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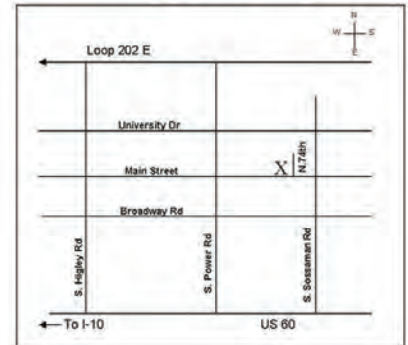
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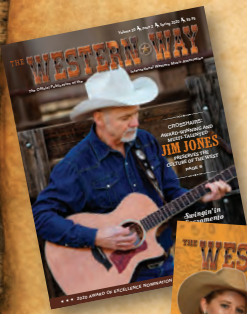


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END OF TRAIL 2022

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SASS #88223; AND MR. QUIGLEY
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The Phoenix, Arizona sunshine spilled onto Ben Avery Shooting Facility February 27 through March 6, 2022, as the 41st Annual END of TRAIL welcomed competitors from across the globe for the Single Action Shooting Society's World Championship competition. The 2022 match marked the Arizona Territorial Company of Rough Riders' inaugural production of END of TRAIL in Arizona, the group having previously and successfully produced Winter Range, the SASS National Championship competition for some 30 years.



3 GENERATIONS OF THE THURMAN FAMILY FROM MESA ARIZONA AT END OF TRAIL- COTTONWOOD KID, SASS #104973, MOOSE TASCH, SASS #105399, AND JACKPOT JERRY, SASS #95672.



MORNING CALM AT THE RANGER STATION

The first three days of the event were dedicated to the World Championship of Wild Bunch Action Shooting™. Monday morning brought high winds for a bit of a blustery start to the WBAS Main match competition that concluded on Tuesday evening with a shooters' social and awards in the main tent for the 156 Wild Bunch Action Shooting competitors in attendance. Parson's Place was the place to be on Tuesday afternoon as The Doily Gang presented a clinic to attendees eager to learn more about their "mental game" from some of the leading lady competitors in the sport. The Doily Gang has offered numerous quality clinics in coordination with event producers across the country at a reasonable price, and all proceeds from Doily Gang clinics are donated to the SASS Scholarship Foundation.

Wednesday, March 2 ushered in the beginning of the Cowboy Action

Shooting™ activities. More than 400 of the 681 Cowboy Action Shooting competitors took advantage of a variety of warm up stages in three shooting waves throughout the day. Numerous long-range events, as well as Cowboy sporting clays, Cowboy trap and skeet, and a variety of Cowboy side matches including speed events had the range buzzing all day long. The Plainsman Mini Match hosted 50 competitors and was proudly sponsored by SlixSprings.

As the range activities began to wind down for the day, attendees were delighted with a War Bird Memorial Fly over before the start of Opening Ceremonies in the main tent. The opening ceremonies gathering began with a color guard presentation and the National Anthem of the United States of America was played on violins by Frosty Mac, SASS #106064 and Quickly Downunder, SASS #99856. It didn't take long for the crowd to chime



SASS FOUNDER AND HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES R.J. POTEET, SASS #3 AND SARA SOTA, SASS #33 WITH MISTY MOONSHINE DURING THEIR VISIT TO THE 41ST ANNUAL END OF TRAIL



SARIVAL SLIM, SASS #98502 SERVING UP FUN AND ANTICS EMCEEING THE SIDE MATCH AWARDS



SHAMROCK SADIE, SASS #78511 AND CLANCY, SASS #46433 PRESENTED A DOILEY GANG CLINIC TO A WELL-ATTENDED GROUP OF LADIES

in and begin singing the lyrics alongside their melody. The 41st annual END OF TRAIL welcomed competitors from Germany, Australia, Canada, New Zealand, and 45 states of the USA traveling thousands of miles to vie for a World Championship title. Each country had a designate to carry their nation's flag into the main tent as part of the color guard for Opening Ceremonies, and each nation's anthem was played for the crowd as well. The evening was rounded out with a special presentation by the Junior Shooter Sponsor, Mernickle Custom Holsters, SASS' presentation of the Class of 2022 SASS Regulator awards, and an appreciation dinner that consisted of BBQ sandwiches and fixins.

The 12-stage main match for Cowboy Action Shooting was shot across three days, Thursday through Saturday, each posse shooting a morning wave, a mid-day wave, and a late wave rotation. Each stage boasted beautiful stage props and décor that were mindfully placed and meticulously maintained. The theme of the event was an homage to the movie *How the West Was Won* and the theme carried over into the shooting stages with snippets of information about the film and its timeline from 1839 to 1889. The competitors' starting lines, props and decor were coordinated to the story being told along the way.

The heat was on Thursday as the shooting competition began, and that wasn't the only competition being held. Thursday also hosted the shooting costume contest and judging inside Parson's place. Thursday evening's schedule included the Territorial Governors meeting at Parson's Place and a bustling swap meet in the main tent. Friday evening featured the well-attended Side Match awards presentation followed by a fun night of Bingo sponsored by Mernickle Custom Holsters and "Musical Exploits and Shenanigans" with Frosty Mac (Frosty McWilliams). A true and generous Cowboy, Frosty Mac donates the proceeds of his album sales to the SASS Scholarship Foundation. You can discover Frosty's music at www.frostymcwilliams.com.

The Arizona sunshine did not disappoint throughout the week and by Saturday morning a welcomed cool-down swept in that made for gorgeous shooting weather on the last day of the competi-



END OF TRAIL COSTUME CONTEST JUDGING PANEL: L TO R: SOUTHWEST TRAPPER, SASS #82702, ALBERTA ANNIE, SASS #85915, QUEEN OF BLING, SASS #41799, AND FLYING W RAMROD, SASS #40599.



EOT RANGE CREW AND ROC COMMITTEE MEMBERS SASSY DANCER, SASS #70118, RED RIVER WRANGLER, SASS #52503, AND BLACKJACK ZAK, SASS #26828



COWBOY SPECTATORS SPORT A STEELY GAZE OF WONDERMENT DURING THE TOP GUN SHOOT OFF



WILD BUNCH ACTION SHOOTING COMPETITORS SETTLED IN FOR THE WILD BUNCH MAIN MATCH AWARDS CEREMONY

tion and gorgeous weather for the loads of spectators to come out and enjoy the event, the competition, entertainment, and 50-plus vendors that filled up Suttler's row. The town was bustling with shoppers most of the day, and if you needed a break you simply strolled into Parson's Place to sit for a spell and enjoy a cup of coffee, a sip of tea, and light refreshments that were provided gratis to those in attendance. Parson's place was well stocked, beautifully appointed, and served as the location of SASS, LOCAS, and the Costume Contest hub – all in one tent. Set up, supplies, and welcoming smiles were offered up under the watchful eyes of Ima Daisy (SASS #109746) and Marshal Chance Taker (SASS #109745).

Early Saturday evening, Ladies and Gents dressed in their finest regalia made their way to Parson's place to take part in the best dressed costume contest. Eight costume categories were offered for entry and Parson's place was a hive of activity with entrants anxiously awaiting their entry presentation to the panel of judges. Special thanks to the fine folks who dedicated their time to serve on the costume judges panel all week — Queen of Bling (SASS #41799), Flying W Ramrod (SASS #40599), Alberta Annie (SASS #85915), and Southwest Trapper (SASS #82702). All costumes were judged on 40 percent authenticity, 20 percent originality, 20 percent detail, and 20 percent knowledge of costume. Beautifully adorned patrons then made their way to the main tent as the banquet and evening entertainment got underway. The main tent was bustling as some 400 folks enjoyed dinner, visiting with friends, and the evening's festivities with music provided by Pat James on stage, a comedian, the gorgeous costume promenade and awards. The Ladies of Cowboy Action Shooting 2022 Cowgirl of Honor award was presented to Sassy Boots (SASS #82600) and finally, the announcement of the contenders for the top gun shoot off. Afterwards, the music played on, and laughter and friendship echoed across the main tent as folks lingered around the bar, circled around tables with friends, or for a few more spins on the dance floor.

