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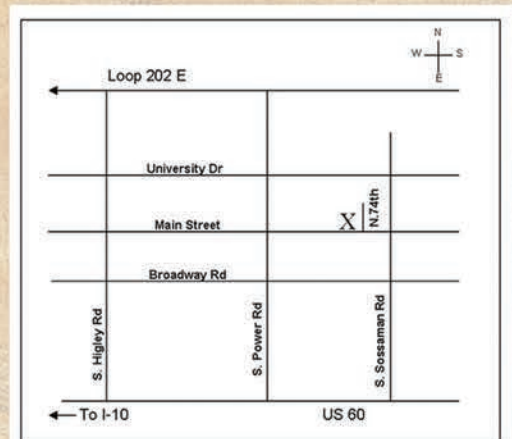
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FROM THE EDITOR

SKINNY'S SOAPBOX

BY SKINNY, SASS #7361

REMINGTON 1858 ACTION WORK

In the January and April issues of *The Cowboy Chronicle*, Capt. George Baylor reported favorably on a pair of replica cap and ball Colts Mike Brackett (45 Dragoon, SASS #106478) of Goons Gun Works had done for him. Since I've always been enamored of Remingtons but could never find someone who could tune them to my liking, I decided

to give Mike a shot at a pair of Uberti replicas from Cimarron. He accepted the challenge and I'm happy to report the pair I got back from him are wonderfully smooth and reliable. I've now shot them at three Plainsman events with no problems—other than one I caused myself when I loaded a chamber with a felt wad and then the powder, but I digress. Mike is currently accepting work for cap and ball revolvers only, but based on his work on my Remingtons, I have encouraged him to obtain a gunsmith FFL and start working on cartridge revolvers. For now, I would encourage anyone looking for a good gunsmith for Remingtons (or other cap and ball revolvers) to look him up at www.goonsgunworks.com.

MATCH REPORTS

This issue is heavy with match reports. As a consequence of going to a quarterly publishing schedule for the time being, the quantity of submitted match reports has built up on me over the intervening three months, which has

required me to make this a match heavy issue. Since the *raison d'être* of *The Cowboy Chronicle* is to present match results from the various SASS-affiliated clubs nationwide and worldwide, those reports must be given precedence and rest assured *all* submitted reports *will* be printed in as timely a manner as possible. Sadly, this means other articles of interest, such as historical pieces or product or book reviews, will have to take a back seat for now. But also rest assured *all* of those types of articles submitted will also get published. It just may take awhile, and I do apologize to those of you with submissions on the shelf. I am getting to them.

I hope this is a temporary setback and we will be able to step up publishing frequency to at least bimonthly in the near future. In the meantime, everyone can help by submitting match reports that are concise and that adhere to the guidelines found elsewhere in this edition.

And that's a wrap for now. Even I'm conserving space to make room for more match reports!



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BY LARSEN E. PETTIFOGGER, SASS #32933 LIFE/REGULATOR

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I. THE MESSAGE

Many months ago, in a vacant bay at the Ben Avery Shooting Facility in Phoenix, Arizona, there was a barely discernable sound. If you build it, they will come. At first it sounded like the wind. A few minutes later the sound repeated but slightly louder. *If you build it, they will come.* It was clearly a voice and not the wind, but still not quite discernable. What? *If you build it, THEY will come!* Build what and who will come? *Build the world's largest cowboy shooting event and Cowboy Action Shooting™ and WBAS shooters from around the world will come!*

And so it was delivered, an 80-page book of instructions that if followed would provide a perfect venue for Winter Range 2018 – The SASS National Championship of Cowboy and Wild Bunch Action shooting. Over the next eleven months props were designed and constructed, stages planned, new targets purchased and old ones repaired. Vendors and sponsors sought, permits acquired, tents rented, volunteers recruited, medical and law enforcement staff arranged and all of the hundreds of other items needed to create an epic shooting venue from a bare field.

The *book* delivered by the voice designated the movies of John Wayne as the theme for Winter Range 2018. Thus, several of the props were built based on specific John Wayne movies. For example, there was a full size stagecoach from *Stagecoach* and a courthouse from *True Grit*. Winter Range consists entirely of volunteers. Many of the props take weeks or months to build. What is typically done is for a team of volunteers to be assigned the responsibility to build a particular prop. The stagecoach, for example, had a team of builders and the design had to evolve as it was



constructed. The concept was to shoot from inside the stagecoach. However, this would create a problem for 750-plus shooters to get into and out of in a timely and safe manner. What to do? Once again the voice had the answer. *Remove the downrange side of the coach and mount it on a wall.* And that is what was done. One side of the coach was removed and mounted on a support. A boardwalk was constructed between the single side and the remainder of the coach. That way the shooters could run into the fully decorat-

ed coach interior and shoot through the windows on the side of the coach mounted on the wall.

The work slows during the summer months when the daily temperatures are well above 100 degrees. The pace of work increases in the fall. The book specifies what targets and props go on each stage. In the days before the start of Winter Range, trailers are loaded with the items needed to construct each stage. Winter Range takes place at the Ben Avery Shooting Facility, which

is a public shooting facility and is in use up to the day Winter Range begins construction. For 2018 this was Wednesday, February 14, four days before registration opened. Early in the morning of the 14th the trailers were hooked up and 75-plus volunteers begin moving thousands of items onto the range. The major construction was finished around noon on Saturday. Saturday afternoon and Sunday morning the beautification committee went out with paint and brushes to touch up scrapes and dings on the props left from the set-up process. At noon on Sunday, February 18, registration opened.

II. THEY COME

By 4:00 p.m. on Sunday afternoon, more than 400 people have registered. Over the next three days more than 350 more will register. *They* continue to come and on Monday morning they begin to shoot. The first arrivals are there for the SASS National Championship of Wild Bunch Action Shooting (WBAS). More than 130 are registered to shoot what will be the largest WBAS match ever held and the first major match since several new WBAS rules were put in place.

The two biggest changes allow seven rounds in a magazine (the old rules only allowed five) and allowing tactical reloads. The stages were drawn to accommodate the new rules. For example, the pistol round counts ran from 28 to 35 (increments of seven). The match used a variety of target types and distances and the scenarios challenged the experienced shooters and provided an enjoyable ten stages for everyone participating in the match. There were a few missteps as some forgot they had seven rounds in their magazines and dropped some magazines with rounds still in them. On the whole everyone seemed to like the new rules and the greater freedom in deciding how to shoot a scenario. For the first time at a match of this size there were two clean matches!

When WBAS first started at Winter Range a limit of 125 shooters was set because of the complicated stages and the amount of time it typically took to shoot a stage. The bays at Winter Range are all in use for various purposes (shooting schools, etc.) and WBAS has



always been shot five stages one day and then the targets are reset and another five stages shot the next day. This year showed the potential for expanding the WBAS match. If WBAS grows to the point that more than 150 register, then the possibility of setting up ten stages will be explored. This would double the number of shooters that can be accommodated. The WBAS match continued on Tuesday morning and on Tuesday afternoon WBAS specific side matches were held. These included speed, long range and a BAM (Bolt Action Military rifle) competition. They continued to arrive and on Thursday morning the SASS National Championship of Cowboy Action Shooting™ (CAS) began.

Bright and early Thursday morning the first of three waves attended a brief orientation meeting and a safety video was played. The shooters then moved to their designated stages. The match has 36 posses with 21 or 22 shooters per posse. Each wave is allocated three hours... 45 minutes to complete each stage. Delays can result in backups and nothing is less fun than waiting for a backup to clear. Backups are avoided by good stage writing, expeditors, and great posse marshals. Match officials also walk up and down the shooting lines to offer help if a posse is experiencing problems. The process repeats itself for the mid-day and afternoon waves and repeated on Friday and Saturday. The message as set forth by the *voice* and the *book* had come true. It was built and they did come.

The stages consisted of a variety of props – a sawmill, frontier tent city, stagecoach, a courthouse, a cactus forest, frontier fort, general store, and a huge full-size saloon. Putting together a great match consists of fun and interesting stages as well as props and structures that provide the ambience for a true western adventure. Once again the months of planning and construction paid off. The shooter response was overwhelmingly favorable.

III. THEY HAVE FUN

Shooting a multi-day match with multiple events and time between waves leaves a lot of down time. Shooters when they are not shooting, non-shooting spouses, and children and visitors need something to do during the day.

To fill this time there is a huge vendor village offering food, clothing, guns, and every other essential for WBAS and Cowboy Action Shooting™ participants. It is the largest gathering of vendors at any SASS match anywhere in the world and the vendors reported brisk sales. When not occupied in the vendor

village, attendees could enjoy entertainment going on throughout the week – strolling musicians, Doc Holliday and Wyatt Earp putting on shows in the main tent, a gun twirling show, a vendor appreciation dinner on Tuesday night, and a well-attended swap meet. On Wednesday there was an opening





THE GRAND PATRON (80-PLUS YEARS OLD) COMPETITORS OF WINTER RANGE 2018



WILD BUNCH OVERALL LADY TEXAS TIGER

ceremony with complimentary food for the shooters and what has become a Winter Range tradition – an aerial over-flight. This year a squadron of ten aircraft flew over the main tent doing maneuvers and trailing smoke to entertain the crowd. There was a costume contest where participants wear everything from working cowboy clothes to the finest in military uniforms, suits, and dazzling gowns. There is a casino night where everyone can try his or her hand at traditional western gambling such as Faro. Later in the week there was a mounted shooting match that is extremely popular with visitors as the wide open mounted shooting arena presents an unobstructed view of the action. There were two banquets and a side match awards ceremony. Everyone breathed a sign of relief and kicked back and relaxed Saturday night. It was all over. Or was it?

IV. THEY CELEBRATE

Early Sunday morning two different groups of Winter Range volunteers were hard at work. One group was outside setting up and getting ready for a shoot-



BEST DRESSED COUPLE, CAPT. DAN BLODGETT (SASS #75655) AND EMERALD ANNIE HOLLIDAY

off. Another group was inside un-boxing hundreds of awards and setting up the main tent for the awards ceremony. The shoot-off is completed around 11:00 a.m. and the crowd starts filling the main tent. The WBAS awards are handed out first and then the Cowboy Action Shooting™ awards. Reading as quickly as possible, it takes more than two hours to hand

out 400-plus awards to the winners.

While the awards ceremony was taking place many of the Winter Range Rough Riders and Rangers were out on the range taking down the props. Each bay is dismantled and the props neatly stacked for pickup. The props and stage fronts are loaded into trailers and returned to the storage yard and stored in six large metal containers to protect them from the sun and the elements. By 2:00 p.m. on Monday afternoon the range is empty. The dream is gone in less than two days. BUT there are already rumblings in the desert. The voice says the Field of Dreams will return on February 18-24, 2019.

OVERALL WINNERS

Cowboy – Holy Terror (Lady) and Cody James (Man)

Wild Bunch – Texas Tiger (Lady) and Shell Stuffer (Man)

For a complete list of Wild Bunch, Main Match, Side Match, and Costume winners please visit www.winter-range.com

COSTUMING CORNER

A COSTUMER'S RESOURCE COSTUME COLLEGE 2018

BY BLOOMIN' YANKEE, SASS #70484
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Whatever your Shooting Style Category, whatever your Age Based Category, we all have one thing in common – costuming! It may be simple, it may be over-the-top, but it is always fun and is what sets us apart from other shooting sports.

Just as you build your expertise in shooting, you will find that your expertise in costuming increases over time until the day you might want to try your hand at making your own garments, accessories, even leather pieces. So where do we go to begin our costume journey? Friends, YouTube, even Facebook groups will help, but for hands-on experience with people who are on that same journey there is my favorite place – Costume College. It's not a full time college, but an intense and fun event held in Woodland Hills, California for three days at the end of July. This is where you can learn to create anything you desire – corsets and camisoles, bustles and boot-bling, hats and hatpins, vests and Vaquero jackets. Whether you have never sewn a button or want to perfect your frock coat, this is the place to go. Many SASS members attend as well as teach and you will have no trouble finding inspiration, motivation, and a really good time!

In addition to days of classes, most included with the price, there are costume events each evening as well as some days. There is also a bus trip to that little heaven, the LA Fabric District, where the savings alone will make the entire trip worthwhile.

Go to www.costumecollege.net for all the details. I'll be there in 2018 and look forward to seeing you!



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BY CAPTAIN GEORGE BAYLOR, SASS #24287 LIFE REGULATOR

THE LATEST FROM EAGLE GRIPS

I've known Raj Singh, president of Eagle Grips for 18 years and have his grips on all my revolvers. His history in grip making goes back to age seven when his father, Harbans Singh, founder of Eagle Grips, began taking him to trade shows and gun shows. His father made grips, such as exquisite carved ivory grips, and Sambar stag that went

HARBANS SINGH, FOUNDER OF EAGLE GRIPS, FROM AN EARLY FEATURE STORY ON EAGLE GRIPS IN AMERICAN RIFLEMAN, TAKEN BY RICK HACKER AT THE 1977 NRA SHOW. HIS GRIPS HAD JUST STARTED GETTING WORLDWIDE ACCEPTANCE.

on guns made by the Colt Custom Shop and Smith and Wesson.

Raj met all the greats in the shooting world at these shows. One of those greats, Joe Bowman, the fast draw artist, approached the then grown-up Raj at Eagle Grips about 25 years ago. He

wanted grips that were thin, with a ridge behind the receiver to minimize "roll back" under recoil, and curves to fit the average hand better than stock grips. The resulting grips were named Gunfighter Grips. Most SASS World and National Champions have them on



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their guns. They have inspired several copies.

Fast forward to 2018. For a few years Eagle has been making grips out of a new material—Kirinite—an acrylic that has to be cut and polished, not molded, can be polished to a high luster. The more it's polished the more it grabs and bonds to the hand. It comes in some striking and unique color combinations that have to be seen to be believed. I have written about it in Dispatches in the past. I didn't use them until now because I couldn't imagine Bill Hickok meeting Dave Tutt with, say, wicked purple grips on his guns.

But then Raj told me about antique pearl and white pearl. They look like pearl grips but with the strength of Kirinite. While I would call most Kirinite colors "modern," antique pearl and white pearl would look right at home on a gun in the Old West. Among the people who sported pearl handled Colts were Texas John Slaughter and John Wesley Hardin. If you agree with General Patton, they have ivory panel Kirinite and ultra ivory. They're available smooth and checkered. For more money they have elk and Sambar stag.

Note their website says to allow 4-6 weeks for delivery as the grips are hand made to order. They are available for all Ruger Single Actions. They are worth the wait. Eaglegrips.com 800-323-6144.

AMERICAN-MADE BOOTS FOR SASS FROM WORK-N-RANCH

About 10 years ago I went on quests for things I thought SASS vendors needed to provide. Low-heeled authentic-looking boots was one of the items I wanted to see, not just for me, but for all of the shooters in SASS whose feet couldn't stand high-heeled boots. Most boots in the old west weren't high-heeled. They started in about 1875 because trail-drive cowboys were having trouble with the available boots and the design of stirrups. Their feet could go through, enabling their foot to get caught, which was not desirable if you're being dragged by a runaway horse. But the Army never went to them, and a lot of civilians didn't go for them because unlike Nancy Sinatra's boots, they



AMERICAN MADE BOOTS WITH WALKING HEELS BY ABILENE BOOTS SOLD BY WORK-N-RANCH. NOTE THE SPUR SHELVES ON THE HEELS. THESE ARE THE 17" MODELS WITH ONE-PIECE FRONTS.

weren't made for walking.

Keith and Linda Schomerus at Work-n-Ranch liked the idea and went looking for some from their suppliers. But Keith could never get a supplier that didn't want a huge initial order. He never stopped trying though, and their shop finally introduced them "Gun-fighter" boots at Winter Range. And they're made in the USA.

