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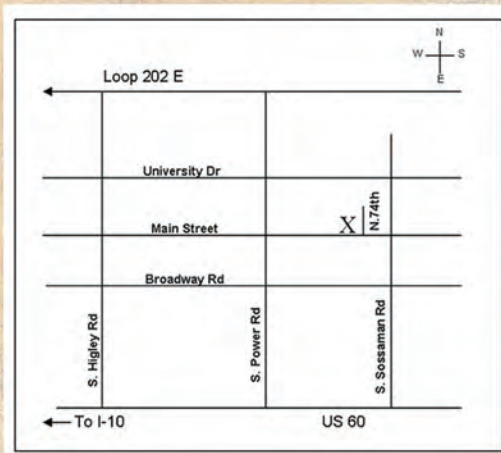


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GUEST
EDITORIAL

HOW DO WE STOP THE
LOSS OF MEMBERS
AND EXPAND OUR
MEMBERSHIP?

BY FIRE EATER, SASS
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We can't stop the loss. All clubs face the same problem. For our organization, the loss of members is being felt with the loss of clubs or clubs being so small they lack the ability to recruit new members. Small clubs mean the same members do all the work, and that gets old fast. Let's look at some of the reasons behind the loss of members.

Age — True for all organizations, this is probably one of the biggest reasons for membership loss. At last year's Winter Range, more than 30 percent of participants were over 60 years old. We all know the reasons for leaving the sport at this stage in life — declining health, fixed income, boredom with the same old scenarios, moving to a warmer climate. Well, if you move, make sure there's a SASS club nearby.

Young Shooters — We do have some young people shooting, but SASS competes with all the other activities available to teens, like social media, dating, sports, video games... well you get the idea. Then young adults are off to college, getting jobs, marrying, and having kids. They have no time or money for CAS. We can only hope that later in life they will get back into the sport, so we do lose some of the young shooters.

High Cost to Participate — Cowboy Action Shooting™ is a very expensive sport. Start-up costs can be more than some can manage. People on a fixed income may find the high cost

keeps them from continuing or from joining in the first place.

We need to not only **replace** the loss of members, but to **keep** and **add** members to keep the sport active. The question is how. I don't think local clubs do a good job promoting SASS. I think at least once a year we should invite the public to our clubs to show and describe what SASS is all about. Clubs in large cities may actually have to limit the number of visitors. This year my club, the Rio Grande Renegades, had a ladies-only shoot with the men fixing lunch. When we see newbies in the crowd, we encourage them to try a stage. I think we could go one step further. When we get new members, we should have someone in the club mentor them. How many of us have run out and bought our guns and leather because the get-up looked neat or because it was cheap, to find out later they weren't the best choices. This isn't a cheap sport, and if after a year you start replacing your equipment, it becomes even more expensive. I have replaced everything I started out with. The one exception is my gun leather because Per-simmon Dan from Indiana gave me some great advice. Some of the items I started with I have kept for backups. When I started, all I wanted was not to make a fool of myself. Well, I still do that on occasion. The correct mentor to help with rules and equipment and add encouragement would help the new members with the jitters and make them want to come back again.

Speaking of cost, by the time you buy two handguns, a rifle, a shotgun, a gun cart, reloading equipment, clothes, memberships, long range and side match guns (oh how could I forget the backup guns and I won't even go into Wild Bunch guns), you've sunk a horse-choking bank roll in the sport. Then if you have bought all of this, what does the **better half** get? Oh, now we are talking thousands of dollars. I think at a local club level, we could ease the pain by allowing new members to shoot with fewer guns. We could start new members in a "Tenderfoot" category. Let's say in a "Tenderfoot II" category they would shoot two revolvers, and in a "Tenderfoot III" category they would shoot two revolvers and a rifle. This would ease them in and at the

same time teach them the other aspects of the sport. They would have a time limit on how long they could be in each class before they would have to move up to the next class. These classes would not be official SASS categories, but just a starting point. These categories could be used at a local club match or maybe included at an annual club match. I was just looking at the Gila Rangers website and noticed they have a similar category, so my idea turns out to be a tested strategy.

Who should we invite into SASS? Well everybody, of course, but the 50-plus age group will have grown kids and may have the extra time and money for the hobby. I joined SASS late in life so I would have retirement hobby. Let's face it, we, the 65-plus age group, grew up with all the cowboy heroes. Mine was Sundance starring Earl Holliman. Unfortunately, there are few western shows today to inspire the younger generation.

Keep the game interesting, and get as many members as we can to be Match Directors. Quite often we get some interesting scenarios based on the inspiration of a single member who finally got his or her say.

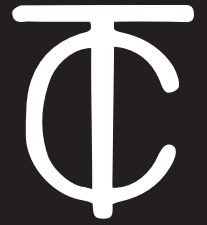
We should encourage members who are getting bored with the same old routine to try a different category. On occasion, I shoot Frontiersman. What a sight that is.

We need to get ideas from the membership to keep this sport active and fun. Have your club officers send out a survey to get some input from the membership. We may have to think outside of the box if we want Cowboy Action Shooting™ to continue and grow.





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BY APPALOOSA AMY, SASS #63949

June 2-4, 2017 – The Single Action Shooting Society's MA-CT-RI State Championship, AKA the Tri-State Championship, is one of those matches that—year in and year out—“gets it.” I like to think I'm a good judge of shooting matches and the Harvard Ghost Riders annual championship match, now known as “Hellfire at Barrister's Junction” in honor of Barrister Bill (SASS #5230), who passed away in the Fall of 2016, has a whole bunch of reasons why it is a match to put on your calendar for 2018.

Nothing is better than having 10 separate bays like the range at the Harvard Sportsmen's Club in Harvard, MA. No one likes a common firing line (who wants to worry about shots getting picked up from the posse next to you or not being able to move down range). The club has plenty of space for shooters to park and to dry camp if they so

choose which brings up another critical judgment point for a match – lodging. Our host hotel is a nice Hampton Inn and it is within 15 minutes of the range and we always get a special rate for the match. Also, if you want a full service campground, there is one just five minutes down the road – so there are options.

Obviously the shooting part of a match is something heavily weighed when judging if it's a match worth attending. The stage writing is something that can make or break a match. After years of trial and error, we have nailed down how to provide clearly

written, solid shooting scenarios that have a great mix of targets, shooting orders, and props. Some stages are leftie friendly, rightie friendly, gunfighter friendly, and there are some for shotgun lovers (more than four SG targets). We had some new steel this year and a few new super cool props, with a hangman's scaffold (to hang Killer Jim Miller) and a really nice pool table for staging long guns on our Morgan Earp

the most misses. Proof there isn't a target too close or too big to miss.

Similar to stage writing but in many ways even more important to the flow of a match, is posse design. Quaker Hill Bill (SASS #61021) has a knack for putting together posses that have good timer operators and good workers, all the while making sure folks shoot with whom they asked to be. All the posses ran smoothly with no backups and finished early, which is always a good sign. Nothing can ruin a match like a dysfunctional posse.

Cowboys are all about food, which is another data point for a match. The free Friday night dinner at the range had decent food and plenty of it. The banquet on Saturday night was a great place to socialize, eat some good vittles, and relax with friends. We also had a food vendor who had everything from burgers and

dogs to chicken salad sandwiches, so there was enough of a variety to get you through a three-day match without having to eat the same thing twice.

Other things that may attract folks to a match are vendors. Dutch Henry was there for all your cowboy clothing needs, Moulton Lead met all your bullet needs and Cowboy Gunworks had you covered with the important stuff like on the spot gun repairs. And I'm happy to say we had only a little bit of rain (at lunch time) on Saturday... but maybe it was enough for Storm Gear to sell a few quality rain ponchos.

Many times, you go to a particular



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stage. Our theme this year was “Assassins of the Old West” and we worked in a pistol knockdown in the shape of a hat for the scene where Jack McCall shoots Wild Bill in Deadwood. We also had a soda can launcher and a scenario with a staged pistol. Don't worry, we had make-ups for a miss on the aerial target and the pistol knockdown. Also the staged pistol was last so it kept the stage moving right along. There were no “P” traps and all the targets were very hittable. We had 12 percent clean shooters and when reviewing the statistics its funny to see the stage with the seven largest targets was the one with



match because it has something others don't. Many State and above matches have Top 16 Shoot Offs but we put a twist on that idea and do a Top Gun *Team* Shoot Off. Shoot offs are fun to watch but team shoot offs are the "fun-est" to watch, and even more so in which to participate. Based on the scores from Saturday night we pair the top 16 men with the top 16 women then add the next 16 to those teams. Since we base it on scores, it has folks still gunning for something on Saturday and the teams are really competitive. People are always excited to hear they made it in and their next question is, who am I teamed with? Each member shoots a different gun (rifle, pistol, or shotgun) and it's neat to hear teams discussing who is shooting what gun. Having 16 teams of three shoot off on a mirrored image stage really gets the entire match population involved. Even those not shooting were spotters, running the break, calling teams to the line, or painting and resetting targets. This year's champs were Hawkeye Kid (SASS #24196) on rifle, Hey Moe (SASS #105350) using pistols, and Yukon Mike (SASS #23165) cleaning up with his 97. And a shout out to Hey Moe... her first year shooting Cowboy and she kicked butt with those pistols! Congrats!

After the final shots went down-range, Yankee (SASS #266) did another great job as Master of Ceremonies, with the assistance of his lovely bride, Boston Lady (SASS #3662). Awards were really nice plaques made by our resident laser engravers Tazz and Single Rose at "Klassic Laserworks." The clean shoot pins were also really nice and



MASTER OF CEREMONIES YANKEE PRESENTS DEAD HEAD WITH THE STARPACKER SPIRIT OF THE GAME AWARD FOR HIS MANY YEARS OF HARD WORK FOR THE MATCH AND COWBOY SHOOTING AS A WHOLE.



JUSTIN A. SHOOTOUT, AL B. CRAZY, AND PENNY CANDY WERE RANDOMLY TEAMED UP FOR THE SHOOT OFF. THEY HAPPEN TO BE THE THREE YOUNGEST SHOOTERS AT THE MATCH AND WERE A TEAM TO BE RECKONED WITH.

will look great on those lucky 15 who received them. Each year the Harvard Ghost Riders give out a special Starpacker "Spirit of the Game" badge for the cowboy or girl who goes above and beyond in promoting our game of Cowboy Action Shooting™. This year's recipient was most deserving. Dead Head (SASS #29768)—DH for short—from New Hampshire has done it all. DH has been an icon in the shooting sports world from way back, with accolades such as three time Collegiate National Rifle Team Champion, 1972 National Collegiate Service Rifle Champion, and 1975 and 1976 Interservice Rifle Team Champion. He was also a Rifle Team Coach at East Tennessee State University and is in the Tennessee Tech Sports Hall of Fame. However, some of his fondest memories were competing internationally with the USA shooting team from 1977-1983, winning several medals along the way, including his greatest accomplishment, winning the Pershing Trophy both in 1976 and 1991. He recently retired from Sig Sauer, but for many years has been the reason folks know about Cowboy Action Shooting™ in New England, by running the website Northeastcas.com, which keeps us informed with up to date club and match info. He helps out with countless matches around the northeast from the

scoring shack to painting props. He is a defining member of the Harvard Ghost Riders and over the years has spent many long days on and off the range to make sure our matches run smoothly. Thanks DH for all you do!

Visit www.harvardghostriders.com for a complete list of winners and for information on the next Tri-State. Put it on your calendar for 2018!

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DUSTY BODDAMS (SASS #1907)—TOP BAMB SNIPER

WILD BUNCH ON THE BRAZOS TEXAS STATE CHAMPIONSHIP 2017

BY DUSTY BODDAMS, SASS #1907

PHOTOS BY BILLY BOB EVANS, SASS #53658

A challenging high quality world class match—this was a two-day match featuring five stages each day with the highly anticipated Texas state championship Bolt Action Military match held the first afternoon. The match was well attended this year. Grouchy Spike gathered up a posse of very capable shooters from south Texas and Hondo Tweed brought down his best Rough Riders from Oklahoma. The state of Louisiana was also well represented. This was 100 percent a shooters match, with Clay bird flippers in abundance, as well as dueling trees, falling plate racks, hostage targets, no-shoot targets, large statics, small statics, rifle

targets out to 45 yards, lots of movement, and smartly written stages. This match had it all. Saturday, a very nice, well-attended social with great food, fun, and conversation was held on the Bursey ranch and hosted by Goat-neck Clem, his wife Cindy, and son Capt. Sam Evans, who are gracious and delightful hosts.

The stages were straightforward, with some being a shootem up and others requiring a more technical hand. In Wild Bunch the star of the show is the 1911. Three stages featured 20-round pistol with the balance being 25 to 30 rounds. Stage number six featured 30 rounds of pistol and gave shooters a

choice to solve the problem by using the pistol and rifle wherever the competitor desired and using the shotgun for two clay bird flippers. Shotguns were kept mostly to four to five rounds, with one really neat twist thrown in on stage 9. Three rounds, with the fourth loaded on the clock while a clay bird was in the air! More folks didn't than did, but everyone had a big time trying... also it was entertaining to watch! The rifle got a revival at this match, as it was used to effect on rifle targets out to 40-plus yards. This match put usefulness back into the rifle, where it serves an actual purpose. On one stage, to showcase the prowess of the rifle, six 4" x 8" reac-

tionary swinging targets were shot at a distance of 25 yards and a 12" gong at 30 yards. Sunday featured a reset of the previous day's stages to present the competitors with new situations that were just as interesting and fun as Saturday. Hamburgers for lunch, then it was awards and drawings for prize table items including primers, bullets, shotgun shells, brass bags, collector boxes, and more. The match was well attended with 29 competitors and hosted by the Comanche Valley Vigilantes. Capt. Sam Evans came out on top as Overall Top Man. Shooting Iron Miller was Overall Top Lady.

TEXAS STATE CHAMPIONSHIP BOLT ACTION MILITARY MATCH

This match continues to grow in popularity every year. This time, 18 combat and 17 sniper competitors engaged in two separate matches, held simultaneously, for trophies. As soon as a competitor shot one course of fire they could walk to the next, sign up and compete. By doing Bamm this way all competitors completed the course of

fire in one hour. A big thanks to Hoodoo Brown and Greased Lightnin and everyone else for stepping up and running the Bamm match, spotting, and scoring. Thanks also to Evil Roy for bringing three of his new target systems for Bamm shooters. Bamm even had its own special prize pool with Norm Purcella donating 500 bullets. Capt. Sam Evans won in Bamm Combat, while Dusty Boddams came out on top in Bamm Sniper.

Thank you all shooters for attending! We had two posses and they both ran flawlessly. Wild bunch shooters are self-starters and naturally fill all obligations for a posse. It's a great thing to have shooters wanting to do the duties and stepping up before being asked. Wild Bunch Action Shooting is growing and the competitors are enthusiastic. New shooters are always welcome and many clubs offer an open category with relaxed rules to allow new shooters the opportunity to compete without the expense of new equipment. Try before you buy!

The Texas State Championship returns October 19, 20, and 21, 2018

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TOP OVERALL MAN AND Bamm COMBAT WINNER CAPT. SAM EVANS (SASS #16788) ON THE LEFT, WITH WILD BUNCH AMBASSADOR GOATNECK CLEM (SASS #16787).

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SIXTH ANNUAL CENTRAL CANADIAN REGIONAL

BY BAD PENNY, SASS #1453

A dedicated group of volunteers braved the July heat to put together the Sixth Annual SASS[®] Sanctioned Central Canadian Regional Championship. Held July 14-15, 2017, the match brought competitors from all over Ontario and Quebec as well as groups from Pennsylvania and Michigan.

Great stages, imaginatively decorated—including a stage dressed up with red and white targets and wrapped in Canadian flags to commemorate Canada's 150th birthday—were set in a grand facility. For the CCRC the stages are designed to be thought provoking for shooters, but the targets are left big. Too big to miss? Never.

Thursday was side-match day, spent shooting everything from single-shot long-range buffalo guns to tiny pocket pistols and Derringers. It is also Wild Bunch mini-match day. Word of the challenging CCRC Wild Bunch stages has spread. This year, due to partici-



pant numbers, this entertaining three-stage shoot had to be shot in two flights. More than thirty competitors took part using futuristic weaponry, including the 1911 pistol and Winchester 1912 shotgun! Overall winner of the Wild Bunch match and winner in Wild Bunch Modern was The Boy (SASS #87709). Four Fingers Fred (SASS #95390), won Wild Bunch Traditional.

Friday and Saturday consisted of ten stages, decorated with Kitty Katz Arizona's gorgeous peeps of Cowboy

Action Shooting with the classic fire-arms of the 1800s. This year Slow Don (SASS #66977) overcame both a recurring illness—which kept him away from last year's competition—and all competitors as he was declared the Overall Match Winner and Central Canadian Men's Champion. His prize, a model black 1955 Fleetwood known as the Godfather Cadillac. Serenity (SASS #64982), World Champion and Top Lady, got the pink 1955 Fleetwood known as the Elvis Cadillac. Congratulations to both great shooters. Slow Don's daughter and a SASS Scholarship recipient, Smoke N'Ash (SASS #86017), took top Cowgirl and 12th place overall.

Captain R.J. Law (SASS #15466), of the Wolverine Rangers—the stalwart roughriders who put on the annual Range War at the Bluewater Range in Port Huron, Michigan—pointed his cayuse north and did us the great honor of shooting with us. He told us he really enjoyed the great posse he was on and walked off with top spot in the largest category, Silver Senior.

We were also delighted to greet a fine bunch of compadres from La Belle Provence, Quebec. Highwall Drifter (SASS #68975), Rooster Corrigan (SASS #83743), Milly Oakley (SASS #98541), Saint Clyde (SASS #98540),



Four Fingers Fred (SASS #95390), and Marshall MacPhee (SASS #102392) all rode over to shoot with us. They came, they saw, they conquered.

Highwall Drifter came in second to Slow Don in the 49-er category. Rooster Corrigan won Cattle Baron and Four Fingers Fred took the Golden Bucket emblematic of Pale Rider dominance from Pennsylvania's Critter T. Longshot (SASS #53188).

There are strong traditions at this match. One of them is, if the Pale Rider winner of the year before loses, he must present the Golden Bucket to the new winner. This Critter T. did with style and grace, his grin bursting out of his full beard and behind his smoking corn cob pipe. The spirit of the game was running a full 90 proof. Critter T.'s better half, Ruby Rose Longshot (SASS #67697) repeated this year as winner of Lady Frontier Cartridge, thus saving the family honor.

In all it was a most successful shoot, a good time was had by all and, as always, the Cowboys showed their hearts and wallets to the charity raffle for our local Hospice, this year raising more than \$1,800.

Please join us July 19, 20 and 21, 2018 in Barrie, Ontario Canada for the Seventh annual Central Canadian Regional Championship. Please visit <http://osasf.ca/> for more information and for complete match results. We look forward to seeing you.

SHOOTING WITH THE CANADIANS

BY RJ LAW, SASS #15466

Lefty Dutchman (SASS #41480) is one of our regular Canadian shooters who comes to Range War, the Michigan State Championship of Cowboy Action Shooting™—held over Labor Day weekend—just about every year. Range War is held at the Blue Water Sportsman's Club near Port Huron and a short distance from the Blue Water Bridge to Sarnia, Ontario. Lefty came up to me at the end of the Banquet and Awards Presentation last year at Range War and suggested I should visit to Canada and shoot one of their matches. We

have a significant number of Canadian shooters who participate in Range War every year and I agreed it was time I shot on their turf. I attended the SASS® Central Canadian Regional in Barrie, Ontario over the weekend of July 14-15, had a great time, and would highly recommend it for our American shooters.

Obviously my initial hesitation—and I am sure that of most shooters from the U.S.—is the concern about taking guns and ammo across the border into Canada. I have to say, the process actually was very easy. Lefty put me in contact with Ms. Karen Amon, the Chief Firearms Officer of the Chief Firearms Office of Toronto. She was extremely helpful and also very nice. She really tried to make the process easy and it was. She sent me the copies of all of the required documentation and I had no problems of any kind.

As part of the registration process for the match, Lady Smith (SASS #41871), sent me the confirmation for my registration as well as an Information Sheet with important sections about bringing firearms into Canada from the U.S. One thing I did not do was click on the link to review information about storing, transporting, and displaying firearms in Canada. (See the accompanying Information Letter entitled "Bringing Firearms to Canada from the U.S.") I followed the U.S. laws and had my four firearms in locked cases, but I did not have trigger locks on the handguns, which I later found out is a requirement. (See the attached screen shot from the Royal Mounted Police about Storing, Transporting and Displaying Firearms.) Fortunately for me, the customs agent who checked my Rugers did not raise an issue about the lack of trigger guards and I passed through customs with no issues. Frankly, all of the customs people were very nice and the process of making it through customs was very easy. I talked to one of the customs agents about Cowboy Action Shooting™ and she was very interested hearing about it.

There are a couple of rules I had a hard time understanding when I got to the range. It turns out you are supposed to take your handguns in the locked case to a table near one of the stages and unlock the case and put the guns in your holsters there. You are not

supposed to do that standing outside of your car or truck. Needless to say, I put my guns in my holsters while I was unloading my truck and was nicely informed by Crow (SASS #39113) the Match Director to take the guns in the locked case to one of the safe tables at one of the stages next time. After I was done shooting the match, I took my handgun case to one of the safe tables and took off my handguns there and put them in my case and locked it. Not a big deal and even Crow said some of the rules do not make a lot of sense.

I did not get to shoot the side matches due to my late arrival. It's a 270-mile drive and it was a little slow near Toronto. We shot ten stages on four bays for the match. Each set of targets was shot twice. One large bay had two stages. This means that they only had five sets of targets. For the second go round for each set of targets there would be a new stage written with a different shooting sequence. Actually, that was pretty efficient and it saved a lot of walking.

One of the rules they have in the Province of Ontario is all targets must be "shrouded." This means the targets have to be covered to prevent a ricochet from deflecting from the target and injuring someone in the surrounding community. Frankly, I would like to see the supporting evidence for that rule. The way that they handled this was to have a small roof over a series of targets or at least a wooded covering over all of the targets. This was not a big problem and the Club handled it well.

One of the other rules is all targets, including shotgun targets, must be at least 10 meters from the shooting line. This means all targets had to be at a minimum of about 33 feet away. (Bring your heavier shotgun loads.) I did pretty well with Winchester Extra-Lite loads but I did hit a couple of targets head on that did not go down the first time. One of the benefits of the targets being farther away is it forced me to aim and to use my front sight. Obviously that is a good habit to get into.

I had a very good time and will be going back. Barrie, Ontario is a very nice town and all the people were very nice. I really enjoyed the people on my posse. Hopefully I will be able to bring The Lady next time.



Storing, Transporting and Displaying Firearms

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It is important to store, transport and display firearms safely to prevent accidents and deter loss or theft.

These rules apply to individuals. There are different rules for businesses.

Storing Firearms Safely

Unload and lock your firearms!

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- Lock the firearms in a cabinet, container or room that is difficult to break into.



Restricted and prohibited firearms

- Attach a secure locking device so the firearms cannot be fired **and** lock them in a cabinet, container or room that is difficult to break into; **or**



- Lock the firearms in a vault, safe or room that was built or modified specifically to store firearms safely.
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1. Register for the match. Keep copies of the registration form and acceptance letter.
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5. Contact Karen Amon at the Chief Firearms Office 1-800-731-4000 x7549. She can answer any questions you may have. She will also be the person to issue the Authorization to Transport (ATT) for all the restricted firearms. Send all the forms to Karen requests via fax 1-705-330-4298 or email at karen.amon@opp.ca or as she directs.

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Restricted and prohibited firearms

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- Attach **secure locking devices** to the firearms; **and**
- Lock the firearms in a sturdy, non-transparent container; **and**
- Remove the bolts or bolt carriers from any automatic firearms (if removable).
- Obtain an Authorization to Transport (call 1-800-731-4000).

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Non-restricted firearms

- Attach secure locking devices to the firearms; **or**
- Lock the firearms in a cabinet, container or room that is difficult to break into.



Restricted and prohibited firearms

- Attach secure locking devices to the firearms; **and**
- Securely attach them to something that cannot be moved.
- For automatic firearms, also remove the bolts or bolt carriers (if removable) and lock them in a separate room that is difficult to break into.

Some rules may be different for firearms displayed away from home – for example, at a gun show. Contact the RCMP Canadian Firearms Program (CFP) for more information.

Information

For more information, or to report a public safety concern, [contact the CFP](#).

Remember

- Don't forget to renew your firearms licence before it expires.
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COSTUME CONTEST WINNERS.

HELUVA RUKUS 2017 NEW YORK STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

BY ANNABELLE BRANSFORD,
SASS #11916 REGULATOR

Once again the Circle K Regulators proved their annual SASS New York State Cowboy Action Shooting™ Championship was aptly named. There was indeed a Heluva Rukus in the town of Ballston Spa, NY, when more than 230 well-heeled, period-attired Cowboys from 18 states and Canada gathered to throw lead on September 15-17, 2017. It should be noted, at one point 260 cowpokes from 20 states were registered for the event, but unfortunately there were a number of last-minute cancellations, including several due to shooters whose jobs sent them to either Texas or Florida to help out with issues arising in the aftermath of Hurricanes Harvey and Irma. Although they missed

out on an awesome event, all those folks deserve a big “thanks” for their commitment and service! Another shooter, Lazy Ace Bob (SASS #38620), who did manage to make it to the match, took it upon himself to load up his own SUV with personally purchased food and necessities and drive all the way from Connecticut to Texas to help the victims of Hurricane Harvey. Now that’s the true Cowboy Spirit!

Upon arrival at Kayaderosseras Fish & Game Club, shooters were amazed to see ten individual berms, spread out over a good portion of the club’s 47 acres, decked out like an Old West movie set. The props were once again some of the best to be found at any Cowboy Action Shooting™ match, thanks to the talented CKR building and decorating crews. Bad Bob, the life-size mannequin pushdown activator, reappeared on The Mine stage, having been retired for some years. There was a nice new farmhouse building front added to The Homestead stage, while a new crumbling adobe building front

and cemetery gate/entrance spruced up The Mission stage. Meanwhile, the jail cell, sheriff’s office interior with new rifle racks, and new gallows looked great on Stage 6. Many shooters claimed Stage 9 as their favorite, really getting a kick out of wandering through the herd of cattle in search of shotgun targets. All in all, they were some great looking—and great shooting—stages! Yup, HR 2017 was destined to be one of the biggest and best Cowboy Action Shooting™ extravaganzas of the year, no doubt about it!

The unseasonable weather was unlike any September Rukus ever held. In fact, it was more like the old days when the match was held in mid-June... hot and humid! With temperatures way above normal (mid-80s!), the cold water the club provided throughout the match was a godsend! Even with that, there were still some issues with the heat. The hard-working Boy Scouts did an admirable job picking brass during the main match, but even a couple of them had to relinquish their



OVERALL TOP SHOOTERS JAMES SAMUEL PIKE AND SPINNING SALLY.

duties early due to heat exhaustion! At least the rain stayed at bay. Heaven knows, there was enough moisture from sweat without adding any “liquid sunshine” to the equation!