Competitor spectators gathered in anticipation Sunday morning to watch the best of the best square off in head-to-head elimination rounds of com-



CRISP BLUE SKIES BECKON THE BEGINNING OF THE COMPETITION AT THE SALOON STAGE



THE POPULAR SWAP MEET HAD THE MAIN TENT BUSTLING



2022 OVERALL WORLD CHAMPIONS OF COWBOY ACTION SHOOTING – DEAD EYE DILLARD, SASS #23582 AND HOLY TERROR, SASS #15362



2022 OVERALL WORLD CHAMPIONS OF WILD BUNCH ACTION SHOOTING – SHELL STUFFER, SASS #33146 AND HOLY TERROR, SASS #15362



MARSHAL STONE, SASS #53366 ENGAGING THE RIFLE STRING DURING THE WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP OF WILD BUNCH ACTION SHOOTING



JUNIOR SHOOTERS IN THE WILD BUNCH ACTION SHOOTING WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP- HILLY, SASS #112078 AND STOMPER, SASS #108815



SKRAP P., SASS #105726 RUNS HIS 1911 DURING THE WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS OF WILD BUNCH ACTION SHOOTING



LONG RANGE SIDE MATCHES ARE ALWAYS A FAVORITE OF ENTHUSIASTS



END OF TRAIL 2022 POSSE MARSHALS



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AN ARIZONA TERRITORIAL COMPANY OF ROUGH RIDERS TRADITION – A WAR BIRD FLYOVER FOR OPENING CEREMONIES

petition for both Wild Bunch Action Shooting and Cowboy Action Shooting. Commonly viewed as the pinnacle of shooting entertainment, the Top Gun shoot off featured the top eight Wild Bunch shooters and the top 16 Cowboy Action Shooters. The top gun winners in the Wild Bunch Action Shooting shoot off were Top Lady Holy Terror (SASS #15362) and Top Man JT Wild (SASS #20399), with Holy Terror reigning supreme over J.T. Wild in the (just for fun) head-to-head in the end. The Cowboy Action Shooting shoot off winners were Top Lady Clancy (SASS #46433) and Top Man Slick McClade (SASS #69490), with Slick McClade surpassing Clancy in the head-to-head.

With the shoot off concluded, the main tent started to fill for the awards ceremony. The presentation began with rounds of thanks and recognition from the President of the Arizona Territorial Rough Riders, Blackjack Zak (SASS #26828) to the impressive group of Rangers, volunteers, match officials, and event sponsors, followed by the introduction of special guests R.J. Poteet (SASS #3) and his wife, Sara Sota (SASS #33). R.J. Poteet was an early Wild Bunch member and one of the founders of SASS and the sport of Cowboy Action Shooting. Welcomed to the stage, R.J. Poteet spoke warmly about the early vision and development of SASS and the sport of Cowboy Action Shooting.

The incomparable Sassy Dancer (SASS #70118) and Rattlesnake Slim (SASS #91827) then took the stage and began the awards presentations. Eighty-one contenders managed to shoot the match clean — a slim 11.89 percent. Triumph, handshakes, hugs, and applause filled the main tent as category top tens filed up to the stage and back out for photos. In all, 681 competitors filled 53 shooting categories for the World Championship title leading up to the crowning of the World Championship Overall match winners — Top Man Dead Eye Dillard (SASS #23582) and Top Lady Holy Terror. For a full listing of match results, side matches, costume contests, and other information please visit: www.endoftrail.org.

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COSTUME CONTEST RESULTS

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COWBOY MATCH

Best Shooting Outfit, Man — Justice Loving, SASS #22874
Best Shooting Outfit, Lady — Ruby Red Rider, SASS #108589
Best Shooting Outfit, Junior Boy — Earl Harbinger, SASS #102257

WILD BUNCH MATCH

Best Shooting Outfit, Man — Wooden Nichols, SASS #104984
Best Shooting Outfit, Lady — Ez Gz, SASS #83885

EVENING COSTUME CONTEST

Best Dressed Lady — Ruby Red Rider, SASS #108589
Best Dressed Gentleman — Coal Train, SASS #8146
Best Dressed Couple — Jubal O. Sackett, SASS #22531 and Pistol Pat
Best Dressed Military — Lt. Gatewood, SASS #48517
Best Dressed Junior Girl — Apple Pie, SASS #98239
Best Dressed Junior Boy — Bush Ax Jack, SASS #110539
Best Dressed Silver Screen Lady — Comin' N Hot, SASS #102594
Best Dressed Silver Screen Man — Blue Eyed Drifter, SASS #93535

COWBOY MATCH



BEST SHOOTING OUTFIT, MAN
JUSTICE LOVING, SASS #22874



BEST SHOOTING OUTFIT. LADY
RUBY RED RIDER, SASS #108589



BEST SHOOTING OUTFIT. JUNIOR
EARL HARBINGER #102257

WILD BUNCH MATCH



BEST SHOOTING OUTFIT, LADY
EZ GZ, SASS #83885



BEST SHOOTING OUTFIT, MAN
WOODEN NICHOLS, SASS #104984

— EVENING COSTUME CONTESTS —



BEST DRESSED LADY
RUBY RED RIDER,
SASS #108589



BEST DRESSED GENTLEMAN
COAL TRAIN, SASS #8146



BEST DRESSED COUPLE
JUBAL O. SACKETT, SASS
#22531 AND PISTOL PAT



BEST DRESSED MILITARY
LT. GATEWOOD,
SASS #48517



BEST DRESSED JUNIOR GIRL
APPLE PIE, SASS #98239



BEST DRESSED JUNIOR BOY
BUSH AX JACK,
SASS #11053



BEST DRESSED SILVER
SCREEN LADY
COMIN' N HOT,
SASS #102594



BEST DRESSED SILVER
SCREEN MAN
BLUE EYED DRIFTER,
SASS #93535

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END OF TRAIL

2022 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP OF WILD BUNCH ACTION SHOOTING BY BACK 40, SASS #23910 LIFE, WILD BUNCH AMBASSADOR

There are many words that could describe the 2022 World Championship of Wild Bunch Action Shooting. Fun, yes it was a lot of fun. Challenging, yes very challenging. Fantastic, without a doubt. Yet some say it was windy, oh, it was very windy, but that's another story by itself. But the best word I can come up with to describe this shoot was, AWESOME! Without a doubt, the BEST World Championship Wild Bunch Shoot ever!

Sponsored by Ruger and the Arizona Territorial Company of Rough Riders, under the direction of their fearless leader, Blackjack Zak (SASS #26828), the match was held at the Ben Avery shooting complex near Phoenix, Arizona this past February 28 through March 2 and went off without a hitch. The competition saw several "firsts" — A record number of entries, 156; the Ladies categories totaled 31 shooters; and for once, there was a clean match shooter (that went to Whisperin' Wade, SASS #36209). But, in my mind, the most exciting first, was the introduction of a new category, the



ACTION SHOOTING

Wild Bunch Action Shooting Youth Category, which had two contestants, Scrap P (SASS #105726) from New Mexico and Stomper (SASS #108815), from Illinois. Each of these young men handled themselves flawlessly and was ever respectful to the other contestants. Both will be a major asset to Wild Bunch Action Shooting in the future.

We could not have had a better Wild Bunch Match Director. Serenity (SASS #64982) chalked up her second World Championship in a row and was also the past National Championship director. But as they say, behind every successful woman is a man who's willing to do anything she asks, thus Legendary Lawman (SASS #73160) was a tremendous asset. Both worked hard to make this match such a great success.

