304-327-9884	Hinton	WV WV	Shooting Club Trail Blazers Gun Club	1st Sat & 3rd S 1st Sun			orunye S.A fill Town	AU NZ
Frontier Regulators The Railtown Rowdys	2nd Sat 2nd Sun	Captain Tay Miss Print	304-265-5748 304-589-6162	Thorton Bluefield	WV	Bullet Spittin Sons O' Thunder Frontier & Western Shooting	2nd Sat	Billy Deadwood 6	64-6-3564720 Pa	almerston N.	NZ
Rocky Holler Regulators Kanawha Valley Regulators	3rd Sun 3rd Wknd	Jessee Earp Pike Marshall	304-425-2023 304-925-9342	Princeton Eleanor	WV WV	Sports Association	2nd Sun	Souther Cross 0	0064 6 3798086 C	arterton	NZ
Cowboy Action Shooting						Wairarapa Pistol and Shooting Club, Inc.	2nd Sun	Doc Hayes 0	06 379 6692 G	ladstone	NZ
Sports, Inc. Cheyenne Regulators, Inc.	4th Sun (Mar- 1st Sat	Nov) Jackson Dr. Frank Powell	540-678-0735 307-637-0350	Largent Cheyenne	WV WY	Tararua Rangers Western Renegades	3rd Sun 4th Sat	J.E.B. Stuart (Black Bart Bolton (arterton /anganui	NZ NZ
Colter's Hell Justice Committee WSAS	1st Sat	Yakima Red	307-254-2090	Various Loca	ations WY	Western Henegades	THI DATE	Back Bart Bonon	.2. 2.5 02.0	angana.	-,-
Bessemer Vigilance Committee	1st Sun	Smokewagon Bill	307-472-1926	Casper	WY	SAS	S MOU	NTED MONT	HLY MATO	CHES	
High Lonesome Drifters Southfork Vigilance Committee	2nd Sat	Kari Lynn	307-587-2946	Cody	WY	Tombstone Ghost Riders					
WSAS Sybille Creek Shooters	2nd Sat 2nd Sat	Wennoff Halfcock Wyoming Roy	507-332-5035 307-322-3515	Lander Wheatland	WY WY	Mounted Club Prescott Ranch Rangers	2nd Sun Varies	Dan Nabbit July Johnson	520-456-0423 951-775-1957	Tombstone Paulden	AZ AZ
Powder River Justice Committee						Ghost Town Riders	1st Sun	Steely Eyes Earp	951-737-6596	Norco	CA
WSAS Donkey Creek Shootists	3rd Sun 4th Sun	Doc Fehr Poker Jim	307-683-3320 307-660-0221	Buffalo Gillette	WY WY	California Range Riders Revengers of Montezuma	As Scheo 1st Sun (A	d Old Buckaroo or-Oct) Aneeda Huginkis	408-710-1616 s 970-565-8479	Varies Cortez	CA CO
Snake River Rowdies	As Sched	Sheriff J. R. Quigle	y 307-733-4559	Jackson	WY	Florida Outlaws Cowboy				XX.11.	171
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Red Mountain Renegades 1st S		Flynn T. Locke 604-820-		ВС	CANADA	New Hampshire Mounted Shoo				New Boston	NH
Valley Regulators 3rd S	Sat High	Country Amigo 250-334-	3479 Courtenay	BC	CANADA	Cowboy Legends Mounted Shooting Association	As Sche	d Crown Royal Co	wboy 973-296-6283	Pompton Plains	NJ
Palmer's Gulch Cowboys As S Victoria Frontier Shootists As S		ou Lefty 250-372- ner C. 250-592-	•		CANADA CANADA	Buffalo Range Riders Mounted	d 2nd Sat	Prairie Mary	505-843-1320	Founders Ranch	NM
Western Canadian Frontier	ciicu icaci	ici C. 250-592-	+311 Victoria	ВС	CANADA	Single Action Mounted Shootin Oklahoma Gunslingers	ng 1st Sat As Sche	Hell Bent Wade Ima Sandy Storm	702-994-9714 918-244-8060	Las Vegas Claremore	NV OK
Shootists Society As S	ched Gunf	ighter Jim 250-573-	2885 Kamloops	BC	CANADA	Lone Pine Rangers	3rd Sat	Hawkeye Scout	541-447-7012	Prineville	OR