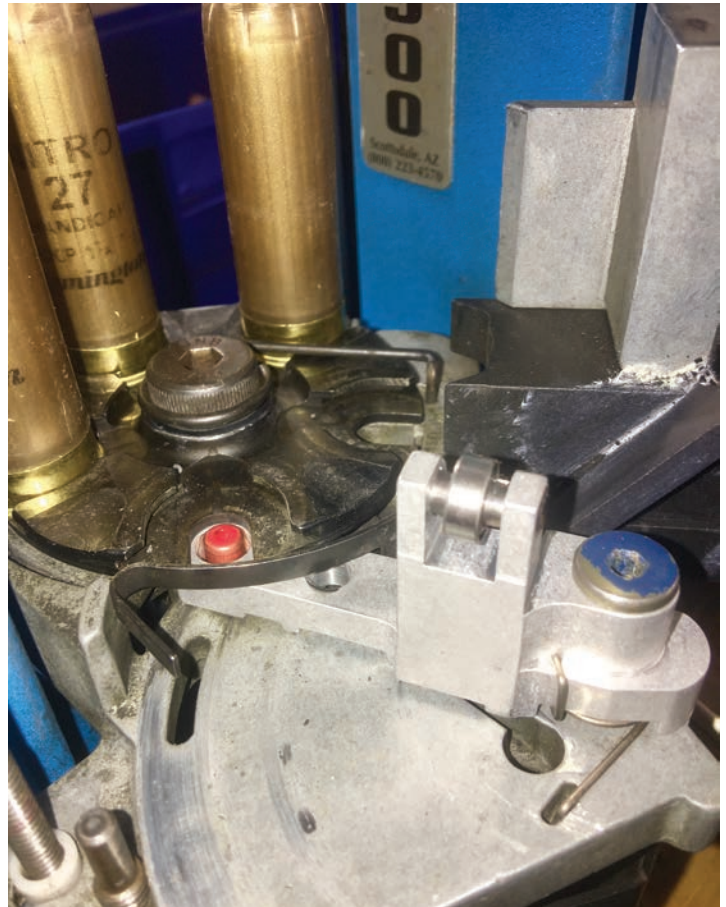
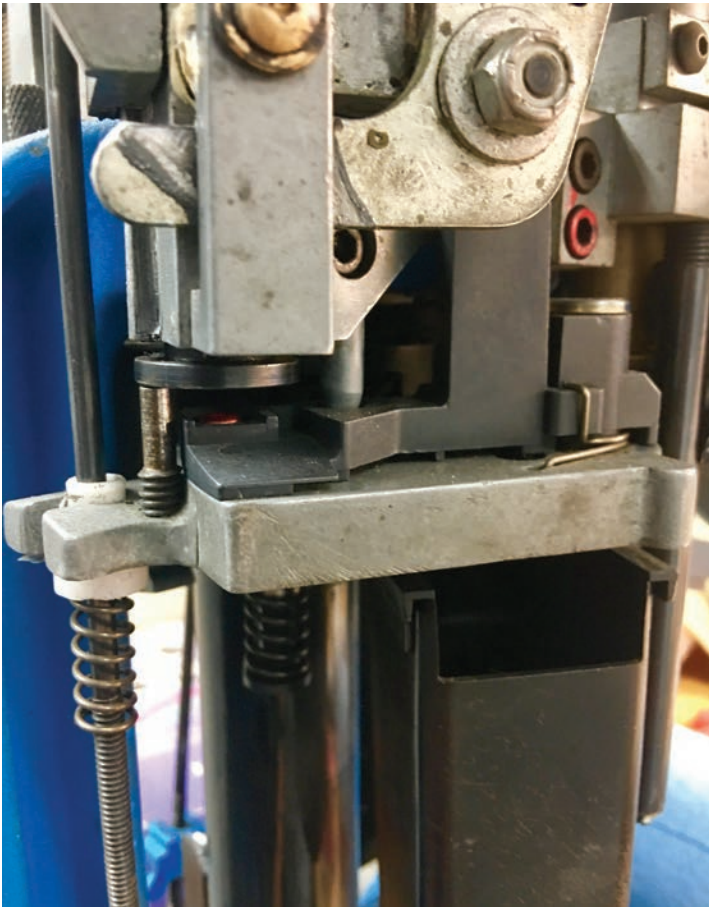
They come in two versions, and two colors, black and brown. The 16" tall two-piece front version would be authentic for the late 1870s on. The 17" tall boots with one-piece fronts would be authentic for any time in the old west. They have modern soles and rubber heels. The tops are wide enough for most SASS shooters' calves. I ordered a pair of black 17" boots. I've been wearing them at matches since then.

They're made out of high-quality leather that takes polish well and can be brought to a military high gloss. They cost \$199 and you can find them at stores.worknranch.com 402-782-6980.

NEW FROM ST MACHINING

ST Machining is Shalako (SASS #69148) and Pinto Annie (SASS #27966). They have several items for shooters and reloaders. At Winter Range they introduced some new items.

The Dillion XL650 and SL900 both use the same indexing block, part #16776. It has a flat surface that must



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FOR BOTH THE DILLON SL900 AND THE XL650—A ROLLER BEARING REPLACEMENT FOR THE STOCK PART.

be greased frequently, but ST Machining has one with a roller bearing, eliminating a grease point and smoothing operation. I put them on my SL900 and my XL650. Both worked perfectly with no adjustment.

The SL900 has a plastic primer transfer arm, part #16691. It wears, getting out of alignment, and it can break. ST Machining makes an aluminum one with a roller bearing. It is of stronger material and doesn't wear and get out of alignment. The ball bearing eliminates another grease point. For SL900 owners, this is a significant improvement.

Another new product is one they call a Loading Block. It comes in .38/.357 and .45 Colt and I tested both. Once you put the rounds in and click to rotate the top piece you've checked the diameter of the round, which usually catches split cases, uncrimped cases, the flatness of the rim, and whether the primer is seated correctly or not. It holds 20 rounds. Check out ST Machining's products at cowboy-bullets.com.



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HIPSHOT NEEDED A NEW RIG...

A couple of years ago Hipshot (SASS #7) complained to Bob Mernickle that he needed a new rig. He couldn't get his guns back into their holsters easily. His holsters "collapsed." His rig was also worn out. But it had to look authentic, not like the "speed" rigs of today. He wanted it to look like an 1800s rig.

Bob had just introduced the HP series, so he knew how to make a state of the art competition holster, and he made several authentic nineteenth century style holsters. The HP is steel lined, heavy, stiff leather, and supports the pistol with mild retention. Bob put these features into a Double Loop holster that looks authentic, The HPHS REF1.

The holster rides on the belt vertically usually on the point of the hips. The design of the holster covers part of the trigger guard. The front of the holster is cut down and there is a slight lip curl for fast reholstering. Since it is steel lined it doesn't collapse, and reholstering is easy. This is not optimal for shooters who draw the weak side holster with the weak hand and transfer it to the strong because the trigger guard is covered. You can do it, but you will fumble more than if you can grab the weak side gun with thumb over the top strap and fingers on the front of the trigger guard. Then there's room for a smooth transition to the strong hand. It's also not for folks who want to wear their pistols muzzle forward on the front of the belt. Bob makes holsters for those people, of course.

It has already been in a movie with Trace Atkins playing a lead in the remake of the Virginian. You can find it at mernickleholsters.com 800-497-3166.



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ANNUAL MATCHES

FANDANGO! 2017 THE WISCONSIN STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

BY SMILING IRISH MIKE,
SASS #103891

Holmen, WI – Home of the Holmen Rod and Gun Club and host of the Wisconsin State Championship. Unlike many state matches the SASS Wisconsin State Championship rotates among three clubs (Western Wisconsin Wild Bunch, Rock River Regulators, and Wisconsin Old West Shootists) and the date of the match varies each year to match each club's annual three day match (Fandango on the second weekend of October, Reckoning on the Rock on the first weekend of June, and Fire in the Hills on the fourth weekend of August). This year the Championship match was hosted by the Western Wisconsin Wild Bunch.

The three-day event starts a day early in Holman as The Holmen Rod and Gun club allows for RV and tent camping on the range grounds during



MATCH DIRECTOR FLYEN DOC KOYOTE (SASS #31508) AND HIS BETTER HALF MISTY BLUE MONTANA (SASS #58292)



THE LADY SHOOTERS OF FANDANGO

the match. The club has permanent electric hook-ups for RVs as a convenience to those who choose to camp. At noon on Thursday the gates to the range opened and the RVs started rolling in! By 5:00 p.m. there were more than two dozen RVs parked and leveled and a number of tents were set up for the weekend. The Fandango Palace was open and registration packets were available for pick-up. As part of the registration pick-up you were asked to pull a commemorative Fandango 20th anniversary poker chip out of a jar. This chip had two uses besides being a fun memento. First there was a number written on the "tails" side of the chip that was used to decide what door prize you would receive – items such as ammo boxes, handgun soft cases, etc. The second use was for the awards ceremony when it would be used in the Fandango Flip! (More about that later.) A raffle was available for \$1 a ticket with chances to win free entry to a number of three-day matches donated by clubs from Wisconsin, Iowa, and Minnesota. More than \$300 was raised and all proceeds went to the SASS Scholarship Fund.

A garage sale ran all day Friday at the Palace where Cowboys and Cowgirls brought in any items they were looking to sell. Friday's side matches started off cool and cloudy with only a 20 percent

chance of rain but by 11:00 the forecast changed to a 90 percent chance and by noon we had rain. Fortunately, all of the side matches took place in WWWB's wild west town, keeping everyone under roof, inside, and dry! Also being prepared for inclement weather, the setup crew had the foresight to set up carport tarps along the town allowing carts and gear to stay dry. Side matches included long range pistol, long range pistol caliber rifle, long range large bore lever-action rifle, and long range single shot rifle at the rifle range. In town we had speed rifle, pistol, and shotgun, along with a pistol poker match that required a shooter to shoot a target with a picture of all 52 cards in a deck and try to create the best hand they could with five rounds. As the four-stage Wild Bunch mini match was in full swing, the skies opened up and the rain came pouring down. Despite the rain, the side match stages remained busy until they were shut down for the day. Friday night we were treated to a Mexican potluck at the Fandango Palace.

Saturday morning saw all 117 shooters from the Midwest and beyond (Wisconsin, Illinois, Minnesota, South Dakota, North Dakota, Iowa, Nebraska and North Carolina) assembled at the Palace for a safety meeting. The theme of this year's stages was westerns and movies from each of the last 20 years



NUBB (SASS #84635) KEEPING THE MOSQUITOES AT BAY

(two per stage) with a line pulled from one of the two movies used by the shooter to start the stage. The stages, written by Match Director Flyen Doc Koyote were a good mix of speed and accuracy and aside from a brief rain shower an hour into the match the six stages scheduled for Saturday went off without a hitch!

The Saturday night banquet consisted of chicken or a slab of one-inch thick prime rib as big as your plate with all the fixings (dinner rolls, green beans, potatoes, etc). As is often said of the Fandango banquet, "If you go home hungry, it's your own dang fault." Awards for side match winners were handed out during the banquet.

After another torrential downpour Saturday night the weather finally cleared up and a cold front moved in Sunday morning just before Cowboy church. Four stages and two hours later the last posse was finished and it was time for lunch and the awards ceremony! The award for the middle shooter (a yellow 1959 Cadillac Eldorado Biarritz Convertible, Signature Model 32350 1/32 scale) went to aptly named Lucky Leslie (SASS #66961). With the awards handed out it was now time for the famed Fandango Flip! Everyone was asked to produce their

poker chip and to flip the chip into the air at the same time Flyen Doc Koyote did and anyone whose coin showed the same face as Doc's would remain standing, while those that didn't had to sit down. Several more rounds finally produced a winner who received free entry into several local Cowboy three-day matches for next year!

The awards handed out, the stages torn down, the steel and props put away, the RVs and campers gone and the parking lot empty, the sun set on another successful year of Fandango and the Wisconsin State Championship.

OVERALL WINNERS

Turkey Legs, SASS #48384 (Lady) and Medicine Creek Johnny, SASS #61890 (Man)

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Misty Blue Montana, SASS #88292 (Lady) and Wolf Gang, SASS #48877 (Man)

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FIRE AND SMOKE AT THE FORT

BY TEXAS FLOWER, SASS
#43753 LIFE REGULATOR

PHOTOS BY TEXAS FLOWER

Black smoke hung over Fort Parker located near Mexia, Texas on October 20-22, 2017 as the Old Fort Parker Patriots hosted the 2017 SASS Southwest Territorial Black Powder Shootout in conjunction with their annual match, Defend Old Fort Parker. Every year proceeds from Defend Old Fort Parker have helped maintain the historical site. The fort is a reproduction of the original fort built by the Parker family for protection from the Comanche. Cynthia Ann was taken from the fort by the Comanche during an attack in 1836 at a very young age.

The match began Friday, October 20 with competition in the Plainsman and Wild Bunch mini matches plus many side matches. In the evening, shooters were treated to a gumbo din-



BLACK POWDER FIRST PLACE WINNERS

ner prepared by Red River Rudy (SASS #8490). Of course, he is from the gumbo capital, Louisiana. Many others brought side dishes to share. After dinner, shooters had a pleasant surprise.

We all were asked to go to the open area of the Fort where we were greeted by a warm campfire. After taking our places in a circle of chairs, the spirit of Cynthia Ann Parker, aka Naudah



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meaning Someone Found, with her Comanche horse approached out of the night darkness. (Cynthia Ann was portrayed by Fort Parker Director, Sarah McReynolds.) She began to tell us of her capture from the fort, how she was adopted by a Comanche family, later married tribal leader Peta Nocona, and had three children. One son was Quanah Parker, the last free Comanche Chief. She expressed how sad she was after she and her daughter were taken back to civilization by the Texas Rangers when she was about 34 years old. She shared with us some of the Comanche traditions and way of living. Her pony was very willing to have his picture taken!

When the main match began on Saturday morning, the smoke began to “hang” over the fort and at times it was difficult to see the targets! The shooter’s line at the Fort stage was “The Fort is on Fire” and it looked like it might really be true! While the stages were being shot, costume judges walked the range looking for the Best Lady and Man shooting costumes.

After the first five stages were completed, shooters had the opportunity to shoot their big guns in the long range events. Categories were black powder and smokeless in lever, single shot, and pistol calibers. Shooters climbed the old wooden stairs up into the fort blockhouse. Once inside the blockhouse and

ready to shoot, competitors shot targets from the very small blockhouse windows. This must have been how the Parkers kept the Comanche away!

Saturday evening brought out some great costumes for the banquet held in the Fort’s Visitor Center. Costume judges searched for the Best Lady, Gentleman, and Couple costumes. After dinner was completed, all the costume contest winners were announced, side match awards were given out, and shooters had the opportunity to purchase tickets for some very nice prizes. One of the prizes was a wooden box that was locked so no one would know what “surprise” might be inside. Oklahoma Dee (SASS #44562) won and he was given the key to unlock the box. He was very happy as he took an Uberti Taylors and Company 1873 .357 rifle, in the white, out of the box!

On Sunday morning there was some lingering rain from a cold front that was moving into Texas. The schedule of events indicated shooting started at 9:00 a.m. We were all holding our breath... rain gear or no rain gear? The Sun God must have decided to bless us because at 8:55 the rain stopped! After everyone shot the last five stages, each posse participated in a posse shoot. Posse members had to knock down standing targets before shooting a 4x4 timber in half. Posse three did it all and

won the posse shoot in 21 seconds!

Sunday Dinner was provided by the Patriots followed by the main match awards in the Visitor’s Center. Awards were presented by match directors, Kow Katcher (SASS #53134) and Bent Barrel Betty (SASS #33237) with help from Sarah McReynolds, Buffalo Brewster (SASS #79451) and Bunchquitter (SASS #81430). The match theme had been “Stars,” and all the awards were metal star trophies. A few shooters were surprised to receive a “special” pin. The “P” pin was awarded to shooters who “earned” a procedural!

The real “Stars” of “Fire and Smoke at the Fort” and “Defend Old Fort Parker” were Sarah McReynolds, Fort Parker Director, the Old Fort Parker Patriot members, sponsors, and volunteers who all made the match a big success at such an amazing Texas historical site!

OVERALL WINNERS

Black Powder – Bent Barrel Betty, SASS #33237 (Lady) and Verdadero Dan, SASS #57083 (Man)

Smokeless – Smokin Limey, SASS #66033 (Lady) and Oklahoma Dee, SASS #44562 (Man)

Visit <https://oldfortparkerpatriots.weebly.com> for a complete list of winners.



BEST DRESSED MAN – YUMA JACK (SASS #11261)



SARAH McREYNOLDS AS CYNTHIA ANN PARKER



BEST DRESSED LADY – MISS EM PINEYWOODS (SASS #58832)

HELL ON THE BORDER 2018

BY TEX, SASS #4

Ft. Smith, AR – the center for law and order in Indian Territory. It was home to the “Hanging Judge,” Isaac C. Parker. Parker sent marshals, including Bass Reeves and others, into the Territory to chase down outlaws on the run and bring them back, dead or alive. It’s also home to Judge Parker’s Marshals and the Old Fort Gun Club, who just held their annual Hell on the Border match.

Mid-March in Arkansas this year was glorious! Fears of cold winds and rain all evaporated as the match date drew near. By mid-match, the temperatures were just above 80 degrees!

The club has done a marvelous job of creating façades and props for their range... and being so close to Ft. Smith, have used that history as inspiration for some rather impressive props. The infamous gallows where six gents were hung all in one setting is the central prop, and Ms. Laura’s “Social Club,” located a short distance from the courthouse and gallows, has been built right next door.

This three-day match featured a 10-stage State Championship Wild Bunch match as well as a 10-stage annual Cowboy Action match. Wild Bunch was shot Thursday and Friday and Cowboy Action was shot Friday and Saturday... and yes, Friday was a LONG day!

The Wild Bunch match was shot on Cowboy stages... all the targets des-



THE EXCELLENT STAGE PROPS WERE RIGHT OUT OF FT. SMITH’S HISTORY. THIS GALLOW WAS USED TO HANG SIX OUTLAWS AT ONCE!

igned as Cowboy revolver targets were predictably shot super-fast... and not always cleanly! There were, however, plenty of targets and challenges provided by the Cowboy rifle targets... and one certainly had to use that little bumpy thing at on the end of the barrel! This was the first match at the Old Fort

Gun Club where seven rounds were allowed in 1911 magazines. The stage designers took inspiration for the Wild Bunch stages from the Cowboy Action stages and many of the shooters soon learned loading seven was not always the best strategy! For example, one stage required 10-rifle and 30-pistol rounds

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and had four targets to be engaged in a 2- 4- 6- 8- or 8- 6- 4- 2-round sweep using both rifle and 1911... and then again using only the pistol... try THAT with a seven-round magazine! One had to think, concentrate on the shooting problem, and stay in control. Most were not able to do that for the whole match. It became a challenging competition!

The Wild Bunch has several Ambassadors around the country whose job is to actively promote Wild Bunch matches and act as a communication medium between the competitors and the Wild Bunch Committee. And some of them are even outstanding competitors! Shell Stuffer is an ambassador for 10 states

and represents the game well. Happy Jack has done a great job selecting his Wild Bunch team!

When the shooters transitioned to the Cowboy match it was like “going home!” The stages were straightforward and seemed easy. There were 22 clean matches and everyone had a big grin on their face!