Welcome ceremonies were held

on opening morning as chairman of the rules committee, Legendary Lawman, went through the new Wild Bunch rules and safety standards. He also acknowledged the service of retiring rules committee member, Boggus Deal (SASS #102694) and Happy Jack (SASS #20451). Their contributions were very significant over the years. Also, the newest Wild Bunch Ambassador, Fredrick Jackson Turner (SASS #28271) was introduced. It was then time to shoot.

Overall round count was true to Wild Bunch standards. For the 10 stages, total pistol was 266, rifle 64, and shotgun 57. The normal individual stage count was 28 pistol (four mags of seven), six or seven rifle rounds, and normally six shotgun rounds per stage. Targets were all mainly normal size and distance. Rifle targets were placed a few feet farther back than pistol and shotgun targets were up close. All the targets were easily hittable and the stages were very well written and thought provoking.

On day one we were met with Northern gusting winds that hurled sand and dust that seemed to find every nook and cranny in one's firearms, let alone, your eyes. Several hats were launched toward the Mexican border, only to be retrieved at the last minute. But hey, no one said it was going to be easy, after all, this is Wild Bunch.

I think it's safe to say that stage seven was, without a doubt, the most fun wild bunch stage of the match. There were 35 all-knockdown targets.



OVERALL MATCH WINNERS HOLY TERROR AND SHELLSTUFFER



SERENITY, MATCH DIRECTOR



SKRAP P AND STOMPER, FIRST EVER WB CHAMPIONSHIP YOUTH SHOOTERS.



IDAHO SIX GUN SAM (SASS #28837) SHOOTING THE DOUGHBOY MINI-MATCH. SAM WAS ALSO ADDED TO THE WILD BUNCH RULES COMMITTEE.



LADY JANE (SASS #72857), WINNER LADIES' TRADITIONAL



ELWOOD JAMES, THE MAN BEHIND THE TEDDY ROOSEVELT AND DOUGHBOY MINI-MATCHES.



The round count was 25-plus pistol, 10 optional rifle and zero shotgun. You shot until all the targets were down or took a miss for any standing targets. So the shooter had the option of engaging all 35 targets with their pistol and unlimited mags, or use the rifle for at least ten tombstone targets as an option. WOW, it was a blast. Several shooters decided to use their pistol throughout the stage and fared well.

The first day of competition ended after five stages. We then had time to compete in the speed side matches consisting of pistol, rifle, and shotgun.

The evening schedule consisted of an Ambassadors and Rules Committee meeting. SASS CEO Misty Moonshine (SASS #83232) addressed the group by expressing her support of Wild Bunch Action Shooting. Misty also presented to the group the new SASS web site that will do a better job of promoting Wild Bunch Action Shooting. Along with Misty were SASS board of directors, C. C. Top (SASS #62639) and Coffee (SASS #7008).

Day two also started with, you guessed it, wind. Northern winds were strong enough to blow grit into every available body orifice. But the shooters prevailed and completed the ten-stage match.

A big Wild Bunch THANK YOU goes out to Wild West Mercantile (Claudia Feather, SASS #2816) as match sponsor and Bullets by Scarlett (Scarlett Darlin', SASS #96680) as stage sponsor. Additionally, several vendors were open for business during the Wild Bunch shoot, which was greatly appreciated by the competitors.

The evening festivities consisted of a light meal before the awards ceremo-

ny started. It was really great to have the Wild Bunch awards on the same day after the match was complete. Holy Terror (SASS #15362) was top overall woman and top overall shooter. (Yes, she beat ALL the boys.) This was her second Wild Bunch World Championship victory and fourth overall Ladies win. She commented, "It was a great match. The stages were a nice mix of fast and challenging targets Top overall man was Shell Stuffer (SASS #33146). This was his second Wild Bunch World Championship. Most shooters can relate to Evil Roy and Holy Terror, grandfather/granddaughter. So, in keeping with tradition of "Wild Bunch family," Shell Stuffer's grandson, Stomper, won the youth division of the shoot. I think it's safe to say about Holy Terror and Stomper, "the apple didn't fall far from the tree."

Even though the main Wild Bunch match was over, the side matches continued on the next day. The "king" of Wild Bunch side matches, Elwood James (SASS #99238), put together two great mini-stages for the Teddy Roosevelt (TR) and Doughboy (DB) competitions. TR uses a lever action center fire rifle and DB uses a bolt action rifle. Both categories were very well represented and enjoyed by all. The other side matches consisted of the Sgt. York (pistol targets at 50 yards) and BAMB (Bolt Action Military Match — two targets at 125 yards).

The Wild Bunch top ten shoot off did not take place until after the Cowboy match. Winners were Holy Terror and J.T. Wild (SASS #20399).

Please visit <https://endoftrail.org/results-2022/> for a complete listing of results.



RED DIRT OKLAHOMA STATE WILD BUNCH CHAMPIONSHIP 2022

BY DUSTY BODDAMS, SASS

#1907

Lookie here! Hondo Tweed (SASS #99043) and his faithful Oklahoma Rough Riders know how to put on great fun and entertaining Wild Bunch matches. How they do this is by creating a match tailor made for Wild Bunch shooters. Mr. Tweed knows the shooters attending came out for over the top side matches, which of course includes rifle, pistol, and shotgun, but expands from there. WB Sporting Clays 5-Stand kicked off the side match stages. This was a real 5-Stand course of fire with all the automatic clay bird machines throwing from all different directions, including the dreaded bullet proof (to me) killer rabbit. This was professionally run as a true 5-Stand match with 25 birds and doubles thrown on report. Yes, it was shot with the WB-approved Models 12 and 97. Then... how about a Teddy Roosevelt Mini Match featuring a rifle caliber lever action or its counterpart, a Doughboy Mini Match with a BAMM rifle, then BAMM, the Bolt



Action Military Match. Also 1917, where a vintage 1917 Colt or Smith double action revolver, as used in the Great War is put to use busting steel targets at speed, and Fastest Pocket Pistol, using those old hammerless Colt type pistols, which goes really fast! Looking for something with a little movement? Beetle Bailey is a Jeep that travels 60 feet on a railroad type track then reverses and returns after hiding behind cover for a couple of heartbeats. I know what you're

thinking... "this is all great, but I really wanted to go running wild in the woods with a shotgun." Well, they got you covered. It's called Jungle Run and yes you go running through the woods on a trail shooting clay birds mounted on steel rods. These all have to be broken before continuing on the trail. Re-engage if not successful. After a great and entertaining day of shooting we gathered and ate a big supper. All the above happened on Friday!

This match offered the new Junior



WILD BUNCH JUNIOR SHOOTERS STOMPER (LEFT) AND HILLY.

Category. Two junior competitors shot the main match and side matches. Hilly – 10 years old, and Stomper – 13. These two Young gentlemen shot well and handled all the firearms safely. They moved thru the stages very well. Nothing was made different for them, and they shot everything the same as everyone else, including the standard power-factor ammo from the .45s. Aside from doing everything right, these two are a true pleasure to be around, fine young men and avid Wild Bunch shooters. Their grandpa, Shell Stuffer has had a great influence.

Saturday morning dawned with WB shooters dressed in their finery met by a welcoming range and a refreshing Oklahoma breeze. Saluting our flag of this great nation and a very loud cannon shot were the opening ceremonies along with a short speech by the Match Director welcoming us to the Red Dirt Wild Bunch Match. Five good solid stages put shooters through their paces. With a start on stage 1, the pistol dominated for 35 rounds and the shotgun for five rounds. The balance of Saturday stages used all three guns. Before our



last stage, fancy sack lunches were dropped off to shooters for a quick lunch. The afternoon was occupied with the Goatneck Clem Tribute Stage that consisted of about 31 smallish targets with dueling trees, Texas stars, little swingers, plate racks, etc., with an unlimited round count – fastest time wins. After a short break it was time for more shooting! Top Gun Shoot Off is a tradition in Oklahoma. This is for everyone, shooting against a random opponent. Think *The Quick and the Dead*. This is a bunch of fun as entrants are eliminated from the competition and it works down to the two surviving shooters. Having done

that, we gathered for a ginormous chicken fried steak dinner with all the trimmings and then awards for Side Matches, along with a very impressive prize table. There looked to be more than a couple thousand dollars worth of stuff gathered up to be given away to all the shooters. That's right, there were more prizes than shooters! Sunday morning dawned and found all shooters gathered at the proper stages. A cannon shot signaled the start of the match. It was told the shot was so loud all the goats passed out at the fainting goat petting zoo and a liberal mayor from the next state over called out the National Guard. Stages 6 thru 10 flew by with more well thought out no P-trap stages and all featured movement. After the last stage it was time for awards, but first a big fajita lunch with all the trimmings. At a well thought out and emceed awards ceremony, Shell Stuffer (SASS #33146) was announced as Top Man and Bootless Loon (SASS #108952) was announced as Top Lady. Then it was adios until THE WILD BUNCH NATIONALS in October! I'm Dusty Boddams and that's the Boddam line.