Nova Scotia Cowboy Action Shooting Club 3rd S	Sun Wour	nded Belly 902-890-	2310 Truro, NS	NS	CANADA	Liberty Prairie Mounted Shoote	ers As Sche	d Ace Montana	920-960-1714	Ripon	WI
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Sports Club 2nd S		y Creek 905-664-			CANADA						
Ottawa Valley Marauders As S Waterloo County Revolver	ched Butto	n 514-792-	0063 Ottawa	ON	CANADA	VISIT	THI	ESASS	WFB	SITE	
Association As S	ched Rang	er Pappy Cooper 519-536-	9184 kitchener	ON	CANADA	11011			.,		
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Alberta Frontier Shootists As S		ang Heart 780-464-			CANADA	W	WW	SASSN	IET.CC	M	
Rocky Mountain House Old West Shootists As S	ched Luke	A. Leathersmith 403-845-	1347 Rocky Mtn	House	CANADA			J. 1.5 51.	1.00		
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Fire N Ice	Feb 20 - 21, 10					SASS HIGH PLAINS REGIONAL	,	P. 1.1 Y P. 1			
SASS NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP Winter Range		Justice B Dunn	928-636-4911	Phoenix	AZ			Fight'n Joe Baker	307-220-5222	Cheyenne	WY
Hot Lead In Deadwood 7	Feb 26 - 28, 10	Barkeeps	225-715-8711	Sorrento	LA	Under The Midnight Sun		Tripod	907-373-0140	Anchorage	AK
Ride with Pancho Villa Shootout In The Hills							Jul 03 - 04, 10	Deadwood Stan	513-894-3500	Middletown	ОН
Bayou Blast							Jul 08 - 10, 10	Green Springs Thomsen	775-753-8203	Elko	NV
The Ide's of March Gathering of The Posses			520-568-2852		ΑZ		Jul 09 - 11, 10	Darlin' Caroline	907-378-9472	Chatanika	AK
The Plainfield Incident Trailhead '10								Jeh's Lady	406-727-7625	Simme	МТ
Shoot Out at High Lonesome						The Final Showdown	Jul 09 - 11, 10	D. J. McDraw	740-767-2326	Mt. Vernon	OH
SASS Georgia State Championship Ride of The Immortals	Apr 08 - 10 10	Fasy Rider	770-841-4135	Griffin	GA		Jul 10 - 11, 10	John Bear	208-562-1914	Boise	ID
SASS Georgia State Black Powder		Lasy Rider				Castle Gate Robbery			435-613-0449	Price	UT
Shootout Jail Break									724-423-6255	Donegal	РА
SASS Midwest Territorial Black Power	ler Shootout					Shootout at Horse Ridge & The	,			· ·	
Smoke in the Woods SASS Washington State Blackpowder			513-894-3500	Middletown	ОН			Big Casino	541-923-3000	Bend	OR
at Rattlesnake Gulch	Apr 10 - 11, 10	Ricocchet Robbie	509-628-0889	Benton City	WA	The Great Nor'easter	Jul 22 - 25, 10				
SASS California State Black Powder S at Robbers Roost			760-677-9109	Ridgecrest	CA			Mac Traven	570-723-8885	Wellsboro	PA
Shootout at Fort Miller	Apr 15 - 17, 10					Westmatch XVII		The Elder Katie	253-946-1438	Renton	WA
SASS North Carolina Black Powder S Smoke on the Border		Carolina Jack	910-864-9875	Wagram	NC		Aug 05 - 08, 10	SASS Office	714-694-1800	Founders Ranch	NM
Ruckus at Red Rocks	Championship Jan 07 - 10, 10 Weewah Jan 15 - 17, 10 ClueLass Jan 15 - 17, 10 ClueLass Jan 22 - 24, 10 Feb 10 - 14, 10 Feb 10 - 14, 10 Feb 10 - 14, 10 Feb 20 - 21, 10 Topay Feb 20 - 21, 10 Topay		435-688-1699	St. George	UT	SASS Iowa State Championship					
