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## THE 2012 MASON DIXON STAMPEDE October 4-7, 2012 SASS Northeast Regional

# YEEHAW!!

By Evening Star, SASS #47408  
Photos by Mr. Quigley Photography Team

**T**hurmont, MD – The big tent has come and gone. Set-up and tear-down are over. All shooters, our friends and family, have been here and gone home.

So what can we say for sure??? WOW!!! What a fantastic match! With our sincere thanks to Tom Payne, SASS #13115, who opened the 2012 Stampede with a beautiful rendition of the Star Spangled Banner.

2012 was a year of many firsts for Stampede, including the first Wild-Bunch Mini-Match. Even though this was the first time we tried it, the Wild Bunch Mini-

Match had 45 shooters! And, I'm told everyone left with a great, big smile! 2012 was the first year for our new organizing committee, the first year for our new "food court" and "vendor row" layout, and the first year in a while without a major rain storm ... it was all great! In fact, it was so great it's hard to know where to begin talking about it ...

Our 2012 Northeast Regional Male Champion and Overall Match Winner is Jerseytown Kid, SASS #88434, a Young Gun—another first for a Regional—although I see Junior shooters doing pretty well at other Regionals, too. Our 2012 Northeast Regional Ladies Champion is Sunshine Marcie, SASS #64900. And, what a great group of shooters were here ... There is less than 10% difference in the scores of the top four shooters, which includes a Young Gun, a Wrangler, a Gunfighter, and a 49'er! Complete match scores are available at: <http://www.chuckaroos.com/mds/mdsscores.htm>

Stampede is always well attended by an enthusiastic group of



*Mason Dixon Stampede is under "new management" and featured a number of firsts. The layout was new, Wild Bunch was new, and the weather was (finally!) rain-free! There were plenty of props supporting the non-stop action. By all accounts, the match guests had a wonderful time! Even the 2011 Territorial Governor of the Year, Lester Moore, did himself proud!*

shooters. Every year our photo album gets fuller.

We also had some surprises this year ... OMG - judges for the costume contest selected Loose Change, SASS #5859, and No Change, SASS #5858, as the best "Working Couple!" You just never know ...

Our shooters who came to Stampede in 2011 all received a

survey so we could decide what they wanted us to do for Stampede 2012. One of the main things our shooters wanted was more props. So in 2012 each stage had more props.

For our first stage our (unlikely) hero, Joe Kidd, saves the hostages in the church and delivers Chama to the Sheriff himself.

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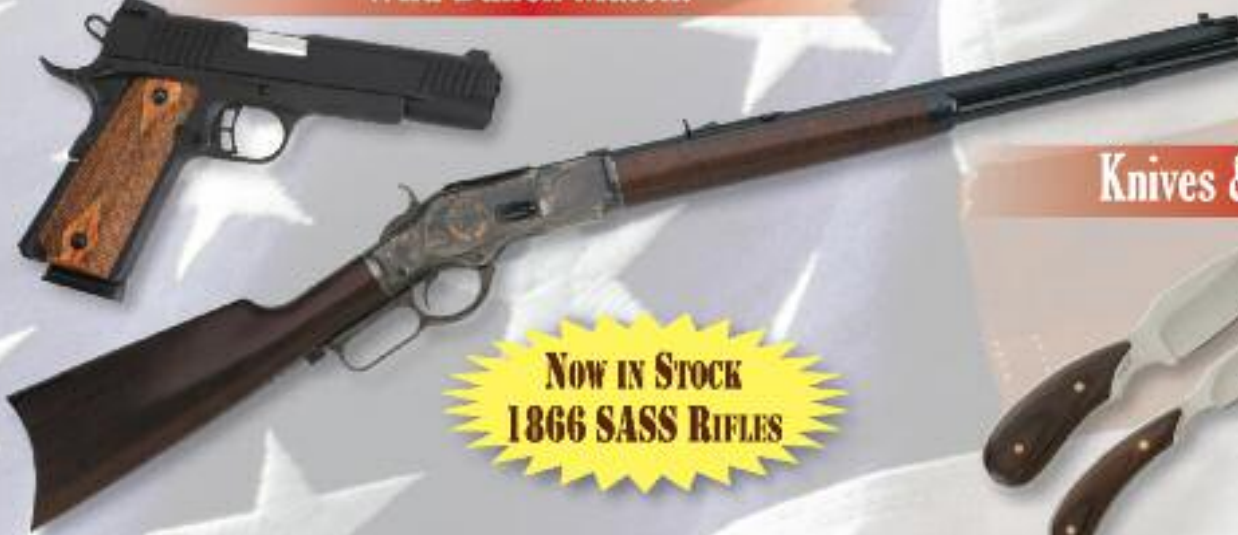
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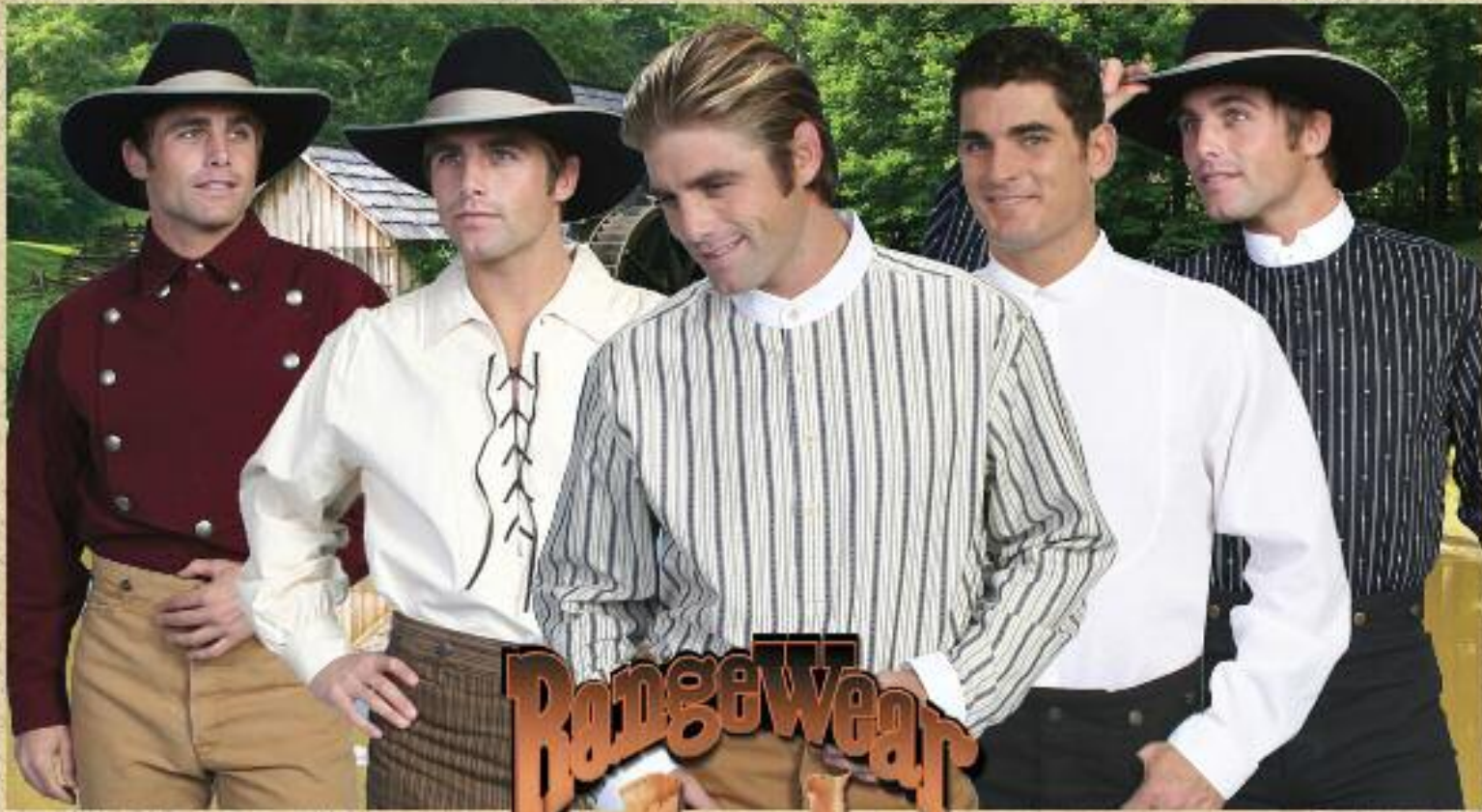


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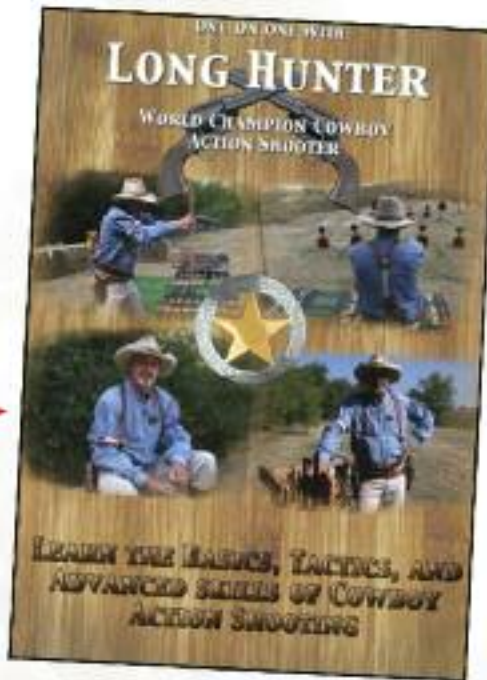
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Oregon Territorial Governor, Sweetwater Jack, SASS #28885, and Gaye Abandon, SASS #44556, "tied the knot" in April at Princeville on the beautiful Hawaiian island of Kauai. Congratulations to the happy couple!

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Tex, SASS #4

# COSTUMES AND LOGOS

By Tex, SASS #4

Everyone knows by now, when one goes to a Cowboy Action Shooting™ match, one is expected to “suit up.” Be it Old West, modern west, B-Western, Classic Cowboy, or whatever, one gets in costume, straps on their guns, and joins in the fun of recreating “yesteryear!” The Handbook provides considerably leeway, and there are many costuming options—some are

quite elaborate, and others are extremely modest. But costumes are the order of the day. If one believes Cowboy Action is “just” a shooting game, this is the wrong sport for you—strong words from a membership organization!

Several months ago the subject of “logos” raised its ugly head—again. A number of folks have been observed sporting logos at SASS events—at monthly shoots, and even more troubling, at annual and sanctioned SASS events. Inevitably, the question of enforcement and penalties bubbles to the surface. What is to be done about logos?

Years ago, the Territorial Governors addressed the issue of logos, which were always outlawed because they violate the

“John Wayne” rule (he didn’t wear them!), and they take away from the general ambiance we all cherish. They determined manufacturer’s labels were not “logos” as addressed by the Handbook. However, SASS logos on the backs of jackets and dusters, “team” or club logos on match apparel, company and sponsor logos, and the like are definitely what the Handbook always meant to address. It’s certainly flattering when the SASS Marshal is prominently displayed on match costumes, and it clearly shows the wearer’s pride in “riding for the brand,” but even that logo is inappropriate at a SASS match. As an aside, SASS logo jackets are wonderful to wear “in town” while shopping at home — it’s great advertising and often

prompts questions from passersby and provides a wonderful recruiting opportunity ... but it’s not appreciated at a match (John Wayne rule—remember?) The idea has always been to keep the match environment as much of a fantasy “Old West” as possible.

So, what’s the penalty for non-compliance? The RO Committee spent quite some time wrestling with this question. If logoed material is worn to the firing line, by definition the shooter is “out of costume”—Stage DQ. Two Stage DQs and the competitor is through for the match—Match DQ. Yes, but what about “away” from the firing line? Here’s where the conversation gets “sticky.”

The short answer is, there is  
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 no penalty. It's simply not appreciated nor wanted. If you can't abide by the Handbook, go home. If one does wear inappropriate apparel to a match, the other shooters are expected to politely comment, "... you know, that's not really appropriate here ...", and the shooter is expected to quickly and good-naturedly make the necessary changes. This is not just a matter for the Match Director ... if the Match Director is the only one willing to make a comment, all is lost. This is a matter for the membership. We're ALL responsible for maintaining our standards.

By the way ... the issue for costumes and logos is for the *entire* match. It lasts from as soon after picking up one's registration package as possible until the last possible moment before leaving the range for the long trip home.

If the weather is cold, it's still inappropriate to wear a SASS lo-goed jacket (or, a modern "ski" jacket, either, for that matter). The old cowboys found a way to bundle up and stay warm ... and we all can, too ... in fact, most cowboys and cowgirls do. The rest need to go shopping with our vendors.

It is recognized there are many kinds of folks at a match—there are the "regular" competitors who are there to shoot and compete, but there are vendors, sponsors, match officials, entertainers, NRA representatives, the media, and others. Can these other folks wear logoed items? Of course! Yes, it may take away a bit from the ambience we all want to see, but we appreciate and need these folks to be in attendance, and we want them to get the full benefit of being in attendance. They need and deserve to be recognized.

Yes, but what about the competitor cowboys who are also vending or otherwise providing official services at the match? They can certainly wear logoed items while performing these services, but NOT while competing.

Where do objectionable logos leave off and agreeable equipment embellishments begin? SASS Marshal logos, for instance, on belts, holsters, and even cuffs are OK, as are commemorative match kerchiefs with match logos on them. Colored armbands are OK. A SASS Marshal on the butt-stock of your rifle or shotgun is OK. Full color company or SASS logos on shirts and jackets are not.

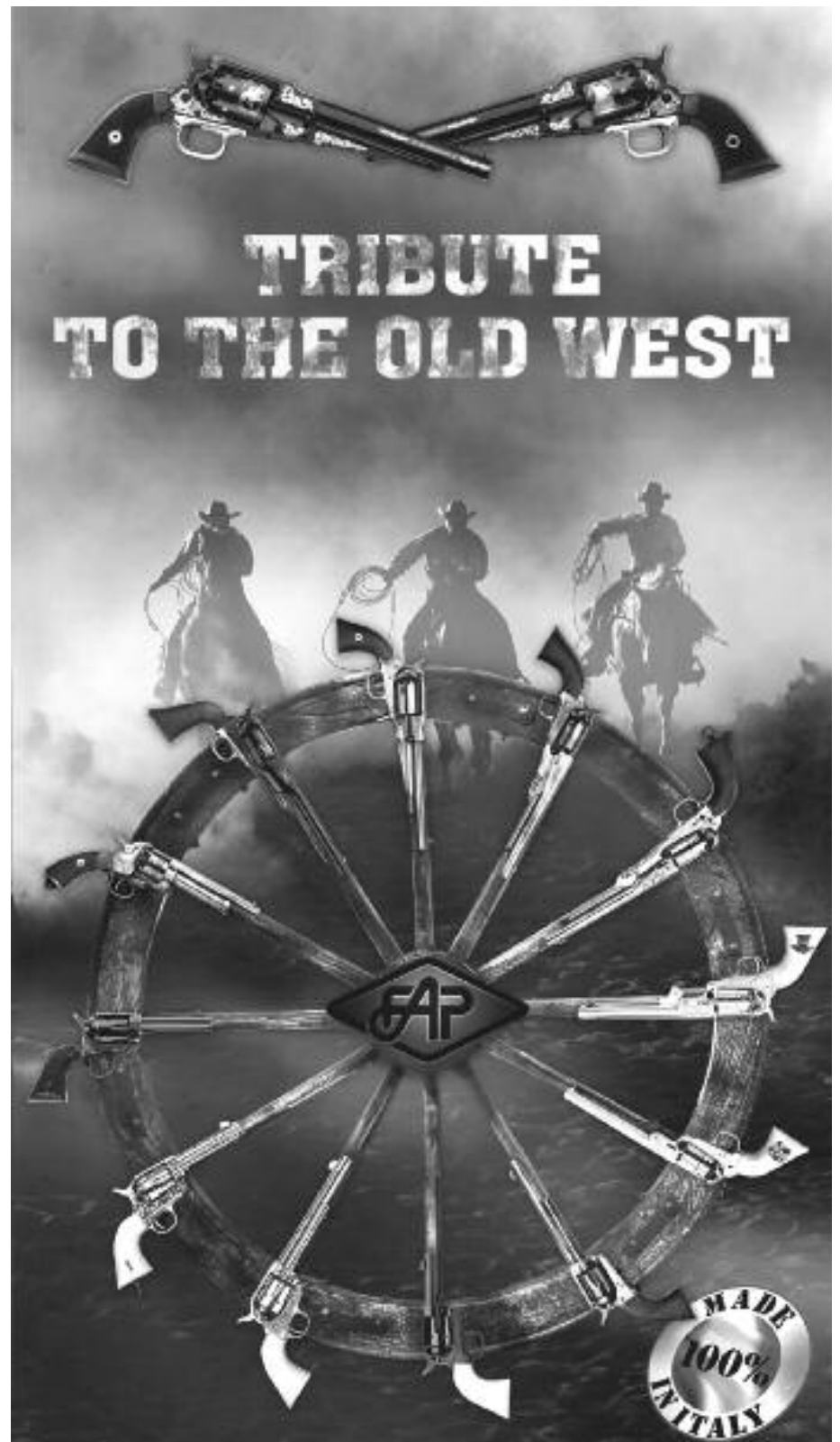
In essence, the RO Committee framed the following "rule:"

**THE PRINCIPLE RULE**

A registered shooter will remain in costume whilst in the shooting area or attending event activities. No team, sponsor marked, or promotional apparel may be worn whilst engaged in these activities.

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As gun-control activists are fond of saying ... it's all just common sense. If you are confused, you can always ask a match official for their assessment ... but if you have to ask, the answer is likely "no." Err on the side of conservatism, and you'll be fine! 🤠



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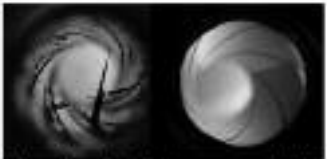
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# Oregon State Black Powder Shoot SCHEDULE CORRECTION

By Palaver Pete, SASS Life/Regulator #4375

**A**s previously announced, the SASS Oregon State Black Powder Championship Shoot and the Pine Mountain Posse (PMP) Annual shoot will be a combined shoot this year—the dates are September 20-22, 2013. The combined shoots mean that individuals can choose to shoot the 10 stages on Saturday and Sunday as either Black Powder and compete in the State Black Powder match, or shoot smokeless. Stages will not be different for either shooter, just their manner of shooting will be.

On Friday, September 20, the PMP will conduct a Wannabe Wild Bunch match and Long Range event, along with a warm up stage and shotgun shoot. Saturday & Sunday is the ten-

stage match.

The Article titled: "Scheduling Summer Annuals Getting Tough? Try Combining Shoots," in the May issue of *The Cowboy Chronicle* was misleading. It announced the State Black Powder Championship Shoot would be shot on Friday, September 20<sup>th</sup>, and that the rest of the weekend would be devoted to the Annual Shoot—not so. To shoot the match - shooters choose whether or not they want to shoot black powder and compete for the SASS event, or shoot smokeless and not compete for State Black Powder titles. If further clarification is needed, please call Cascades Annie at 541-382-1525, or visit the PMP website at: [www.pinemountainposse.com](http://www.pinemountainposse.com), for information and/or registration forms. You're a Daisy if ya do.

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I have responded to a friend of mine, a rancher in the Great State of Wyoming, by studying our

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My study led to your writings.

The above said, I have become a pacifist of sorts.

The only argument I have is the noticeable hearing impairment folks seem to have when it comes to the words “well regulated.” The armed forces are only so at the range and in combat related missions—for the obvious reason. Why should we as a society have to put up with the unspeakably bad along with the good? So you can protect yourself from what? All the gunners make it sound like you’re the proprietor of a liquor store in a war zone. I live in the US, I’ve travelled all over this country, never had to draw down ... Keep your hunting gear, keep a pistol in your house, protect cash, but find a way to put the combat stuff in the armory where it belongs.

It is also time to recognize that a lot of bullies and real asses are in the gunners, and you folks need to find a way to self police. Together is the way to a solution, amicable and fair—to all Americans.

Your Friend and Countryman,  
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*One source I’ve always found enlightening when such questions arise concerning details on or expansion of the Second Amendment intent is to consult the separate writings of the Founders regarding what they thought about the right to keep and bear arms on an individual basis, and they fully supported it. I have and still feel they were and remain right on target.*

*Yes, we have kooks on both sides of this question that should be reined in or else we get nowhere. However, when you refer to “bullies and real asses,” then lump gunners together by using the phrase “you folks,” it detracts from your otherwise thoughtful position in my estimation. Perhaps you didn’t mean it that way, but oft times connotation is much more meaningful to others than denotation.*

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Dear Colonel Dan – my *Cowboy Chronicle* came today, and I first turned to your pages. The NRA and other pro gun organizations have made it clear they want to promote gun safety and control the criminal element that misuses firearms. The liberals won't listen to facts. It confuses them and the facts run contrary to their beliefs. If the Republicans and moderate Democrats fail to stand firm on the Second Amendment and allow some of the BS to become law, there will be civil disobedience only from hardcore Second Amendment supporters. However, if the anti-freedom crowd succeeds in rail-roading the proposed legislation, and executive orders and bureau-

cratic regulations become law, there will be widespread civil disobedience. This is why the DHS and other alphabet departments are stocking up on arms and ammunition, and the population better be doing the same. My father did not get stuck with a Japanese bayonet to have us become like Nazi Germany. Yes, he survived. Keep up the work.

The Cuyahoga Kid,  
SASS #25690  
Petersburg, TN

*Cuyahoga Kid, Thank you for the thoughtful note and on-going support for my column. You may be closer to the truth than many might think.  
Colonel Dan*

## You Can Tell It's Mattel

I really enjoyed the pictures of the Fanner Fifty and the other great Mattel toy guns from the 50s in the April *Cowboy Chronicle*. It was my dream to have a Fanner Fifty, but it was never realized. Maybe that is why I love our sport so much. I would say my parents broke down and bought me the Mattel pop-out derringer buckle. It was very cool. You would use it like a regular belt buckle, but if

you stuck out your stomach, the derringer would pop out and automatically fire a Shootin' Shell. It worked out real well until I shot the usher at the Royal Theatre in Detroit during a Saturday matinee. He did not think it was very funny, and he took my derringer. Thanks for the nice memories.

R. J. Law, SASS Life #15466  
Troy, MI

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*Cat Ballou, SASS #55*

# PAJAMAS, SWIMSUITS & BALL GOWNS

## How to Dress for the SASS Convention

*By Miss Tabitha, SASS Life/Regulator #26972*

**W**e all have “easy” outfits we wear on those hot, dusty shooting days, when the sweat makes your hatband stick to your forehead, and no lady in her right mind would think of dragging her 1876 elegantly-trained gown through the muck and mire of an authentically dirty Western street. Never fear—the SASS Convention returns with the year’s best opportunity to show off your Victorian and Cowboy finery in a clean, indoor, air-conditioned setting!

Five days packed chock-full of fun give you the perfect excuse to crank up your sewing machine, pick through your closet, or get out your shopping wallet in order to arrive with the wardrobe of your dreams, if that’s your thing. If dressing the part is only a side prerequisite to which you must adhere in order to participate in your favorite sport, no problem—come in your most comfortable collection of Old West duds, and you’ll fit in just fine. While it’s true many SASS shooters love to strut their stuff and get their costuming egos stroked at the Convention, never feel you don’t have The Right Thing to wear. It’s great to see all types of characters strolling the Convention halls—be it bankers, prairie women and their farmer husbands, railroad magnates, theater performers, saloon girls, Roy Rogers, or dirty cowboys just off the range.

SASS is offering a bundle of fun activities, including those where you can take creative historic costuming license. The Pool Party will be the perfect place to show off your



*(Left to right) Greg and Michele Van Hare, Jubal Sackett, Aunt E. Cues, and Bella Blue-Eyes try out their Victorian swimsuits and call it a successful affair.*



*Ginger Rosebud, Black Knight Streak, Hut Hudson, and Tootsie Galore dress in their comfy best for an old-time Pajama Party!*



*Fashion plates of “Seaside Toilettes” from La Mode Illustrée Fashion Plates In Full Color, 1886, by Dover Publications*



*Example of a Civil War style top you can easily create at home from a shirt you likely already own, allowing you to come to the Reconciliation Ball as an enlisted soldier for little expense.*

Victorian swimsuits and other “Seaside” attire, and at past Pajama Parties, we’ve seen everything from modern pajamas (sometimes with a Western theme) to Victorian lingerie, to red union suits, to Mother

Hubbard gowns, to smoking jackets, to hilarious mix-ups of all of the above. Anything goes, and everything does!

For the Victorian Tea, your most proper daytime or “Prome-

nade” dresses and suits will create an impressive and classy appearance. Fancy Reception dresses would also be lovely to see, and if any of you ladies are daring enough, a Tea Gown would be sweet





*(Left to right) Dawn and Ted Henry, Wendy and Captain Milburn, and Calamity Kane and Citizen Kane are ready for a night of dancing at the ball.*



*(Confederate couple) Captain Milburn and his lovely wife, Wendy*



*(Union couple) Prairie Dancer and Prairie Gambler*



*Both actors in this scene from the movie, "Big Screen Pete," filmed on our property, are wearing shirts made from the instructions in this article.*

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and shocking at the same time, as these non-corseted outfits would traditionally be reserved for a private tea at one's home.

For the new and exciting addition of the Showboat Dinner Cruise, elegant dinner dresses for the ladies and evening wear for the men would be quite appropriate, although I'm sure a certain number of fancy-vested gamblers and their ladies would add a fun flash of color and excitement to the affair!

All these events lead up to the grand finale of the Convention—the Yesteryear Ball. The theme this year is the "Reconciliation Ball," in commemoration of the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Civil War. Sadly, to this day, in some places animosity still exists between North and South, with family losses too few generations past to forgive and forget. We wish to offer this opportunity, in the context of the all-encompassing sport of

SASS, to come together to celebrate our common interests and love of our great country, the United States of America. Now as much as ever, we need to stand together to protect and guard those we love and the freedoms for which our ancestors have fought and died to defend since 1776, and for which our brave troops continue to do the same.

In keeping with the Civil War theme, all who wish to attend in 1860s attire will be quite at home! Southern belles in beautiful hooped dresses and handsome gentlemen in dashing uniforms will add to the ambience of the evening. If you don't already own one of these unique outfits, they can be readily purchased or sewn. Another option, perhaps the easiest, is to visit a local costume rental company, who I'm sure will be happy to accommodate you. However, there is no need for you to invest the time and money to procure a Civil War era outfit for just this one event if you are disinclined. Men – wear your usual dressy frock coat or evening suit if you prefer, and ladies – any of the pretty dresses you already own will be beautiful to see at the ball, be they hooped, bustled, or even your prettiest calico dress.

However, I know many of the ladies will thrill to the occasion to create or purchase a beautiful concoction of a hooped dress for this one occasion. Personally, I find the hooped gowns are the most comfortable and cool Victorian dresses in which to dance. Scores of patterns are available for the ladies, and a simple search at your local library or online will yield more dress fashion plates to use as inspi-

ration than you'll be able to peruse in a lifetime.

If, though, your heart is set on wearing something hooped, and your budget or time is limited, consider these tricks I have personally implemented in the past, using pieces and parts of existing ball gowns. Borrow, rent, or purchase, either new or used, a hoop. Wear this under your fullest, longest skirt or sew a new simple, very full skirt, using one of the many Civil War patterns available, and then top it off with your previously-made ball gown bodice. As long as it doesn't have huge 1890s sleeves, it will suffice quite nicely. If the top has a skirt attached, or by using a separate skirt, you can loop it up with ribbons, decorative pins, or flowers to create a pretty overskirt. This method will give you the effect of the hooped silhouette without the expense and effort of making an entirely new period-correct gown.

There are many companies who specialize in re-creating Civil War era uniforms for the men, too. However, years ago, I was taught a simple, inexpensive way a man can simulate the look of an enlisted soldier. Find or purchase a long sleeved blue or gray shirt, either new or second-hand, preferably without chest pockets. Cut off the curved bottom hem, leaving it long, and re-hem it with a straight edge instead. If the shirt has pockets, remove them if this can be done without leaving marks. Remove the top half of the collar (the "V'd" part), or fold it to the inside and stitch it down, leaving visible only the banded strip. Remove the buttons, and replace them with silver or gold military-looking ones from

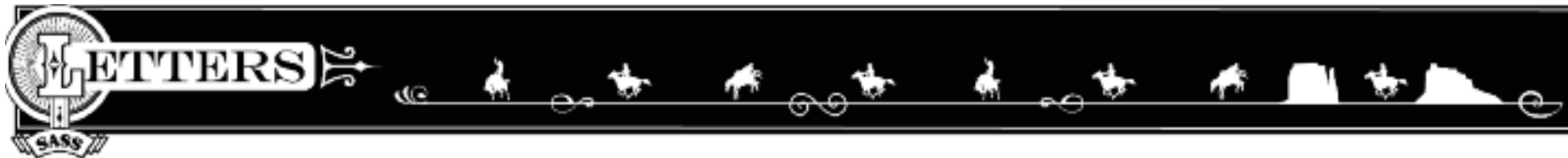
your local fabric or general store.

Wear this shirt un-tucked, with a leather belt on the outside with a plain buckle. Of course, you can easily obtain a period-looking belt buckle with a little online searching. Pair the shirt with a pair of gray, blue, or dark plain pants, black shoes or boots, and presto! – you've achieved the look for pennies. I was told a military man would not have worn a hat indoors unless he was carrying a weapon, but of course, if you wish to top off your outfit with a purchased kepi or slouch hat, no one will object.

Of course, any clean, tidy outfit from the standard SASS costuming timeline of 1870 – 1900 will be welcome at the Ball. While we expect many of you will enjoy dressing for the theme, we want it made clear all SASS styles of costuming will be allowed and appreciated. Again, no one should skip this culmination of the Convention because they think they don't have the "right" thing to wear.

In closing, two final notes of advice to the ladies ... when attending the ball, I would suggest skipping any oversized large brimmed sunhats, as evening coiffures would have been decorated with the likes of ribbons, flowers, feathers, and pearls. However, please *do* wear something under your full skirts besides just petticoats, in case of that rare but occasional mishap. Enough said ... )  
For tips, advice, and resources on fashions of the Civil War era for the ladies, Miss Tabitha can be reached at 970-221-4854. She also offers several books on Civil War Evening Dresses, Hairstyles, and Headdresses on her website, [www.guliproductions.com](http://www.guliproductions.com).





# THE CAPGUN KID RIDES

## Ground Zero, Sandy Hook, CT

**I** never thought I would have to write an article such as this, up to now taking great pains to keep the Capgun Kid topics from being political. I don't have any spiffy pictures, and the ones I judge I will paint below are not among my favorite thoughts. By now, everybody has heard about the gun laws rammed through in Connecticut and New York. The bottom line is we are being engulfed by events that are not just challenging an amendment, but re-defining the values and fabric of being an American. What I write here may not please very many of my fellow Cowboy Action Shooters and gun owners, but, having seen what I have seen and having been where I have been, I hope this material will redirect some of our thinking for the better. In fact, after having gone

through Sandy Hook the way I did, I am willing to stake out what I write here in that you can take it to the bank.

I saw the coffins.

That's a pretty bad thing to have to say. When I did my parking lot duty with my brother Knights Of Columbus during the funerals at St. Rose of Lima, in Newtown, I not only had my heart broken ... you can't quite get over seeing a child's coffin ... but was still reeling from the abject horror I felt several days before when my grandchildren were in lockdown on a Friday afternoon because nobody really knew what was happening.

Compounding that, I had spoken with one of the Superior Court Judges from Danbury who was summoned to ground zero at Sandy Hook an hour after the actual shootings so he could write the nec-

essary warrants. I can't fully describe the change in his tone of voice when he detailed what he saw in those classrooms, except to say it reminded me of the grueling tone of my old master shoemaker who described his survival of a concentration camp, or the abject horror of a marine buddy talking about Khe Sahn.

I suppose I should be somewhat encouraged because I also saw cowboy pards like Lazy Ace Bob and Chantry stand up to the legislature as they testified at public hearings, or the continual stream of informative e-mails from one of my dearest friends, Cayuse, but I can't. They may be as fearful as I am over these trends. That has nothing to do with the qualities they exhibited in their efforts, and it goes without saying how much I appreciate them.

The bottom line, tho', is we

have had a game changer, folks. The battlefield is not what it was even as recent as the day before the shootings. Those were not all run-away liberals in the chambers of Connecticut's Senate and Legislature. In fact, on several counts, the radical left got thwarted ... even the La-La Liberal Governor had to admit he was not going to confiscate magazines and guns, and the idiot who wanted to publish our permit holders' names got told no. One citizen testifying at the hearings stopped the liberal proposals in their spiteful tracks when he said ... "Only in Connecticut can we turn a tragedy into a tax ..."

Beyond that, there was not any real Second Amendment relevance ... because we have had a game changer ...

When I sat down to write this piece, I had to first admit I don't

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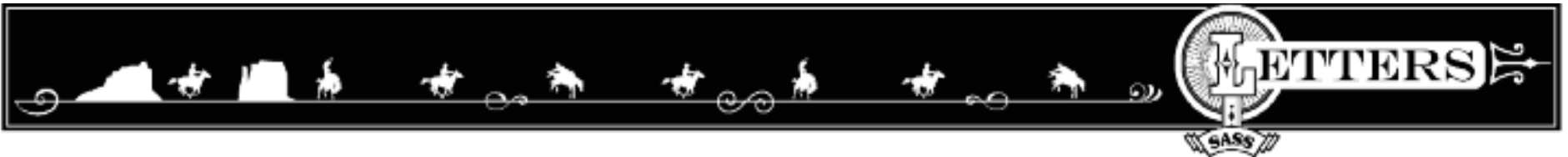
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have any advice for a battle plan to defend our rights, nor do I hold my opinions with the ferocity I held them before the event. But it occurred to me those people smarter than I am who are guiding us via the NRA and SASS and all the other groups might benefit from considering some things, so I would like us to consider the following:

1. Among the misinformed and weak minded, an ounce of perception is worth a truckload of truth. One single heartbroken mommy from Sandy Hook, every time she speaks, makes Chris Cox and Wayne LaPierre look foolish in the eyes of the American Public. Thank you, media. Our Second Amendment arguments are long-term issues, but have little value to us while this thing is still fresh. Do we need to and how do we re-direct our image?
2. It was not just the radical left that slammed the bill through. It passed by at least a two to one margin, and some of the speakers who voted for it demonstrated their knowledge of the Constitution and the intentions of our Founding Fathers ... as well as voicing their objections to the bill they were about to vote for. What do we have to do to impact the way the mainstream American thinks as opposed to just entrenching in our now hackneyed positions as the gun owning community?
3. The Re-enactors and Cowboy

Shooters have always been the most effective tool we have when it comes to showing folks we are not the mindless and insensitive bigots the left wishes to portray the gun community as. How do we remind America we are the same family people that the rest of the nation is?