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EDITORIAL



SKINNY'S SOAPBOX

Some time ago, I commented in an editorial about the disturbing trend I had noticed at some clubs to encourage and allow “summer dress” during hot weather months. Summer of 2022 is now approaching and I’m sad to report I’m seeing that same trend again. Page two (CLOTHING & ACCOUTREMENTS) of the *SASS Shooter’s Handbook* clearly states, “SASS puts a great deal of emphasis on costuming because it adds so much to the uniqueness of the game.” It goes on to say, “All shooters must be in costume, and... must remain in costume at all match events.” Furthermore, page four (OUTLAWED ITEMS) specifically prohibits short sleeved shirts for men, as well as short sleeved and long sleeved t-shirts and tank tops for all competitors. Short pants are not specifically mentioned, but I think they should be.

So correct costuming is an integral part of the game we play and not dressing in accordance with the rules is the same as shooting with the wrong firearms. Beyond that, for me it utterly ruins my enjoyment of a match — yes even a monthly one — to see a shooter dressed in a t-shirt, shorts, etc.

I was recently at a match at which a competitor showed up in t-shirt and

shorts. A club official took him aside and explained his dress was inappropriate, but then told him to shoot the match and have a good time but to dress correctly next time. The official then turned to me and apologized for allowing the incorrect dress. I responded he did exactly the right thing. I don’t advocate turning anyone away who shows up to shoot (within reason), as long as it’s explained to them what’s wrong and how to correct it next time. What I take issue with are clubs who advertise “summer dress” is okay and encourage shooters to show up dressed in that manner. That ruins the Cowboy experience for me and I will not attend matches at those clubs during the summer or when that “rule” is in place.

Now, don’t misunderstand me. I’m perfectly fine with “dressing down” for the summer and wearing “Cowboy minimum” costuming. That would consist of Jeans (belts are okay), a long sleeved Henley or work shirt, cowboy boots and a cowboy hat (straw, or a sombrero, is fine). I know plenty of shooters who are very good friends of mine who dress that way all the time, and I will dress down when it’s hot and not wear a vest, etc. Cowboy minimum mimics the looks of many Hollywood westerns, it is SASS legal, and it blends in. I’m fine with it. If a shooter wants to roll up his sleeves or push the sleeves of a Henley up over the elbows, that’s also perfectly acceptable.

Lady shooters are free to wear short sleeves, and of course dresses and skirts, as that is Cowboy appropriate for them. Men... do you think that’s unfair? Tough! Suck it up. It’s part of the rules of the game and the rules under which we compete.

—Skinny, SASS #7361



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ANNUAL MATCHES

FOUR CORNERS REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP AND WILD BUNCH TERRITORIAL CHAMPIONSHIP 2022

BY BT BLADE, SASS #35685 LIFE, REGULATOR, PHOTOS BY BT BLADE

Hurricane, Utah. Utah's State Motto is "Life Elevated." However, in the southern Utah area of Hurricane/St. George the elevation rises to a whole 'nother level! Zion National Park is 30 minutes away and "Red Rock Country" has outdoor activities galore. In Hurricane, the Southern Utah Shooting Sports Park (home of the Dixie Desperados) takes center stage several times during the year. This year, however, our area hit the Trifecta. In a three-week period, the SASS Four Corners Regional and Wild Bunch Territorial Championships (April 18-24) were joined by the Washington County Fair as well as the Ironman World Championship, the latter moving here from Hawaii. The Fair began the same day as the Cowboy Main Match, so things were certainly jumping. If you had time on your hands at the end of each day, the Fair and all of its attractions was just a stone's throw down the road from our range and camping areas.

With the exception of one day with some light rain, the weather cooperated. Shooters enjoyed Side and Warm Up Matches, Plainsman and Long Range events, a Cowboy Swap Meet, a Meatball Sandwich/Pot Luck reception, as well as our annual "Root Beer Float" social.

Considering inflation, lingering COVID issues, and the lack of primers & powder... the turnout was better than anticipated. In all, 173 shooters signed up from as far away as Connecticut with several of our Australian friends joining us. What a treat!

The Dixie Desperado Board directed the Main Match and Mokaac Kid (SASS



OVERALL MAIN MATCH WINNERS BAD CHAD AND SASSY DANCER.



MAIN MATCH TOP GUN SHOOT OFF WINNERS SHAMROCK SADIE AND ROBYN DAVAULT.



WILD BUNCH TERRITORIAL WINNERS MOKAAC KID AND MOLLY MAGOO.



COSTUME CONTEST BEST DRESSED COUPLE BUCKEYE LADY (SASS #28964) & DEADWOOD DOC SMITH (SASS #4625).



WILD BUNCH TOP GUN SHOOT OFF WINNERS MOKAAC KID AND SHAMROCK SADIE.



EL JUEZ (SASS #95261) WON THE DILLON 750. GOT PRIMERS, COWBOY?



IT'S CERTAINLY A FAMILY SPORT FOR THE PARKS FAMILY... CHICKEN GEORGE (SASS #105723), QUICK CHICK (SASS #106974), AND THEIR GREAT KIDS!

#78721) took care of the Wild Bunch Territorial. Main Match stages were written by Lucky Wheeler (SASS #35686) with Wooden Nichols (SASS #104984) writing those for Wild Bunch.

The Wild Bunch Territorial kicked off the week with 43 Shooters competing. Mokaac Kid and Molly Magoo (SASS #74540) took the top Men's and Womens' overall honors. The Wild Bunch Top Gun Shoot Off winners were Mokaac Kid and Shamrock Sadie (SASS #78511). Top Gun Shoot Off Men's and Womens' honors for the Main Cowboy Match went to Robyn Davault (SASS #87360) and Shamrock Sadie. Congratulations, everyone!

As in past years, the LOCAS turned out in force — 39 by my count... and 39 reasons why Cowboys love Cowgirls!

Our Saturday Awards Banquet and Costume Contest was held at the Hilton Garden Inn in St George. As in years past, the facility was excellent as was the dinner. We had some great sponsors and raffle gifts, including camping/TV items, a Dillon 750, gift cards galore, and firearms. But the "Main Event" everyone was waiting for were the category and match winners. Our awards always reflect the uniqueness of our landscape, with sandstone/red rock plaques for the top five winners in each category. This year, a buckle was awarded to each Category Regional winner, which was a great addition.

Main Match Top Honors we're taken by Bad Chad (SASS #106337)

and Sassy Dancer (SASS #70118). Congratulations to you both!

So as the curtain goes down on another Four Corners Regional/Wild Bunch Territorial, we're already thinking ahead to next year's event, which will be held April 17 – 23, 2023. Put it on your calendar and join us in Red Rock Country! Remember... "Come for the Shootin', but STAY because of the People!" BT said it!



AFTER A DAY OF INTENSE COMPETITION, OLE G WILLIKER (SASS #111970) IS "DEAD" ON HIS FEET.



PURGATORY IN THE PINES NEW JERSEY STATE MATCH, 2021

BY ANGRÖD, SASS #41679



THE THEME OF PURGATORY IN THE PINES 2021 WAS SINGIN' COWBOYS.