Glory Hole SASS Delaware State Championship I		T. E. Kidd	562-598-7771	Azusa	CA						
on the Nantcoke	Apr 16 - 18, 10	Deacon Will	302-422-6534	Seaford	DE	SAŠS Alaska State Blackpowder Sho	otout	F 5 1			
SASS Mississippi State Championship Showdown in Purgatory		Squinter	601-825-8640	Mendenhall	MS		Aug 07 - 07, 10	Four Bucks	907-243-0781	Anchorage	AK
The Reckonong at Turtle Flats	Apr 18 - 18, 10	Deadlee Headlee	941-650-8920	Myakka City	FL	Reckoning at Black Creek	Aug 11 - 15, 10	John Bear	208-562-1914	Boise	ID
Land Run SASS EoT "Preview Match" Mounted			405-799-0381	Oklahoma City	OK		Aug 12 - 15, 10	Deadwood Stan	513-894-3500	Middletown	ОН
Buffalo Stampede	Apr 22 - 25, 10	SASS Office				Shootout at Pawnee Station					
Dry Gulch at Arroyo Cantua SASS FOUR CORNERS REGIONAL		Sutter Lawman	530-589-6901	Sacramento	CA		Aug 20 - 22, 10	Mid Valley Drifter	541-259-2774	Albany	OR
Buffalo Stampede	Apr 22 - 25, 10	SASS Office	505-843-1320	Edgewood	NM	Fire In The Hills	Aug 27 - 27, 10	Tracker Jack Daniels	715-643-2011	Boyceville	WI
SASS California State Championship Shootout at 5 Dog Creek		Mad Dog Draper	805-497-2857	Bakersfield	CA						
SASS Texas State Championship						SASS Nebraska State Championship					
Comancheria Days SASS Kentucky State Championship	Apr 29 - 02, 10	Dusty Chambers	830-377-6331	Fredericksburg	1 X						NE
Hooten Holler Round-Up											
Ride of the Rough Riders Shootout on the Little River											
Battle of Rogue River	May 07 - 09, 10	Molly B' Dam				Battle in the Badlands	Sep 04 - 04, 10	Roughrider Ray		Belfield	
Blackhawk War Spring Avalanche Stampede				1 0				Burly Bill	918-830-2936	Sand Springs	OK
SASS Arizona State Blackpowder Sho	otout Tonto Rim	0.1	020 505 1220			Last Stand on Allen St.	Sep 09 - 12, 10				
Smoke Out SASS West Virginia Blackpowder Stat		Silverado Cid	928-595-1230	Payson	AZ						
Smoke over Buffalo Flats	May 14 - 16, 10					SASS New York State Championship	•			S	
Shootout at Leadville Thunder in the Brush											
Bullet Bourbon Blowout								Cricaly Adams	575 054 2400	Maadalana	NIM
Billy Dixon SASS Illinois State Championship Spi		Cinci	433-724-2373	Myton	UI						
Roundup at the Gulch											
			805-438-4817	Santa Margarita	CA						
Ambush at Mill Creek			714-739-2721	Norco	CA			O Bar Freddie	505-325-2167	Farmington	NM
Butterfield Trail			575-647-3434	Las Cruces	NM			Ricochet Robbie	509-628-0889	Benton City	WA
Smokin' Guns at Rabbit Ridge		Jered Maddox	901-490-0183	Byhalia	OK			Pov's Creek Dan	405 615 4577	Oklahoma City	OK
Castle Gate Smudge Match		Fargo Kid	435-613-0449	Price	UT						
SASS SOUTHEAST REGIONAL	May 27 30 10	Marshal Dan Cutter	770 786 9235	Covington	GΛ		Sep 24 26 10	Thorney Pose	574 803 7214	Wareaw	INI
	BLACKPOWDER	SHOOUTOUT		· ·			Sep 24 - 26, 10	Whisperin Meadows	928-567-9227	Camp Verde	AZ
Shootout at Mule Camp True Grit											
SASS Vermont State Championship		J		· ·		Fall Roundup					