On Friday, a whopping 160 cowpokes participated in the numerous side matches—more than most State championships can boast for their main match registrations! The side events this year included the usual speed shotgun/rifle/pistol/derringer/pocket pistol events, three Cowboy Action Shooting™ warm-up stages, three Rough Rider/Wild Bunch warm-up stages, the long-range rifle event, and multiple .22 caliber pistol/rifle events. Match Sponsor Sturm,

Ruger & Co. even had a special area set up where shooters could try out many different Ruger revolvers and semi-auto pistols for free! It was a great opportunity to shoot some awesome firearms!

The impressive number of vendors on site (16) made it easy for cowpokes to find ways to part with their hard-earned greenbacks. The three main match sponsors, Klassic Laser Works, Cowboy Gunworks, and Sturm, Ruger & Co., were on hand throughout the weekend, providing not only great services in the form of custom laser engraving, gunsmithing, and gun sales, but also donating some super items to benefit the shooters as well as help raise



money for various charities. Klassic Laser Works’ give-away to each shooter this year was a customized LED mini-flashlight—a nice, useful memento. Other vendors included target, leather, knife, and bullet makers, action and still photographers, and vendors selling cowboy clothing and all manner of other period accoutrements. Two new vendors, Calamity Jane’s Firearms and Fine Shoes (from Hudson Falls, NY) and Frederick’s of Deadwood (from PA), set up shop on Rukus’ sutlers’ row for the first time. Also new this year was the Cowpoke Consignment Shop. Shooters were lined up early Friday morning to put their gently used or no longer needed cowboy clothing, gun leather, reloading equipment, and accessories up for sale at great prices. The shop was a big hit, sales were brisk, and by the end of the weekend, the tables and clothing racks were nearly empty.

The theme for this year’s event was “Law and Order: From Guns to Gavels” with the main match stages dedicated to some of the lawmen responsible for the taming of the West, including Heck Thomas, Bat Masterson, and the infamous Judge Roy Bean, among others. As usual, Rowdy Bill (SASS #9628 Life) did a terrific job with the stages—plenty of movement, “shooter’s choices,” and lead-slinging fun. With the new SASS requirement for major matches to be scored by overall time, many shoots are changing to less difficult scenarios with big, up-close-and-personal targets. Not so at Rukus. You can never accuse Rowdy of writing boring, stand-and-deliver stages. A lot of thought and creativity go into the stages at Rukus each year. This year there were activators, movers, knock downs, knock ups (!), plate racks, and the beloved kick-down door with which to contend. Target sizes, shapes, and distances varied, as did the acquisitions. Each of the 16 posses completed five stages per day, shooting straight through on AM/PM flights. Although some shooters swore it was the most challenging Rukus ever, they were all wearing big smiles at the end and promising to come back next year.

Delicious buffet “cowboy dinners” were available at the range both Friday and Saturday evening. Following the

NEW YORK STATE CHAMPIONS SPINNING SALLY AND CARTWHEEL.

Saturday night meal, Barry Hayes of P. T. Litewell's Heliographic Emporium proved he had talents other than photography as he entertained the folks with his singing and guitar playing prowess for well over an hour. Cattle Baroness, Crackshot Bev (SASS #59869), was a big hit as she "cut the rug" to his tunes!

The eagerly-awaited awards ceremony began shortly after completion of the main match stages on Sunday afternoon. First, Trail Boss Smokehouse Dan (SASS #12524) took care of all the obligatory "thank yous" to sponsors, vendors, ROs, shooters and club members. Members of local Boy Scout Troop #54 were congratulated on raising a whopping \$2,438 for their brass-picking and snack-selling efforts over the weekend. Thanks to the sale of raffle tickets, the CKR was able to make sizable donations not only to the local EMTs who were on site all weekend (\$1,375) and the SASS Scholarship Fund (\$500), but to the Military Mom in Action organization (\$1,375) as well. [Military Mom in Action is a local not-for-profit/charitable organization whose mission is to reach out and touch the

lives of U.S. soldiers, sailors, airmen and marines with support and encouragement by sending them monthly boxes of goodies and letters wherever they are around the world.] Winners in each of this year's five Costume Contest categories were announced, and the male and female winners in each of Friday's side events were given their awards. Special Sponsor Appreciation Awards were presented to Lupare Chenz (10 years) and Starline Brass (15 years). Winners of the charity raffle items were then announced, sending numerous lucky cowpokes home with prizes valued at \$100-\$700, including a Ruger Vaquero SA revolver and a Ruger American Compact semi-auto pistol (donated by Sturm, Ruger & Co.), a tuned and case-hardened Smoke Wagon SA Revolver (donated by Taylor's & Co.), a custom knife with sheath (donated by Lupare Chenz), a Uberti '73 Cattleman SA Revolver (donated by Calamity Jane's Firearms), an 1851 Navy Brass blackpowder pistol (donated by EMF), a handmade quilt (donated by Calico Sue), three full race revolver action jobs (donated by Cowboy Gunworks), and entries to several state and annu-

al matches in the Northeast. Next, stage winners and the 22 clean shooters were presented with small mementos of their shooting skills. Then category winners (both overall and NYS) were given their well-deserved awards. These were totally new and different this year, with the NYS class winners receiving custom laser engraved leather belt buckles and overall class winners taking home unique cowboy gunfighter bobble-heads. The ceremony concluded with presentations to the 2017 New York State and overall male and female champions. Cartwheel (SASS #57342) and Spinning Sally (SASS #89526) took top male and female honors amongst the New York shooters. Spinning Sally was also the overall Top Female, with James Samuel Pike (SASS #53331) finishing the match as Top Gun Overall. And thus ended another successful Heluva Rukus. If you missed out on the 2017 match, you'd best mark your calendars now, so it doesn't happen again. Rukus 2018 will be held on September 14-16th. For more information, including a full list of winners, check out the CKR website at: www.circlekregulators.com.

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WESTERN CANADIAN REGIONAL 2017

BY GREY BEARD, SASS
#79061 LIFE

August 9-12, 2017 saw the Fifth SASS® Western Canadian Regional Championship in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan. Cowboys and Cowgirls from across Canada came to participate, with shooters from as far away as Ontario and BC. Once again, the members of the Saskatoon Muzzle Loader Club opened their doors to partner with the Saskatchewan Association of Wild West Shooters to host the event held on their dedicated Cowboy Action Shooting™ range, Bounty Gulch, named after the ghost town of Bounty Saskatchewan. The range is now five years old and features a mission, sheriff's office, saloon, general store, and bank.

This year saw activities for shooters from August 7 to 12, with an RO1 course held August 7 (Monday) in the main club house, a riverboat cruise on August 8, and main match activity August 9 to 12. Based on comments from the 25 folks attending the cruise, next year we will have it include a supper option served in the boat's dining room.

With four past match's history to draw on, a committee of members from both of the involved clubs was formed.



FIRST PLACE YOUNG GUN CROSS DRAW KID, WHO ALSO FINISHED FIFTH OVERALL.



SOUTHWEST TRAPPER, ALBERTA ANNIE, PRAIRIE STORM, AND SHORT FINGERED BILL ON THEIR WAY TO THE AWARDS BANQUET.

Committee members worked tirelessly throughout the winter and summer months leading up to the shoot, looking at what worked and what could be improved upon. With several new members and fresh ideas, their hard work made the event a huge success.

Once again, a clean stage award was given. At the end of each stage, anyone who shot it clean was given a clean stage draw ticket. At the end of the match, shooters were able to enter them into a draw for a prize basket of cleaning products and a gift card. Based on a count of the tickets in the basket, this year we had 287 clean stages shot during the main match.

With the rich history of the town of Bounty, the shoot committee decided the match should continue to honor the cowboy spirit of the pioneers who settled and built Western Canada. After lots of research "10 most dangerous gunfighters" was chosen as the theme. Stages were based on an article taken from True West magazine featuring some of the West's most notorious gunmen, like Wyatt Earp, King Fisher, John Wesley Hardin, Billy the Kid, and Clay

Allision, to name a few.

For four days the air was filled with gunshots from a Wild Bunch match, side matches, and the main match, along with RO courses, swap meets and vendors in the event tent, a saloon girl contest, and other fancy dress contests each night. We played cowboy BINGO with guns and once again the members of the SMLC hosted a Knife and Hawk Trail Walk to name a few of the activities.

The festivities started Wednesday with the Wild Bunch match. This year the weather was warm and sunny with no hint of rain throughout the event. Our committee wants to extend a special thanks to all the shooters who came a day early to take part in the match, which went off with out a hitch. Congrats to the winners, Men's Traditional Pepper Em in Lead and Men's Modern Short Fingured Bill. This year we had no ladies shoot Wild Bunch, which was a big surprise based on our previous years' matches. Several ladies have indicated they will be shooting next year to add a bit of class to the event.

Following the Wild Bunch match,

Alberta Annie, Prairie Storm and Granny One Shot put on a shooting clinic for ladies with all proceeds going to the SASS Scholarship fund. Approximately 10 ladies took part, received some excellent instruction and began using the new skills they had learned during the main match. To end the day a potluck supper hosted by Last Chance Lexi and Quick Spin Kid was held in the event tent, which was set up for the second time after being flattened by a plow wind.

Thursday started with an RO2 course delivered by Grey Beard while the ladies dressed up in their best finery and took part in a workshop on Ladies Fashion in the 1800s. By all accounts, Layla Langtree and Dusty Dawn did a first-class job of the workshop and lunch. Comments from those who took part indicate it was enjoyed by all. It's always a treat to see so many beautiful ladies dress in 1800s garb.

Thursday afternoon side matches set up by Pepper Em in Lead were a big hit, featuring both speed and precision shooting matches using shotguns, revolvers, and rifles. We shot speed pistol, rifle, and shotgun along with precision pistol and rifle, with prizes for the top men and women in each category. Thursday evening featured a steak supper followed by a dance with music supplied by the Lisle Dasheny and Company Band, featuring music ranging from modern country and western to polkas and even a couple of the songs they have written.

The main match stages were entertaining and depicted the exploits of famous gunfighters across the west during the 1800s. The scenarios included jailbreaks, robberies, and lots of gun battles. Having big, close, and hittable targets added to the fun.

One of the most entertaining stages was stage six, featuring our now-famous outhouse. In our version of the Shootout at the OK Corral, after cleaning up several of the Clanton gang, Wyatt has Ike Clanton cornered and hiding in the outhouse. After shooting the door open, our Cowboys and Cowgirls dumped all remaining rounds on the gang leader hiding just inside the door, then finished the stage with four knock down shotgun rounds.

Over the two-day main match, Cowboys and Cowgirls shot every type of sweep imaginable. Competition at the top was fierce, but at the end of the day, Talisker edged out the others, earning the buckle with a well-deserved victory in the men's competition. First place overall for ladies went to Alberta Annie.

After each day's shooting the competitors were treated to some delicious food prepared by the Saskatoon Muzzle Loader Club members. After Friday night's supper of fried chicken, Granny One Shot and Grey Beard were caught by surprise when SASS Regulator Badges were presented to them in recognition of the work they have done to promote SASS and Cowboy Action Shooting™ in Saskatchewan.

Following the supper and presentations we were treated to the fifth annual Saloon Girl contest hosted by Doc Thompson. This year's contest included the Saloon Girl Olympics, a contest of the girls showing off their expertise for soliciting and serving drinks among other talents. Alberta Annie won by a leg amidst lots of laughter and cheers. Mid-way through the contest, the ladies taking part decided Doc should be dressed like a saloon girl. Doc, always a good sport, was made up to look like one of the girls, to the



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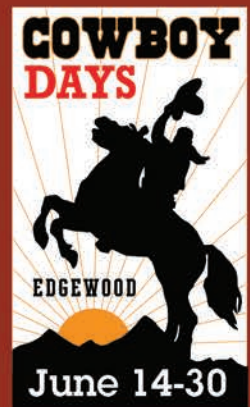
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OVERALL WINNERS TALISKER AND ALBERTA ANNIE.

delight of the spectators. Another twist on this year's contest was the ladies all had to perform an "unnatural" act on the range following the day's shooting. The contestants all gathered at one of the stages and had to shoot a double action revolver! Once again, this year all the contestants' names were put into a draw for a firearm. This year the prize was a Stoeger shotgun provided by Proline Shooters in Calgary. Layla Langtree was the lucky winner. The contest raised \$700 to support youth Cowboy Action Shooters™ here in Western Canada. Now we're waiting to see what kind of evil Doc will dream up next year.

Saturday night was the awards banquet and fancy dress up night. Roast beef with all the trimmings was on menu followed by the awards presentations. Then, because of the generous support of our sponsors, every competitor received a door prize plus we gave away two \$250 gift certificates donated by Kanada Girl from the Wild West Shooting Centre. Best dressed, side match, category, and the top 10 overall men and women were recognized to end a very successful Fifth Western Canadian Regional Championship.

Thank you to SASS and all of the folks who support us with donations to our prize tables, making sure every shooter receives a prize. Especial thanks to Bruce and Rhonda Martin, owners and operators of Cactus Plains Ammunition. Over the past five years they have donated 50,000 bullets to be used as prizes. The committee vows to make the August 8-11, 2018 shoot bigger and better so get it onto your shoot schedule. Please visit <http://www.sawws.com/> for more information and for a complete list of 2017 scores.

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SHOOTOUT ON THE LITTLE RIVER 2018

BY TENNESSEE TALL, SASS #49245 AND RIO DRIFTER, SASS #49244

The Valdosta Vigilance Committee conducts business at the Little River Sportsmen Club, Valdosta Georgia. Monthly matches held on first Saturdays. December 2016 the club began harvesting forty acres of trees making room for the construction of new berms beginning in March of 2017. End result is a 50-yard range, .22 caliber only 50-yard range, 200-yard range, 600-yard range, and 10 pistol bays complete with 16-by 22-foot covers. More than \$100,000 have been spent upgrading the range and it shows! Come check 'em out.

January 6, 2018, day one of their annual match, Shootout on the Little River, dawned a sunny 27 degrees, wind chill 19 degrees, but by 8:30AM fifty-four shooters were experiencing a heat wave. That is, those of us who could get close to the propane heaters Big Country, Smart Asterisk, and Wabash Valley Slim had kindly placed by the loading tables. After a week of historically low temperatures in north Florida and south Georgia, a week which included SNOW, sleet, and freezing rain (not even scary to you hardened Nawthernors), we tough Cowboys got up, shut up, sucked it up, and shot one fine shoot!

Hats off to all those folks who work making theirs a continuously improving range. Thank you to Deadly Sharp, Purdy Sharp, High Springs Drifter, Miss Patty, Miss Annie, Ennah Tizzy and Just Lee. Thank you to Pappy Laffitte, Wiamea and Scarlett Darlin for providing door prizes. Goliath, Wabash Valley Slim and Big Country gave us eight well-written scenarios with rifle and pistol sequences the same for each stage. Macinaw blew the frost off his camera lens and took some mighty fine pictures, thank you, Macinaw.

Big Country and his wife Selena designed and made the awards which were presented at Faith Baptist Church, where Sam's BBQ and Catering provided a wonderful lunch of barbecue chicken, pulled pork, and ribs with all the trimmings. The awards ceremo-



THE CLEAN MATCH AWARDS.



TOP GUNS SHAMROCK SADIE (SASS #78511) AND WABASH VALLEY SLIM (SASS #71092).



THE DANG IT AWARDS.

ny had a new twist, 18 percent of the shooters received a "Dang It" award for an almost clean match and 11 percent of the shooters received an award for a clean match. Shamrock Sadie was top

Cowgirl and Wabash Valley Slim was top Cowboy. All scores for the match are shown on the Valdosta Vigilance Committee website, <http://www.vvc.lrsa.info/>



KATHOUSE KELLI, CAT BALLOU, AND TEXAS FLOWER.

THE WORLD OF STEAMPUNK

A NEW COSTUME CONTEST CATEGORY FOR END OF TRAIL

BY KATHOUSE KELLI, SASS #72384

There is a growing interest among SASS shooters in wearing Steampunk-inspired clothing and accoutrements. I have started to delve into this cross-Victorian idea and thought to give a brief insight into how Steampunk began.

Since a Steampunk-costume-only category will be launched at END OF TRAIL 2018, I wanted to touch a little on the world of Steampunk and give a few suggestions to assist anyone wishing to explore this realm.

Many westerners, settlers, pioneers, and folk made their way through the 1860s, be it gold rush, Civil War, or city life, while the likes of Frenchman Jules Verne produced interesting liter-

ary works such as *Journey to The Center of the Earth*, *20,000 Leagues Under The Sea*, and *Around the World in Eighty Days* (included in *Voyages Extraordinaires*, a series of adventure novels published by Hetzel in 1863).

Later, toward the end of the 1800s, H.G. Wells also prominently wrote in this style of wild futuristic stories, a future of mechanical means, steam, and worlds beyond the realm of reality for the 19th century. An even earlier short story *The Aerial Burglar* was written in 1844 by Percival Leigh. Many visionaries were imagining the possibilities of future time travel during this era.

Steampunk began in the 1970s as a fantasy culture with many subge-

nres, including Victorian and Western themes. It can be described as *including any recent science fiction that takes place in a recognizable historical period (sometimes an alternate history version of an actual period) in which the industrial revolution has begun but electricity is not yet widespread, with an emphasis on steam or Spring-propelled gadgets...Steampunk is considered to be the amalgamation of Victorian aesthetic principles with modern sensibilities and technology.* Steampunk has also influenced such television series and films as *The Adventures of Brisco County Jr.*, *Time After Time*, *The League of Extraordinary Gentlemen*, and *The Wild Wild West*.

Brass, steam, pipes, gauges, gears,

COSTUMING CORNER

clockworks, airships, submarines, mechanical, time travel – how do I fit this into a costume? Adaptation to a Steampunk outfit from your current Cowboy or Victorian clothing does not take as much as you think! You will find you have many items already in your wardrobes that, with a few accoutrements, can be made to suit. Steampunk allows for great creativity and imagination. Listed below are some examples of a persona that you may take on as a Victorian exploring or thinking about the future. Note, these are suggested items but not required, thus giving a broad list without specifically limiting one's imagi-

nation. For example:

- **Aviator** – *Around the World in 80 Days* – might have an aviator leather helmet, flight goggles, wing badges, medals, compass, and maps. Think Wright Brothers gloves, scarves, hot air balloon inspired jewelry, etc.
- **Nautical** – *20,000 Leagues Under The Sea* literature and film, *League of Extraordinary Gentlemen* – nautical helmet, octopus, telescope, Victorian swimming costume, etc.
- **Industrial** – fingerless or leather gloves, goggles, makeup dirt on face where goggles could have been, wrenches, gears, copper piping, pressure gauges, etc.
- **Alchemist** – goggles, glasses with magnifying lens options, leather apron, small bottles, potions, bowler hat, etc.
- **Western** – *Wild Wild West*, *Cowboys*



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STEAMPUNK IS COMING!

I'M EXCITED TO ANNOUNCE A NEW STEAMPUNK COSTUME CATEGORY DEBUTING AT END OF TRAIL 2018. FOR SOME TIME, MANY SASS COSTUME AFICIONADOS HAVE EMBRACED THE STEAMPUNK GENRE BY WEARING STEAMPUNK INSPIRED ATTIRE AT MATCHES THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY. SO WHY NOT ACKNOWLEDGE THE TREND AND CREATE A COSTUME CATEGORY WITHIN WHICH FOLKS MAY COMPETE? STEAMPUNK WILL BE A COSTUME CATEGORY ONLY, AND AT END OF TRAIL 2018 AWARDS WILL BE GIVEN TO BEST DRESSED STEAMPUNK MEN AND LADIES, FIRST THROUGH THIRD PLACE, AT THE SATURDAY EVENING COSTUME CONTEST. IF YOU WANT TO DRESS STEAMPUNK DURING THE DAYTIME EVENT, FEEL FREE TO DO SO. DAYTIME STEAMPUNK COSTUMES WILL BE JUDGED AS SHOOTING COSTUMES.

—TIME TO GET YOUR STEAMPUNK ON!
Cat Ballou, SASS #55



TEXAS FLOWER AND TEXAS MAC IN STEAMPUNK FORMAL WEAR.

and Aliens (at an extreme) – spiders, cuffs, military jackets, gears, chains, pocket watch, cowboy hat, vest, cravat, goggles, glasses, mechanical workings for hidden items, belts, etc.

- **Victorian** – saloon style skirts, skirt hitch, petticoats, hoop/cage petticoats with no skirt just an overskirt, full Victorian gowns, Victorian undergarments, gears, chains, leather satchels, tea cup holsters, binoculars, parasol, cane, bicycle costume, corset, gloves, fingerless gloves, etc.

- **Explorer** – linen type clothing, full Victorian, pith helmets, walking canes, parasol, binoculars, telescope, maps, compass, leather gloves, map holders, satchels etc.

- **Auto** – duster, goggles, makeup dust on face, wrenches, gears, cuffs, gloves, etc. Costumes can include a varied array of:

- **Hats** – top hat, bowler, pith helmet, women's Victorian style, cowboy, fascinators – with or without veils, mini top hats, leather aviator etc.

- **Straps** – leather for shoulders, around cuffs, around leg, ankles, boots, across vests, on corsets etc.

- **Chains** – across corsets, around boots, to hold watches, from pins, to pins and

brooches, interesting clock parts, gears etc.

As you can see the possibilities are endless and for many it would be an easy transition. There are many craft stores and websites that offer do-it-yourself bits and pieces, or outfits can be purchased ready made. Also, an abundance of resources and books relate to this popular subculture and you don't have to look too far to find them. At the time of writing this article, I am waiting to receive two books, *The Steampunk Bible* and *Steampunk Gears, Gadgets and Gizmos*. I have also come across SteampunkMonsters.com, an interesting online story and photographic account of a Steampunk Guide to Hunting Monsters. The monster part doesn't particularly interest me and I am yet to get into reading the story, but it is a costumers delight to see the beautifully photographed creations. Plenty of great ideas to be found for sure!

Some SASS members who have already added a Steampunk aesthetic to their wardrobes are Cat Ballou, Texas Flower and Texas Mac, Slick McClade and family, Rolan Kraps, Nellie Blue, Dragon Hill Dave, EZ GZ, Squawty Bawdy, Pale Ale Rider, and Georgia Gypsy. I met Pale Ale Rider and Georgia Gypsy at the 2017 SE Regional and at the banquet they had arm gadgets with gauges and more they had made themselves. My phone had died or else I would have taken their photo.

Let inspiration begin! Get creating and in just a couple of months' time, the costume judges at END of TRAIL will be looking forward to seeing *your* Steampunk creations!



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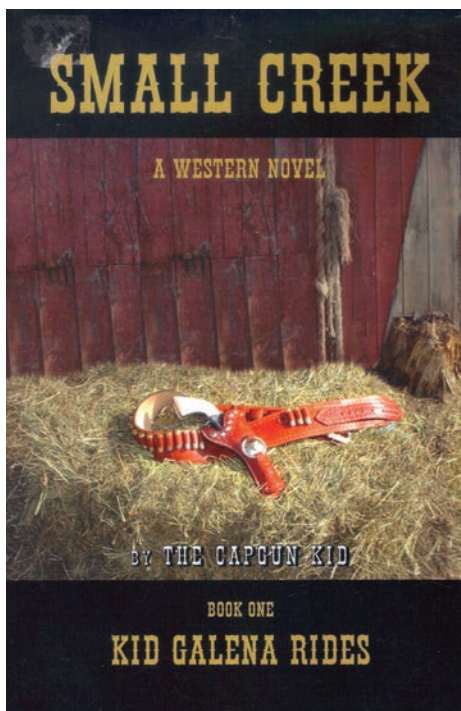
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SMALL CREEK: KID GALENA RIDES CONTINUED FROM THE JANUARY ISSUE

BY THE CAPGUN KID, SASS
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THE STORY THUS FAR: AT FIRST MISTAKEN FOR LEGENDARY OUTLAW KID GALENA, NOAH DOBBS IV CLEARS HIS NAME WITH SHERIFF AXEL SWEET AND SETS UP HIS BOOT AND HARNESS SHOP IN SMALL CREEK, KANSAS, THEN JOINS A POSSE TO TRACK DOWN CRIMINALS WHO ROBBED THE TOWN BANK. ALTHOUGH THE POSSE HE'S ON IS UNSUCCESSFUL, DEPUTY MCGEE MANAGES TO TRACK DOWN, AMBUSH, AND KILL TWO OF THE OUTLAWS, BUT THE BADMEN WHO SURVIVE ESCAPE TO THEIR HIDEOUT.



CHAPTER SIX

IN THE HIDEOUT OUTSIDE SMALL CREEK

Monte Harris seemed almost patronizing and benevolent in his tone as he addressed the prone figure of Portugee Benez. “C’mon, now Portugee, you got to lay still iff’n you want me to git all these pellets out’n yore arse.” With his trousers down around his ankles the outlaw was draped over the only table in the hideaway cave. The table was a crude, cobbled mixture of hewn beams and rough planks. Nebraska Ned insisted the gang paint it barnyard red so as to inhibit the mould that would be present in a cave such as this, one of their four hideouts in Kansas. None of the outlaws had any real inkling about sanitation besides Portugee, Monte and Ned himself, so there was considerable grumbling on the day the men applied the three coats of thick paint to the table.

Portugee, somewhat pressed to find a shred of dignity in the moment, wiped his nose with his free hand. His other hand, still in a sling from previous wounds, was pinned under him. He squirmed a couple of times, stared at the floor, and mumbled a few epithets as Monte went back to work with the tweezers and scalpel. Somewhat large and obese, Monte had a broken nose that made him whistle whenever he pronounced an “F” or a “TH” sound. His left ear had been nicked years ago, and

it drooped a little, but Monte swore it made him hear a mite better. Inasmuch as the gang found he was the most reliable sentry, his claim was somewhat believable. Monte carried a King James Bible, and when he read from it he did so in a plodding and halting way that indicated his schooling, although brief and aborted, had nevertheless taken him beyond the scholarly level common to most men on the frontier. He could read over you if you were dying.

His other most pronounced trait, one upon which the gang placed great value, was he was one of the few outlaws who would be willing to help patch up the wounded. In a profession where generally the wounded were surreptitiously abandoned or hastily finished off, that was a premium that would make anyone in the gang put up with his bad breath or general lack of toiletries.

He was an easy six feet tall, though he had a tendency to hunch over as if someone in his childhood made him feel guilty about his height. Indeed, one of the few ways to get him roused was to point out that feature with any tone of sarcasm. Generally, Monte Harris only took that kind of criticism or needling from Ned, whom he trusted implicitly. Most of the men around him were more than wary of his tendency to deliver one crushing blow to a man’s crown when angry enough to fight.