On a wonderful sunny weekend in October, 106 Cowboy Action Shooters™ formed posses to shoot the SASS New Jersey State Championship, presented by the Jackson Hole Gang. There were vendors on site to take care of any clothing or equipment requirements, and a tent for inclement weather and for the shooters to eat the great breakfast and lunch that was cooked to order by our Central Jersey Rifle & Pistol Club Juniors. However, the weather cooperated and belied the reason that caused the shoot to be named Purgatory in the Pines in the first place.

Ten great Stages with plenty of good props and friendly targets just awaitin' to be hit. Luck of the Draw kept everyone busy with A Head-to-Head Shootout while scoring was finalized.



NEW JERSEY STATE CHAMPIONS STUNT GIRL TAJ AND CHOLULA MIKE (SASS #84771).



OVERALL WINNERS STUNT GIRL TAJ (SASS #87096) AND JAMES SAMUEL PIKE (SASS #53331).

DISPATCHES FROM CAMP BAYLOR LOOKING BACK—2005 FIRST TEST RUGER NEW VAQUERO

BY CAPTAIN GEORGE BAYLOR,
SASS #24287 PATRON LIFE REG-
ULATOR

While working on a project, I found my first gun test for The Cowboy Chronicle. It preceded the online version. The issue and the article had effectively been lost. It has a story behind it and is about one of the most influential guns in SASS history. It was the first test of the new Ruger Vaquero. Enjoy.

When SASS started, single action revolvers were hard to find. One that was readily available was the Ruger Blackhawk. The Modern category was pretty much designed for it and has been dominated by it. I saw a pair of Colt New Frontiers once—only once. Then, seeing CAS growing and the demand for single actions growing, and seeing the success of Colt clones, Ruger made Vaqueros out of Blackhawks by making a fixed sight frame and barrel. At one time or another, they've won every major event.

Ruger saw the development of the Frontiersman category and did the same transformation to their modern-sighted Old Army. It MADE the category. Winners of major matches who use something else are rare. Then some of the hotshots such as Rowdy Yates and Red River Drifter started using ROAs with shortened barrels. So, Ruger came out with a 5.5-inch barreled version of that. Now it dominates the category.

And don't forget, all Ruger's revolvers are available in stainless steel, giving the look of nickel-plating without the delicacy. This is especially useful shooting black powder.

A cottage industry grew up around



THE RUGER NEW VAQUERO



TOP — THIRD GENERATION COLT SAA .45 COLT
MIDDLE — RUGER NEW VAQUERO, .357 MAGNUM
BOTTOM — CIMARRON MODEL P, BLACK POWDER FRAME,
.357 MAGNUM



LEFT — RUGER VAQUERO, .45 COLT, EAGLE GUNFIGHTER GRIPS; RIGHT — RUGER NEW VAQUERO



LEFT — CYLINDER FROM RUGER VAQUERO, .45 COLT; RIGHT — CYLINDER FROM RUGER NEW VAQUERO, .357 MAGNUM

Ruger revolvers. Early Blackhawks had aluminum grip frames and ejector housings. So aftermarket companies made them in steel and stainless steel, even brass grip frames. Birds head grips showed up from more than one company. Colt-sized grips, half-cock hammers and triggers, and free-spin pawls popped up from Power Custom. Eagle's Gunfighter grips became almost mandatory

for shooters who wear medium gloves. Several companies market spring kits.

Rugers have a reputation for not breaking. The coil springs are pretty bullet proof. I've heard of transfer bars breaking. But generally, you just shoot Rugers and worry about your other guns.

But Rugers caused complaints over one main feature. When they went



LEFT — BASE PIN FROM RUGER NEW VAQUERO; RIGHT — BASE PIN FROM RUGER VAQUERO. NEW BASEPIN IS COMPLETELY REMOVABLE WITHOUT REMOVING EJECTOR ROD HOUSING AND ALLOWS MORE COMPLETE EJECTION.

from the XR-3 frame to the XR-3 RED (Redesigned), they grew from Colt sized to about 10 percent larger. At the time it made sense. One of the calibers was .44 Magnum, a caliber way too strong for a Colt. The .45 Colt versions were so strong people began to publish loads that were just for them and Thompson Contenders.

But it made the guns clumsy when compared to the elegant Colt SAA. And they didn't fit some people's hands. People bought clones for this reason.

Ruger decided to do something about all this and went to work on the NEW Vaquero. We began to read about it on the SASS Wire in November when Rusty Marlin broke the story. It would be Colt-sized (to be accurate, the size of the original flat-topped Blackhawk—a 50th Anniversary flat-topped Blackhawk was announced, too). The grips would be much smaller. The mainspring was redesigned for easier cocking. A trigger lock was added so the gun could be sold in the silly states, the ones we usually refer to as "People's Democratic Republic of..." SASS members condemned to living in those states need guns, too. Don't expect any test of the trigger lock here. I didn't get a key, and I'm from Texas. I suspect trigger locks will still be involved in tragedies, with people shooting others with "locked" guns and not being able to defend themselves with "unlocked" guns that are locked.

We salivated for them and attacked the Ruger booth at the SASS Convention in droves, standing in long lines to fondle the merchandise.

Initially the New Vaquero was produced in the top two CAS calibers, .357 in 5.5-inch and 4.75-inch barrel lengths, and .45 Colt in those two plus 7.5-inch. Both blued with "case-hardened" frames and all stainless-steel mod-



RUGER NEW VAQUERO IN ACTION USING BLACK DAWGE .38 BLACK POWDER AMMUNITION. NO BINDING OCCURRED USING THIS AMMUNITION.

els were produced. All came with black “gutta percha” grips, checkered hard rubber grips with the Ruger Phoenix where a rampant Colt went on the Colt SAA.

From any distance it is a dead ringer for the Colt SAA. I would call it a replica. “But what about the innards? They’re all different.” Yes, but that’s immaterial. SASS allows virtually unlimited internal modifications. There are Colt clones with coil springs available from other manufacturers, and there’s a conversion kit for yours. On the outside the clones look like Colts. So does the New Vaquero. The run of Smith and Wesson Schofield’s a few years ago had modern S & W innards, not 1875. It was a replica.

Shortly after the convention two New Vaqueros came into my possession. The only bad news is, by the time you read this, they will be back in the hands

of their owner, five times Modern Champion Tequila, who received a pair from early production for all of the assistance he provided in the development of the guns. They were blue, CCH, 4.75-inch barrel, .357 Magnum. My instructions were to evaluate and shoot them and write them up on the SASS Wire and for *The Cowboy Chronicle*.

Having no .38 ammunition, I asked Wally Wentzel of Black Dawge Cartridge Co./Goex for some of his excellent black powder ammunition so I could shoot them in matches. A case of Winchester .38 came from Tequila so I could let other people shoot them, but I couldn’t shoot smokeless, of course. People would talk.

COMPARISON WITH COLT/CLONES

Lined up with one of my SASS

Colts and a new Cimarron Model P .357 with black powder frame, both in 4.75-inch, you can see they’re all pretty much the same size. The hammers vary a bit. The hammers cover the sight picture when down. The new hammer design, much like a Third Generation Colt, was one of Ruger’s improvements. It’s taller and longer than the original Vaquero for easy cocking. For people with small hands, it doesn’t facilitate one handed cocking, but if you can reach it, the extra leverage makes the cocking pressure light.

COMPARISON WITH VAQUERO

Yes, it’s smaller. The grips feel quite thin and compact. There’s an almost hidden swell in the grips that anchors the top of the hand in place, much like Eagle Gunfighter grips.

Cocking pressure seems as light as my well-tuned Vaquero with an 18-pound Wolff spring. The leverage of the new hammer is improved. Trigger pull on the two guns new was 62 ounces and 56 ounces, respectively, lower than my Vaqueros were, pre-tuning. Being a Ruger with a transfer bar, this gun is safe with six rounds carried, while the Colt is not. Of course, in CAS competition you still only load five and keep the hammer over an empty chamber.