This match offered the Outlaw Category and had two competitors. One of the competitors, Chickalah Slim (SASS #44579) was our posse marshal and was truly impressive. He had only a couple of misses and his times were great! I’ve been shooting Gunfighter for many years now and couldn’t believe how effortless he made the scenarios look. I told him, “when I grow up, I want to learn to shoot just like you!” To my surprise, he didn’t win his category. Partner (SASS #51909) from Illinois was the Outlaw Champion. The Outlaw Category may finally have come of age!

The Cowboy Action match wrapped up shortly after noon and was followed by the Cavanaugh Baptist Church providing a lunch of BBQ and chicken. A local Boy Scout troupe made and served three different Dutch Oven cobbblers smothered in ice cream! No one left hungry. Awards followed, and by 3:30 folks were on the road home.

This was a pleasing match and was well organized. Pay attention to their

schedule next year and if you have an opportunity to travel anywhere near Arkansas, make this one of your destinations... you won’t be sorry.

OVERALL WINNERS

Wild Bunch – Mean Mary (Lady) and Shell Stuffer (Man)

Cowboy – Cooncan (Lady) and CS Brady (Man)

For complete scores go to <http://www.oldfortgunclub.com/organized-shooting-sports/sass-cowboy-action-shooting/sass-2018-match-results/>



THE TOP WILD BUNCH COMPETITORS WERE SHELL STUFFER (SASS #33146) AND MEAN MARY (SASS #45913). CONGRATULATIONS!



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OVERALL MATCH WINNERS COPENHAGEN CALHOUN AND ANTELOPE ANN

HOT LEAD IN DEADWOOD 2017

BY DOC SPUDLEY, SASS #60569
REGULATOR

It was mid-October 2017 when the Steel Plate gang rode into the town of Deadwood. The gang was determined to take over Deadwood. They set up camps behind every building in town. Being greatly outnumbered, Marshal Doc Spudley realized he needed help, so he sent out a request to the other towns far and wide. Cowboys from Texas, Mississippi, Arkansas, Louisiana and Florida responded and started riding into town on Friday, October 27. Every Cowboy was deputized and given a marshal's badge and instructions on how to challenge the Steel Plate gang. That afternoon everyone was honing their skills, practicing speed pistol, derringer, three gun and even quick-draw, all in preparation for the big shootout the next morning. By that evening everyone had worked up a good appetite. Red River Rudy (SASS #8490) opened up his chuck wagon and fixed up some mighty fine grub, accompanied by several other cooks.

There was plenty of food to go around several times. Leatherneck (SASS #22173) was honored with a birthday cake as he is now elevated to Elder Statesman.

Saturday morning everyone gathered around to be arranged in posses. Instructions were given on where each posse would take up their stations and how the attack would commence against the Steel Plate gang. By 9:00 a.m. hot lead started to fly in Deadwood. It was a fierce fight, but the Steel Plate gang stood their ground. At noon everyone decided to take a break and enjoy some fine South Louisiana jambalaya prepared by Cajun Outlaw (SASS #95535). That afternoon, under the direction of Marshal Duke City Deadeye (SASS #80657), a couple of Wild Bunch posses were formed to continue the challenge with the Steel Plate gang.

Having had enough excitement for one day, everyone retired to their bunk house to clean up and get ready for a fantastic evening of fine dining and socializing. From 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. was a social hour with adult beverages. At 7:00 sharp, dinner was served. The Deadwood Marshals definitely know how to put on a great meal. There was salad, blackened catfish, sliced roast beef with au jus, stuffed potato casserole,

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green beans, sweet kernel corn, bread pudding with rum sauce, pecan pie, wine, ice tea, and coffee. No one went away hungry. After dinner awards were presented to the side match winners and best dressed in attendance. There was plenty of time to socialize and participate in the bucket raffle for the numerous guns and prizes that were to be given away.

Sunday morning the posses assembled at their respective buildings to finalize the shootout and rid the town of the Steel Plate gang. It was a fierce battle, but justice prevailed. The town of Deadwood was once again safe from the bad guys. After a morning of heated gunfights, the posses were ready once again for some good Southern cooking. This time the menu called for gumbo. If you don't shoot good, you will surely eat good.

Sunday afternoon, following lunch, was the presentation of awards. Custom Deadwood buckles were presented to the category winners. A special trophy, the Golden Toilet for "Holding up the Rear," was awarded to the last place shooter, Crossbar (SASS #85242). All in all it was a great weekend, perfect weather, good food, and a lot of fun.

Deadwood is a cowboy town in Sorrento Louisiana, between New Orleans and Baton Rouge. Monthly matches are held on the first and third Saturdays of each month and their annual is the fourth week-end in October.

OVERALL WINNERS

Antelope Ann, SASS #97052 (Lady) and Copenhagen Calhoun, SASS #95060 (Man)

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UPRISING AT SWEARING CREEK 2017 NORTH CAROLINA STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

BY R.J. LAW, SASS #15466

The twenty-second annual Uprising at Swearing Creek took place the first week in November with a match theme – “Gamblers and Their Games.” Shooters from 14 states entered, from New Mexico, New Jersey, Delaware, Florida and others. It was going to be BIG.

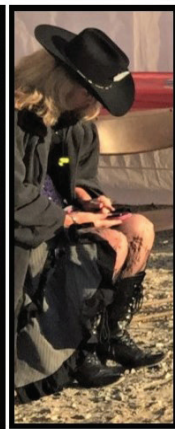
The weather was perfect, overcast and cool. The range opened as vendors began to show up. Fifteen vendors signed up, bringing bullets, guns and accessories, leather, food, clothes, and jewelry. The vendor area was filled like it had not been in years. It was going to be BIG.

The shooters registered on the range with to get their Shooter’s Handbook, range packet, and name badge shaped like a hand of cards. Then they moved to the prize tent to receive a Ruger box and Klean Bore cleaning kit provided by Main Match Sponsor, Sturm Ruger. A chip was drawn for the more than 100 prizes provided by some 35 sponsors this year. A chance was offered to win a 1873 rifle provided by the North Carolina Cowboys and custom tuned by Three Cut (SASS #58264).

Opening day was side match day, with the various speed events, long range events, practice stages, and a four stage Wild Bunch mini match. This year the Wild Bunch match was attended by none other than Tex (SASS #4), adding spice to the match and a great help running the clock for much of the match.

Side match day concluded with a swap meet under the big tent followed by pulled pork for all on the range and concluded with giveaways that included boxes of Red River Bullets, brass pickers, and a double barrel shotgun.

The main match started Friday in early morning. The stages were adorned with props that accentuated the theme of “Gamblers and Their Games.” Targets with cowboy outlines and shapes in the fashion of card suites, a poker table



top on one stage, and a bar on another. There were two moving targets fashioned like mine cars and a stage with a train from which to shoot. It was BIG.

The evening of the first match day was graced with a movie, the world premiere of *The Golden Gun*, professionally written and produced by R. J. Ricochet (SASS #42570). It starred many North and South Carolina Shooters. Scarlett Darlin’ (SASS #96680), the starring heroine, provided door prizes including Bullets by Scarlett. As the sun began to set, an almost full moon rose on the horizon. (Even the Moon was BIG.)

Saturday concluded the final day of the match with the final five stages. Now it was all done but the cele-

brating. The Saturday Night Shindig continued the theme of “Gamblers and Their Games” as folks gathered for *hors d’oeuvres*. Food was served by An Event to Remember consisting of three main meats, vegetables, deserts and more. There was more than enough for all.

The costume contest had the usual categories. The couple’s category also had a theme color, purple. None other than Cat Ballou (SASS #55) accompanied by Longbranch Lloyd (SASS #40090) won the theme color couple competition. Special categories and gifts were presented for the best dressed Lady and Gentlemen Gambler, in keeping with the theme.

Now all that was left was the final day. As the sun rose on Sunday morn-



NORTH CAROLINA STATE CHAMPIONS - RED RIVER RAY AND SIXGUN SALLIE

ing, our minister for Cowboy Church, Lash Toru (SASS #85004) grabbed his guitar, started off with *The Old Rugged Cross*, and delivered the message of the Lord.

Awards included 28 Clean Match awards as well as 22 awards for “the one that got away.” State and category winners were announced in the usual fashion.

Special awards were provided for the Top Hand Award and Cowgirl Queen Award. These special awards are presented each year to individuals cho-

sen for their tremendous contribution to Cowboy Action and many years of dedication promoting the sport. This year the Queen Award was received by Cotton Tail (SASS #59475). Top Hand Award went to Three Cut (SASS #58264). Cowboy Spirit awards were also given to an individual on each posse, selected by posse members, for their outstanding contribution and support during the match.

After the Awards Ceremony, the duels began for the Top 16 cowboys and Top 8 ladies. When the dust settled, Shamrock Sadie (SASS #78511) was the top lady and Cody Maverick (SASS #93440) was the top Cowboy.

Now it was all done, and everyone began to load up and head out having enjoyed another match, visiting with their friends and enjoying a great time. Make plans to come to the Uprising at Swearing Creek 2018. It's going to be BIG!

OVERALL WINNERS

Shamrock Sadie, SASS #78511 (Lady) and Red River Ray, SASS #33254 (Man)



OVERALL WINNERS - RED RIVER RAY AND SHAMROCK SADIE

NORTH CAROLINA STATE CHAMPIONS

Sixgun Sallie, SASS #38989 (Lady) and Red River Ray (Man)

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RANGE WAR 2017

BY RJ LAW, SASS #15466 LIFE

The Michigan State Championship of Cowboy Action Shooting™, also known as The Wolverine Rangers Range War, takes place over Labor Day weekend each year. 2017 was our nineteenth Range War and we are looking forward to our twentieth anniversary Labor Day weekend in 2018. Thanks to our Main Match sponsor, Doc Noper Gun Leather and our Main Award sponsor, Ed's Custom Leather Crafts. We almost always have good weather and 2017 was no exception – in the low seventies

for the main match on Saturday and Sunday. Just about perfect for Cowboy Action Shooting™.

We had 187 shooters complete the match, coming to Michigan from the states of Alaska, California, Colorado, Florida, Iowa, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Nevada, Ohio, Pennsylvania, and Texas, as well as from Ontario and as far away as Australia. Thanks to everyone for attending and thanks especially to K.C. Woody (SASS #77699) for coming all the way from Australia!

Match Director Deuce Stevens (SASS #55996) and his lovely wife K.J. Stevens wrote all the stages and they did their normal great job. There was a little

bit of everything including plenty of movement. Deuce and K.J.'s son Speed Stevens (SASS #89038) shot his first Range War and it was a hoot to watch him. He will be very good.

Friday started with the Cowboy Mini Match and Wild Bunch Mini Match. We had good participation on all of the mini matches, which seem to be getting more popular than the speed side matches. Thanks to Straight Arrow Hombre (SASS #64386) and hOOt Hamilton (SASS #86407) for running the Cowboy and Wild Bunch mini matches, respectively. We also had our normal speed side matches as well as long range, pocket pistol, and derringer. We would also like to thank Mike Fink (SASS #29047) and Moe Gunns (SASS #26854) for running Cowboy Trap. We continued this year with what will be our tradition of free pizza for Friday lunch after the mini matches and side matches were completed.

This year we carried over our theme from last year of honoring our service men and women. Each of our stages featured a military veteran from some of our favorite Westerns, including Audie Murphy, James Arness, Mel Brooks, Lee Marvin, James Garner, Jimmy Stewart, Henry Fonda, Clark Gable, Paul Newman, and Ernest Borgnine. We were pleased to have back this year the Traveling Wall of Honor from AMVETS Post 29, Mount Clemens, Michigan in memory and honor of Michigan fallen soldiers who fought in Desert Shield/Desert Storm, Operation Enduring Freedom (OEF), and Operation Iraqi Freedom



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(OIF). Our Opening Ceremony was Saturday morning and we had all of our service men and women who were shooting the match come up to the front. Our Shooters Handbook included a list of our shooters and their military and public service. We have the Handbook posted on our website at www.wolverinerangers.org. Please check out the photo of the Traveling Wall and the list of our shooters and their military and public service. We are very proud of all of them and I would like to say again, "Thank you for your service."

Saturday night we continued with our Cowboy Campfire where we ask anyone who plays an instrument or would like to sing or recite poetry to join us. Thanks to Snuffy Dave Edwards (SASS #51055), Laurie L'Amour (SASS #94581), and Sixgun Scotsman (SASS #68879) for joining in on the fun. Rumor has it Korupt Karl (SASS #68444) and Kil R Bea (SASS #104649) will be bringing their guitars and will be singing at the next Range War. There I said it Karl and Bea. No backing out now! I did see a Facebook picture of their Christmas tree and I saw two guitars in the background, so that is a good sign.

Thanks also to Artie Fly and Sexie Sadie of Major Photography and Longshot Lillian (SASS #94602) for taking pictures of our shooters during Range War.

Sunday night we had our banquet at Alexander's, a short distance from the Range. We always have compliments on our banquet and will continue the tradition this year and look forward to seeing all of our shooters in their fanciest duds.

We look forward to seeing all of our old friends and our new friends for our twentieth anniversary match, August 31, and September 1-2. Visit our website for more information.

OVERALL WINNERS

Two Sons, SASS #12636 (Lady) and Skeeter Lee, SASS #100584 (Man)

MICHIGAN STATE CHAMPIONS

K.J. Stevens, SASS #62782 (Lady) and Three Gun Cole, SASS #50738 (Man)

Visit www.wolverinerangers.org for a complete list of 2017 scores.

GUNFIGHT IN DIXIE 2017 SASS SOUTHEAST REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

BY HOT LEAD LEFTY, SASS #94206

Memphis Gunslingers and Memphis Sport Shooting Association are proud to have hosted the SASS Southeast Regional Competition held November 7-11, 2017. Gunfight in Dixie XV was a roaring success! Thanks to all who participated! It was an honor to have Judge Roy Bean, SASS #1, and Justice Lilly Kate join us along with 225 Cowboys (169) and Cowgirls (56) from 22 states—New York to Florida, North Dakota to Texas and Arizona, including eleven from Iowa.

Southeast Regional commenced Wednesday night with the banging and clanging of the Black Powder Blast. Smoke rolled and flames lit up the night providing fun to both those shooting and observing. When the smoke abated, it was Fast Eddie (SASS #76308) from Georgia winning the bragging rights.

Thursday was a full day starting with transition clinics to support our SASS scholarship program. Doily Gang Instructors Shamrock Sadie, Kathouse Kellie, Honey B Quick, and Dodge City Dixie shared their knowledge and experience with the Cowgirls, while Lead Ringer and T-Bone Dooley taught the Cowboy class. Twenty-nine Wild Bunch shooters enjoyed a fun four-stage mini match. The three-stage morning and afternoon warm up matches allowed shooters to get ready for the main match. Other afternoon happenings included side matches of fastest pistol, fastest rifle, and fastest shotgun (both double barrel and 97), along with long range competitions. After a Cowboy yard sale and social hour we had a great potluck dinner with friends and stayed warm around a nice campfire late into the evening.

On a brisk Friday morning the main match commenced for five stages of Cowboy Action fun in beautiful cool weather. The stages were fun and challenging with plenty of action



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and movement.

In the afternoon, shooters enjoyed beverages and great food prepared by Mike Smith of Butcher Block. The shooting ended with the State Team Match, which was won by the talented North Carolina team that included Lash Toru, Sandhills Slim, and High Noon Henry. In the evening, Mike served a delicious steak dinner. As the sun set on the range, awards went out for Black Powder, Wild Bunch, Long Range, and Side Matches. The day ended with another night around the campfire.

Saturday was another cool day, with temperatures warming to a nice sunny autumn afternoon, and everyone ready for five more great stages. At the end of the day, we had a total of 36 clean shooters. After the Main match, the Top

Gun Shoot Off man to man or woman to woman gunfights were on, and when the dust settled, Prestidigitator was the men's winner and Kathouse Kelli the women's winner, squaring-off to compete for the overall win. Winner, Prestidigitator.

Saturday evening, shooters traveled a short distance to the banquet venue to enjoy famous Memphis barbecue and the awards ceremony. Justice Lilly Kate spoke passionately about the SASS Scholarship program, which supports young Cowboys and Cowgirls. These young people are the future of our sport and need our full support.

Since it was the Southeast Regional the ten main match stages were chosen from state matches within the region. It is great to have Mississippi back in the Southeast Regional with Kentucky join-



ing in 2018.

In closing, thanks to all the Cowboys and Cowgirls who attended. We hope everyone had a great time and hope to see you next time for an even greater regional. Join us November 6-10, 2018 for Gunfight in Dixie.

OVERALL WINNERS

Kathouse Kelli, SASS #72384 (Lady) and Prestidigitator, SASS #52251 (Man)

SOUTHEAST REGIONAL CHAMPIONS

Dodge City Dixie, SASS #90920 (Lady) and Prestidigitator (Man)

Check out all the winners and scores at www.memphisgunslingers.com



LAST STAND AT THUNDER RIVER 2017

BY CHEYENNE RANGER, SASS #48747 LIFE

PHOTOS BY TEXAS ROOSTER, SASS #39957 AND KANSAS CITY SNEED, SASS #71319

The Thunder River Renegades held their annual match December 2, 2017 at the club range, which is almost directly across from the Texas Renaissance Festival northwest of Houston. While no knights in shining armor nor court jesters showed up, we did have 84 shooters brave the early December weather to shoot, eat, and generally act like nine-year-olds playing Cowboys and Indians. (This year found us “suffering” temperatures in the mid-seventies with a light breeze and partly cloudy skies... kinda makes up for our summers and good ol’ Hurricane Harvey.)