He favored wool shirts of bright color, sometimes blue and sometimes green, a tendency that irked Ned because it made him stand out a little too much for his liking, and you could


count on some local law dog to highlight the fact his shirts were only partially tucked into a pair of overalls that had only one leather suspender holding them up.

Monte did not like boots, claiming the heat caused by their closeness choked off the vital juices in a man's body at the ankle, so he always wore common workman's shoes. He had a broad, innocent smile that revealed a missing front tooth on the top, doubtlessly knocked out in fisticuffs somewhere along the line. It inexplicably seemed to be linked to the broken nose when one first set eyes on him. His thinning black hair was groomed only by a bowl template haircut he would give himself periodically because he insisted short hair was important to overall cleanliness, even in deference to bathing. In fact, the only time most saw him thorough in ablutions was when he was about to turn to doctoring, because Monte had seen a doctor wash before tending to a toothache victim or deliver a baby, he could not remember which.

He wore a big Colt Dragoon cross draw fashion, like the Texans were

THE CAPGUN KID grew up in Bethpage, Long Island having his first childhood during the 1950's. After seeing the Roy Rogers Rodeo in Madison Square Garden in 1954, and seeing Fort William Henry excavated in that same year, his early years were spent adoring Davy Crockett, Roy Rogers and The Lone Ranger. During his second childhood, while raising three children with his patient and loving wife, Anne, he spent as much time as he could as a French And Indian War re-enactor, shoemaker, woodsman and buckskinner. He published two Novels, *Divers Adventures, A Legacy Found* via the Buckskin Press in 1978 and *A Season Of Purpose* by Heritage Books in 2003. His work has also been seen in *Smoke And Fire News, The Buckskin Report, and The Book Of Buckskinning*. He and Anne raised their children in Connecticut, a center of colonial history.

Now in his third childhood, Capgun is a Cowboy Action Shooter, boot, saddle and gunbelt maker and, if he survives this childhood, potentially a horseman. Every Christmas he runs auctions on Ebay for his capgun rigs, and many of the stories told about childhood in the fifties have made it to the *Cowboy Chronicle*, along with his leatherworking how-to articles. The **SMALL CREEK** set will consist of four volumes, to be printed over the next five years. The second volume, *The Return Of Nebraska Ned*, will be printed during 2005.



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known to do, and he was a fair to mid-dlin' shot with it. He favored his Zouave Musket, though, and was more prone to carrying and using that weapon, supplied by a small black pouch, stolen from the afore-mentioned doctor, on his

thick belt.

Although a body never trusted him to cook, nevertheless his impromptu surgical abilities, facilitated by a small black bag full of doctor's tools he claimed he stole off a stage coach hold-up victim, were far better than even the most successful rustler or thief associated with this gang could expect. That made the occasional rust or grime on those tools tolerable. In fact, in one of his friendlier moments, he could even be induced to show how a doctor cleaned his tools with soapy water or alcohol. He did, of course, prefer whiskey for that task.

Now he was hunkered over Portugee, pulling several pellets from one of the few wounds sustained by the gang when they shot it out with Axel Sweet's posse in the coulies. The only other victims were the two new men from Tennessee, whom that cursed McGee had bushwhacked while they were retreating from the scene of the earlier gunfight. Nobody would miss them, as they were sullen types who took no joy at all from being outlaws, something Ned regarded as wholly unprofessional.

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“And don’t be forgettin’ yoreself and making water on the very spot from which we break bread!” snapped Ned, who was seated on a stool nearby, admiring an unusual thick leather vest that Portugee wore under his shirt. “Doggone!” Whistled Ned, as he looked at the garment. “It’s gotta be worth all that weight in a fight... lookee here at all these shotgun pellets... why, I’ll allow there must be a hunnerd or so just around yore heart area alone!”

An imposingly tall and dapper man, Ned had sharp, crisp features and understood the value of grooming. He was rarely seen without slicked down hair and a waxed, short handlebar moustache. He wore a hat with a single crease down the center of the crown, usually pulled down over his left eye, giving him what he considered a rakish look. His grey eyes offset his black hair. His boots featured a sharp Cuban heel, it’s taper being reminiscent more of a Spanish dancer than that of a man of the plains.

His Navy Colt was slung low over his right hip, usually toward the front and canted slightly forward in its decorated Slim Jim holster. Ned was proud of his marksmanship and ability to jerk and fire his pistol quickly, yet with a cool, killing mind disciplining his actions. Ned held up the vest, clearly made of hammered saddle skirting and then shellacked for extra durability, that showed partial penetrations of shot, stopped because of the combination of the shooter’s distance to the greater extent and the leather itself to the lesser extent.

“Wanna buy it?” quipped Portugee just before he started as Monte found another pellet.

“Not until you can git one that covers yore arse, since that seems to be the most vulnerable part of yore otherwise shot up carcass!” The men laughed at the remark and Portugee swore silently as another pellet was discovered by the deliberate Monte.

Portugee Benez had been called thin and wiry, sometimes slippery by his detractors. None could deny he had a compact frame that seemed like a coiled spring. His beady black eyes darted here and there in the furtive nature of his self-defense. That trait was spoken of as his most dominant. None of his *compadres* had anything less than a healthy respect for his ability to smoke out danger and avoid consequence.

Some thought he came from Mexico, others that he truly emanated from Portugal as his name implied. His olive complexion and dark wavy hair served to lend credence to either theory, and the braid gave him a tough, Indian-like appearance. He was always heavily decorated with silver *conchos* and stamped leather, right down to his cuffs and spur straps. Once a Texas cowboy made fun of him in a bar by calling him a Christmas Tree, to which Portugee responded with a pistol whipping that belied his small stature. His eyes blazed ferociously and his thin lips sneered fearsomely when angered, as all in the saloon learned when he was finished with the recalcitrant Texan. At this moment, though, bent over and exposed, Portugee looked less than fearsome and was growing more sullen by the moment.

“Dass enough, my fren!” Portugee blurted out in the accent he was always careful to use to his own end. He swung around, blocked Monte with a swing of his own left arm, and moved off the

table to put himself back together.

“But you ain’t done yet! A lot of yore vital juices can still flow out’n through them little holes” replied Monte with an innocent look of confusion on his face.

“I know, I know par-di-nor,” Portugee answered through his thick accent, “but I’d rather have dem pellets then take any more of thees!”

The men laughed out loud as Ned piped up, “Well, Portugee, you shore got enough wounds fer all of us, and I’ll permit you to remain as long as they don’t slow you up, nor allow all them vital juices to spill all over out hideout. Seein’ as how you ain’t got a lot of places left to take more damage you ought to stay real close to Doctor Monte.”

“Don count on no slowin’,” replied Portugee with a sinister look on his face. “Besides, if I was you I would be thinkin’ less about my vital juices and more about a better way for us to mek a livin’. We ain’t ’zackly in no gentlemanly state because of da wealth yore planneen’ is gettin’ us.”

Ned stopped laughing abruptly and stood up, dropping the leather weskit at his feet. He seemed to catch himself, and it passed into history as to whether he would have pulled his pistol on Portugee. “Why, Portugee Benez you devil, you. You know you ain’t gotta stay here. Don’t let the fondness for the food make you our hapless companion.”

“You know I ain’t gonna liv’ you, you skunk. You try and hol’ onto all dis lead and see how cheerful you becomes.”

Ned wisely chose to laugh and go with the humor of the moment. He added Portugee to the list, but that would come later. The moment, frozen in an instant of indecision from both



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parties, was broken by a tense call from the sentry at the rim of the rocks that blocked the cave's entrance from general view. They dropped their possibles and universally rushed to the mouth of the cave. Removing hats and only gingerly peering over the rock formation, the gang fastened their eyes on the small form moving towards the hideout at a deliberate pace. As it came into view, the men became aware it was Andy Farrell, one of the Circle D Drovers. He was on the old Roan he favored so much, loaded down with a sack over his saddlebags and towing a yearling cow that came willingly as if it had the fight beat out of it on the way.

"Blast his lowly hide!" hissed Ned as they all peered over the ledge to where he approached, not fifty yards away. Ned stood up. In a whining, protracted pronunciation of each word, he bel-lowed, "AAWWWW nowwww Damn you Farrell! How many times we got to tell you not to come this close to the hide-out? You moron cow puncher!"

Even at thirty yards it was apparent Andy Farrell flushed with anger. His small facial features, thick eyebrows and large ears contorted with his emotional rise. His reply came up the incline. "Then you come and get yore own grub, you snake! I won't trouble myself and risk my life stealing cattle for you no more!"

"Now wait a minute, Andy!" replied Ned, as if thinking the better of the exchange. "It's the sin God despises, not the Sinner! You come on in and break bread with yore comrades!"

"I din't come here for no chuck, partner, I just come to bring your monthly and some of this fine corn I picked off'n the Kraptauer Farm along the way. You can leave it if you like!"

The chorus of no's made the point and Andy seemed to let down his guard a little. He did not let down his Navy Colt, having shifted it to sit a little higher in the holster, though.

"Shore! You come right in, Andy!" repeated Ned, "We always got a spot for a friend."

Andy leaned on his saddle horn, dropped the rope, and stood in the stirrups, his face now fully visible from under his black, felt, flop hat. "Nope, but thanks all the same. Ain't got time to stay, and I don't want 'em getting suspicious at the Circle D. Besides, I just wanted to come up and see for myself whether or not you was dead."

"Wha'd'ya mean dead? Can't you see I ain't even sick?" responded Ned as he threw down a small pouch with several gold coins in it. Andy leaned out of the saddle and picked up the coins without dismounting. He had turned the roan to block his view from the gang, because he did not trust them.

When he sat back up in the saddle, bag in shirt pocket and hand on revolver, he responded, "Yeah, I can see that now, Ned, but the word around town is you was outgunned by Kid Galena himself!"

"Galena? Who's Kid Galena?"

Suddenly Monte stepped forward with big eyes, shaking his index finger to get Ned's attention. "Say Ned... I remember him. Come in on the stage

not two, mebbe three weeks ago... you remember, that feller from the east with the fancy new pistol? The one that passenger Roberts was talking about when we was looking over the stage for robbin' possibilities... the feller named after the capital of Spain!"

"You mean that clumsy shoemaker from that snot bucket town in Connecticut?"

Andy nodded. "Yupper. That's the one. Word is he's a deadlier pistoleer than you are, and I figgered I'd come up here to see the state of my assets, if you get my meanin'"

"Sister Mary Vicious!" snapped Portugee, clutching one of his recent wounds and seizing the moment to needle Ned. "He's the feller shot the Texan at the Bank, and almost got me too!"

"Ain't nobody gonna get you. You'll outlive flies," snapped Ned. "Now I remember him," thought Ned out loud. "He's the feller that Roberts Gent thought was a famous pistoleer. Galena. Capital of Spain. Idiot!"

Ned was shaking his head, about ready to chuckle to himself when Andy's voice rang loud up the incline. "Well, I hate to hafta leave this fine tea party, but I gotta get back. Make sure you leave the hide where they can see a wolf got it. Now, Ned, seeing how yore the brains of this outfit, don't go getting yore boots pegged on sideways by this deadly pistoleer!" Andy shouted, turned his horse violently, jerked his hat and swung it aloft as he yelled and halloo-ed away at a gallop.

The men quickly made their way down the small slope to fetch the sack



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and the calf, and Ned turned back into the cave, thoughtfully rubbing his chin. He surveyed the hideout before stepping in. There were enough candles and the barrels of dried beans would hold out for a while. They'd have to risk getting some water soon, but they had at least enough until riding off to western Kansas next month. Ned did not like staying in one place too long, risking capture. He viewed the red table, the four stools cobbled out of pine slabs and stick legs. The fire pit, nestled in one corner directly under the only hole in the formation, stood idle. Ned only permitted fires at night, when the brush and darkness would scatter the smoke.

He went over to his bunk, rustling up his saddle bags, and pulled out a dirty, frayed copy of one of Williams' Dime Novels. He opened it to a page he had obviously been to many times, because it was virtually shredded around the edges. There was a picture of Nebraska Ned Owsley, blazing away with two big Remington pistols, mercilessly cutting down a bad man who was out to ravage a woman passenger on the Abilene Stage. An outlaw such as Nebraska Ned would never stand for the harm of women or children. It was, indeed, unprofessional. He sat down heavily on the bunk, leaning against the stone of the cave wall. Monte Harris brought him a plate of lukewarm beans and a slab of ham. Monte stood there, waiting for approval, but Ned was too absorbed in his booklet. When he looked up he was startled to see Monte still there. He kept his poise, though, because he knew you had to treat a giant like Monte a little special in small ways that would ensure his loyalty for a long time.

"What d'you need, Monte?" he asked as he held the plate as if suspended in space.

Monte shrugged his shoulders and said simply, "Nuthin'. Just wanted to know what you thought of them beans, chief."

Ned took a mouthful and nodded with a smile and a wink. "Now you go back over there and tend to the boys."

Monte nodded and replied, "You gonna kill that Galena feller, right?" Ned nodded in the affirmative, motioning Monte away.

Yup. Kid Galena, or Noah, or whatever his name was... now he definitely had to kill him.

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CLUB REPORTS

WARTRACE REGULATORS CELEBRATE THEIR 20TH 1997-2017

BY HT TERRY, SASS #100412

Saturday, July 22, 2017 — Forty-two Cowboys and Cowgirls gathered at the Wartrace Range in Wartrace, Tennessee to celebrate the twentieth anniversary of the Wartrace Regulator's Chapter of SASS. Whiskey Hayes and Papa Dave kicked off the event with a few words about the celebration, talked safety and announced the shooters of the three posses.

We shot five fun and challenging stages, starting with the Fort, Jersey Lily, the Cantina, Wells Fargo, and Grafton's. Papa Dave claimed first place, followed by Will Reilly, Dodge City Dixie, Tennessee Williams and Ben T Iron rounding out the top five. After the match, everyone convened at the pavilion for an excellent BBQ lunch prepared by Wes Outlaw, who gave up shooting to do so — Thanks Wes!

Whiskey then announced the winners by category of each match and everyone took home a true memento of the Wartrace Regulators Twentieth Anniversary Celebration — a laser engraved state of Tennessee commemorating the day. Then Whiskey shared some insight into the history of the range and the organization of the Regulators. In the booklet for the match was a picture of the very first match held back on June 22, 1997. Folks tried to name the members depicted and a few were identified, but one cowboy was spotted for sure — Will Reilly, who was also present shooting the anniversary match 20 years later! Yee-ha! Something that stood out to me as I looked at the picture was how far the range has come since those early days — as the stages in the background of that picture were open range stages.

Randy St Eagle was presented with the SASS Regulator Badge, which is a true honor. A recipient must be recommended by a significant number of members of a SASS Chapter, and is awarded for service and dedication to the Chapter and the SASS ideals that go above and beyond. Congratulations Randy! The day concluded with a drawing for some excellent Jack Daniels beverages thanks to the generosity of the Jack Daniels Distillery.

It was a great celebration for a very dedicated and growing chapter of SASS. Coming soon will be the Tennessee State Championship Match hosted by the Wartrace regulators. Check SASS's club listings — www.sassnet.com — for updates.

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SHOOTING THE SPRINGFIELD RIFLE

BY GOATNECK CLEM, SASS
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As he approached the BAM (Bolt Action Military) Match at END of TRAIL last year, I heard a shooter say “What a BAMB good time we have shooting 1903s and 1903A3s.”

I remember growing up in the late 1950s and as a 10-year-old kid looking at pictures in *The American Rifleman*. The 1903A3 30-06 Springfield bolt action rifles were for sale through the DCM (Director of Civilian Marksmanship) for \$13.00. Man, I had to have one! It was going to be my very own Rifle. I worked three months for Dad on our ranch to save up that \$13.00. Finally, the day came when Dad ordered it. It seemed like an eternity before it arrived. It was brand new, all wrapped up in paper and coated in Cosmoline. I remember it took me three days to get that battle rifle cleaned up. I was so proud of my new gun, I slept with it leaned up against my bed for almost a year. I shot my first buck deer with that rifle on our ranch. To this day, I have a love affair for those old battle rifles. Now that I think about it that was my first



BAMM Rifle. So, lets take a look at these old “War Horses.”

Dusty Boddams outlined the rules for BAMM in the last issue. To recap, “The Rifle must be an original caliber bolt action rifle, issued by any country for its military forces through the end

of WWII. It must be as issued, with the original iron battle sights and no external modifications. Internal modifications are allowed. Faithful reproductions are allowed.”

Looking back in history, we see the father of the Springfield 03A3



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came from the Springfield 03. The Springfield M1903 was officially adopted as a U.S. Military bolt action rifle on June 19, 1903. It was produced from 1903 to 1949, it is chambered in .30-06 Springfield, and it weighs 8.7 pounds. Barrel length is 24 inches. The Sights are a flip-up rear sight graduated to 2,700 yards with a barley-corn-type front sight. It is commonly known among soldiers as the "ought-three" in reference to the year 1903 of first production. By 1905 more than 80,000 of these rifles were built at the federally owned Springfield Armory. When the U.S. entered into WWI more than 800,000 had been produced in Springfield and Rock Island Arsenal. The ammunition adopted at the time used a 150 grain pointed bullet fired at 2,800 FPS. It was designed as Cartridge Ball. The cartridge was also chambered in machine guns.

Effective firing range was 1,000 yards and total production exceeded 3,000,000. After WWI, the U.S. Army adopted several new cartridge designs for the 03 Rifle. Prior to the start of WWI in 1938 they settled on a 152-grain flat-based bullet, termed M2Ball for all rifles and machine guns.

When did the updated and modern 03A3 come into existence? In early 1942 the government requested an increased production so modifications to the old battle rifle started. Remington engineers started modifying the basic design. First off, the rear sight base and related parts were eliminated. Those components were expensive and time consuming to manufacture. It was replaced with an adjustable peep sight mounted on the rear of the receiver. The hand guard portion of the stock was lengthened to cover the gap between the receiver and the upper band of the rifle. The new rear sight design was really a better battle sight than the original. More changes were on the drawing board. New stamped out parts were extensively included in the upgraded model.

Once the modifications were completed it was standardized in May of 1942 as the "U.S. Rifle, Cal. 30 Model of 1903 A3." Remington began deliveries in December of the same year. The last of the M1903 Rifles were turned out in May of 1943. The new rifle was marked "U.S./Remington/Model 03-A3/[serial number]" on the receiver ring. In 1943 Remington modified the A3s to develop a sniper version. It was basically a standard M1903A3 rifle without the front sight and fitted with a Redfield "Junior Mount" screwed to the receiver ring and attached to the rear sight dovetail. The bolt handle was concavely forged to provide clearance for the telescopic sight and the stock was inlet to accommodate the bolt handle. Early production rifles had four-groove barrels and were later changed to two-groove barrels for the bulk of production. By the time production ceased for the 03A3s and 03A4s in 1944, Remington had produced more than 348,000 of the 1903s, 707,000 of the 1903A3s and 28,365 M1903A4 Sniper rifles.

That's a brief history of probably one of the most famous of all the Battle Rifles produced in the world. It is one of the most popular of all rifles used in BMM and one of the easiest to load and shoot with lead bullets.

Stay tuned for future BMM articles in *The Cowboy Chronicle*.



DISPATCHES FROM CAMP BAYLOR PROJECT 1860 PART 2

BY CAPTAIN GEORGE BAYLOR, SASS #24287 LIFE REGULATOR

If you didn't read part one, now would be a good time. If you didn't keep your copy, it is online at <http://www.sassnet.com/Downloads/18eChron/18janchron.pdf>. It details the history of building two NASCAR stock cars out of 55 Chevys. Actually, no, but that is kind of what we did with two Taylors & Company Pietta 1860 Armies to make them into SASS Frontiersman race guns. Mike Brackett (45 Dragoon, SASS #106478), www.goonsgunworks.com did the main gunsmithing, Slick McClade did the sights, and Boomstick did the Blackhawk hammer meld. Bob Mernickle made a new design holster set for them. Aspen Filly engraved the last two digits of the serial numbers on the cylinders and barrels. Pinto Annie made a neat zipperless two-gun case.

GRIPS

One modification didn't get done

in time for part one. The grips were lovely, but they were smooth. We shoot Frontiersman pistols duelist. We need the grips to magically glue themselves to your palm and then release when the



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gun touches the holster. Lacking that, we need a really grippy surface. Klassic Laser Works klassiclaserworks.com, (Tasmanian Kid—Tazz (SASS #45730) and Single Rose (SASS #52133) engraved the grip with their most aggressive pattern, one Tazz warned me would be too sharp. It's just right for me. I recommend it for all duelists except Frontiersmen who should coat their grips with Vaseline. Yeah, that's the ticket.

LOADING

Loading percussion revolvers means putting a measured amount of black powder into each chamber (from the front), followed by a ball, sometimes with a lubed wad in between or lube inserted on top of the ball. Capping is done separately at the loading table. For shooting in SASS matches we want to make this as efficient a process as possible, thus as fast as possible. There are basically two methods – loading on the handgun using the loading lever, as it was done originally, or loading on a modern cylinder-loading stand.

SIZE DOES MATTER

Loading an 1860 Army with a 7¹/₂"



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THE MERNICKLE HP OPENTOP REF 1 HOLSTERS DESIGNED FOR OPEN TOP COLTS HAS WORKED EVEN BETTER THAN EXPECTED.



THIS IS AS FAR AS THE GUN NEEDS TO BE DISASSEMBLED FOR CLEANING BECAUSE THE INTERIOR OF THE FRAME IS FILLED WITH MOBIL 1 SYNTHETIC GREASE AND SEALED.

barrel using the loading lever is pretty easy. But the 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ " barreled model, with its short loading lever, does not give you enough leverage to seat the balls. One cure for this is the SliXhand loading lever extension. Putting the gun in a Traditions revolver loading stand and seating balls with the SliXhand works quite well.

IF I HAD A HAMMER...

I load my usual Frontiersman guns, Ruger Old Armies, using a cylinder-loading stand, but removing the cylinder is quick, needing only a screwdriver to turn the latch on the base-pin and pulling it out, then slipping the cylinder out. On the 1860s, a hammer and punch/wedge pin puller are needed to tap out the barrel wedge. Some people adjust the wedges loose so they can push them out with thumb pressure. Mike Brackett does not do that. The guns are more accurate the way he does it.

To punch the wedge as efficiently as possible I use a small brass/nylon hammer and a 3-in-1 tool (de-capper, a wedge pin puller and a nipple pick from The Possible Shop). Place the flat end on the installed wedge and tap with the hammer. Then the wedge is loose enough to pull out, enabling removing the barrel. **DON'T LOSE THE WEDGE.**

CYLINDER-LOADING TABLE

I use a cylinder-loading table that folds up and goes into the gun cart. I've just redesigned it to hold both a Traditions loading stand and a Powder Inc. Cylinder Loader, so I can use either method if needed. (See sidebar on the latest cylinder loader.)

CLEANING

Since the frame is filled with Mobil One Synthetic grease and sealed, cleaning consists of removing the barrel and cylinder and cleaning the three parts as you usually would. With American Pioneer Powder, that's necessary after 8-9 stages. With Goex 2f black powder, after 3-6. I wipe down the front of the cylinder, the hammer and hammer slot, and the nipples with a damp rag after every stage. The tight barrel/cylinder gap keeps the front of the cylinder quite clean by comparison to most BP pistols. Squirtling a few drops of Ballistol on



SHOT A SIX-STAGE MATCH LOADING WITHOUT REMOVING THE CYLINDER, THEN TWO MORE STAGES PRACTICE BEFORE DISASSEMBLING AND CLEANING. AMERICAN PIONEER POWDER 3F WAS USED. THE MAIN GUNK WAS CAP RESIDUE ON THE INSIDE OF THE FRAME AND THE HAMMER AND HAMMER SLOT.

the barrel/cylinder gap after 3-4 stages doesn't hurt but I found it unnecessary with American Pioneer Powder 3F (Premium Grade preferred).



AFTER CLEANING THE FRONT OF THE NIPPLES I TURNED THEM 180 DEGREES TO SHOW WHERE THE REAL GUNK BUILDS UP. IT WAS EASILY WIPED OFF WITH A DAMP RAG AND FINISHED UP WITH A NYLON GUN BRUSH.

LIGHT/HEAVY LOADS

Using the cylinder-loader means light loads can be compressed. Using the revolver's rammer has a limitation. It only pushes the ball in so far. A small air gap will remain unless a wad is used. Circle Fly makes a .450 wad .500 thick.

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I'VE BEEN USING A POWDER INC. CAP AND BALL REVOLVER CYLINDER LOADER SINCE THEY CAME OUT, AT LEAST 13 YEARS AGO. THEY'VE BEEN IMPROVED AND TWEAKED. THEY STILL SELL THE STANDARD ONE FOR \$88.45, BUT THEY HAVE ADDED THE CYLINDER LOADER #2 FOR \$108.45.

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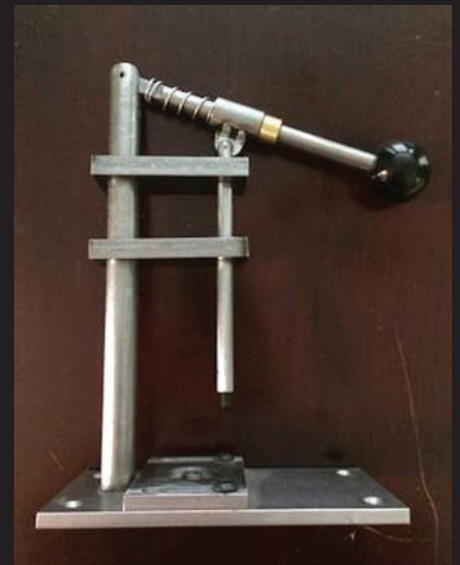
IT COMES WITH TWO LOADING JAGS—.31-.36 CALIBER AND .40-.45—AND FOUR ARBOR BUSHINGS FOR EVERYTHING FROM A DERRINGER TO A COLT WALKER. SINCE I WAS ALTERNATING BETWEEN RUGERS AND 1860s, I WAS SWITCHING BACK AND FORTH EASILY.

IN PRACTICE IT WORKS QUITE WELL. THE INSTRUCTIONS THAT COME WITH IT ARE EXCELLENT.

A COUPLE OF HINTS: THE INSTRUCTIONS ARE TO GREASE THE BEARINGS. I USED MOBIL 1 SYNTHETIC GREASE, AND IT SMOOTHED THINGS UP CONSIDERABLY. IT WILL



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THE POST IS HELD IN PLACE BY AN ALLEN SCREW THAT LOOSENED UP DURING OPERATION. THIS USED TO BE A PROBLEM WITH THE ORIGINALS, AND THE LAST ONE I BOUGHT HAD A WELDED POST. KLICKITAT BOB BOUGHT ONE OF THESE LOADERS ON MY RECOMMENDATION. HE TOOK MINE WITH HIS AND GOT THE POSTS WELDED IN PLACE, AND HE OBTAINED BILLIARD BALLS TO REPLACE THE SMALL BALL AND PUT IN THREADED INSERTS. THE BIG BALL ADDS LEVERAGE, AND IT LOOKS COOL. IT'S SASS. EVERYTHING IS MODIFIED TO TASTE.