4. We already know that some of the fruitcake laws being passed may not survive the next election. Indeed Obamacare is starting to unravel because the government now realizes they have to come to grips with some of the stupid provisions voted through when the Left pressured the government to pass it without reading it first. How do we leverage the fact there is a basic flaw in Liberalism where they pass sweeping legislation without breaking it down into its components in a sensible manner? How will our position show they generally make any situation bad and any bad situation worse? Remember Bussing?
5. Is it time to turn to lawsuits and demonstrations and challenge them in their own ballpark?
6. Beyond the orange cards that come from the ILA, how do we make our knowledge of our supporters and our detractors more easily accessible and widespread? How do we time, focus, and nationalize our responses in more efficient manners? How do we integrate and mobilize?
7. The Liberal media draws much

of its initiative from their think tanks buried in universities and other frivolously political places. Who and where are our think tanks? How do we band together beyond just the shooting range or club meetings?

8. Since most of the twenty first century's issues touch cyberspace, how do we make our community more proficient and knowledgeable in that arena? How do we organize as a solid cyberspace front?
9. If we are our own worst enemy in a scenario such as the ammunition hoarding, how do we neutralize the threat we pose to ourselves?
10. How do we leverage our purchasing power and clout when combating anti-gun businesses who are trying to choke off our

rights, yet still hoping we buy their products?

I dunno how many friends or enemies I will make via this piece, but it is very clear we better come up with some game changers of our own. When one of the victims' relatives broke down and sobbed on my shoulder, thanking me for my help as I directed traffic into the St. Rose parking lot, it was immediately and irrevocably evident the battle over the Bill of Rights can be lost in a hurry if we do not change our approaches and leverage our resources. I realized how quickly America will trash the firearms community rather than risk having to look into that woman's eyes. I know ... I looked.

Sorry if I offended you ...  
The Capgun Kid, SASS #31398  
New Milford, CT





*The Capgun Kid,  
SASS #31398*

# THE CAPGUN KID RIDES ... and almost doesn't

*By The Capgun Kid, SASS #31398*

continuous heart attack for all three days while doing it.

The good news is I have a stent and a bunch of meds to correct everything.

The bad news is I have a stent and a bunch of meds to correct everything.

The good news is between the grace of God and my friends and the Hospital Staff we caught everything early, and it was arterial with no muscle damage.

The bad news is this attack did not even resemble what you'd think a heart attack would be, and we did not find out about it until I got blood-tested at the hospital. I



*I could have shot  
knuckle balls and  
still hit everything.*

**T**he good news was I got to see all my pards, shoot four of the ten stages in the weekend match, have a great banquet, and drive home for four and a half hours safely.

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*I felt a deep sense of appreciation for my friends, one of which is BDoc.*

thought it was a chest cold for the entire time I was in the car and on the range. It was a complete and utter surprise, and the limited pain it induced was bearable.

Hence, the reason for this article. Normally I would be willing to keep my mouth shut about the whole thing and go about writing pieces that are more fun. But, now that the smoke has cleared, I judge it possibly helpful to put all this down for all the other cowboys running around out there who have had, or will have, some sort of serious medical incident while at an event. There's an implicit sense of responsibility because it goes beyond being limited to safety when handling a gun ... suppose I had not bagged the match and gone home ... whose weekend would I have ruined by collapsing and inducing all those generous people I shoot with to help?

I am also concerned about the clubs. Like most of us, I have been watching Match Teams selflessly throwing themselves at events so we all have a good time. They are overworked, sometimes not properly thanked, and virtually alone as the same ten or twelve people are organizing and providing year after year. Did the people who organized the event deserve to have their work shadowed by an incident no one could help and might have ended in tragedy? Not on my watch.

The bottom line is pretty simple. We focus on gun safety (rightly so), but there are other

safety implications while on the range. As a crowd, we are not getting younger. Peel off the young shooters who come in to the sport for a moment ... the ones who did not have the benefit of Roy, Hoppy, The Lone Ranger, and Range Rider every Saturday morning. I'm talking about the rest of us who look upon brass picking as a major threat.

So, here are the top ten reasons to expand our view of safety and responsibility on the range.

**Number 10:** Everybody gotta get dead, but there is a reason I ain't. Now that the aforementioned smoke has cleared, I am a lot more sensitive to the fact God must want something from me. What am I gonna do with this grace I have been given? It's a sense of responsibility rather than just a sense of defending my rights. In terms of extending that to Cowboy, maybe I am gonna spend a little more time crafting some door prizes for the clubs I go to, or maybe I will send my application in a little earlier to help the people and clubs I cherish with their funding. If I can't haul targets around anymore, then I better start thinking of the other ways I can help the workers while on the range.

**Number 9:** It's the people, stupid. I felt a deep sense of appreciation for my friends that compelled me to drive four hours to see them on the way into this particular weekend, and that has been fortified on the way out. I don't know what would have happened without half a posse looking out for me. I am a little more reluctant to go to a match when feeling abnormally poorly, and a little more willing to make a point of staying in touch with the friends so dear to me. I will doubtless have a sharper eye when a Pard looks a little pale or shows signs of distress on the range. If all of us are going to be safety officers as far as our guns go, then all of us ought to be willing to be Samaritans if one of us falls ill. The shooting match does not end until everybody gets home safely.

**Number 8:** The difference between being a good friend and being a busy body is knowing where the medical facilities are at a match, and being responsive to what the organizers are asking us to do while we shoot and enjoy the weekend they put on for us. In



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subsequent conversations with the match organizers after my event, I let 'em know there was not a thing they could have done differently. Part of the reason I got home was because of their available medical planning (if I

needed it) and the presence of the other shooters. If those people had the presence of mind to be ready to help me, then I owed it to them to stop shooting and get off the range for safety's sake. HJ and Honey Richardson doted over me while I was feeling so poorly during the stages I shot, and invoked a sense of reality on me that led me to stop shooting.

**Number 7:** There's a point where the John Wayne in all of us ends and the better part of valor has to begin. A close friend named Dusty Lady just about forced herself on me to help me lug my guncart around, and I am not taking these meds out of fear, but rather out of a sense of responsibility to my family and friends who will worry about me. That sense of responsibility led to a greater awareness of ... "things that can go wrong" ... while out there banging away. I'm not pretending to be a doctor, but I am way more aware of warning signs of everything from dehydration to

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## The Capgun Kid Rides . . .

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numbness because I don't want to be a burden to the people I cherish. The car won't get packed if my selfish ends threaten my responsibility to other shooters.

**Number 6:** Almost as a second nature, I figured out where all the medical facilities were and were not at this particular match, where the water coolers were, and what the facilities were and were not. If I needed to I knew where to go and what cards to carry in my wallet. I never thought about that until now, considering the mental exercise as second nature. If the club is taking the time to outline this for us when we show up at the safety meeting, then we should be taking in the situation awareness of the surroundings we shoot in. READ the booklets they give us in the shooters' packages.

**Number 5:** There's an incredible value in the posse. Everybody I had shot with for years was sensitive to my condition while

this was going on, and my own sense of not burdening others is less than half the story ... these folks had more than once helped another shooter during an event, and people like Gemstone and Dirty Dale, John Barleycorn and Bdoc, Grey Squirrel, Dun Dealin, Sergeant John, Dirt Slider and Dusty Lady, and Long Tall Texan could easily have made a difference had the situation worsened. Posse's should bond and do so early. Don't let a pard spend a whole match without getting to know him or her early in the weekend. I came away from that event resolving I wanted to meet more people and not go past stage three without knowing all the members of my posse.

**Number 4:** If the club asks shooters to declare on the application any medical condition, then for heavens' sake don't John Wayne it. Moreover, if you feel any symptoms coming on ... and more importantly getting worse ...

then don't march through Georgia. Stay within yourself. It was quite difficult to stop after stage four, because on that particular day I was in one of those grooves where every bullet was a smart bullet and gongs were jumping out of their way to get hit. I could have shot knuckle balls and still hit everything.

**Number 3:** Have a plan for your guns on the premise that something may happen to you. At one match a couple of years ago I was on my way in on Saturday morning when a kid shot out my passenger window at a stop sign. Cowboys came out of the woodwork to get my guns and ammo out of the car and at a point of safety before the police got there to haul the kid away. The club officers made the car safe, and I made it all the way home the next day because of their efforts. I was able to help folks help me because I store my stuff sensibly and under lock and key. The crisis then and during my heart attack now was not made worse because I had to worry about my guns.

**Number 2:** I will go a long way before I turn a deaf ear to a club that asks for help in working. No less than five of the eight clubs I shoot with are asking for help because the same people are doing the work year after year and are getting fatigued. I can't



*... that I wanted to meet more people. Dirt Slider is one of my best friends. I can remember the day I made the move to shake his hand for the first time.*

lift a lot of heavy metal anymore, but I can be a little more diligent if asked to run a timer, or be more outgoing if door prizes are needed and well within my leather craft, or some such. If the club I was shooting with had not put so much work into running this match smoothly, I might have had a far less positive outcome.

**Number 1:** There but for the grace of God go I. If I felt any better than I do today, Obama would probably try to tax me. In what limited scope I have, I judge the path going forward will involve a lot more of a single concept ... bring value.

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# The Second Amendment, Our Founding Documents, and Unalienable Rights

By Yellowstone Nerd, SASS 84195

**W**e've had many articles in *The Cowboy Chronicle* about the Second Amendment, the intentions of the Founders, and our "unalienable rights." Colonel Dan has been a leader on this theme and several SASS youth members have contributed to the discussion. There's been a lot of good material but there have been a few points that have been missed and some I think people have read wrong.

## Founding Documents: the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution

The Declaration of Independence has been a source of inspiration for US law, but we should remember it isn't the fundamental

law of the United States. The Constitution is our fundamental law. The Declaration announced the former colonies were now thirteen independent states—not one nation and barely a confederation—and it laid out the reasons why the colonial leaders had decided on separation. The Constitution embraces the principles of the Declaration, but it's the Constitution that counts when we evaluate laws or bring them into court.

## Unalienable Rights: Our Creator, our government, or ourselves?

The Declaration's reference to "unalienable rights" to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness was

a big step. The leaders of the Continental Congress took the works of English philosophers to a new level in saying every individual has rights and especially in saying our rights derive from our Creator. A few governments had evolved customary rights, but they had never been recognized as fundamental, only as rights granted by the sovereign. Of course, that meant they were more like privileges than rights.

In all of history, citizens have held only the rights they would demand from their governments and that they would defend when their government encroached on those rights. Even if our rights are endowed by our Creator, history says we have to take them and then guard them jealously.

For Americans, that means voting for legislators and presidents who support the idea our rights are our own, not privileges granted by the government or even privileges we grant each other. Here's where America has been most adrift: not that we have politicians who are eager to tamper with our rights, but that too many of us vote for the (reader, insert bad word here) politicians who will tamper with our rights. Here's a clue: any politician that promises "benefits" is going to have to tamper with someone's rights to deliver those "benefits."

And some of those tampering (insert bad word here) are "conservatives" as well as "liberals" or "progressives." (That's me channeling the libertarian Founders.) As I resent someone like Rep Pelosi wanting to take my gun rights, I'm leery of those who want to make adultery a crime or who want to limit the sale of alcohol on

Sundays. (I'm not equating adultery with the Second Amendment, I'm saying meddlers are meddlers, whatever their causes may be.)

It may also mean suing the bejabbers out of governments that forget that rights are ours, not theirs.

## The Purposes of the Second Amendment

The Second Amendment isn't about hunting or sport shooting at all, and it's only some about self-defense. The primary purpose of the Second Amendment is to keep the citizens more dangerous than our own government—to enable armed insurrection if need be. When people talk about the proud American tradition of hunting and sport-shooting, they're right. When they speak of the need to be ready to guard themselves from criminals, they're right. And, when they speak of the right of the people to keep their own government in check, they've really hit the nail on the head.

The US colonies were among the first societies in which most people owned firearms. They may have been the very first. Throughout Europe, the standard threat was the army of the next country over, and the armed response was through the military. Many farmers had shotguns for game and for shooting livestock at slaughtering time; a few aristocrats had pistols for their own protection and rifles for hunting. The idea of firearms for self-defense didn't have a lot of support, and the idea of an armed citizenry scared the bejabbers out of the aristocrats.

But in the American colonies, the farmers especially were vulnerable to attacks by First American raiders and by outlaws of their own kind. And, it was more than the isolated farmers or mountain men at risk. Many towns were

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small enough to be vulnerable to attack, and the militia was more than a tradition, it was a day-to-day necessity. Most families owned shotguns and rifles and many had pistols. As the frontier expanded, the settlers continued to need firearms to protect themselves and to hunt for food. Many militias had stores of ammunition for emergency use; most of the guns belonged to the members themselves. Taxes to support militia were a major issue in the colonies. When the British marched on Lexington and Concord, they intended to seize the colonial militia's ammunition.

I believe every citizen and permanent resident has a right to keep weapons and to use them appropriately. I do agree someone who has committed a felony has properly forfeited the right to have firearms, at least until pardoned. Firearms aren't cars and using them isn't driving, but then I think you have a fundamental right to drive a car even if that isn't listed in the Constitution. At the same time, if you show you're dangerous when you drive, I think the rest of us have a right to make you stop. If you've shown yourself to be a criminal, I think we have a right to keep you from having a gun. Until you've shown you're dangerous, I know the Constitution says you have the right to have and carry a gun.

I have serious worries about needing a permit to carry a concealed weapon. Still, there are only a few things you can carry under your coat and use to do so much harm.

So: Now what?

We have had two citizens, Heller and MacDonald, who have shown at least part of the way. With the help of citizens' groups like the NRA, these two have forced the federal government and state and local governments to at least pretend to acknowledge the individual right to have a gun. Now I'm hoping for plaintiffs who will sue Chicago, New York, and Washington, DC because they are failing to comply with the Heller and MacDonald decisions. I say they are failing to comply because their gun laws remain very onerous—here I fully agree with Colonel Dan, that restrictions on a fundamental right have to be considered guilty until proven innocent. The Colonel is right to point out the “slippery slope” incrementalism that “pro-

gressives” use to erode our rights in the Second Amendment arena and in many others.

And when the plaintiffs sue over Second Amendment trickery like Chicago's almost-impossible conditions, I'm hoping they'll go after punitive damages. The “progressive” leadership of these cities has no respect for the rights of their residents. Damaging their budgets may help change their positions, but appealing to their better angels won't do it.

But the most important thing is voting. *The people of Chicago and New York and DC voted in their*

*own oppressors, and they keep voting in new ones.* Folks, we've got to quit doing that. When politicians promise welfare money and subsidies for businesses, they usually have the agenda of limiting our rights “for your own good” or “for the children” (I'm no fan of seatbelt laws). “If it saves just one life, it's worth it ...” is an argument that should tell you all you need to know. That's true of Second Amendment rights, and it's just as true of environmental legislation or restrictions on how you drive. Yes, we need some legislation on the environment, and yes, we need some

on driving and shooting; hunting among the houses of my neighborhood would be a bad thing. Every restriction, though, should be viewed with grave suspicion, and you should assume it's wrong until you get a really good justification.

I write all this with great respect for *The Cowboy Chronicle's* other contributors on this topic. I did want to point out that, even if our Creator endowed us with rights, we have to take them, and we have to hold them. And, I wanted to expand the vision of the Second Amendment. Thanks for taking a few minutes to have a look. 🤠

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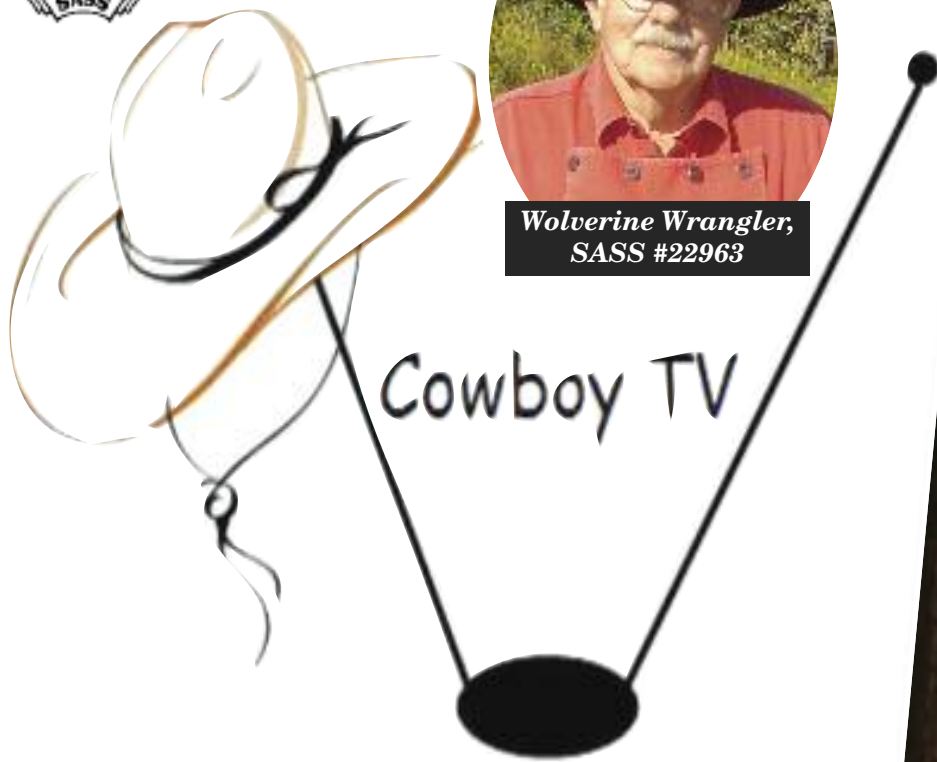
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By Wolverine Wrangler, SASS #22963

In the 50s, 60s and early 70s Westerns series dominated network television, here is a look at one of those shows.

**The Guns of Will Sonnett** ran on the ABC television network from 1967 to 1969. The series was the first production collaboration between Aaron Spelling and Danny Thomas. This series starred veteran character actor Walter Brennan as Will Sonnett, and Dack Rambo as his grandson, Jeff, who were searching for Will's son and Jeff's father, James. Disgusted with his father's being absent on army-scout business more often than not, James (also called Jim) had disappeared at the age of seventeen. A few years later, a baby boy was delivered to Will, with a letter identifying him as James' son. It went on to say his mother had died in childbirth, and not very many people get a second chance in life, but this was one for Will. The young boy was raised

by his grandfather, who was grateful for the opportunity and did the best he could to steer the grandson in the right direction.

Apparently Will's absences had been significantly less than total, as he had taught James how to handle a six-shooter, and the younger man had become renowned as a peerless gunfighter. Hearing so much of his father's repute, Jeff decided he had to find him. Will agreed, and they rode across the West looking for their common relative. They often arrived at places that had been recently vacated by James. The inhabitants of those communities had mixed opinions of James, some seeing him as a ruthless killer, others as the only man brave enough to take the side of justice against other men far more ruthless. The middle Sonnett did, in fact, appear in several scattered episodes, invariably played by Jason Evers. One of those segments, entitled *The Man Who*



*Killed Jim Sonnett* guest starred character actor Robert F. Simon.

Unlike most series with a similar premise, the problem was resolved during the life of the series. In the second season finale, *Three Stand Together*, Will and Jeff eventually located and linked up with James. The three became lawmen together in a small town, Will as town marshal, and the other two as his

deputies. Had there been a third season for this series, it would have been as a much more conventional Western.

*The Guns of Will Sonnett* aired two years with a total of 50 episodes. The complete series is now available on DVD.

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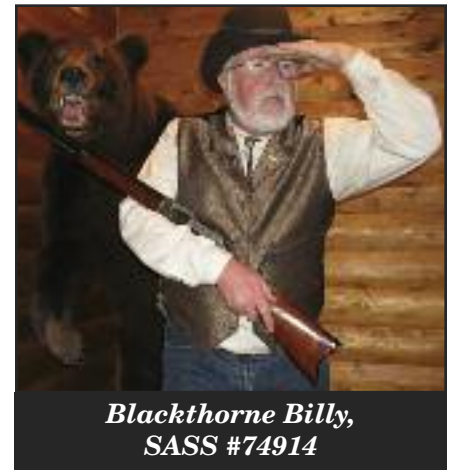


# GUNFIGHTERS IN THE OLD WEST

## JOHN WESLEY HARDIN

(May 26, 1853 – August 19, 1895)

*Submitted by Blackthorne Billy, SASS #74914  
(After carefully extracting the material from Wikipedia)*



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**H**ardin was only 12 years old when members of the Confederate Army returned home to Texas after the American Civil War. The war had a powerful impact on Hardin. He developed a strong hatred of the freed slaves and killed his first black man when he was 15 years old. Hardin fled from home after the killing. As he was later to explain: "To be tried at that time for the killing of a Negro meant certain death at the hands of a court backed by Northern bayonets ... thus, unwillingly, I became a fugitive, not from justice, be it known, but from the injustice and misrule of the people who had subjugated the South."

In the next few weeks Hardin was to kill three more men. These were soldiers who had attempted to take him into custody. Hardin moved to Navarro County where he became a schoolteacher. This was followed by work as a cowboy. He then tried to make a living out of poker, but this resulted in him killing Jim Bradley in a gambling row.

Hardin's next killing took place in Kosse, Texas when a man tried to rob him. As he pointed out later: "I told him I only had



**John Wesley Hardin**

about \$50 or \$60 in my pocket, but if he would go with me to the stable I would give him more, as I had the money in my saddle pocket ... He said, "Give me what you have first." I told him all right, and in so doing, dropped some of it on the floor. He stooped down to pick it up and as he was straightening up, I pulled my pis-

tol and fired. The ball struck him between the eyes and he fell over, a dead robber."

In 1871 he was involved in taking cattle to Abilene, Kansas where he met Wild Bill Hickok. Hardin later claimed he "killed five men on the journey and three more at his destination." After killing four black men, he was arrested by the sheriff of Cherokee County. He escaped from jail in October 1872, and was soon back in trouble with the law. This included the killing of Charles Webb, deputy sheriff of Brown County on 26 May, 1874.

Hardin fled to Florida, and over the next few months killed six more men. With a \$4,000 price on his head, Hardin was pursued by several bounty hunters. Eventually he was captured by Captain John Armstrong and a party of Texas Rangers at Pensacola July 23, 1877. The fol-

lowing year he was sentenced to 25 years in prison. He was taken to Huntsville, Texas, and he spent his time studying law, theology, and mathematics. Hardin regained his religious faith and became superintendent of the Sunday School in prison.

In 1894 Hardin was released from prison. He joined his children in Gonzales County (his wife, Jane, had died November 6, 1892) before moving to Karnes County, where he married Callie Lewis January 8, 1895. The marriage was not a success, and Hardin moved to El Paso where he worked as a lawyer. Hardin also began writing his autobiography.

His next dispute concerned John Selman. He began saying unpleasant things about Selman's son after he arrested Hardin's girlfriend for vagrancy. On 19 August, 1895, Selman shot John Wesley Hardin in the back of the head while he was standing at the Acme Saloon Bar.

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# THE GUNFIGHT AT THREE MILE CREEK

By The Rockwood Ranger, SASS #28480

The smoke was just starting to clear. There was a slight breeze dissipating the smoke. The only sound was the rustling of leaves as the Rockwood Ranger, exhausted, leaned back against a tree and frantically ejected empty shells from one of his 7 ½ inch barreled Colt revolvers. Quickly he thumbed in a reload. All the while his eyes were searching to and fro, expecting any moment another attack. The distant sirens were getting louder and louder.

As the Rockwood Ranger walked out from the tree, a helicopter was hovering overhead and several jeep loads of soldiers were starting to scramble down the banks toward him. He holstered

his gun and raised his hands high over his head. In a moment, an officer's voice blared over a blow horn, "Don't move. Keep your hands up." He stood quietly as they surrounded him, handcuffed him and marched him up the hill to the road. He knew he would have a lot of explaining to do. When he reached the sheriff and a group of men, he later learned were Secret Service men, the Rockwood Ranger asked, "Is the Vice-President o.k.?"

Without an answer, he was read his rights and quickly whisked away the short distance to an interrogation room at the county jail. There he told his story.

It had all started so quietly—so innocently. It had been in the news for two days that the Vice-President of the United States would be making a campaign stop in Crossville, TN as a part of their reelection bid. Well, more precisely, he and his entourage would be in Homestead. The party thought this would be an appropriate backdrop for their reelection campaign. During the Great Depression, one of Eleanor Roosevelt's pet projects was the Homesteads. In one of the last Homestead Acts in the United States, a large tract of mountain land on the Cumberland Plateau was opened to Homesteaders. It was an effort to help out of work miners and factory workers in Tennessee go back to farming as a means of feeding their families. Families working together, along with the Civilian Conservation Corps, had built a water tower, buildings for workers, a dam on Byrd's Creek (that later developed into the Cumberland Mountain State Park), and numerous homesteads. The families would build a small wooden barn to live in while a house was under construction. The houses were made from wood and stone found on the premise. The people had gardens, some row crops, chickens, pigs, and cows. It is debatable whether this experiment seventy-five years ago was a success or not, but it was deemed worthy enough for the Vice-President to have as a prop for his speech to the voters.

The day before, an Old West enthusiast, whose alias was the Rockwood Ranger, was preparing for a local SASS event. The Cowboy Action match was to begin at 9:00 a.m. Saturday morning. Living in the Homesteads, and not wanting to get ensnared in the political traffic, he left early that morning for the match. His outfit was very similar to the movie rendition of Wyatt Earp, marshal's badge and all. He carried a Marlin .38 caliber lever action rifle, a double-barreled coach gun, and two 7

½" barrel-length Colt revolvers in thirty-eight caliber. He was going to shoot blackpowder shotgun shells and blackpowder cartridges. He loaded all his gear in his '97 Ford Ranger red pick-up truck, left the cabin, drove through the park headed for the short-cut.

But out on the two-lane highway his truck began to sputter and stalled out right after he crossed "Three-mile Creek" and headed up the hill. He was so disappointed, but managed to get his sputtering truck started and turned around to go back to the cabin. The truck died again. He coasted over to the side of the road. Out of nowhere, it seemed, a man approached the truck from the rear. Rockwood turned to greet him and was startled to see a gun pointed at his middle. The man commanded wryly, "Walk down the hill in front of me to that house." There was a house down below the hill near the bridge beside the creek that flowed under Highway 127. As he walked, he could hear some other men get in the truck, and they began to push it down the road to the house.

Rockwood protested with a half-smile, "If this is a robbery, it's gonna be mighty slim pickins." The remark was met with a "Shut-up and keep moving." They entered the old abandoned house. Rockwood was quickly tied hand and foot and shoved to the floor. Two men came in with his cowboy gear and were laughing about his "antique" guns. They talked quietly, and he knew they were discussing what to do with him. They must have decided to do nothing now for they were very pre-occupied with preparations for something. But what? As they were talking in hushed tones he caught the phrase, "vice-president" and Rockwood suddenly realized the plot.

The Vice-President's caravan would pass this way going toward the small airport in Crossville. He had delayed their preparations some, and they had to hurry now to be in their hidden positions before any patrols scanning the route would appear.

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They soon left Rockwood alone in the cabin. Before the terrorists had tied him up, they had patted him down, but had not emptied his pockets. He always carried a small penknife in his pocket. Arching up on his heels and shoulders, he managed to wiggle the knife out of his pocket. Sweat ran down his face as he feverishly worked around and tried to open the small knife with his hands tied behind him.

Finally the knife was open. Quickly the ropes were cut off his hands and feet. Rockwood threw two shells in his double-barreled shotgun, placed it on the table, and slid 10 blackpowder .38's in his lever action rifle. He buckled on his gun belt and thumbed in five rounds in each of his Colt revolvers. The thought raced through his mind that this was the end. He was going to die. But, if he could cause enough noise and confusion, he might prevent many innocent deaths that day. Besides, there was always the hope help would arrive.

Breathing a quick prayer to his Lord Jesus, Rockwood picked up the

shotgun just as two terrorists opened the door. They both were blown outside by two blasts from the shotgun. Blackpowder smoke filled the room. Two other terrorists ran toward the house, but they could not see Rockwood for the smoke. Twice more the shotgun belched fire and smoke and two more terrorists dropped to the ground.

The noise alerted the rest of the terrorists and hopefully the police also. Grabbing up his rifle, Rockwood ran toward a large tree in front of the old house. As he ran, he flipped open the shotgun and chunked the empty shells. On his knees behind the tree, he began firing the rifle. The scene in front of Rockwood was like a slow motion replay. Terrorists stood, moved out from hiding under the bridge, and began to move up through the creek, up the banks toward him. As fast as Rockwood could lever the rifle, he hit them like shooting ducks in a carnival shooting gallery. The terrorists were firing their automatic weapons erratically as they

sloshed through the water, slipping on the creek rocks and the slippery slope up toward Rockwood's position behind the tree. The smoke from the rifle filled the air and hovered like a low cloud around Rockwood. On his knees behind the tree he could see them, but they could not see him clearly.

Click! The rifle was empty. Ten shots fired. He reached for the shotgun, slid his last two shells into the chamber. Lying on his back trying to stay low, he could hear two terrorists approaching from both sides. Rolling to his left, he fired just as a terrorist topped the hill. Quickly rolling to his right side he one-handed the shotgun toward the other terrorist and as the shotgun bellowed, he fell.

Rockwood realized the last terrorist had rolled a grenade towards him. He dove to the front side of the tree as the grenade roared. On his feet now Rockwood drew both pistols. Cocking and firing as he drew, two terrorists fell in front of him. Firing again

with the gun in his right hand, he stopped another, while almost at the same instant another terrorist was coming up the hill on his right side, so he fired the gun in his left hand under his right arm. In that position, he was forced to fire the pistol in his right hand back to his left side. His left arm swung around and the Colt barked again and again. Rockwood fired the last time as a terrorist right in front of him fell.

Suddenly silence. The smoke was lifting. Sirens were screaming all around. Police and National Guardsmen were on the bridge. Police were coming down the drive, and a National Guard helicopter was hovering overhead. Rockwood raised his arms high over his head and yelled, "I'm on your side."

Taken into police custody, Rockwood told and retold his story for several hours. The Vice-President's caravan had been rerouted on a back road to the airport. All were safe. The dead terrorists numbered twenty-six. Twenty-six shots fired. Unusual. A clean match! 🐾

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# YOU'RE A TOMBSTONE??

## Oh I See – Your Name is Tombstone!

**R**ochester, NY – Yep cowpokes, I'm called Tombstone. This is my 12th year of playing Cowboy here at the Long Riders, and I've enjoyed every minute of it.

Like many of you, I grew up during the 50s when Cowboys were our heroes on TV. There were many from which to choose. How many can you remember? Well, there were Roy and Gene and Hopalong; those are easy. How about The Rifleman, Johnny Yuma—the Rebel, Paladin, Maverick, Bat Masterson, Chris Colt-Colt 45, Lash Larue, Wyatt Earp, Cisco Kid and Pancho, Red Rider, Wild Bill Hickok, The Lone Ranger and Tonto, Wanted Dead or Alive, Yancey Derringer, Annie Oakley, Lawman, Rawhide, Wagon Train, and Tales of Wells Fargo. And, don't tell me I was the only one that squared off against Matt Dillon each week at the beginning of "Gunsmoke."

Clint Eastwood rang our bell with the spaghetti westerns and his Dirty Harry .44 Magnum, but he wasn't the first to point a gun at the audience. Johnny Ringo had a Seven Shooter! At the beginning of his show, you saw a side view of his revolver; he'd fire six, and then turn it toward the audience, pull the hammer, and you could see the shotgun barrel under his pistol barrel-BLAM! Steve McQueen had

*By Tombstone, Jr, SASS #13712*

a sawed off rifle (the Mare's leg) he wore on his hip. Oh! I wanted one of those. James Caan wore a sawed off shotgun on his hip when he played "Mississippi" in the John Wayne movie "El Dorado." It goes on and on, and I'm sure you've got a favorite memory, too.

We used to play "cowboy" in our neighborhood. Our toys were plastic Cowboys and Indians of all sizes. We could buy plastic guns that shot spring-loaded plastic bullets or used a roll of "caps." Mattel made the best. I had a "FANNER 50" that was the ultimate in toy handguns and a Derringer that fit on a belt buckle that secretly worked. All you had to do was push out your stomach, and this little critter would swing out and "Fire."

This was my life as I was growing up. When I was four years old my family drove to California on Route 66. Mom loved to tell the story of us in Texarkana, Texas when I saw my first real cowboy. I saw the Rose Bowl parade that year sitting on my uncle's shoulders and the Cisco Kid and Pancho rode right past us. I was thrilled to death.

Fast-forward 40+ years, I'm at the gun show and these guys are behind a table dressed like cowboys. Their leader is this guy all in

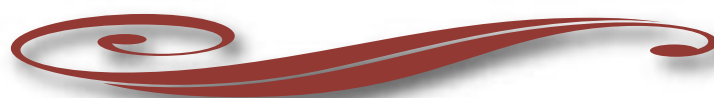
black, sheriff's badge, vest, double gun rig with silver buttons—looking real good, very friendly, and calls himself "Silver Sage." Next thing I know I'm on the thruway one Sunday heading toward Exit 43 thinking—what do I call myself; they're gonna ask? A commercial on the radio was talking about frozen pizza—what kind you ask—TOMBSTONE! Since I'm Italian, I love pizza. It sounded cool—that was it for me.

So now I wait in anticipation of the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday. I strap on my guns and spurs, walk to that orange safety line—ca'ching, ca'ching. With those props and stuff out there, it's like walking through the "gel" wall in a sci-fi movie back into the past, and for the next 6 – 8 hours I'm swept up in "those thrilling days of yesteryear." I'm lost in a fantasy, and I'm "King of the World!"