As we do at every match in The Republic we opened with pledges to the U.S. Flag, the Texas Flag and a prayer, this year lead by Senior Deacon (SASS # 90468). We also welcomed our special guests, Judge Roy Bean (SASS #1) and his child bride, Justice Lily Kate (SASS #1000). We have the pleasure of having this young-at-heart couple live in our neck of the woods and Kate is a regular participant at our monthly matches when she and The Judge aren’t touring the country as Good Will Ambassadors for SASS.



OVERALL MATCH WINNERS OKLAHOMA DEE AND HOT TAMALE

During registration and continuing all morning long our Match Sponsor Copan Coffee <https://shopcopan.com> provided free cups of its products as well as donating individual sample packs for each of the shooters bags. Copan is an online coffee distributor located in Tomball, TX that deals in premium Honduran coffees.

TRR has long had the practice of sending out a match booklet with written descriptions and diagrams of the targets for each match about a week ahead of time and LSTR2017 was no different. This allows shooters time to read and plan their approach to each stage; some have been known to set up mirror stages in their living rooms and shadow



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Oklahoma Dee presented Christmas tree-themed prizes to all the match winners. The match offered a total of 46 categories for both female and male shooters and our 84 shooters chose 39 of them. By far the largest category with 10 in it was Elder Statesman. Twenty of the 84 shooters earned the clean match award—a Buffalo Pin—for their keen eyes, steady hands, and a memory good enough to remember the stage directions. They represented 23 percent of the total attendance.

The Spirit of the Game Award was presented to Texas Drifter (SASS #100168). Drifter recently had rotator cuff surgery and shot the match with one arm in a sling in a modified Josey Wales Category (he used two additional revolvers in place of his rifle and no shotgun). He was in pain throughout the stages but made it through to the end.

Last Stand at Thunder River 2018 will be held November 31-December 1. Please visit <https://thunderriverrenegades.com> for details.

OVERALL WINNERS

Hot Tamale, SASS #78531 (Lady)
Oklahoma Dee, SASS #44562 (Man)



REGULATORS RECKONING 2017 TENNESSEE STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

BY HT TERRY, SASS #100412

Wartrace, Tennessee October 12-14. The Wartrace Regulators hosted The Regulators Reckoning at their range. We had 210 Shooters sign up from 17 states and the weather could not have been more accommodating.

Thursday was a day for looking over the various match stages, meeting folks and friends, and partaking in the various side matches. This was also the day shooters were encouraged to show their colors in support of cancer research by wearing pink. Of course, none could even come close to out-pinking Randy Saint Eagle (SASS #64903), who has for a long time strongly supported this endeavor.

The day also included the Black Powder and Wild Bunch mini matches. Additionally, various side matches were also held, which included cut-the-rope, speed rifle, speed shotgun, speed pistol and long range, to name a few, with the man-on-man and team-on-team matches closing out Thursday's events followed by the traditional chili cooking contest.

Friday started the serious event of the State Match, with a welcome by Chapter President Whiskey Hayes (SASS #41999) and a safety meeting conducted by Papa Dave (SASS #17266), followed by a prayer, the pledge of allegiance and a hearty Yee-Haw before the ten posses headed to



OVERALL TOP SHOOTERS – SHAMROCK SADIE AND PRESTIDIGITATOR

their shooting stages. This year's stages included the Depot, Death Valley, the Trestle, the Livery, the KO Corral, the Jail, Jersey Lilly's, Wells Fargo, Grafton's, and the Gallows.

Friday night a true south of the border meal was served by Rollin' Chopstix followed by awards for the events held Thursday. Closing out Friday's activities, a drawing was held for assorted fine beverages compliments of the Jack Daniel's Distillery.

Saturday dawned with the ten posses completing their remaining five stages. It was another fine day with more serious and truly fine shooting. The shooting started to wind down around 2:00 o'clock with shooters heading out to prepare for the awards banquet that evening at the Bell Buckle Café Banquet Hall in Bell Buckle, Tennessee.

Whiskey Hayes hosted the banquet and awards ceremony and, following an



TOP TENNESSEE SHOOTERS – SLICKS SHARP SHOOTER AND BOXX CARR KID

excellent meal, the moment everyone was looking forward to – the presentation of this year's winners. Kicking things off was the induction of Shamrock Sadie as a Jedi Gunfighter. Randy St. Eagle was proud to announce well over \$5,000 was raised for cancer research this year!

OVERALL WINNERS

Shamrock Sadie, SASS #78511 (Lady) and Prestidigitator, SASS #52251 (Man)

TENNESSEE STATE CHAMPIONS

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TRAILHEAD 2018 AT AN HISTORICAL TEXAS CLUB

BY TEXAS FLOWER, SASS #43753 LIFE/REGULATOR

March 22-25, 2018. The sun was shining, the Blue Bonnets were blooming, and Cowboys and Cowgirls were having a great time in the town of Gunsmoke, Texas! Gunsmoke, located near Columbus, is the home of the Texas Historical Shootist Society (THSS) and their annual match, Trailhead.

Texas Mac (SASS #43494) and I had not been to Trailhead in a while but were able to get it on our schedule this year, and we are glad we did! A beautiful Texas location, a unique western town, great stages, new bigger and closer targets, and the friendliest folks anywhere!

Founded in 1989, THSS is the oldest Cowboy Action Shooting™ club in Texas. The club affiliated with SASS in 2003. Their location has always been on the Brune family ranch. Construction of the western town and stage fronts were started in 1993 and completed in 1997. Some of the first club members were Mike Harvey, Joe Bowman, Nick Nixon, and Bob Baer.

After checking in at the Marlin Building (Marlin Firearms was the Trailhead main match sponsor for about 15 years), we got our guns and headed for the side matches. Not only did we find all the side matches you would expect, but also 1911, .22, Pony Express, and Plainsman side matches. Later in the day, shooters could compete in a Trail Walk and a Night Shoot.

Shooting categories offered in addition to all the SASS categories were Cody Dixon, Sharpshooter, and Outlaw. Decked out in appropriate cowboy attire, everyone was ready to shoot the first five stages on Friday morning. The scenarios were easy to understand, no procedural problems, and I really liked the new closer targets. With all the beautiful Blue Bonnets around, it was a fabulous setting to behold. The theme this year was “Cowboy Sidekicks,” and we had fun quoting Festus, Tonto, and Gabby Hayes, to name a few. Friday evening at the Gunsmoke Pavilion, a tasty fajita dinner with all the “fixings” was provided, side match awards were given out, and lots of shooter prizes awarded. (I won a \$50 gift card!)

We finished up the last five stages on Saturday morning. After lunch, some folks headed to the long range shooting area for the “big gun” competition. The Ellinger Chamber of Commerce Building was the location for the Saturday night



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banquet where the category awards were presented, a costume contest was held, and more prizes were awarded including several guns!

Sunday morning shooters had the opportunity to participate in the Master Gunfighter, Couples, and Team Shoots before putting away their guns and heading in all directions for home.

If you have never been to Trailhead or not in a while, put it on your “bucket list.” We had a great time and plan to be back next year. Hope to see you there!

OVERALL WINNERS

Diamond Kate, SASS #95104 (Lady) and Oklahoma Dee, SASS #44562 (Man)

For a complete list of winners please visit www.thss.org



Trailhead 2018

By Texas Drifter SASS #100168

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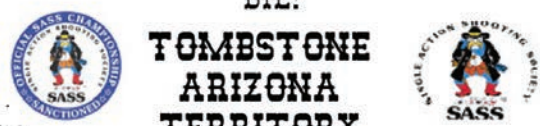
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SMALL CREEK: KID GALENA RIDES CONTINUED FROM THE APRIL ISSUE

BY THE CAPGUN KID, SASS
#31398

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.

CHAPTER SEVEN

THE VISITORS SMALL CREEK, KANSAS

Rufus McCorkindale faced Noah on the porch of his shop. “Now, mind you, it ain’t that I forgot how I got to settle up with you.”

Rufus approached Noah a few minutes ago, long about two o’clock, while Noah was taking a break from his work to smoke a bowl of the tobacco that arrived two days ago from Virginia. Noah nodded with an apprehensive smile as Rufus continued the proposition.

“The truth is that I need a shotgun rider for a while because my pard up and left for New Mexico, seeking silver and other precious metals that he hopes will yield a fortune.” Noah nodded, the look on his face inviting Rufus to continue.

“Bennet Mason’s crew ain’t due for another week at least and Axel says I could mebbe persuade you to ride with me on account of you are a trusty fellow with grit upon whom a man can depend and who is not currently engaged in any great backlog for your trade. Besides,



it will not encroach on your date to go a’riding with the Masons”

It irked Noah that Rufus would know about his engagement with Bennet and his daughter. It irked him even more his low volume of business would be common knowledge. Less than a month here in Small Creek and his economic picture was threatening. The capital would sustain him for at least a year, per his carefully thought out plan with his brothers and his local banker back in Connecticut, but the truth was, Noah Dobbs was more than lacking work. Now, in his first month in Small Creek, he was pinching some pennies and was as thoroughly bored as he imagined his horse, Loopy had become. He began to anxiously await the change that would come as the summer ended. Both Big Foot Fawcett and Pete Williams had long ago joined the chorus informing him that, when the Circle D Crew rode in with their herd, they usually brought in a goodly amount of work. Besides, Bennet Mason was known to be free with his money and demanding in keeping his crew well outfitted. Indeed, Shorty Allen verified that the day he came over to the shop for a new knife sheath, promising he’d let Mr. Mason know about the handy leather work available. But, again, that was still at least a week or two away.

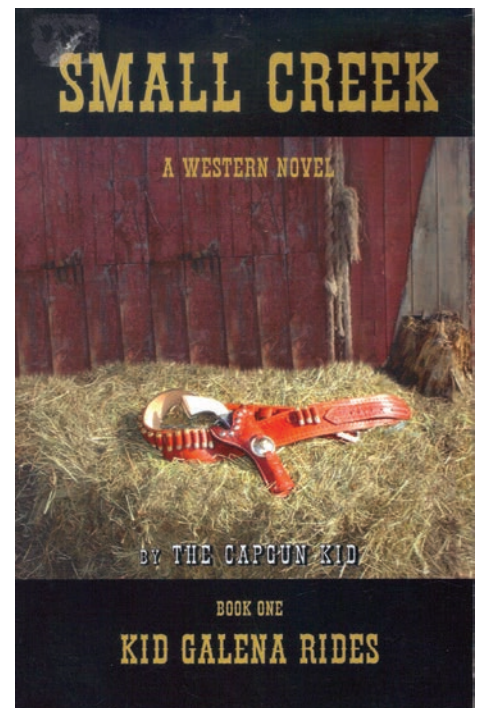
“All right,” Noah replied slowly, offering Rufus his tobacco pouch. “I see. Now, what does riding shotgun entail, Mister McCorkindale?”

Rufus took the pouch in his thick hand, and withdrew it to first push his broad-brimmed hat back on his fore-

head before fishing out some papers to make a smoke. Noah privately wished the burly man would wipe his forehead because it seemed about to flow away with all the perspiration that emanated from it. Although trying desperately to be solemn, Rufus almost smiled as he answered, “Oh, you don’t need the Mister part. You and me are friends, at least on my part.”

“Well, then, is there any reason to rush to settle up with a friend?” asked Noah, feeling a little tired of the issue at the stage house altogether.

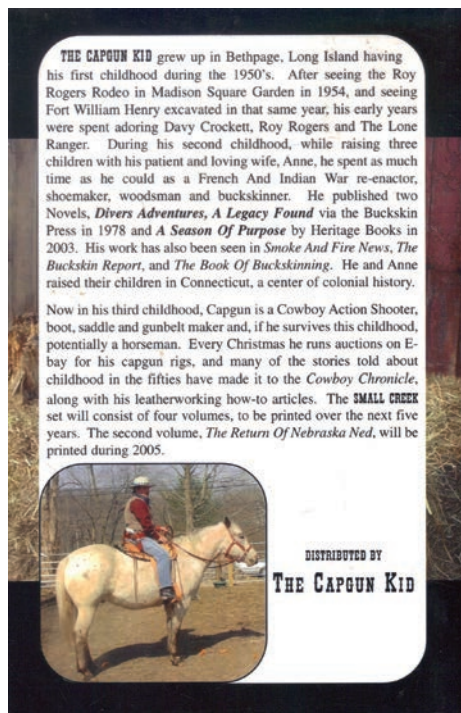
“No, I don’t believe there is.” replied Rufus, thoughtfully as he handed the pouch back to Noah. “Besides, I judge the issue inconvenient in light of the



business at hand.”

Noah began to feel intensifying amazement at the growth in this man's diction, evidence of the quality of Miss Mason's teaching, and even more astonishment at the formal behavior he was exhibiting. “All right,” he started with a nod, “tell me exactly what it is you need from me.”

Rufus finally wiped his brow before lighting the oversized cigarette he just made from the pipe tobacco, then cleared his throat, leaned forward on the porch, and spoke softly, as if burdened with the gravest of secrets. “The Sheriff don't feel that Portugee and Ned are really flushed out of the territory after that little to-do that you boys had back in the coulies. This is around the time when the businessmen of Abilene begin sending their money up here that will not be invested in the Texas herds. Besides, one or two of 'em always comes up here early on our very stage, bursting with greenbacks to purchase some horses from Ben Mason and the Mason cattle herd its very own self. They do this knowing his herd is somewhat fatter and of a generally higher quality because he ain't gotta march 'em all the way up



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.

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from Texas.”

Yup, thought Noah...still needs work at Miss Mason's School...

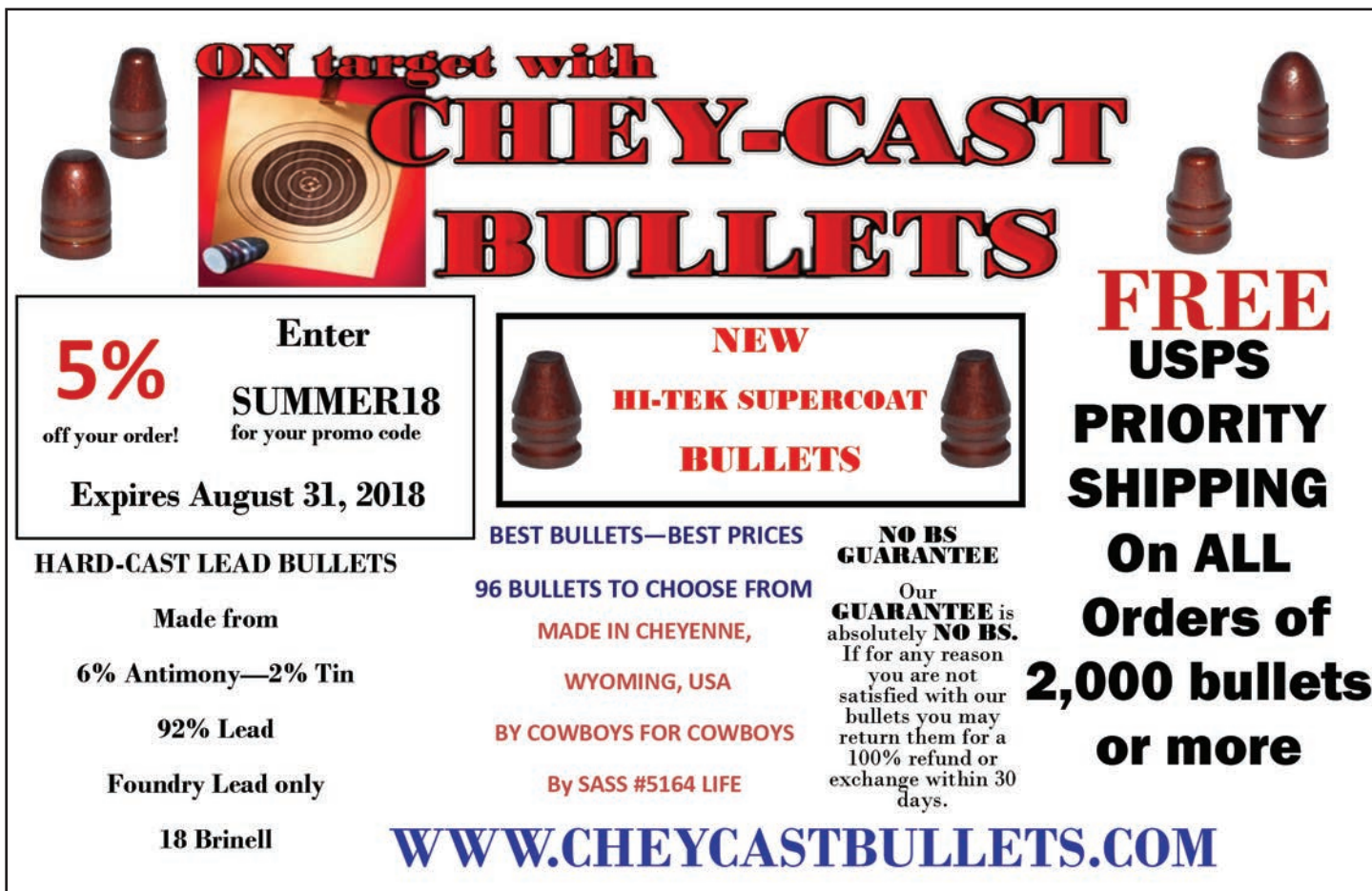
“Besides,” continued Rufus, “It'll only be for the two runs I will make this week, because another rider is coming in

from Sedalia at the behest of the company. That'll be Monday-Tuesday and Thursday-Friday. We'll stay in Abilene on the first run and at the station on the second run, so as not to be too predictable. You'll get to be back here all of Wednesday and Wednesday night. Pay is four bits a run, with another two bits for expenses.”

“Well,” nodded Noah thoughtfully, “That's about four bits more than I'm making now. All right, Rufus, I'll be privileged to work with you.”