IF YOUR CYLINDER LOADER IS WORKING, I WOULDN'T EXPECT YOU TO REPLACE IT WITH THIS ONE (AND IF YOU DO, NOTE THEY HAVE A DIFFERENT BOLT PATTERN). BUT IF YOU'RE GETTING YOUR FIRST ONE, THIS IS THE ONE TO GET.



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Sixteen-grain loads of both American Pioneer Powder 3f and Goex Express 2f worked consistently, APP doesn't require wads. I tested 20-grain Goex 2f without wads, and it worked fine for 4-6 stages. Max load tested was 30 grains., which made an impressive fire-ball and smoke.

.457 VS. .454 BALLS

The Pietta instructions call for .454 balls, but since I use .457s in Rugers, I tried .457s, and they proved no problem using the cylinder loader or the SliXhand loading lever extension.

CAPPING

Capping is done at the loading table. This means it needs to be done as quickly as inserting 10 cartridges. With the 1860s, the Cash capper works well, but considerable practice is needed.

Then a second problem occurs. If the nipple isn't fully seated, the cap will hang up when the cylinder is rotated, hitting the cap post, a device that keeps spent caps out of the action and allows a lighter hammer pull. The cure is to firmly insert the cap with a Cash capper and then turn the capper around and use the back to seat the cap. If you fail to seat one, and it hangs up on the cap post, the back edge of a Screwknife® blade can seat it well enough to clear. Then seat firmly when it rotates around.

SHOOTING VS. RUGER OLD ARMIES

The 1860s are lighter than the Rugers. The trigger guard is much smaller. If you have fat fingers the likelihood of getting a surprise bang while cocking is greater at first. This is cured by practice and concentration.

In the process of shooting these 1860s, I've shot a few clean matches using them and experienced no disasters. They shoot about as fast and about as accurately for SASS purposes. That story isn't over. Expect an article on Mike's work on Ruger Old Armies in the future.

CONCLUSION

All this work has turned 1860 technology into 21st century race-worthy Cowboy Action Shooting™ hardware.

FITNESS FOR COWBOY ACTION SHOOTERS™

BY ROGER RAPID, SASS #96080

Equipment aside, it is agility, focus, and reaction time that make the difference between a good stage and a poor one.

The ability to reach out and grab a rifle or jerk a pistol and level the sights with agility depends as much on repetition as it does on fitness. Experience tells our hands exactly where the pistol grip is, and muscle memory tells our fingers how to flick the rifle's lever to its precise distance. But no matter how rich the experience and muscle memory are, the gears slow down if the body can't follow the brain's instructions.

Time helps to expand our experiences, but time works against us as we age through the categories where strength, agility, and overall fitness become continually more challenging. The young shooters we so admire—and who are often the quickest among us—don't suffer from weakened muscles, worn joints, arthritis, and more.

If you are serious about your shooting, you probably practice either running through drills at the range or snap-capping your firearms at home. But what are you doing to help your body do

its job when called upon? I wouldn't be surprised if you answered "not much."

As a Cattle Baron, it has become increasingly evident to me my body isn't as capable of doing many things it could decades ago. I could rather easily pull a 7½" SAA from a belt-height holster 25 years ago, but my shoulders no longer have the same range of motion—at least not with ease. Moving to a buscadero rig greatly aided my strong side, but even with a better drop, I came to realize my motor skills could be improved if I focus a bit more on muscle strength, stamina, and increased range of motion.

Last year, my wife gave me a gift of personal training sessions at a local gym. She found a certified trainer, Kenneth King, who specializes in sports therapy and is helping me focus on the particular body development needed for our sport. Now, 14 months later, I spin up my rifle and shotgun from the loading table, approach each stage with ease, and no longer have to rely on just adrenaline to get my body and guns through a stage.

I took Kenneth to our PRVC range so I could give him a real-time demonstration of the movements and issues related to handling the various firearms used in Cowboy Action Shooting™. "Doing some of the moves you showed me are more difficult for older shooters," he said, "because of a wide assortment of physical ailments. Some of these can be addressed with a well-focused exercise program, and some we can only hope to work around by finding another way to maneuver your guns. For example, you addressed your limited range of motion and possible arthritis in your shoulders



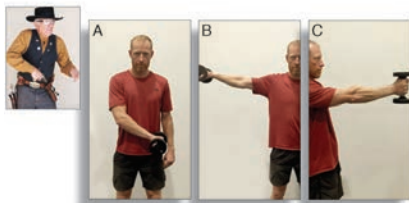
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by using a lower [buscadero] holster on your right side and taking the other gun out sideways [crossdraw].

"The problems of manipulating the guns you use," he added, "have much less to do with their weight than how you access them and hold them during shooting." He also noted gun weight is not much even for elder shooters, but the muscle strength necessary to yank the five pounds from the holster and steadily jerk it up in the air is critical.

He concluded, "It is clear to me we need to focus on gross motor skills that address the muscles in the shoulders and arms, rather than dealing with hand and finger exercises that you can do with simple spring-type hand exercisers. [You can get hand exercisers and weights at most better sporting goods stores.] Your leg and hip muscles are also important to allow you to move quickly and safely from one shooting location to another. Walking—outside or on a treadmill—is something I strongly urge for leg and hip muscles, as well as for general health."

WARNING: CONSULT WITH YOUR PERSONAL PHYSICIAN BEFORE ATTEMPTING THIS OR ANY EXERCISE PROGRAM. THE FOLLOWING EXERCISES ARE INTENDED AS GENERAL GUIDELINES AND MAY NOT BE SUITABLE TO YOUR INDIVIDUAL BODY OR PHYSICAL CONDITION. REGARDING EXERCISING, THERE ARE SOME BASIC GUIDELINES AND TERMINOLOGY FOR YOU TO BE AWARE OF AND FOLLOW.



SITUATION 1 CROSS DRAW

Muscle Focus: deltoid muscles and rotator cuff

Ex. 1. (3 lb. weight) – This move is called the "sabre" – just like you are drawing a sword or sabre from a scabbard. Keep your knees slightly bent, and move the arm from the waist (A) to a position with the arm straight out from the shoulder. Don't turn the wrist and keep palm facing the ground as you lift up as if you were drawing out a sabre across the chest and pointing it outward (B).

Ex. 2. (10-15 lb. weight) – For supporting the pistol once it is drawn, we'll do a front deltoid lateral raise. Keep the palm facing sideways and keep your core (chest and stomach area) nice and stable. With your weight, bring arm straight up from your side (C). Surprising as it may seem, we build muscles better when lowering the weight than when lifting it, so don't just drop the arm, control the weight as you lower it.



SITUATION 2 HOLSTERS AT WAIST LEVEL

Muscle Focus: deltoid muscles and trapezius

Ex. 1. (5-10 lb. weights) – First we'll work the trapezius muscles with a shoulder shrug holding a weight in each hand. With the shoulders shrugged and leaving the arms down parallel to the body, slowly raise and lower the shoulders as high as you can (A).

Ex. 2. – (5-10 lb. weights) Do a double lateral raise keeping the hands close to the body, the palms facing each other, and raise the weights shoulder high (B) and (C).



SITUATION 3 SUPPORTING A RIFLE

Muscle Focus: pectoral and anterior deltoid muscles

Ex. 1. (5 lb. weights; build up over time) – Holding the rifle steady and being able to support it comfortably involves building the pectoral and anterior deltoid muscles. We'll use a bench press to help build these muscles. You can use the floor, a bed, or something like a padded piano bench that will allow your shoulders to move. Lying on your back, raise the weights straight over your shoulders (A) and bring them down, allowing your elbows to go below your shoulders when you come down as in (B).

Ex. 2. (5 lb. weights; build up over time) – Stand up and do a hammer curl, arms at 90 degrees with elbows locked at your hips and palms facing each other. Then with elbows bent, bring your arms up until the elbows come to shoulder height ending up as in (C).

**EXERCISE GUIDELINES BY
KENNETH KING**

REPETITIONS AND SETS

Exercises should be done in repetitions—a repeated sequence with rest between them. For example, some of the exercises should be done 12 times with a 30-second break after each group of 12, repeated three times – we call that a “set.” If 12 is too many for the weight you are using, reduce the amount of weight. So, you’ll do a set of 12 repetitions of one exercise, take a 30-second break, 12 of another exercise, another 30-second break, and do the last 12 repetitions of the last exercise.

In the exercises I’m showing you, you’ll alternate three sets of each exercise. A sequence like this ensures that the muscles don’t pass a certain level of fatigue. If there’s pain or discomfort, decrease the weight you are using rather than the number of repetitions, but you can decrease both if needed. Each set must be done properly with the same number of repetitions so you can refine the motor skills.

IDEAL WEIGHT

The way to determine the ideal weight for you to use is to first start light (about 5-10 pounds, depending on exercise) and take it slow, steady, and easy, and increase weight over a period of months. The ideal weight will be when you get to the last few repeti-

tions of a set and you can still move the weights nice and smooth without any pain or stress. Most importantly, you want to feel like you’ve exercised, but you don’t want to feel fatigued. In the beginning, you might feel some muscle strain the following day, but as you develop those muscles, the discomfort will go away over time.

FREQUENCY

For what you are doing, exercise should be done three to four times per week. Do them on whatever schedule works best for you—morning, noon, or night. Most importantly, if you are going to be successful, be serious about your exercise program and make it part of your daily routine. You can’t just do this once or twice and think you’re done. Stick with it!

PRE-MATCH WARM-UP

As with any sport or activity, you should stretch and work your joints and muscles before the event. You don’t want to stretch too much, but you should do a basic stretch before you shoot. [See Running Doe’s article elsewhere in this issue.] Just moving your arms in a broad arc over your head, manipulating your shoulder and arm muscles, and walking in place for a few seconds are good things to get blood flowing.

EXERCISES

My key goal is to address the muscles you use for each of the moves used for different guns. The exercises I’m recommending are the same for both male and female. I believe if I can help you pick up and hold a gun more easily, it will make you perform better, which is our overall goal.

Most of the time when working with my clients, I try to find what the person’s individual weakness is, but since I can’t personally watch every one of you, I can only offer basic guidelines for each of the situations I have been shown.

After reviewing several gun handling motions and positions in action, following are the various exercises recommended for each situation (three sets of 10 to 15 repetitions each, alternating between the suggested exercises for each situation).

WARNING: CONSULT WITH YOUR PERSONAL PHYSICIAN BEFORE ATTEMPTING THIS OR ANY EXERCISE PROGRAM. THE FOLLOWING EXERCISES ARE INTENDED AS GENERAL GUIDELINES AND MAY NOT BE SUITABLE TO YOUR INDIVIDUAL BODY OR PHYSICAL CONDITION. REGARDING EXERCISING, THERE ARE SOME BASIC GUIDELINES AND TERMINOLOGY FOR YOU TO BE AWARE OF AND FOLLOW.

EXERCISE GUIDELINES BY KENNETH KING



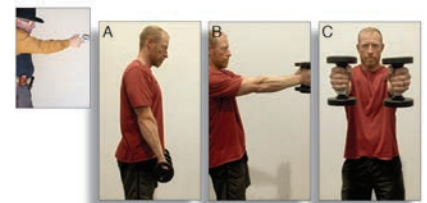
SITUATION 4 LOADING '97 SHOTGUN SHOULDER HIGH

Muscle Focus: pectoral and anterior deltoid muscles
Ex. 1. (3 lb. weights) – Holding the shotgun up while loading it with the other hand uses similar muscles as when holding the rifle, but in this case you’re holding the shotgun up at an awkward angle using only one arm. With weight, bring the arm you use to support the shotgun straight up from your side, keep your palm facing down—then lower it again slowly (A).
Ex. 2. (3 lb. weights) – This exercise is called a bent-over row. Lean forward at a 45 degree angle with knees bent, flat straight spine, then raise the weights to bring thumbs into armpits (B).
Ex. 3. (3 lb. weights) – Stand up and do a hammer curl (same as Situation 3, Ex. 2). With arms at 90 degrees and elbows locked at your hips and palms facing each other. Then with elbows bent, bring your arms up until the elbows come to shoulder height ending up as in (C).



SITUATION 5 REACHING OUT FOR RIFLE OR SHOTGUN ON TABLE

Muscle Focus: Core
Ex. 1 (10 lb. weights) – For reaching out and picking up a rifle from a table, the goal is to build core strength. Building the core gives us strength and stabilization so we can reach way out without any pain. Starting in a straight up position (A), weights down in front of you, semi-bent knees and flat back, bring the arms and weights straight down keeping your back flat and bend over until your back is parallel to the ground (B) and then come straight up again (C).



SITUATION 6 SINGLE-HANDED SUPPORT OF PISTOL(S)

Muscle Focus: Anterior deltoid muscles
Ex. 1 (5 lb. weights) – For holding one or both pistols out in front of you (double duelist or gunfighter), keep the core tight, knees slightly bent, hold weights down in front of you (A). Bring both arms up to shoulder height with palms facing each other (B) and let them down slowly. The arms should be straight but not locked, so holding them semi-bent is okay. Hold the arms about eight inches apart as in (C).

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1. COW FACE POSE

This is a great Two-For-One stretch getting both arms stretched in one move. Raise your right arm overhead and bend the elbow so it's pointing up and the hand is reaching down your back as if patting yourself on the back. Take your left hand behind you like you are putting yourself in a handcuff position. See how close you can get your hands together behind your back. If the hands don't touch, hold a towel or other extension to keep both arms in the stretch.

The top arm position is stretching the triceps, shoulder, and *latissimus dorsi* (in the back). The left arm should feel a stretch in the front, left shoulder. The stretches on both arms should feel mild to moderate, but never painful.

Switch Arms and notice how the dominant arm usually feels tighter when it's behind you in a handcuff position. You may want to stretch the tighter side longer.

KEY POINTS

- Keep the left shoulder open and don't allow it to roll forward.
- Stand upright with good posture as you hold the stretch. Keep the head over the spine so from the side the

ear is in line with the shoulder, and not poking forward.

- Keep the lower (lumbar) spine in its natural gentle inward curve so it doesn't get more swayback as can sometimes happen when an arm is overhead. Imagine the pelvis is a bowl of water and you don't want to let water spill forward or backward. The ribs are over the pelvis and not in front of or behind the pelvis.

2. FOREARM, HAND STRETCH/ PRESSING PRAYER POSE

Place the entire surface of your palms together in front of your sternum in the middle of your chest. While keeping the palms glued together, gently flip the hands so the finger tips face the sternum and the palms face away from the body. That may be enough stretch, but if you need more, gently press the hands away from the sternum allowing the palms to separate until you feel a stretch on the bottom of the forearms and hands. Hold for about 20-30 seconds.

KEY POINTS

- Keep the shoulders down the back since they tend to creep up the neck towards the ears.

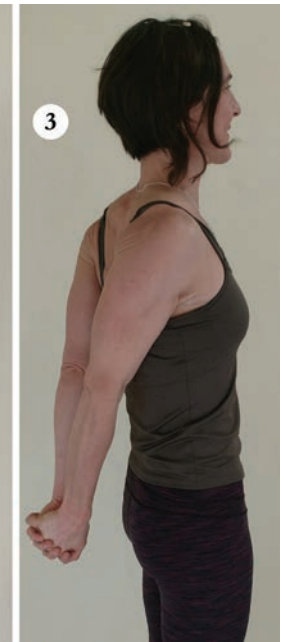
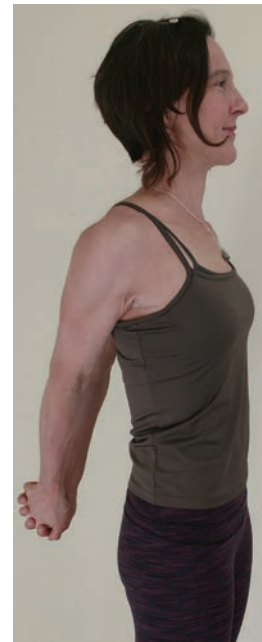
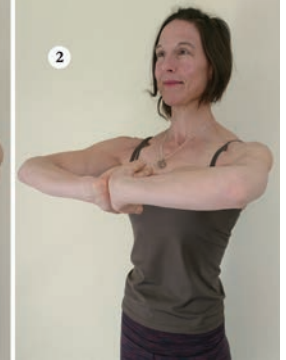
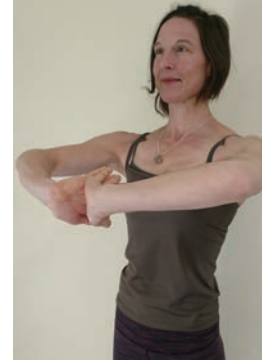
3. SHOULDER/ FRONT CHEST STRETCH

Interlace the fingers at the lower back. Lift the arms away from the back while keeping an upright posture. For more stretch, press the palms together. Hold the stretch at the edge of mild discomfort for about 30 seconds.

KEY POINTS

- Your head will try to poke forward so keep the head over the spine so from the side view the ear is in line with the shoulder.
- Relax the shoulders down the back and away from the ears.
- Keep the shoulders open so they don't roll forward as the arms lift.

Add these simple stretches to your shooting routine and notice how much better you feel and perform.



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NEWS

TWO HUNDRED OF THE BEST AND FASTEST ARE GONNA BE THERE!

BY TENNESSEE TALL, SASS #49245 AND RIO DRIFTER, SASS #49244

Are you gonna make it? Doesn't matter if you are slow, just learning, middle of the road, or just want to have a great time, this is the place to be for Cowboy Action Shooters™! The Florida State Championship will be held April 19-22, 2018 at the Talon Range in Midway, Florida. The Red Hills Rangers club was established in the fall of 2016. Their monthly matches are held on third Saturdays. Pretty ambitious for a club with 21 members to host the state shoot, don't ya think?

As it turns out they've had a bunch of help from shooters from the Florida panhandle, Alabama, and Georgia. Familiar names such as Delta Glen, Santa Fe River Stan, Greta Dee, Major Mishap, Arcadia Outlaw, Deadly Sharpshooter, Blackhawk Henry, and Fast Eddie have provided counsel and elbow grease. Hollifer A. Dollar has contributed many hours to the club. Daybreaker is to be commended for promoting Cowboy Action Shooting™ to Talon Range and playing a lead role in obtaining targets and store fronts. Many others have also contributed, thank you!

Two retired law enforcement officers who have fifty years of combined experience own Talon Range, which covers 100-plus acres, providing seven handgun ranges, 12 pistol/rifle ranges, eight competition ranges, plus a 100-yard range, a 400-yard range, 10 sporting clays ranges, and an archery range. Dry camping is available on-range with commercial campgrounds close by. Hotels are located nearby. Talon Range hosts classes for

their 3,000 members, including concealed carry, home defense, tactical and reality-based training. The Single Action Shooting Society® is a welcome addition to their offerings.

The Red Hills Rangers club officers are Cassalong Hopidy (President), Gypsy Rider (Vice President), Kay Sadeeya (Secretary), and Hollifer A. Dollar (Territorial Governor). They are looking forward to hosting their first SASS Florida State Championship. Don't miss it! Come join us!

FRIENDS OF HAPPY TRAILS BANQUET HELPS FIGHT CHILD ABUSE

The eighth annual **Friends of Happy Trails Banquet** will be held at the Holiday Inn, 15494 Palmdale Road, in Victorville, California. This fun evening will feature a buffet dinner with delicious food and live entertainment plus games, door prizes, live and silent auctions, and raffles. Hosted by the Happy Trails Children's Foundation, this exciting event is a benefit to raise much-needed funds for abused children. Make your plans now to be there Saturday night, May 19, 2018. Doors open at 6:00 p.m. with a no host bar. Live entertainment will feature award-winning western swing band *COW BOP* with Bruce Forman, one of today's top guitarists! This is a program you do not want to miss! Tickets are limited and expected to sell out fast.

The banquet will raise funds via dinner ticket sales, games, raffles, and live and silent auctions featuring guns, collectibles and memorabilia. Tickets for entry into a special early bird drawing for a Springfield Armory stainless steel Model 1911 .45 ACP pistol will be included free with each dinner ticket purchased on or before May 11. Additional pistol tickets are \$10 each, with only 300 available. **You must be present to win.** There will also be a drawing for the magnificent and classic Bohlin Silver Saddle.

Once again this year, Ted Turner's World Famous Vermejo Park Ranch

has donated a Premium Cow Elk Hunt package for one hunter and one non-hunter for the live auction. This package includes three days and four nights lodging and meals at the five-star resort lodge on the ranch, full guide service (1:1 with hunter plus accompanying non-hunter), and license fees. The package value is \$5,950 total (\$3,750 Premium Cow Elk Hunt plus \$2,200 non-hunter stay). An additional cow elk hunt for the companion is available for \$1,550 extra. The package does not include purchases in The Company Store, alcoholic beverages, or customary gratuities for Lodge Staff and Guide.

Vermejo Park Ranch is one of the largest and finest ranches in America, spread over more than 590,000 acres in the *Sangre de Cristo* Mountains near Raton, New Mexico. It reaches into Colorado and ranges from an elevation of about 5,000 feet near Raton, to more than 14,000 feet at its highest point. Bear, elk, buffalo, deer, mountain lion, and 20 other species of mammal call the ranch home. The fishing is great and numerous species of birds are found on the ranch. Visitors frequently compare the ranch to a private national park. This hunt is a once in a lifetime opportunity to spend quality time on this magnificent ranch.

Dinner tickets are \$45 each in advance or \$50 after May 11. Tickets for the banquet, raffles, and 1911 pistol drawing are available for purchase by phone (760) 240-3330. Corporate and individual sponsorships are still available and are fully tax-deductible to the extent allowed by law. Discover, MasterCard and VISA accepted.

HAPPY TRAILS CHILDREN'S FOUNDATION is a non-profit, 501 (c) (3) charitable organization inspired by Roy Rogers and Dale Evans to aid children who are the victims of abuse and neglect. The foundation is pleased to carry on the work with abused children who were so important to Roy and Dale. Since 1997, more than 1,000 children have been aided by the foundation's care facility, the Cooper Home, located in Apple Valley, California. Rogers and his wife were passionate, lifelong advocates for children who were victims of abuse and neglect, having adopted a child from these circumstances into their own home.

POLITICS

THE REAL PROBLEM WITH MASS SHOOTINGS, PART 1

BY **STONEHAWK WEST, SASS**
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Tragedically, it happens all too often. Disturbed killer fire guns into crowds of innocent people, killing dozens, wounding hundreds, and traumatizing thousands. And as sure as the sun will rise, the Progressives feel justified in taking everyone else's guns away. What's that? – a criminal commits terrible gun crimes and it's MY gun they want to take away? How does that make sense even to Progressives? They seriously have something wrong in their collective brain. (See my previous articles on r-K Theory.)

Excuse me. There's someone at the door.

"Hey Jack." (It's my older brother from a different mother.)

"Hey Stone, whatcha doin'?"

"I'm writing to my SASS friends about the mass shootings in the news."

With a look of resolve Jack replies, "Wow, I know. Don't you think it's time we do something about those mass shootings." I know where he's going,

'cause I know my brother, but still, I calmly bait him like I hadn't already thought about this 500 times. "What would *you* do, Jack?"

"If it were up to me, I'd ban all of these military weapons. It just doesn't make sense that people should be able to buy them."

"Why is that? Most guns were invented for military purposes before they became available to the public, even that single action revolver you inherited was a military weapon."

Jack laughs, "That's a pretty weak argument for a hundred year old gun."

"Maybe, but the argument, 'it's military' (giving the symbolic finger quotes) is weak since pretty much all weapons were used in the military. Besides, don't you know we already tried that? AR rifles (the specific designation) were banned nationwide by Bill Clinton for ten years and Janet Reno's own study found the ban did nothing to reduce gun crimes."

"I find that hard to believe."

"It's true. According to the FBI, more people are killed with bats than AR-style rifles. Should we ban bats?"

"That's stupid," retorts Jack, "Bats aren't near as lethal as ARs."

"I would agree," I concede, "But the stats don't lie. So how is it that more people would die from bats than ARs? Seriously. I'm asking."

Jack ponders a few seconds, "If that's true, maybe bats are just used more often; but that seems like a lot of bats."

"Not really," I said, "It's just that

ARs are used a lot less than you think, less than 1% of all gun crimes." Pausing for effect, "So why is THAT the gun Progressives want to ban?"

"Because it's just not necessary for regular folks to own military weapons."

"No, it's because Washington Liberals just can't take all the guns like they want to; the Constitution has made that hard. Their plan is to control and limit guns incrementally over a long time, and they believe most people will take their side about ARs because of the very argument you're making. Thankfully, the Clinton ban had a sunset date that expired, which is the reason ARs are NOW the most popular gun. And why is that? Because they have proven government can and will forbid something to which people have a right. So people buy them while they still can before the law changes again."

Wanting to change the subject, Jack asks, "Why do you defend the AR so much? It's not good for anything except killing a lot of people really fast."

"That's not true. People use ARs for sport all over this country every day. But I don't need that justification. To me there doesn't have to be a justifiable reason in your mind. The Second Amendment doesn't exist for hunting or shooting sports. It exists so regular folks can protect themselves... from criminals, from foreign governments, and even our own government if necessary. The Second Amendment is the primary reason, I think, the U.S. Constitution is currently the longest standing governing document, and we can thank the

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Founding Fathers for that freedom.”

Turning the question back on Jack, “So I ask you, Mr. Gun Control, why do you NOT care about a person’s right to protect themselves? Guns are used in self-defense a lot more than they’re used in murders.” I can see he needs a number. “It’s thousands of times a year.”

“Says who? I don’t think the people in Chicago or DC would agree.”

“You mean in those same cities where gun control laws prevent ordinary citizens from protecting themselves? Police records and newspaper stories have shown guns are an effective form of self-defense. You can read a few of them in every issue of the NRA magazine.” Pulling a copy from the table drawer, I read a few stories of how criminals were met by armed citizens who refused to be victims or stats in a police report. Laying down the magazine I continue, “This happens a lot more than people know. And most of the time, the gun isn’t even fired. In fact,

many more people are saved by guns than killed by guns.”

Jack rolls his eyes, “Come on. You’re being stupid now.”

“It’s true,” I insisted, “But you have to look past Twitter and the Liberal media for your sources. Self-defense stories and FBI records are available online for everyone to see.”