*(Tombstone Jr died on his 65<sup>th</sup> birthday, March 1, 2013. This was written March 2008 and submitted with his obituary. It deserved to be printed as a separate article – Cat) ♀*



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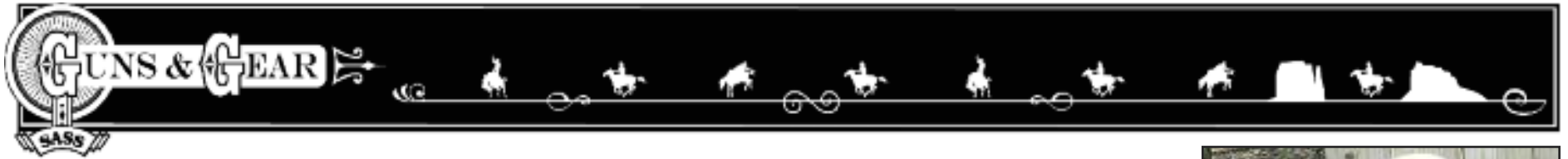
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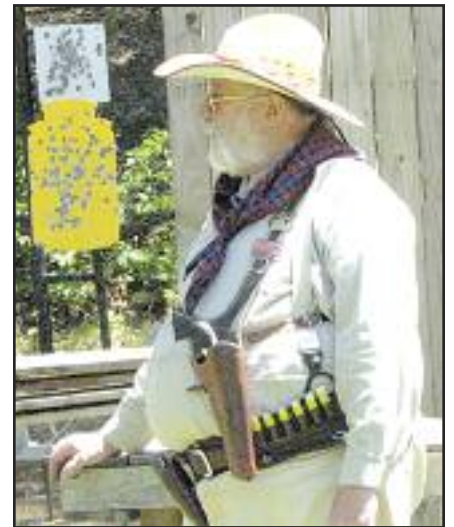
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*By Chilkoat, SASS #58803*

**L**ast month a SASS member questioned the legitimacy of shoulder holsters as a way to carry a firearm in the period in which SASS members are cast. Before I can address that issue, I must digress somewhat and deal with the Cabbages and Kings angle as it were.

Firearms are marvelous things as long as you are fighting, but when immediate hostilities are finished, what do you do with the bloody thing? (no pun intended.) I mean where do you put it until needed again?

In 17th century England highwaymen carrying two flintlock pistols would have had both hands encumbered. How to take the bag of coins? Of course, they might have resolved to carry but one pistol, cutting their firepower in half. Not a good option! Some tried stuffing the ungainly pistols in wide belts at the waist. Next time you are near a flintlock, try putting it in the front of your pants and then sit down to a nice joint of meat. See the problem? Blackbeard solved the prob-



*Chilkoat, SASS #58803*

lem by using a length of cord tied to each pistol butt and put around the neck. Try that and then sit down and read the paper!

Still in the 17th century era, there came on the scene a military unit known as Dragoons—Calvary men. Why not let the horse carry the weaponry? Pouches that fit on the saddle were fashioned and, viola!, problem solved. Pistols then became “horse pistols” ... Well

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... what if the horse was outside and one needed to settle someone's hash inside? So bring the firearms inside and put them on the mantel ... sideboard ... desk ... dining room table ... arm of a chair? Women frown at pistol scratches appearing on fine furniture. Something better had to be arranged.

Luckily, the invention of the percussion cap allowed pistols to be scaled down somewhat. I mean all those big gompny protruberances mostly disappeared—no frizzen, no pan, no flint jaws. Now you could almost put the thing in a pocket. Of course, getting it back out was an issue, and its tendency to wear a hole in said pocket was an irritation. How about lining the pocket with leather? Not altogether a happy solution. Laundered leather gets stiff, moldy, and hard. There must be a better way.

Samuel Colt solved a part of this dilemma by inventing a compact revolver that easily slipped under one's belt or waist band and could be pocketed without a huge amount of concern. Still, there were pistoleros out west who couldn't properly consummate a gunfight by drawing from a pocket. Those contests would have to wait for a few more refinements to develop. Wild Bill Hickok often carried his 1851 Navies butt forward in a cummerbund, and it worked well for him, to a point. Nothing helps foil a back shooter.

What was needed was some sort of pouch, like our Dragoons used on their saddles, to tote Colt's 1847 Walker. Now there was a revolver!! Five pounds of raging thunder and smoke guaranteed to drag your britches down when hung on a waist belt. Talk about a "horse pistol!" I've got one, and when I shoot it at a SASS match, I carry it in a shoulder holster, not because of authenticity, but because I don't have a horse and the ROs frown on a pickup at the loading table.

You may have noticed I have slipped in a mention of the ostensible subject, almost casually. We must proceed on, but rest assured we ultimately will arrive at the crux of this disertation ...

Enter the military again. Following the armed conflict known variously as the "Civil War" (since when is war "civil?"), "The War Between the States," "Southern Insurrection /Northern Invasion," "The Recent Unpleasantness," and so forth, former soldiers were able to liberate their sidearms and more importantly to this tale, their issue holsters. Issue holsters were equipped with flaps to protect the weapon from the weather, but also inhibited the facile withdrawal of said weapon as conflicts arose. The flap had to go, and did. Other modifications followed.

An interesting variant called "The Bridgeport Device" did away with a holster altogether by attaching the revolver directly to the gunbelt by means of an extended hammer screw with large flat head and a slotted spring clip. The firearm could be carried and fired by swiveling it in place or by sliding it forward and pulling it from the belt. Leather holsters continued to be favored by most gunsels, and leathersmiths made and still make good livings turning out custom leatherwear for all manner of pistols and revolvers.

Westerners were proud of these new accouterments and the splendid firearms in them. Unfortunately, expansion to the western regions brought a more genteel class of folks along with the rough and ready settlers. Today, at the risk of ruffling a few feathers, I think we'd call these genteels, Liberals, and they were upset by this "Open Carry" of dangerous things such as pistols. They were critical of other things as well—gambling, "Demon Rum," Houses of Ill Repute, and such, much like today. Tsk,tsk! Out of sight, out of mind.

They prevailed upon local law enforcement to ban such brazen display of armament. "Okay boys, while you're in town, keep those nasties, wink, wink, outa sight." So about 1870, or thereabouts, an ingenious thinker designed a holster that could be worn under one's arm, suspended by a loop of leather that was placed over the shoulder, and secured by a simple harness. When worn under a jacket or duster, the offensive article was hidden, and only an

empty belt holster was seen by the gentry. Yet, if needed, armament was close at hand. Of course, this charade was quickly discovered, and it was back to business as usual ... us agin' them.

Shoulder holsters are legitimate and useful equipment from a bygone era that have developed right along with other technologies. I use one for my Colt and Uberti clones when shooting, as no matter what posture one is in, the firearm can always be drawn easily—sitting, standing, or lying down. When hunting or hiking in Alaska, the shoulder holster was easily less restrictive than a belt holster for a big hand gun.

I want to give credit to The Cochise Leather Company of Cochise Arizona, makers of fine gunleather. They have a comprehensive "History of Gun Leather" on their webpage. It is well worth reading and factual.

*Personal note: I hope I'll be forgiven, if in the telling I have played fast and loose with historical facts.*

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*Captain Baylor modeling the Mernickle Evil Roy Slim Jim rig with matching shotgun belt.*

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# DISPATCHES FROM CAMP BAYLOR

## Wild Bunch™ For Dummies Updates

*By Captain George Baylor, SASS Life/Regulator #24287*

**S**ince I wrote *Wild Bunch For Dummies*, some things have come up that should be added to the series.

### .45 ACP Ammunition Reliability

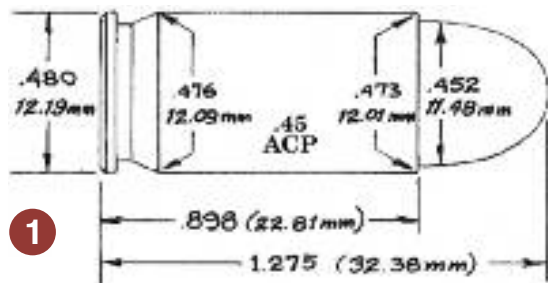
If you're winning with your ammo, don't change anything. This wasn't written for you. It's for the guys muttering authentic Wild Bunch™ gibberish while trying in vain to make their 1911s work reliably. When a 1911 fails during a match, generally ammunition is the problem. If you're having reliability problems, some suggestions:

1. Most of the winners are using 230 gr. Lead Round Nose (LRN) bullets. There are good and bad bullet molds for 230 gr. LRN bullets. Ones with a big, broad nose can be problematic with non-throated barrels. **Photo 1** shows the correct dimensions for a perfect .45 ACP round using a 230 gr. FMJ bullet. For a 230 gr. LRN the OAL should be 1.23" – 1.24". Note there is a slight taper crimp, to 0.473".

2. Load them so the "edge" you see is exactly at the end of the case mouth. If you load them too long, they may not chamber. The .45 ACP case headspaces on the case mouth. In **Photo 2**, the round in the center is correctly



**Photo 2—Left to right: A 230 gr. LRN bullet; a round with the bullet correctly seated and crimped; a round with the bullet seated too long and the brass crimped into the lead.**



**Photo 1—Dimensions of a standard .45 ACP round using a 230 gr. FMJ bullet.**

*We use lead bullets with a slightly different profile. OAL with a 230 gr. LRN should be 1.23" – 1.24". Note the slight taper crimp from .476" to .473".*

seated and crimped. In the one on the right, the bullet is seated very slightly too long.

3. Use a Lee Factory Crimp Die. It will, properly adjusted, make a slight taper crimp and will re-size the case of the completed round to the base. The case headspaces on the case mouth, so you don't want excessive crimp where the brass digs into the lead. With too much crimp, the round will headspace on the extractor. Most ammo problems cause a failure to go into battery. A bulge in the case will do that. Once again, the Lee Factory Crimp Die resizes the round on the way out of the crimp die, virtually eliminating all excess bulges. **Photo 3** shows a bulged case.

4. Run all match ammunition through a chamber checker.



**Photo 3—.45 ACP round with bulged case, caught by case gauge.**

the top row will not go all of the way in due to a bulge.

5. Chronograph every lot of match ammunition. Every part of that cartridge affects the Powder Factor (PF)—bullet design, shape, and weight, the length they're seated, amount of crimp, primers, and powder. Change one, and the PF changes. If you're loading to

170± and something lowers it by 10%, which is a lot, you're still legal.

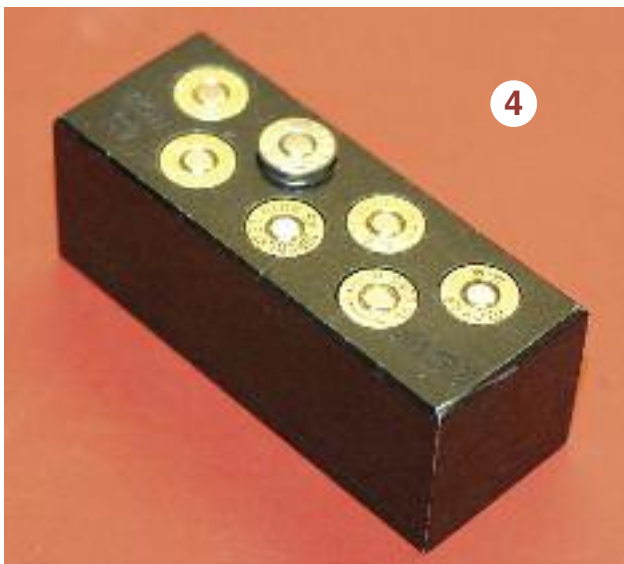
### A few suggestions on gun tuning:

The state of the art of 1911 production has reached an all time high. Most recently built 1911s work out of the box. However, some have problems that can be easily cured.

1. Failure to chamber. The round sticks and keeps the slide from closing completely. If ammunition that has fit in the chamber checker doesn't chamber, the gun's chamber is too tight. A lot of match grade barrels have chambers made close to minimum specs for bullseye accuracy. Bullseye matches have alibis. We don't. Reliability is most important. An expert gunsmith reaming the chamber ever so slightly with a chamber reamer along with the use of chamber-checked ammunition should cure the problem.

2. Bullets fail to feed reliably. 1911s were originally designed for full-metal-jacketed bullets. The original barrel had a groove in the bottom for the FMJ bullet to slide into the chamber. The cure is to have the barrel "throated" by a good 1911 gunsmith.

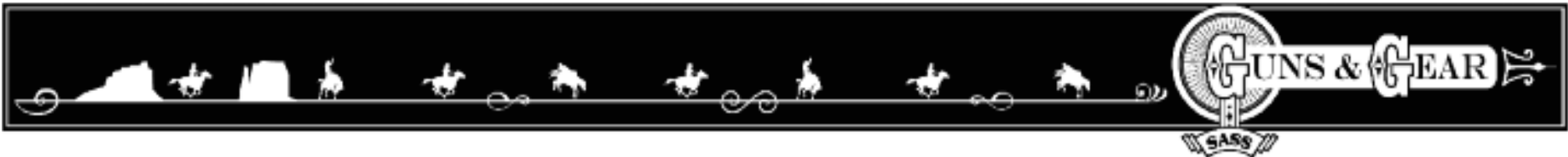
3. The ejected brass has a dent in one side and is difficult or impossible to reload. The cure is to have a good 1911 gunsmith lower/flair back the ejection port. Lowering and flaring back the ejection port, once illegal in Traditional Category, is legal now. The original had a small ejection port to keep mud and crud out, and reloading brass after a firefight



**Photo 4—EGW Case Gauge, .45 ACP. Second round on the top has a bulged case.**

**Photo 4** shows an EGW Chamber Checker from Dillon Precision. Each round should go in all the way and fall out when the checker is turned upside down. (Keep the Chamber Checker clean. Bullet lube will accumulate and cause good rounds to stick.) While the ammo is in the case checker, you can catch high or upside down primers and bent or gnarled rims. Note the second round from the left on





wasn't a consideration. We need un-dented brass for reloading. This won't help reliability. It's just so you can reuse your brass.

**.45 Colt Wild Bunch™ Ammo Reliability**

Three common ammunition problems will "lock up" a '66/'73 action:

1. Split cases. When a round with a split case gets into the rifle, spring tension from the magazine spring will often push the bullet deep into the case, causing it to be too short, locking up the gun.

2. Uncrimped rounds will not go into the chamber and won't eject. Normally the case mouth is belled slightly in order to facilitate seating the bullet. If the round accidentally doesn't go through the crimping stage, that isn't taken out, and the round will not chamber. Trapped by the extractor, it won't eject, either. .45 Colt needs a good roll crimp (Photo 5).



**Photo 5—**.45 Colt with 200 gr. LRNFP bullet correctly loaded. Note roll crimp into the crimp groove.

3. A round that is slightly too long will stick in the shell lifter of a '66 or '73.

All of these can be avoided by rigid quality checking. It takes longer to QC the ammunition than to load it on a good progressive reloading machine. If you practice a lot, you may just want to limit QC to your match ammunition. The best cure for the split cases is using new brass for big matches. If you

can't do that, then you'll need to check every round of brass for splits before putting it into the case feeder (or feeding tube if you aren't using a case feeder). I use bright light, close-up glasses, and thumbnails (to feel for splits). I don't reload nickel-plated brass because it splits too easily. Then I put the survivors into one palm 5 – 6 at a time and shake them. You can hear split cases you can't see. If in doubt, don't put that case in the case feeder.

Run every round of match ammunition through calipers set to your maximum allowable OAL (Photo 6). Some Ubertis require



**Photo 6—**I've locked the caliper at 1.58". Any round that passes through will fit in my Cimarron Uberti '73 made in the 1990s.

an overall length of 1.59" or less. So I run completed rounds through a caliper locked at 1.58" to make sure. If you crimp into the leading edge of the crimp groove, it will be 1.56" – 1.57 with most 200 or 250 gr. bullet designs.

Then put every round of match ammunition into a chamber checker/case gauge. Photo 7 shows



**Photo 7—**.45 Colt Chamber checker/case gauge with a round that passed inspection.

a round that passed. Photo 8 shows a failed round. A split or bulged case or a gnarled rim can all cause the round to stick out like this.

Checking the rounds visually as you put them into the loading strip at the match and then into the rifle helps, too. Murphy is relentless.



**Photo 8—**Chamber checker with rejected round.

**Mernickle Improved Loading Strip/Magazine Carrier**

Bob Mernickle and I discussed an idea for a loading strip for Wild Bunch™ that also held a 1911 magazine at Winter Range 2012. (Mernickle Custom Holsters, 1875 View Court, Fernley, Nevada, 89408, 800-497-3166, www.mernickleholsters.com). I had seen one by LoneRider Leather that held a magazine sideways and liked the concept. Fast forward to END of TRAIL 2012, he showed me a prototype, and now it's in production. It was a big hit at Winter Range 2013. (Photo 9 shows the new version on the left, compared to the old model. Photo 10 shows rear views.)

The magazine is held vertically, in an ambidextrous pouch. To do this required a custom mold for the "clicker" that cuts out parts. Now when the strip is cut out it is also molded. Now:

a) You probably won't forget to load the magazine into your 1911.

b) You may, if you wish, use this pouch for, say, an extra mag. (I have encountered stages with as many as 63 pistol rounds required, and all of the magazine holders come out then. The 63-

round stage was experimental, not the sort of thing you would encounter at a big match—at least I hope you won't.) The strip clips onto a 2.5" Mernickle belt, so it will stay on when you jerk the magazine out.

**Bang N Clang Bullets**

The bullets shown in this article are by Slippery Steve of Bang N Clang Bullets ((575) 853-3664, PO Box 797, Magdalena, NM 87825, website: bangnclangbullets.com, email: sales@bangnclangbullets.com). They load to a Brinell hardness of 12. This gives good obturation at Cowboy Action Shooting™ velocities for less leading and greater accuracy. I tested their 200 gr. LRNFP in .45 Colt, 230 gr. in .45 ACP, 125 gr. in .38 Special, and 405 gr. Blackpowder Lubed bullets in .45-70. They weighed consistently the same, and I didn't have any rejects. Consistency is important in bullets, and they all were consistent. Their prices are considerably lower than some "name brand" bullets that did not outperform them.

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**Photo 9—**Mernickle Wild Bunch Loading Strip with mag carrier on left, older model on right.



**Photo 10—**Rear view of Mernickle loading strips.





Cree Vicar Dave,  
SASS Life/Regulator #49907

# DO WHAT YOU SAY & SAY WHAT YOU DO

## ❁ Carolina Sporting Arms ❁

*By Cree Vicar Dave, SASS Life / Regulator #49907*

where this is leading. Well I've been "Ridin' the WEB Range" scoutin' for a COLT Government 1911 SS ta use for Wild Bunch Traditional. I'm kind of drawn ta those more shiny guns. I always say about our sport, "Dressing up is half the fun." And for me, shiny guns are part of my dress. Seems like when I find a gun on the WEB that, so ta say, "I can't live without," I have trouble pulling the trigger on it thinking I could get ripped off. It might be offered by an individual in another state or posted by a shop I couldn't confirm, etc. Most of us have heard horror stories about buying things off the WEB. So if I have trouble verifying the veracity of whom I'm dealing with,

**D**on't know 'bout you, but when I find a vendor who treats ya right I really appreciate it. My dad used ta always say, "A man is only as good as his word." It is refreshing when people do what they say they are going to do, when they say they are going to do it. It says in Zechariah 8:16 NRSV, "These are the things that you shall do: Speak the truth to one another, render in your gates judgments that are true and make for peace."

By now you might be wondering



*Carolina Sporting Arms store in Charlotte, NC. They have a wide variety of firearms and shooting accessories. There are half a dozen Cowboy Action Clubs about an hour's drive from the store.*

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passing is the viable option for me.

So a short while back I was checking the usual WEB pages and found a nice shiny new COLT Government 1911, to my likin' being offered by "Carolina Sporting Arms" in Charlotte, North Carolina. The Carolina Sporting Arms store was not known to me, so I checked them out ONLINE. I found the store's WEB site, checked the phone number to the number listed on the gun for sale, found the name of the gun contact person, Phillip Reynolds, listed on the store WEB site. I went to [www.maps.google.com](http://www.maps.google.com) with the store address and clicked on the "Satellite" view where it pictured the store shown with their name on it. I found out they accept a credit card. Most online gun sales want a USPS money order or bank check. With a credit card, there is some protection. I try not to leave anything ta chance.

So I called Carolina Sporting Arms and asked about the gun. I was immediately put in contact with Phil Reynolds, the name of the person that was listed as the contact person on the gun sale WEB page. He gave me correct, precise, and pertinent information about



**David Drummond, proprietor of Carolina Sporting Arms. Sales have more than doubled since he took over the store in 1998. He has put together a well-experienced staff to offer shoppers professional advice, gunsmith work, engraving, and firearms training classes.**

the transaction. All the info needed was emailed to him while we talked on the phone. He said the gun would be sent out that very day, and I would have it in two more days. And it was so. I also asked Phil, while I was talking with him, about extra COLT magazines. He got back with me a couple weeks later to let me know they came in. The magazines were shipped right out and delivered a couple days later.

The proprietor of Carolina Sporting Arms is David Drummond. David purchased the store back in 1998. Sales have more than doubled in the past 15 years while he has been at the helm. There is a very large inventory of new and

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If all their staff is as courteous, capable, friendly, knowledgeable, and honest as Phil Reynolds, their "Fine Gun and Collectibles manager," Carolina Sporting Arms will be in business for many years ta come. For all you Cowboy Action competitors in North Carolina (and surrounding area), you may want ta check this place out. There are 14 Cowboy Action Clubs listed in North Carolina and 6 are only 40 to 85 miles away from the [Carolina Sporting Arms](http://CarolinaSportingArms.com) store. If you would like ta check 'em out on the WEB go ta:

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**Phillip Reynolds, "Fine Gun & Collectibles Manager" at Carolina Sporting Arms. He has been active in the firearms retail business for well over three decades, including gunsmithing, buying/selling, reloading, and has his own FFL. It was a very good experience dealing with Phil.**

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**Shiny new Colt 1911. Waiting for the long, cold Michigan winter to come to a close ta properly break it in. This (2013) has been the longest winter I can remember—it has even run over into spring! It is now the 1st week in April, and there is still snow on the ground in our yard and the pond is frozen completely over. Usually by now the Wood Ducks have been nesting for two or more weeks.**

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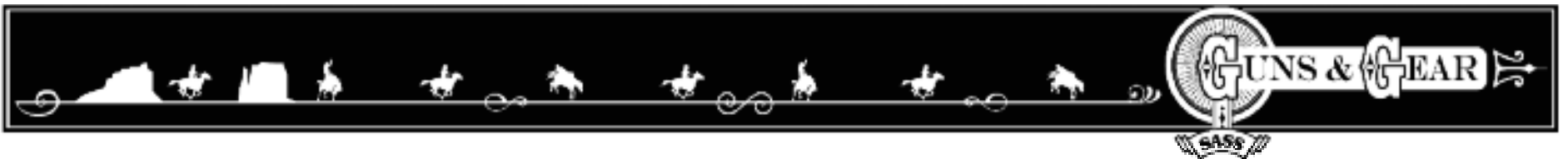
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# OLD COWBOY SPUR STRAPS

**W**hen I get ready to research a subject for my western writings, I have a number of places I look, depending on the subject. For old cowboy spur straps I go immediately to one of my favorite sources for that time, The Art of Charlie Russell. Russell painted things exactly as he saw them. Almost all of his paintings show the cowboys with large silver conchas on the outside of their boots. One

By Buckaroo, SASS Life #203

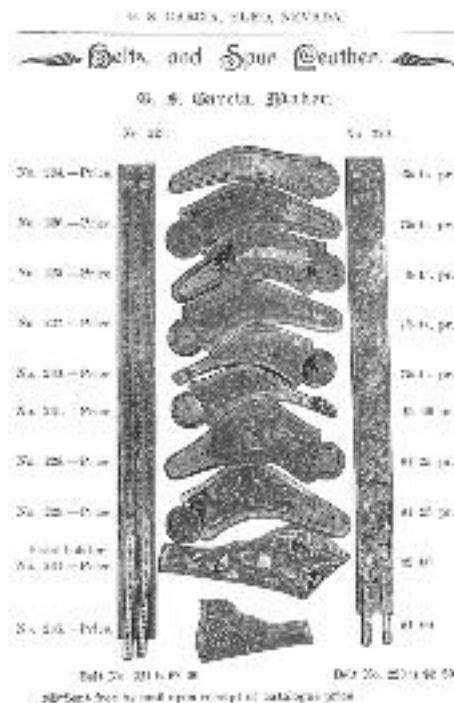


*Most "fancy spurs" have the buckle either on the inside or in front ... all the better to show-off the fancy concha on the outside!*

something. If your boots and spurs are rubbing on the side of your horse, you need to make some adjustments. When I sit in my saddle, my legs hang straight down and I can see light between the stirrups and the sides of the horse. If my spur strap buckles are irritating the horse, then the stirrups sure as hell are doing a lot more irritating.



*Basic spur straps are a single narrow leather strap you can buckle on the inside or outside. How you buckle your spurs is up to you, but if you want to be authentic 1880s, and not laughed at as a "drug store" cowboy, make it easy on yourself and wear "bird wings."*



*These Garcia straps are of the "bird wing" variety—they don't require a buckle.*

thing to be pointed out here is in those days many of the spur straps were of the "bird wing" design. This strap has a hole under the concha for the outside spur button, a wide center to lie over the arch of the boot, and a series of slots at the other end of the strap for the inside spur button. This made the spur strap adjustable without the need of a buckle.

I have a collection of cowboy gear catalogs from 1889 to 1942: G.S. Garcia, C.E. Coggshall, Miles City Saddlery Company, Visalia Stock Saddle Company, Edward H. Bohlin, Main-Winchester-Stone and Company, and Charles P. Shipley Saddlery and Mercantile Company to name a few. The majority of the spur straps in these are of the "bird wing" design and therefore don't use a buckle.

When I had my Yuma Territorial Wild West Show I would, from time to time, have someone tell us the buckles always had to go on the outside. One person told me when they were on the inside it made walking in them hard because the buckles were always catching on each other. C'mon now, most of the old cowboys were so bow legged they could hardly touch their heels together, let alone have their ankles scrape. As far as having them on the outside and snagging in the brush, you must be riding bareback. Think stirrups and chaps.

Now, about the buckles irritating or scratching the side of the horse, let me point out

My next source for the art of wearing spurs can be found in all the old western photo books. These are interesting to look at because they also show you all the real cowboy clothes that have made a comeback thanks to SASS. Another great source is the catalogs from the western auctions, such as High Noon, March In Montana, and Brian Lebel's Old West Show and Auction. These are high-dollar auctions and show you some really nice spurs and straps. A pair of Kelly Brothers spurs owned by Roy Rogers sold recently for \$20,700. These spurs and many others in the catalogs have on the outside a large silver concha and a fancy buckle beside it in front. Without going through all my years of auction catalogs, I do recall a pair of spurs sold a number of years back for over \$50,000. Of course, these had a great provenance to justify that price.

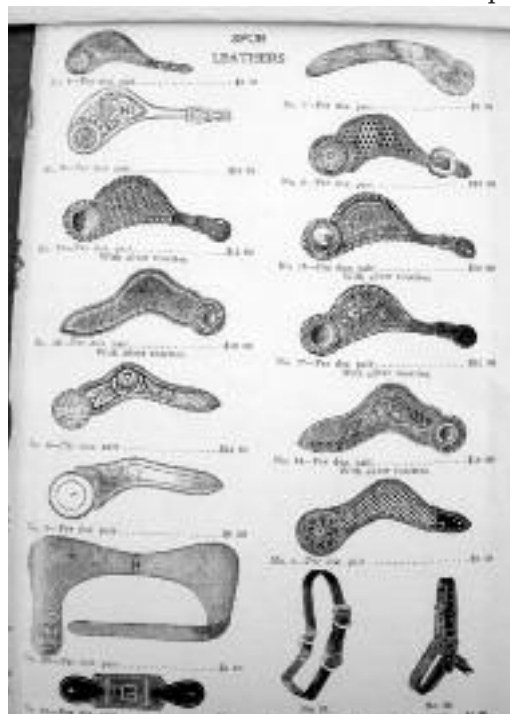
I have 80+ pairs of spurs on racks, shelves, and hanging from the beams in my office, and they have a wide variety of straps. Some of the older ones have the buckle in the center of the wide leather strap. My favorites are the "bird wings"

with large silver conchas on the outside. Why have all that fancy silver and hide it on the inside? Why have a leather rosette on the strap and hide it on the inside? Basic spur straps are a single narrow leather strap you can buckle on the inside or outside. When I wear these, I buckle them on the outside because they are easier to get to.

Look at the new Roper's Supply catalog (NRS) and go to the cowboy spur straps section (page 132), and you will see all the fancy spurs have a center or inside buckle.

Go check out the Mounted Shooting competitors and see how they wear their spurs.

How you buckle your spurs is up to you, but if you want to be authentic 1880s, and not laughed at as a "drug store" cowboy, make it easy on yourself and wear "bird wings."



*L.D. Stone catalog 1905. The major difference between this date and the 1880s catalogs was the prices.*

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**PART TWO**

# Promos/Demos and Clinics

*By IceLady, SASS Regulator #71603*

**W**hile promos and demos are a great way to find “wanna-be” cowboys, here are a few other methods we have also found helpful. One is we put an announcement in the calendar columns of all the local newspapers and horse magazines stating we will be having a new-rider clinic. Most of the announcements are free.

The second is we make up a brightly colored flyer with information about the clinic and with tear-off-tabs on the bottom containing contact info, which we post in feed

stores, tack stores, vet’s offices, markets, and any place else that has a community bulletin board.

And, one other thing, you may want to limit the number of riders you’ll accept for your clinic. We set our maximum at 15. You might also want to ask for a deposit to hold their spot for them and to prevent last minute dropouts.

Now, getting back to your clinic ... new riders can use all the help they can get, so you’ll want to offer them all the help you can. Maybe some of our methods will also work for you.

Though some of the new riders may have been riding horses all their lives or shooting guns for



*Stuttering Wayne, SASS Regulator #71602, and Nuevo Mike, SASS #14013, doing the gun orientation talk at a Founders Ranch clinic.*

ways start our clinics with a talk explaining these topics. We do usually have one or two new riders at each clinic who are not very gun-knowledgeable, and we want them to learn to handle a gun safely for their sake as well as ours. The gun talk is presented by one of our members who is pretty gun-savvy.

Included in the gun safety talk we discuss how to handle and how not to handle a gun, the potential dangers of guns **and** blanks, and demonstrate how much damage a blank can do by shooting one at an aluminum can or an apple. SASS’ gun handling rules are explained, and we show the new riders how to safely load and unload a gun and guide each of them as they practice doing it themselves. The instructor also explains some of the differences between various makes and models of guns, and they are encouraged to handle a variety of them.

The next step in the program is to have each new person load a pistol and walk past five balloons set up in a semi-circle, shooting each balloon as they pass it. The intent here is to have them keep moving steadily while also tracking the balloons, cocking and firing the gun. As we all know, not so easy in the beginning.

After everyone has done this once or twice, we are ready for them to bring in their horses. Prior to starting the clinic, we set up a 50’ circle of cones with balloons in the middle of the arena and a barrel or small table in the

years, putting it all together can be pretty overwhelming! Remember when you first started to drive, and it was a stick shift? So many things to remember and try to do at once ... it all seemed quite impossible.

Well, it’s not too different when you’re trying to remember the pattern, guide your horse, cock your gun, aim the gun, pull the trigger, and not forget to holster one gun and pull out the other one to complete the run while continuing to guide your horse and cock, aim, and shoot the second five balloons. And that’s if your horse just happens to already be totally at ease with the loudspeaker, balloons flapping in the wind, the noise of gunfire, and the smell of gun smoke.

We try to avoid unscheduled dismounts and rodeos by exposing new riders and their horses to all these “horse-eating-objects” in a way that allows each horse to progress at his own speed, without pushing them past their comfort level, but allowing them each to decide on their own that they can do this. They are greatly helped in doing this by the many experienced and calm horses our team members are riding amongst them. The new horses see the others are unconcerned, and it helps them relax and become more comfortable.

Since we think gun safety and orientation is an appropriate and important place to begin, we al-



*New rider, now Stone Cone Killer, SASS # 87476, shooting her first five balloons at a clinic.*

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*New and experienced riders lined up to "chase" the shooter down the arena at a clinic.*



*New rider shooting his first stage with seasoned rider, Gettysburg Cowboy, SASS #74480, accompanying him on the left.*

middle of the circle.

We now have a shooter, and a helper to load his guns, stand in the middle of the circle, and we bring in the new riders and several seasoned rider/horse teams and just let them all wander around the outside the circle, coming as close or staying as far away from the balloons as dictated by the horse's comfort level. The horses already accustomed to the game ride in and out of the circle and alongside the nervous ones. This may continue for 10-15 minutes until most of the new horses are no longer concerned about the balloons and are comfortable riding closely around them.

Then, the shooter begins to slowly shoot up into the air, (there is less percussion when shooting

into the air than when shooting into the ground) and the horses are allowed to stay as far away from the noise as they individually need while continuing to roam around the circle in one direction and then the other. Since they were not forced in anyway and have plenty of calm, experienced horses around them, they all gradually relax and move calmly into closer range of the shooter. It's quite a nice transition to watch.

When all of the horses are pretty comfortable with that game, we move on to the next. Here we line up all the riders at one end of the arena, alternating new and seasoned riders, and have an experienced shooter start about 25' in front of them and shoot while slowly walking away from them with the

lined-up horses following. The thought is, the horses being prey animals are less intimidated "chasing" the shooter than if the shooter was "aggressively" approaching them. It tends to work quite well. After doing this a couple of times, most horses are pretty okay with it.

Next we set up a "rundown" of five balloons in cones and team each new rider up with a veteran. Each team then walks or trots through the course with the seasoned rider next to the balloons and shooting them while the new rider keeps pace on the outside. Every team can do this a few times as needed. When the new horses and riders are okay with that, we do the same thing with the new rider next to the balloons and doing the shooting. Again, this can be repeated as required.

Following that, we set up a very simple stage and have an old rider guide each new rider through the course a couple of times without shooting; then with the new rider shooting.

Throughout this entire process new horses are encouraged, but never pushed or forced in any way. This procedure has worked well for us, and at the end of our recent clinic, all the new horses were being ridden through a stage with balloons being shot by their riders. It's been pretty impressive!