Green Mountain Mayhem SASS Pennsylvania State Championsh			802-434-2533	St.Johnsbury	VT		Sen 30 - 03 10	Charming	702-565-3736	Boulder City	NV
Shoot Out XI	May 28 - 30, 10	Black Hills Barb				SASS Alabama State Championship	•	Ü			
End of Road SASS Texas State Black Powder Shoot		Missy Mable	208-731-6387	Jerome	ID		Oct 01 - 03, 10	Drake Robey	256-313-0421	Cavern Cove	AL
Resurrection	May 28 - 31, 10					Last Stand at Chimney Rock					
Great Lakes Match #13 Roundup								Grandpa Buckten	705-421-2537	Hill City	KS
St. Jude Children's Hospital		0 0				Regulators Reckoning	Oct 08 - 09, 10				
Charity Shoot Fast and Furious								Chico Cheech	575-388-2531 \$	Silver City/Mimbres	NM
SASS Minnesota State Black Powder	Shootout	•				Shootout at Cypress Creek	Oct 08 - 10, 10				
Smoke in the Quarry SASS Arkansas State Championship I		Reverend Cepheus	320-267-6576	St. Cloud	MN						
Cogburn's Posse	Jun 04 - 06, 10	Sister Sundance	479-970-7042	Belleville	AR	Smoke on the River	Oct 16 - 16, 10	Shamrock Sis	309-798-2635	Monmouth	IL
SASS MA, CT, and RI State Champio Shootout at Sawyer Flats		Barrister Bill	978-667-2219	Harvard	MA		Oct 17 - 17, 10	X S Chance	573-765-5483	St. Robert	МО
The Great Northwestern SASS	,					Bordertown	Oct 20 - 24, 10	Swift Water	520-883-1217	Tucson	AZ
Wild Bunch Championship Western States Cowboy	Jun 04 - 06, 10	rexas Jack Morales	541-420-3955	Bend	OR		Oct 21 - 24 10	Smokie	417-759-9114	Branson	MO
Action Shooting	Jun 10 - 13, 10	Dutch Dalton mmue	el65744@aol.com	Fernley	NV	SASS Long Island Championship					
SASS Wyoming State Championship Cody's Wild West Shootout	Jun 10 - 12. 10	Joe Cross	307-587-2946	Codv	WY						
SASS Ohio State Championship				•		Blue Mountain Shootout	Oct 29 - 31, 10	Lester Moore	610-704-6792	Topton	PA
Shootout at Hard Times Gunfight in the Badlands							Oct 31 - 31, 10	Snady Brady	352-686-1055	Brooksville	ΓL
Shootout at the Bar M Ranch	Jun 12 - 12, 10	Buckshot Baby	417-284-1432	Tecumseh	MO	Comin'At'Cha		T-Bone Dooley	903-272-9283	English	TX
Revenge of Montezuma SASS North Dakota and South Dakota			970-363-9228	Cortez	CO			Carolina Jack	910-257-6242	Salisbury	NC
Peace in the Valley			701-588-4331	Kindred	ND	SASS SOUTHWEST TERRITORIA	L BLACK POWDE	ER SHOOTOUT		•	
SASS High Plains Mounted Regional Revenge Of Montezuma	Jun 18 - 20, 10	Aneeda Huginkiss	970-565-8479	Cortz	CO		110v 12 - 14,09	Kamesnake Blake	70J-/YO-YOY8	Amile	LA
Rifleman's Holliday	Jun 19 - 20, 10	Mustang Lady Sue	928-243-3457	Snowflake	AZ	Against Cancer					
The Dalton Gang June Shootout SASS WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP	Jun 19 - 20, 10	Littleon Sidecar Dalton	11003-444-08/5	Daiton	INH	Cowford Stampede	Nov 18 - 22, 09	J Bird Blue			
END of TRAIL	Jun 21 - 27, 10	SASS Office	505-843-1320	Founders Ranch	NM	The Great Northfield Raid	Nov 19 - 21, 10	Desperado	818-341-7255	Sylmar	CA