Noah extended his hand and had to refrain from wincing as Rufus shook it tightly with a broad faced grin on his face. The burly driver related the departures and arrivals, with the associated details, to Noah and bid him good day. As he strode away, visibly pleased with the outcome of the conversation, Noah saw the door of the jail open up and the figure of Axel Sweet emerge, pipe in hand. The Sheriff was now a regular visitor, sometimes offering and sometimes asking a bowl of tobacco. Today he asked.

“You know,” he started as he meticulously placed small bits of weed into his pipe, “It is sort of a compliment that



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Rufus would even ask.” Today he had his familiar briar bulldog pipe where the lateral lines around the equator of the squat bowl were supplemented in both north and south hemispheres by tiny, yet well-defined figures of Arabian Horses. The engraving and carving was very delicate. Noah watched him with interest every time he packed his pipe, never once resorting to stuffing the bowl into the pouch and pushing tobacco in with the index finger the way most fellows did. Nothing was spilled, and the perfect pack seemed to be achieved every time, giving a cool and aromatic smoke. Noah shifted from leaning against the front of the building, meaning to go inside and fetch the spare chair for Axel. “Is that a fact?” he asked. Sweet waited for him to come out, nodded thank you for the amenity and said, as he bent to sit down, “Yessir, Noah Dobbs The-By-God Fourth, that’s a fact. Moreover, most folks have already decided they approve of both your craft and honest demeanor. You don’t often see that out here, especially after what these folk went through with the Jayhawkers and the war and the Banker and all.”

Axel stretched out his legs. There were a few minutes of silence before Axel asked, “You taking that magnificent equine of your out for a ride today?” Noah replied that he’d do so in about an hour, maybe staying out long enough to catch the sunset. “Uh-huh,” grunted Axel as he nodded his understanding.” Well, you might want to abbreviate your tour and be at Wendell’s for some supper. Word is Alice Mason, Helga Thompson and Helen Fawcett are all baking pies even as we speak with the intention of offering them at a common supper over to Wendell’s.”

“Well, smiled Noah a little sheepishly, “I don’t know how folks’d take it if I showed up at my own behest.”

“You ain’t showin’ up at nobody’s own behest. The truth is Helen and

Helga both asked me to invite you special. Even Alice wants you to come, although I’ll allow she’d rather die than admit it. When you gonna get married?” Noah snorted and Axel smiled in evident self-satisfaction at his little taunt. Then he changed the subject and continued, “Folks here appreciate the way you risked your life to save our little metropolis from the dastardly hand of evil doers as you battled them nobly back at the coulies, Kid.”

Noah would have gotten past the marriage remark and enjoyed the compliment, but started at the needling over being Kid Galena. He motioned to Axel with his free index finger and began to protest but the Sheriff had previously thought out the process of departure as he coughed, abruptly stood up and stepped out into the street. With a tip of his hat and a backward glance, he uttered, with a twinkle in his eye, “And bring extra ammunition for yore popgun. Maybe we’ll pepper some planks out by the bales on the way over.”

Axel did not look back, but crossed the street with a clownish little gait to stress his enjoyment of the point. At the end of the town, by the stage house, not seen by Noah but perceived out of the corner of the eye of Axel Sweet, stood that fop Roberts and Andy Farrell, the Circle D Drover. If Axel had no appreciation for the windbag Roberts, he had an overt mistrust of Andy Farrell. Could not put his finger on it, but felt it nevertheless. When Ben Mason approached him regarding Andy, Axel made one suggestion; while in town today, have Pete Williams put a special shoe on Andy’s horse. Maybe make one half the shoe a little longer than the other, and mount it on the left rear hoof. He’d be easier to track that way. The truth was, Bennet Mason had arranged to meet with Andy in town that very afternoon, so the plan was convenient. He’d have his whole crew bring in their remuda

for shoeing next week. They’d have all of Andy’s horses shod a little differently, so the ruse could be hidden

Mason was in the habit of coming in to Small Creek about a week before he brought his heard of cattle or remuda of horses so he could place orders with the merchant community and answer correspondence from outside buyers. He also took the opportunity to dine with his daughter. This time he’d ride back in the morning, inasmuch as he planned to stay over in the hotel. Before leaving town he’d check the horseshoes Pete would lay out for Andy’s string to see what they looked like.

In fact, Noah was looking forward to the arrival of the Circle D Crew as a special event because, as he’d read in so many of Mr. Williams’ dime novels, the arrival of a heard and the wild cowboys was, in and of itself, an adventure. Noah’s mind began to drift and stray in the mild and pleasant doze he was engaged in as he sat on the porch, nodding here and there. The excitement of having a street full of real cowboys was what he was sleepily dwelling on. He snorted with a start, looking sheepishly around to see if anybody caught him napping, to be satisfied that he escaped scrutiny. When he looked down The Turnpike toward the stage office, he got his first glimpse of Bennet Mason. The figure emerging from the heat waves off the dirt street, sitting astride his Dappled Gray Tennessee Walking Horse, could have been no other.

The animal appeared to be about fifteen hands high. He held his head high, as was the characteristic of that breed, and Bennet found this so conducive to his pride that he fairly glowed with his left hand on his hip as he bounced softly atop the gait the gray maintained. The front brim of his wide, white hat was uniformly and neatly turned slightly upward, revealing his sun-beaten and worn face that was highlighted by red

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hair streaked with gray. From his mutton chops to the lock of hair that hung under his hat and over his forehead, Bennet Mason looked quite like the sort who would take the time to conquer a frontier and build a prosperous way of life. He was looking at Noah most of the way up the street. Neither smiling nor frowning, Bennet just kept staring as he moved forward. Noah resolved not to buckle and stared back.

When the Gray stopped it was facing Noah with its hindquarters toward the Sheriff's office and jail. Mason sat there, intense green eyes fastened on Noah. His Gray snorted a long snort that smacked of arrogance, as if the animal knew it was royalty. Noah stared back, not getting up.

"I am Bennet Mason." He started, as if the name, in and of itself, should produce awe.

"I know who y'are." Responded Noah, not to be buffaloed, "And I am..."

"I know who YOU are." Interrupted Mason.

For a brief instant, Noah was content to admire the blue wool shirt, silk neckerchief, carefully stamped and decorated wrist cuffs on each forearm and broad white hat that defined Mason's vanities. He could feel the urge to respond and not let this proud man dominate. Mason again spoke up.

"Yore Kid Galena. A deadly pistoleer, so I am told."

Noah flushed, and the rising anger cost him demeanor. "The Name's Dobbs. Noah Dobbs The Fourth. I know no Kid Galena, so you must have been told wrong. Good day, Sir." He arose as if to leave.

"The Fourth? Where are the other three of ya?" Noah, now preparing for combat and having his temper steadily rise, began to form his reply when he was cut off by the absurd shaking of Mason atop his mount. At first it looked to Noah that the man was going into an apoplectic fit, and his stomach jumped slightly. Bennet Mason's shoulders heaved jerkily, completely out of rhythm with his head, which also bobbed slightly, steadily and in quick motions. It dawned on Noah in such a way as to take him by surprise that Ben Mason was not going to fall down dead after all. He was merely laughing. Having a real good time of it, too, enjoying this moment as if it were specifically

designed for his own entertainment.

When Mason dismounted, Noah noticed his neat boots were well cared for and still retained a soft luster. That said something about him. Maybe he was not so bad after all. Mason stepped up onto the porch and put his face inches away from Noah.

"D'ya know why I can beat the tar out'n any man in this town?" asked Mason in a level voice so menacing that Noah had to catch himself before shrinking back. "NO," responded Noah, staring him straight in the eye, "I don't know why you can beat the tar out'n any man in this town. But I suppose you're going to tell me."

Surprisingly, Mason winked, his bushy eyebrow almost creating its own breeze. He softened his voice decidedly as he smiled and replied, "I sure am. It's because if there ain't a hunderd and ten percent chance that I'm gonna win the scrap, then there ain't gonna be a scrap. You learn precious philosophy like that when you get older." Mason winked, and his face softened.

After a short pause in which Noah was trying to smother a smile, Mason held up a brown paper sack and asked, "Seeing as how I heard nothing but good reports about you, it's safe to say that there will be no confrontation out here in the sun. Moreover, inasmuch as my little girl made some lemon cookies, how's about you invite me in and brew up a pot? She don't make lemon cookies for rascals, villains or folk she don't like, so it must speak highly of you that I carry this sack. I'll lay odds that rascal of a Sheriff will smell the stuff, amble on over here and save me the effort of making my way to his jail with my business."

Noah smiled and motioned Bennet inside, interrupted in his gesture by the gray, who stamped once and nickered. Bennet, surprised, turned around to face the animal. He extended both his arms out to his sides, and asked in an impatient voice, "What?" The horse cocked his head and stared at Williams' Blacksmith Shop. "Well, go ahead, but don't be all day and don't bother his mares!" The gray turned and trotted over to the fence, where he was greeted by Pete Williams and let in.

Ben chuckled, pointing to the animal and muttering, "Old Hank knows Pete has a soft spot for any horse. Sometimes I think Hank'd rather live with

Pete than live with me." With that, they stepped through the doorway into the cool, semi-darkness of Noah's shop. Mason stared around, taking in all the detail. He nodded in approval, uttering softly, "Yup. They told me you was a man of his word and a man of the craft. Your shop speaks well of you." Although a little surprised, Noah managed to choke out a thank you, keenly aware that Bennet Mason was a specialist at dominating the scene, no doubt as a result of his years of experience on the prairie.

"I'm bringing in a remuda and some cows next week, and I'd like to bring in some of our tack and gear that needs repair. You do repair, don't you?"

"Yes Sir, I do." At Noah's reply, Mason nodded his approval. "How much is a fair price?"

"I charge materials and seven cents an hour."

"Oh." Replied Mason, a little concerned about the rate, "Well, how much you charge to make something new-like?" Noah paused. Now it was his turn and he did not want to lose the moment. "I charge materials and five cents an hour."

"I see." Replied Mason, now a little more pleased, "Well then, if you have a mind, I'd like to bring you some work, and leave it to your judgment whether you fix or make anew. How's that sound?"

"That'll do. You just bring it in and I'll provide a frugal service."

As Bennet Mason was deciding that he liked this boy, they made some small talk over the coffee and cookies that Noah began to immediately take a fancy to. Mason wanted to know about the gunfight in the coulies and the bank robbery. He also gave Noah a bit of a history of Small Creek and, more significantly, Abilene. He talked for several minutes at a time speaking highly of Joe McCoy, the man who set up the stockyards in Abilene at the rail head so the Texas Herds could come up to Kansas. He talked of how McSweeney managed to save Small Creek from ruin by making sure the moneyed folks at Abilene perceived it as a banking safe-haven. It was, in fact, McSweeney who thought up the idea of driving a Circle D Remuda down to Abilene for sale to the horse-hungry Texas Cattlemen. He waxed prophetic about his value to the Texas Cattlemen by supplying them with

those horses, how his small, managed herd supplied buyer needs without crowding the Texans, and how he worked with both McCoy and McSweeney for stable profit taking.

Bennet let it be known he was pleased to be riding with Noah and Alice a week from this Friday, and outlined the amount and types of gear to be brought in from the ranch. He was especially interested in Connecticut, the hat companies of Danbury and the Noah's six-gun, that he'd heard about from Rufus. He talked freely about horses, the range, ranch life and his cattle. That was something Noah wanted to hear more about, so he listened intently and encouraged the man to keep talking by asking him questions. Suddenly some color and dimension seemed to be added to this dreary little town. Bennet rose to leave, staring vaguely out the window at the jail. He turned, and stated rather than asked, "You might wanna think about helping us on the drive down to Abilene. You don't look 'zackly like a sort who'd be content to waste his life in a store, so get some healthy dust into yore lungs and help us drive them horses... that is... iff'n you don't get yore tenderfoot arse hurt before then."

The shoemaker, trying desperately to conceal his delight over doing something so basically western, agreed and asked him to take the cookies, indicating his understanding that they were an item Axel and McGee would be interested in. Mason thanked him, and, standing in the doorway, facing the blacksmith, said in an elevated voice, "Hey! Hank! Meet me over to the jail and don't dawdle beyond your welcome!" At first, Noah wondered to whom this man was speaking, thinking for a moment that it'd be Andy or Pete. Then it dawned on him that Hank was the name of Ben's horse, as he had just been told. It would seem illogical to someone from the east, but then again Bennet Mason struck him as a sort of man who'd think nothing about maintaining a long conversation with his own horse.

When Mason left he turned and pointed to the hat Noah kept hanging on a peg on the wall. It was the hat Noah was turning toward to make him look like a westerner from the dime novels. "For a fella coming from Danbury, the capital of hat makers, you need another hat, Pard." Muttered Bennet as he left. Noah cleaned up the blue, enameled cups and stoked the stove so the humble little summer fire would burn out. He organized his tools, cleaned up the scraps and made ready to leave the shop. Going to his little house up the Turnpike was still much of a novelty, and he sometimes thought he'd be better off building a small one nearer the shop. Then, again, the odor of the stable would be more constant here, so he abandoned the thought. When he put his hat on, he felt a little self-conscious. He locked his front door and turned to go home. He walked slowly up The Turnpike to his little green-pine house with the white picket fence, mindful of the setting sun as he walked. There was a mild breeze and even a hint of a shower, rain being welcomed this time of year. He was anticipating the Friday morning riding event with the Masons, and wondered what to make of the job he had just secured as an armed guard. As he left the shop behind him he did not notice Hank, reins down, shuffling quietly from Williams' shop to the Sheriff's Office, on time to suit Bennet Mason.

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QUEEN VICTORIA WAS RATHER GLOOMY AND SET THE TONE FOR THE ERA.

STRANGE VICTORIAN PRACTICES

BY BIG DAVE, SASS #55632

You might think that the Victorian Era (roughly 1830-1900) was stilted and stuffy, and in many cases you'd be right. The average Victorian of the middle and upper classes was patriotic, religious, and careful to mind his or her manners. Some things just weren't talked about—like sex. Queen Victoria famously advised a bride on her wedding night to “lie back and think of England.” If Victoria really said that, England must have been on her mind a lot. She had nine children with her husband, Prince Albert. All this notwithstanding, there were some downright weird aspects to the Victorian era that are baffling to the modern mind.

Despite all the optimism about progress and technology, there was a gloomy undercurrent to the period. Maybe this had something to do with Victoria herself. After Prince Albert died in 1861, she went into permanent mourning. For the remaining forty years of her life she wore black. She attended séances and consulted spiritualists. Victoria's grief seems to have seeped into the general outlook of the time. There was a kind of morbid

preoccupation with death that pervaded the Victorian era.

Technology and morbidity came together with the quaint practice of getting photographed with one's dead relatives. Photography was the new rage and people couldn't wait to have their images taken. You had to sit very still or the image was blurred. Someone eventually put two and two together and figured out corpses would make ideal subjects for photography. These final images would help relatives with their grief. The notion went one step further when someone else figured out the whole family could get together one last time with the recently departed.

An ingenious device was invented which would prop up corpses so they could be photographed in lifelike positions. It involved retractable tubing as well as braces, clamps, straps and a stand. All you had to do was hook up Aunt Emmie to the gizmo, pose her in the desired position, gather the rest of the family (who were still living) around, and presto! Aunt Emmie gets a final sendoff and her family gets a memento.

Of course, rigor mortis might pose a problem in getting Aunt Emmie into the right pose. I didn't really want to research this, but I imagine the person who clamped her into the gizmo had a handy rubber mallet lying around, and the pose was struck, so to speak, out of the family's earshot.

Taxidermy was a popular Victorian hobby, but there was an aspect to it that had an unwholesome twist. It was considered acceptable to pose dead animals in tableaux where they were happily doing human activities like playing the piano or sitting down to dinner. A respectable Victorian could enjoy scenes that involved several stuffed kittens at the opera or a cute scene with baby rabbits at tiny desks studying their adorable hearts away.

It would be interesting to see what would happen if a person were to obtain one of these tableaux and smuggle it into the middle of a PETA conference.

Surely it would incite disorder. This may be something for my bucket list.

My wife and I had the dubious pleasure of visiting a museum of taxidermy during a trip to England about twenty years ago. Perhaps we were lucky because the place has since been closed and the collection dispersed. The museum was called “Mr. Potter's House of Curiosities” and was located at the Jamaica Inn on Bodmin Moor in Sussex. I was tired of driving on the wrong side of the road, my wife was interested in the Jamaica Inn, and I noticed it had a pub. We decided to give the museum a try. It was a curious place, to say the least.

Although I'm pretty jaded, the Museum of Curiosities gave me the creeps. Walter Potter practiced his taxidermy skills on everything he could get his hands on and his scalpel into. He was particularly interested in stuffing mutated animals like two headed sheep and twin calves that had been fused together before birth. (I'd call them Siamese calves, but they were apparently English.) We then progressed to the room that held cute but deceased animal tableaux. By that time, I was wishing I'd stayed in the pub. Where and how did he get those all those dead baby rabbits and kittens?

As we left the museum, I asked the lady at the counter if there had been a suspicious disappearance of vagrants and prostitutes during the time when Mr. Potter was practicing his hobby. “Someday,” I predicted, “a false wall will collapse and reveal Mr. Potter's masterpiece.” The lady shifted nervously and took on that harried look I've observed when my jokes fall flat. Another patron laughed nervously but avoided eye contact.

Spiritualism, which bore the stamp of approval from Victoria herself, was another morbid aspect of the period. Séances were popular, especially in the U.S. during and after the Civil War. It was a way to obtain closure since departed Uncle Ed wasn't up for a photograph after Pickett's Charge and neither was Cousin Clem after the Battle of Franklin.