We have found keeping the horses' way of thinking as a priority while designing our clinics, and allowing each new horse to approach the new/scary objects and noises when they are comfortable enough to do so has made a major difference in their ability to adjust to and accept them. We plan to keep these concepts in mind and consider the horse first in structuring all future clinics.

Before closing, I'd like to suggest you time your clinics to take place a week or two before your next club practice, thereby offering your new people a chance to use what they just learned while it is still fresh in their minds.

I hope there has been something of value in this for you, and you will in turn share your ideas and methods with the rest of us. 🤠



*Riders circling balloon circle at a clinic.*

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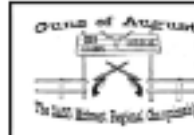


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By Icelady, SASS Regulator #71603

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**END OF TRAIL tentative mounted schedule**

**Friday, June 28**

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Riders' meeting: 3 pm

Warm up: 3:30 pm

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*Edited by Justice Lily Kate, SASS #1000*

## What the Second Amendment Means to Me



**C**ourtenay, BC, Canada – Being a Canadian, the freedoms and rights of the American people affects me more than I had initially thought. Because Canada doesn't have a Second Amendment or anything remotely similar, I have come to truly appreciate the extent of this freedom.

Having the right to keep and bear arms would drastically

change society in Canada because Canadians are partial to being anti-firearms. However, I was born and raised around guns, shooting my first one at age seven. I have always felt safe around firearms, never feeling nervous or threatened. If Canada adopted the Second Amendment, I believe many Canadians might view firearms in a new light. If guns weren't so hidden and looked down upon, many

people would realize there are many useful reasons for having a gun or being around guns.

Being a female shooter, I am constantly faced with sexist comments and disapproving looks; however, being familiar with guns and knowing how to shoot one better than the average man, is the best thing my dad ever taught me. I can hold my own against 90% of the male shooters in Canada and know a lot more about firearms than most men. Knowing how to use a gun effectively empowers me, and I ache to realize that the average woman in Canada does not. I believe more women need to understand the usefulness of a firearm and to feel empowered by the respect and protection it gives. I believe if Canada had a Second Amendment, more women could have the opportunity to feel as safe and empowered as I do, and the rate of crimes against women would decrease, including crime in general

Because the United States of America is the world leader in so many aspects, I am grateful this great nation respects the right for every individual to bear arms. I believe this amendment is respected around the world simply because America itself is respected. Because of the Second Amendment, shooting sports such as Cowboy Action Shooting™ could be started. Although Canadians enjoy the same pleasure in this shooting sport as Americans,

it's not quite the same, given we don't have as many freedoms regarding firearms. It is often very difficult for a Canadian to get started in a shooting sport, as there are many licenses and regulations on the firearms. If Canada had a Second Amendment, it would be easier for Canadians to enjoy Cowboy Action Shooting™ and many more could become involved. If the Second Amendment ceased to exist, these shooting sports would not be easily founded and the common joy I, as well as many other Americans and Canadians alike, would not be accessible in the same means.

Although the Second Amendment is an American freedom, people around the world can benefit from its fruits. It is such an honor to live in a country that is engaged in such a positive relationship with a country that respects the use of firearms. 🤠



### LEFT HAND LUKE, SASS #25543

*By Left Hand Luke's Family*

**L**eft Hand Luke (Marvin Berry) of Port Stanley, Canada passed away on November 5, 2012 as the result of a stroke.

He belonged to the Otter Valley Rod and Gun Club near Straffordville, Ontario, Canada, and was an avid supporter of SASS. He welcomed the safety regulations fostered by SASS and enjoyed taking part in shoots in Alabama and Kentucky, as well as shoots in Ontario. Each year he waded through the red tape so he could bring his guns across the Canadian border for the US shoots.

He served for several years as a range officer at his home gun club. 🤠



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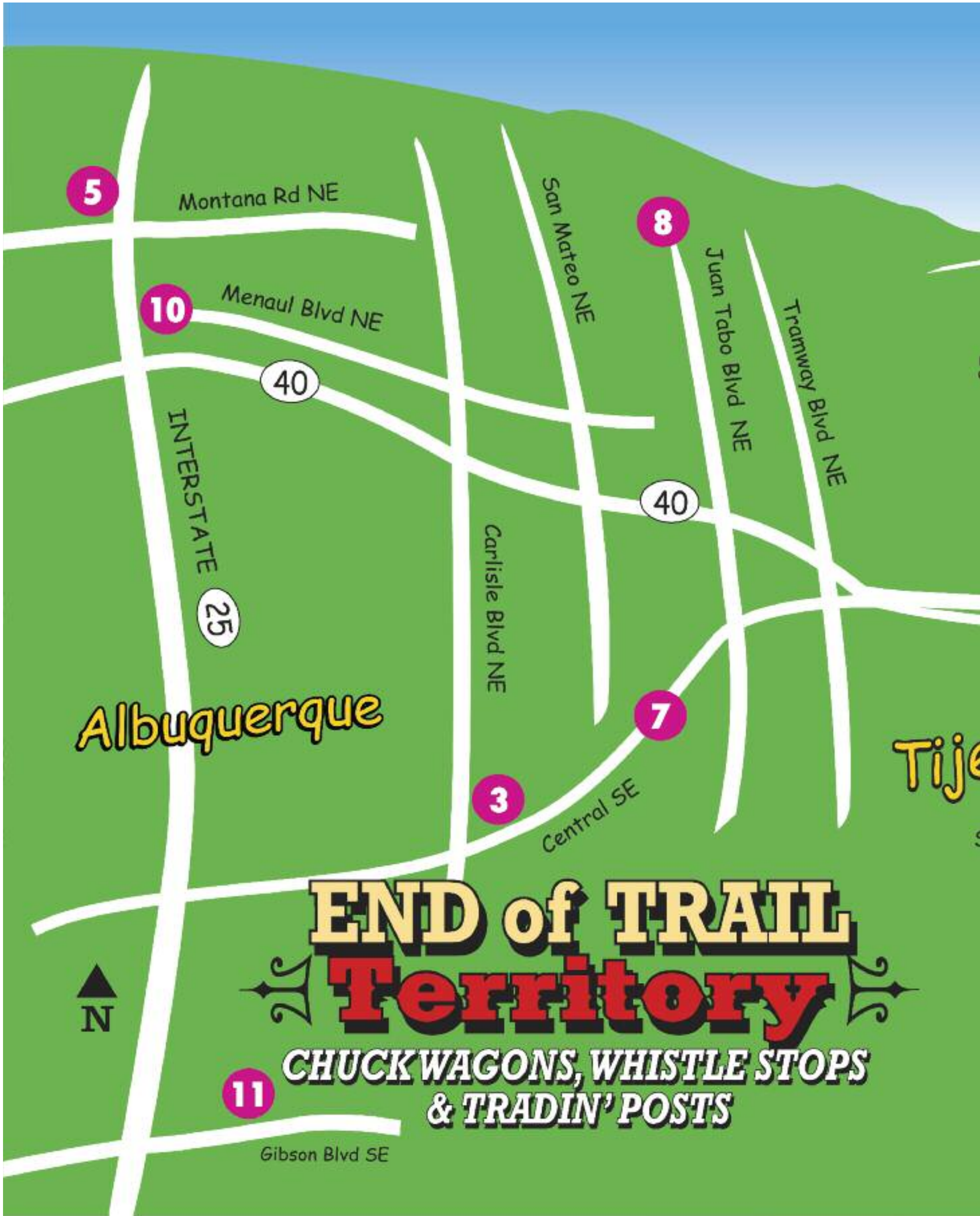
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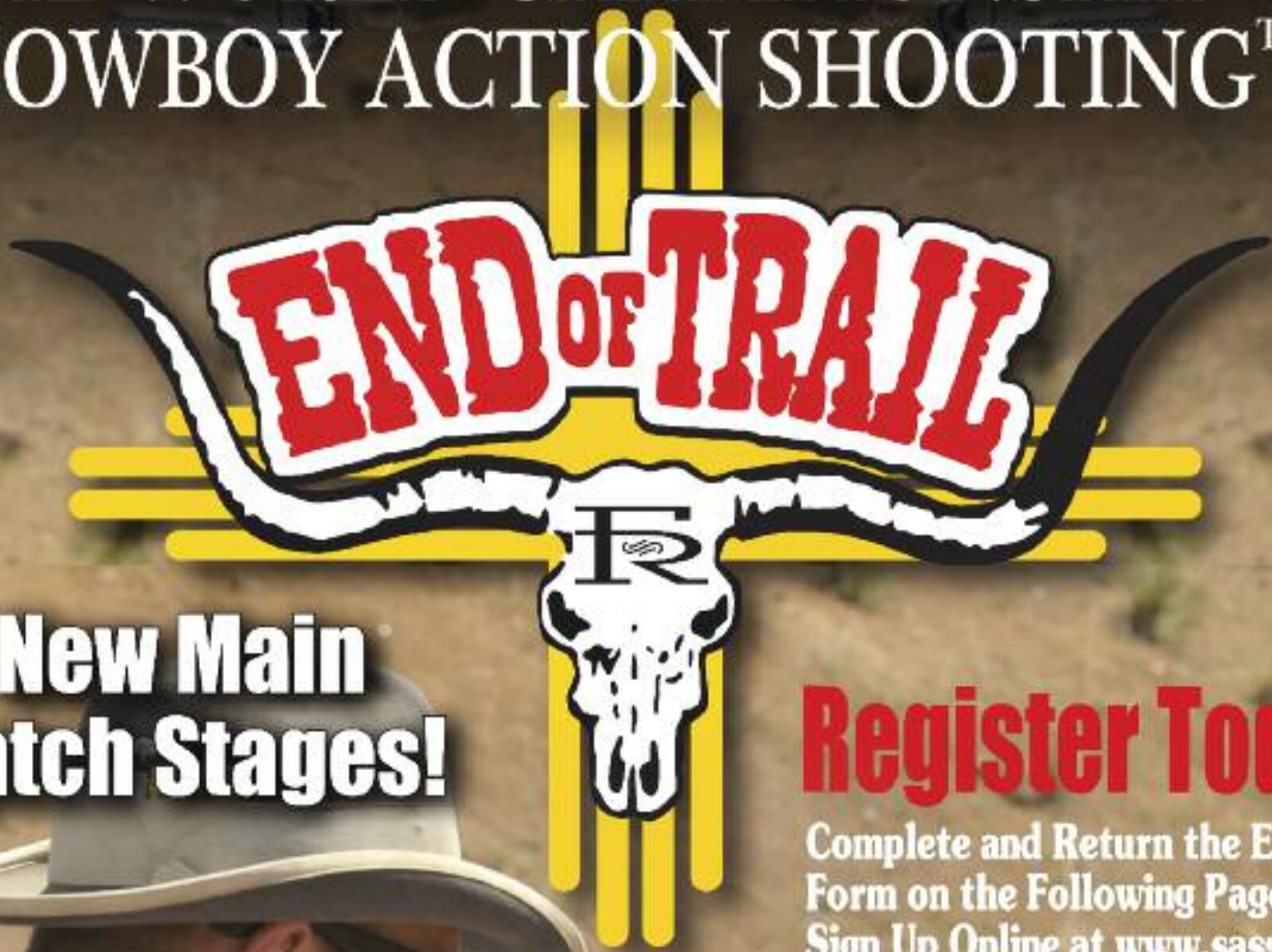








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Col. Richard Dodge,  
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# BASS REEVES

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By Col. Richard Dodge, SASS Life #1750

**E**ven among the deadly “citizens” of Indian Territory in the 1870s, the Brunter brothers were considered the worst. Their list of crimes was almost endless, going back many years into the Civil War days—numerous murders, robberies, extortion, horse theft, assault, and battery. Nothing was beneath the Brunter boys, and even other bad folks steered clear of them.

So it was with some arrogance and anticipation the three of them stepped out in front of a large bay stallion ridden by a tall black man, his face shaded by a large black hat. This man was worth killing just to take his horse. Pointing an assortment of weapons at the man, the boys ordered him to dismount. Displaying no sign of fear, the rider complied.

The Brunters sneered at the man as he calmly walked the few steps toward them. This would be easy and fun, killing a black man.

“I’m a Deputy U. S. Marshal,” he spoke. “I have a warrant for your arrest.” Reaching into the inside pocket of his black frock coat, he withdrew a worn piece of paper. It was only then the boys saw the gleaming brass six-pointed star pinned to the black man’s vest. And the butts of two Colts worn cross-draw.

“Can you boys tell me what day it is, so I can put it in the report?” He thrust the paper at the aston-



ished outlaws. As they glanced at the proffered document, the marshal’s right wrist flicked and suddenly one of the Colts appeared. Almost as one, two shots rang out and two of the boys died where they stood. The third, taken off guard, raised his own Colt too late. A huge black hand seized the piece, forcing the barrel skyward as the marshal’s gun barrel struck the man’s temple, knocking him senseless.

The Brunter brothers had just met Deputy United States Marshal Bass Reeves, arguably the greatest lawman in United States history.

The two dead brothers were two of fourteen men Reeves killed during his 32 years in the Indian Territory—and the surviving brother was only one of over 3,000 fugitives this amazing man brought in to face courtroom justice.

When Judge Isaac Parker of “Hanging Judge” fame was appointed to the United States District Court in Fort Smith, Arkansas, he was charged with cleaning up the



Bass Reeves

outlaw element of the Oklahoma Indian Territory. Of the 22,000 white people living in the 73,000 square mile territory, it was estimated some 17,000 were wanted fugitives. It was a dangerous place for anyone, even more so for any lawman bold enough to enter. During the years leading up to Oklahoma’s statehood, over 120 Deputy U. S. Marshals died

there in the line of duty.

Parker’s first act was to appoint James Fagan as United States Marshal for the territory and authorized him to hire 200 deputy marshals. One of Fagan’s first choices was Bass Reeves, with good reason.

Born a slave, it was rumored Reeves fled to Indian Territory after cold cocking his master, Colonel George Reeves, in a disagreement over a card game. Others say he simply ran away when he learned of the Emancipation Proclamation. Either way, he joined up with the Seminoles and Cherokee tribes and lived with them for several years, learning their languages and survival skills that were second to none.

He also learned the skills of a gunfighter. Fully ambidextrous, a tremendous advantage in that line of work, Reeves was an expert shot with either hand and deadly at long range with a Winchester. He wore his Colts in a butt forward cross-draw position and practiced until his draw was smooth, fast, and deadly. He served with one of the few groups of Indians who joined and fought with the Union Army.

Reeves never learned to read or write, but his memory was flawless. As he received the warrants, he would make a symbol next to the subject’s name and commit it to memory so he knew which warrant to serve with an arrest. He never made a mistake.

At 6’ 2”, Reeves towered over most men of the day. He required the largest saddle horses to carry his weight; the normal cow pony would quickly flounder. In spite of his great size and strength, Reeves was always a quiet, polite, and respectful man, and he was respected by any and all who knew him on both sides of the law. He was a larger than life Rooster Cogburn—and he was real.

Stories of his exploits are wonderful “wild west” fare. One of his favorite techniques was to disguise

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## Bass Reeves . . .

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himself as a tramp or farmer or cowboy or a fugitive. He was apparently very good at it, as it enabled him to get close enough to many of his fugitives to overpower and arrest them.

As a tramp, he once approached a cabin on foot where two fugitive brothers lived with their mother. His old slouch hat displayed three bullet holes (which he had administered himself) and a tale of woe and hunger. The boys were away, but their mother took pity on the poor black man, fed him, and fell for his story. She suggested he might wish to join up with her two sons, and Reeves agreed. When the boys arrived home, they accepted the newcomer's story because their mother had and agreed they ought to join forces. That night, as the boys slept like babies, Reeves quietly slipped the cuffs on them. Rudely awakening them at dawn, Reeves herded the very surprised and handcuffed boys on foot the twenty miles to his camp; their mother screaming at his back for the first several miles.

On another "outing," Reeves returned to Fort Smith with no less than nineteen captives to stand trial before Judge Parker.

For all the duties and distractions of his job, Reeves was still a family man with ten children. On one very sad occasion, he returned to Fort Smith to learn there was a warrant for his son for murdering his wife. None of the marshals would touch it. Reeves dutifully requested the warrant and rode out to arrest his son for murder. It did not take long before he delivered the young man to the U. S. Marshal at Muskogee. Young Reeves was sentenced to life in prison (After Reeves' death, when the son had served 20 years, he was discharged as a model prisoner at the request of a citizens' committee).

Bob Dozier was another hard case that had avoided capture for several years. Wanted for a plethora of crimes ranging from murder to cattle rustling to bootlegging, Dozier

was crafty and resourceful with a network of cronies to alert him of pursuers. Reeves eventually tracked him into the Cherokee Hills and dispatched him in one of his storied gunfights.

Deputy Marshals were paid from fines and rewards for the fugitives they brought in. Reeves was indeed well paid. He and Parker had a warm and long-standing professional relationship. Parker had filled his new black deputy with a sense of the importance of his role as a trusted and professional black lawman, a mission Reeves took seriously the rest of his life.

In 1907, Oklahoma was admitted to the Union as a state and the U. S. Marshal's job was suddenly no more. Now in his late 60s, Reeves signed on with the Muskogee Police Department and walked his beat armed with a cane and his six-gun. Such was his reputation that no crime was ever recorded on his beat. And, no citizen of Muskogee was more respected. His reputation was not forgotten by those who knew of him. At his death in 1909, the entire town joined his funeral procession, and mourners came from far and wide to pay their respects.

Sadly, Jim Crow laws soon appeared, erasing any record of the many black Deputy Marshals—and there were many. Bass Reeves was remembered only as long as those who knew of him lived. When they in turn passed on, the name of this remarkable man, one of the greatest lawmen in American law enforcement history, was slowly forgotten.

Fortunately, Reeves has been rediscovered and belated honors and memorials are bringing him into his rightful place in history. Books are written about his life and deeds. He was the first African-American inducted into the Great Westerners Hall of the National Cowboy Hall of Fame in Oklahoma City in 1992. Today, a life-sized statue of Reeves astride his stallion and holding his Winchester at the ready stands at the United States Marshals' Museum in Fort Smith, Arkansas.

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## LITTLE KNOWN FAMOUS PEOPLE

### Way Out West -

By Joe Fasthorse, SASS #48769

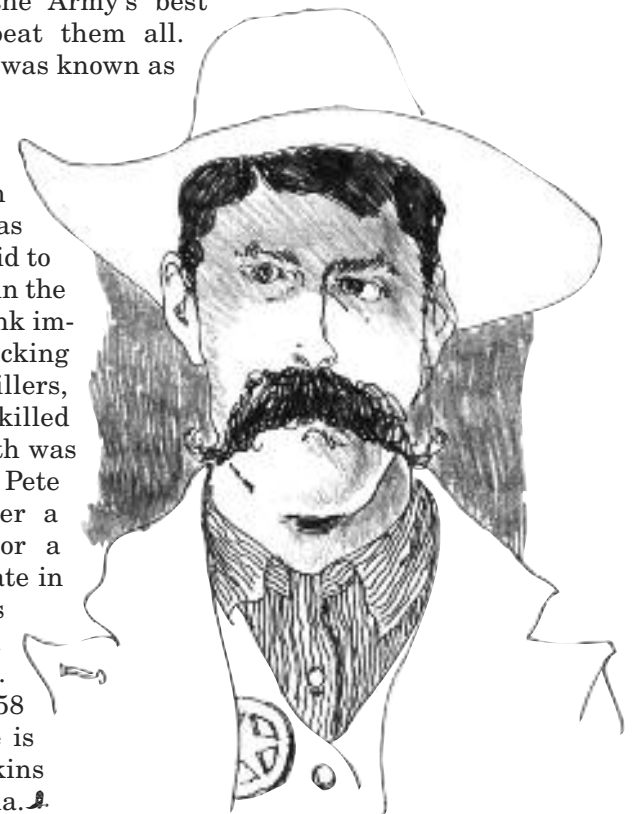
### Frank "Pistol Pete" Eaton



Joe Fasthorse,  
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**F**rank "Pistol Pete" Eaton was a cowboy, a scout, an Indian fighter, and a Deputy U.S. Marshal. Pete was born in 1860 in Hartford, Connecticut. At the age of eight, he moved with his family to Kansas. That year, Frank's father was shot down by six killers who rode with Quantrill during the War Between the States. His father's friend said to the boy, "May your father's curse be upon you if you don't avenge his murder." It would take Frank nineteen years to avenge his father's death. At age fifteen, Eaton decided to visit Fort Gibson to learn how to handle a gun. He competed with the Army's best sharpshooters and beat them all. After this feat, Frank was known as "Pistol Pete."

Pistol Pete's career as a Deputy U.S. Marshal began in Oklahoma when he was seventeen. He was said to pack the fastest guns in the Indian Territory. Frank immediately started tracking down his father's killers, and by 1887 he had killed five of them. The sixth was shot by someone else. Pete would serve as either a marshal, a sheriff, or a deputy sheriff until late in life. By the end of his career, he had eleven notches on his gun. Pistol Pete died in 1958 at the age of 97. He is buried at the Perkins Cemetery in Oklahoma. 🐾



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# 2012 National SHOOTOUT IN THE MOTHER CITY



*New for this year was the BULL RIDING, which everyone, including those who didn't participate, found highly entertaining. Big Bore Bob is seen here having way too much fun!*

By Richmond P. Hobson, SASS #32728

**C**ape Town, South Africa – On Saturday November 17<sup>th</sup> Western Shooters of South Africa hosted our annual match “Shootout in the Mother City,” held at the False Bay Sports Shooting Club ([www.falsebaysportshooting.co.za](http://www.falsebaysportshooting.co.za)). With the Pioneer Creek Rangers from Pretoria and the Western Territory Rangers from Cape Town, we had 28 competitors (including two

ladies and two juniors shooters). The cowboys were split into two posses so two stages could be shot simultaneously. Four stages were set up to test the cowboys and cow-girls shooting skills.

The first stage was the “Quigley” shoot where a bucket (actually a cardboard cutout) was set out at 50 meters and engaged 10 times off hand. To start the timer the shooter had to say, “That’s far enough!”

The second stage, the buffalo hunt, starts with the shooter saying, “Watch out for Indians, boys!” and five steel buffalo targets were engaged at 50m in a Nevada sweep with nine shots. The shooter then engaged two banks of Indians at 7m with both revolvers, also Nevada sweep.

Stage 3 required the shooter to engage five outlaws using both revolvers for 10 shots, re-holster, and engage more renegades with the rifle in a Nevada sweep and then engage the two knockdown shotgun targets.

On Stage 4 the shooter started outside the saloon next to his horse with two bags of “gold” in hand. When he said, “Nobody gets my gold!” the timer was started. The shooter entered the saloon through the batwing doors and engaged the two steel megalitos with five rounds from each revolver through the window. Then, he retrieved the gold, ran upstairs, and engaged the five small megalitos with one shot each from his pre-staged rifle.

Something different this year was having our year-end function on Friday night at the Skilpadvlei Wine Farm where lamb was served for dinner. New for this year was the BULL RIDING, which every-



*New this year was a fast draw contest shot with wax bullets powered by shotgun primers. The competition ran a little long, so next year the “rules of the game” will be adjusted appropriately.*

one, including those who didn’t participate, like me the Chairman, found highly entertaining.

Also new this year was a fast draw contest shot with wax bullets and powered by a shotgun primer. This involved a best two out of three, but turned out to be too time consuming and not everyone was able to compete, so for next year we will need to streamline this operation. The electronics attached magnetically to the back of two steel megalitos. Two light bulbs above the targets were the start signal

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*Stage 3 required the shooter to engage five outlaws using both revolvers for 10 shots, re-holster, and engage more renegades with the rifle in a Nevada sweep, and then engage the two knockdown shotgun targets.*

WINNERS	
Overall	Richmond P Hobson, SASS #32728
Categories	Modern
	Traditional
L Traditional	Frontiersman
	Gunfighter
Duelist	Buckaroo

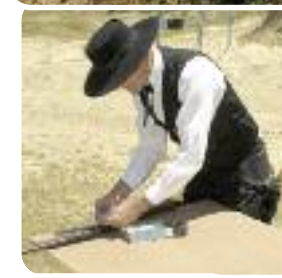




Gunfighter Richard P Hobson shoots his way to an overall victory in the Western Shooters of South Africa's "2012 Shootout in the Mother City" competition. Congratulations!



The winners of the best-dressed couple were Al Wraith and Tiffany (on the left) shown here with Gold Digging Jacqui.



and a hit on a target turned off the other light, leaving the winners light on.

The winners of the best-dressed couple were Al Wraith and Tiffany. Thanks to Graham Slip Shooting Smith, SASS #76301, for organizing the event and our sponsors for their generous donations. In no particular order, thanks to Medway, Vincente Silva, SASS #93586, Michael Mathews and Assoc., Tony Kings, and Lucky Duke, SASS #88982.



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# MASON-DIXON STAMPEDE

*(Continued from page 1)*

Stage 2 reflected the scene between our hero, Rooster Cogburn, and Ned Pepper. Reminiscent of when Cogburn charges Pepper, shooters first engage the bad guys (cowboy targets) with their rifle



**M.T. Chambers earned our 2012 Mason Dixon Stampede "Spirit of the Game" award.**

then advance to engage the bad guys with their pistols.

The 2012 Mason Dixon Stampede had its share of good friends, good times, and great memories—lots of action and tons of fun!



**Judge Roy Bean, SASS #1's, birthday often falls on one of the days during Stampede. This year the Judge's wife, Justice Lily Kate, SASS #1000, shot Stampede with us and did great!**

Along with the action and fun, there was plenty of camaraderie. Not all awards were "strictly speaking" SASS sanctioned as Hoss Blocker learned by earning an award from his own "Mickey Mouse Club!"

Although we don't really plan it this way, Judge Roy Bean, SASS

#1's, birthday often falls on one of the days during Stampede. This year the Judge's wife, Justice Lily Kate, SASS #1000, shot Stampede with us and did great! We look forward to continuing our work with our good friends.

I couldn't write this without expressing my heartfelt thanks to Chuckaroo, SASS #13080, for his years of hard, hard work. He built the foundation for Stampede that enables us to do what we do today, and to Sassy Buttons and Bows (Roo's S.O.) for her infinite patience while Roo, my

mentor and friend, I can't imagine Stampede without your ongoing help!

Stampede is only possible because of the dedication and hard work of all the cowboys and cowgirls willing to do what it takes to put together and run a great match. Hot or cold, dry or wet, these are the people who make a difference. This year one stood out even more than usual. M.T. Chambers, SASS #76185, worked long before and after Stampede. In fact, when he finished shooting for the day M.T. Chambers walked into the score shack and asked what else he could do! M.T. Chambers earned our 2012 Mason Dixon Stampede "Spirit of the Game" award. 🤠



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**2012 was a year of many firsts for Stampede, including the first Wild-Bunch Mini-Match, which had 45 shooters!**



**In 2011 our shooters indicated they wanted to see more props on the stages ... so in 2012 each stage had more props.**



# SASS NORTHEAST REGIONAL



Our 2012 Northeast Regional Male Champion and Overall Match Winner was Jerseytown Kid, SASS #88434, a Young Gun. Our 2012 Northeast Regional Lady Champion was Sunshine Marcie, SASS #64900. Congratulations!



Now that the range is quiet for awhile a few of us have been talking about how we can keep up our momentum in 2013. And eureka, I think we've struck gold! Be sure to join us for the 2013 Mason Dixon Stampede when we'll go

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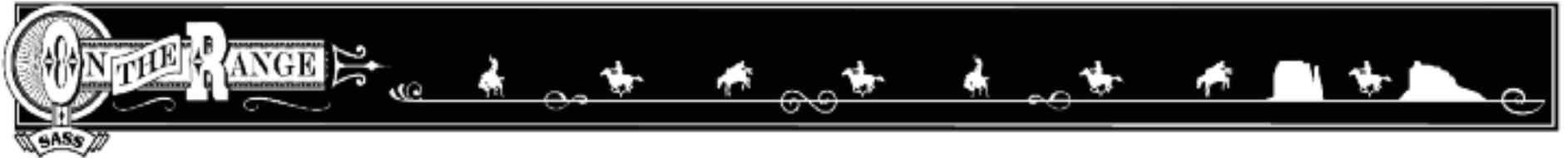
## TO BUST!



Stage 2 reflected the scene between our hero, Rooster Cogburn, and Ned Pepper. Reminiscent of when Cogburn charges Pepper, shooters first engage the bad guys (cowboy targets) with their rifle then advance to engage the bad guys with their revolvers.

WINNERS		C Cowgirl		Black Hills Barb,		Grande Dames		L Senior	
<b>Regional &amp; Match Overall</b>				SASS #34171	PA	Tango Rose,	WV	Misfire Maggie,	MD
Man	Jerseytown Kid,			Hand Cannon,	DE	SASS #51321		SASS #69350	
	SASS #88434		<b>Cowboy</b>	SASS #60485		Walker Colt,	VA	SASS #1000	TX
Lady	Sunshine Marcie,			Sunshine Marcie,	WV	Kiddo Caldwell,	MD	Ms. Jewel,	NC
	SASS #64900		<b>Cowgirl</b>	SASS #64900		SASS #55504		SASS #62556	
<b>Category – Overall/Regional</b>				Hawkeye Kid,	CT	Loco Linda,	NC	Copper Starr,	PA
49'er	Dig'em Deep,			SASS #24196		SASS #52696		SASS #81888	
	SASS #12251		<b>Duelist</b>	Virginia Kid,	VA	Wyoming Schoolmarm,	DE	SASS #73023	DE
B-Western	Deuce Diamondback,			SASS #35492		SASS #32070		Side Saddle Sue,	
	SASS #44554		<b>E Statesman</b>	Dakota Bud,	VA	Buslin' Belle,	MI	SASS #15764	MD
Buckarett	Sunny Starr,			SASS #18261		SASS #91885		SASS #15263	VA
	SASS #69518		<b>F Cartridge</b>	Dirty Dale,	PA	Knotty Lady,	PA	SASS #15263	
Buckaroos	Lead Slinging Nick,			SASS #61545		SASS #77161		Geronimo Jim,	WV
	SASS #82660		<b>F C Duelist</b>	Chance Calico,	MD	Tricky Trina,	VA	SASS #21775	
Cattle Baron	Bad Norseman,			SASS #54214		SASS #59582		SASS #21775	
	SASS #21962		<b>F C Gunfighter</b>	Dead Head,	NH	Gemstone Janet,	PA	SASS #22644	PA
C Cowboy	Travis Spencer,			SASS #29768		SASS #74014		SASS #22644	
	SASS #59583		<b>Frontiersman</b>	John Barleycorn,	PA	Bdoc,	PA	SASS #88434	PA
	Dutch Coroner,			SASS #76982		SASS #76983		SASS #88434	
	SASS #82128			Potter County Kid,	VA	Honey B. Quick,	OH	SASS #87690	WV
				SASS #67357		SASS #47009			





English Lyn, SASS #74828

# Ambush on the Butterfield Trail

January 26-27, 2013

By English Lyn, SASS #74828  
 Photos by Texas Tiger, SASS #74829, & Desert Flower

**L**as Cruces, NM – The Picacho Posse’s annual match is always a great way to start the New Year’s competitions, and this year was no exception. Fast Hammer, SASS #60707, always builds fun into his matches and with the help JT Wild, SASS #20399, and Matt Masterson, SASS #34985, this year they certainly did. When those three are seen setting a stage, it has to be seen to be believed. For those of us who know them, the apparent discord is understood, as this is their way of getting it right. For those who experience the discord for the first time, they must wonder if there will ever be a match!

To make this match even more interesting Fast Hammer threw in a wild card so as to make money for the Picacho Posse, in order to improve and enhance targets and props. You could buy Woopses for \$5 and Waa Waa Waas for \$10. A Woopses could be traded for a miss at any time, but you were limited to one Waa Waa Waa a day, as this let

you re-shoot a stage if you had a train wreck or just had a wheel come off.

Texas Tiger, SASS #74829, took the job of selling Woopses and Waa Waa Waas and a roaring trade was done before the match started. It only took one cowboy to start buying and a queue soon formed to ensure no advantage was gained. This is the only Ambush I have come across where the Ambushed readily give their money to the Ambushers!! Tiger’s not telling, and I’m not asking [anymore], but stories were spreading like wildfire that Tiger wangled over \$75 out of some shooters!

The stages were well set with both lateral and forward movement, with most giving the shooter a choice of starting position and long gun positioning. For those of us who shot the State Wild Bunch™ match on the two previous days (reported on separately), it was a change of thought process, as the targets may have looked familiar, but the guns and scenarios certainly were not.

Stage 1 introduced the New Mexico sweep. When several posse members asked what a New Mexico sweep was they were simply told, “you’re not in Nevada!! Figure it out!!”

By stage three most had worked out the benefits of Woopses and Waa Waa Waas and were announcing their intended use as soon as the RO announced the time and before the RO poled the spotters. It certainly

made it much easier for the scorers.

At the end of the third stage, it was lunch-time, and as all meals were provided by the 4H club, shooters were soon forming a queue. The 4H club provided excellent food, and the Saturday evening meal had some of the most tender steaks cowboys and cowgirls had had in a long time. This was the

one of the 4H club’s major fund raisers for the year, and the Picacho Posse members made it abundantly clear when collecting for the 4H club (who supplied the food and the best brass pickers in town), if you suffered from deep pockets and short arms you could well expect to be turned upside down and shaken until the money fell out!! Thankfully this remedy was not to be seen.

Two more stages saw the end of shooting for the day and the eagerly awaited Saturday evening meal.

Sunday saw an early start and five more stages, just as much fun as the day before, but different. Some targets had moved, some had been changed, and some were shot with different guns. For those of us lucky enough to have the previous day’s scenarios drain out of the ears when the head hits the pillow, not a problem.



Top Wrangler, Boggus Deal, is timed by top Gunfighter, Vaquero Luna, both from the Albuquerque area. They were at the top of their game, and it showed!



After two days of Wild Bunch™ and two days of Cowboy Action, the targets all look very familiar ... but the scenarios are very different ... requiring one to keep thinking or spend a Waa Waa Waa for a reshoot!