The folks at Ruger credit the new mainspring design with the lower pressures and smoother feel than the old Vaquero.

The frame is shorter as well as having smaller grips. This requires a shorter cylinder than the Vaquero. It's also smaller in diameter. There won't be a .44 Magnum in this size, and .45 Colt rounds should be confined to normal CAS loadings. The original Vaquero will be continued in .44 Magnum.

Loading is like the Vaquero. There is no half cock or loading notch. Just open the loading gate, and the cylinder is released to spin. Now one of the complaints on the Vaquero is when you hear the click, the cylinder has rotated too far



GRIP FRAME OF NEW VAQUERO SHOWING REDESIGNED MAINSPRING AND LOCKING MECHANISM. REMOVING THE RIGHT GRIP PANEL IS REQUIRED TO ACCESS LOCK, BUT A PILOT HOLE IS IN PLACE ON THE INSIDE OF THE GRIP IF YOU WANT TO DRILL OUT THE PANEL.

for you to eject the round. Make a rotation, a time-consuming process if there's an on-the-clock reload, and frustrating

at any time. A new pawl design means when you hear the click, just push backwards on the cylinder, and it will stop in perfect alignment with the ejector. A sharp push on the Crescent ejector (rather than the bullseye shape on the Vaquero – and First Generation Colts) will easily dislodge a .38 round.

The secret of the ejector efficiency is a redesigned base pin. The Vaquero pin has a flange with a moon-shaped slice out of it so it will fit up against the barrel. Every Vaquero owner has gotten it on wrong and had it jam, which enables you to teach onlookers fascinating words you learned in basic training. The New Vaquero base pin has no flange. It can be pushed in without worrying about alignment. It is also a quarter of an inch shorter. This means two things — you can completely remove the base pin without removing the ejector housing, and the ejector rod goes ¼-inch farther, making for more positive ejection. Conclusion: an improvement!

WEIGHTS

- SASS Colt .45, 4.75-inch barrel — 2 lb. 9 oz.
- Cimarron Model P, black powder

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frame, 4.75-inch barrel — 2 lb. 11 oz.

• Ruger New Vaquero — 3 lb.

Conclusion: It's still built like a tank.

SIGHTS

Original First Generation Colts have skinny, tapered front sights and usually a V-notch rear sight. Since these are combat guns, we have only to conclude that back then they didn't know the best front sight for quick sight acquisition is a wide, un-tapered sight and a wide, deep rear notch. The New Vaquero comes close with a .10-inch wide rear sight and a .084-inch wide un-tapered front sight. Having your gunsmith open the rear to .16 would probably speed things up a little more. The front sight could be wider, but compared to the Cimarron's .051 and the Third Gen Colt's .069 (according to my digital calipers and shaky hands), it's a veritable fence post.

SHOOTING

I took one of the guns to the range and set up targets at 100 yards. Shooting offhand duelist style, I was only able to get 1.5-inch groups. I would have done better had I not been in a hurricane. Do I sound like a gun writer now? Seriously, I thought about taking the guns to a range, putting one on a Ransom Rest, and shooting groups — but not for very long. I don't remember shooting groups at a SASS match. I remember distinctly shooting at big plates. Anyway, time was short. I took

the guns to three matches. The pistols acquitted themselves quite well. Because of time constraints, the first shot out of each gun was aimed at a SASS target—which they hit, shooting Black Dawg's Black Powder loads. Speaking of these loads, there is a lot of controversy in the BP categories over “smokeless” BP loads. Let me say, these are not the ones. They're strong, loud, and smoky. When someone's BP loads aren't smoking, it's not the powder, it's the filler.

Since the barrel wasn't seasoned, and since I hadn't tested BP in these guns, I started out cleaning after every stage, just a patch down the barrel, using either Water/Windex/vinegar or Ballistol. Then I went two stages between barrel swabbings. I cleaned off the front of the cylinders once during the day. Never did the gun get gritty or hard to cock. It remained smooth. Later testing went four stages. I would say the guns are properly designed for black powder.

At the end of the matches, I used up most of a case of Winchester factory .38 Cowboy loads letting people try the gun. One lady went through the line twice she liked them so much. One gentleman said, “I've got to make a call, Monday.” “Why?” I asked. “To cancel an order for two ____s.”

One person with big hands said he liked his Vaquero. One person with small hands complained of difficulty cocking one handed. A .44-40 shooter bemoaned the fact that it will only be available in .38/357 and .45 Colt.

I complained that I had to give these back.

Virtually everyone else started figuring out how to get a pair.

We encountered no malfunctions of any kind.

GUNSMITH'S COMMENTS

I asked Rowdy Yates of Lee's Gunsmithing, who tuned my Ruger Old Armies with outstanding results what he would do. Part of his reply — “The basic design for the new Vaquero hasn't changed that much from the original and the inner workings remain pretty much the same. The hammer pull is much improved on the ones I've seen. There will still be shooters who will want the half cock in case of the thumb slipping off the hammer. At this time (haven't worked on any) I would suggest the action, while greatly improved, will need attention for the top 30 percent of shooters. Lock time is improved, probably due to the lighter weight of the cylinder and slightly more abrupt angles. A lighter spring, like the Wolff offerings will likely result in the faster shooters catching the hammer as it falls but that is a problem the old Vaquero had anyway, so no difference. After all that's why we redesigned our springs. Overall, I'd probably smooth everything up a bit and go through the standard blueprint routine. A slight modification to the transfer bar may also be appropriate. The average shooter will be able to shoot this gun with excellent results.”



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BLACK POWDER 101 HOW TO LOAD FOR PISTOL CALIBER CARTRIDGES

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Okay, so you've read the first part of this treatise in the April issue and you're thinking that maybe this black powder stuff sounds a little less intimidating. Maybe it wouldn't be too difficult to try loading some ammo to try at a local match. It sure would surprise some folks if you all of a sudden started belching fire and smoke from your guns wouldn't it? Hmm... could be interesting...

So what the heck do you need to try this out? Really not much that you don't already have on hand.

- Some black powder – DUH!
- Some properly lubed bullets
- Normal reloading tools.

One question here is “Do you use some type of powder measure to throw you powder charge?” Most people do, and there are a couple of things you need to do to meter black powder safely. We'll talk about that more later on.

Now, any pistol caliber cartridge can be loaded with black powder. However, you'll notice that all the pistol caliber rifles of the period we play in were chambered for bottleneck cartridges (.25-20, .32-20, .38-40, and .44-40) and these cartridges have thin walls. **Not one** rifle was chambered for the .45 Colt or other straight cases. There were several reasons for this. However, the most important one is these bottleneck cartridge cases seal the chamber quite well and don't let powder fouling back past the brass and into the action of the rifle. I bet if you take a look at the rifles (chambered for one of these cartridges) being shot by one of your club BP shooters, you'll find their action has a lot less fouling than those being used by smokeless shooters using straight walled pistol cartridges like the .38 Special, .45 Colt, etc.

Now, this isn't to say you can't successfully use straight walled cartridges with black powder. You certainly can, just expect a little more rifle cleanup afterward. Certainly the revolvers of the day started out with straight walled



FIRED BRASS (LEFT) COMPARED TO TUMBLED BRASS. NOTE HOW NICELY IT CLEANS UP.

cartridges (.44 Russian, .44 Colt, .45 Colt, .38 Colt, etc.). By the late 1870s though, the revolver manufacturers had added the bottleneck cartridges to their chamberings to allow the use of the same cartridge in both firearms. This is arguably the best route to take if you want to get serious about BP in the long term, but there are still lots of folks who shoot straight walled cartridges in both with excellent results. The worst case is you simply need a little more Moose Milk (see last issue) to clean the rifle's action. There are a couple of things you can do improve the performance of straight-walled cases in rifles.