MARY TODD—PRESIDENT LINCOLN'S WIFE—CONSULTED WITH SPIRITUALISTS.

(It wasn't practical to pose what remained of them into one of those newfangled dead family photo devices.) There were plenty of frauds and grifters who were willing to convert the sorrow of others into dollars for themselves.

Mary Todd Lincoln consulted with spiritualists following the death of her beloved son Willie in 1862. He had been a victim of typhoid fever. Desperate to communicate with the little boy, she allowed herself to fall under the influence of charlatans. The president, who was utterly skeptical, allowed it to go on because he feared, rightly so, that his wife was hovering on the brink of madness. Lincoln was also crushed by the boy's death and hoped Mary's new pastime might help her cope. Ultimately, little of value came of it unless you look at the events from the Confederate side. Mary's connection with spiritualism proved embarrassing to the Lincoln administration.

Victorians also enjoyed going to "freak shows." These were common carnival attractions that featured unfortunate citizens who had physical deformities. You could, for a fee, observe "alligator people" with unenviable skin conditions, microcephalics or "pinheads," bearded ladies, obese people, "little people," and other examples of Mother Nature's terrible whimsy.

The most famous of the Victorian "freaks" were the conjoined twins



CHANG AND ENG BUNKER LED SURPRISINGLY NORMAL LIVES.

Chang and Eng Bunker. They were a major feature of PT Barnum's "Greatest Show on Earth." Adding to their oddity was the fact they were both married (their wives were un-conjoined sisters). Between the two of them, they fathered twenty-one children. Chang and Eng led surprisingly normal lives and were respected slaveholders in North Carolina. Two of their sons fought in the Confederate Army.

Were the Victorians so greatly different from us? In some ways, yes. Modern people, at least to my knowledge, do not pose their dead relatives on cleverly constructed devices. We don't arrange stuffed baby rabbits into schoolroom scenes and neither do we encourage the practice. There are no more "freak shows," unless you make the mistake of watching a Congressional debate on TV. Nevertheless, modern people like morbid and odd things.

We gleefully look at weird articles on the Internet. As I write this, there is a headline announcing the death of the world's heaviest woman on CNN. It is replete with pictures (I refuse to look at them). Recently there was much publicity about the twins conjoined at the head and the successful operation to separate them (the whole thing horrifies me.) Furthermore, modern people have an ongoing fascination with contacting the dead.

The TV show *Ghost Adventures* continues to be popular even though its evidence of finding spectral apparitions is sketchy. The hosts have an electronic device that supposedly picks up the voices of the ghosts, although the sounds they broadcast could be anything. I guess if you remix the noises enough and stand on one leg facing south, you can convince yourself you're being spoken to from beyond the grave. I recently visited the Washoe Club in Nevada, where *Ghost Adventures* got its big break, and felt absolutely nothing otherworldly about the place. My wife and I even went on the ghost tour. You'd think a ghost would be especially eager to contact an historian, but nothing happened.

The Victorians can be forgiven for their morbid pastimes. After all, this period was nearly the apex of Western Civilization. It was an era typified by hope and optimism, as opposed to the self-doubt and pessimism that often plague us today. The Victorians

may have been stuffy when it came to "behaving properly" in society and equally "stuffy" (no pun intended) when it came to cute little dead animals, but at least they believed in progress. If they had weird ways of dealing with death, the same could be said of modern times.

It almost seems that our present time has abandoned all hope of progress and a better future. Despite the fact Victorians sometimes focused on a morbid present, we seem to wallow in a morbid past, present, and future. Maybe our attitude is the dubious gift of 24/7 news coverage and social media. It's hard to look at the news and feel optimistic. Facebook, depending on how you look at it, is either a nice way to stay in touch with friends and relatives, or a stench in the nostrils of the Almighty. No wonder we Cowboy Action Shooters™ are drawn to the Victorians.

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HOW I GOT MY ALIAS BALD EAGLE, SASS #94933

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When I started Cowboy shooting my nickname was pretty obvious to any that have seen me without a hat!

Initially my wife wasn't interested, she thought we were strange dressing up at our age, but eventually she came along to a match to have a look and really enjoyed the atmosphere and friendship. She found a sudden interest in costuming too!

I manage to get a few smiles when people ask how she got her name, I tell them she has a birth mark in the shape of the Southern Cross (what we see in the night sky down under) in a personal place... but then I'm quick to advise that when she was little her father called her that, as she had freckles on her face in the shape of the Southern Cross.

Her father has passed on now but before he did he commissioned a nice jade necklace for her with the southern cross in diamonds inset into it. So her Cowgirl name was pretty obvious and has stuck now.



SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT SASS KICKER, SASS #91899

EDITED AND ADAPTED BY
JUSTICE LILY KATE, SASS
#1000

My name is Jessica Kirkham and I shoot by the alias of SASS Kicker. For the past five years, my family and I have been a part of the wonderful community of SASS. I am thankful for this amazing organization and all the opportunities it has afforded me. It has granted me valuable time with my family, including my brother Cody James (SASS #90540), my father Kirk James (SASS #90539), and my supportive mother, Jackie. Additionally my uncle, Tom Elder (SASS #76631) and my cousin, Tom Younger (SASS #76332) shoot. In fact, they originally introduced my family to Cowboy Action Shooting™.

I am fortunate to live in Arizona,

which has numerous shooting clubs full of competitive and welcoming people. I have always belonged to Yavapai Rangers, a club my uncle, cousin, and aunt (Javelina Hattie, SASS #102703) help manage near my hometown of Sedona. I also participate at the Arizona Cowboy Shooters Association at Ben Avery Shooting Range as well as Cowtown in New River.

Not only has SASS allowed me to meet terrific people, it has played a tremendous role in supporting my education. I am a current sophomore at the University of Arizona where I am in the College of Medicine majoring in Physiology. After graduation, I will attend medical school. Currently, I would love to become a fertility specialist, since I was conceived through a small medical miracle. I would like to use my gifts and talents to help others start a family.

Although many people have impacted my life, my biggest inspiration was my grandfather. For those of you who don't know, my grandfather passed away this December. I had the privilege of living with him during his last two years. He gave me his blessing to follow my dreams and the wisdom to cherish and build relationships. His spirit, love, and support will continue to guide me.

SASS had such an impact on my family, my grandfather stated one of the greatest thrills in his life was living to see my brother and I win National Championships at Winter Range.

In addition to family, the SASS community has been incredibly supportive. I have met amazing people from all over the world. These individuals have supported me have been generous with their time and resources. Numerous shooters from my local club celebrated my graduation. It is such a blessing to know I have this extended family that embraces me. SASS members have supported my family and me through the passing of my grandfather, and are always willing to see I am provided for. The love and support from SASS has already helped me so much and I am grateful for them. I am proud to be a part of this incredible SASS family and I hope one day I can pay it forward and impact others as I have been impacted. In closing, I would like to share the utmost gratitude to all those involved in the SASS Scholarship, including the committee and its donors. It has allowed me to focus on my education and goals of becoming a doctor while lowering the stress and financial burden that college brings.

TRAILMARKERS

PALAVER PETE, SASS #4375 **LIFE REGULATOR** **DECEMBER 8, 1934 – MARCH 3, 2018**

With a heavy heart we must share the news of the passing of our friend Peter Pedone, AKA Palaver Pete. He passed away after a heroic battle with cancer with his wife of 57 years, Sandy, at his bedside.

Pete was a mentor to many new shooters—as well as some of us with more experience—and a wonderful spokesperson for SASS®, Cowboy Action Shooting™, and the shooting sports. As a member of the Pine Mountain Posse and the Horse Ridge Pistoleros he could always be counted on for stage design and setup as well as any other club functions and responsibilities. He was a frequent contributor to *The Cowboy Chronicle* and was involved with the Cowboy Memorial Chapel early on. Life Member, Regulator, Territorial Governor, Range Officer, there was nothing that Pete didn't do. His will be some big shoes to fill.

He grew up in San Jose, California in a large Italian immigrant family and wrote about it in a published novel entitled *My Sicilian Nana: A Memoir*. After graduating high school he joined the Marine Corp and when his tour was up he joined the ROTC at San Jose State College. After graduation as a Second Lieutenant he served in the U.S. Army at stations all over the world including Viet Nam where he was awarded the Bronze Star. After 26 years in the military he retired as a Lt. Colonel. Pete is survived by his wife, his son, Peter Jr., daughter, Michael, five grandchildren, four great grandchildren, and many nieces and nephews.

Pete always closed his articles and other writings with “You're A Daisy If Ya Do” so Pete, thank you, you're a daisy if ya do!

—*Stonewood Kid, SASS Life Member #62875*

When I started shooting more than 15 years ago, Palaver Pete was already a fixture in the Horse Ridge Pistoleros. I can still see Pete – ramrod straight, dressed in black hat, black frock coat, and black stovepipe boots, timer in hand – gently guiding a shooter through the course of fire. Pete's precise directions gave even a newbie like me hope that I could do this thing called Cowboy Action Shooting™ – just like Gene and Roy. As I got to know Pete, I grew even more impressed – and Pete became a role model to me. As long as he was able, Pete was active at the shooting range, organizing and leading monthly matches. I learned much about good stage design from Pete – keep it simple, a good stage design prevents procedural – the goal is to shoot safely and have fun. You're a daisy if you do, Pete. Adios.

—*Ballarat Slow Lee, SASS #65231*



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LOREN SACKETT SEPTEMBER 1, 1941 – JANUARY 7, 2018

BY ROY SACKETT, SASS
#103849

Harley L. Brinkley (Loren Sackett, SASS #105031) of Bixby, Oklahoma wanted to be a cowboy by the age of five. This was evidenced when he asked his mother if they could name his new brother Roy Rogers. (The best mom would do was use Roy as his brother's middle name.) Growing up in Arkansas, Harley and his brother spent many happy hours watching Roy and other cowboys on television in a time when westerns ruled the airways, especially on Saturday mornings.

Harley soon became involved in Scouting, attaining the rank of Eagle Scout, and was a Vigil member of the Order of the Arrow. He became intrigued with Indian folklore, making elaborate costuming and participating in campfire dances. (Perhaps the next best thing to being a cowboy!) At the completion of college, Harley was commissioned a Second Lieutenant in the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. He retired as a Lt. Colonel, having served

two tours in Viet Nam and receiving numerous citations, including the Bronze Star. After the military, Harley enjoyed a career as an executive in oil and gas property acquisitions and development for Phillips Petroleum and other companies.

Harley became involved in Cowboy Action Shooting™ in 2016 and joined SASS in November of that year. Like everything else he did, he was “all in.” He chose the alias Loren Sackett out of his love of Louis L'Amour westerns and following suit of his brother's alias Roy Sackett. His brother, Phyl, used his middle name Roy, so Harley used his middle name Loren and when they got to shoot together, always introduced himself as Roy's older brother.

Just as he had throughout his life, Harley made friends quickly in Cowboy Action Shooting™ circles. A regular shooter in Tulsa area clubs, he also traveled to Arkansas to shoot with his brother at the Outlaw Camp in Heber Springs, or with the Mountain Valley Vigilantes in Hot Springs. At his last shoot, the first weekend of December 2017 in Hot Springs, Harley got his first ribbon. He was so excited!

Harley was not a fast shooter, but often paraphrased a quote attributed to Wyatt Earp, “speed is good, accuracy is better, so take your time, in a hurry.” It was only fitting that when he was laid

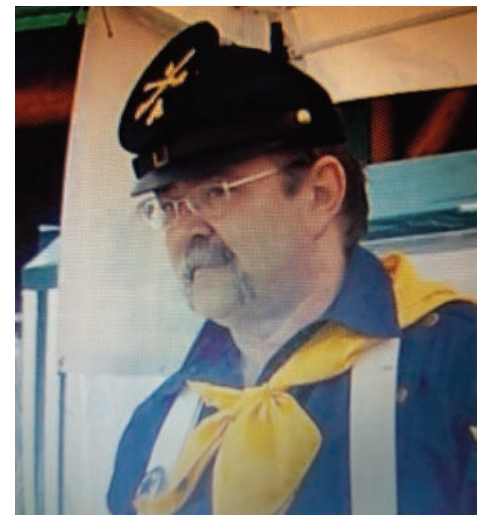
to rest in Ft. Gibson National Cemetery with full military honors and that his brother shared “The Cowboy's Prayer” used by Roy Rogers in all those Saturday morning shows.

“Happy Trails,” Harley.

RICK VON DER HOLLE, SASS #66306 FEBRUARY 5, 1953 – JANUARY 22, 2018

BY SHERIFF R.T. LEE, SASS
#109419

Richard C. Hoch II (Rick von der Holle, SASS #66306) passed away in Bloomsburg, PA after a hard-fought battle with Cancer. Rick shot on the Cabelas' team in Hamburg, PA where he worked as an Administrator in the Firearms Department. Rick loved SASS and was always promoting the sport. He loved his Ruger Vaqueros and his Yellow Boy Rifle. On his death, he passed down his Cowboy collection to his loving wife Debra (Dreese) Hoch of Bloomsburg, and a pair of USFA China Camps to his 47-year friend Sheriff R.T. Lee of Seaford, DE (Paden Posse, and Eastern Shore Renagades). Rick is survived by a son, mother, and five Sisters. Debra is going to follow Rick's traditions and start Cowboy Action Shooting. She has already attended a “Geezer Shoot” at Sudlersville, MD and the folks there said she was a “keeper.” Rick's presence and loving nature are missed, but being enjoyed by others in Heaven.



POLITICS

THE REAL PROBLEM WITH MASS SHOOTINGS, PART 2

BY **STONEHAWK WEST, SASS**
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Welcome back. Last we talked, my liberal stepbrother Jack and I were having a discussion about gun control. Jack had sparred with me saying people shouldn't be allowed to have military-style weapons and he tried to stand on the moral high ground by accusing me of defending the AR, which "isn't good for anything but killing a lot of people really fast." But I took back the moral high ground by accusing him of not caring about people's rights to defend themselves and I pointed out if people had been allowed to arm themselves against historical tyrants, most of the genocides in the world could have been prevented. I closed with the real problem with mass shootings, and that is the presence of evil in the world. And so we continue...

Stepping up to the kitchen bar, I slid a beer across the counter at Jack. "So, can you accept that?"

"What?" Jack replied, not sure about which point I was asking.

"If we want to live in a free society then some things are going to be out of our control because there is evil in the world?"

"Yes," Jack agreed, "I can accept that some things would be out of our control, but I think we can do a lot better at controlling and preventing other things... the important things... like reducing gun crimes and saving people's lives."

Typical of gun-grabbers, Jack disregards my earlier points that demonstrated when guns are taken away from regular people more people usually die, whether by criminals or by governments.

Jack continued, "We can't just keep doing nothing!"

"Wait a minute, what makes you think we're doing nothing?" I've heard this before from gun-grabbers. If there's a gun crime then apparently "we're doing nothing." Raising my voice, "There are thousands of gun laws that infringe on people's rights to protect themselves. We delay gun purchases. We track gun purchases. We limit magazine size. We tell people where they can and cannot carry a gun. We enforce strict requirements to carry concealed. We require many kinds of legal reports to be filed. In some states ARs are illegal to purchase and in other states guns are required to be locked up so you can't get to them if you need them. We're NOT 'just doing nothing' and no matter how many laws and regulations you pass to restrict people's freedoms and rights, there will always be bad people doing bad things."

Pushing back now, Jack defends his utopian dream, "All those things are good, but it's not enough! We need to be more like Japan who barely had a

dozen murders last year in the whole country. If they have trouble they just call 911 like you're supposed to."

I paused here to use an analogy I like, "All right, so let me ask you... do you have a fire extinguisher?"

Jack says, a little confused at the sudden change of topic, "What? Uh, sure, I have three, one in the kitchen, one in the garage, one..."

"Why?" I interrupted, "Why do you have so many extinguishers?"

Looking a bit annoyed, "So I can put out a fire if I need to."

"If you've got trouble, don't you just call 911? The fire department will be there in just a few minutes." Long pause. "Get it? When seconds count, it doesn't do much good for the police to show up minutes later to draw a chalk line around your body. Everyone has the right to defend themselves at the moment a threat is upon them... and so do you. And we have a right to use any means necessary to eliminate the threat, including a gun, because there's a good chance the criminal has a gun."

"And about that Japan reference," going into my teacher mode, "if you knew what the Japanese have to put up with, you might not be so keen on emulating them."

Jack rolls his eyes, "I suppose you're going to educate me so you can somehow deny the fact gun crimes hardly exist in Japan."

"Yes on the education. But no, I won't deny the fact because it's true. Japan has very few gun crimes, almost none. But there are some good reasons for it." Counting on my fingers, "One, it's a much older and smaller country than America. This makes it easier to maintain their traditions and control people. In America, since before the Revolution to the expansion of the West, guns were a part of our culture because it was necessary for food and national defense since we didn't have much of a military back then, and this all happened right when gun technol-

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ogy was making big strides. So we've always had a gun culture, unlike Japan. That's two. Three, they don't have a Constitution that protects people's rights, and I'm not just talking about the Second Amendment. They also have no rights for legal representation or protections against self-incrimination or privacy rights or property rights like we do. If they suspect you of a crime, they can haul you down to the station and beat a confession out of you and you have no recourse. Amnesty International calls the Japanese police custody system a 'flagrant violation of human rights.'

"Where do you get this stuff?" questioned Jack.

"I don't play video games, I read. It comes from a research paper titled Japanese Gun Control by Dave Kopel. I keep a copy of it filed away. It's also part of a book he wrote."

Jack seemed a little surprised, "You make it sound like the Japanese aren't even civil."