Winners			Categories	
<b>Top Overall</b>			<i>B-Western</i>	ET, SASS #66960 TX
<i>Cowboy</i>	J T Wild, SASS #20399	UT	<i>Frontiersman</i>	Six, SASS #41283 TX
<i>Cowgirl</i>	Texas Tiger, SASS #74829	NM	<i>Outlaw</i>	Fast Hammer, SASS #60707 NM
<b>Categories</b>			<i>Senior</i>	Redding Renegade, SASS #19873 NM
<i>49'er</i>	JT Wild	UT	<i>L S Senior</i>	Lawless Lil, SASS #80605 NM
<i>Wrangler</i>	Boggus Deal, SASS #64218	NM	<i>G Dame</i>	Shot-z Lady, SASS #60903 NM
<i>L 49'er</i>	Texas Tiger	NM	<i>E Statesman</i>	Dollar Bill, SASS #57784 NM
<i>S Senior</i>	English Lyn, SASS #74828	NM	<i>L Wrangler</i>	EZ GZ, SASS #83885 NM
<i>Cowboy</i>	Mica McGuire, SASS #18526	NM	<i>S Duelist</i>	High Country Ramrod, SASS #47385 NM
<i>Cowgirl</i>	Amber Ale, SASS #66175	NM	<i>L B-Western</i>	Yukon Rose, SASS #3675 NM
<i>Gunfighter</i>	Vaquero Luna, SASS #70518	NM	<i>F C Duelist</i>	Stumpy Smith, SASS #16076 TX
<i>C Cowboy</i>	Garrison Joe, SASS #60708	NM		





— Match Winners —  
**JT Wild and Texas Tiger.**  
*This isn't the first time these two have come in first ... rumor has it JT and Tiger are still waiting on Cat Ballou's Escalade they believe they won a couple of years ago!*



For those who can remember the previous day's scenarios, it caused some thought and the use of more Woopses and Waa Waa Waas.

A posse shoot at the end of the match kept shooters busy while the scores were calculated and the berms cleared of steel. Presentations were conducted by J. T. Wild with Fast Hammer working furiously

behind the scenes. There were plenty of give-aways and prizes for all, and J. T. Wild managed to ensure the right prize went to the applicable cowboy or cowgirl although he did manage to give the two shot Tequila rifle to Dollar Bill, SASS #57784, who does not drink!!

With the awards over, it was time to hit the trail and look forward to next year's match. 🤠





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# SHOOTOUT IN OLD MAGDALENA

**M**agdalena, NM – September is a magic time in New Mexico, with nearly perfect temperatures and beautiful weather. It is an ideal time for any outdoor activities, and for Cowboy Action Shooting™, it doesn't get any better! Now in its 7th year, the Shootout In Old Magdalena is a rip roaring, fast paced match that combines the close and generous sized targets, that challenge shooter's skill with entertaining props and elements designed to produce giggles and grins for all. This match is unique in that it is very much a "shooter's match," but still contains elements designed "just for fun!" If you are a stand and deliver kind of shooter, this is not your match!

Magdalena, New Mexico is an historic old community, based on mining and livestock. It was the center for a thriving cattle and

By Tall Ted, SASS #77769



Magdalen has had unique throwing mechanisms for it's aerial targets for some time now ... but in 2012 they added a running "wascally wabbit" to their collection. At the last possible moment, a rabbit dashes (and that's the word!) right across the path of the wagon. If you're quick, you get rabbit stew for dinner!



There's no rest (or privacy!) for the wicked! Tex holds an intruding chicken just before taking on the "wascally wabbits."

sheep industry, and served as the railhead for the shipment of stock from Arizona and New Mexico beginning in 1885. The last movement of stock down the "Stock Driveway" occurred in November 1971, when the driveway was closed, and trucks became the means for shipping livestock. It was the end of an era, and today only the old shipping pens remain, along with a marker on Hwy 60 that denotes the "stock driveway." The Old

Magdalena shooting facility is located where many of the cowhands camped while awaiting word to move their herds to the railhead.

Activities began bright and early on Thursday, with campers arriving. They were met with a fine New Mexico rain, that made things interesting for awhile, but later cleared off and allowed folks to get settled in. The bad news was mud for a few hours, but it settled the dust for the rest of the week. The

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Having different stage designers for each of the six bays made for some interesting shooting problems AND interesting target arrays!





**The Magdalena range consists of six sets of stage props all on a common firing line. Matches consist of shooting two stages on each set and then moving on down the line.**

Old Magdalena range offers free dry camping for shooters, and lots of room to circle the wagons and set up. The camping area can accommodate everything from the largest motorhome, to a tent, and all within an easy stroll of the range. Thursday was also the first day of Half-a-Hand Henri's "Finishing School!" If you sign up for Henri's school, make sure you bring lots of ammo! It is fun, and it is rigorous!

Friday morning dawned bright and beautiful. Down on the Javalina Range, the long-range match drew a large group of cowpersons wanting to match their skills against a challenging array of steel spread up the side of a hill. Range officers, Dirty Dan, SASS #9726, and Grizzly Adams, SASS #3674, kept things moving in a well-organized manner that limited down time for those waiting their

turn in the barrel.

For those wanting to "get the kinks out," or just make sure all the hardware was in good working order, the conventioner stage was open to all.

Following a break for lunch, Dirty Dan kicked off the four-stage Wild Bunch™ Match. The Magdalena Trail Drivers conduct Wild Bunch™ Action Shooting matches according to SASS guidelines. We also like to keep things real interesting by including challenges like the "moving man" target that must be engaged with the 1911. If you're quick and sure, you can get most of your shoots on him when he is relatively close, but he moves pretty



**— Match Winners —  
Bud Guzzlin and Texas Tiger.  
This dynamic duo has won more than their fair share of New Mexico competitions!  
Great job and congratulations!**



**Each set of stage props is unique and offers an interesting, but easily accommodated, shooting experience.**

fast and goes out "a ways!" The Wild Bunch™ match was followed by a four stage Cowboy Action Warm up Match. Warm up matches are scheduled so folks can shoot both events without having to choose between them.

All shooting activities ended at 5:00PM, and folks gathered at their camps for dinner and a round of war stories. As the sun set, the campfire was lit, and folks gathered

up for the "Are you smarter than a 5th grade cowboy" trivia contest conducted by the ever enthusiastic Half-a-Hand Henri, SASS #9727! There was lots of head scratching and rib tickling fun, with prizes being awarded to the winning team. However, everyone who attended received a nice door prize donated by our generous vendors.

The Saturday morning sun warmed the cool mountain air, as cowboys and cowgirls began packing the carts, and strapping on their gun belts for the Shootout In Old Magdalena. The main match kicked off with the mandatory shooters meeting, and welcome by Match Director Half-a-Hand Henri. The stages this year were all designed by sponsoring members of the Magdalena Trail Drivers. The result was a wonderful mix of new and fresh scenarios that provided shooters with a rich mixture of

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Winners		Categories	
<b>Overall Man</b>	Bud Guzzlin, SASS #59383	NM	<i>B-Western</i> Grizzly Adams, SASS #3674 NM
<b>Lady</b>	Texas Tiger, SASS #74829	NM	<i>L B-Western</i> Yukon Rose, SASS #3675 NM
<b>Categories Junior</b>	Capitan Regulator, SASS #84262	NM	<i>Gunfighter</i> Vaquero Luna, SASS #70518 NM
<b>Cowboy</b>	Mica McGuire, SASS #18526	NM	<i>F C Gunfighter</i> Tex, SASS #4 NM
<b>Cowgirl</b>	Ez Gz, SASS #83885	NM	<i>F Cartridge</i> Edward R. S. Canby, SASS #59971 NM
<b>Wrangler</b>	Bud Guzzlin	NM	<i>Frontiersman</i> Capt Eli McDaniel, SASS #30600 NM
<b>L Wrangler</b>	Wildshot Ann, SASS #58044	NM	<b>Wild Bunch Overall</b>
<b>49'er</b>	Half-a-Hand Henri, SASS #9727	NM	<i>Man</i> Tex, SASS #4 NM
<b>L 49'er</b>	Texas Tiger	NM	<i>Lady</i> Texas Tiger, SASS #74829 NM
<b>Senior</b>	Redding Renegade, SASS #19873	NM	<b>Categories</b>
<b>L Senior</b>	Dusty Boots, SASS #43206	NM	<i>Traditional</i> Tex NM
<b>S Duelist</b>	Lead Foulis, SASS #18030	NM	<i>L Traditional</i> Texas Tiger NM
<b>L S Duelist</b>	Mary Lee Sloshed, SASS #30601	NM	<i>Modern</i> Mica McGuire, SASS #18526 NM
<b>S Senior</b>	English Lyn, SASS #74828	NM	<i>L Modern</i> Half-a-Hand Henri, SASS #9727 NM
<b>L S Senior</b>	Lawless Lil, SASS #80605	NM	<b>Long Range Rifle Caliber</b>
<b>E Statesman</b>	Saddletramp Joe, SASS #16500	NM	<i>Man</i> Dirty Dan NM
<b>Cattle Baron</b>	Dirty Dan, SASS #9726	NM	<i>Lady</i> Lawless Lori Sue NM
<b>L Cattle Baron</b>	Lawless Lori Sue, SASS #80852	NM	<i>Pistol Caliber</i>
<b>C Cowboy</b>	Mesquite Bandit, SASS #56153	NM	<i>Man</i> English Lyn NM
			<i>Lady</i> Lawlwee Lori Sue NM
			<i>Single shot</i>
			<i>Man</i> Mica McGuire NM
			<i>Lady</i> Lawless Lori Sue NM
			<i>Pistol</i>
			<i>Man</i> Vaquero Viejo, SASS #55732 NM
			<i>Lady</i> Lawless Lori Sue NM

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## Shootout In Old Magdalena . . .

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speed, and elements of play that used to be common, but have been lost at many matches in recent years. The emphasis was definitely on the shooting, but judging by the laughter and good-natured teasing, the play factor was high!

The range at Old Magdalena is set up as an Old West town, with corrals, shipping pens, shop fronts, gallows, and other period "buildings." Essentially there are six "bays" that present two stages per bay. This provides a great deal of flexibility in terms of setting up target arrays and a wide variety of shooting scenarios. Prior to the 2012 Shootout, the Magdalena Trail Drivers did an extensive renovation project designed to allow safe downrange movement, and added flexibility to the first bay.

Stages one and two were set in the Corrals and Shipping Pens bay. The addition of a buckboard and a "rabbit run,"

put everyone's shotgun skills to the test, with both "birds" in the air and "rabbits" on the ground! However, a miss on either could be made on a make up target. The shotgun work, combined with lots of movement, made for a roaring good time! Half-a-Hand Henri does not write any "stand and deliver" stages!

Stages three and four, written by Tall Ted used the Train Depot and Hotel bay as a backdrop. On these stages, shooters were presented with a series of straight-forward sweeps with pistol and rifle. Shotgun shells had to be removed two at a time





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Meanwhile over in the “entertainment district” on stages five and six, shooters found themselves at the Dusty Boots Dance Hall and the Yukon Rose Saloon, involved in a friendly little poker game staged by Yukon Rose, SASS #3675, and Grizzly Adams. Seated at the poker table with hat covering a concealed derringer, the shooter yelled, “Does this mean we’re not friends?” At the beep, the shooter put on their hat and engaged the “player” on the other side of the table by shooting through the large opening in his belly at a target behind him. No penalty if you missed, and a five-second bonus for a hit. The shooter then finished the stage using pistol, rifle, and shotgun to settle the rest of the denizens of the saloon. As always, good planning and execution paid off on these stages.

Saturday evening activities included a cowboy swap meet, a potluck dinner, and a recipe contest. The competition was fierce and tasty, with folks trotting out their favorite covered dishes to be sampled and enjoy by all. Prizes were, of course, awarded to all, and the rest of us got to eat like kings! After sundown, the campfire was again kindled and the Lords of Soot put on a spectacular Blackpowder Night Shoot and Light Show. There really is nothing quite like blackpowder at night! It was a perfect

conclusion to a wonderful day, and we were all ready for some well earned shut-eye.

Sunday brought the sunshine and blue skies one would expect in New Mexico in September! It also brought on another great day for shooting with friends. Stages seven and eight were on bay four, in the “legal district,” with the gallows and courthouse serving as the setting. Bear Naked, SASS #93307, put together a couple of fast moving and challenging stages that, while straight forward, did involve an interesting combination of sweeps, with varied target spacing and height. They were a blast, and made excellent use of the gallows and courthouse to settle the legal proceedings!

Stages nine and ten were set on bay five, at the Marshal’s office and Bank. Stage nine and ten were written by Texas Tiger, SASS #74829, and English Lyn, SASS #74828, and were challenging, to say the least! Stage nine was a rich mixture of sweeps and movement with a pair of saddlebags on your person. Stage ten presented shooters with the “moving man” target that had to be engaged with the handgun for five shots. Some folks were a bit dubious at first, but soon found that hitting the mover was not only doable, but a hoot to boot!

The only way I can think to describe stages eleven and twelve is “warm and fuzzy!” Slippery Steve, SASS #29614, and Dusty Boots, SASS #43206, designed perhaps the most unique cowboy stage I have ever encountered. Shooters arriving at the General Store and Out-house were greeted with targets and props decorated with rabbits,

both cut outs, and the stuffed variety. They were literally everywhere on the stage! In addition, creative use was made of a water trough with pistol targets positioned over it. The result was a splash, in addition to a clang, when you hit the target. Pretty neat! Rabbits were not the only critters one met on this bay, as it was also necessary to evict chickens from the outhouse before you could turn your attention to those “wascally wabbits.” Oh, by the

way, no stuffed animals were harmed during this stage ...

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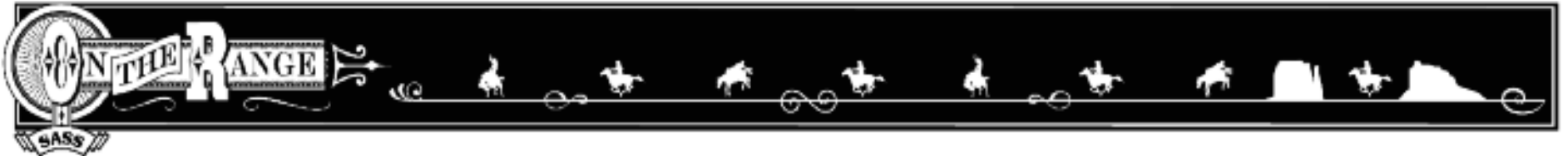
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# 2012 SASS ARKANSAS STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

## SHOOT'N IN THE SHADE

*A Hurricane, A Weather Dancer, FUN, and a SASS State Championship!*

*By Willy Fire, SASS #75733*



*Shoot'n in the Shade is aptly named. It's great to shoot amongst those shade trees when the weather is hot and humid in Arkansas.*

**H**ot Springs, AR – Labor Day weekend – The Mt. Valley Vigilantes located in Hot Springs, AR hosted the 2012 SASS Arkansas State Championship Labor Day weekend. The state championship was awarded to us this year, and we held it in conjunction with our annual match known as Shoot'n In The Shade.

We are very blessed to have an incredible group of people that are a part of the Mt. Valley Vigilantes. We have a workday probably 8-10 times a year, and they are well attended. All the hard work, planning, and preparation makes for a

good match.

SASS Cowboy Action Shooting™ has really exploded in Arkansas. Our little ole club that started out with just a handful of folks trying to figure out what this cowboy thing was all about now averages around 70 shooters at our monthly matches, and we feel very fortunate to be at this level of success. You can very easily attend a topnotch club every weekend without ever leaving Arkansas. Even though we are a relatively small state, there are now nine SASS affiliated clubs. In addition to the state championship we hosted, Outlaw Camp located in Heber Springs hosts a SASS Blackpowder State Championship that is well attended.

The weather leading up to our match this year was quite interesting. We had been experiencing a drought and highs well over 100 degrees in central Arkansas. And then came along an unwanted visitor named Isaac. Yep, Hurricane Isaac. It is not every day Arkansas

is impacted by a hurricane, but the forecast sure wasn't looking good for our annual match. Luckily we have a resident Weather Dancer that goes by the alias Dogtown Dave. Let me just tell you; every range needs a Weather Dancer.

Dogtown Dave has some pretty dang strong powers. Well heck, he even has an apparatus called The Weathermaker. He has nearly admitted to creating Hurricane Isaac. I received this information in an email from him on Monday before our shoot. "Unfortunately I've overdone it. Really didn't mean to create a hurricane. I'm goin to dance in reverse and bring this weekend in at Mountain Valley with partly cloudy skies and mid-80s." The weather forecast had rain chances on Saturday reaching as high as 80%. Several people were e-mailing and calling, wondering what in the world we were going to



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do! But, I had faith in Dogtown. Sure enough, come Saturday and Sunday the rain stayed away during our shoot. Thank goodness we have Dogtown Dave on our side. If you decide to find you one of these weather dancing fellas, be careful,



Winners			
<b>Overall Match Winners</b>			
<i>Man</i>	Prestidigitator, SASS #52251	<i>B-Western</i>	Christmas Kid, SASS #34945
<i>Lady</i>	Missouri Mae, SASS #80828	<i>L B-Western Railroad Tycoon</i>	Shoot Fire 75734
<b>Overall Arkansas State Champions</b>			
<i>Man</i>	Naildriver, SASS #59139	<i>Young Gun</i>	Kid Ace, SASS #93184
<i>Lady</i>	Sweet Sister Kit, SASS #79916	<i>L Young Gun Frontiersman</i>	Sweet Sister Kit Rowdy Bob, SASS #68731
<b>Arkansas State Category Champions</b>			
<i>E Statesman</i>	Ozark Outlaw, SASS #19847	<i>L F Cartridge</i>	Kiamichi Queen, SASS #26033
<i>G Dame</i>	Ozark Red, SASS #21968	<i>Buckaroo Buckarett</i>	Click, SASS #78527
<i>C Cowboy</i>	Blackwater Bruce, SASS #85094		Hannah Call, SASS #92793 (overall – not a state winner)
<i>F C Duelist</i>	Bulldog McGraw, SASS #57384	<i>Wrangler</i>	Ain't Dunit, SASS #71048
<i>Cowboy</i>	CS Brady, SASS #63699	<i>L Wrangler</i>	Cheeka Bow Wow, SASS #88699
<i>Cowgirl</i>	Little Nocona One Shot, SASS #77433	<i>Duelist</i>	Curly Hombre, SASS #74978
		<i>L Duelist</i>	Dusty Dee, SASS #86597





**Missouri Mae won the first ever Bulldog Toss named in honor of Match Director Bulldog McGraw.**

because Dogtown Dave has warned me it is not for the faint of heart. It is a very big responsibility!

Our side matches were held on Friday and were delayed slightly by rain, but the FUN got under way by



**Arkansas State Champions – Sweet Sister Kit and Naildriver. Congratulations!**

noon. This year we had a new motorized target designed and built by Christmas Kid. This target named “O Bang N Clang” proved to be a lot of fun and quite challenging. He has been working on this thing for longer than he probably wants to admit, but it was well worth the wait. It featured three rotating cowboy shaped targets that peeked



**Hurricane with 1-R always knows how to party!**

over a fence and when they did—BANG—they got shot! I kind of felt bad for the fence though; seems like it got shot more than the cowboys!

In addition to the normal side matches like fastest rifle, pistol, and shotgun; split the card; and long range rifle; we had a two-stage Wild Bunch match put together by The Brisco Kid and Kiamichi Queen. I’d like to say right here The Brisco Kid and Kiamichi Queen are a huge part of the Mt. Valley Vigilantes’ success. As owners of Cowboy Shooters Supply, they set up at our range almost every month. They are eager to help our shooters with supplies and advice. Whether a new shooter or an experienced shooter, they aim to please. They

have been the Shoot’n In The Shade Match Sponsor for several years running, and the Mt. Valley Vigilantes owe a debt of gratitude to them.

The Mt. Valley Vigilantes have a reputation of having one of the most FUN annual matches in the country. Even though this year we were hosting the state championship, we worked really hard to make sure everyone would have as much FUN as always!

We had some really well written scenarios this year, and there was something to make it challenging and FUN to all shooters, no matter the age or the category. Even though folks may have to actually use that little shiny thing on the end of the barrel (I think it’s called a sight) more than at some ranges, we all still have FUN. You see; it really is not necessary to have a target right in your face that allows you to simply fire as fast as you can. Sure, that’s fun too, but we also think it’s fun when your skills are challenged. It has often been said if

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- S Senior Ambler, SASS #80374
- L S Senior Copper Rose, SASS #53321
- S Duelist Rushin’ To Judgement, SASS #95090
- Senior Just Charlie, SASS #51530
- L Senior Sunny Girl, SASS #45500
- Gunfighter Headstone Hunter, SASS #50132
- L Gunfighter Velvet Glove, SASS #50276
- 49'er Naildriver, SASS #73073
- L 49'er Rip A Lot, SASS #73073

**Costume Contest**

- Best Dressed Lady Crazy Shot, SASS #90649
- Soiled Dove Diamond Darlin’, SASS #96023
- Man Texas Johnny Ringo
- Military Bill Carson, SASS #52250

**Costume Contest**

- Buckaroo Lil Smokie, SASS #72145
- Buckarett Hannah Call, SASS #92793
- Couple Cheeka Bow Wow, SASS #88699 & Bulldog McGraw, SASS #57384
- Silver Screen Male Willy Fire, SASS #75733
- Lady Ogalola Su
- Clean Match Jeremiah Blackstone, SASS #81915
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## Shoot'n in the Shade . . .

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you can shoot well at the Mt. Valley Vigilantes, you can go about anywhere and shoot. When you look at the scores of big matches all across the country, you will very often find some of the regular shooters at our range at or near the top.

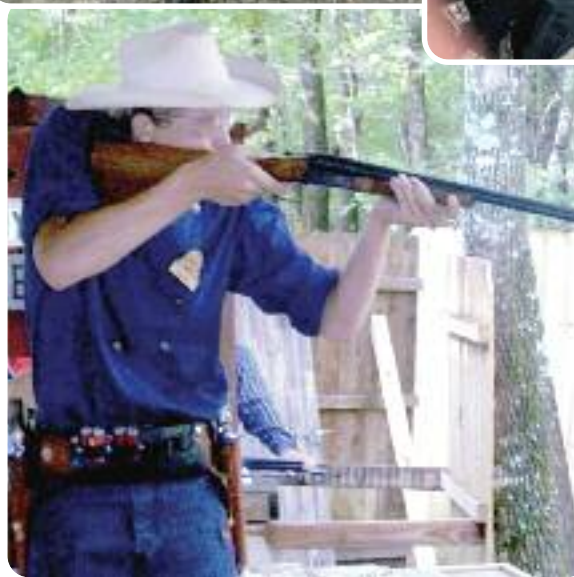
The Mt. Valley Vigilantes are lucky to be in an area of several awesome shooters. This is evidenced in part by our 2012 SASS Arkansas State Champions. The way these people are shooting there is a darned good chance you might be up against them some day. So here is info on our state champions.

**SASS Arkansas State Champion Female – Sweet Sister Kit.** Folks, she accomplished this task at the mere age of 14! This young lady is the real deal. Her parents, Lilly B. Haven and Dodger, have been shooting in SASS since 2006, and that is also when Kit first got involved. By May of 2007, Sweet Sister Kit had her official SASS alias. I asked Lilly what was Kit's biggest

accomplishment in the sport so far? She replied, "Naturally her back to back 2011 and 2012 World Champion titles! However, this Ladies' Overall is hands down a massive win for her!! This was competition was not just against her peers and thus brings a greater joy and desire to work harder!"

And, somehow in addition to being a championship caliber shooter, Sweet Sister Kit has many other skills and interests. She is now in her 4th year of playing cello and is 1st chair for the past three years! She just made the Ozarks Philharmonic Youth Orchestra, a very high caliber regional orchestra outside of school. She loves volleyball, track, and is an avid photographer.

Thinking I could get some tips on how to shoot like a 14 year old champion, I asked Lilly where Kit picked up the majority of her shooting skills? Lilly's response was, "She is a total sponge!! She can watch and learn better than most anyone I have ever seen! The



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the shooting in time for everyone to do a magic act. Yep, those sweaty cowboys and perspiring cowgirls disappear and then reappear in the beautiful and historic downtown area in Hot Springs. You may not know this, but Hot Springs has a rather "gangsterly" past. Our banquet is a gala shooters really look forward to. We encourage everyone to dress in the finest outfits they can muster, and it seems each year surpasses the previous. We have some fine vittles and great entertainment provided by a local band, Exit 123, which really knows how to get folks up on the dance floor even after they have been shooting all day. Much FUN, and there are awards given out for the costumes.

Sunday morning kicks off with cowboy church and then it is time for more "bangity bang bang" FUN. After shooting four more stages all that is left to do is sit back and wait for the awards. Did you know some people actually shoot to win? Well, some of us shoot merely because it is the most fun you could imagine ever having. I have made friends in this amazing sport that are as close to me as my own family. And when you shoot slow like I do, you better danged well say

you just shoot for the fun!!!

This year as we were waiting on the awards we did something new. In honor of our match director Bulldog McGraw, all ladies present were invited to our first ever Bulldog Toss. Don't worry—he wasn't hurt. The ladies competed to see who could throw a stuffed toy bulldog the farthest. Seems like some ladies really took some frustration out on that poor little stuffed dog! Congrats to Missouri Mae on winning this inaugural event.

The Mt. Valley Vigilantes include some shady characters. Our parent range MVSA (Mt. Valley Sportsman Association) carved out a piece of the range for us when we were starting out that just so happened to have an abundance of shade trees. Actually it was kind of a swamp. That's why we are called Shoot'n In The SHADE. So even during the heat of the hot, humid Arkansas summers, you can rest assured if you spend your hard earned dollars to come shoot with us you will have shade to protect you, a weather dancer to make certain there is no rain, and you will have a TON OF FUN! Come spend your Labor Day weekend with us. We will do our best to make you a part of our family. *A.*



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# The Second Annual DOUBLE "B" SHOOTOUT

By Frenchy Cannuck, SASS #86789

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nity here in southeast New Brunswick. Cap Pele is located approximately three hour's drive east of Calais, Maine, and some 30 miles from Moncton New Brunswick.

The Beau Bassin Range Riders have only been in operation for two years and have gone from the five founding members to a contingent of 19 members with more coming on board every season.

The weather was mostly overcast with an occasional mist of rain, which kept things a little cooler. Cowboys from all over eastern Canada came out to join this



Cowboys and cowgirls came from all over eastern Canada to join in the fracas.



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*Overall winner Zeke (r) congratulated by Match Director Frenchy Cannuck.*



*Kodiak Al (l) and Zeke (r) were the "Rio Bravo" side match winners.*



*Range Gypsy was the top lady shooter in the 2nd annual Double B Shootout in New Brunswick.*



As it is so often said, "You come for the shooting, but you stay for the people." That statement is so very true here at the BB Ranch, as we are surrounded with fine folks always ready to help and support us in all that is needed to make our efforts successful. A great big "thank you" to all the participants and more so to all of you that make it happen.

Y'all come back now, ya hear! 🤠

Lunch was a fine homemade Tex-Mex Chili provided by Mamie Cannuck, SASS #91200, as well as hot dogs supplied by Clancy, SASS #81385. Cowboys and girls were lickin their chops!

Saturday evening we all met at Fred's Restaurant in Cap Pele for a fine meal where we got to sample some of the best seafood in the area. That's were we gave away the different items supplied by our two major sponsors, Green Diamond Outfitters and BET-TER Buy sports.

On Sunday afternoon we held our signature side match where the shooters had to save Tuco from a well-deserved hanging, like Clint Eastwood did in "The Good, The Bad, and The Ugly" by shooting the hanging rope, thus releasing Tuco, and then shooting the hats off eight town folks. Highwall Drifter, SASS #68975, was the hot-shot savior. There were lots of laughs and some good competition.

The third place overall winner was Range Gypsy, SASS #81433; Second Place Overall was Kodiak Al, SASS #4008; and our Overall Champion was Zeke, SASS #89367. The complete results as well as pictures from the event are posted on our Website:

<http://www.doublebcowboys.com/index.html>



little fracas held over two days. Four stages were shot on Saturday and three on Sunday.

On Saturday afternoon we held two side matches. Shooters were treated to a scene of the John Wayne classic movie, "Rio Bravo," where Chance and Stumpy team up on the Burdette crew. "Stumpy" throws the dynamite and "Chance" shoots it on the fly. For this stage, shooters teamed up in pairs. One shooter shot the shotgun targets, then moved over to a table, picked up a stick of dynamite and threw it through a window. When the dynamite got through the window, the other shooter shot five targets with his rifle. The shotgun man would start again for a second round. It was fast and fun. Kodiak Al, SASS #4008, and Zeke, SASS #89367, were the top dogs for this event. What a blast!

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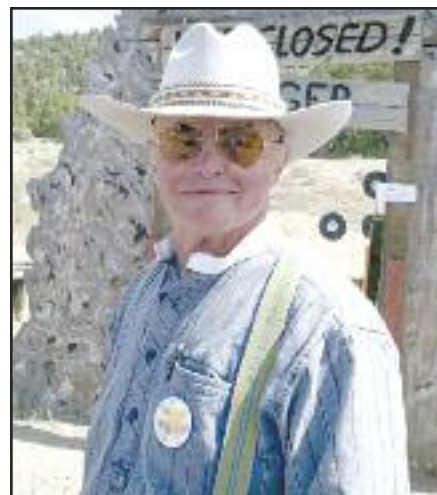
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Dakota Del, left, SASS #33067, Talks A Lot (SASS # pending),  
and Organizer, Brownie Nash, SASS #3656, get ready to move  
to the firing line. All three are excellent long ranch shooters.

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“Who are those four guys,” the first Long Range Shooter asked? “They are dedicated Rifle-men,” responded the second shooter. “One is called Butch, the second one is Rod, the third one is known as Pinkerton, and the last one is Brownie ... Whatever their names are, let me tell you, this was the best Long Range shooting I have ever done! These four guys are great planners, and this facility with its 1,000 yard range, is the best I have ever shot at!” “I share your feelings,” responded the first Long Range Shooter—“I’ll be back for more next year, that’s for sure!”

**Back to the future**—the Fourth Annual Great Basin Rifle Match has it all: four days of challenging shooting and Long Range Camaraderie (August 30<sup>th</sup> through September 2<sup>nd</sup> 2013). Dry Camping and Motor Home sites available—no water or electricity, but plenty of clean, fresh air! August 30<sup>th</sup> will be devoted to **Sighting In**.

Shooting gets serious on Saturday morning, August 31. The first event is the **Vintage Military Rifle Match** (WW1 and WW11 Bolt Action Rifles). Rifles: Mosin Nagants, Enfields, '03s, Mausers, etc. Ammo: Cast bullets, jacketed lead core bullets. No military steel core bullets. Sights: peep, globe, or post sight. Barrel and receiver mounts, no scopes! **MAIN MATCH:** 200, 300, 400, and 500 yards. Two Sighters: Five shots for score each distance. Shoot off cross-sticks (no bipods). **SNIPER MATCH:** 600 yards—two sighters, five shots for score off cross-sticks. **OFFHAND MATCH:** 200 yards,

two sighters, five shots for score.

After lunch, **Breech Loading Military Single Shot Rifles** (Trapdoor, Rolling Block, Sharps, etc.). Sights: Peep, globe, leaf, barrel or tang mounted (no soule sights). Ammo: Lead bullets, blackpowder or blackpowder substitute, and no gas checks. Shoot off cross-sticks. Match: 200, 300, 400, and 500 yards—two sighters, five shots for score each distance.

**Sunday morning, September 1**

**Rifle Breech Loading: Single Shot Rifles of the 19<sup>th</sup> Century:** exposed hammers. Ammo: Lead bullets, blackpowder, or blackpowder substitute, and no gas checks. Shooting off cross-sticks, (no bipods). **MATCH:** 1000, 900, and 800 yards. Three sighters, 10 shots for score each distance.

**Afternoon:**

**Berdan Sharp Shooters Match**

Rifles: any 19<sup>th</sup> Century rifle. Ammo: Lead bullets. **MATCH:** 200 yards, 10" targets, two sighters, 10 shots for score—no misses, shoot from cross-sticks. Entry fee: \$5.00. Re-entry, \$1.00. Special Award!

**Bucket Shoot:** Any 19<sup>th</sup> Century Rifle. Lead bullets. **MATCH:** 200 yards, five shots offhand, no sighters.

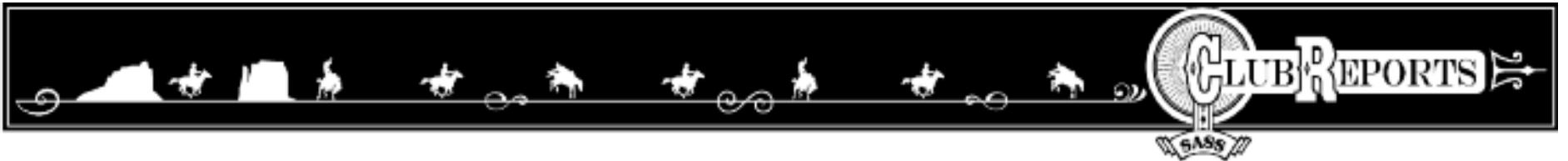
**Monday, September 2: Lever Action Rifle Match**

Rifles: 1894 and prior. Ammo: Lead bullets, blackpowder, smokeless, or blackpowder substitute. Pistol caliber rifles: Silhouette 50, 100, and 200 meters—two sighters—five for score. Rifle caliber rifles: 200, 300, 400, and 500

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# Tusco Long Riders

## DAY AT KAME'S SPORTS



**Buckaroo Bubba,**  
SASS #66861



By Buckaroo Bubba SASS #66861

**M**arch 9<sup>th</sup>, 2013 – North Canton, Ohio –Three time National Champion, and two time World Champion Frontiersman, Split Rail, SASS #24707, along with Tusco Long Riders' President Buckaroo Bubba, members Six Gun Seamus, SASS #94002, and Sandy Creek Jake, SASS #85546, were on hand at Kame's Sports in North Canton, Ohio to meet and greet with customers and folks interested in Cowboy Action Shooting. Our goal on this day was to promote our club, the Single Action Shooting Society, and the sport of Cowboy Action Shooting. Two tables of displayed items helped us show off our sport. There were two videos being played along with digital photos of our Cowboys and Cowgirls in action. The Firearms



(L to R) Sandy Creek Jake, Buckaroo Bubba, Six Gun Seamus, and Split Rail

that we use were also on display to show off which guns are acceptable in the sport. Thanks to SASS we were able to pass out Cowboy Chronicles, SASS Registration forms, flyers about SASS, decals and pins. Split Rail brought a nice display of some of his major awards he was won over the last three years, highlighted by his Frontiersman World Championship Trophy.