- Load a heavy powder charge. This increases the pressure and helps the straight-walled case seal the chamber better. Also adds to the “fire and smoke” style points!
- Anneal the mouth of your brass. This makes it softer and again, allows it to expand and seal the chamber better. Reports I've seen say the annealing almost completely eliminates the blowback.

What are the mechanics of loading a black powder pistol caliber cartridge? Not really much different from loading a smokeless powder cartridge.

- Deprime and clean the brass
- Resize and bell the mouth
- Charge with black powder
- Seat a bullet and crimp

CLEANING YOUR BRASS

Brass used in black powder ammo will definitely be dirtier than with smokeless, but will clean up just as shiny. Many folks like to put the brass in a container with a little dish soap, Simple Green, etc. after each stage to let it presoak before cleaning. I started out doing that, but found it really isn't necessary. I'm all about application of the K.I.S.S. principle. Now I just throw it in a brass bag and clean when I get home – and that may end up being a week or two after shooting it. What I've found best for cleaning is a wet tumbler using stainless steel pins or ceramic media. Throw it in the tumbler, fill with water, dish soap (I like Dawn Platinum) and some LemiShine

powder (citric acid). Let it tumble until it comes out nice and shiny. I generally let it tumble a couple of hours, drain and refill the water, and tumble until shiny.

WHAT POWDER CHARGE?

As to what constitutes the proper powder charge for BP, it's also pretty simple. The short answer is fill the case so there is no air space after seating a bullet. Then seat and crimp the bullet. You can use either FFFg or FFg granulation powder with the pistol caliber cartridges. The rule of thumb is, use FFFg (finer granulation) for cartridges less than .44 caliber and FFg (coarser granulation) for the larger cartridges. In actuality, the only difference will be slightly higher velocities with the FFFg powder. The reason you don't want to leave air space in a black powder cartridge is pressures can get erratic and cause issues.

All BP from a given manufacturer is the same chemically. While formulations vary somewhat between manufacturers, the basic ratio is 75 percent potassium nitrate, 15 percent charcoal, and 10 percent sulfur. Potassium nitrate is the oxidizer required to support combustion, while the charcoal and sulfur are the "fuel" that is burned.

Of some interest to the trivia buff is the fact black powder is not a single specific molecule with a fixed formula. It is actually a simple physical mixture of the three ingredients. Each is ground extremely fine then mixed together. This mixture is then wetted with water and allowed to dry into a "cake." The cake is crushed and the resulting particles sifted through sieves. The different ranges of particle size are then separated into the different granulations of powder that are sold. The different granulations (Fg, 1.5Fg, FFg, FFFg and FFFFg) denote the coarseness of the grains (Fg being the coarsest and FFFFg the finest). Larger powder grains are generally for larger calibers and smaller granules for smaller calibers. The smaller granules burn faster, thus providing a little more pressure and higher velocities. For simplicity's sake, I find FFg works fine for basically everything I shoot (pistol caliber and shotgun). The one exception is the little .32-20 cartridge, I do use FFFg for that.



A LOADING BOX GREATLY FACILITATES YOUR ABILITY TO RELOAD QUICKLY AND GET BACK TO POSSE CHORES.

Unless you really want to build a maximum power load, just enough powder to fill the case with no air space will more than suffice for Cowboy ammo. It's certainly a major step up from many of the smokeless loads our compadres use... and I **GUARANTEE** the knockdowns will fall! However, what if you want a different power level load, either more or less powerful than the basic "full case" load? There are several options.

For a less powerful load, choose another cartridge of less capacity that will chamber in your gun (most practical for revolvers). For example, .44 Russian in .44 Special or .44 Magnum; .45 Schofield or .45 Cowboy Special in

.45 Colt; .38 Short or .38 Long Colt in .38 Special or .357 Magnum. Or load a lighter charge in your existing brass and then use a filler such as Cream of Wheat to make up the rest of the volume.

For a more powerful load, black powder can be compressed. For instance, depending on the particular bullet used, a .44-40 or .45 Colt cartridge will require between 30 and 32 grains of FFg powder for a "full case" load. You can compress the powder and load 35 to 38 grains for that true "Wart Hog" load.

The simple pistol caliber ammo is normally compressed the required amount by just seating the bullet. However, if you are going for a maximum



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TED CASH CAPPER

load you can end up deforming these softer bullets by the pressure used in seating and compressing the powder. Be careful you don't end up doing that, as it can cause issues chambering the round, as well as giving poor accuracy with the deformed bullet. If you really want a maximum load, you are best advised to use a powder compression die. We'll talk more about those in an upcoming article.

BP MEASURING AND SAFETY

Black powder is an explosive, so must be handled respectfully. The largest concern in handling is to prevent a spark from igniting it. Using powder measures to throw charges is typically the biggest concern, as many of them have steel components that could conceivably generate a spark sliding against each other. Another source of concern is static electricity.

There are several ways you can approach handling charging your cases with black powder that are safe enough to satisfy me. Of course, you do have to take into consideration that I am a card carrying Aggie! You have to make your own decisions.

- Take a manual scoop (Lee makes a nice set of dippers that work well) and charge each cartridge case. While a slow process, there are no metal parts to potentially spark this way.
- Lyman makes an excellent black powder measure (Lyman Classic 55). It comes with an aluminum powder hopper and brass drum to prevent sparking.
- I use a Dillon 650 press with their powder measure. I was fortunate to have

access to people who took large diameter aluminum tubing and machined it into a replacement powder hopper. I then ran a ground wire from the hopper to earth. This makes sure no static or sparking occurs.

Any of these methods should work for you. At any rate, I've been shooting black powder for more than 10 years now and have never had any kind of incident.

CAP 'N BALL

OK, we discussed loading for pistol caliber cartridges. But, what do you do if you want to shoot front stuffers instead of a gun that uses suppositories? There are entire treatises that deal with how to properly set up and tune modern cap 'n ball reproductions to shoot reliably – and gunsmiths that make a large chunk of their living doing so. We all love the looks of the Colt cap 'n ball revolvers – they're some of the prettiest revolvers ever made. But the modern reproductions do take some gunsmith work to perform reliably with constant use. It's not a fault of the gun's design, just some of the replicas coming out of a certain country that is known for pasta. Of the replica Colts, I will say that Pietta is acknowledged as making the much superior copy, and doesn't need too much work.

If you are really lucky and can come across a set of Ruger Old Army revolvers with *fixed sights*, that you can afford, **BUY THEM!** These cap guns are indestructible and dead reliable. Nothing else comes close. Unfor-

tunately, SASS says adjustable sights are illegal – and the majority of Old Armies were built with adjustable sights.

No matter what cap 'n ball revolver you choose to shoot, however, one thing you should definitely do is buy a set of SlixShot nipples to replace the factory ones. They greatly increase ignition reliability and are much more durable.

Once you have your cap gun, there are a couple of approaches to feeding it. The traditional, and most common way, is to use round balls. You can also use a fairly conventional bullet instead. While not as common, this was also done "in the day."

LOADING THE ROUND BALL

Even here, there's more than one way to skin the cat. The method most people think of is to charge with powder, seat a ball, then smear some type of lube over the top of the bullet. It certainly works, but is messy and irritating (at least to me).

I much prefer to charge with powder, insert a lubed felt wad (commercially available), then seat the bullet on top of that. The lubed wad provides the required bore lube without all the mess and fuss. The wads are available from any number of retailers (Midway USA, The Possibles Shop, Track of the Wolf, or Eastern Maine Shooting Supplies). Eastern Maine Shooting Supplies actually manufactures most of the wads sold and you can buy direct from them in quantities from 100 to 1,000 per package (emshootingsupplies.com).

LOADING CONICAL BULLETS

There are bullets specifically designed for use in cap 'n ball revolvers. They're frequently very light for caliber, but not always. These bullets will have a rebate at the base of the bullet to allow setting it in the mouth of the chamber, so it starts straight when being seated. Molds are sold by Dick Dastardly (biglube.com) and Accurate Molds (accuratemolds.com) along with a complete line of bullets designed for all black powder shooting. The Big Lubes are also cast and sold commercially by Mark Whyte of Whyte Leatherworks (whyteleatherworks.com).