Raising my voice a level, I continue, “I’ll even take it a step further. Most of the genocides in History, you know, Hitler, Stalin, Mao, could have been prevented if the people would have been allowed to arm themselves. So I ask again, why don’t you stand up for a woman’s right to defend herself from her crazy Ex who’s coming to kill her? Why do you not care about innocent people in churches and movie theaters who are gunned down because you think Gun-Free Zones are a good idea? And how can you stand by the side of evil dictators in History who did precisely what you want to do, which is

take people’s guns away?”

Hold on. I have a quote on my phone: *‘This year will go down in history. For the first time a civilized nation has full gun registration. Our streets will be safer, our police more efficient, and the world will follow our lead into the future!’* “You know who said that?”

“No, but it sounds reasonable. I think it would help solve a lot of crime if guns were registered.”

“You might like the quote, but you won’t like the author. When Hitler came to power, one of the first things he did was sign The Weapons Act of Nazi Germany. That quote was his response to his new law in 1935, which then allowed him to take most of the guns away from the German people, especially the Jews.”

“But that wouldn’t happen today. Gun registration doesn’t have to lead to genocide. Just look at Great Britain and Australia.”

“Maybe logically, one doesn’t have to follow the other. But it IS true that every genocide in History was preceded by gun registration and confiscation.”

“Well maybe that’s true, but I won’t concede the point that gun registration leads to genocide.”

“It didn’t lead to genocide in the UK and Australia, but it did lead to confiscation. And if a revolution or some big change in government happens, and bad leaders get control, then the people are now disarmed and have no way to fight tyranny.” Seeing the dots connect in Jack’s mind, I put a point on it, “And that’s why the Second Amendment is in the Constitution. Look Jack, the real problem, the real reason these mass shootings happen is because there is evil in the world. It’s easy to blame the system when something tragic happens, but changing it won’t reduce crime much, because criminals will continue to break laws. If we’re going to live in a free society, then some things are going to be out of our control. There is no broad-brush political solution to evil. The Constitution did not guarantee public safety. It guaranteed Liberty and the right to protect it. Unfortunately, sometimes evil things happen within the bounds of Liberty.

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PRODUCT REVIEW

CHEY-CAST BULLETS HIGH ACCURACY ON THE HIGH PLAINS

BY YUMA JACK, SASS
#11261 PATRON LIFE

I usually use whatever cast lead bullets I can get my hands on, but given concerns over lead accumulation I have taken to wearing protective gloves when loading. The idea of coated bullets to protect against lead contamination sounded good and connecting with Hank Van Goethen of Chey-Cast Bullets provided an opportunity for me to finally try some.

This family business established in 2001 and operated by Slowpoke Wyoming (SASS #5164LR – aka Hank) and Dazee Bristol (SASS #10816R – Hank’s wife Dee) is located a few miles west of Cheyenne, Wyoming. Currently the company manufactures traditional lubed cast lead bullets, specialty black powder cartridge bullets, and Hi-Tek Supercoat bullets in a wide range of calibers from 105-grain .38 caliber to .50 caliber for handguns and rifles.

Bullet coatings are becoming a popular alternative to ordinary cast lead bullets. Various manufacturers have produced coated bullets using nylon (remember Nyclud?), molybdenum disulfide (moly), Teflon, and now polymers such as Federal’s “Syntech.” There are a number of types of polymer coatings but the most common is that known as Hy-Tek.

Three years ago, Chey-Cast Bullets started using the Hi-Tek Supercoat process. The actual coating material was developed by J&M Specialty Products P/L in Australia and used there for 20 years. You can buy the coating and apply it yourself but the process is labor intensive. Bullets are cast, cooled, then placed into a modified cement

mixer with the coating fluid and tumbled until the acetone carrier evaporates. The bullets are dried on a tray and then oven-baked at 375 degrees Fahrenheit for 15 minutes. Once cool, the entire process is repeated. The coating encapsulates the lead, negating the need for wax lubricant and yielding benefits of both jacketed and lead bullets without the negatives of either.

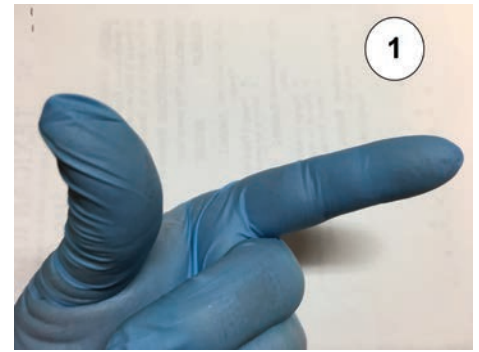
The most important advantage to me is the reduced exposure to lead and associated health risks when handling the bullets. But the coated bullets also do not cause waxy buildup in seating and crimping dies. For shooters using smokeless powder, another advantage is reduced smoke when shooting. That is important when shooting indoors or outdoors in bright sunlight. Because of airborne particulates, indoor ranges prohibit traditional wax-lubed lead bullets, but many now allow the use of coated bullets. No bullet lube also means the bullet can be cast without a lube groove and some makers are producing such bullets specifically for use with coatings. Finally the coating also significantly reduces lead fouling in gun barrels.

After our conversation, Hank sent me Hi-Tek Supercoat bullets in 200-grain (.428-inch), 180 grain and 200 grain (.452-inch) and 230 grain (.452-inch). I wanted to see how these coated bullets with no lube would work in .44 WCF (.44-40) and .45 Colt caliber cartridges loaded with black powder or black powder substitute. The 230-grain bullets were to be loaded over different smokeless powders as I continue to seek a load for Wild Bunch matches.

When the bullets arrived I was impressed by their clean, smooth appearance as well as the attractive “burgundy” color. The coating is quite resilient but can be scraped off by dies and cases during the loading process. When reloading coated bullets the following is recommended:

- Sufficiently flare the case mouth to avoid scraping off the protective coating during seating.
- Don’t over-crimp, which can damage the protective coating, under-sizing the bullet and resulting in poor accuracy and excessive fouling.

When I first started reloading .44 WCF cartridges, I crushed many cases



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.45 ACP 230 gr 0.452" .45 S&W 180 gr 0.452" .45 Colt 200 gr 0.452" .44 WCF 200 gr 0.428"

Shooting Range Results (7 yards)				
Bullet	Cartridge	Powder	Group	Photo
230 grain	.45 ACP	Trailboss (4.5 Gr)	1"	5
200 grain	.44 WCF	APP (35 gr FFFG)	1-3/8"	6
200 grain	.45 Colt	APP (18 gr FFFG)	1-3/8"	7
180 grain	.45 S&W	OE (16 gr FFFG)	1"	8



FIREARMS USED IN THIS TEST, TOP TO BOTTOM: COLT GOVERNMENT, NEW MODEL VAGUERO, COLT SAA, NAVY ARMS REMINGTON 1875.



4.5 gr Trail Boss, 230 gr Chey-Cast 0.452"
5" Colt's Government Model @ 7 yds



35 gr American Pioneer Powder FFFG, 200 gr Chey-Cast 0.428"
7 1/2" Navy Arms 1875 Army .44 WCF @ 7 yds

bullets. That resulted in no crushing of the .44 WCF cases and I had no problem seating the .428" coated bullets from Chey-Cast.

During loading I wore rubber gloves and checked them periodically for signs of visible dirt and residue. I made a concerted effort to limit the use of my left index finger and thumb to handling the Chey-Cast Bullets. All other functions were performed with my right hand index finger and thumb. After loading the first 100 rounds I photographed both hands. The index finger and thumb of my left hand was still visibly clean (Photo 1) while the gloved index finger and thumb of my right hand was visibly dirty, showing dark smudges and small particles of brass apparently from handling brass practically straight out of the tumbler (Photo 2). After loading 250 rounds, my right hand thumb and index finger were quite dirty but still clean on my left hand, indicating the coating to be effective protection from lead contamination during loading.

I wound up with .45 ACP cartridges loaded with Trail Boss and Titegroup.

I loaded the .44 WCF cartridges with 35 grains (by volume) of both Olde Eynsford (OE) FFFG and American Pioneer Powder (APP) FFFG. The 200-grain Chey-Cast Bullets were loaded in the .45 Colt (LC) cases on top of 18 grains (FFFG) of either OE or APP. And the 180-grain bullets were used in .45 S&W (.45 Schofield) brass over 16 grains of the FFFG of either OE or APP (Photo 3). Inert filler was added to the Colt and S&W rounds.

At a local range I was able to test fire all the rounds at a distance of seven yards using a simple sandbag rest. With one exception I used handguns I have shot many times at local Cowboy Action Shooting™ and Wild Bunch™ matches (Photo 4). I used a stock Colt's Government Model for the .45 ACP. My choice for .45 LC cartridges was a well-tuned 5 1/2" Ruger New Vaquero and a much used Colt's SAA with a 5 1/2" barrel for the .45 S&W rounds. The exception was the (Remington) 1875 Army replica imported by Navy Arms. Although I've fired it a few times, I never used it in a match. I fired two five-shot groups with each of the bul-

attempting to seat a lead bullet. I heard about using a .44 Magnum (.430-inch) flaring die on .44 WCF cases for lead

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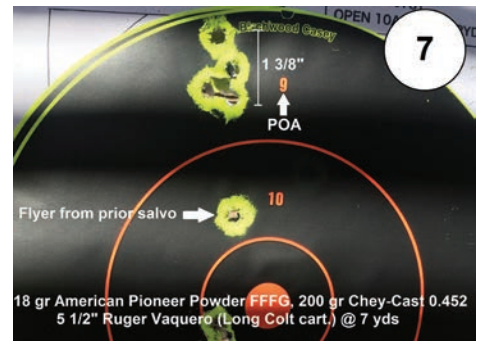
Others have compared Hi-Tek coated and wax-lubed lead bullets using chronograph results to show coated bullets yield 7-22 fps lower velocity than wax-lubed bullets, but the coated bullets produced tighter groups. [Miller, Brad, PhD, "Coated Bullets: The future of lead bullets for handloaders?" *Shooting Sports, USA*, National Rifle Association of America, Tuesday, March 7, 2017.]

After my session at the range I examined the barrels of all four handguns. As expected no leading was visible in the revolvers used to fire the black powder and substitute loads because of the powder residue. But the barrel of the 1911 was as clean as it was at the start. And accuracy results were all pretty close as one might expect at such a short distance with the worst two groups measuring two inches. This level of accuracy is more than sufficient for similar target distances at a CAS™ match.

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out a test under fire, so off I went to a local Cowboy match with .44 WCF rounds for my Cimarron 1873 rifle and .45 Colt rounds for my Vaquero revolvers. Although the Timer Operator expressed surprise when my first rifle round went off with much noise and (real black powder) smoke, I had no problems with any of the loads at the match. Half of the cartridges were loaded with OE and half with APP. The guns functioned without cleaning for six stages and I missed only one shot the whole match.

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PRODUCT REVIEW

TAYLOR'S & CO. PIETTA 1858 REMINGTON AND KENNY HOWELL R&D .45 COLT/SCHOFIELD CONVERSION CYLINDERS

BY TUOLUMNE LAWMAN, SASS #6127

Remington .44 caliber Army and .36 Navy revolvers were some of the most popular weapons in the Civil War and the post-Civil War eras. Remingtons were also the second most common percussion revolver converted to fire self contained metallic cartridges. Many of today's Cowboy Action Shooting™ percussion revolver shooters would like to have the ability to convert their revolver to a metallic cartridge firing revolver, just as shooters did 140 years ago. With this in mind, Kenny Howell of R&D developed a drop-in 1858 Remington cylinder in .45 Colt. By simply dropping in one of these R&D cylinders, you can convert your Pietta 1858 Remingtons to shoot .45 Colt cartridges. No gunsmithing is required. Tammy Loy of Taylor's is a primary source for both the Pietta 1858 revolvers, and a full line of the R&D conversion cylinders. Taylor's is the only company selling the 6 shot version of the R&D cylinders for the 1858 Remingtons, having acquired exclusive rights from Kenny Howell.

1858 HISTORY

Colt was the first to introduce percussion revolvers with its 1836 Patterson, so other manufacturers like Remington soon joined in. One of the first widely successful Remington revolvers was the New Model Army in .44 caliber. While we generally (and erroneously) refer to it as a "Model 1858," it was actually introduced in 1861 after the beginning of the Civil War. The "1858" actually refers to the patent date. This New Model Army revolver from Remington was second only to the Colt in its numbers and in its popularity. Both during the Civil War, and the subsequent westward migration of former combatants, the Remington 1858 was a favorite.

Part of its popularity was due to its reputation for its one-piece frame being

sturdier than the inherently weaker two-piece frame of the 1851 and 1860 Colts. In fact, Colt later adopted the Remington style one-piece frame for its 1873 Single Action Army. Another feature of the 1858 was "safety notches" for the hammer between the chambers on the cylinder. Rather than resting precariously on a safety pin like the 1860 Army, or on a live percussion cap, the Remington's hammer nestled safely in these notches between percussion caps.

Some people allege that the Remington's ability to quickly change cylinders (*i.e.* dropping in a fresh loaded and capped spare cylinder) made them popular. This was accomplished by dropping the ramrod, pulling out the base pin, and placing in a fresh cylinder a la Clint Eastwood in *Pale Rider*. However, I have never personally seen a historical reference to any gunmen actually carrying spare cylinders for their Remingtons. This quickly removable cylinder feature does, however, make cleaning the Remington much easier than the same process on an 1860 Colt revolver.

From the time of the California Gold Rush, the Civil War, and the early westward migration, almost all revolvers were percussion firearms. The only exception was the Smith and Wesson revolvers. Smith and Wesson held the

exclusive rights to Rollin White's patent on "bored through revolver cylinders," so Colt, Remington, and others could produce only percussion revolvers. Smith and Wesson had a monopoly on cartridge revolvers.

Just after the Civil War, Remington decided to pay the licensing fee to Smith and Wesson in order to convert huge stocks of percussion .44 caliber New Model Army revolvers. This conversion was a .46 Caliber rimfire that used a newly manufactured cylinder and had the recoil plate altered. Another variety of Remington conversions used a two-piece cylinder like the modern R&D cylinder. They generally used rimfire cartridges as well. Unlike the firing pins on the R&D cylinder back plates (I'll describe later), it had slots that the hammer fell through to hit the rims. These conversions were produced until the No. 3 Army model of 1875 was released in .44 Remington. These conversions are now exceptionally rare, and few have survived.

TAYLOR'S PIETTA 1858 & R&D CYLINDER

The new Pietta 1858 Remingtons from Taylor's & Co. are exceptionally nicely done. The deep blue-black finish is smooth and polished much nicer than the early Pietta 1858s. The brass trig-



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ger guard is also polished. The hammer and trigger appear to have been color case hardened. Speaking of triggers, the 1858 Remingtons have a much wider and more comfortable trigger than the Colts. In my case, it seems to help with my trigger pull.

The metal finish and wood to metal fit is very good on the Pietta guns. The grips are two-piece walnut with a varnished finish common to most other 1858 replicas. The eight-inch octagonal barrel has a historically correct Remington "shaved post" design front sight. The Remington's rear sight notch in the frame is wide and deep. The barrel is well crowned and the bore is centered in the barrel, a concern on some earlier brands of Italian replica BP handguns. The rifling is deep and crisp.

Unlike many percussion 1858 replicas, the trigger pull is very nice. It breaks clean and smooth at about three pounds. The hammer pull is also not too heavy but not so light it makes ignition unreliable. The vast majority of shooters would not need two hands to cock these. The 1858s have a main-spring tensioning screw in the front of the grip, just the same as the Smith and Wesson No. 3 large frame revolvers. By unscrewing this screw or tightening it, you can adjust the hammer pull and falling force of the hammer.

I obtained R&D .45 Colt/Schofield cylinders paired with the Pietta 1858s from Taylor's & Co. These conversions cylinders are first-rate quality. Kenny Howell of R&D duplicated the concept of the original two piece Remington conversion cylinder, in modern .45 Colt caliber, proofed for Black Hills, Ten-X, or similar "Cowboy" loads. **DO NOT USE HOT CORE-BON LOADS IN THE R&D CYLINDERS, OR DO NOT USE THESE IN BRASS FRAMED 1858 GUNS!**

They are made as "drop-in" units and there are models for 1858s from Pietta, Uberti, and Armi San Marco. The best thing to do is check the markings on top of the barrel. They also make a pair of units for the Ruger New Model Army Percussion. They have blue cylinders for blue guns and electroless nickel ones for stainless guns. According to the folks at Taylors, they are 99.9% pre-fitted. If they do not fit exactly right, ship the gun and the cylinder

back to them and they will fit them for free. According to them, very few have come for fitting.

The R&D cylinders are machined out of 4150 arsenal grade steel on CNC machinery and are beautifully polished and blued. My cylinders dropped in and fit perfectly without any fitting. The timing, indexing, and lock-up is perfect.

The units consist of a two-piece cylinder. The main body resembles a standard single action cylinder with six chambers for either .45 Colt or .45 S&W Schofield ammunition. (Note: Early R&D cylinders cannot accommodate .45 S&W Schofields because of the larger rim). The cylinder is rebated for enclosing the cartridge case rims completely, with the exception of a newly-added "witness slot" that shows the rims in the loaded chambers. It has lock-up notches (slightly offset to the side for strength) on the outside. The only difference is an indexing pin protruding from the rear face. It engages a mating hole in the back plate of the cylinder to achieve perfect line up.

The second part of the cylinder is the back plate. In place of nipples for percussion caps, it has six individual firing pin assemblies. The flat percussion hammer hits the firing pin of each cylinder, just as the hammer of a Ruger hits the frame-mounted firing pin on a Vaquero. It is really quite ingenious and simple. One of the firing pin assemblies is bright stainless to assist in referencing the empty chamber at the loading bench.

Installation is simple. Make sure the revolver is unloaded. Place it at half-cock so the cylinder will rotate freely. Drop the loading lever about 45 degrees and pull the cylinder pin for-

ward. Remove the percussion cylinder. Replace it with the conversion cylinder, rotating clockwise as you insert to depress the cylinder advancing hand. Push in the cylinder pin. Raise the loading lever.

To load the R&D cylinder, remove the cylinder as above, take off the back plate, and insert five .45 Colt or .45 S&W Cowboy loads. (It is easiest to leave the empty cylinder under the stainless firing pin assembly.) Reinsert the R&D cylinder so the stainless (empty chamber) is under the hammer when it is taken off of half cock. To unload, remove the cylinder, then the back plate, and drop the cases free. Some may not drop out, especially if using black powder, so just use the end of the loading lever or a dowel to give them a push. All in all, once you get the hang of it, the loading and unloading time is about the same as a Colt clone, if not a little bit quicker.

AT THE RANGE

The 1858 is very pleasant to shoot using a 148grain .454" diameter lead ball and 30 grains (volume) of FFFG black powder, Hodgdon's 777, or a 30-grain Pyodex pellet. I personally use Remington No. 10 percussion caps, a 30 grain Pyrodex Pellet, and Ox-Bow "wonder wads" between pellet and ball when I shoot the 1858 in a Plainsman match. This is my standard load for both my 1858 Remington and 1860 Colts.

With the percussion cylinder, the Pietta 1858 shoots about one inch above point of aim at ten yards, using a traditional two-hand hold. Though the Pyrodex Pellets and wonder wads are handy for a match, the 1858s seemed to

shoot best with FFFG Goex and SPG or Buffalo Butter over the ball. I actually had a sub-one-inch group at ten yards with the Goex load. I have found "real black powder" is much more accurate and consistent than any substitute.

For the R&D Cylinders, I used Black Hills .45 Colt 250 grain and Black Hills .45 Schofield 230 grain for factory ammunition. My handloads were .45 Schofield 200-grain RNFP with 6.0 grains Trail Boss and WLP primer. Once again, the shooting was done at 10 yards, traditional two hand hold.

The 250-grain .45 Colt ammunition from Black Hills printed a group about four inches above point of aim, one inch left with a group that was about two and a half inches in diameter. The Black hills 230 grain Schofield load group was about three inches above point of aim, centered, and had a three-inch group. Finally, my handloaded ammunition grouped about one inch and a half-inch above point of aim, and about a one and a half inch to two inch in diameter group.

The Taylor's & Co. Pietta 1858 Reminton and R&D .45 Colt cylinder are a winning pair. It is perfect (as well as historically correct) for a shooter with an early Old West persona, who carries an 1860 Henry or 1866 Winchester, and wants a period correct "hawg leg" to go with it. For around \$550, you can have your "Cap N' Ball" revolver for Plainsmen matches and a cartridge conversion revolver for main matches, all in one package. Contact Tammy Loy at Taylor's & Co. at (540) 722-2017 or check their web-site at: www.taylorsfirearms.com. Tell them Tuolumne Lawman sent you.



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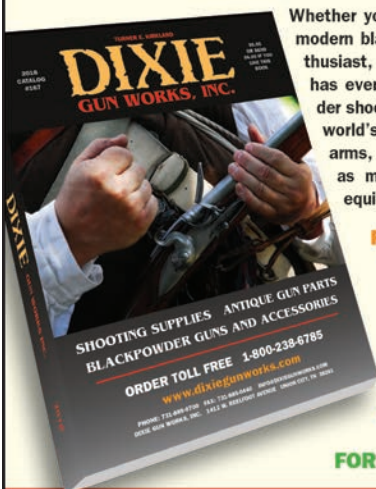
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I had just retired from the Air Force after 22 years of flying B-52s. I actually showed up to my first SASS match in tennis shoes and a ball cap. You can imagine the names I got called after that. In self defense, I had to come up with a unique name to avoid the lame monikers people were calling me. I had just seen the Larry McMurtry made for TV movie, starring Melanie Griffith as Dora Dufran. In the movie, her boy-friend was named "Blue." I figured that was as close to Melanie as I was ever going to get, so I picked that as an alias. I have enjoyed SASS ground shooting and mounted shooting ever since, and hopefully I have contributed to the fun of the sport by coming up with "Mounted Cowboy Shotgun Shooting". I have been a life member since I joined.

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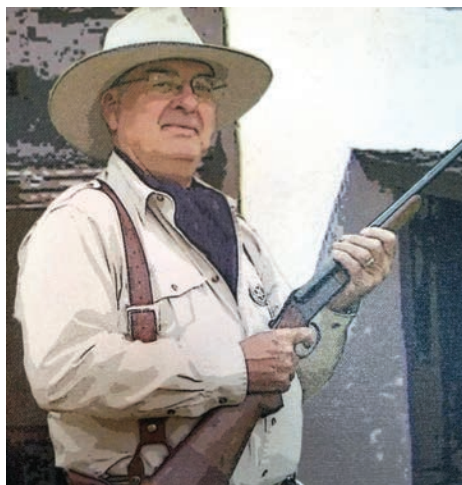


TEXAS RED DAWG
SASS #3288
FEBRUARY 6, 1934
– JANUARY 18, 2018

James E. Campion, known to us as Red Dawg, has gone to the final round-up. He was born in Hearne, Texas and proudly served our country in the U.S. Army. He believed in God, country and family.

He was a member Texas Historical Shooting Society and a founding club member of Texican Rangers. Red Dawg loved Cowboy Action Shooting™ and was a hard-working posse member, always smiling, and always fun to shoot with. He was quick witted with a great sense of humor. He often said he ran a home for wayward Colts. He always signed his notes to me as, Red Dawg, Scourge of the West, Friend of the Working Girls.

He was recently released from a lengthy hospital stay when he had a fall at home and broke his spine. On January 18, with Dorothy, his wife of 59 years, and his three daughters present, Jim asked for all life support to be removed. He ate some potato chips, drank a coke, and went to be with Jesus. *Vaya con Dios, amigo.*



MARCUS HOOKER
SASS #29384
SEPTEMBER 17, 1945
– JANUARY 10, 2018

Marcus Hooker (William Franklin Hamilton) passed away at home in Houston, Texas after a courageous fight against aggressive colon cancer. We thank our skilled team of surgeons at Houston Methodist Willowbrook. He spent his working career in the oil, gas, and chemical industry. He graduated 1963 Chichester High School, Boothwyn, PA, attended West Chester State University, West Chester, PA, graduated University of Houston Downtown 2002 and walked Minute Maid Park. Bill moved his family to Houston in 1984 to escape the cold climate and live the Cowboy life and never looked back.

He leaves behind his loving wife and high school sweetheart of 57-plus years, Ethel Marie (Field) Hamilton; daughters, Cynthia Lynn, Austin, TX and Stephanie Marie, McCreery, Houston, TX; his grandson, Jamin Mathew and wife Morgan, Rowlett, TX; two granddaughters Amber Nicole McCreery and Heather Marie McCreery; and ex-son-in-law Cecil and

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Bill was a member of the Loyal Order of the Moose, Phoenixville, PA, 1982-2018. He loved reading, history, camping, hunting, boating, and especially Cowboy Action Shooting™, as well as being with his family. His alias Marcus Hooker, an adventurer, was taken from his hometown, Chester, Pennsylvania.