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Gunfight at Tombstone Annual Championship of	Apr 02 - 04, 10	Marshal Heck	49 160 97652588	Edderitz	DE	Malahat Ridge Nimrod/ Buffalo Shoot	Feb 07 - 07, 10 Apr 17 - 18, 10	Teacher C. Teacher C	250-592-4311 250-592-4311 604-820-1564	Victoria Victoria Mission	BC BC	CANADA CANADA CANADA
CAS - Germany Joly's Saloon on the Trail	Oct 01 - 03, 10 Mar 12 - 13, 10	Marshal Heck Chriswood	49 160 97652588 02.32.45.59.00	Edderitz Bernay	DE FR	Shootout at the Ridge Palmer's Gulch Cowboy	May 21 - 23, 10	Preacher Flynn Locke		MISSION		
Old West Gunfigters Last Shot on the Trail	May 22 - 23, 10 Sep 24 - 26, 10	Lictevoet J-Claude John Peacemaker	+33(0)980 401226 +33 442 739 157	Uzes Versailles	FR FR	Action Match Bar-E Fourth Annual Match	Jul 02 - 05, 10 Jul 17 - 17, 10	Turkey Will Northern Crow	250-579-5819 705-435-2807	Kamploor Barrie	os ON	CANADA CANADA
Last Stand at Windy	•					Showdown in the Valley Canadian Championship	Jul 17 - 18, 10	High Country Amigo	250-334-3479	Courtenay	BC	CANADA
Mountain Draw Gunfight at Fort Alamo	Feb 13 - 14, 10 Dec 12 - 13, 10	Perion Marshal Steven Gardiner	0490351973 +39-338-920-7989	Bedoin Trevi	FR IT	of CAS	Jul 30 - 01, 10	Mustang Heart	780-464-4600	-	House AL	CANADA
Six Feet Under Rough Riders Reunion	Jun 03 - 04, 10 May 08 - 09, 10	Nashville Frank Samuel B Carpenter	buckskin@online.no 479-001-1230	Loten Lillestrom	NO NO	Headquarters Bunkhouse	Aug 21 - 22, 10 Oct 24 - 24, 10	Teacher C Teacher C.	250-592-4311 250-592-4311	Victoria Victoria	BC BC	CANADA CANADA
South Africa End of Year Shoot-Off	Dec 18 - 18, 10	Richmond P. Hobson	027-21-797-5054	Cape Town	C A		SASS	ANNUAL M	OUNTED	•		
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SASS AUSTRALIAN REC	GIONAL CHAMPIO Sep 27 - 03, 10	ONSHIP Virgil Earp	61-7-4695-2050	Millmerran	AU	Buffalo Stampede SASS High Plains Mounted	Apr 22-		onshine 505-	843-1320	Founders Ra	nch NM
Cowboy Champs	Oct 23 - 24, 10	Hagman Will Lynch	+64 6 357 3109	Palmerston	NZ	Revenge Of Montezuma	Jun 18-2	20, '10 Aneeda Hu	iginkiss 970-	565-8479	Cortz	CO



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Second		AK	•			CA	Dusty Webster	209-795-7430	, ,							270-651
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Marke Mark	abama Rangers	AL	Pinchony Creek	334-227-4712	Association	CA	W. F., Bounty Hunter	619-224-8480	Marauders	GA	Double Barrel	706-375-6711		KY	Captain Grouch	502-265
March Service March Servic	ahaba Cowboys	AL	Curly Doc Coleman	205-988-9076	Panorama Northfield				Valdosta Vigilance				Levisa Fork Lead Slingers	KY	Isom Kid	606-633
Martin M	allant Gunfighters	AL	Tuff Stuff	205-529-2373	Raiders	CA	Solomon Star	310-832-7445	Committee	GA	Hi Seas Cowboy	229-468-3175	Ohio River Rangers	KY	Luck Hatcher	270-488
March Marc	orth Alabama Regulators	AL	Marshal T. K. D.	256-830-5454	Plunge Creek Cowboys	CA	Adam Cartwright	626-695-1540	Maui Marshals	HI	Lobo Negro	970-464-2272	Bayou Bounty Hunters	LA	Rattlesnake Blake	985-796
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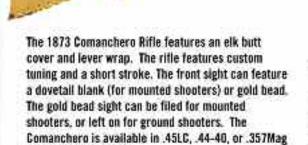
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