"Oh, they're civil. Very much so. Probably more so than Americans, but their civility and extreme respect for authority is rooted in a history of fearing the police. To this day, Japanese people are subjected to unannounced searches of their homes every year, sometimes two. In that search, the police take inventory of their valuables and survey the people who live at the address. They even ask about their sexual habits, especially teenagers. Low Japanese crime rates are a lot less about gun control and a lot more about the attitudes and culture spawned from people control. Not to say they don't have the kind of gun control that Progressives dream of. They do, but they also have civil liberty nightmares under which most Americans, even Liberals, would not be willing to live. And that's why the Japan versus America argument amounts to apples and oranges."

Running out of things to say, I make another comparison, "Let me ask you something else, Jack. Do you think it's fair people judge ALL Muslims by the actions of a few radical terrorists?"

"No, of course not."

Before he could go on about that, I jump in. "Then why do you judge ALL gun owners by the actions of a few radical killers who happen to use guns? You don't demand new regulations when terrorists run people over with trucks."

"I'm not judging gun owners," Jack insisted, truly believing he's not.

"I'd say you are, because if you feel you're justified in taking away people's property, their guns, like they do in Japan, Australia, and the UK, then you're passing judgment and penalties on them for crimes other people committed. It's no different than the government confiscating your cookware because the Boston Marathon bombers used a pressure cooker as their bomb."

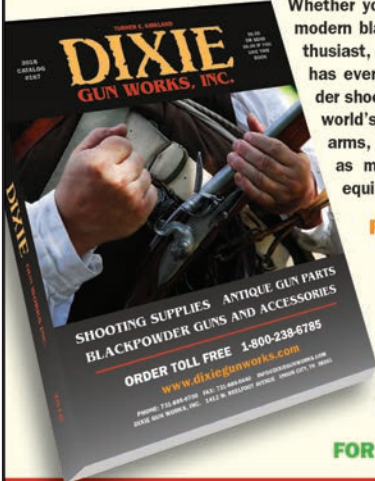
Seeing the silliness in that, Jack smiles, "Why can't we all just be nice to each other? The golden rule, you know."

"If you're looking at the big wide picture, we won't find it this side of heaven, my friend. Let's go out to the range this weekend and I'll show you how that 'mean looking AR' isn't much different from other semi-auto rifles."

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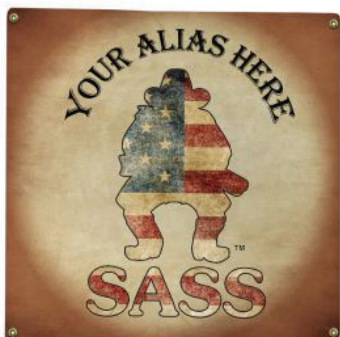
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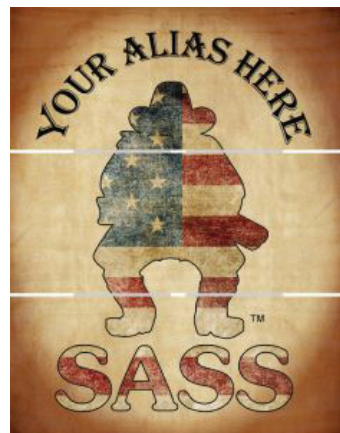
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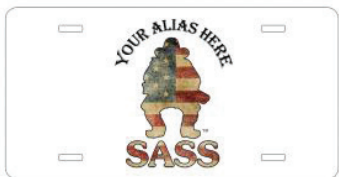


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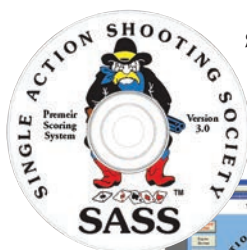
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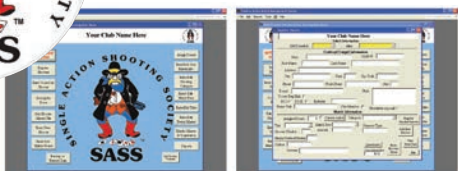
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CLUB NAME	CITY	MATCH DAY	PHONE	CONTACT	RANGE LOCATION
AUSTRALIA					
AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY					
Majura Rangers	Majura	1st Sat, 3rd Sun, & Every Tues	N/A	Blinky	SSAA-ACT Shooting Range
NEW SOUTH WALES					
Cowboy Action Shooters of Australia	Teralba	3rd Sun	0418-474179	Lonesome Dove Runs With Wolves	Newtrec 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.		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		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	Stampede 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					
BRITISH COLUMBIA					
Kamloops Target Sports Association	Kamloops	As Scheduled	250-573-2885	Gunfighter Jim	Kamloops Target Sports Association
Red Mountain Renegades	Mission	1st Sun	604-820-1564	Preacher Flynn T. Locke	Mission and District Rod and Gun Club
Valley Regulators	Courtenay	3rd Sat	778-420-0021	Helena Handbasket	Courtney 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 Pelè Gun Club
NOVA SCOTIA					
Nova Scotia Cowboy Action Shooting Club	Camden	As Scheduled	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
Huronina Gunfighters	Penetanguishene	Thurs	705-526-8459	Buffalo Bri Bowie	Huronina 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
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	42077776066	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 Mazaugaise 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 Calhound	Association Sportive Fiers Messei
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	Puylagarde	As Scheduled	06-75-70-36-78	Cheyenne Little Colibris	A.S.T.P.V
Green Hills Cowboys	Athis De L'Orne	As Scheduled	1 33 6 07 84 32 99	Vallombreuse	N/A
Greenwood Creek Gang	France	1st & 3rd Wkd	33688091360	Handy Hook	N/A

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Joly's Saloon	Bernay	Oct-Nov	02-32-43-35-95	Myra Maybelle Shirley Reed Starr	Joly's Saloon
Loire Valley Regulators	Cornery	As Scheduled	33 6 88 267372	Marshall John McClane	Club de Tir Sportif de Touraine
Old West French Shooters	Chatillon	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
Tir Olympique Lyonnais	Lyon	Sun	04 78 22 41 20	Thierry Dadoy	N/A
GERMANY					
CAS Europe	Heerd	Wed	28235807	Hurricane Irimi	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	Caritzi Springs
ITALY					
Association Federal Old West	Civitella Val Chiana	As Scheduled	3663232538	Jonh 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
Buller Spittin' Sons O' Thunder	Palmerston North	2nd Sat	+64275221920	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
SLOVAKIA					
Slovak Western Shooting Association	Domaniza	As Scheduled	+421903667096	Bambino	Shooting range Domaniza
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	Kreuzlingen	As Scheduled	+41 79 909 92 70	Texas Knight	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 Shootist Society	Fairbanks	2nd Sat & Last Sun	907-479-9339	Drover Knutts	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	205-369-2702	Cahawba Kid	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
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					
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	480-266-1096	Pecos Clyde	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	4th Sun	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 Shootist 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
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
Double R Bar Regulators	Lucerne Valley	2nd Sun	909-228-5154	Smiley Ed	Lucerne Valley Lions Club

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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 Shootist 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	530-467-4045	Wichita Belle	Dodge Range
Hellodoro 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
Imperial Valley Rangers	Imperial	2nd Sun	TBA	TBA	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 Shootist 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	Camatta 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
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	Raahauge 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 Sportsmens Center
Colorado Cowboys	Lake George	1st Sat	719-491-4524	Scary Indian Dude	M Leahy C Ranch
Colorado Shaketails	Hanover	1st Sun	719-338-5912	Shootin Hoosier	Frontier Sportsman's 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 Vindicators	Nunn	3rd Sat	970-667-0734	TriggerHappy Ted	Great Guns Sporting LLC
Pawnee Station Vindicators Wild Bunch	Nunn	3rd Sun	970-667-0734	TriggerHappy Ted	Great Guns Sporting LLC
Pueblo West Vigilantes	Pueblo West	2nd Sat	719-545-9463	Grizz Bear	Pueblo West Sportsmen's Assoc.
San Juan Rangers	Montrose	1st Sun	970-417-6247	Kodiak Kid	San Juan Shooting Range
Thunder Mountain Shootists	Whitewater	3rd Sun & Prec. Sat	970-464-7118	Pinto Being	William Jarvis Shooting Complex
Thunder Mountain Shootists Wild Bunch	Whitewater	2nd Sat	970-260-5432	Colorado Blackjack	William Jarvis Shooting Complex
Windypag Regulators	Cortez	1st Wkd	970-739-9705	Stumble Leena	Windypag Regulators

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
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FLORIDA

Antelope Junction Rangers	Clearwater	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 Range and Gun Club
Fort White Cowboy Cavalry	Fort White	2nd Sat	352-222-4214	Confederate Colt	Fort White Gun Club
Gold Coast Gunslingers	Sunrise	1st Sat	786-256-9542	George Washington McLintock	Markham Park Pistol and 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 Sch	352-208-2788	Arcadia Outlaw	Eustis Gun Club
Miakka Misfits	Myakka City	3rd Sun	727-488-5836	Buckshot Frank	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 Range and Gun Club
Tater Hill Gunfighters	Arcadia	2nd Sun	863-990-7822	Arcadia Ranger	Desoto Gun Club
Weewahootee Vigilance Committee	Orlando	1st Sat	407-729-8057	Dead-Aim Dave	Central Florida Rifle and Pistol Club

GEORGIA

Doc Holliday's Immortals	Griffin	2nd Sat	678-472-7778	Pale Ale Rider	Griffin Gun Club
Georgia Piedmont Regulators	Eastanollee	2nd Sat	770-540-7612	Rolan Krapts	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	808-463-0636	Darnin' Daisy	Valley Isle Sport Shooters Club
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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	319-215-0340	Grizzly Red	Turkeyfoot Long Rifles Range

IDAHO

Border Marauders	East Port	3rd Wkd	208-920-9068	Mud Marine	Kootenai Valley Rifle & Pistol Range
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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	208-866-7271	Idaho Six Gun Sam	Gem County Rod and Gun Club
Squaw Butte Regulators Wild Bunch	Emmett	4th Sun	208-866-7271	Idaho Six Gun Sam	Gem County Rod and Gun Club
The Portneuf Vaqueros	Pocatello	3rd Sat	208-237-7521	Varmint Hunter	Gate City Sports Shooting Association
ILLINOIS					
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	618-615-3988	Randolph Raider	World Shooting and Recreation Complex
Kaskaskia Cowboys Wild Bunch	Sparta	As Sch	618-663-7423	Back Forty	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	2nd Sun & 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
Midwest Gunslingers	Sparta	As Scheduled	217-971-6107	Billy the Avenger	World Shooting Complex
Rangless 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.
Tri County Cowboys	Polo	2nd Sat	779-207-5973	Msgt. SH Long	Tri County Gun Club
INDIANA					
Circle R Cowboys	Brookston	3rd Sat	219-208-2793	Mustang Bill	Wildcat Valley Rifle and Pistol Club
Paradise Pass Regulators	Erna Green	1st Sat	574-354-7186	C. C. Top	Paradise Pass
Pine Ridge Regulators	Carbon	3rd Sat	812-420-2250	Buckshot Butt	Pine Ridge Ranch
Pine Ridge Regulators Wild Bunch	Carbon	As Scheduled	812-420-2250	Buckshot Butt	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
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	Longshot 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	Paducah Shooting Sports Complex
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 Parishes Skeet Club
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
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	Mr. Airy	4th Sat	301-717-9672	Chuckaroo	Izaak Walton League of America
Eastern 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
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 Sportsman's Club
Johnson Creek Regulators	Plymouth	4th Sat	313-618-2577	Rainmaker Ray	Western Wayne County Conservation 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
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	2nd & 5th Sat	320-979-1745	Timber Jack Thompson	Kimball 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

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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 Shooter Society	Barnhart	3rd Sun	314-846-2904	Doc Slogun	Arnold Rifle and Pistol Club
Gateway Shooter 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
Shoal Creek Shootists	Joplin	3rd Sat	417-434-8169	Two Knives Tom	Shoal Creek Shooter 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

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 Stranglers	Miles City	3rd Sat	406-232-0727	Hartshot	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			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 Cattlemen's Shooting and Social Society	Creedmoore	2nd Sat	919-791-9816	J. M. Brown	Sir Walter Gun Club
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 North State Posse	Salisbury	1st Sat	336-558-9032	Tracker Mike	Rowan County Wildlife Association

NORTH DAKOTA

Dakota RoughRiders	Moffit	As Scheduled	701-400-5648	Bohunk Charley	Fried Family Marksmanship Complex
Shyenne Valley Peacekeepers	Enderlin	Last Sat	701-793-4116	Wild River Rose	Shyenne 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 Pray'n	Pelham Fish and Game
Pemi Valley Peacemakers	Holderness	As Scheduled	603-648-6641	Crystal Creek Chris	Pemigewasset Valley Fish and Game Club
The Dalton Gang Shooting Club of NH, LLC	Dalton	3rd Sat	603-444-6876	Littleton Sidecar Dalton	The Dalton Gang Shooting Range
White Mountain Regulators	Candia	As Scheduled	603-957-0377	Dead Head	Kinnicum Fish & Game

NEW JERSEY

Jackson Hole Gang	Jackson	4th Sun	908-872-7459	Dancin Angel	Central Jersey 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

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
Monument Springs Bushwhackers	Hobbs	4th Sat	575-942-8445	Curly Bill Jones	Hobbs Gun Club
Rio Grande Renegades	Albuquerque	2nd Wed, 3rd Sat, 4th Sun, 5th Wkd	505-301-4993	Rich Diamond	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

NEVADA

Battle Born Rangers	Fernley	As Scheduled	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 Wkdnd	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	Eatonbrook 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	518-368-3535	Annabelle Bransford	Kayaderoseras Fish & Game Club
Circle K Rough Riders Wild Bunch	Ballston Spa	As Scheduled	518-584-9869	Roy Cassidy	Kayaderoseras 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
Holliday's Rough Riders	Blasdell	5th Sun	716-838-4286	Rev. Dave Clayton	Blasdell Rod and Gun Club

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Oxford Regulators	Oxford	2nd Sun	607-434-8883	Doc Hostetler	Oxford Rod and Gun Club
Sackets Harbor Vigilantes	Watertown	4th Sun	315-465-6543	Ranger Clayton Conagher	Sackets Harbor Sportsman's Club
The Long Riders	Shortsville	4th Sun	585-734-0867	Loco Poco Lobo	Shortsville Rod & Gun Club

OHIO

Big Iron Rangers	Middletown	1st Sat	513-304-3505	Deadwood Stan	Middletown Sportsmen's Club
Blackhand Raiders	Nashport	2nd Sun	614-313-6122	Iron Horse Garrett	Dillon Sportsman Center
Brown Township Regulators	Malvern	Last Sat	330-904-5166	Sixgun Seamus	Brown Township 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	Arkoe Gulch-Arkoe Outdoors, LLC
Shenango River Rats	Masury	2nd Sat & Last Thurs	330-719-5078	Shenango Joe	Brookfield Tri-District Conservation 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
Wilmington Rough Riders	Wilmington	3rd Sat	740-626-7667	Paragon Pete	Clinton Township 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	405-880-0499	Paladenton	Stillwater Rifle & Pistol Club
Indian Territory Single Action Shooting Society	Sperry	3rd Wkd, 4th Wed, & 5th Sun	918-207-7586	Irish Kid	Tulsa Red Castle Gun Club
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
Tater Hill Regulators	Broken Arrow	3rd & 5th Sun	918-622-3630	Tulsey	Oil Capital Rod & Gun Club
Tulsey Town Cattleman's Association	Tulsa	2nd & 4th Sat	918-697-7396	Dry Gulch Deryl	Tulsa Gun Club

OREGON

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
Orygun Cowboys	Sherwood	4th Sat	503-539-6335	Kansan	Tri County Gun Club
Pine Mountain Posse	Millican	2nd Sun	541-678-2566	Stonewood Kid	Central Oregon Shooting Sports Association
Siuslaw River Rangers	Florence	1st Sun	541-997-6313	Johnny Jingos	Siuslaw Rod and 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	Oregon 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
Boor Hill Gang of Topton	Topton	1st Sun	610-704-6792	Lester Moore	Topton Fish & Game Association
Chimney Rocks Regulators	Holidaysburg	2nd Sat	814-695-7064	Colorado Smith	Holidaysburg Sportman Club
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
Hamburg Rifle and Pistol Club	Hamburg	3rd Sun	610-334-3504	Tombstone Coty	Hamburg Rifle and Pistol Club
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
Matamoras Mavericks	Milford	2nd Sun	570-686-3618	Ziggady Zag	Matamoras 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 Sportman'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
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SOUTH CAROLINA

Geechee 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	843-756-6351	Palmetto Jack	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

TENNESSEE

Wartrace Regulators	Wartrace	1st Sat	931-703-8274	Whiskey Hayes	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 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	432-557-6598	Dee Horne	Timberline 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
Green Mountain Regulators	Marble Falls	4th Sat	254-449-0082	Reckon	Joma Enterprises LLC

CLUB NAME	CITY	MATCH DAY	PHONE	CONTACT	RANGE LOCATION
Gruesome Gulch Gang	Plainview	3rd Sat	806-729-5887	Eli Blue	N/A
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
Texican Rangers	Comfort	2nd Sat & Sun	210-862-7464	A.D. Texaz	Adolf Stieler Ranch
Texican Rangers Wild Bunch	Comfort	5th Sat As Scheduled	830-634-3414	Crazy Clyde	Adolf Stieler 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 Shootist Society	Kaysville	2nd Sat	801-201-0700	Ruckus Rick	Wasatch Shooter's Association
Dixie Desperados	Hurricane	2nd & 4th Sat	435-673-9785	Navajo 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	Gunsmoke Range
Utah Territory Gunslingers	Salt Lake City	1st Sat	435-840-5193	Rusty Razor	Big Salty
Utah War	Salt Lake City	3rd & 5th Sat	801-518-3374	Jubal O. Sackett	WASR "Big Salty"
Wasatch Desperados	Kaysville	4th Sat	801-940-9742	Sly Steadyhand	Wasatch Shooters Association
Wasatch Summit Regulators	Salt Lake City	2nd Sun	801-201-9758	Harry Trigger	Big Salty Lee Kay Shooting Complex
Wasatch Summit Regulators Wild Bunch	Salt Lake City	5th Sat	801-201-9758	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
Mattaponi Sundowners	Shackelfords	3rd Sun & 4th Sat	804-241-5418	Potter County Kid	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