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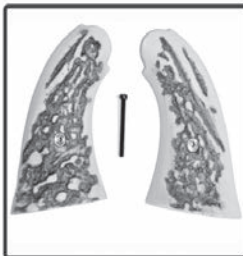
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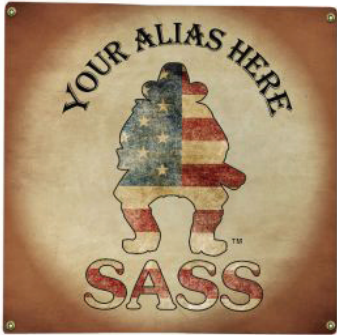
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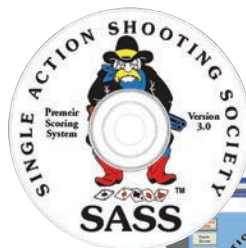
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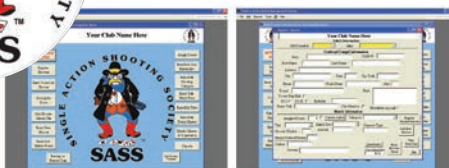


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CLUB NAME	CITY	MATCH DAY	PHONE	CONTACT	RANGE LOCATION
AUSTRALIA					
AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY					
Majura Rangers	Majura	1st Sat, 3rd Sun, & Every Tues	N/A	Blinky	SSAA-ACT Shooting Range
NEW SOUTH WALES					
Cowboy Action Shooters of Australia	Teralba	3rd Sun	0418-474179	Lonesome Dove Runs With Wolves	Newtee Pistol Club
QUEENSLAND					
Gold Coast Gamblers	Gold Coast	1st & 3rd Sat	0413 440 600	Dug Deeper	N/A
Last Frontier Shooting Club Inc	Gunalda	1st & 4th Sun	0754864248	Sheriff of Tinstone	Last Frontier Shooting Range
Single Action Shooting Australia Inc.	Millmerran	As Scheduled	+617 4695 2050	Virgil Earp	Western Creek
SOUTH AUSTRALIA					
Adelaide Pistol & Shooting Club	Korunye	1st Sat & 3rd Sun	61 08 284 8459	Lobo Malo	Korunye
Sporting Shooters' Association of Australia, Inc.	N/A	As Scheduled	+61 447 831 154	R. C. Shot	NSW, QLD, VIC, ACT, SA, WA, NT, TAS
VICTORIA					
Fort Bridger Shooting Club	Drouin	4th Sun	61 41 863 2366	Duke York	WDPC
Little River Raiders	Little River	3rd Sun	N/A	Sambucca Kid	Eagle Park Range
SASA Little River Raiders Single Action Club	Melbourne	3rd Sun	61 25 978 0190	Tiresome	Eagle Park
Westgate Marauders	Fishermans Bend	2nd Sun	610433419284	Stampepe Pete	Melbourne International Shooting Club
AUSTRIA					
Sweetwater Gunslingers Austria	Vienna	Sat As Scheduled	0046 664 490 80 32	Fra Diabolo	Jagd und Sportschutzen Club Steinbrunn
CANADA					
ALBERTA					
Spruce Grove Gun Fighters	Spruce Grove	Saturday	780-458-5361	Sunwapta Haze	Spruce Grove Gun Club
BRITISH COLUMBIA					
Kamloops Target Sports Association	Kamloops	As Scheduled	250-573-2885	Gunfighter Jim	Kamloops Target Sports Association
Palmer's Gulch Cowboys	Kamloops	3rd Sun	250-579-5819	Turkey Will	Heffley Creek Gun Club
Red Mountain Renegades	Mission	1st Sun	604-820-1564	Preacher Flynn T. Locke	Mission Rod and Gun Club
Valley Regulators	Courtenay	3rd Sat	250-334-3479	High Country Amigo	Courtneay Fish and Game Protective Association
Victoria Frontier Shootists	Malahat	2nd Sun	250-744-4705	Black Ashley	Victoria Fish & Game Protective Association
NEW BRUNSWICK					
Beau Bassin Range Riders	Saint-Andre LeBlanc	2nd Sat	506-312-0455	Frenchy Cannuck	Cap Pelé Gun Club
NOVA SCOTIA					
Nova Scotia Cowboy Action Shooting Club	Camden	3rd Sun (weather permitting)	902-890-2310	Wounded Belly	Nova Scotia Muzzle Loading Association
ONTARIO					
Bar-E Ranch	Barrie	2nd & 4th Sat	705-434-7065	Northern Crow	Barrie Gun Club
Butler's Rangers	Thorald	1st Sat & 4th Sun	905-374-3328	Grey Owl	Decew Gun Club
Fort Burlington Bushwackers	Burlington	3rd Sun (October-April)	905-647-2281	Chuckwagon Chad	Burlington Rifle and Revolver Club
Huronion Gungfighters	Penetanguishene	As Scheduled	705-526-8459	Buffalo Bri Bowie	Huronion Hand Gun Club
Ottawa Valley Marauders	Cheney	As Scheduled	514-792-0063	Highwall Drifter	Eastern Ontario Handgun Club
Robbers Roost Hamilton	Hamilton	2nd Sun	905-393-4299	Legendary Lawman	Hamilton Angling and Hunting Association
Robbers Roost Hamilton Wild Bunch	Hamilton	3rd Sun	905-393-4299	Legendary Lawman	Hamilton Angling and Hunting Association
Royal City Rangers	Guelph	As Scheduled	905-878-9440	Indian Frank	Guelph Rod & Gun Club
Ruff's Regulators	Cornwall	As Scheduled	613-933-6798	Ruff Justice	Cornwall Handgun Club
Wentworth Shooting Sports Club	Hamilton	1st Sun	905-664-3217	Stoney Creek	Wentworth Shooting Sports Club
Wild Turkey Posse	Prescott	As Scheduled	819-453-7816	Rooster Corrigan	Greenville Fish and Game Club
QUEBEC					
Beausejour Marshalls	St-Jean-Chrysostome	As Scheduled	418-889-0517	Reata Slim	Club de Tir Beausejour
Granby Gang	Granby	As Scheduled	450-344-0077	Filthy Phil	Centre de tir Granby Multisport Centre
Silver Bullet Posse	Sorel-Tracy	As Scheduled	514-452-0800	The Quiet Dude	Club de tir balle d'argent
SASKATCHEWAN					
Saskatchewan Association of Wild West Shooters	Saskatoon	As Scheduled	306-749-7518	Granny One Shot	Saskatoon Muzzle Loader Club
CZECH REPUBLIC					
Association of Western Shooters	Pelhrimov	As Scheduled	420777776066	Colbert	Shooting Range Pelhrimov
DENMARK					
Association of Slesvigske Blackpowder Shooters	Tonder	As Scheduled	+4560201365	Captain Wildbeard	Tonder Shooting Range
Danish Black Powder Federation	Copenhagen	As Scheduled	45 20 655 887	Slim Dane	Copenhagen Shooting Center
FINLAND					
Classic Old Western Society of Finland	Helsinki	As Scheduled	+358-50-5174659	Woodbury Kane	N/A
SASS Finland	Loppi	As Scheduled	+358 50 5174659	Woodbury Kane	Loppis Shooting Range
FRANCE					
Association Mazaugaie de Tir Rock Canyon	Mazaugues	As Scheduled	33 494 280 145	Redneck Mike	Rock Canyon
Black Rivers	Roanne	As Scheduled	336 87 46 25 82	The Kid of Neckwhite	Route de Charlieu
Buffalo Valley	Châteauneuf-en-Thymerais	As Scheduled	02 37 63 65 83	Slye Buffalo	Avenir Sportif Thymarias
Bull Run Valley	Sainte Opportune	As Scheduled	06-47-52-09-37	Ben Calhoun	Association Sportive Fiers Messes
CAS/SASS France	Varies	Varies	336 169 32 076	Frenchie Boy	Golden Trigger of Freetown
East Valley	Dettwiller	As Scheduled	336 76 49 54 81	Cornelius Chesterfield	Club de Tir de la Licorne
Fort Desaix	Mundolsheim	Sun As Scheduled	+33 608254502	Old Oak Claudee	Societe de Tir de Strasbourg
Golden Trigger of Freetown	Puyllagarde	As Scheduled	06-75-70-36-78	Cheyenne Little Colibris	A.S.T.P.V
Green Hills Cowboys	Athis De L'Orne	As Scheduled	330233657690	Vallombreuse	N/A
Greenwood Creek Gang	France	1st & 3rd Wkd	33688091360	Handy Hook	N/A
Joly's Saloon	Bernay	Oct-Nov	02-32-43-35-95	Myra Maybelle Shirley Reed Starr	Joly's Saloon
Loire Valley Regulators (Club de Tir Sportif de Touraine)	Tours	As Scheduled	brises37@hotmail.fr	Marshall John McClane	Club de Tir Sportif de Touraine
Old West French Shooters	Chattillon	As Scheduled	0145326028	Trusty Phil	FFT
Reverend Oakley's Cowboy Klan	Nuits St. Georges	As Scheduled	+33685137754	Elliot Belt	N/A
Societe de Tir Bedoin Ventoux (Windy Mountain Vigilantes)	Bedoin	2nd Sun	0609244403	Sheriff Ch. Southpaw	N/A
GERMANY					
CAS Europe	Heerd	Wed	28235807	Hurricane Irmi	TR-Dusseldorf
Cowboy Action Shooting Germany	Edderitz	Last Sat	+49 1609 76 52588	Marshall Heck	Tombstone Village
SASS Germany	Bocholt	Wed	28233426	Rhine River Joe	Caritz Springs
ITALY					
Association Federal Old West	Civitella Val Chiana	As Scheduled	3663232538	Jonn Skally White	Devil's Club
NETHERLANDS					
Dutch Western Shooting Association	Oss, Noord Brabant	As Scheduled	31 619 430 223	Dutch Bear	N/A
SASS Netherlands	Leeuwarden	As Scheduled	31 619 430 223	Dutch Bear	N/A
NEW ZEALAND					
Ashburton Pistol Club	Ashburton	3rd Sun AM	+64 21 525 347	Kiwi Witch Doctor	Ashburton Pistol Club
Ashburton Pistol Club Wild Bunch Shooting	Ashburton	3rd Sun PM	N/A	Kiwi Witch Doctor	Ashburton Pistol Club
Bullet Spiritin' Sons O' Thunder	Palmerston North	2nd Sat	+64275212920	Calamity Carrie	Rifle Rod & Gun Club Manawata Inc.
SASS Pistol New Zealand	Hastings	As Scheduled	+64 21 488 345	Kiwi PJ	New Zealand Pistol Association
Wairarapa Pistol and Shooting Club	Gladstone	2nd Sun	+6421774666	Wild Ben Hickok	Wairarapa Pistol and Shooting Sports Club Inc, Gladstone

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SOUTH AFRICA					
Western Shooters of South Africa	Simon's Town	3rd Sat	+27 21 702 3070	Dusty Devil	False Bay Gun Club
SWEDEN					
SASS Sweden Northern Rangers	Torsby	As Scheduled	46 702711107	Ace Heart	N/A
SWITZERLAND					
Old West Shooting Society Switzerland	Unterlunkhofen	As Scheduled	056 634 22 78	Palouse Creek Hondo	N/A
UNITED KINGDOM					
Shooters of the Cast Iron Shore	Liverpool	As Scheduled	44 7876377609	Woodrow F. Call	Atlantic Leisure Sport Complex
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA					
ALASKA					
Alaska 49er's	Chugiak	As Scheduled	907-232-4958	Tripod	Birchwood Recreation & Shooting Park
Alaska 49ers Wild Bunch	Chugiak	As Scheduled	907-232-1080	Marshal Stone	Birchwood Recreation & Shooting Park
Golden Heart Shooter Society	Fairbanks	2nd Sat & Last Sun	907-479-9339	Drover Knuts	Chatanika Gold Camp
Juneau Gold Miners Posse	Juneau	3rd Sun	907-723-9309	Five Card Tanna	Hank Harmon Rifle Range
ALABAMA					
Alabama Rangers	Brierfield	2nd Sun	205-531-7055	Dead Horse Phil	Brierfield State Park
Gallant Gunfighters	Birmingham	3rd Sun	205-587-5103	Dobe Bob	Brock's Gap Training Center
North Alabama Regulators	Woodville	1st Sun	256-431-3737	Drake Robey	Cavern Cove
Old York Shooters	Cleveland	4th Sun	205-616-9395	Derringer Di	Greenridge Shooting Range
Russell County Regulators	Phenix City	1st Sat	706-566-1740	Will Killigan	East Alabama Gun Club
Vulcan Long Rifles	Birmingham	2nd Sat	205-541-2207	Parson Henry Brown	Brock's Gap Training Center
ARKANSAS					
Arkansas Lead Slingers	Rogers	2nd Sat & 4th Sun	479-633-2107	Dirty Dan Paladin	Frisco City
Judge Parker's Marshals	Fort Smith/Van Buren	3rd Sat and Sun	479-651-2475	Naildriver	Old Fort Gun Club
Mountain Valley Vigilantes	Hot Springs National Park	1st Wkd	501-337-9368	Bulldog McGraw	Mountain Valley Sportsman's Association
Outlaw Camp	Heber Springs	2nd, 4th & 5th Sat	501-362-2963	Ozark Red	Outlaw Camp
White River Gang	Mountain Home	1st Sat	636-463-2361	Lakeview Drifter	Twin Lakes Gun Club
ARIZONA					
Arizona Cowboy Shooters Association Inc	Phoenix	2nd Sat	602-564-0321	Champ	Ben Avery Shooting Facility
Arizona Yavapai Rangers	Camp Verde	4th Sat	602-505-5824	Tom Elder	N/A
Bordertown Inc. Wild Bunch	Tombstone	As Scheduled	480-266-1096	Pecos Clyde	Tombstone Livery
Bordertown, Inc.	Tombstone	As Scheduled	520-290-8599	Quicksand	Tombstone Livery
Colorado River Regulators	Lake Havasu City	2nd Sun & 4th Sat	928-669-8707	Mike L. Phikzit	Lake Havasu Sportsman's Club
Colorado River Shootists	Yuma	3rd Sat	209-613-4598	Dirty Harriet	Adair Range
Cowtown Cowboy Shooters	Peoria	1st Sun & 3rd Sat	480-773-2753	Barbwire	Cowtown Shooting Range
Cowtown Wild Bunch Shooters	Peoria	2nd Sun	602-721-3175	Wild Bodie Tom	Cowtown Shooting Range
Dusty Bunch Old Western Shooters	Casa Grande	4th Sat	520-568-2852	Squibber	Casa Grande Shooting Range
Los Vaqueros	Tombstone	3rd Sat	520-235-0387	Myles Houston	Tombstone Livery
Mohave Marshalls	Golden Valley	3rd Sun	928-231-9013	DB Chester	Mohave Sportsman Club
Old Pueblo Shooter Association	Tombstone	1st Sun	520-249-2831	Gilly Boy	Tombstone Livery
Payson Cowboys	Payson	3rd Sun	575-937-9297	Rowdy Lane	Jim Jones Shooting Range
Rio Salado Cowboy Action Shooting Society	Mesa	1st Sat	480-982-7336	A. J. Bob	Rio Salado Sportsman's Club
Whiskey Row Gunslingers	Prescott	2nd Sun	928-925-7323	Turquoise Bill	Yavapai Recreation League
White Mountain Old West Shootists	St. Johns	1st & 3rd Sat	928-245-6276	Fred Sharps	Northeastern Arizona Shooters Association
White Mountain Old West Shootists Wild Bunch	St. Johns	5th Sat	928-245-6276	Fred Sharps	Northeastern Arizona Sportsman's Association
CALIFORNIA					
5 Dogs Creek	Bakersfield	1st Sat & Sun	661-549-7916	Panhandle Red	Five Dogs Creek Shooting Range
Buffalo Runners	Rail Road Flat	Sat Before 2nd Sun	530-676-2997	Grizzly Peak Jake	Taylor Park
Cajon Cowboys	Devore	2nd & 4th Sat	760-900-5199	Pasture Patti	Gem Ranch
California Rangers	Sloughhouse	2nd Sat	209-296-4146	Jimmy Frisco	Sacramento Valley Shooting Center
California Shady Ladies	Sloughhouse	4th Sat	916-447-2040	Lady Gambler	Sacramento Valley Shooting Center
Chorro Valley Regulators	San Luis Obispo	2nd Sun & Prec. Sat	805-286-1188	Sinful	San Luis Obispo Sportsman's Association
Coyote Valley Cowboys	Morgan Hill	2nd Sat & 3rd Sun	408-722-0583	Bad Eye Bobolu	Coyote Valley Sporting Clays
Coyote Valley Sharpshooters	Morgan Hill	4th Sat	408-356-5031	Springfield Slim	Santa Clara County Sports Park
Double R Bar Regulators	Lucerne Valley	2nd Sun	909-228-5154	Smiley Ed	Lucerne Valley Lions Club
Dulzura Desperados	Dulzura	2nd Sat	619-997-2755	Reuben J. Cogburn	South Bay Rod and Gun Club
Escondido Bandidos	Escondido	1st Sat	858-735-2354	Rustler	Escondido Fish & Games Assoc.
Faultline Shooter Society	Morgan Hill	4th Sun	408-306-1886	Pascoe Pete	Coyote Valley Sporting Clays
Gold Country Wild Bunch	Sloughhouse	3rd Sat	530-713-4194	Sutter Lawman	Sacramento Valley Shooting Center
Guns in the Sun	Thousand Palms	2nd Sat	760-346-0972	Johnny 2moons	N/A
Hawkinsville Claim Jumpers	Yreka	4th & 5th Sat	530-926-5413	Royal Flush	Dodge Range
Hellorado Rangers	Ukiah	3rd Sun	707-391-5991	Lead Nickel	Ukiah Gun Club
High Desert Cowboys	Palmdale	3rd Sun	661-579-6917	Doc Silverhawks	Desert Marksmen Rifle & Pistol Club
High Sierra Drifters	Rail Road Flat	2nd Sun	530-676-2997	Grizzly Peak Jake	West Point Rod & Gun
Hole In The Wall Gang	Sylmar	1st Sun	805-402-4144	Mattel Sackett	Panorama Gun Club
Hole in the Wall Gang Wild Bunch	Piru	1st Sun	818-640-0945	Frederick Jackson Turner	West Thompson Inc. Piru Rifle Range
Imperial Valley Rangers	Imperial	2nd Sun	N/A	N/A	Imperial Valley Rifle & Pistol Association
Kings River Regulators	Clovis	3rd Sun	559-268-1115	Sierra Rider	Fresno Rifle & Pistol Club
Lassen Regulators	Susanville	1st Sat	530-260-0806	Bugtown Dusty	Rice Canyon Shooting Range
Mad River Rangers	Blue Lake	4th Sat	707-445-1981	Kid Kneestone	Long Prairie Gun and Archery Club
Mother Lode Shooter Society	Jamestown	1st Sun	209-795-4175	Sioux City Kid	Mother Lode Gun Club
Murieta Posse	Sloughhouse	3rd Sun	530-676-2997	Grizzly Peak Jake	Sacramento Valley Shooting Center
Nevada City Peacemakers	Nevada City	3rd Sat	530-274-3430	Constable Dan	Nevada County Sportsmen's Club
Northfield Raiders	North Hollywood	3rd Sun	818-761-0512	Gun Hawk	Lopez Canyon Shooting Range 16550 Bailey Road, Sylmar
Pozo River Vigilance Committee at Lazy Arrow	Santa Margarita	4th Sat	805-801-8750	Roger Rapid	Camata Ranch/Lazy Arrow Adventures
Richmond Roughriders	Richmond	2nd Sun As Scheduled	925-250-0737	Leapin Otis	Richmond Rod and Gun Club
River City Regulators	Davis	1st Sun	707-227-5905	Napa Belle	Yolo Sportsmen's Association
Robbers Roost Vigilantes	Ridgecrest	1st & 3rd Sat	760-375-7618	Nast Newt	Ridgecrest Gun Range
Shasta Regulators	Redding	3rd Sat	530-365-1839	Modoc	Redding Gun Club, Seven Lakes, Old Alturis Road, Redding
Shasta Regulators Of Hat Creek	Burney	2nd Sat	530-275-3158	Cayenne Pepper	Hat Creek Rifle & Pistol Club
Sloughhouse Irregulars	Sloughhouse	5th Sat & Sun	530-265-9213	Marlin Schofield	Diamond Dick's Cowboy Town
Sunnyvale Regulators	Cupertino	3rd Mon Night	650-464-3764	Shaniko Jack	Sunnyvale Rod and Gun Club
Sunnyvale Regulators Wild Bunch	Cupertino	4th Mon	408-264-5647	Lucas McDennis	Sunnyvale Rod and Gun Club
The Cowboys	Corona	4th Sun	805-402-4144	Mattel Sackett	Raahaage Shooting Enterprises
The Outlaws	Sloughhouse	1st Sat	209-296-2709	Allie Mo	Sacramento Valley Shooting Center
Two Rivers Posse	Manteca	1st Sat & 4th Sun	209-814-5322	Dragon	Manteca Sportsmen's Club
COLORADO					
Black Canyon Ghost Riders	Hotchkiss	4th Sun	970-835-8871	Fandango Dave	Stengel Gun Range
Briggsdale County Shootists	Briggsdale	2nd & 4th Sat	970-493-1813	Kid Bucklin	Pawnee Sportsmen's Center
Castle Peak Wildshots	Gypsum	2nd Wkd	970-390-1369	Doctor Death	Gypsum Shooting Sports Park
Castle Peak Wildshots Wild Bunch	Gypsum	1st Sat	970-390-1369	Doctor Death	Eagle Valley Rod & Gun Club, Inc.
Colorado Cowboys	Lake George	1st Sat	719-491-4524	Scary Indian Dude	M Lazy C Ranch
Colorado Shaktails	Hanover	1st Sun	719-338-5912	Shootin Hoosier	Frontier Sportsman's Club
Four Corners Gunslingers	Durango	3rd Sun	970-247-0745	Cereza Slim	Durango Gun Club
Montrose Marshals	Montrose	2nd Sun	970-240-0419	Silver Rings	Montrose Rod & Gun Club
Northwest Colorado Rangers	Craig	4th Sat	970-824-8407	Black Mountain Cat	Bears Ears Sportsman Club
Pawnee Station Victicators	Nunn	3rd Sat	970-667-0734	Trigger-Happy Ted	Great Guns Sporting LLC
Pawnee Station Victicators Wild Bunch	Nunn	3rd Sun	970-667-0734	Trigger-Happy Ted	Great Guns Sporting LLC
Pueblo West Vigilantes	Pueblo West	2nd Sat	719-545-9463	Grizz Bear	Pueblo West Sportsmen's Assoc.
Rockvale Bunch	Rockvale	3rd Sat	719-371-0172	Cherokee Diablo	Rockvale Gun Club
San Juan Rangers	Montrose	1st Sun	970-417-6247	Kodiak Kid	San Juan Shooting Range
Sand Creek Raiders	Byers	4th Sun	303-366-8827	Sweetwater Bill	Colorado Rifle Club
Thunder Mountain Shootists	Whitewater	3rd Sun & Prec. Sat	970-464-7118	Pinto Beins	William Jarvis Shooting Complex
Thunder Mountain Shootists Wild Bunch	Whitewater	2nd Sat	970-260-5432	Colorado Blackjack	William Jarvis Shooting Complex
Windygap Regulators	Cortez	1st Wkd	970-739-9705	Stumble Leena	Windygap Regulators