Numerous customers stopped by to see what our sport is all about. We enjoyed sharing with them the background of the sport, how it works, and answering any questions they had. There were even a few kids who wanted their picture taken with the "Cowboys." They walked away with a SASS Pin, Decal and a smile. In addition to the customers, we had a nice number of current shooters stop by to visit with us and check out Kame's Sports.

The relationship between the Tusco Long Riders and Kame's Sports began in 2012 as we began looking for sponsors for our annual  
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Sgt. Shuster,  
SASS #60835



# BILLY THE KID'S BREAKOUT

## IS BACK!

**R**uidoso, NM – New Mexico's Lincoln County Regulators are proud to once again present for 2013, BILLY THE KID'S BREAKOUT, Friday-Sunday, August 9-11 in the premier Cowboy Action Shooting™ town of "Old Lincoln" at the Ruidoso Gun Club range in Ruidoso Downs, New Mexico. This very popular annual match, in the towering pines and majestic Sacramento Mountains, is back by popular demand and will feature six main stages based on the infamous history of Billy the Kid.

But that's not all. Participants will enjoy Friday afternoon side matches that will include Long

Range Main Match Pistol and Rifle, Big Bore Long Range Single Shot and Lever, Pocket Pistol and Derringer, Speed Pistol and Rifle, and Wild Bunch. Side matches will be followed by Friday Night at the Watering Hole at the fabulous Lodge at Sierra Blanca, with a no-host bar and lots of hors d'oeuvres, munchies, and even enough grub for dinner, thanks to Doc Lecter, SASS #82087, and Judith, the lady who runs his ranch.

On Saturday shoot six exciting main stages based on the infamous

*By Sgt. Shuster, SASS Regulator #60835*

life of Billy the Kid. Stage Historian is Sgt. Shuster, SASS Regulator #60835. Stage designer and Match Director will be Gunsmoke Cowboy, SASS #84261, with timing and scoring under the watchful eye of Angelo Pete, SASS #83812. Captain Jack McQuesten, SASS #56937, and Mesa Rose, SASS #97338, will help you with Registration and posse assignments. SASS Rules Will Apply. The Lincoln County Regulators would also appreciate your help if you're an RO-II.

The day will end with a Saturday evening Awards Banquet at Cree Meadows Country Club, featuring a barbeque buffet, costume contests, plenty of door prizes, and a few Billy the Kid stories with *Cowboy Chronicle* writer and historian Sgt. Shuster. Find out who Bob Olinger really was! Your host for the evening is Lincoln County Regulators Special Constable Doc Lecter.

Participants can then end their historic weekend in Lincoln County with a Sunday afternoon walk in the footsteps of the original Regulators on a guided tour of historic Lincoln. Plus, you'll be surrounded by museums, art galleries, boutiques, live theaters, casinos, horse racing, tennis, trout fishing, and alpine recreation.

The entire weekend of shooting and all events will be yours for the one low fee of \$60 per SASS shooter with the shooter's spouse or significant other only \$45. Young Guns will shoot and even attend all functions FREE! Additional Saturday evening Awards Banquet seats are available for only \$25. Registration cut off will be at 60 SASS shooters, so register soon!

The official resort for BILLY THE KID'S BREAKOUT is The Lodge at Sierra Blanca, with affordable luxury and executive serv-



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## Long Range Rifle Match . . .

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yards. Shoot off cross-sticks.  
**MATCH:** Two sighters, five for score each distance.

**Lunch, followed by Awards!** For more information and downloading of the entry

form, visit: [www.pinemountainposse.com/](http://www.pinemountainposse.com/) Phone contacts: Rod Campuzano, 541-330-8802, Jim Crittenden, 541-573-5338, Butch Eastman, 541-416-0361. Get your entry form in quick—**You're a Daisy if ya do!** 🐘



*Two of the four Shoot Organizers, Juniper Butch Cassidy, SASS #20029, on the left, and Pinkerton, SASS #2351, examine one of the entry rifles.*



*Can you spot the White Buffalo at 1,000 yards? Okay, now hit it!*

*This is what the White Buffalo sees looking back toward the firing line. Note the beautiful, wide-open Oregon High Desert Country—perfect for a long-range shoot!*



## Tusco Long Riders . . .



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match, High Noon at Tusco. I had sent out numerous emails to various gun shops in the area. Kame's answered one of those emails and graciously asked to be included as a sponsor for High Noon. After our initial meeting with Kame's, we began to brainstorm on how Kame's Sports and the Tusco Long Riders could help each other. Since then, Kame's has become a permanent club sponsor. One of the results of our brainstorming over the last year and a half was to have a Tusco Long Riders' Day at Kame's. We decided it would be a great op-

portunity to advertise our club, SASS, and the sport of Cowboy Action Shooting. It was our hope to reach out to other gun enthusiasts and outdoorsmen who may not have even known about our sport.

The day was a smashing success. The Tusco Long Riders greatly appreciate the support we receive from Kame's Sports and look forward to working with them for a long time. Kame's loved having us in their store and welcomed us back anytime. Stay tuned for future Tusco Long Riders' Days at Kame's Sports.

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## Billy The Kid's Breakout Is Back! . . .

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Register with Mesa Rose, SASS #97338, for BILLY THE KID'S BREAKOUT today. Go to [LincolnCountyRegulators.org](http://LincolnCountyRegulators.org) click on Billy the Kid's Breakout Registra-

tion Form, Print it out, fill it out, and mail it in! Mail to Sabrina Olson, PO Box 894, Ruidoso, NM 88355. Or call Mesa Rose at 575-257-6693 for a Registration Form. However you do it, do it today!

Up to 10 Vendors are welcome at BILLY THE KID'S BREAKOUT, too. Vending is just \$25 for Friday and Saturday and Sgt. Shuster, Vendor Coordinator, will take prizes for the drawing instead of cash. Vendors can contact him at [KonaCowboyCoffee@aol.com](mailto:KonaCowboyCoffee@aol.com) or 575-257-8593. 🐘



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English Lyn, SASS #74828

# NM STATE WILD BUNCH™ Championship 2013

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onship, and this they did.

It was like watching a good old-fashioned western movie where the sheriff says, “I am their leader. Which way did they go?” Between the three amigos this was a Wild Bunch™ match to cherish. It had everything from fast to frustrating to fun.

By English Lyn, SASS #74828  
Photographs by Texas Tiger and Desert Flower



— Top Man & Match Winner —  
J. T. Wild, SASS #20399



— Top Lady & Top Lady Traditional —  
Texas Tiger, SASS #74829

As usual the weather gods seem to smile on Fast Hammer and the Thursday morning, while cool, was dry and just about perfect for the start of the match. By mid-morning the temperature had risen to where coats had been discarded and shirtsleeves were the order of the day.

For those with left-handed tendencies, this was their match as all stages were ambidextrous. You could shoot them either way; shooter’s choice. It makes you wonder if Lefty Too Slim, SASS #44564, had anything to do with the stage writing!! Whatever, for

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<b>Traditional</b>	Garrison Joe, SASS #60708	NM
<b>L Modern</b>	Lawless Lori Sue, SASS #80852	NM
<b>L Traditional</b>	Texas Tiger	NM





those of us “in two minds,” it gave us a challenge. Clean with a “P;” no problem!!

The first day was completed after stage five and a great day’s Wild Bunch™ shooting it was. No target too big to miss, and challenging targets at Wild Bunch™ distances not too small, but requiring the application of the front sight.

Day two strangely enough started on stage six. This was a pistol only stage where the pistol, rifle, and shotgun target of stage one were all pistol targets and the shotgun knockdown (KD) targets could be made up before you moved to the next target. This caused some concentration not only on the front sight but the target!!

The shotgun sequence for stage seven was KD/Bell, KD/Bell, KD/Bell—the reverse of stage two, and for those of us still excited about shooting a fully stoked ‘97, a memory jerker from stage two where we had too much fun!! “P”

Stage ten was a real hoot. I can only say you had to shoot it to believe it. This was a gunfight, and it was up to you how you shot the pistol ... with no limit on ammo, or as the stage description said, 15+ pistol. There were three Texas Stars and three rifle targets. Start, rifle in hand and pistol loaded with five rounds holstered. With rifle in hand, engage three targets in a double tap New Mexico sweep (this is not

Nevada). Make rifle safe. At position two, alternate between the three Texas Stars, starting on the blue plate first on each Star. The blue plate had to be removed first to activate the star, and then you had to shoot each star in sequence for the first 15 rounds before you could engage plates at your discretion.

Not only did you have to count in fives, but also in threes!! Thanks to the great coaching of Doc Baker, SASS #50032, yours truly managed to be the only one to clear all 15 plates with 15 rounds. On the other hand, if you want someone to go into a gunfight with, take EZ GZ. This girl has tenacity, she never gave up, and thanks to the creed of you can never have enough ammo, went through nine magazines of ammo before clearing all 15 plates!!

To honor the achievement of 15 plates with 15 rounds, Fast Hammer presented me with a jar of Kick Yo’ Ass Hot! Ass Kicking Jelly Beans at the start of the awards ceremony. The first few beans seemed tasty with a little bite, the second mouthful was a different matter, and I only just managed to wipe away the tears to collect my second place Traditional award!!

For those who did not attend, you missed a great Wild Bunch™ match that did Wild Bunch™ proud. For those of us who did, thank you to the three amigos for a great match. *A.*

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<b>AK</b>					<b>AZ (continued)</b>				
Alaska 49er's	1st Sat & 3rd Sun	Tripod	907-373-0140	Birchwood	Rio Salado Cowboy Action Shooting Society	1st Sat	A. J. Bob	480-982-7336	Mesa
Golden Heart Shootist Society	2nd Sat & Last Sun	Poco Loco Louie	907-488-7660	Fairbanks	Old Pueblo Shootist Assoc.	1st Sun	Gilly Boy	520-249-2831	Tombstone
Juneau Gold Miners Posse	3rd Sun	Five Card Tanna	907-789-7498	Juneau	Cowtown Cowboy Shooters	1st Sun & 3rd Sat	Barbwire	480-773-2753	Peoria
<b>AL</b>					Arizona Cowboy Shooters Association	2nd Sat	Deputy Curly	602-487-9728	Phoenix
Russell County Regulators	1st Sat	Will Killigan	706-568-0869	Phoenix City	Whiskey Row Gunslingers	2nd Sun	Turquoise Bill	928-925-7323	Prescott
North Alabama Regulators	1st Sun	Drake Robey	256-313-0421	Woodville	Colorado River Regulators	2nd Sun & 4th Sat	Crowheart	928-505-2200	Lake Havasu
Vulcan Long Rifles	2nd Sat	Parson Henry Brown	205-541-2207	Hoover	NAZTY Bunch	3rd Sat	Tumbleweed Rose	928-899-8788	Flagstaff
Alabama Rangers	2nd Sun	Dead Horse Phil	205-531-7055	Brierfield	Lake Powell Gunslingers	3rd Sat	Bare Fist Jack	928-660-2104	Page
Cahaba Cowboys	3rd Sun	Duke Slade	205-854-0843	Birmingham	Los Vaqueros	3rd Sat	Buckeye Pete	520-548-8298	Tucson
Gallant Gunfighters	3rd Sun	Buck D. Law	256-504-4366	Hoover	Tonto Rim Marauders	3rd Sun	Silverado Cid	928-595-1230	Payson
Old York Shootists	4th Sun	Derringer Di	205-647-6925	Hoover	Mohave Marshals	3rd Sun & 5th Sat	D B Chester	928-231-9013	Kingman
<b>AR</b>					Altar Valley Pistoleros	3rd Sun & 5th Sun	Mean Raylean	520-235-0394	Tucson
White River Gang	1st Sat	Arkansas Tom	870-656-8431	Mountain Home	Arizona Yavapai Rangers	4th Sat	Whisperin Meadows	928-567-9227	Camp Verde
Critter Creek Citizens Vigilance	1st Sun	Evil Bob	903-701-3970	Fourke	Dusty Bunch Old Western Shooters	4th Sat	Squibber	602-309-4198	Casa Grande
Mountain Valley Vigilantes	1st Wkd	Christmas Kid	501-625-3554	Hot Springs	Colorado River Shootists	4th Sun	Boston Anniebelle	928-502-1298	Yuma
Outlaw Camp	2nd & 5th Sat	Ozark Red	501-362-2963	Heber Springs	Bordertown, Inc.	As Sch	Swift Water	520-883-1217	Tucson
Arkansas Lead Slingers	2nd Sat & 4th Sun	Dirty Dan Paladin	479-633-2107	Garfield	<b>CA</b>				
South Fork River Regulators	3rd Sat	Arkansas Harper	870-994-7227	Salem	Sunnyvale Regulators	1st & 3rd Mon Night	Shaniko Jack	650-464-3764	Cupertino
Judge Parker's Marshals	3rd Sat & Sun	Naildriver	479-651-2475	Fort Smith					
True Grit SASS	4th Sat & Sun	Tombstone Shadow	501-786-4440	Belleville					
<b>AZ</b>									
White Mountain Old West Shootists	1st & 3rd Sat	Fred Sharps	928-245-6276	Show Low					

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<b>CA (continued)</b>				
West End Outlaws	1st & 3rd Sat	Chickamauga Charlie	951-549-9304	Lytle Creek
Escondido Bandidos	1st Sat	Devil Jack	760-741-3229	Escondido
The Outlaws	1st Sat	Terrell Sackett	916-363-1648	Sacramento
Lassen Regulators	1st Sat	Bugtown Dusty	530-260-0806	Susanville
Two Rivers Posse	1st Sat & 4th Sun	Dragon	209-836-4042	Manteca
5 Dogs Creek	1st Sun	Mad Trapper of Rat River	661-589-7472	Bakersfield
River City Regulators	1st Sun	Point of Orgin	530-304-5616	Davis
Mother Lode Shootist Society	1st Sun	Sioux City Kid	209-795-4175	Jamestown
Hole In The Wall Gang	1st Sun	Frito Bandito	661-406-6001	Piru
Cajon Cowboys	2nd & 4th Sat	Pasture Patti	760-956-8852	Devore
Chorro Valley Regulators	2nd & 5th Sun	Mad Dog McCoy	805-440-7847	San Luis Obispo
Shasta Regulators Of Hat Creek	2nd Sat	Cayenne Pepper	530-275-3158	Burney
Coyote Valley Cowboys	2nd Sat	Bad Eye Bobolu	408-722-0583	Morgan Hill
Guns in the Sun	2nd Sat	Johnny 2moons	760-346-0972	Palm Springs
Buffalo Runners	2nd Sat	Grizzly Peak Jake	530-676-2997	Rescue
Dulzura Desperados	2nd Sat	Hashknife Willie	619-271-1481	San Diego
California Rangers	2nd Sat	Jimmy Frisco	209-296-4146	Sloughhouse
Double R Bar Regulators	2nd Sun	Five Jacks	760-949-3198	Lucerne Valley
High Sierra Drifters	2nd Sun	Grizzly Peak Jake	530-676-2997	Railroad Flat
Richmond Roughriders	2nd Sun	Buffy	650-994-9412	Richmond
Over The Hill Gang (The)	2nd Sun	Kooskia Kid	818-566-7900	Sylmar
Bridgeport Vigilantes	3rd Sat	Ben Maverick	909-496-3137	Bridgeport
Burro Canyon Gunslingers	3rd Sat	Don Trader	714-827-7360	Meyers Canyon
Nevada City Peacemakers	3rd Sat	Marlin Schofield	530-265-9213	Nevada City
North County Shootist Assoc.	3rd Sat	Graybeard	760-727-9160	Pala
Shasta Regulators	3rd Sat	Modoc	530-365-1839	Redding
Robbers Roost Vigilantes	3rd Sat	Nast Newt	760-375-7618	Ridgecrest
High Desert Cowboys	3rd Sun	Doc Silverhawks	661-948-2543	Acton
Kings River Regulators	3rd Sun	Sierra Rider	559-268-1115	Clovis
Panorama Northfield Raiders	3rd Sun	Gun Hawk	818-761-0512	North Hollywood
South Coast Rangers	3rd Sun	Lucky Blackjack Daniel	805-886-5945	Santa Barbara
Murieta Posse	3rd Sun	Grizzly Peak Jake	530-676-2997	Sloughhouse
Helldorado Rangers	3rd Sun	Will Bonner	707-462-1466	Ukiah
Hawkinsville Claim Jumpers	4th & 5th Sat	Lethal Les L'Amour	530-842-4506	Yreka
Mad River Rangers	4th Sat	Kid Kneestone	707-445-1981	Blue Lake
Coyote Valley Sharpshooters	4th Sat	Wif	408-448-3256	San Jose
Pozo River Vigilance Committee	4th Sat	Dirty Sally	805-438-4817	Santa Margarita
California Shady Ladies	4th Sat	Lady Gambler	916-447-2040	Sloughhouse
FaultLine Shootist Society	4th Sun	Querida	831-635-9147	Querida
The Range	4th Sun	Grass V.Federally	530-273-4440	Grass Valley
The Cowboys	4th Sun	Captain Jake	714-318-6948	Norco
Deadwood Drifters	4th Sun	Lusty Lil	661-775-3802	Piru
Sloughhouse Irregulars	5th Sat & Sun	Badlands Bud	530-677-0368	Sloughhouse
<b>CO</b>				
Colorado Cowboys	1st Sat	Painted Filly	719-439-6502	Lake George
Colorado Shaketails	1st Sun	Midnite Slim	719-660-2742	Fountain
San Juan Rangers	1st Sun	Kodiak Kid	970-252-1841	Montrose
Windygap Regulators	1st Wkd	Piedra Kidd	970-799-1133	Cortez
Briggsdale County Shootists	2nd & 4th Sat	Kid Bucklin	970-493-1813	Briggsdale
Vigilantes	2nd Sat	Grizz Bear	719-545-9463	Pueblo
Four Corners Rifle and Pistol Club	2nd Sun	Capt. W. K. Kelso	970-565-3840	Cortez
Montrose Marshals	2nd Sun	Big Hat	970-249-7701	Montrose
Ben Lomond High Plains Drifters	2nd Sun	Sand River Slim	303-771-1920	Ramah
Castle Peak Wildshots	2nd Wkd	Old Squinteye	970-524-9348	Gypsum
Pawnee Station	3rd Sat	Red Creek Dick Martin	303-857-0520	Nunn
Rockvale Bunch	3rd Sat	Cherokee Diabie	719-371-0172	Rockvale
Four Corners Gunslingers	3rd Sun	Cereza Slim	970-247-0745	Durango
Thunder Mountain Shootist	3rd Wkd	Pinto Annie	970-464-7118	Whitewater
Northwest Colorado Rangers	4th Sat	Sagebrush Burns	970-824-8407	Craig
Sand Creek Raiders	4th Sun	Sweet Water Bill	303-366-8827	Byers
Black Canyon Ghost Riders	4th Sun	Double Bit	970-874-8745	Hotchkiss
<b>CT</b>				
Ledyard Sidewinders	1st Sat	Yosemite Gene	860-536-0887	Ledyard
CT Valley Bushwackers	2nd Sun	Milo Sierra	860-508-2686	East Granby
<b>DE</b>				
Padens Posse	3rd Sun	Hazel Pepper	302-422-6534	Bridgeville
<b>FL</b>				
Ghost Town Gunslingers	1st Sat	Copenhagen	904-808-8559	St. Augustine
Gold Coast Gunslingers	1st Sat & 3rd Sun	George Washington McIntock	786-256-9542	Fort Lauderdale
Hernando County Regulators	1st Sun	Shady Brady	352-686-1055	Brooksville
Miakka Misfits	1st Sun	Serving Justice	914-219-7007	Myakka City
Fort White Cowboy Cavalry	2nd Sat	Deadly Sharpshoot	352-317-6284	Fort White
Okeechobee Marshals	2nd Sat & 4th Sun	Kid Celero	561-312-9075	Okeechobee

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<b>FL (continued)</b>				
Okeechobee Outlaws	2nd Sat & 4th Sun	Dead Wait	863-357-3006	Okeechobee
Tater Hill Gunfighters	2nd Sun	Judge JD Justice	941-629-4440	Arcadia
Weewahootee Vigilance Committee	2nd Sun	Conway Kid	407-273-9763	Orlando
Panhandle Cowboys	2nd Sun	High Card	850-492-5162	Pensacola
Southwest Florida Gunslingers	3rd Sat	Jed Lewis	239-455-4788	Punta Gorda
Big Bend Bushwhackers	3rd Sat	Sixpence Kid	850-459-1107	Tallahassee
Lake County Pistoleros	3rd Sat	Arcadia Outlaw	352-208-2788	Tavares
Panhandle Cattle Company	4th Sat	Desperado Dale	850-260-5507	Chipley
Cowford Regulators	4th Sat	General Lee Smokey	904-803-2930	Jacksonville
Indian River Regulators	4th Sat	Belligerent Orney Bob	321-403-2940	Palm Bay
OK Corral Outlaws	4th Sun	Kokomo Kid	863-357-2226	Okeechobee
Five County Regulators	4th Sun	Jed Lewis	239-455-4788	Punta Gorda
Doodle Hill Regulators	4th Sun	Dave Smith	813-645-3828	Ruskin
Antelope Junction Rangers	Fri nite & 2nd Sat	Mayeye Rider	727-736-3977	Pineallas Park
<b>GA</b>				
River Bend Rough Riders	1st Sat	Done Gone	770-361-6966	Dawsonville
American Old West Cowboys	1st Sat	Josey Buckhorn	423-236-5281	Flintstone
Valdosta Vigilance Committee	1st Sat	Big Boyd	229-244-3161	Valdosta
Lonesome Valley Regulators	1st Sun	Wishbone Hooper	478-922-9384	Warner Robins
Providence Springs Rangers	2nd Sat	Buckshot Bob	229-924-0997	Anderson
Doc Holliday's Immortals	2nd Sat	Easy Rider	770-954-9696	Griffin
Camden County Cowboys	2nd Sat	Christian Mortician	912-227-5683	Kingsland
Piedmont Regulators	2nd Sat	Hunter Sam	706-391-4630	Toccoa
South River Shootists	3rd Sat	Man From Little River	678-428-4240	Covington
Tennessee Mountain Marauders	3rd Sat	Trail Bones	423-842-6116	Ringgold
Cherokee Cowboys	4th Sat	Bad Lands Bob	706-654-0828	Gainesville
<b>HI</b>				
Maui Marshals	1st & 3rd Sat	Bad Burt	808-875-9085	Maui
Big Island Paniolos	3rd Sat	Paniolo Annie	808-640-3949	Ocean View
Single Action Shootist of Hawaii	4th Sun	Branded Buck	808-351-9260	Honolulu
<b>IA</b>				
Turkeyfoot Cowboys	1st Sat	Ranger Mathias Fischels	319-234-1550	Elk Run Heights
Fort Des Moines Rangers	1st Sun	Pit Mule	515-205-0557	Indianola
Zen Shootists	2nd Sat	Sergeant Duroc	515-783-4833	Nevada
Outlaw's Run	2nd Sun	Capt. Jim Midnight	712-621-5726	Red Oak
<b>ID</b>				
Gunslingers of Flaming Heart Ranch	1st Sat	Jughandle Jack	208-634-3121	Council
Southeast Idaho Practical Shooters	1st Sat	Hell's Belle	208-529-3594	Idaho Falls
Squaw Butte Regulators	1st Sun	Acequia Kidd	208-365-4551	Emmett
El Buscaderos	2nd & 4th Sun	Oddman	208-437-0496	Spirit Lake
Northwest Shadow Riders	2nd Sat	Silverado Belle	208-743-5765	Lewiston
Southern Idaho Rangers	2nd Sat	Lone Thumper	208-251-4959	Pocatello
Oregon Trail Rough Riders	2nd Sun & 3rd Sat	John Bear	208-562-1914	Boise
Hells Canyon Ghost Riders	3rd Sat	J.P. Sloe	208-798-0826	Moscow
Twin Butte Bunch	3rd Sat	Idaho Rusty Bucket	208-745-6150	Rexburg
Panhandle Regulators	3rd Sun	Halfcocked Otis	509-991-5842	Otis Orchards
Border Marauders	3rd Wkd	Mud Marine	208-627-8377	East Port
Snake River Western Shooting Society	4th Sat	Missy Mable	208-731-6387	Jerome
<b>IL</b>				
Shady Creek Shootists	1st & 4th Sun	Dapper Dan Porter	309-734-2324	Little York
Lakewood Marshal's	1st Sat	Pine Ridge Jack	618-838-9410	Cisne
Rangeless Riders (The)	1st Sat	The Inspector	618-972-7825	Highland
Kishwaukee Valley Regulators	1st Sun	Snakes Morgan	815-751-3716	Sycamore
Tri County Cowboys	2nd Sat	Sierra Hombre	815-967-6333	Hazelhurst
Kaskaskia Cowboys	2nd Sat	Wagonmaster Ward	618-443-3538	Sparta
Vermilion River Long Riders	2nd Sun	Lead Poison Lar	815-875-3674	Leonore
Nason Mining Company Regulators	3rd & 5th Sat	Diggins Dave	618-927-0594	Benton
Litchfield Sportsman's Club	3rd Sat	Ross Haney	618-667-9819	Litchfield
Fort Beggs Defenders	3rd Sun	Toronado	815-302-8305	Plainfield
Long Nine Cowboys	4th & 5th Sun	Lemon Drop Kid	217-787-4877	Loami
Good Guys Posse	4th Sun	Dangerous Denny	815-245-7264	Rockford
<b>IN</b>				
Paradise Pass Regulators (formerly Cutter's Raiders)	1st Sat	C. C. Top	574-354-7186	Etna Green
Atlanta Cattle Company	2nd Sat	Bear Creek Reverend	765-652-1525	Atlanta
Pleasant Valley Renegades	2nd Sat	Nomore Slim	812-839-3052	Canaan
Schuster's Rangers	2nd Sun	Coal Car Kid	219-759-3498	Chesterton
Pine Ridge Regulators	3rd Sat	Riverboat Gambler	765-832-7253	Brazil
Wolf's Rowdy Rangers	3rd Sat	Justice D. Spencer	574-536-4010	Bristol
Circle R Cowboys	3rd Sat	Mustang Bill	219-208-2793	Brookston
Westside Renegades	3rd Sat	Johnny Banjo	812-430-6421	Evansville
Wabash Rangers	4th Sat	Henry Remington	217-267-2820	Cayuga

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Starke County Desert	4th Sat	Whip Mccord	219-942-5859	Knox	Shoal Creek Shootists	3rd Sat	Chaos Jumbles	417-451-9959	Joplin
Big Rock SASS	4th Sat	Southpaw Too	812-866-2406	Lexington	Gateway Shootist Society	3rd Sun	Bounty Seeker	314-740-4665	St. Louis
Red Brush Raiders	4th Sat	Doc Goodluck	812-721-1188	Newburgh	Central Ozarks Western Shooters	3rd Sun	X. S. Chance	573-765-5483	St. Robert
Deer Creek Regulators	4th Sun	Doc Molar	765-506-0344	Jonesboro	Butterfield Trail Cowboys	4th Sat & Sun 3rd Wed	Smokie	417-759-9114	Walnut Shade
Wildwood Wranglers	4th Sun	Voodoooman	219-872-2721	Michigan City	Southern Missouri Rangers	4th Wkd	S. M. All	471-461-0033	Marshfield
Indiana Black Powder Guild	As Sch	C. C. Top	574-354-7186	Etna Green	<b>MS</b>				
<b>KS</b>					Natchez Sixgunners	1st Sat	Winchester	601-445-5223	Natchez
Butterfield Gulch Gang	1st Sun	Kanasa Flatlander	785-493-5682	Chapman	Gulf Coast Gunslingers	1st Sun	Old Rebel	228-860-0054	Biloxi
Free State Rangers	1st Sun & 3rd Sat	Buffalo Phil	913-898-4911	Parker	Mississippi Peacemakers	3rd Sat	Macon A. Longshot	601-954-3720	Mendenhall
Powder Creek Cowboys	2nd & 4th Sat & 4th Wed	El Dorado Wayne	913-686-5314	Lenexa	Mississippi River Rangers	4th & 5th Sat	Taska Jim	901-490-2600	Byhalia
Mill Brook Wranglers	2nd Sun	Grandpa Buckten Millbrook	785-421-2537	Hill City	<b>MT</b>				
Sandhill Regulators	3rd Sat	MoundRidge Goat Roper	620-345-3151	Hutchinson	Honorable Road Agents Shooting Society	1st Sat	Diamond Red	406-685-3618	Ennis
Capital City Cowboys	4th Sun	Top	785-313-0894	Topeka	Sun River Rangers Shooting Society	1st Sun & 4th Sat	Montana Lil' Skeeter	406-761-0896	Simms
Chisholm Trail Rowdies	Last Sun	Cody Wyatt	316-204-1784	Wichita	Makoshika Gunslingers	2nd Sat	Doc Wells	406-345-8901	Glendive
<b>KY</b>					Gallatin Valley Regulators	2nd Sat	El Hombre de Montana	406-388-2902	Logan
Kentucky Regulators	1st Sat	Shenandoah Slim	270-354-5040	Boaz	Black Horse Shootists	2nd Wkd	J. E. B. Stuart Montana	406-727-7625	Great Falls
Hooten Old Town Regulators	1st Sat	Double Eagle Dave	423-309-4146	Mckee	Rocky Mountain Rangers	2nd Wkd	Joeko	406-847-0745	Noxon
Knob Creek Gunfighters Guild	1st Sun	Buck Shot Jock	502-644-3453	West Point	Bigfork Buscaderos	3rd Sat	Bodie Camp	406-883-6797	Bigfork
Green River Gunslingers	2nd Sat	Yak	270-792-9001	Bowling Green	Last Chance Handgunners	3rd Sat	Bocephus Bandito	406-439-4476	Boulder
Levisa Fork Lead Slingers	2nd Sat	Escopeta Jake	606-631-4613	Pikeville	Custer County Stranglers	3rd Sat	Hartshot	406-232-0727	Miles City
Ponderosa Pines Posse	3rd Sat	Copperhead Joe	606-599-5263	Manchester	Montana Territory Peacemakers	4th Sat	Two Gun Montana	406-655-8166	Billings
Ohio River Rangers	3rd Sat	George Rogers	270-554-1501	Paducah	Lincoln County Regulators	4th Sat	Lady Belle	406-889-3658	Eureka
Breathitt Bandits	4th Sat	Slowly But Surely	606-666-4663	Jackson	<b>NC</b>				
Rockcastle Rangers	4th Sat	Grinnin Barrett	270-792-3196	Park City	Neuse River Regulators	1st & 3rd Sat	Newport Sodbuster	252-726-7977	New Bern
Fox Bend Peacemakers	4th Sun	Tocala Sam	859-552-9000	Wilmore	Old Hickory Regulators	1st Sat	Wendover Kid	252-908-0098	Rocky Mount
<b>LA</b>					Old North State Posse	1st Sat	Tracker Mike	336-558-9032	Salisbury
Deadwood Marshals	1st & 3rd Sat	Doc Spudley	504-467-6062	Sorrento	Carolina Rough Riders	1st Sun	Pecos Pete	704-394-1859	Charlotte
Grand Cane Gunslingers	1st Sat	Blackjack Charlie	318-925-9851	Grand Cane	Carolina Single Action Shooting Society	2nd & 5th Sun	Carolina's Longarm	919-383-7567	Eden
Bayou Bounty Hunters	2nd Sat	Soiled Dove	985-796-9698	Folsom	High Country Cowboys	2nd Sat	Wild Otter	828-423-7796	Asheville
Grand Ecore Vigilantes	3rd Sat	Ouachita Kid	318-932-6637	Natchitoches	Carolina Cattlemen's Shooting and Social Society	2nd Sat	J. M. Brown	919-291-1726	Creedmore
Jackson Hole Regulators	4th Sat	Slick McClade	318-278-9071	Quitman	Buccaneer Range Regulators	2nd Sat	Jefro	910-330-7179	Wilmington
<b>MA</b>					Gunpowder Creek Regulators	3rd Sat	Herdzman	828-493-1679	Lenoir
Cape Cod Cowboys	4th Sat	Curly Jay Brooks	508-477-7771	Mashpee	Cross Creek Cowboys	3rd Sat	Huckleberry Mike	910-980-0572	Wagram
Shawshen River Rangers	As Sch	Yukon Willie	978-663-3342	Bedford	Iredell Regulators	4th Sat	Charlotte	704-902-1796	Statesville
Harvard Ghost Riders	As Sch	Double R Bar Kid	978-771-9190	Harvard	<b>ND</b>				
Danvers Desperados	As Sch	Cyrus Cy Kloppe	781-667-2857	Middleton	Trestle Valley Rangers	2nd Sat	Doc Hell	701-852-1697	Minot
Gunnysackers	Sat	Nantucket Dawn	781-749-6951	Scituate	Badlands Bandits	2nd Sun	Roughrider Ray	701-260-0347	Belfield
<b>MD</b>					Dakota Rough Riders	As Sch	Heck Catcher	701-220-8131	Moffit
Eas'dern Shore Renegades	1st Sat	Teton Tracy	302-378-7854	Sudlersville	Sheyenne Valley Peacekeepers	Last Sat	Wild River Rose	701-588-4331	Kindred
Thurmont Rangers	1st Sun	Cash Caldwell	240-285-7673	Thurmont	<b>NE</b>				
Monocacy Irregulars	2nd Sat	Church Key	304-229-8266	Frederick	Platte Valley Gunslingers	1st Sun	Firewater	308-226-2255	Grand Island
Damascus Wildlife Rangers	4th Sat	Chuckaroo	301-831-9666	Damascus	Eastern Nebraska Gun Club	2nd Sun	Flint Valdez	712-323-8996	Louisville
<b>ME</b>					Flat Water Shootists of the Grand Island Rifle Club	3rd Sun	Forty Four Maggie	308-383-4605	Grand Island
Big Pine Bounty Hunters	As Sch	Ripley Scrounger	207-876-4928	Willmantic	<b>NH</b>				
Capitol City Vigilance Committee	As Sch	Mark Lake	207-622-9400	Augusta	The Dalton Gang Shooting Club of NH	3rd Wkd	Littleton S. Dalton	603-444-6876	Dalton
Beaver Creek Desperados	As Sch	Jimmy Reb	207-698-4436	Berwick	Pemi Valley Peacemakers	As Sch	Bear Lee Tallable	603-667-0104	Holderness
Hurricane Valley Rangers	As Sch	Leo	207-829-3092	Falmouth	White Mountain Regulators	As Sch	Dead Head	603-772-2358	Candia
<b>MI</b>					Merrimack Valley Marauders	As Sch	Sheriff R. P. Bucket	603-345-6876	Pelham
Rockford Regulators	1st Sat	No Cattle	616-363-2827	Rockford	<b>NJ</b>				
Blue Water Gunslingers	1st Sun	Buggyman	810-434-9597	Kimball	Monmouth County Rangers	2nd Sun	Utah Tom	732-803-2430	Monmouth
River Bend Rangers	2nd Sat	Pitmaster	574-276-8805	Niles	Delaware Blues	2nd Sun	Yellow Mike	302-750-2381	Quinton
Double Barrel Gang	2nd Sat	Dakota Fats	269-721-8190	Hastings	Jackson Hole Gang	4th Sun	Papa Grey	732-961-6834	Jackson
Butcher Butte Bunch	2nd Sun	Grubby Hardrock	810-750-0655	Fenton	<b>NM</b>				
Sucker Creek Saddle and Gun Club	3rd Sat	Kid Al Fred	989-832-8426	Breckenridge	Magdalena Trail Drivers	1st & 3rd Sat	Grizzly Adams	575-854-2488	Magdalena
Chippewa Regulators	3rd Sat	No Name Justice	906-632-1254	Sault Ste. Marie	Del Norte Diablos	1st & 4th Sat	Nevada Ranger	505-220-0892	Rio Rancho
Hidden Valley Cowboys	3rd Sun	Saulk Valley Stubby	269-651-5197	Sturgis	Founders Ranch Shotgun Sports Club	1st Sat	Mrs. Slick Shot	505-934-2533	Edgewood
Rocky River Regulators	3rd Sun	Terrebonne Bud	248-709-5254	Utica	Bighorn Vigilantes	1st Sat	German George	505-286-0830	Founders Ranch
Eagleville Cowboys	4th Sat	One Son of A Gun	231-676-0922	Central Lake	Otero Practical Shooting Association	1st Sat	Saguaro Sam	505-437-3663	La Luz
Johnson Creek Regulators	4th Sat	Rainmaker Ray	313-618-2577	Plymouth	Buffalo Range Riders	1st Sun	Shanley Shooter	505-252-0589	Founders Ranch
Mason County Marshals	4th Sat	Two Gun Troll	231-343-2580	Scottsville	Chisum Cowboy Gun Club	1st Sun	Two Bit Tammy	575-626-9201	Roswell
Wolverine Rangers	As Sch	R.J. Law	248-828-0440	Port Huron	High Desert Drifters	2nd Sat	Shakey Shooter	505-294-3233	Founders Ranch
Saginaw Field & Stream Club	As Sch	Bad River Marty	989-585-3292	Saginaw	Lincoln County Regulators	2nd Sat	Gunsmoke Cowboy	575-808-0459	Ruidoso
Lapeer County Sportsmans Club Wranglers	Sun As Ash	Flat Water Johnny	314-378-5689	Attica	Rio Grande Renegades	2nd Wed, 3rd Sat, 4th Sun, 5th Sat & Sun	Mica McGuire	505-263-1181	Albuquerque
<b>MN</b>					Gila Rangers	2nd Wkd	Chico Cheech	575-388-2531	Silver City
Cedar Valley Vigilantes	1st & 3rd Sat	D M Yankee	612-701-9719	Morristown	Monticello Range Riders	3rd & 5th Sun	J. W. Brockey	575-744-4484	Elephant Butte
Crow River Rangers	1st Sun	Cantankerous Jeb	763-682-3710	Howard Lake	Seven Rivers Regulators	3rd Sat	Stink Creek Jones	575-885-9879	Carlsbad
Granite City Gunslingers	2nd & 5th Sat	Amen Straight	612-723-2313	Saint Cloud					
Lone Rock Rangers	2nd Sat	Red Dutchman	651-402-0368	Farmington					
Lookout Mountain Gunsmoke Society	2nd Sat	Wagonmaster	218-780-6797	Virginia					
Fort Belmont Regulators	2nd Sun	Mule Town Jack	507-840-0883	Jackson					
East Grand Forks Rod & Gun Club	3rd Sun	BB Gunner	218-779-8555	East Grand Forks					
<b>MO</b>									
Ozark Posse (The)	1st Sat	Tightwad Swede	417-846-5142	Cassville					
West Plains Waddies	2nd & 5th Sat	Major Missalot	417-284-1432	Tecumseh					
Moniteau Creek River Raiders	2nd Sun	Doolin Riggs	573-687-3103	Fayette					