VERMONT

Verdant Mountain Vigilantes	St. Johnsbury	As Scheduled	802-363-7162	Doc McCoy	Caledonia Forest and Stream Club
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WASHINGTON

Apple Valley Marshals	East Wenatchee	3rd Sat	509-667-9377	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	Oris Orchards	1st & 3rd Sun	509-991-5842	Halfcocked Oris	Oris Hills
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	Rhineland	2nd Sat	715-493-0152	Singleshot Virgil	Hodag Sports Club
Liberty Prairie Regulators	Ripon	3rd Sat	920-602-8925	Dirty 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

WEST VIRGINIA

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	307-760-2184	Hamley	Otto Road Shooting Range
Cheyenne Regulators	TBA	As Scheduled	307-214-7706	Wild Horse John	N/A
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
Great Divide Outlaws	Rawlins	4th Sat	307-320-7250	Slingin Lead	Rawlins Outdoor Shooting Complex

SASS AFFILIATED CLUBS 2018 ANNUAL MATCHES

CLUB NAME	DATE	CONTACT	PHONE	EMAIL	CITY	ST	WEB SITE
CANADA							
USASS CENTRAL CANADIAN REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP Battle at the Bar E Ranch	7/19-21/2018	Northern Crow	705-434-7065	crowladysmith@bell.net	Barrie	ON	www.osasf.ca
Shootout at the Double B Ranch	8/3-5/2018	Frenchy Cannuck	506-312-0455	frenchy.cannuck@doublebcowboys.com	Riverview	NB	www.doublebcowboys.com
Showdown in the Valley	8/4-6/2018	Whistlin' Will	250-338-7373	N/A	Courtenay	BC	www.valleyregulators.com
SASS WESTERN CANADIAN REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP Shootout at Bounty Gulch	8/8-11/2018	Grey Beard	306-749-2822	chuckm@sasktel.net	Saskatoon	SK	www.sawws.com
Headquarters Shootout in the Canadian West Salmonella Gulch	8/10-12/2018	Black Ashley	250-744-4705	ash_man@shaw.ca	Victoria	BC	www.vfpga.org/shooting/frontier-shootists/
SASS CANADIAN NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP	8/31-9/2/2018	Preacher Flynn T. Locke	604-820-1564	rpvl@telus.net	Mission	BC	www.rustywood.ca/rmt/rmt.html
SASS CANADIAN NATIONAL WILD BUNCH CHAMPIONSHIP The Battle at Oriskany Creek	9/15-16/2018	Serenity	905-393-4299	Peterandliz2012@gmail.com	Thorald	ON	www.decewgunclub.com
NEW ZEALAND							
SASS New Zealand Regional Championship High Noon	11/1-4/2018	Kiwi Witch Doctor	+64 21 525 347	h2k11@extra.co.nz	Ashburton		www.gonground.co.nz/Article.aspx?SiteID=1974&ArticleID=1249
CZECH REPUBLIC							
Days of Truth	8/4-12/2018	Colbert	42077776066	gasczyk@ipex.cz	Opatarny		www.aws-czech.cz
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA							
SASS Idaho State Championship Renegade Shootout	7/5-8/2018	Gem Hunter	208-466-0061	gepdaisy@msn.com	Boise	ID	idahocowboyaaction.org
Shootout at Pawnee Station	7/6-8/2018	TriggerHappy Ted	970-667-0734	cowboysk@lpbroadband.net	Nunn	CO	www.pawneestation.com
Shootout On the Sun River	7/6-8/2018	Gooch Hill Drifter	406-539-9400	ardebern@gmail.com	Augusta	MT	www.sunriverregangers.weebly.com
SASS Alaska Territorial Championship Shootout Under The Midnight Sun	7/6-8/2018	Manzanita Jack	907-317-6850	matthewst@chugach.net	Anchorage	AK	www.alaskacowboyshooting.com
SASS Oregon State Wild Bunch Championship	7/12-13/2018	Big Casino	541-848-7260	bigcasino@bendbroadband.com	Bend	OR	www.hrp-sass.com/
SASS Alaska State Championship Chatanika Shootout	7/13-15/2018	Sweet Caroline	907-378-9472	jandcholz@hotmail.com	Fairbanks	AK	www.ghssfairbanks.org
SASS Indiana/Illinois State Championship Ambush at Paradise	7/13-15/2018	C. C. Top	574-354-7186	curttbaguns@gmail.com	Ena Green	IN	www.paradisepassregulators.com/
SASS Minnesota State Championship North Star Showdown	7/13-15/2018	Timber Jack Thompson	320-979-1745	dloesq@yahoo.com	Kimball	MN	www.gcgunslingers.com/
SASS Montana State Championship Battle at Black Horse	7/13-16/2018	Jeb's Lady	406-727-7625	djljal@charter.net	Great Falls	MT	www.blackhorseshootists.com
Shootin' for the Brand	7/13-14/2018	Calamity Di Bar	580-847-2210	dibartoma@me.com	Albany	OK	rrvcowpokes.weebly.com
SASS Oregon State Championship	7/14-15/2018	Big Casino	541-848-7260	bigcasino@bendbroadband.com	Bend	OR	www.hrp-sass.com/
SASS Utah State Championship The Castle Gate Robbery	7/19-21/2018	The Wolf of North Springs	435-650-4449	N/A	Price	UT	www.thecastlegateposse.net/
SASS NORTHEAST REGIONAL The Great Nor'easter	7/26-29/2018	Preacher Ben Pray'n	401-651-5827	Heath53@cox.net	Pelham	NH	www.thegreatnoreaster.com/
SASS Missouri State Wild Bunch Championship Outlaw Range Mid-Summer Shootout	7/27-28/2018	Two Shot Hoss	417-839-8325	twoshothoss@yahoo.com	Marshfield	MO	www.so-mo-rangers.com
SASS Wisconsin State Wild Bunch Championship	7/28-29/2018	Flyen Doc Koyote	608-790-3260	kunesmark@gmail.com	Holmen	WI	www.wvildbunch.com
SASS Missouri State Blackpowder Championship Outlaw Range Mid-Summer Shootout	7/29/2018	Two Shot Hoss	417-839-8325	twoshothoss@yahoo.com	Marshfield	MO	www.so-mo-rangers.com
Shootout on the Platte	7/28-29/2018	Scruffy Skippy	402-276-1391	fricke_roofing@hotmail.com	Columbus	NE	www.columbusrifecubcowboys.weebly.com/
SASS Washington State Championship Westmatch	8/3-5/2018	Margarita Villain	206-979-7495	dsrbtoys@aol.com	Renton	WA	www.rucascowboys.com/
Ambush on the Prairie	8/3-5/2018	Ranger Mathias Fischels	319-240-2224	ted.simons@mchsi.com	Elk Run Heights	IA	www.turkeyfoot.org
SASS WESTERN REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP Chorro Valley Shootout	8/8-12/2018	Sinful	805-286-1188	michaelgarripee@yahoo.com	San Luis Obispo	CA	www.chorrovallyregulators.com
SASS Vermont State Championship Green Mountain Mayhem	8/10-12/2018	Doc McCoy	802-363-7162	docmccoy@gmavt.net	St. Johnsbury	VT	www.vtcowboys.com
SASS Idaho State Wild Bunch Championship	8/10-12/2018	Idaho Six Gun Sam	208-866-7271	sixgunsam@cablone.net	Emmett	ID	www.gcrgc.org
SASS NORTHWEST REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP	8/16-19/2018	Missy Mable	208-731-6387	missy@idahocas.com	Jerome	ID	www.idahocas.com
Squinty Eye Western Shoot	8/17-19/2018	Wagonmaster	218-780-6797	wagonmaster4685@yahoo.com	Virginia	MN	www.squintyeye.com/
Ambush on the Butterfield Trail	8/17-19/2018	Lefty Too Slim	575-644-2994	ccatharp@gmail.com	Las Cruces	NM	www.picachoposse.com
Fire In The Hills	8/24-26/2018	Colonel Carbine	715-790-9959	garoth1961@gmail.com	Glenwood City	WI	www.wowsinc.org
SASS Kentucky State Championship Hooten Holler Round-Up	8/24-26/2018	Kentucky Renegade	606-776-4420	rilzon@yahoo.com	McKee	KY	www.hootenoldtown.com/
Showdown at Fort Tioga	8/24-26/2018	Dusty Drifter	607-760-5746	d.drifter@yahoo.com	Owego	NY	www.tiogasportsmen.com
Wolverton Mountain PeaceKeepers Annual Match	8/24-26/2018	Big Iron Buster	360-903-6316	bigironbuster@yahoo.com	Ariel	WA	www.wolvertonmntpeacekeepers.com
SASS New Hampshire State Championship Fracas at Pemi Gulch	8/24-26/2018	Dakota Joe	603-620-5001	dakota814@msn.com	Holderness	NH	www.pemipeacekeepers.com/
SASS New Mexico State Wild Bunch Championship	8/25-26/2018	Boggus Deal	505-506-5783	tboggus@hotmail.com	Edgewood	NM	www.lospistoleros.org/
SASS Alabama State Championship Ambush At Cavern Cove	8/31-9/2/2018	Marshal T. K. D.	256-262-4545	gofftkd@bellsouth.net	Woodville	AL	www.northalabamaregulators.com
SASS Michigan State Championship Wolverine Rangers Range War	8/31-9/2/2018	Deuce Stevens	616-890-6657	deucestevens45@yahoo.com	Kimball	MI	www.wolverinerangers.org
RoughRider Roundup	8/31-9/2/2018	Rod-Iron-Rip	701-223-3085	ripsroast@bis.midco.net	Moffit	ND	www.dakotaroughriders.com
SASS Arkansas State Championship	8/31-9/2/2018	Bulldog McGraw	501-337-9368	bulldogmcgraw@outlook.com	Hot Springs	AR	www.mvsosonline.com
SASS Virginia State Championship Star City Shootout	8/31-9/2/2018	Mad Dog Irv	504-520-5862	danzanddogs@gmail.com	Hardy	VA	www.bendofftrail.com
Drifter Daze	9/1-9/3/2018	Svenska Annie	509-953-1113	resherman1@gmail.com	Medical Lake	WA	www.windyplainsdrifters.com
Roop County Days	9/6-9/2018	Jasper Agate	775-849-7679	tgalligan4090@charter.net	Fernley	NV	www.northernnevadacas.com
The Geronimo Trail Shootout	9/7-9/2018	Chico Cheech	575-388-2531	gr@gilarangers.com	Silver City / Mimbres	NM	www.gilarangers.com/
SASS Colorado State Championship Return of the Buffalo to the Plains	9/7-9/2018	Sixty-Nine Cent Wizard	970-396-9010	sixty9centwizard@aol.com	Briggsdale	CO	www.briggsdalecountyshootists.com
SASS Maine State Championship	9/7-9/2018	Matchlock	603-512-6292	matchlocksas@hotmail.com	Berwick	ME	www.sftga.com
Northwest Territorial Shoot	9/8-9/2018	Gem Hunter	208-466-0061	gepdaisy@msn.com	Boise	ID	idahocowboyaaction.org
SASS MIDWEST REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP Gunsmoke	9/12-15/2018	Bronco Kate	507-269-2230	broncokate45@gmail.com	Morristown	MN	www.cedarvalleyvigilantes.com
SASS New York State Championship Heluva Rukus	9/14-16/2018	Maurice "Mo" Lassus	518-752-5184	donadler@hotmail.com	Ballston Spa	NY	www.circlekregulators.com/

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SASS Four Corners Territorial Black Powder Shootout Smoke at the Gate	9/14-15/2018	Fargo Kid	435-650-6544	fargokid@emerytelcom.net	Price	UT	www.thecastlegatoposse.com
Ambush at Canyon Walls	9/14-16/2018	May B. Shecann	406-531-4116	johnnyand.may@gmail.com	Hamilton	MT	www.BitterrootBuckaroos.com
State Trail Shootout	9/15/2018	Marshall R. D.	309-378-4315	N/A	Bloomington	IL	www.mcleancountyteamakers.org
Ambush at Indian Creek	9/15/2018	Mattie Hays	724-593-6602	csipe@lhtot.com	Donegal	PA	www.riverjunctionshootistsociety.com
SASS Oklahoma State Championship Ruckus in the Nations	9/20-22/2018	Marmalade	918-557-6928	rwite8524@yahoo.com	Sand Springs	OK	www.itsass.net
SASS South Carolina State Championship Fued at Dark Corner	9/20-23/2018	Cowboy Junky	864-414-5578	cowboy_junky@msn.com	Columbia	SC	www.greenvillegunfighters.com
SASS Missouri State Championship Show-Me Shootout	9/20-23/2018	Two Shot Hoss	417-839-8325	twoshothoss@yahoo.com	Marshfield	MO	www.so-mo-rangers.com/
Rampage	9/21-22/2018	Howlin Wolf	719-510-7307	wolfpow@msn.com	Fruit Heights	UT	www.wahsatchdesperadoes.com/
Verde Valley Range Wars	9/21-23/2018	Pecos Clyde	480-266-1096	pecosclyde@msn.com	Camp Verde	AZ	www.yavapaiangers.com/
SASS New Mexico State Championship Buffalo Stampede	9/21-23/2018	Garrison Joe	505-323-8487	drcoles@flash.net	Edgewood	NM	www.buffalorangeriders.org
Orygun Trail's End-Aces & Eights	9/22/2018	Kansan	503-539-6335	kansandave@aim.com	Sherwood	OR	www.oryguncowboys.us/
Fall Roundup	9/28-30/2018	Justice James Newton	309-236-5082	djmnmfour@gmail.com	Milan	IL	www.milanrifle.club
SASS Oregon State Blackpowder Championship Smoke Over Redmond Station	9/28-30/2018	Tetherow Tex LaRue	541-548-3198	halfdraq@gmail.com	Redmond	OR	www.redmondrodandgun.com
SASS Kansas State Wild Bunch Championship	9/29-30/2018	High Plains Hud	913-680-5757	zipperdodda@msn.com	Lenexa	KS	www.powdercreekcowboys.com
SASS Nevada State Championship Eldorado	10/4-7/2018	Creeker	702-328-4867	sas43022creeker@aol.com	Boulder City	NV	www.eldoradocowboys.com
SASS EASTERN DIVISIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP Mason Dixon Stampede	10/4-7/2018	Dogmeat Dad	301-253-0578	cmlimparis@compuserve.com	Thurmont	MD	www.tcandsc.org
High Noon at Tusco	10/5-7/2018	Prairie Dawg	216-334-9749	lpolsi@yahoo.com	Midvale	OH	www.tuscolongriders.com
Comanche Moon Shootout	10/6-7/2018	Dee Horne	432-557-6598	setzilton@gmail.com	Midland	TX	www.comanchetrailshootists.org/
Arkansas/Missouri Border War Shoot	10/6/2018	Lakeview Drifter	636-463-2361	lakeviewdrifter@yahoo.com	Mountain Home	AR	www.twinklakesgunclub.com
Huntsman's World Senior Games	10/9-13/2018	William Waddy	435-773-8916	drbillsdc@hotmail.com	Hurricane	UT	www.dixiedesperados.com
SASS Tennessee State Championship Regulators Reckoning	10/11-13/2018	Whiskey Hayes	931-703-8274	Bill_May@b-f.com	Wartrace	TN	www.warraceregulators.com/
Peaceful End of Track at High Sierra	10/11-14/2018	Grizzly Peak Jake	530-676-2997	trb94611@yahoo.com	Mokelumne Hill	CA	www.californiagunslingers.com
The Southwest Showdown	10/11-13/2018	Calamity Di Bar	580-847-2210	dibartoma@me.com	Albany	OK	rrvcowpokes.weebly.com
Fall Fandango	10/12-14/2018	Rich Diamond	505-301-4993	dubois-rich@comcast.net	Albuquerque	NM	www.riogranderenegades.org
SASS Kansas State Championship Millbrook Massacre	10/12-14/2018	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	10/12-14/2018	Ozark Outlaw	501-362-2963	ozarkoutlaw357@yahoo.com	Heber Springs	AR	www.outlawcamp.com
Ridin' the Trail	10/13-14/2018	Smilin Joe	325-669-5903	kjackson4@sbcglobal.net	Anson	TX	N/A
SASS WESTERN DIVISIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP The Gunfight Behind The Jersey Lilly	10/18-21/2018	Mattel Sackett	805-402-4144	mattelsackett@gmail.com	Norco	CA	www.thecowboys.org
SASS Hawaii State Championship The Great Pineapple Shoot	10/19-21/2018	Ranger Mike	808-357-1742	rangermike1014@gmail.com	Lahaina	HI	N/A
SASS Texas State Wild Bunch Championship Skirmish at Mill Creek	10/19-21/2018	Shady McLarry	817-980-7206	rickymarsh@charter.net	Cleburne	TX	www.comanchevalley.org
SASS New Jersey State Championship Purgatory in The Pines	10/19-21/2018	Cholula Mike	609-658-0115	mnielsen@ascottelectric.com	Jackson	NJ	www.jacksonholegang.com
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