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CONNECTICUT					
CT Valley Bushwackers	Coventry	2nd Sat	860-508-2686	Milo Sierra	Manchester Sportsman Association
Ledyard Sidewinders	Ledyard	1st Sat	860-536-0887	Yosemite Gene	Ledyard Sportsman's Club
DELAWARE					
Paden's Posse	Bridgeville	3rd Sun	302-670-9990	Vaquero Dan	Bridgeville Rifle Club
FLORIDA					
Antelope Junction Rangers	Clearwater	Fri nite & 2nd Sat	727-798-0994	Moog	Wyoming Antelope Club
Big Bend Bushwackers	Woodville	3rd Sat	850-567-5694	Ocklawaha Kid	Tallahassee Rifle and Pistol Club
Cowford Regulators	Jacksonville	4th Sat	904-316-0644	Misfire Mordecai	Gateway Rifle and Pistol Club
Doodle Hill Regulators	Ruskin	4th Sun	910-797-7110	Shelleen	Gun Craft Inc. Range
Five County Regulators	Punta Gorda	4th Sun	239-772-7994	Vaquero Tom	Hansen Shooting Range
Fort White Cowboy Cavalry	Fort White	2nd Sat	352-222-4214	Confederate Colt	Fort White Gun Club
Ghost Town Gunslingers	St. Augustine	1st Sat	904-808-8559	Copenhagen	Ancient City Shooting Range
Gold Coast Gunslingers	Sunrise	1st Sat & 3rd Sun	786-256-9542	George Washington McIntock	Markham Park Pistol & Rifle Range
Hernando County Regulators	Brooksville	1st Sun	517-622-4372	Shoulda Dun Gun	Hernando Sportsman's Club, Inc.
Indian River Regulators	Palm Bay	4th Sat	321-431-6404	Turkey Creek Red	Port Malabar Rifle & Pistol Club
Lake County Pistoleros	Tavares	3rd Sat	352-208-2788	Arcadia Outlaw	Eustis Gun Club
Lake County Pistoleros Wild Bunch	Tavares	As Scheduled	352-208-2788	Arcadia Outlaw	Eustis Gun Club
Miakka Misfits	Myakka City	1st Sun	941-758-9454 Ext.106	Crossfire Brown	Manatee County Gun & Archery Club
OK Corral Outlaws	Okeechobee	3rd Sat	863-357-2226	Kokomo Kid	OK Corral Gun Club
Okeechobee Marshals	Sebastian	2nd Sat	561-371-5507	Amaduelist	Indian River County Shooting Range
Panhandle Cattle Company	Chipley	4th Sat	850-638-4939	Desperado Dale	Gulf Rifle Club
Panhandle Cowboys	Cantonment	2nd Sun	850-932-3955	Jeb Stuart Foley	Escambia River Gun Club
Red Hills Rangers	Midway	3rd Sat	850-459-5472	Cassalong Hopidy	Talon Training Group
Roughshod Raiders	Gainesville	4th Sun	352-317-2357	Delta Glen	Gainesville Target Range, Inc.
Southwest Florida Gunslingers	Punta Gorda	3rd Sat	239-772-7994	Vaquero Tom	Hansen Shooting Range
Tater Hill Gunfighters	Arcadia	2nd Sun	863-990-7822	Arcadia Ranger	Desoto Gun Club
Weewahootee Vigilance Committee	Orlando	1st Sat	407-847-7285	Cypress Sam	Central Florida Rifle & Pistol Club
GEORGIA					
Cherokee Cowboys	Gainesville	4th Sat	706-654-8109	Krazy Kajun	Cherokee Gun Club
Doc Holliday's Immortals	Griffin	2nd Sat	678-230-0316	Captain Bill Burt	Griffin Gun Club
Georgia Piedmont Regulators	Eastanollee	2nd Sat	770-540-7612	Rolan Kraps	Georgia Mountain Shooting Association
Lonesome Valley Regulators	Junction City	1st Sun	478-247-8149	Wishbone Hooper	Lonesome Valley Regulators
River Bend Rough Riders	Dawsonville	1st Sat	770-893-7745	Done Gone	River Bend Gun Club
South River Shootists	Covington	3rd Sat	404-405-8266	Fast Eddie	South River Gun Club
Tennessee Mountain Marauders	Ringgold	3rd Sat	423-827-2527	Hurricane Charly	Phoenix Farms
Valdosta Vigilance Committee	Valdosta	1st Sat	229-244-3161	Goliath	Little River Sportsmen's Assoc.
HAWAII					
Maui Marshals	Lahaina	1st & 3rd Sat	808-280-1061	Darnin' Daisy	Valley Isle Sport Shooters Club
IOWA					
Fort Des Moines Rangers	Indianola	1st Sun	515-537-3633	Marshal Kane	Central Iowa Shooting Sports
Outlaw's Run	Red Oak	2nd Sun	712-621-5726	Capt. Jim Midnight	Red Oak
Turkeyfoot Cowboys	Elk Run Heights	1st Sat	319-240-2224	Ranger Mathias Fischels	Turkeyfoot Long Rifles Range
Zen Shootists	Nevada	2nd Sat	515-783-4833	Sergeant Duroc	Scorpion Gulch
IDAHO					
Border Marauders	East Port	3rd Wkd	208-920-9068	Mud Marine	Kootenai Valley Rifle & Pistol Range
Hells Canyon Ghost Riders	Moscow	3rd Sat	208-882-1888	Zebra Dunn	Bernard Peterson Memorial Range
Oregon Trail Rough Riders	Kuna	2nd Sun & 3rd Sat	208-466-0061	Gem Hunter	Black's Creek Rifle Range
Snake River Western Shooting Society	Jerome	4th Sat	208-731-6387	Missy Mable	Jerome Rod & Gun Club
Squaw Butte Regulators	Emmett	1st Sun, 3rd Wed, 4th Sun	208-322-3351	Idaho Six Gun Sam	Gem County Rod & Gun Club
The Vaqueros	Pocatello	3rd Sat	208-237-7521	Varmint Hunter	Gate City Sports Shooting Association
ILLINOIS					
Fort Beggs Defenders	Plainfield	3rd Sun	815-254-1062	Toranado	Oak Park Sportsmen's Club
Free Grazers	Effingham	2nd Sat	217-821-3134	Fossil Creek Bob	Effingham County Sportsman's Club
Good Guys Posse	Winnebago	4th Sun	815-923-2191	Cornbread Lawman	Dry Gulch Ranch
Illinois River City Regulators	Chillicothe	2nd Sun	309-243-7236	Granville Stuart	Chillicothe Sportsmen's Club
Illowa Irregulars	Milan	3rd Sun	309-236-5082	Justice James Newton	Milan Rifle Club
Kaskaskia Cowboys	Sparta	2nd Sat	618-571-2132	Phiren Smoke	World Shooting and Recreation Complex
Kaskaskia Cowboys Wild Bunch	Sparta	As Scheduled	618-632-0712	Boben Weev	World Shooting and Recreation Complex
Kishwaukee Valley Regulators	Waterman	1st Sun	815-751-3716	Snakes Morgan	Aurora Sportsmen's Club
Lakewoods Marshals	Rinard	1st Sat	618-262-4562	Rusty Banker	Coon Creek Ridge Riders Club
Marion County Renegades Wild Bunch	Sandoval	4th Sat	618-267-6952	Shell Stuffer	Centralia Trap Club
McLean County Peacemakers	Bloomington	3rd Sat	309-379-4331	Marshall R. D.	Darnalls Gun Works & Range
Rangeless Riders	Bunker Hill	1st Sat	618-210-2586	Jean Duke	Brittany Shooting Park Ltd.
Shady Creek Shootists	Little York	1st & 4th Sun	309-734-2324	Dapper Dan Porter	High Point Gun Club Inc.
The Long Nine	Loami	4th & 5th Sun	217-971-6107	Billy The Avenger	Lefthanders Gun Club
Tri County Cowboys	Polo	2nd Sat	779-207-5973	Msgt. SH Long	Tri County Gun Club
Vermilion River Long Riders	Leonore	2nd Sun	815-875-3674	Lead Poison Lar	Sandy Ford Sportsman Club
INDIANA					
Atlanta Cattle Company	Atlanta	2nd Sat	765-215-8758	Hutch	Atlanta Conservation Club
Circle R Cowboys	Brookston	3rd Sat	219-208-2793	Mustang Bill	Wildcat Valley Rifle & Pistol Club
Deer Creek Regulators	Jonesboro	4th Sun	765-506-0344	Doc Molar	Deer Creek Conservation Club, Inc.
Paradise Pass Regulators	Etna Green	1st Sat	574-354-7186	C. C. Top	Paradise Pass
Pine Ridge Regulators	Carbon	3rd Sat	812-420-2250	Buckshor Buttr	Pine Ridge Ranch
Pine Ridge Regulators Wild Bunch	Carbon	As Scheduled	812-420-2250	Buckshor Buttr	Pine Ridge Ranch
Pleasant Valley Renegades	Canaan	2nd Sat	812-839-3052	Nomore Slim	N/A
Wabash Rangers	Cayuga	4th Sat	217-267-2820	Henry Remington	Clark's Shooting Range
Westside Renegades	Evansville	4th Sat	812-457-0304	Dead Eye Mike	Westside Sportsmen's Club
Wildwood Wranglers	Michigan City	4th Sun	219-221-0868	Voodooman	Michigan City Rifle Club
Wolf's Rowdy Rangers	Bristol	3rd Sat	574-536-4010	Justice D. Spencer	Cheif Wa-Ke-De Range
KANSAS					
Butterfield Gulch Gang	Chapman	1st Sun	785-479-0416	Flinthills Dawg	Clark's Station
Capital City Cowboys	Topeka	4th Sun	785-220-4203	Badmoon Rison	Capital City Gun Club
Chisholm Trail Rowdies	Benton	4th Sun	316-491-3249	Monco	Chisholm Trail Antique Gun Association
Free State Rangers	Parker	1st Sun, 3rd Sat, & 5th Sun	913-904-8733	Buffalo Phil	N/A
Millbrook Wranglers	Hill City	2nd Sun	785-421-2537	Grandpa Buckten Millbrook	Mill Brook Station Shooting Range
Powder Creek Cowboys	Lenexa	2nd & 4th Sat & 4th Wed	816-507-2887	K. C. Ranger	Powder Creek Shooting Park
Powder Creek Cowboys Wild Bunch	Lenexa	5th Sat	913-680-5757	High Plains Hud	Powder Creek Shooting Park
Sandhill Regulators	Hutchinson	2nd Sat	620-664-7003	Merimac Menace	Central Kansas Gun Club, Inc.
KENTUCKY					
Green River Gunslingers	Bowling Green	2nd Sat	270-792-9001	Yak	Green River Gun Club
Hooten Old Town Regulators	Mckee	1st Sat	423-309-4146	Double Eagle Dave	Hooten Old Town
Kentucky Long Rifles Cowboys	Morehead	2nd Sat	606-462-3278	Longshor Ace	Kentucky Long Rifles Club
Kentucky Regulators	Boaz	1st Sat	270-556-4082	Shenandoah Slim	Kentucky Regulators Gun Club Inc
Knob Creek Gunfighters Guild	West Point	1st Sun	406-231-2329	Shaddai Vaquero	Knob Creek Gun Range
Levisa Fork Lead Slingers	Pikeville	4th Sat	606-631-4613	Escopeta Jake	East Kentucky Sportsman Assoc.
Ohio River Rangers	Paducah	3rd Sat	270-554-1501	George Rogers	Jackson Purchase Rifle and Pistol Club
Ponderosa Pines Posse	Manchester	3rd Sat	606-599-5263	Copperhead Joe	N/A
LOUISIANA					
Bayou Bounty Hunters	Amite	2nd & 4th Sat	985-789-0744	Soiled Dove	Florida Parsh Skeet and Gun Assoc.
Deadwood Marshals	Sorrento	1st & 3rd Sat	504-458-1898	Doc Spudley	Deadwood Marshals
Jackson Hole Regulators	Quitman	2nd Sat	318-278-9071	Slick McClade	Jackson Hole
Up The Creek Gang	Lake Charles	2nd & 4th Sat	337-274-3625	Hellbender	South Lake Charles Gun Club

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MASSACHUSETTS					
Danvers Desperados	Middleton	As Scheduled	781-599-1930	Pittsburg Mac	Danvers Fish & Game Club
Harvard Ghost Riders	Harvard	As Scheduled	978-456-6971	Grazer	Harvard Sportsman's Club
MARYLAND					
Damascus Wildlife Rangers	Mt. Airy	4th Sat	301-717-9672	Chuckaroo	Izaak Walton League of America
Easdern Shore Renegades	Sudlersville	1st Sat	410-924-7284	Gunpowder John	William T. Roe Memorial Range
Thurmont Rangers	Thurmont	1st Sun	240-285-7673	Cash Caldwell	Thurmont Conservation and Sportsman Club
MAINE					
Beaver Creek Desperados	Berwick	As Scheduled	207-324-3117	Rhino Jacks	Sanford-Springvale Fish and Game
Big Pine Bounny Hunters	Willmantic	As Scheduled	207-876-4928	Ripley Scrounger	Big Pine Gun Club Inc
MICHIGAN					
Eagleville Cowboys	Central Lake	4th Sat	231-676-0922	One Son of A Gun	Eagleville Ranch
Hidden Valley Cowboys	Sturgis	3rd Sun	269-651-5197	Saulk Valley Stubby	St. Joseph Conservation and Sportsmans Club
Johnson Creek Regulators	Plymouth	4th Sat (Mar-Oct)	734-812-5679	Panhead Pete	Western Wayne County Conservation Club
Lapeer County Sportsmen's Club Wranglers	Attica	Sun As Scheduled	810-938-4412	Horse Whisperer George Metis	Lapeer County Sportsmen's Club
Mason County Marshals	Scottville	4th Sat	231-343-2580	Two Gun Troll	Fin & Feathers Club of Mason County
River Bend Rangers	Niles	2nd Sat	269-684-1782	Paul Puma	Bend of the River Conservation Club
Rocky River Regulators	Utica	3rd Sun	248-709-5254	Terrebonne Bud	Detroit Sportsmen's Congress
Rocky River Regulators Wild Bunch	Utica	As Scheduled	248-709-5254	Terrebonne Bud	Detroit Sportsmen's Congress
Saginaw Field and Stream Club	Saginaw	As Scheduled	989-585-3292	Katie Callahan	Saginaw Field and Stream Club
Sucker Creek Saddle and Gun Club	Breckenridge	3rd Sat (April-Oct)	989-832-8426	Kid Al Fred	Sucker Creek Saddle and Gun Club
Wolverine Rangers	Kimball	As Scheduled	248-528-0440	R.J. Law	Blue Water Sportsman's Association
MINNESOTA					
Cedar Valley Vigilantes	Morristown	1st & 3rd Sat	952-467-3874	Whopper	Ahlman's Gun Shop
Fort Belmont Regulators	Jackson	2nd Sun	507-840-0883	Mule Town Jack	Des Moines Valley Sportsman's Club
Granite City Gunslingers	Kimball	1st & 5th Sat	320-979-1745	Timber Jack Thompson	Kaball Rod and Gun Club
Lookout Mountain Gunsmoke Society	Virginia	3rd Sat	218-780-6797	Wagonmaster	Virginia Rifle & Pistol Club
MISSOURI					
Bear Creek Volunteers	Walnut Shade	2nd Wkd	417-501-1886	Alice K. Grierson	Liberty Range
Bear Creek Volunteers Wild Bunch	Walnut Shade	2nd Wkd	417-501-1886	Alice K. Grierson	Liberty Range
Butterfield Trail Cowboys	Walnut Shade	4th Wkd	417-759-9114	Smokie	Ozark Shooters Sports Complex
Butterfield Trail Cowboys Wild Bunch	Walnut Shade	4th Wkd	417-759-9114	Smokie	Ozark Shooters Sports Complex
Central Ozarks Western Shooters	Newburg	3rd Sun	573-486-2259	Irish Jack Daniels	Central Ozarks Practical Shooters Range
Gateway Area Shootist Society	Barnhart	3rd Sun	314-846-2904	Doc Slogun	Arnold Rifle and Pistol Club
Gateway Shootist Society Wild Bunch	Barnhart	1st Sun	314-846-2904	Doc Slogun	Arnold Rifle and Pistol Club
Liberty Land and Cattle Company	Walnut Shade	3rd Fri & Sat & 5th Sat	417-294-0524	Hon. Sgr. Edward Greenwood Hampton	Liberty Range Bear Creek Shooting Complex
Mountain Oyster Gang	Higginsville	1st Sun	660-909-6519	Schnickelfritz	Lafayette Gun Club
Shoal Creek Shootists	Joplin	3rd Sat	417-434-8169	Two Knives Tom	Shoal Creek Shootist Range
Southern Missouri Rangers	Marshfield	4th Wkd	573-374-8491	Flossie	Outlaw Range
The Ozark Posse	Cassville	1st Sat	417-846-5142	Tightwad Swede	N/A
MISSISSIPPI					
Gulf Coast Gunslingers	Lumberton	1st & 3rd Sun	504-722-8988	Cooper York	Lamar County Shooting Range
Mississippi Peacemakers	Mendenhall	3rd Sat	662-417-0250	Buck Bow	Purgatory/Peacemaker
Mississippi River Rangers	Byhalia	4th & 5th Sat & 3rd Sun	901-490-0183	Jered Maddox	Rabbit Ridge Ranch
Natchez Sixgunners	Roxie	1st Sat	601-807-1513	Silky	N/A
MONTANA					
Sun River Rangers Shooting Society	Augusta	1st Sat/Sun & 4th Sat	406-452-3015	Montana Wrangler	N/A
Bitterroot Buckaroos	Hamilton	1st Sat	406-531-4116	May B. Shecann	Whitetail Rifle & Pistol Club
Black Horse Shootists	Great Falls	Wkd of 3rd Sun	406-727-7625	J. E. B. Stuart Montana	Great Falls Shooting Sports Complex
Custer County Strangers	Miles City	3rd Sat	406-232-0727	Harshot	Custer Rod & Gun Club
Gallatin Valley Regulators	Logan	2nd Sat	406-388-2902	El Hombre de Montana	Manhattan Wildlife Association
Honorable Road Agents Shooting Society	Ennis	1st Sat	406-640-1184	Rough Rider 45	Bloated Carcass
Last Chance Handgunners	Basin	3rd Sat	N/A	N/A	Hi Ore Sportsman's Range
Montana Territory Peacemakers	Billings	4th Sat	406-254-9414	Lascivious Latigo	Billings Rod & Gun Club
Rocky Mountain Rangers	Noxon	2nd Wkd	406-847-0745	Jocko	Noxon Rod and Gun Club
NORTH CAROLINA					
Buccaneer Range Regulators	Winnabow	2nd Sat	910-330-7179	Jefro	Buccaneer Gun Club Inc.
Carolina Cattleman's Shooting and Social Society	Creedmoore	2nd Sat	919-791-9816	J. M. Brown	Sir Walter Gun Club
Carolina Single Action Shooting Society	Ridgeway	2nd Sun	336-627-7615	Carolina's Longarm	N/A
Cross Creek Cowboys	Wagram	3rd Sat	919-830-8054	Gunrunner Joe	Wagram Sportsmen's Association
Neuse River Regulators	Hevelock	Every Sat	252-354-4275	Bronco Kid	Sure Shot Gun Sports
North Carolina Cowboys, Inc.	Salisbury	As Scheduled	919-920-7819	R. J. Gatling	Rowan County Wildlife Association
Old Hickory Regulators	Rocky Mount	1st Sat	252-908-0098	Wendover Kid	Old Hickory Gun Club, Inc.
Old North State Posse	Salisbury	1st Sat	336-558-9032	Tracker Mike	Rowan County Wildlife Association
NORTH DAKOTA					
Badlands Bandits	Belfield	2nd Sun	701-260-0347	Roughrider Ray	Belfield Sportsmens Club
Dakota RoughRiders	Moffit	As Scheduled	701-400-5648	Bohunk Charley	Fried Family Marksmanship Complex
Shenenne Valley Peacekeepers	Enderlin	Last Sat	701-793-4116	Wild River Rose	Shenenne Valley Peacekeeper Range
Trestle Valley Rangers	Minot	2nd Sat	701-852-1697	Doc Hell	Minot Rifle and Pistol Club
NEBRASKA					
Columbus Rifle Club	Columbus	As Scheduled	402-276-1391	Scruffy Skippy	Columbus Rifle Club
Eastern Nebraska Gun Club	Louisville	2nd Sun	712-323-8996	Flint Valdez	Eastern Nebraska Gun Club
Lincoln Area Regulators	Bennet	1st Sat	402-429-2277	Mustang Gregg	Izaak Walton League, Chapter 65
Platte Valley Gunslingers	Alda	3rd Sat	308-380-4682	Stirrup Trouble	Heartland Public Shooting Park
NEW HAMPSHIRE					
North-East Western Shooters	Pelham	As Scheduled	401-651-5827	Preacher Ben Bray'n	Pelham Fish and Game
Pemi Valley Peacemakers	Holderness	As Scheduled	603-703-1355	Crystal Creek Chris	Pemigewasser Valley Fish and Game Club
The Dalton Gang Shooting Club of NH, LLC	Dalton	3rd Sat	603-444-6876	Littleton Sidcar Dalton	The Dalton Gang Shooting Range
White Mountain Regulators	Candia	As Sched	603-957-0377	Dead Head	Kinnicun Fish & Game
NEW JERSEY					
Jackson Hole Gang	Jackson	4th Sun	908-872-7459	Dancin Angel	Central Jersey Rifle & Pistol Club
Monmouth County Rangers	Monmouth	2nd Sun	732-803-2430	Utah Tom	Monmouth County Rifle & Pistol Club
Quinton Mavericks	Quinton	2nd Sun	856-625-8647	Josh Durham	Delaware Blues Rifle and Pistol Club
Shongum Wiley Coyotes	Oxford	3rd Sun	973-219-9585	Johnny Swan	Shongum Sportsman Association
NEW MEXICO					
Angels and Outlaws	Clovis	2nd Sat	575-799-9154	Shadrac Northcutt	Patriot Outdoors Club
Bighorn Vigilantes	Edgewood	1st Sat	505-286-0830	German George	Founders Ranch
Buffalo Range Riders	Edgewood	1st Sun	505-323-8487	Garrison Joe	Founders Ranch
Buffalo Range Riders Mounted	Edgewood	2nd Sat	505-379-8957	Chili Cowboy	Founders Ranch
Chisum Cowboy Gun Club	Roswell	1st Sun	575-626-9201	Two Bit Tammy	High Lonesome
Chisum Cowboy Gun Club Wild Bunch	Roswell	1st Sat	575-626-9201	Two Bit Tammy	High Lonesome
Del Norte Diablos	Rio Rancho	4th Sat	505-672-1583	Chimayo Red	Del Norte Gun Club
Gila Rangers	Mimbres	2nd Sat	575-388-2531	Chico Cheech	Fowler Land and Cattle Company
High Desert Drifters	Edgewood	2nd Sat	505-550-9230	Jim Miller	Founders Ranch
Lincoln County Regulators	Ruidoso	2nd Sat	575-937-5499	Gunsmoke Cowboy	Ruidoso Gun Club
Los Pistoleros Wild Bunch	Edgewood	4th Sat	505-563-0545	J. Frank Norfleet	Founders Ranch
Monument Springs Bushwhackers	Hobbs	4th Sat	575-942-8445	Curly Bill Jones	Hobbs Gun Club
Picacho Posse	Las Cruces	4th Sat	575-644-3317	Fast Hammer	Butterfield Shooting Range
Picacho Posse Wild Bunch	Las Cruces	4th Sat	575-644-3317	Fast Hammer	Butterfield Shooting Range
Rio Grande Renegades	Albuquerque	2nd Wed, 3rd Sat, 4th Sun, 5th Wkd	505-670-6347	Rooster B.	Albuquerque Shooting Range
Rio Grande Renegades Wild Bunch	Albuquerque	3rd Sun	505-263-1181	Mica McGuire	Albuquerque Shooting Range
Rio Vaqueros	Truth or Consequences	3rd Sun	575-744-5411	Anna Sassin	Adobe Hills Shooting Range
Tres Rios Bandidos	Farmington	2nd Sun	505-632-9712	El Mulo Vaquero	San Juan Wildlife Federation

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NEVADA					
Battle Born Rangers	Fernley	N/A	775-250-4554	Irish Ike	N/A
Desert Desperados	Las Vegas	3rd Sun	702-419-7024	Nasty Nels	Desert Sportsman Rifle and Pistol Club
Eldorado Cowboys	Boulder City	1st Sun & Prec. Sat	702-328-4867	Creeker	Boulder Rifle & Pistol Club
Nevada Rangers Cowboy Action Shooting Society	Las Vegas	2nd Wknd	702-460-6393	MT Fargo	Clark County Shooting Range
Silver State Shootists	Carson City	3rd Sun	775-586-9178	Tahoe Bill	Carson Rifle & Pistol Range
NEW YORK					
Alabama Gunslingers	Bason	1st Sat	716-693-3237	Nickel City Dude	Alabama Hunt Club
Bar-20 Inc.	West Eaton	2nd Sat	315-247-7244	Badlands Buck	Badlands Rod & Gun Club
Boot Hill Regulators	Chester	1st Sun	845-782-0760	Tom Payne	Monroe Chester Sportsmen Club, Inc.
Circle K Regulators	Ballston Spa	3rd Sun	518-588-0312	Smokehouse Dan	Kayaderosers Fish & Game Club
Circle K Rough Riders Wild Bunch	Ballston Spa	As Scheduled	518-584-9869	Roy Cassidy	Kayaderosers Fish and Game Club
East End Regulators	Westhampton	1st Sun	631-874-2061	Waco Johnny Lane	Long Island Practical Shooters, Inc.
Hole In The Wall Gang	Calverton	3rd Sat	631-864-1035	El Fusilero	Calverton Shooting Range
Holiday's Rough Riders	Blasdell	5th Sun	716-838-4286	Rev. Dave Clayton	Blasdell Rod and Gun Club
Oxford Regulators	Oxford	2nd Sun	607-434-8883	Doc Hostetler	Oxford Rod and Gun Club
Sackers Harbor Vigilantes	Watertown	4th Sun	315-465-6543	Ranger Clayton Conagher	Sackers Harbor Sportsman's Club
The Long Riders	Shortsville	4th Sun	585-734-0867	Loco Poco Lobo	Shortsville Rod & Gun Club
Tioga County Cowboys	Owego	1st Sat	604-760-5746	Dusty Drifter	Tioga County Sportsman's Association
OHIO					
Auglaize Rough Riders	Defiance	3rd Sun	419-258-6483	Bear River Smith	Auglaize Village Muzzle Loaders
Big Iron Rangers	Middletown	1st Sat	513-304-3505	Deadwood Stan	Middletown Sportsmen's Club
Blackhand Riders	Nashport	2nd Sun	740-964-0476	Olde Mill Bill	Dillon Sportsman Center
Brown Township Regulators	Malvern	Last Sat	330-904-5166	Sixgun Seamus	Brown Township Sportsman's Club
Central Ohio Cowboys	Circleville	4th Sun	614-563-6034	Stagecoach Hannah	Pickaway County Sportsman's Club
Firelands Peacemakers	Rochester	3rd Sat	419-651-4312	Lefty Lobo Lee	Rochester Rod Range
Greene County Cowboys	Xenia	1st Sun	937-422-4595	Ruger Ray	Greene County Fish & Game Association
Miami Valley Cowboys	Piqua	2nd Sun	937-219-4376	Mean Gun Mark	Piqua Fish & Game
Ohio Valley Vigilantes	Mt. Vernon	4th Sat	614-870-3462	Useless Houston	N/A
Sandusky County Regulators	Gibsonburg	2nd Sat	734-755-7013	P K Paladin	Sandusky County Sportsman's Club
Scioto Territory Desperados	Piketon	3rd & 5th Sun	740-412-0625	Col Caleb Boone	Arkoc Gulch-Arko Outdoor, LLC
Shenango River Rats	Masury	2nd Sat & Last Thurs	330-719-5078	Shenango Joe	Brookfield Tri-District Conservation Club
Stonelick Regulators	Batavia	As Scheduled	513-307-7705	Lindy Longshot	Miami Rifle and Pistol Club
Stonelick Regulators Wild Bunch	Milford	As Scheduled	513-891-3420	Longshot Ace	Miami Rifle and Pistol Club
Tusco Long Riders	Dennison	1st Sat	216-334-9749	Prairie Dawg	Tusco Rifle Club, Inc.
Wild Wild West Point Cowboy Action Shooting	West Point	2nd Sun	330-386-6975	Blue Eyed Bob	West Point Rod & Gun Club
Wilmingdon Rough Riders	Wilmingdon	3rd Sat	740-626-7667	Paragon Pete	Clinton County Farmers and Sportsmen's Assoc.
OKLAHOMA					
Cherokee Strip Shootists	Stillwater	1st Sat	405-641-3796	Numa	Stillwater Rifle & Pistol Club
Cherokee Strip Shootists Wild Bunch	Stillwater	1st Sat	405-890-0499	Paladenton	Stillwater Rifle & Pistol Club
Indian Territory Single Action Shooting Society	Sand Springs	2nd & 5th Sun, 3rd Sat, 4th Wed	918-830-2936	Burly Bill	Red Castle Gun Club
Lincoln County Cowboys	Cushing	1st & 3rd Sun	918-285-0543	Scott Wayne	Crossroads Gun Range
Oklahoma Territorial Marshals	Arcadia	2nd Sat & 4th Sun	405-373-1472	Flat Top Okie	Oklahoma City Gun Club
Oklahoma Territorial Marshals Wild Bunch	Arcadia	2nd Sun	405-694-5270	Hondo Tweed	Oklahoma City Gun Club
Rattlesnake Mountain Rangers	Checotah	1st & 4th Sat	918-908-0016	Black River Jack	N/A
Red River Valley Cowpokes	Albany	2nd Wknd	580-847-2210	Calamity Di Bar	Red River Valley Cowboy Church
Shortgrass Rangers	Grandfield	1st Sat & 3rd Sun	405-640-5650	Oklahoma Spuds	N/A
Tater Hill Regulators	Broken Arrow	3rd & 5th Sun	918-622-3630	Tulsey	Oil Capital Rod & Gun Club
Tulsey Town Cattlemens Association	Tulsa	2nd & 4th Sat	918-697-7396	Dry Gulch Deryl	Tulsa Gun Club
OREGON					
Dry Gulch Desperados	Milton-Freewater	1st Sat	509-520-2789	Pinto Annie	East End Rod & Gun Club
Horse Ridge Pistoleros	Bend	1st, 3rd, & 5th Sun	541-848-7260	Big Casino	Central Oregon Shooting Sports Association
Horse Ridge Pistoleros Wild Bunch	Bend	1st, 3rd, & 5th Sun	541-848-7260	Big Casino	Central Oregon Shooting Sports Association
Klamath Cowboys	Keno	2nd Sun	541-884-2611	Jasper Wayne	Bill Scholtes Klamath Sportsman's Park
Merlin Marauders	Grants Pass	1st Sat	541-218-3137	Long Henry Thompson	Josephine County Sportsman's Association
Molalla River Rangers	Canby	1st Sat	503-866-8993	Rowdy Rex	Canby Rod and Gun Club
Old 97 Railroad Rangers	Redmond	2nd Sat	541-548-3198	Tetherow Tex LaRue	Redmond Rod and Gun Club
Old 97 Railroad Rangers Wild Bunch	Redmond	4th Sat	541-548-3198	Tetherow Tex LaRue	Redmond Rod and Gun Club
Oregon Old West Shooting Society	Albany	3rd Sun & 4th Sat	541-619-7381	Tuffy Tumbleweed	Albany Rifle & Pistol Club
Orygun Cowboys	Sherwood	4th Sat	503-539-6335	Kansan	Tri County Gun Club
Pine Mountain Posse	Millican	2nd Sun	541-678-2566	Stonewood Kid	COSSA
Siuslaw River Rangers	Florence	1st Sun	541-997-6313	Johnny Jingos	Siuslaw Rod & Gun Club
Table Rock Rangers	Eagle Point	1st Sun & 2nd Sat	541-944-2281	Jed I. Knight	Jackson County Sports Park
Umpqua Regulators	Roseburg	4th Sun	541-430-1021	Oregun Gustaf	Roseburg Rod and Gun Club
PENNSYLVANIA					
Beaver Valley Bushwhackers	Beaver Falls	4th Sun	724-234-2893	Duncan Disorderly	Beaver Valley Rifle and Pistol Club
Boot Hill Gang of Topton	Topton	1st Sun	610-704-6792	Lester Moore	Topton Fish & Game Association
Chimney Rocks Regulators	Hollidaysburg	2nd Sat	814-695-7064	Colorado Smith	Hollidaysburg Sportsman Club
Delaware Drifters	Muncy	As Scheduled	570-506-0658	Fort Benning John	Keystone Sportsmen Association
El Posse Grande	Muncy Valley	4th Sun	570-337-3974	Black Hills Barb	North Mountain Sportsman's Association
Elstonville Hombres	Manheim	4th Sun	610-939-9947	Trusty Sidekick	Elstonville Sportsman's Association
Jefferson Outlaws	Spring Grove	3rd Sat	443-392-1615	Red-Eyed Kid	Jefferson Rifle Club
Logan's Ferry Regulators	New Kensington	2nd Sat	724-727-7879	Dirt Slider	Logans Ferry Sportsmen's Club
Mainville Marauders	Mainville	2nd Sun	570-690-3932	Dodge Bill	Mainville Sportsman's Club
Matamoros Mavericks	Milford	2nd Sun	570-686-3618	Ziggady Zag	Matamoros Rod & Gun Club
Perry County Regulators	Ickesburg	1st Sat	717-606-5652	Slim Chance Pistolero	Ickesburg Sportsmen's Association
River Junction Shootist Society	Acme	3rd Sat	724-593-6602	Mattie Hays	Indian Creek Sportsman's Club
Welsh Mountain Regulators	Gap	2nd Sat	610-286-0036	Biloxi Bob	New Holland Rifle and Pistol Club
Westshore Posse	Lewisberry	2nd Sun	410-984-2249	Hud McCoy	West Shore Sportsmen's Association
RHODE ISLAND					
Lincoln County Lawmen	Foster	3rd Sun	401-651-5827	Preacher Ben Pray'n	Pine Tree Gun Club
SOUTH CAROLINA					
Belton Bushwhackers	Belton	2nd Sat	864-363-3147	Slippery Stew	Belton Gun Club
Geehee Gunfighters	Ridgeville	4th Sat	843-737-3501	Doc Kemm	Palmetto Gun Club
Greenville Gunfighters	Greenville	4th Sun	864-414-5578	Cowboy Junky	Greenville Gun Club
Hurricane Riders	Galivants Ferry	3rd Sat	N/A	N/A	Horry Chapter Wildlife Action
Palmetto Posse	Gaston	1st Sat	803-447-0853	Stone Ground	Mid Carolina Rifle Club
Savannah River Rangers	Gaston	3rd Sun	803-960-3907	Kid Ray	Mid Carolina Rifle Club
SOUTH DAKOTA					
Black Hills Shootist Association	Pringle	3rd Sun	612-817-2212	Boulder Canyon Bob	Pringle Shooting Range
Cottonwood Cowboy Association	Clark	2nd Sun	605-881-7929	J. D. Henry	Cottonwood Cowboy Range
Medicine Creek Road Agents	Oneida	1st Sun	605-222-5145	Iron Mender	Medicine Creek Road Agents Shooting Range
Snake Creek Rustlers	Faulton	4th Sun	605-252-8403	O' Town Kid	Faulton Trap Club
TENNESSEE					
Greene County Regulators	Rogersville	1st Sat	423-360-7494	Shamrock Paddy	N/A
Memphis Gunslingers	Lakeland	1st Sun & 2nd Sat	901-601-7459	Hot Lead Lefty	Memphis Sport Shooting Association
Memphis Gunslingers Wild Bunch	Lakeland	2nd Sat	901-601-7459	Hot Lead Lefty	Memphis Sport Shooting Association
Ocoee Rangers	Cleveland	4th Sat	423-476-5303	Ocoee Red	Cleveland Hunting Rifle & Pistol Club
ORSA's Oak Ridge Outlaws	Oak Ridge	2nd Sat	865-567-1574	Horse Doc	Oak Ridge Sportsman's Association
Wartrace Regulators	Wartrace	1st Sat	931-703-8274	Whiskey Hayes	N/A
Wartrace Regulators Wild Bunch	Wartrace	3rd Sat	931-703-8274	Whiskey Hayes	N/A
TEXAS					
Badlands Bar 3	Clarksville	3rd Wkd	903-272-9283	T-Bone Dooley	Badlands Bar 3
Butterfield Trail Regulators	Anson	3rd Sat	325-669-5903	Smilin Joe	Anson
Canadian River Regulators	Clarendon	2nd, 3rd & 5th Sat	816-335-9915	Hipshot Percussion	Bar H Dude Ranch
Comanche Trail Shootists	Midland	1st Sat	432-557-0860	Timbleweed Dan	Timbleweed Ranch
Comanche Valley Vigilantes	Cleburne	4th Wkd	817-980-7206	Shady McLarry	Ormsby Ranch
Concho Valley Shooters	Water Valley	2nd & 4th Sat	325-655-3625	Doc Sanders	McDuffie Range
Darby Rough Regulators	West Point	2nd & 5th Sat	979-561-6202	Cherokee Granny	Van Wart Ranch
Green Mountain Regulators	Marble Falls	4th Sat	254-449-0082	Reckon	Joma Enterprises LLC
Gruesome Gulch Gang	Plainview	3rd Sat	806-729-5887	Eli Blue	N/A