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Club Name	Sched.	Contact	Phone	City
<b>NM (continued)</b>				
Monument Springs Bushwhackers	4th Sat	Val Darrant	575-396-5303	Hobbs
Picacho Posse	4th Sat	Fast Hammer	575-647-3434	Las Cruces
Tres Rios Bandidos	4th Sun	Largo Casey	505-330-2489	Farmington
Rio Vaqueros	4th Sun	Anna Sassin	575-744-5793	Truth or Consequences
<b>NV</b>				
Fort Halleck Volunteers	1st & 3rd Sat	Green Springs Thomsen	775-753-8203	Elko
High Plains Drifters	1st Sun	Washoe Zephyr	775-721-6619	Fernley
Eldorado Cowboys	1st Wkd	Charming	702-565-3736	Boulder City
Nevada Rangers Cowboy Action Shooting Society	2nd Sun	MT Fargo	702-460-6393	Las Vegas
Roop County Cowboy Shooters Assn.	2nd Sun	Jasper Agate	775-849-7679	Sparks
Silver State Shootists	3rd Sun	Shotgun Marshall	775-265-0267	Carson City
Desert Desperados	3rd Sun	Buffalo Sam	702-459-6454	Las Vegas
Lone Wolf Shooters, LLC	4th & 5th Sun	Penny Pepperbox	775-727-4600	Pahrump
<b>NY</b>				
Crumhorn Mountain Cowboys	1st & 4th Sun	Lefty Cooper	607-287-9261	Maryland
Alabama Gunslingers	1st Sat	Bum Thumb	585-343-3906	Alabama
Tioga County Cowboys	1st Sat	Dusty Drifter	607-659-3819	Owego
Boot Hill Regulators	1st Sun	Judge Zaney Grey	845-352-7921	Chester
Pathfinder Pistoleros	1st Sun	Sonny	315-695-7032	Fulton
Salt Port Vigilance Committee	2nd Sat	Twelve Bore	585-613-8046	Holley
Bar-20 Inc.	2nd Sat	Badlands Buck	315-637-3492	West Eaton
Hole In The Wall Gang	3rd Sat	El Fusilero	631-864-1035	Calverton
Diamond Four	3rd Sat	Kayutah Kid	607-796-0573	Odessa
Circle K Regulators	3rd Sun	Smokehouse Dan	518-885-3758	Ballston Spa
Sackets Harbor Vigilantes	4th Sun	Ranger Clayton Conagher	315-465-6543	Sackets Harbor
The Long Riders	4th Sun	Loco Poco Lobo	585-467-4429	Shortsville
D Bar D Wranglers	4th Sun	Captain M.A.F	845-226-8611	Wappingers Fall
Mythical Rough Riders	5th Sun	Rev Dave Clayton	716-838-4286	Hamburg
The Shadow Riders	As Sch	Dusty Levis	646-284-4010	Westhampton Beach
East End Regulators	Last Sun	Diamond Rio	631-585-1936	Westhampton
<b>OH</b>				
Big Irons	1st Sat	Deadwood Stan	513-894-3500	Middletown
Tusco Long Riders	1st Sat	Prairie Dawg	216-932-7630	Midvale
Greene County Cowboys	1st Sun	Ruger Ray	937-352-6420	Xenia
Firelands Peacemakers	1st Wed, 3rd Sat & 5th Sun	Angry Angus	440-647-5909	Rochester
Sandusky County Regulators	2nd Sat	Curtice Clay	419-836-8760	Gibsonburg
Shenango River Rats	2nd Sat & Last Thurs	Shenango Joe	330-782-0958	Yankee Lake
Miami Valley Cowboys	2nd Sun	Buckshot Jones	937-418-7816	Piqua
Scioto Territory Desperados	3rd & 5th Sun	Pickaway Tracker	740-477-1881	Chillicothe
Wilmington Rough Riders	3rd Sat	Paragon Pete	740-626-7667	Wilmington
AuGlaize Rough Riders	3rd Sun	Deputy Diamond Desperado	419-722-6345	Defiance
Brown Township Regulators	4th Sat	Sandy Creek Jake	330-863-1139	Malvern
Ohio Valley Vigilantes	4th Sat	Slow Movin Ron	614-599-0721	Mt. Vernon
Central Ohio Cowboys	4th Sun	Stagecoach Hannah	614-868-9821	Circleville
Stonelick Regulators	As Sch	Carson	513-753-6462	Milford
<b>OK</b>				
Rattlesnake Mountain Rangers	1st & 2nd Sat	Black River Jack	918-908-0016	Checotah
Shortgrass Rangers	1st Sat & 3rd Sun	Oklahoma Spuds	405-640-5650	Grandfield
Cherokee Strip Shootists	1st Sun	Scott Wayne	405-377-0610	Stillwater
Tulsey Town Cattleman's Association	2nd & 4th Sat 3rd Sun	Curly Thom Mabry	918-376-4376	Tulsa
Indian Territory Single Action Shooting Society	2nd & 5th Sun, 3rd Sat, 4th Wed	Little Fat Buddy	918-437-4562	Sand Springs
Oklahoma City Gun Club - Territorial Marshals	2nd Sat & 4th Sun	Flat Top Okie	405-373-1472	Oklahoma City
<b>OR</b>				
Horse Ridge Pistoleros	1st & 3rd Sun	Big Casino	541-389-2342	Bend
Molalla River Rangers	1st Sat	Gold Dust Bill	503-705-1211	Canby
Merlin Marauders	1st Sat	Mountain Grizz	253-208-1105	Merlin
Dry Gulch Desperados	1st Sat	Runamuck	509-520-3241	Milton
Siuslaw River Rangers	1st Sun	Johnny Jingos	541-997-6313	Freewater
Table Rock Rangers	1st Sun & 2nd Sat	Jed I. Knight	541-944-2281	Florence White City
Pine Mountain Posse	2nd & 4th Wkd	Whisperin' Wade	541-318-8199	Bend
Klamath Cowboys	2nd Sun & 4th Sat	Jasper Wayne	541-884-2611	Keno
Jefferson State Regulators	3rd Sat	Jed I. Knight	541-944-2281	Ashland
Horse Ridge Pistoleros	3rd Sat	Big Casino	541-389-2342	Bend
Oregon Trail Regulators	3rd Sat	Willie Killeen	541-443-6591	La Grande
Orygun Cowboys	3rd Sat	Kansan	503-539-6335	Sherwood
Oregon Old West Shooting Society	3rd Sun & 4th Sat	Tuffy Tumbleweed	541-619-7381	Albany

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<b>OR (continued)</b>				
Umpqua Regulators	4th Sun	Oregon Gustaf	541-430-1021	Roseburg
Columbia County Cowboys	As Sch	Kitty Colt	503-642-4120	St. Helens
<b>PA</b>				
Perry County Regulators	1st Sat	Tuscarora Slim	717-789-3004	Ickesburg
Dry Gulch Rangers	1st Sat	Pep C. Holic	724-263-1461	Midway
Conestoga Wagoners	1st Sun	No Change	215-431-2302	Southampton
Boot Hill Gang of Tipton	1st Sun	Lester Moore	610-704-6792	Topton
Whispering Pines Cowboy Committee	1st Sun	Panama Red	814-945-6922	Wellsboro
Chimney Rocks Regulators	2nd Sat	Hattie Hubbs	814-515-2166	Hollidaysburg
Logans Ferry Regulators	2nd Sat	Mariah Kid	412-607-5313	Plum Borough
Heidelberg Lost Dutchmen	2nd Sat	Ivory Rose	717-627-0694	Schaeffers-town
Westshore Posse	2nd Sun	Hud McCoy	717-683-2632	New Cumberland
Dakota Badlanders (The)	2nd Sun	Timberland Renegade	610-434-1923	Orefield
River Junction Shootist Society	3rd Sat	Mattie Hays	724-593-6602	Donegal
Jefferson Outlaws	3rd Sat	Red-Eyed Kid	443-392-1615	Jefferson
Blue Mountain Rangers	3rd Sun	Cathy Fisher	610-488-0619	Hamburg
Matamoras Mavericks	3rd Sun	Hammerin Steel	570-296-5853	Milford
Silver Lake Bounty Hunters	3rd Sun	Marshal T. J. Buckshot	570-663-3045	Montrose
Purgatory Regulators	3rd Wkd	Dry Gulch Geezer	814-827-2120	Titusville
Elstonville Hombres	4th Sun	Trusty Sidekick	610-939-9947	Manheim
El Posse Grande	4th Sun	Black Hills Barb	570-538-9163	Muncy Valley
Stewart's Regulators	4th Sun	Sodbuster Burt	724-479-8838	Shelocta
<b>RI</b>				
Lincoln County Lawmen	4th Sun	Wyoming Blink	401-385-9907	Foster
<b>SC</b>				
Palmetto Posse	1st Sat	Dun Gamblin	803-422-5587	Columbia
Hurricane Riders	3rd Sat	Saloon Keeper	843-361-2277	Aynor
Savannah River Rangers	3rd Sun	Kid Ray	803-960-3907	Gaston
Geechee Gunfighters	4th Sat	Doc Kemm	843-863-0649	Ridgeville
Greenville Gunfighters	4th Sun	Cowboy Junky	864-414-5578	Greenville
<b>SD</b>				
Medicine Creek Road Agents	1st Sun	Iron Mender	605-222-5145	Onida
Cottonwood Cowboy Association	2nd Sun	Dakota Nailbender	605-520-5212	Clark
Bald Mountain Renegades	As Sch	Cottonwood Cooter	605-280-1413	Faulkton
<b>TN</b>				
Bitter Creek Rangers	1st 2nd & 3rd Sun	Oracle	423-334-4053	Crossville
Greene County Regulators	1st Sat	Boozy Creek	423-279-0316	Rogersville
Wartrace Regulators	1st Sat & 3rd Sat	Whiskey Hayes	931-684-2709	Wartrace
Memphis Gunslingers	2nd Sat	Cherokee Sargent	901-674-8220	Arlington
Smoky Mountain Shootist Society	2nd Sat	Jim Mayo	865-300-4666	Lenoir City
ORSA's Oak Ridge Outlaws	2nd Sat	Hombre Sin Nombre	865-257-7747	Oak Ridge
Tennessee Mountain Marauders	3rd Sat	Double Barrel	423-593-3767	Chattanooga
North West Tennessee Longriders	3rd Sat	Can't Shoot Dillion	731-885-8102	Union City
Highland Regulators	3rd Wkd	Iron Maiden	423-628-2715	Winfield
Ocoee Rangers	4th Sat	Ocoee Red	423-476-5303	Cleveland
<b>TX</b>				
Comanche Trail Shootists	1st & 5th Sat	Dee Horne	432-557-0860	Midland
Texas Tumbleweeds	1st Sat	Cayenne	806-355-7158	Amarillo
Texas Troublemakers	1st Sat	Lefty Tex Larue	903-539-7234	Brownsboro
Plum Creek Carriage Cowboy Shooting Society	1st Sat	Long Juan	512-750-3923	Lockhart
South Texas Pistoleros	1st Sat	Cibolo Sam	210-213-7746	San Antonio
Texas Peacemakers	1st Sat	Deadeye Greg	903-593-8215	Tyler
Orange County Regulators	1st Sat & 3rd Sun	Texas Gator	409-243-3477	Orange
El Vaqueros	1st Sun	Tom Burden	254-559-7240	Breckenridge
Thunder River Renegades	1st Wkd	Texas Rooster	936-588-6849	Magnolia
Texas Riviera Pistoleros	2nd Sat	Stinkng Badger	361-9374845	George West
Lajitas Rangers And Rogues	2nd Sat	Texas Trouble	915-603-1366	Lajitas
Travis County Regulators	2nd Sat	Cherokee Granny	979-561-6202	Smithville
Texas Tenhorns Shooting Club	2nd Sat & Last Full Wkd	Mustang Sherry	903-815-8162	Greenville
Rio Grande Valley Vaqueros	2nd Sun	Dream Chaser	956-648-7364	Pharr
Lone Star Frontier Shooting Club	2nd Wkd	Long Range Rick	817-980-7206	Cleburne
Texican Rangers	2nd Wkd	Red Scott	210-316-0199	Fredericksburg
Canadian River Regulators	2nd, 3rd & 5th Sat	Adobe Walls Shooter	806-679-5824	Clarendon
Old Fort Parker Patriots	3rd Wkd	Colt Faro	832-472-3278	Groesbeck
Big Thicket Outlaws	3rd Sat	Shynee Graves	409-860-5526	Beaumont

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<b>TX (continued)</b>				
Tejas Caballeros	3rd Sat	Judge Menday Coming	512-964-9955	Dripping Springs
Gruesome Gulch Gang	3rd Sat	Eli Blue	806-293-2909	Plainview
Alamo Area Moderators	3rd Sat	Tombstone Mary	210-493-9320	San Antonio
Cottonwood Creek Cowboys	3rd Sat	Pecos Cahill	325-575-5039	Snyder
Texas Historical Shootist Society	3rd Sun	Charles Goodnight	281-342-1210	Columbus
Trinity Valley Regulators	3rd Sun	Grumpy Grandpa	972-206-2624	Mansfield
Badlands Bar 3	3rd Wkd	T-Bone Dooley	903-272-9283	Clarksville
Butterfield Trail Regulators	4th Sat	Texas Slim	325-668-4884	Anson
Comanche Valley Vigilantes	4th Sat	Billy Bob Evans	972-393-2882	Cleburne
Green Mountain Regulators	4th Sat	Bar Diamond Rider	512-638-7376	Marble Falls
Tejas Pistoleros	4th Sat & Sun	Texas Paladin	713-690-5313	Eagle Lake
Tin Star Texans	4th Sat.	Mickey	830-685-3464	Fredericksburg
Magnolia Misfits	4th Sun	Attoyac Kid	281-448-8127	Magnolia
<b>UT</b>				
Three Peaks Rangers	1st & 3rd Sat	Curly Jim Whiskus	435-590-9873	Cedar City
Big Hollow Bandits	1st Sat	Cinch	435-724-2575	Heber
North Rim Regulators	1st Sat	Autum Rose	435-644-5053	Kanab
Copenhagen Valley Regulators	1st Sat	M.T. Pockets	801-920-4047	Mantua
Utah Territory Gunslingers	1st Sat	Lefty Pete	801-554-9436	Salt Lake City
Musinia Buscaderos	1st. Sat	Buffalo Juan	435-528-7432	Mayfield
Dixie Desperados/Senior Games	2nd & 4th Sat	The Alaskan	435-635-3134	St. George
Deseret Historical Shootist Society	2nd Sat	Old Fashioned	435-224-2321	Fruit Heights
Rio Verde Rangers	2nd Sat	Doc Nelson	435-564-8210	Green River
Cache Valley Vaqueros	2nd Sat	Logan Law	435-787-8131	Logan
Hobble Creek Wranglers	2nd Sat	Hobble Creek Marshall	801-489-7681	Springville
Wahsatch Desperados	2nd Sun	Sly Steadyhand	801-546-4843	Fruit Heights
Wasatch Summit Regulators	2nd Sun	Old Fashioned	435-224-2321	Salt Lake City
Utah War	3rd & 5th Sat	Jubal O. Sackett	801-944-3444	Sandy
Mesa Marauders Gun Club	3rd Sat	Copper Queen	435-979-4665	Lake Powell
Diamond Mountain Rustlers	3rd Sat	Cinch	435-724-2575	Vernal
Castle Gate Posse	4th Sat	Rowdy Hand	435-637-8209	Price
<b>VA</b>				
Pungo Posse Cowboy Action Club	1st & 2nd Sat	Missouri Marshal	757-471-3396	Waverly
Liberty Long Riders	1st Sun	Thunder Colt	540-296-0772	Bedford
Cavalier Cowboys County	1st Sun	Striker	804-339-8442	Hanover
Virginia City Marshals	1st Tues	Humphrey Hook	703-801-3507	Fairfax
Blue Ridge Regulators	2nd Sun	Bad Company	540-886-3374	Lexington
K.C.'s Corral	3rd Sat	Virginia Rifleman	804-550-2242	Mechanicsville
Mattaponi Sundowners	3rd Sun & 4th Sat	Flatboat Bob	804-785-2575	West Point
Pepper Mill Creek Gang	4th Sun	Slip Hammer Spiv	540-775-4561	King George
Bend of Trail	4th Sun	Rowe - A - Noc	540-890-6375	Roanoke
Rivanna Ranger Company	As Sch	Virginia Ranger	434-973-8759	Charlottesville
Stovall Creek Regulators	As Sch	Brizco-Z	434-929-1063	Lynchburg
<b>VT</b>				
Verdant Mountain Vigilantes	2nd Sun	Doc McCoy	802-363-7162	St. Johnsbury
<b>WA</b>				
Northeast Washington Regulators	1st Wkd	Crazy Knife Al	509-684-8057	Colville
Mica Peak Marshals	1st & 3rd Sat	Tensleep Kid	509-284-2461	Mica
Panhandle Regulators	1st & 3rd Sun	Halfcocked Otis	509-991-5842	Otis Orchards
Renton United Cowboy Action Shooters	1st Wkd	Jess Ducky	425-271-9286	Renton
Windy Plains Drifters	2nd & 4th Sat	Hopalong Hoot	509-220-9611	Medical Lake
Wolverton Mountain Peace Keepers	2nd Sat	Hellfire	360-513-9081	Ariel
Pataha Rustlers	2nd Sat	Pinto Annie	509-520-2789	Dayton
Mima Marauders	2nd Sat	Okie Sawbones	360-705-3601	Olympia
Smokey Point Desperados	2nd Sun	Mudflat Mike	425-335-5176	Arlington
Colville Guns and Roses	2nd Sun	Cheyence Sadie	509-684-3632	Colville
Apple Valley Marshals	3rd Sat	Wiley Bob	509-884-3827	East Wenatchee
Olympic Peninsula Strait Shooters	3rd Sun	Doc Neeley	360-417-0230	Port Angeles
Black River Regulators	4th Sat	Wil Sackett	360-786-0199	Littlerock
Custer Renegades	4th Sun	Joe Cannuck	360-676-2587	Custer
Rattlesnake Gulch Rangers	Last Sat	Ricochet Robbie	509-628-0889	Benton City
Beazley Gulch Rangers	Last Sun	An E. Di	509-787-1782	Quincy
<b>WI</b>				
Rock River Regulators	1st & 3rd Sat	Stoney Mike	608-868-5167	Beloit

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<b>WI (continued)</b>				
Bristol Plains Pistoleros	2nd Sun	Huckleberry	815-675-2566	Bristol
Crystal River Gunslingers	2nd Sun	James Rosewood	920-722-4105	Waupaca
Wisconsin Old West Shootist, Inc	2nd Sun & 4th Sat	Blackjack Martin	715-949-1621	Boyceville
Hodag Country Cowboys	3rd Sat	Hodag Bob	715-550-8337	Rhineland
Liberty Prairie Regulators	3rd Sat	Dirty Deeds	920-229-5833	Ripon
Oconomowoc Cattlemen's Association	4th Sat	Marvin the Moyle	414-254-5592	Concord
<b>WV</b>				
Dawn Ghost Riders	1st Sun	Coffee Bean	304-327-9884	Hinton
Frontier Regulators	2nd Sat	Captain Tay	304-265-5748	Thorton
The Railtown Rowdys	2nd Sun	Miss Print	304-589-6162	Bluefield
Rocky Holler Regulators	3rd Sun	Jessee Earp	304-425-2023	Princeton
Kanawha Valley Regulators	3rd Wkd	Eddie Rebel	304-397-6188	Eleanor
Cowboy Action Shooting Sports	4th Sun	Last Word	304-289-6098	Largent
Peacemaker National	As Sch	Cole McCulloch	703-789-3346	Gerrardstown
<b>WY</b>				
Border Vigilantes	1st Sat	Assassin	307-287-6733	Cheyenne
Colter's Hell Justice Committee WSAS	1st Sat	Yakima Red	307-254-2090	Various
Bessemer Vigilance Committee	1st Sun & 3rd Sat	Smokewagon Bill	307-472-1926	Casper
High Lonesome Drifters	2nd Sat	Kari Lynn	307-587-2946	Cody
Sybilie Creek Shooters	2nd Sat	Wyoming Roy	307-322-3515	Wheatland
Southfork Vigilance Committee WSAS	2nd Wkd	Wennoff Halfcock	507-332-5035	Lander
Powder River Justice Committee WSAS	3rd Sun	Doc Fehr	307-683-3320	Buffalo
Great Divide Outlaws	4th Sat	Slingn Lead	307-324-6955	Rawlins
Donkey Creek Shootists	4th Sun	Poker Jim	307-660-0221	Gillette
Snake River Rowdies	As Sch	Sheriff John R. Quigley	307-733-4559	Jackson
<b>WILD BUNCH USA</b>				
<b>AK</b>				
Alaska 49ers	3rd Sat	Marshal Stone	907-232-1080	Birchwood
<b>AZ</b>				
Cowtown Wild Bunch Shooters	1st Sat	Wild Bodie Tom	602-721-3175	Carefree
NATZY Bunch	3rd Sun	Tumbleweed Rose	928-899-8788	Flagstaff
Bordertown, Inc.	As Sch	Pecos Clyde	480-266-1096	Tucson
<b>CA</b>				
Hole in the Wall Gang	1st Sat	Frederick Jackson Turner	818-640-0945	Piru
Gold Country Wild Bunch	3rd Sat	Sutter Lawman	530-713-4194	Sloughouse
<b>CO</b>				
Castle Peak Wildshots	1st Sat	Old Squinteye	970-524-9348	Gypsum
Thunder Mountain Shootists	2nd Sat	Colorado Blackjack	970-260-5432	White Water
<b>FL</b>				
Ghost Town Gunslingers	1st Sat	Copenhagen	904-808-8559	St. Augustine
Lake County Pistoleros	As Sch	Chilly Willy	863-289-2252	Tavares
<b>ID</b>				
Squaw Butte Regulators	1st Sun	Acequia Kidd	208-365-4551	Emmett
<b>IL</b>				
Kaskaskia Cowboys	As Sch	Boben Weev	618-632-0712	Sparta
<b>IN</b>				
Pine Ridge Regulators	1st Wkd	Riverboat Gambler	765-832-7253	Brazil
<b>MI</b>				
Rocky River Regulators	As Sch	Coyote Claxton	810-247-1065	Utica
<b>MO</b>				
Butterfield Trail Cowboys	4th Wkd	Smokie	417-759-9114	Walnut Shade
<b>NC</b>				
Carolina Cattlemen's Shooting and Social Society	4th Sat	J. M. Brown	919-291-1726	Creedmore
<b>NM</b>				
Tres Rios Bandidos	2nd Sun	El Mulo Vacquero	505-632-9712	Farmington
Rio Grande Renegades	3rd Sun	Mica McGuire	505-263-1181	Albuquerque
Los Pistoleros	4th Sat	J. Frank Norfleet	575-648-2530	Founders Ranch
Picacho Posse	4th Sat	Fast Hammer	575-647-3434	Las Cruces
<b>NV</b>				
Lone Wolf Shooters LLC	4th & 5th Wkd	Penny Pepperbox	775-727-4600	Pahrump
<b>OH</b>				
Big Irons (Wild Bunch)	As Sch	Deadwood Stan	513-894-3500	Middletown
<b>OK</b>				
Cherokee Strip Shootists	1st Sat	Scott Wayne	405-377-0610	Stillwater
Oklahoma City Gun Club - Territorial Marshals	2nd Sun	Flat Top Okie	405-373-1472	Oklahoma City
<b>SC</b>				
Greenville Gunfighters	5th Sun	Hondo Jackson	864-414-1968	Greenville
<b>TN</b>				
Wartrace Regulators	3rd Sat	Papa Dave	931-723-7896	Wartrace
<b>TX</b>				
Comanche Valley Vigilantes	4th Sat	Billy Bob Evans	972-393-2882	Cleburne

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<b>WILD BUNCH USA (Continued)</b>				
<b>TX (continued)</b>				
Lone Star Frontier Shooting Club	Wkd	Long Ranger Rick	817-980-7206	Albany
<b>UT</b>				
Wasatch Summit Regulators	4th Sun	Old Fashioned	435-224-2324	Salt Lake City
<b>WI</b>				
Hodag Country Cowboys	1st Sat	Hodag Bob	715-550-8337	Rhineland
Western Wisconsin	2nd Sat	Flyen Doc Koyote	608-790-3260	Holmen
<b>WV</b>				
Kanawha Valley Regulators	3rd Wkd	Eddie Rebel	304-397-6188	Eleanor
<b>INTERNATIONAL</b>				
<b>DOWN UNDER</b>				
<b>AUSTRALIA</b>				
Gold Coast Gamblers	1st & 3rd Sat	Dagger Jack	61 75 537 5857	Gold Coast
Adelaide Pistol & Shooting Club	1st Sat & 3rd Sun	Lobo Malo	61 08 284 8459	Korunye
Westgate Marauders	2nd Sun	Stampede Pete	61 393 695 939	Port Melbourne
Little River Raiders	3rd Sun	Lazy Dave	61 40 377 7926	Little River
SASA Little River Raiders Single Action Club	3rd Sun	Tiresome	61 25 978 0190	Melbourne
Cowboy Action Shooters of Australia	3rd Wkd	I.D.	61 29 975 7983	Teralba
Fort Bridger Shooting Club	4th Sun	Duke York	61 418 632 366	Drouin
SASA Single Action Shooting Australia	Sat & Sun	Virgil Earp	61 74 695 2050	Millmerran
<b>NEW ZEALAND</b>				
Trail Blazers Gun Club	1st Sun	Sudden Lee	sudden@farm side.co.nz	Mill Town
Bullet Spittin Sons O' Thunder	2nd Sat	Billy Deadwood	64 63 564 720	Palmerston N.
Wairarapa Pistol and Shooting Club	2nd Sun	Doc Hayes	64 63 796 692	Gladstone
Frontier & Western Shooting Sports Association	2nd Sun	Doc Hayes	64 63 796 692	Gladstone
Tararua Rangers	3rd Sun	J.E.B. Stuart	64 63 796 436	Carterton
Ashburton Pistol Club	3rd Sun AM	Shellie Jector	643 304 8401	Ashburton
Ashburton Pistol Club Wild Bunch Shooting	3rd Sun PM	Shellie Jector	643 304 8401	Ashburton
Western Renegades	4th Sat	Black Bart Bolton	64 27 249 6270	Wanganui
SASS Pistol New Zealand	As Sch	Tuscon the Terrible	64 32 042 089	Varies
<b>EUROPE</b>				
<b>AUSTRIA</b>				
Sweetwater Gunslingers Austria	As Sch	Fra Diabolo	43 664 490 8032	Vienna
<b>CZECH REPUBLIC</b>				
Association of Western Shooters	As Sch	Thunderman	42 060 322 2400	Preloc
<b>DENMARK</b>				
Danish Blackpowder Federation	As Sch	Slim Dane	45 20 655 887	Copenhagen
Association of Danish Western Shooters	As Sch	Mrs. Stowaway	45 602 013 65	Greve
<b>FINLAND</b>				
SASS Finland	As Sch	Woodbury Kane	35 850 517 4659	Various
Classic Old Western Society of Finland	As Sch	Woodbury Kane	35 850 517 4659	Loppi
<b>FRANCE</b>				
SASS France Golden Triggers of Freetown	1st Sun	Cheyenne Little Colibris	33 67 570 3678	Villefranche de Rouergue
L'Arquebuse d'Antony	2nd Sun	Jeppesen	33 1 4661 1798	Antony
SASS France Greenwood Creek	1st & 3rd Wkd	Handy Hook	33 68 809 1360	Bormes les Mimosas
Buffalo Valley	As Sch	Slye Buffalo	02 37 63 65 83	Châteauneuf-en-Thymerais
High Plains Shooters	As Sch	Jack Cooper	336 1384 5580	Clermont De L'oise
Association Mazaugaise de Tir	As Sch	Redneck Mike	33 494 280 145	Mazaugues
SASS France Alba Serena Tir Club	As Sch	Marshall Tombstone	09 62 53 83 32	Moriani
Old Pardis Shooting Society	As Sch	Charles Allan	33 1 4661 1798	Versailler
Club de Tir Beaujolais	As Sch	Woodrow the Wild Frenchie	33 047 838 0374	Villefranche sur Saone
Old West French Shooters	As Sch	Curly Red Ryder	33 3 8582 0203	Caromb
BERAC	As Sch	Reverend Delano L. Oakley	33 3 8020 3551	Premeaux Prissey
Club de Tir Brennou	As Sch	French Bob	33 024 767 5888	Varies
Reverend Oakley's Cowboy Klan	As Sch	Reverend Delano L. Oakley	333 802 03 551	Varies
Les Tireurs de l'uzege (Old West Gunfighters)	Every Sun	Marshal Dundee	33 04 66 759 529	Uzes
Black Rivers	Last Sun	Kid of Neckwhite	33 3 8526 3029	Roanne
Club de Tir de Bernay	Sat	Chriswood	33 2 3245 5900	Bernay
SASS France Yellow Rock	Sat	Little Shooting Missie	336 7555 8063	ECOT
Societe de Tir Bedoin Ventoux (Windy Mountain Vigilantes)	Sat-Sun	Sheriff Ch. Southpaw	33 490 351 973	Bedoin

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<b>FRANCE (continued)</b>				
Tir Olympique Lyonnais	Sun	Barth	33 6 1324 6128	Lyon
Club de tri de nuits Saint Georges	As Sch	Reverend Delano L. Oakley	33 38 020 3551	Nuits Saint Georges
Club de Tir Sportif de Touraine	As Sch	Major John Lawson	brisset37@hotmail.fr	Tours
CAS/SASS France	As Sch	Frenchie Boy	336 169 32 076	Varies
<b>GERMANY</b>				
Germany Territory Regulators	As Sch	REPHIL	49 29 216 71814	Varies
Cowboy Action Shooting Germany	Last Sat	Marshal Heck	49 345 120 0581	Edderitz
Jail Bird's Company	Mon	Orlando A Brick Bond	49 21 317 42 3065	Wegberg
CAS Europe	We	Hurricane Irm	49 28 23 3426	Bocholt
SASS Germany	Wed	Il Calabrese	49 28 239 8080	Pfalzdorf
SASS Germany	Wed	Rhine River Joe	49 28 235 807	Spork
<b>HUNGARY</b>				
Westwood Rebels	As Sch	El Heckito	362 0460 1739	Galgamacsa
<b>ITALY</b>				
Old Gunners Shooting Club	As Sch	Renato Anese	33 51 24 5391	Toppo di Travesio
Western Shootist Posse				Trevi
Green Hearts Regulator	1st Sun	Marshal Steven Gardiner	39 338 920 7989	
Fratelli Della Costa Onlus	3rd Sat	Oversize	35 05 642 4677	Livorno
Lassiter Fan Shooting Club	3rd Sun	Ivan Bandito	39 34 7043 0400	Mazzano
Maremma Bad Land's Riders	As Sch	Alameda Slim	alamedaslim@owss.it	Siena
Old West Shooting Society Italy	As Sch	Alchimista	39 33 420 68337	Varies
Canne Roventi	Last Sun	Valdez	39 07 1286 1395	Filottrano
Honky Tonk Rebels	Last Sun	Kaboom Andy	39 33 5737 8551	Vigevano
Wild West Rebels	Sun	Bill Masterson	alberto@fron tisl.it	Malegno-BS
<b>LUXEMBOURG</b>				
SASS Luxembourg	As Sch	Smiley Miles	35 26 2128 0606	Varies
<b>NORTHERN IRELAND</b>				
Kells County Regulators	1st Sat	Independence Carroll	28 93 368 004	Varies
<b>NORWAY</b>				
Black Rivers	As Sch	Charles Quantrill	47 9325 9669	Loten
Quantrill Raiders	Sun	Charles Quantrill	47 9325 9669	Loten
Schedsmoe County Rough Riders	Thurs	Jailbird	47 6399 4279	Lillestrom
<b>POLAND</b>				
SASS Polish Western Shooting Association	As Sch	Trigger Hawkeye	trigger-hawkeye@hot.pl	Lodz
<b>SERBIA</b>				
Union of Western Shooters of Serbia	As Sch	Hombre des Nudos	63 721 6934	Humska
<b>SWEDEN</b>				
SASS Sweden Northern Rangers	As Sch	Northern S. T Ranger	46 72 206 7005	Varies
<b>SWITZERLAND</b>				
Black Mountain Gunfighters	As Sch	Blacksmith Pete	417 9449 5800	Romainm A'tier
Old West Shooting Society Switzerland	As Sch	Hondo Janssen	44 271 9947	Zurich
<b>INTERNATIONAL</b>				
<b>CANADA</b>				
Aurora Desperados	1st Fri	Destry	905-551-0703	Aurora ON
Robbers Roost Hamilton	1st Sat	Bear Butte	905-891-8627	Ancaster ON
South Mountain Regulators	1st Sat	Dutch Charlie	902-538-9797	Berwick NS
Red Mountain Renegades	1st Sun	Preacher Flynn T. Locke	604-820-1564	Mission BC
Bar E Ranch	2nd & 4th Sat	Northern Crow	705-435-2807	Barrie ON
Beau Basin Range Riders	2nd Sat	Frenchy Cannuck	506-312-0455	Riverview NB
Lambton Sportsman's Club	2nd Sat	Clay Creek	519-542-4644	St. Clair ON
Wentworth Shooting Sports Club	2nd Sun	Stoney Creek	905-664-3217	Hamilton ON
Victoria Frontier Shootists	2nd Sun	Black Ashley	250-744-4705	Victoria BC
Valley Regulators	3rd Sat	Kananaskis Kid	519-599-6358	Courtenay BC
Prairie Dog Rebels	3rd Sat	Valley Boy	519-673-5648	London ON
Valley Regulators	3rd Sat & Sun	High Country Amigo	250-334-3479	Courtenay BC
Otter Valley Rod & Gun	4th Sun	Colt McCloud	519-685-9439	Straffordville ON
Robbers Roost Wild Bunch	As Sch	Legendary Lawman	905-393-4299	Ancaster ON
Islington Sportmen's Club	As Sch	Hawk Feathers	905-936-2129	Caledon ON
Blueridge Sportsmen's Club	As Sch	Rebel Dale	519-599-2558	Clarksburg ON
Waterloo County Revolver Association	As Sch	Ranger Pappy Cooper	519-536-9184	Kitchener ON
Mundy's Bay Regulators	As Sch	Indiana Magnum	705-534-2814	Penetan ON
Nova Scotia Cowboy Action Shooting Club	As Sch	Wounded Belly	902-890-2310	Truro NS
Palmer's Gulch Cowboys	As Sch	Caribou Lefty	250-372-0416	Heffley Creek BC
Ottawa Valley Marauders	As Sch	Button	514-792-0063	Ottawa ON
Alberta Frontier Shootists Society	As Sch	Powder Paw	403-318-4463	Rocky Mtn House AB

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<b>CANADA (continued)</b>					<b>Monthly Mounted USA</b>				
Club de tir Beausejour	As Sch	Richelieu Mike	450-658-8130	St-Jean	<b>AZ</b>				
				Chrysoptome/ L'avis	Tombstone Ghost Riders Mounted Club	2nd Sun	Dan Nabbit	520-456-0423	Tombstone
Long Harbour Lead Slingers	Tues	Preacher Man John	250-537-0083	Salt Spring Island	<b>CO</b>				
<b>SOUTH AFRICA</b>					Reveners of Montezuma	1st Sun	Aneeda Huginkiss	970-565-8479	Cortez
Pioneer Creek Rangers	2nd & 4th Sat	Slow Wilson	27 83 677 5066	Pretoria	<b>CT</b>				
Western Shooters of South Africa	3rd Sat	Richmond P. Hobson	27 21 797 5054	Cape Town	Connecticut Renegades	As Sch	Cowboy Cobbler	860-558-7484	Granby
<b>Monthly Mounted International</b>					<b>FL</b>				
<b>LEBANON</b>					Bay Area Bandits	1st Sat	Slow Poke's Darlin	813-924-0156	Tampa
SASS Lebanon - El Rancho Sporting Club	As Sch	Packin Jesse	96 1138 5982	Varies	<b>ID</b>				
<b>CANADA</b>					Border Marauders Mounted	As Sch	Bad Buffalo Bob	208-610-8229	Eastport
Quebec Mounted Shooting Association	As Sch	Dirty Owl Bert	819-424-7842	Joliette	<b>ME</b>				
					Maine Cowboy Mounted Shooters	As Sch	Cowboy Bill	207-282-2821	Biddeford
					<b>NM</b>				
					Buffalo Range Riders Mounted	3rd Sat	Chili Cowboy	505-379-8957	Founders Ranch
					<b>NY</b>				
					Island Long Riders	As Sch	Mecate Kid	516-610-8166	Farmingdale
					<b>OH</b>				
					Big Irons Mounted Rangers	As Sch	Stoneburner	513-829-4099	Middletown

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<b>USA 2013</b>						<b>AUGUST</b>					
<b>JUNE</b>						SASS Washington State Championship Westmatch XXII	01 - 04	Elder Kate	253-946-1438	Renton	WA
SASS Alaska State Blackpowder Shootout Smoke in the Greatland	02 - 02	Marshal Stone	907-232-1080	Anchorage	AK	Sagebrush Rebellion	02 - 04	Bugtown Dusty	530-260-0806	Susanville	CA
SASS Colorado State Championship	06 - 09	Pinto Being	970-464-7118	Whitewater	CO	Badger Mountain Range War	02 - 04	Painted Filly	719-439-6502	Lake George	CO
SASS Wyoming State Championship Cody's Wild West Shootout	06 - 08	Joe Cross	307-587-2946	Cody	WY	Ambush on the Prairie	02 - 04	Ranger Mathias Fischels	319-234-1550	Elk Run Heights	IA
Ride of The Immortals	07 - 09	Easy Rider	770-954-9696	Griffin	GA	Sundown Showdown at Chimney Rocks	03 - 04	Hattie Hubbs	814-515-2166	Hollidays- burg	PA
SASS Kansas State Championship Prince of the Pistoleers	07 - 09	El Dorado Wayne	913-686-5314	Lenexa	KS	<b>SASS WESTERN REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP</b>	07 - 11	Sinful	805-286-1188	San Luis Obispo	CA
SASS Oregon State Championship Battle of Rogue River	07 - 09	Mountain Grizz	253-208-1105	Grants Pass	OR	<b>Chorro Valley Shootout</b>					
Fracas at Frisco	08 - 08	Dirty Dan Paladin	479-633-2107	Garfield	AR	SASS Idaho State Championship	07 - 11	John Bear	208-562-1914	Boise	ID
Shootout at Shadow Ridge	08 - 08	Major Missalot	417-284-1432	Tecumseh	MO	SASS Idaho State Championship Reckoning at Black's Creek	07 - 11	John Bear	208-562-1914	Boise	ID
SASS Utah State Championship - Utah War	12 - 15	Jubal O. Sackett	801-518-3374	Salt Lake City	UT	<b>SASS MIDEAST REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP</b>	08 - 11	Deadwood Stan	513-894-3500	Middletown	OH
Western States Shootout on the Comstock	13 - 16	Dutch Dalton	775-783-8638	Fernley	NV	<b>Guns of August</b>					
Ambush at Hat Creek	14 - 16	Modoc	530-365-1839	Burney	CA	Richmond Roughriders Annual Match	09 - 11	Leapin Otis	707-746-5145	Richmond	CA
Revenge of Montezuma	14 - 16	Stumble Leena	970-739-9705	Cortez	CO	Billy the Kid's Breakout	09 - 11	Guns smoke Cowboy	575-808-1329	Ruidoso	NM
SASS Illinois State Championship Spring Roundup at the Gulch	14 - 16	Beaucoup Joe	618-521-3619	Sparta	IL	Colorado Shaketails Annual Match	16 - 18	Midnite Slim	719-660-2742	Fountain	CO
SASS North Dakota and South Dakota State Championship Peace in the Valley	14 - 16	Wild River Rose	701-588-4331	Kindred	ND	Squinty Eye Western Shoot Shootout at Saddle Butte	16 - 18	Wagonmaster	218-780-6797	Virginia	MN
Thunder In The Valley	14 - 16	Angry Angus	440-647-5909	Amherst	OH	SASS Maryland Freestate State Blackpowder Championship	16 - 18	Tuffy Tumbleweed	541-619-7381	Albany	OR
Ambush at Indian Creek XV	15 - 16	Mattie Hays	724-593-6602	Donegal	PA	Cash Caldwell	18 - 18	Cash Caldwell	240-285-7673	Thurmont	MD
SASS Maryland State Championship Thunder Valley Days	20 - 22	Chuckaroo	301-831-9666	Damascus	MD	<b>SASS FOUR CORNERS REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP Outlaw Trail</b>	21 - 25	Misty Moonshine	505-843-1320	Founders Ranch	NM
Fort Halleck Days	20 - 22	Green Springs Thomsen	775-753-8203	Elko	NV	<b>SASS Kentucky State Championship Hooten Holler Round-Up</b>	23 - 25	Double Eagle Dave	423-309-4146	McKee	KY
Yellowstone Valley Buffalo Stampede	21 - 23	Grizzly Bill	406-252-4157	Billings	MT	<b>SASS Wisconsin State Championship Fire In The Hills</b>	23 - 25	Captain Cook	715-248-3727	Boyceville	WI
SASS WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP END OF TRAIL	22 - 30	Misty Moonshine	505-843-1320	Founders Ranch	NM	<b>SASS Hawaii State Championship Great Pineapple Shoot</b>	24 - 25	Bad Burt	808-875-9085	Lahaima	HI
SASS Wisconsin State Blackpowder Shootout Smoke in the Hills	23 - 23	Captain Cook	715-248-3727	Station Range	WI	<b>SASS NORTHWEST REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP</b>	26 - 01	Big Casino	541-389-2342	Bend	OR
Korruption in Paradise						<b>Shootout at Horse Ridge</b>					
Quigley Down Under	28 - 30	Korrupt Karl	260-438-1044	Etna Green	IN	Fourth Annual Great Basin Long Range Shootout	29 - 02	Cascades Annie	541-318-8199	Bend	OR
The Quick and the Dead	28 - 30	Lefty Cooper	607-287-9261	Crumhorn	NY	<b>SASS Arkansas State Championship Shoot'n in the Shade</b>	30 - 01	Bulldog McGraw	501-337-9368	Hot Springs	AR
SASS Annual Scholarship Shootout	30 - 30	Dangerous Denny	815-245-7284	Dry Gulch Ranch	IL	<b>SASS SOUTHEAST TERRITORIAL BLACK-POWDER CHAMPIONSHIP</b>	30 - 01	Man From Little River	678-428-4240	Covington	GA
<b>JULY</b>						<b>Smoke Out at South River</b>					
Railhead	04 - 07	Sly Puppy	623-776-5724	Williams	AZ	True Grit	30 - 01	Dapper Dan Porter	309-734-2324	Little York	IL
Rocky Mountain Regional Raid	04 - 07	Sweetwater Bill	303-366-8827	Byers	CO	<b>SASS Michigan State Championship - Wolverine Rangers Range War</b>	30 - 01	R. J. Law	248-828-0440	Port Huron	MI
SASS Alaska Territorial Championship	05 - 07	Tripod	907-373-0140	Anchorage	AK	Shoot Out at High Lonesome	30 - 01	Two Bit Tammy	575-626-9201	Roswell	NM
<b>Shootout Under The Midnight Sun</b>						<b>SASS Virginia State Championship Star City Shootout</b>	30 - 01	Trapper Dan	540-890-5162	Roanoke	VA
Black Gold Shootout	11 - 13	Copperhead Joe	606-599-5263	Manchester	KY	Siege at San Juan City	31 - 03	San Juan	970-249-4227	Montrose	CO
SASS Alaska State Championship	12 - 14	Kootenai Brown	907-377-0331	Chatanika	AK	<b>SEPTEMBER</b>					
SASS Minnesota State Championship North Star Showdown	12 - 14	Amen Straight	612-723-2313	Kimball	MN	Snake River Rowdies Labor Day Match	02 - 02	Sheriff John R. Quigley	307-733-4559	Jackson	WY
SASS Montana State Championship Shootout On the Sun River	12 - 14	Montana Lil' Skeeter	406-761-0896	Simms	MT	Roop County Days	05 - 08	C. C. Dollar	775-882-0355	Fernley	NV
Fracas at Pemi Gulch	12 - 14	Bear Lee Tallable	603-667-0104	Holderness	NH	<b>SASS Maine State Championship Thunder over Beaver Creek</b>	06 - 08	Rhino Jacks	207-324-3117	Berwick	ME
The Geronimo Trail Shootout	12 - 14	Chico Cheech	575-388-2531	Silver City / Mimbres	NM	Whispering Pines Ambush	06 - 08	Panama Red	814-945-6922	Wellsboro	PA
The Ruthless McDraw Final Showdown	12 - 14	D.J. McDraw	740-767-2326	Mt. Vernon	OH	Standoff at Smokey Point	06 - 07	Mudflat Mike	425-335-5176	Arlington	WA
Little Big Match	12 - 14	Pinto Annie	509-520-2789	Dayton	WA	<b>SASS US Open</b>	12 - 14	Mose Spencer	270-349-4392	Sparta	IL
Castle Gate Robbery	18 - 20	Rowdy Hand	435-637-8209	Price	UT	First Annual Return of the Buffalo to the Plains	13 - 15	Sixty-Nine Cent Wizard	970-339-3650	Briggsdale	CO
Shootout at Pawnee Station	19 - 21	Red Creek Dick Martin	303-857-0520	Nunn	CO	<b>SASS Indiana State Championship Hoosier Ambush</b>	13 - 15	C. C. Top	574-354-7186	Etna Green	IN
Oregon Trail Shootout	19 - 21	T. J. Maverick	541-910-4244	La Grande	OR	<b>SASS New York State Championship</b>	13 - 15	Homer Suggs	518-274-8505	Ballston	NY
Hell on the Border	20 - 21	Naildriver	479-651-2475	Fort Smith	AR	<b>Heluva Rukus</b>				Spa	
Hell on the Prairie	20 - 21	Oklahoma Spuds	405-640-5650	Lawton	OK	Northwest Territorial Shootout	14 - 15	Missy Mable	208-731-6387	Jerome	ID
SASS Pennsylvania State Blackpowder Shootout Smoke on the Ridge	21 - 21	Slowpoke John	717-676-3198	Ickesburg	PA	Great Shotgun Classic	14 - 15	Oklahoma Spuds	405-640-5650	Lawton	OK
SASS NEW ENGLAND REGIONAL The Great Nor'easter	25 - 28	Capt. Morgan Rum	603-772-5041	Pelham	NH						

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Eastern High Sierra Shootout	19 - 22	Ben Maverick	909-496-3137	Bridgeport	CA
<b>SASS MIDWEST REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP – Gunsmoke</b>	19 - 21	Mogollon Drifter	507-838-0026	Morristown	MN
<b>SASS Oklahoma State Championship Ruckus in the Nations</b>	19 - 22	Burly Bill	918-830-2936	Sand Springs	OK
Adobe Walls	20 - 22	Querida	831-635-9147	Gonzales	CA
Six Gun Justice	20 - 21	Idaho Sage Hen	208-852-2473	Rexburg	ID
<b>SASS Kentucky State Blackpowder Championship Smokeout in the Hills</b>	20 - 22	Copperhead Joe	606-599-5263	Manchester	KY
<b>SASS New Mexico State Championship Shoot Out at Old Magdalena</b>	20 - 22	Half-A-Hand Henri	802-233-3710	Magdalena	NM
<b>SASS Oregon State Blackpowder Championship Smokin' Gunfight in the Badlands</b>	20 - 22	Whisperin' Wade	541-318-8199	Bend	OR
Fifth Annual Old TV Westerns Match	20 - 22	Cascades Annie	541-318-8199	Bend	OR
Purgatory Rush	20 - 22	Dry Gulch Geezer	814-827-2120	Titusville	PA
<b>SASS West Virginia State Championship Appalachian Showdown XXI</b>	20 - 22	Last Word	304-289-6098	Burlington	WV
Hell Fire	27 - 29	Slick McClade	318-278-9071	Quitman	LA
Rattlesnake Gulch Roundup	27 - 29	Ricochet Robbie	509-628-0889	Benton City	WA
Eagles Revenge	28 - 29	One Son of A Gun	231-676-0922	Central Lake	MI
Rampage	28 - 28	Highland Drifter	801-860-9504	Fruit Heights	UT
<b>OCTOBER</b>					
<b>SASS NORTHEAST REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP Mason Dixon Stampede</b>	03 - 06	Evening Star	301-371-6968	Thurmont	MD
Show-Me Shootout	03 - 06	Longshot John	417-461-0033	Marshfield	MO
<b>SASS Nevada State Championship Eldorado</b>	03 - 06	Charming	702-565-3736	Boulder City	NV
<b>SASS Alabama State Championship Ambush At Cavern Cove</b>	04 - 06	Drake Robey	256-313-0421	Cavern Cove	AL
Comanche Moon Shootout	05 - 06	Dee Horne	432-557-0860	Midland	TX
Huntsmans World Senior Games	08 - 12	Mokaac Kid	435-668-4613	St. George	UT
<b>SASS Tennessee State Championship Regulators Reckoning</b>	10 - 13	Whiskey Hayes	931-684-2709	Wartrace	TN
Mississippi Fandango	11 - 13	Flyen Doc Koyote	608-790-3260	Holmen	WI
Trade Days	12 - 13	Randy Atcher	812-945-0221	Canaan	IN
<b>SASS Ohio State Blackpowder Blackout at Stoney Bottom</b>	12 - 12	Curtice Clay	419-836-8760	Gibsonburg	OH
Peacefuls End of Track at High Sierra	17 - 20	Grizzly Peak Jake	530-676-2997	Railroad Flat	CA
<b>SASS HIGH PLAINS TERRITORIAL BLACK-POWDER CHAMPIONSHIP Thunder at Big Salty</b>	17 - 19	Jubal O. Sackett	801-944-3444	Sandy	UT
<b>SASS Arkansas State Blackpowder Championship Black Smoke on the White River</b>	18 - 19	Arkansas Harper	870-994-7227	Mountain Home	AR
Border Wars	18 - 20	Buffalo Phil	913-898-4911	Parker	KS
<b>SASS New Jersey State Championship Purgatory in The Pines</b>	18 - 20	Peacemaker Reb	908-359-8794	Jackson	NJ
Guns of Ojo Caliente	18 - 20	J. W. Brockey	575-744-4484	Elephant Butte	NM
The Last Hurrah	18 - 22	First Chance	509-667-9377	East Wenatchee	WA
Code of the West End	19 - 19	Duke Skywalker	812-626-0214	Evansville	IN
Diamond Four Roundup	19 - 20	Trail Boss	607-796-0573	Cayuta	NY
The Whoopin'	19 - 19	Judge Menday Coming	512-964-9955	Dripping Springs	TX
Hanging Tree Shootout	20 - 20	X. S. Chance	573-774-6311	St. Robert	MO
<b>SASS Arizona State Championship – Bordertown</b>	23 - 27	Mean Rayleen	520-235-0394	Tombstone	AZ
<b>SASS Missouri State Championship The Branson Triple Classic</b>	23 - 27	Smokie	417-759-9114	Walnut Shade	MO
<b>SASS MIDWEST TERRITORIAL BLACK-POWDER CHAMPIONSHIP The Branson Triple Classic</b>	23 - 24	Smokie	417-759-9114	Walnut Shade	MO
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Regulators Revenge	26 - 26	Bar Diamond Rider	512-638-7376	Marble Falls	TX
<b>SASS SOUTHWEST REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP Comin' At Cha</b>	31 - 02	T-Bone Dooley	903-272-9283	English	TX

<b>Annual Wild Bunch Matches</b>					
<b>JUNE</b>					
<b>SASS Oklahoma State Wild Bunch Championship</b>	08 - 09	Flat Top Okie	405-373-1472	Oklahoma City	OK
<b>SASS Illinois State Wild Bunch Championship Robbers Roost</b>	13 - 14	Mose Spencer	270-349-4392	Sparta	IL
<b>SASS WILD BUNCH WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP END of TRAIL</b>	23 - 25	Misty Moonshine	505-843-1320	Founders Ranch	NM
<b>JULY</b>					
<b>SASS Colorado State Wild Bunch Championship</b>	25 - 27	Colorado Blackjack	970-260-5432	Whitewater	CO
<b>AUGUST</b>					
<b>SASS FOUR CORNERS REGIONAL WILD BUNCH CHAMPIONSHIP Outlaw Trail</b>	21 - 23	Misty Moonshine	505-843-1320	Founders Ranch	NM

<b>Annual Wild Bunch Matches (Continued)</b>					
<b>AUGUST (continued)</b>					
<b>SASS Oregon State Wild Bunch Championship</b>	28 - 29	Hoss Reese	503-907-6522	Bend	OR
<b>SASS California State Wild Bunch Championship</b>	30 - 01	Sutter Lawman	530-713-4194	Sloughhouse	CA
<b>SEPTEMBER</b>					
<b>SASS Nevada State Wild Bunch Championship</b>	14 - 15	Penny Pepperbox	775-727-4600	Pahrump	NV
<b>SASS Texas State Wild Bunch Championship Wild Bunch on the Brazos</b>	21 - 22	Billy Bob Evans	972-393-2882	Cleburne	TX
<b>SASS South Carolina State Wild Bunch Championship Raid on Conestee</b>	28 - 29	Hondo Jackson	864-414-1968	Greenville	SC
<b>OCTOBER</b>					
<b>SASS Arizona State Wild Bunch Championship</b>	12 - 13	Wild Bodie Tom	602-721-3175	Peoria	AZ
<b>SASS West Virginia State Wild Bunch Championship</b>	19 - 22	Eddie Rebel	304-397-6188	Eleanor	WV
<b>SASS Missouri State Wild Bunch Championship</b>	23 - 24	Smokie	417-759-9114	Walnut Shade	MO
<b>NOVEMBER</b>					
<b>SASS Idaho State Wild Bunch Championship Squaw Butte Regulators</b>	02 - 03	Acequia Kidd	208-365-4551	Emmett	ID

<b>Annual International Matches</b>					
<b>CANADA</b>					
Prairie Dog Rebels	Jun 15 - 15	Valley Boy	519-673-5648	London	ON
South Mountain Regulators	Jun 22 - 23	Dutch Charlie	902-538-9797	Canaan	NS
<b>BPC Shoot &amp; Cowboy Match</b>					
<b>SASS CENTRAL CANADIAN REG. CHAMPIONSHIP Battle at the Bar E Ranch</b>					
	Jul 19 - 21	Northern Crow	705-435-2807	Barrie	ON
Showdown in the Valley Island	Jul 20 - 21	High Country Amigo	250-334-3479	Courtenay	BC
Last Gasp	Aug 03 - 04	Granny Oneshot	306-749-2822	Birch Hill	SK
<b>SASS WESTERN CANADIAN REG. CHAMPIONSHIP Shootout at Bounty Gulch</b>					
	Aug 08 - 10	Granny Oneshot	306-749-2822	Birch Hill	SK
Shootout at the Double B	Aug 10 - 11	Frenchy Cannuck	506-312-0455	Riverview	NB
<b>Ranch 2nd Annual Invitation</b>					
<b>SASS CANADIAN NAT. CHAMPIONSHIP Shootout at Twin Rivers</b>					
	Aug 30 - 02	Gunfighter Jim	250-573-2885	Kamloops	BC
<b>Cowtown</b>					
Atlantic Canada Cowboy	Sep 06 - 08	Wounded Belly	902-890-2310	Truro	NS
Action Championship					
Robbers Roost Rendezvous	Oct 11 - 13	Bear Butte	905-891-8627	Ancaster	ON

<b>AUSTRALIA</b>					
<b>SASS AUSTRALIAN REG. CHAMPIONSHIP Chisholm Trail</b>					
	Sep 30 - 06	Virgil Earp	61 74 695 2050	Millmerran	
Gunfight at the OK Corral	Oct 26 - 27	Duke York	61 418 632 366	Drouin	
<b>19th Annual</b>					
<b>NEW ZEALAND</b>					
<b>SASS NEW ZEALAND WILD BUNCH CHAMPIONSHIP South of the Border</b>					
	May 10 - 12	J. D. Kid	64-03-304-8401	Ashburton	
<b>CZECH REPUBLIC</b>					
<b>SASS EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP Days of Truth</b>					
	Aug 07 - 10	Thunder Man	42 060 322 2400	Tabor	
<b>FRANCE</b>					
Old West Shootout	Jun 01 - 02	Vallombreuse	330 233 657 690	Athis De L'Orne	
Buffalo Valley	Jun 14 - 16	Slye Buffalo	02 37 63 65 83	Château-neuf-en-Thymerais	
2nd Ambush at Greenwood	Jun 27 - 30	Handy Hook	33 68 809 1360	Bormes les Mimosas	
Last Shot on the Trail	Jul 17 - 21	Marshal Dundee	33 04 66 759 529	Uzes	
<b>GERMANY</b>					
<b>SASS EUROPEAN REGIONAL German Territorial Roundup</b>					
	Sep 26 - 29	REPHIL	49 170 231 9708	Philippsburg	
SASS - German Championship	Nov 30 - 01	Rhine River Joe	49 2823 3426	Wegberg	
Texas Ranger Cup 2	Dec 06 - 08	Il Calabrese	49 28 239 8080	Wegberg	
Shootoff Championship	Dec 07 - 08	Rhine River Joe	49 28 235 807	Wegberg	
<b>SOUTH AFRICA</b>					
Shootout in the Mother City	Nov 16 - 16	Richmond P. Hobson	27 21 797 5054	Cape Town	

<b>Mounted Annual Matches</b>					
<b>JUNE</b>					
<b>SASS WORLD MOUNTED CHAMPIONSHIP END of TRAIL</b>	27 - 30	Chili Cowboy	505-379-8957	Edgewood	NM
<b>JULY</b>					
Battle for the Ranch	04 - 04	Cowboy Cobbler	860-558-7484	Granby	CT
<b>AUGUST</b>					
<b>SASS TERRITORIAL MOUNTED CHAMPIONSHIP Outlaw Trail</b>	23 - 25	Chili Cowboy	505-286-6177	Edgewood	NM

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# I BELIEVE

By Colonel Dan, SASS #24025, Life / Regulator

**A**s I think about America's founding, which we'll celebrate next month, I'm compelled to weigh that foundational concept against our current circumstance and share my fundamental beliefs of that inspirational and most unique American model.

~ I steadfastly believe America was inspired by our Creator and founded solidly on His endowment of "certain unalienable rights—among these are Life, Liberty, and the pursuit of happiness." Rights that will forever remain unalienable and cannot be granted or negated by any government at any level.

~ The Declaration of Independence expresses the fundamental values and perpetual principles of America while the Constitution remains the supreme law of the land.

~ The Founders wrote what they meant and meant what they wrote. The states ratified that Constitution, and it remains in force despite deceitful efforts on the part of politicians to circumvent, supersede, obfuscate, or ignore it.

~ Government derives its just powers only from the consent of the governed and is limited to those powers enumerated in Article I, Section 8 of the Constitution.

~ When government becomes destructive to those enumerated ends by the passing of unconstitutional laws or repressive regulations in an attempt to obfuscate, circumvent, supersede, redefine, or ignore the Constitution, those actions are unconstitutional and therefore non-binding upon the people of the "several states." I realize many lawyers and the courts will disagree with me on the concept of state nullification, but those are my solemn beliefs as they were of one Thomas Jefferson.

~ If politicians were serious about their oath to preserve, protect, and defend the Constitution, we'd

see a formal review of every bill to determine its constitutionality prior to it being signed into law. However, they aren't, and therefore we don't.

~ The people of the United States have a moral obligation and patriotic duty to stand in defense of their unalienable rights and oppose all infringement through legislative initiative, judicial redress, and, if necessary, civil and/or state action in order to secure the blessings of liberty to ourselves and our posterity.

~ The Founders were very clear in carefully choosing the precise words to express the people's right to keep and bear arms without fear of infringement from oppressive government. The Founder's definition of infringed being, "To transgress [encroach] upon; Broken or violated" ~ Webster's 1828 Dictionary ~

~ Any infringement by law or regulation on the right to keep and bear arms is not only unconstitutional but in direct defiance of the Creator's intent of bestowing certain unalienable rights upon mankind in general, and the people of the United States in particular, as guaranteed by our Constitution.

~ As a primary guarantor of our unalienable rights, the Second Amendment can never be justifiably separated from those unalienable rights without risking the certain loss of both the guarantor and the right itself.

~ The federal government won't come to your door to confiscate guns. They'll continue to broaden the list of medical conditions that classify the afflicted gun owner as "too high a risk to own firearms." Eventually, they will use coercion by requiring gun registration or surrender before granting something you need, such as a license or refusing to provide government controlled healthcare, until you comply.

~ Pro Gun organizations, manufacturers, and retailers must combine, cooperate, and coordinate

their efforts to preserve, protect, and defend else all Americans risk losing their ability to freely exercise our rights through a series of unjust laws and dictatorial regulations.

~ We the People must stand united in saying NO to government attempts to overreach its constitutional authority—be it involving guns, freedom of religion, speech, assembly, or any other rights the protection of which we know to be constitutionally guaranteed.

~ We the People must be willing to accept a fraction of the risk incurred by our forefathers when they founded this republic if we are to uphold our honor and fulfill our sacred duty of preserving it.

~ If we think ourselves too weak to steadfastly engage in supporting the cause of liberty against a growing tyranny, I remind you of Patrick Henry's words to the doubters of his era. "They tell us ... that we are weak – unable to cope with so formidable an adversary. But when shall we be stronger? Will it be when we are totally disarmed ... Three million people, armed in the holy cause of liberty ... are invincible by any force our enemy can send against us."

~ A growing number of Americans are increasingly uninformed, ill informed, gullible, apathetic, and weak, which saddens and frightens me. I believe in Plato's admonition, "One of the penalties for refusing to participate in politics is you end up being governed by your inferiors," and of that I'm very certain we are and have been under the thumb of inferior leadership for a long time! I also agree with Pericles, "Just because you do not take an interest in politics doesn't mean politics won't take an interest in you!"

~ The mainstream media are despicably and unforgivably complicit in furthering the cause of tyranny. Had they honestly exposed any of the numerous Democrat related scandals as was their

patriotic obligation to America, Obama wouldn't have been nominated for a first term let alone re-elected to a second term, and Democrats would have never had control of Congress.

~ Arrogant leaders ultimately fall. Arrogance built on a foundation of lies in reaching for unlimited power has been the downfall of numerous political leaders throughout history. Those who have delusions of divine right of rule inevitably reach too far, and the people eventually take corrective measures into their own hands—as did our Founders.

~ Arrogance and lies are not the unique attribute of only one political party. That characteristic applies to both major parties and has for years.

~ Many Americans think the kind of turmoil recently seen in Greece could never happen in the United States. No nation, however, past or present, has yet been immune from the destruction wrought by internal decay and fiscal irresponsibility.

~ In principle and reality, I'm a RINO—Republican in Name Only! Decidedly unlike the established self-appointed ruling class Republicans, I really am dedicated to the principles of limited government, respect for enumerated powers, lower taxes, fiscal responsibility, individual freedom, and a strong sense of loyalty and obligation to our Constitution as conceived at our founding. The old-guard GOP, however, has proven to me far too many times they don't steadfastly embrace or are willing to vigorously, reliably, and consistently fight to uphold these same values as stringently as I'd expect. Yes, I'm a registered Republican, so I can vote in the primaries, but I'm an analytical independent in principle and therefore a RINO in reality.

~ There remains a solid core of patriots in this country who, given the right leadership and encouragement, could and would come to America's rescue from any threat—foreign or domestic. Such action requires resolve, risk, and self-sacrifice—those same qualities I've seen in abundance throughout my military career and within a multitude of dedicated civilian patriots I've come to know through SASS.

Soldier on...

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