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Lone Star Frontier Shooting Club	Cleburne	2nd Wkd	817-905-3122	Rock Rotten	Ormsby Ranch
Oakwood Outlaws	Oakwood	2nd Wkd	214-384-3975	Denton Dancer	Shank Ranch
Old Fort Parker Patriots	Groesbeck	3rd Wkd	903-720-7270	Bent Barrell Betty	Old Fort Parker Gun Club
Orange County Regulators	Orange	1st & 3rd Sat	409-267-1091	Texas Gator	Orange Gun Club
Plum Creek Shooting Society	Lockhart	1st Sat	512-626-8189	Dragon Hill Dave	Agarita Ranch
Purgatory Ridge Rough Riders	Slaton	4th Sat	806-777-6182	Armed to the Teeth	Rustic Range
Rio Grande Valley Vaqueros	Pharr	2nd Sun	956-648-7364	Dream Chaser	Pharr Rifle and Pistol Club
South Texas Pistoleros	San Antonio	1st & 3rd Sat	210-310-9090	Bexar Bill Brocius	A Place To Shoot Inc.
Tejas Caballeros	Blanco	3rd Sat	210-275-5424	Barb Steele	Texas Republic Ranch
Texas Historical Shooter Society	Columbus	3rd Sun	979-479-4380	Catfish Doyle	Brune Ranch
Texas Riviera Pistoleros	George West	2nd & 5th Sat	361-386-0039	Hoss	Gamble Gulch Range
Texas Ten Horns	Leonard	1st Sat & Sun	972-658-4347	Hairtrigger Hayes	Top Gun Shooting Sports
Texas Troublemakers	Brownsboro	1st Sat	903-539-7234	Lefty Tex Larue	Troubletown Range
Texas Tumbleweeds	Amarillo	1st Sat	806-231-4569	Cayenne	Tumbleweed Range
Texican Rangers	Comfort	2nd Sat & Sun	210-862-7464	A.D. Texaz	Adolf Stielner Ranch
Texican Rangers Wild Bunch	Comfort	5th Sat As Scheduled	830-634-3414	Crazy Clyde	Adolf Stielner Ranch
Thunder River Renegades	Plantersville	1st & 4th Sat	281-785-2397	Osage Mike	N/A
Willow Hole Cowboys	North Zulch	3rd Sat	979-696-1300	DefWillie	Thomason Ranch
UTAH					
Castle Gate Posse	Price	4th Sat	435-650-4449	Wolf of North Springs	North Spring Shooting Range
Cowboys Of Utah	Salt Lake City	2nd Sat	801-971-8555	Ace High Bill	WASR "Big Salty"
Deseret Historical Shooter Society	Kaysville	2nd Sat	801-201-0700	Ruckus Rick	Wahsatch Shooter's Association
Dixie Desperados	Hurricane	2nd & 4th Sat	435-673-9785	Nawajo Kelly	Southern Utah Shooting Sports Park
Dixie Desperados Wild Bunch	Hurricane	1st & 5th Sat	435-773-8916	William Waddy	Southern Utah Shooting Sports Park
Hobble Creek Wranglers	Springville	2nd Sat	801-787-5208	Stoneface Daguerean	Guth Kilpack Shooting Range
Mesa Marauders Gun Club	Lake Powell	2nd Sat	435-272-1708	Copper Queen	Gunsnake Range
Utah Territory Gunslingers	Salt Lake City	1st Sat	435-840-5193	Rusky Razor	Big Salty
Utah War	Salt Lake City	3rd & 5th Sat	801-518-3374	Jubal O. Sackett	WASR "Big Salty"
Wahsatch Desperados	Kaysville	4th Sat	801-940-9742	Sly Steadyhand	Wahsatch Shooters Association
Wasatch Summit Regulators	Salt Lake City	2nd Sun	801-966-7522	Harry Trigger	WASR "Big Salty"
Wasatch Summit Regulators Wild Bunch	Salt Lake City	5th Sat	801-966-7522	Harry Trigger	Big Salty Lee Kay Shooting Complex
VIRGINIA					
Bend of Trail	Hardy	4th Sun	540-890-6375	Rowe-A-Noc	Roanoke Rifle & Revolver Club
Blue Ridge Regulators	Vesuvius	2nd Sun	540-886-3374	Bad Company	Blue Ridge Shooter's Club
Cavalier Cowboys	Montpelier	1st Sun & 2nd Wed	804-339-8442	Striker	Cavalier Rifle and Pistol Club
KC's Corral Cowboy Shooting Association	Mechanicsville	3rd Sat	804-382-3407	Bucksaw Bob	Black Creek Gun Club
Liberty Long Riders	Bedford	1st Sun	434-942-7369	Thunder Colt	Bedford Rifle and Revolver Club
Mattaponi Sundowners	Shackelfords	3rd Sun & 4th Sat	804-339-8442	Striker	West Point Gun Club
Pepper Mill Creek Gang	King George	4th Sun	540-775-7417	Justice Deadly	Northern Virginia Gun Club
Pungo Posse Cowboy Action Club	Waverly	1st & 2nd Sat	757-635-6198	Bear Tooth Les	Sussex Shooting Sports
Rivanna Ranger Company	Charlottesville	2nd Sat	434-286-6949	Dunderberg Drifter	Rivanna Rifle and Pistol Club
Virginia City Marshals	Fairfax	1st Tues	703-801-3507	Humphrey Hook	NRA Headquarters Range
VERMONT					
Verdant Mountain Vigilantes	St. Johnsbury	As Scheduled	802-223-7746	Buckskin Ranger	Caledonia Forest and Stream Club
WASHINGTON					
Apple Valley Marshals	East Wenatchee	3rd Sat	509-884-3827	First Chance	North Central Washington Gun Club
Beazley Gulch Rangers	Quincy	Last Sun	509-787-1782	An E. Di	Quincy American Legion Gun Club
Black River Regulators	Rochester	4th Sat	360-786-0199	Short Schatz	Capital City Rifle & Pistol Club
Mima Marauders	Olympia	2nd Sat	360-352-1393	Diablo Dalton	Evergreen Sportsman Club
Northeast Washington Regulators	Colville	1st Wkd	509-684-2325	A. T. McGee	Ricochet Junction
Olympic Peninsula Strait Shooters	Port Townsend	3rd Sat	360-461-6927	Jose Cuervo	Jefferson County Sportsmen's Association
Panhandle Regulators	Otis Orchards	1st & 3rd Sun	509-991-5842	Halfcocked Otis	Otis Hills
Pataha Rustlers	Dayton	2nd Sat	509-520-2789	Pinto Annie	Patir Range
Poulsbo Pistoleros	Poulsbo	4th Sun	360-830-0100	Sourdough George	Poulsbo Sportsman's Club
Rattlesnake Gulch Rangers	Benton City	4th Sat	509-628-0889	Ricochet Robbie	Tri Cities Shootig Association
Renton United Cowboy Action Shooters	Renton	1st Wkd	425-432-3534	Cedar County Sheriff	Renton Fish & Game Club
Smokey Point Desperados	Arlington	2nd Sun	425-335-5176	Mudflat Mike	Marysville Rifle Club
Windy Plains Drifters	Medical Lake	Sat & Sun 2nd & 4th Wkd	509-953-1113	Svenska Annie	Windy West Plains Range
Wolverton Mountain Peace Keepers	Ariel	3rd Sat (Mar-Sept)	503-703-2313	Stumptown Kid	Wolverton Mountain Gun Club
Yakima Black Rock Bunch	Moxee	2nd Sat	509-576-0866	Hondo Red	Sun Valley Shooting Park
WISCONSIN					
Bristol Plains Pistoleros	Bristol	2nd Sat & Sun	815-675-2566	Huckleberry	Conservation Club of Kenosha County
Crystal River Gunslingers	Dayton	2nd Sat	920-722-4105	James Rosewood	Chain O'Lakes Conservation Club
Hodag Country Cowboys	Rhinelander	2nd Sat	715-493-0152	Singshor Virgil	Hodag Sports Club
Liberty Prairie Regulators	Ripon	3rd Sat	920-602-8925	Dirt Deeds	Ripon Rifle and Pistol Club
Rock River Regulators	Beloit	1st & 3rd Sat	608-931-4821	Stoney Mike	Beloit Rifle Club
Western Wisconsin Wild Bunch	Holmen	2nd Sat	608-790-3260	Flyen Doc Koyote	Holmen Rod and Gun Club
Wisconsin Old West Shootists, Inc	Glenwood City	2nd Sun & 4th Sat	715-790-9959	Colonel Carbine	WOWS Station
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Cowboy Action Shooting Sports	Great Cacapon	4th Sun Mar to Oct	540-428-1805	Arizona Anzie	Singing Hills Ranch
Dawn Ghost Riders	Hinton	1st Sun	304-832-6550	Blue Ridge Rooster	Dawn Sportsmen's Club
Henderson Wilds Justice League	Williamstown	3rd Sun	740-516-6624	Thaddeus Jones	Henderson Wilds
Kanawha Valley Regulators	Eleanor	2nd Sat	304-397-6188	Eddie Rebel	Putnam County Park Gun Club
Kanawha Valley Regulators Wild Bunch	Eleanor	2nd Wkd	304-397-6188	Eddie Rebel	Putnum County Gun Club
WYOMING					
Bessemer Vigilance Committee	Casper	1st Sun & 3rd Sat	307-267-1155	Smokewagon Bill	Stuckenhoff Sport Shooters Complex
Border Vigilantes	Cheyenne	3rd Sat	307-287-6733	Assassin	Otto Road Shooting Range
Cheyenne Regulators	Cheyenne	1st Sat	307-214-7706	Wild Horse John	Otto Road Shooting Range
Colter's Hell Justice Committee WSAS	Powell	1st Sat	307-254-2090	Yakima Red	Heart Mountain Rod and Gun Club
Donkey Creek Shootists	Gillette	4th Sun	307-686-7519	Wyoming Gus	Milney Valley Range
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SASS CENTRAL CANADIAN REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP Battle at the Bar E Ranch	7/19-21	Northern Crow	705-434-7065	crowladysmith@bell.net	Barrie	ON	www.osasf.ca
Showdown in the Valley	8/4-6	Whistlin' Will	250-338-7373		Courtenay	BC	www.valleyregulators.com
SASS WESTERN CANADIAN REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP Shootout at Bounty Gulch	8/8-11	Grey Beard	306-749-2822	chuckm@sasktel.net	Saskatoon	SK	www.sawws.com
Headquarters Shootout in the Canadian West Salmonella Gulch	8/10-12	Black Ashley	250-744-4705	ash_man@shaw.ca	Victoria	BC	www.vfgpa.org/shooting/frontier-shootists/
NEW ZEALAND							
SASS New Zealand Wild Bunch Championship South of the Border	5/11-13	Kiwi PJ	+64 21 488345	brrett.pj.km@xtra.co.nz	New Plymouth		www.pistolnz.org.nz
SASS New Zealand Regional Championship High Noon	11/1-4	Kiwi Witch Doctor	+64 21 525 347	h2k11@xtra.co.nz	Ashburton		www.sportsground.co.nz
CZECH REPUBLIC							
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Days of Truth	8/4-12	Colbert	42077776066	gasczyk@ipex.cz	Oparany		www.aws-czech.cz
FRANCE							
East Valley	4/13-14	Cornelius Chesterfield	336 76 49 54 81	pa.dcmont@free.fr	Detwiller		N/A
Siege of Fort Desaix	5/26-27	Old Oak Claudee	+33 608254502	claudie.eichel@laposte.net	Mundolsheim		www.ststir.fr
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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA							
The Plainfield Incident	3/29-4/1	Napa Belle	707-226-9729	millerae01@yahoo.com	Davis	CA	rivercityregulators.org/
SASS Alabama State Blackpowder Championship Bama Red's Last Ride	4/1	Marshal T. K. D.	256-262-4545	gofftkid@bellsouth.net	Woodville	AL	www.northalabamaregulators.com
Blue Ridge Roundup	4/6-8	Bad Company	540-886-3374	jmjrj98@hotmail.com	Lexington	VA	N/A
SASS Louisiana State Championship Ambush At Tomahawk Pass	4/6-8	Slick McClade	318-278-9071	slickmcclade@bellsouth.net	Quitman	LA	www.jacksonholeregulators.com/
SASS Illinois State Wild Bunch Championship	4/6-8	Back Forry	618-663-7423	back_40@earthlink.net	Sparta	IL	www.kaskaskiacowboys.com/
SASS North Carolina State Blackpowder Championship The Big Iron Showdown	4/7	Tex James	704-431-3784	rogerjames1@windstream.net	Salisbury	NC	www.onsp.us
Shootout at Fort Miller	4/12-14	Snakebite	559-787-2943	snakebite4767@yahoo.com	Clovis	CA	www.kingsriverregulators.com
SASS Texas State Championship Comancheria Days	4/12-15	A. D. Texaz	210-862-7464	joeneumann@sbcglobal.net	Comfort	TX	www.texicanrangers.org
SASS Nebraska State Championship Showdown on the Prairie	4/13-15	Stirrup Trouble	308-380-4682	dsayers@eagle.com.net	Alda	NE	www.plattevalleygunslingers.com/
Sagebrush Shootout	4/14-15	MT Fargo	702-460-6393	fargo2000@aol.com	Las Vegas	NV	www.nevadarangers.com/
Gunfight at the Double C	4/14-15	Major B. S. Walker	804-307-2980	majorbwalker@gmail.com	Montpelier	VA	www.cavaliercowboys.org
SASS SOUTHWEST REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP Land Run	4/19-21	Missouri Mae	405-373-1472	missourimae@gmail.com	Oklahoma City	OK	cowboy.okcgunclub.org/
SASS Florida State Championship Red Hills Ruckus	4/19-22	Cassoulet Hopdy	850-459-5472	cdv1875@comcast.net	Midway	FL	www.kingsriverregulators.com
SASS California State Wild Bunch Championship	4/20-22	Sutter Lawman	530-713-4194	mike.calvo24333@gmail.com	Sloughhouse	CA	www.californiagunslingers.com/
SASS Western Territorial Wild Bunch Championship	4/23-24	Mokaac Kid	435-668-4613	mokaackid@gmail.com	Hurricane	UT	www.thecastleesperados.com
SASS FOUR CORNERS REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP Legends	4/23-28	William Waddy	435-773-8916	drbilldsc@hotmail.com	Hurricane	UT	www.dixiedesperados.com
SASS California State Championship	4/25-29	Sutter Lawman	530-713-4194	mike.calvo24333@gmail.com	Sloughhouse	CA	www.californiagunslingers.com/
Rattlesnake Gulch Roundup	4/27-29	Ricochet Robbie	509-682-0889	ricochetrobby@gmail.com	Benton City	WA	www.rattlesnakegulch.org
SASS Northeast Territorial Black Powder Championship Smoke in the Woods	4/27-28	Deadwood Stan	513-304-3505	jswaner@cinci.rr.com	Middletown	OH	www.bigirons.com
SASS New York State Wild Bunch Championship Muster At Fort Misery	4/28-29	Roy Cassidy	518-227-5054	roycassidy@yahoo.com	Ballston Spa	NY	www.circletregulators.com
Ambush at Ricochet Junction	5/4-6	A. T. McGee	509-684-2325	donaldlindaclay@gmail.com	Colville	WA	www.newregulators.com/
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SASS Delaware State Championship East'dern Shore Round-Up	5/4-6	Cactus Whiskey	302-834-0396	bud649@aol.com	Sudlersville	MD	www.dsarange.com/
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SASS New Jersey State Blackpowder Championship Buried Alive	5/19	Jesamy Kid	908-507-0157	jesamykid@gmail.com	Jackson	NJ	www.jacksonholegang.com
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3rd Annual Lazy Arrow Shootout	5/25-27	Roger Rapid	805-801-8750	siminoff@siminoff.net	Santa Margarita	CA	www.prcvatlazyarrow.com
SASS Iowa State Championship Shootout at Coyote Gulch	5/25-27	Marshal Kane	515-537-3633	brownlarrys04@gmail.com	Indianola	IA	www.fordesmoinerangers.com
End Of Road	5/25-27	Missy Mable	208-731-6387	missy@idahocas.com	Twin Falls	ID	www.idahocas.com
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Shootout at Pawnee Station	7/6-8	Trigger Happy Ted	970-667-0734	cowboystk@pbroadband.net	Nunn	CO	www.pawneestation.com
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SASS Alaska Territorial Championship Shootout Under The Midnight Sun	7/6-8	Manzanita Jack	907-317-6850	matthewst@chugach.net	Anchorage	AK	www.alaskacowboyshooting.com
SASS Oregon State Wild Bunch Championship	7/12-13	Big Casino	541-848-7260	bigcasino@bendbroadband.com	Bend	OR	www.hrp-sass.com/
SASS Alaska State Championship Chatanika Shootout	7/13-15	Sweet Caroline	907-378-9472	jandcholz@hotmail.com	Fairbanks	AK	www.ghsfairbanks.org

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SASS Montana State Championship Battle at Black Horse	7/13-16	Jebs Lady	406-727-7625	dflfaj@charter.net	Great Falls	MT	www.blackhorseshootists.com
Shootin' for the Brand	7/13-14	Calamity Di Bar	580-847-2210	dibartoma@me.com	Albany	OK	rrvcowpokes.weebly.com
SASS Oregon State Championship	7/14-15	Big Casino	541-848-7260	bigcasino@bendbroadband.com	Bend	OR	www.hrp-sass.com/
SASS Utah State Championship The Castle Gate Robbery	7/19-21	The Wolf of North Springs	435-650-4449	N/A	Price	UT	www.thecastlegetaposse.net/
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SASS Vermont State Championship Green Mountain Mayhem	8/10-12	Doc McCoy	802-363-7162	docmccoy@gnavt.net	St. Johnsbury	VT	www.vtcowboys.com
SASS NORTHWEST REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP	8/16-19	Missy Mable	208-731-6387	missy@idahocas.com	Jerome	ID	www.idahocas.com
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SASS Kentucky State Championship Hooten Holler Round-Up	8/24-26	Kentucky Renegade	606-776-4420	rilzon@yahoo.com	McKee	KY	www.hootenoldtown.com/
Wolverton Mountain PeaceKeepers Annual Match	8/24-26	Big Iron Buster	360-903-6316	bigironbuster@yahoo.com	Ariel	WA	www.wolvertonmtpeacekeepers.com
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SASS Alabama State Championship Ambush At Cavern Cove	8/31-9/2	Marshall T. K. D.	256-262-4545	gofftkd@bellsouth.net	Woodville	AL	www.northalabamaregulators.com
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SASS Virginia State Championship Star City Shootout	8/31-9/2	Mad Dog Irv	504-520-5862	danzanddogs@gmail.com	Hardy	VA	www.bendoftrail.com
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State Trail Shootout	9/15	Marshall R. D.	309-378-4315	N/A	Bloomington	IL	www.mcleancountypeacekeepers.org
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SASS Kansas State Championship Millbrook Massacre	10/12-14	Fort Hays Preacher	785-650-2225	fort.hays.preacher@gmail.com	Millbrook Station	KS	www.millbrook.ruraltel.net
SASS Arkansas State Blackpowder Championship Mayhem on the Mountain	10/12-14	Ozark Outlaw	501-362-2963	ozarkoutlaw357@yahoo.com	Heber Springs	AR	www.outlawcamp.com
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Wednesday, Aug 8

- 11:00 - 2:00: Shooter Check-in
- 8:00-12:00: ROI Class
- 12:45- 4:30: ROII Class
- 1:00- until: Wild Bunch, 3 stages
- 1:30- until: Warm up Matches, 3 stages*
- 2:00- 5:00: Cowboy Trap*
- 5:00- 7:00: Shooter Check-in
- 5:30- 6:30: First-Time Attendee Welcome (burgers, salad, etc.)
- 7:45- until: Black Powder Night Shoot

Thursday, Aug 9

- 7:00-11:00: Long range, 100y & 400y*
- 8:00- 2:00: Shooter Check-in
- 8:00-11:00: Cowboy Trap*
- 11:00- 3:00: Speed Matches: pistol, rifle, shotgun
- 11:00- until: Warm up Matches, 3 stages*
- 1:00- until: Plainsman*
- 2:00- until: Warm up Matches, 3 stages*
- 2:00- until: Buckaroo/Buckarette match
- 4:00- 6:00: Shooter Check-in
- 4:30- until: (Posse leader walkthrough)
- 5:30- until: TG meeting (in big tent)
- 6:00- until: Social at Last Chance Saloon

Friday, Aug 10

- 7:00- 8:00: Shooter Check-in
- 7:30- 8:00: Mandatory shooter meeting
- 8:00- until: Main Match, Posses 1-12
- 12:00- 12:30: Mandatory shooter meeting
- 12:30- until: Main Match, Posses 13-24
- 5:30- until: Social at Last Chance Saloon
- 7:00- until: Texas Hold'em Tournament

Saturday, Aug 11

- 8:00- until: Main Match, Posses 13-24
- 12:30- until: Main Match, Posses 1-12
- 5:30- until: Social at Last Chance Saloon
- 6:30- until: Chorro Valley's Famous 5-Star Dinner and Monte Mills' Lucky Horseshoe Band

Sunday, Aug 12

- 7:15- until: Cowboy Church
- 8:30- until: Team shoot
- 10:00- until: Men's and Ladies's Top-16 Shoot-Off
- 12:00- until: Awards Ceremony

* See registration form for events that are included in entry fee, and for any "additional shoot" charges.

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