When using bullets such as these, you will size and lube them with a black powder lube such as SPG. Then simply charge your chamber with powder and seat the bullet. No wad is required as the lube on the bullet provides everything necessary. Considering elimination of the wad, the cost of shooting these is comparable to, or maybe slightly less than, that of round balls.

ANCILLARY REQUIREMENTS

Regardless of whether you use round balls or conical bullets, you will need to charge with powder, seat the bullet and cap the chambers. By far the best powder flask I've found is the type shown. It has interchangeable powder spouts available in any desired charge weight of powder. You simply put on



POLISH CAPPER

the appropriate spout, invert it, push in the plunger to allow powder into the spout, release the plunger and pour the powder into the chamber. Even with my hefty 35-grain charges in my Old Armies, I can get four stages from each flask. These are also available from all the normal retailers.

Now you need to cap the cham-

bers. The two best products out there (in my not so humble opinion) are the Ted Cash Snail Capper and the Polish Capper (they really are made and shipped from Poland — www.polishcappers.com). By far, the Polish Capper is the most reliable and robust. It works with any BP revolver (the Ted Cash Snail Capper won't work with Remington revolvers).

Now, how do you carry all this crap around with you and load during a match? What a PITA! I struggled with it all initially, like most folks do who try this. There are lots of different solutions people have come up with that suits their needs and preferences. You'll have to find what works best for you. I've come up with something that is simple and easy to use for me. It is an easy to carry box that provides room for all my supplies as well as a built-in stand to make loading easy. It is built from a scrap cedar fence picket, a couple of brass hinges, and a carry handle. Cheap, easy, and convenient. I grab it, go to an empty table on the next stage and have my guns reloaded by the time two or three shooters go through the stage. I get back in plenty of time to help with posse work.

This has been a very quick, high-level look at what is needed to load pistol caliber black powder ammunition. If you have any questions, please look me up at the next match, or email me at garry@laxtontx.com to discuss them.

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THE CONTENTIOUS LIFE OF CLEMENT VALLANDIGHAM

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Clement Vallandigham is a relatively obscure figure from the Civil War era, but he is interesting for several reasons. Although he was an obnoxious blowhard, his story is illustrative of the political divisions within the Union and the limits of free speech. Unintentionally, Vallandigham's story also provides us with a warning about the consequences of unsafe handgun handling.

The Union was far from united in its war aims when the Civil War began. Although thousands of northerners volunteered to fight against the Confederacy after Fort Sumter, most were motivated to preserve the Union. They cared little about slavery. Outright abolitionists were a minority. The vast majority of those who had voted Republican in 1860 were against the spread of slavery into the western territories but didn't want to interfere with it where it already existed. Soldiers who had voted Democratic in 1860 tended to be even less concerned about the institution of slavery. They wanted to avenge Fort Sumter, crush the "rebellion," restore the Union, and return the country to what it had been before the war broke out.

However, not all northerners thought the Union was worth restoring by force. If the southerners wanted to leave, then good riddance. They and their "peculiar institution" had been an irritation for the last three decades. The average white American, northern or southern, rich or poor, Republican or Democrat, was virulently racist. One of the sticking points of the whole slavery controversy centered around what to do with the former slaves if they were freed. The great majority of northerners were horrified at the thought of freed Blacks migrating to northern states. With that in mind, why spill blood to begin with? Eventually, the Democratic Party in the North split into two factions, "War Democrats" and "Peace Democrats." The Peace Democrats became known as



CLEMENT VALLANDIGHAM



THE COPPERHEAD PARTY.—IN FAVOR OF A VIGOROUS PROSECUTION OF PEACE!

LADY LIBERTY FENDS OFF THE COPPERHEAD THREAT.

Copperheads.

The origin of the term “Copperhead” is debatable. Some sources say it referred to pins worn by the peace faction that were fashioned from copper pennies. (“Lady Liberty” was featured on pennies of the Civil War period.) Other sources claim the term came from the copperhead snake (*Akigistrodon contortrix*), a venomous, repulsive reptile that can be encountered in the lower mid-western states. When northerners used the name Copperhead to describe the peace faction of the Democratic Party, it was not meant to be a compliment—they were talking about the snake.

Clement Vallandigham of Ohio was a member of the U.S. House of Representatives when the Civil War broke out in 1861. A prominent Copperhead, he was an outspoken critic of the Lincoln administration’s handling of the war and eventually of the war in general. The first years of the war saw a series of Union defeats in the east, so Vallandigham had plenty of political ammunition to use against Lincoln’s handling of the war. He was a talented speaker and soon became a thorn in Lincoln’s side.

Vallandigham was not reelected in the congressional elections of 1862. His loss was more a reflection of gerrymandering than discontent over his opinions; Copperhead sentiment ran deep in his district. During his “lame duck” period, Vallandigham decided to go out swinging. He attacked the conduct of the war, the Emancipation Proclamation, Lincoln’s crackdown on dissenters and proposed an immediate armistice with the Confederacy. During a speech in early 1863, Vallandigham stated, “we [should] look only to the welfare, peace, and safety of the white race, without reference to the effect that settlement may have on the African.”

By this time, there was plenty of disquiet in the northern states. The war wasn’t going well in the East. Lee’s Army of Northern Virginia seemed unstoppable. In March 1863 the Union Congress passed the Conscription Act. It was not greeted with a lot of enthusiasm. Many northerners resented the Emancipation Proclamation as well. There were riots and desertions. Two regiments from southern Illinois had been so depleted by desertion they had to be disbanded. Lincoln had good reason to believe the Union war effort was imperiled by “fire from the rear.”

As a wartime measure, Lincoln had indeed interfered with some basic civil liberties. Soon after the bombardment



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EVENTUALLY, VALLANDIGHAM WAS BANISHED TO THE CONFEDERACY.

of Fort Sumter, Lincoln suspended the writ of *habeas corpus* in Maryland to make it easier to arrest and detain Rebel sympathizers. The threat of Maryland joining the Confederacy was very real; if that had been allowed to happen, the result would have been disastrous. A Confederate Maryland would have left Washington, DC surrounded by hostile territory. Honest Abe was not afraid to play hardball when the need arose and used this measure several times during the war. In September 1862, the president suspended *habeas corpus* again and made it illegal to discourage enlistments, drafts, or to engage in other “disloyal” practices. Violators were subject to arrest and trial by military commissions.

This enraged Clement Vallandigham. He considered Lincoln to be a tyrant and had described the Union as “one of the worst despotisms on earth.” On April 13, 1863, General Ambrose Burnside, commander of the Department of the Ohio, issued General Order Number 38, which made it

illegal to criticize the handling of the war within that department. About two weeks later, in a speech delivered in Mount Vernon, Ohio, Vallandigham did that very thing. The Civil War



CLEMENT VALLANDIGHAM

was “wicked, cruel, and unnecessary.” Moreover, it had been started for “the purpose of crushing out liberty and erecting a despotism” as well as obtaining “freedom of the blacks and enslavement of the whites.”

Vallandigham hoped this speech would land him in trouble. His wish was soon granted. He was arrested in the middle of the night of May 5 after soldiers broke down the door of his house in Dayton, Ohio. They dragged him away in front of his screaming wife. At his subsequent trial, a military commission found Vallandigham guilty of sympathizing with the enemy as well as making disloyal statements. His arrest provoked a riot. A mob of Vallandigham’s supporters in Dayton burned down the office of a Republican newspaper in Dayton.

A lesser person might have had Vallandigham shot by firing squad or locked in a prison cell with a few specimens of *Akigstrodon contortrix* thrown in to keep him company. However, Lincoln decided to banish him to the Con-



FOR A WHILE, VALLANDIGHAM WAS A MAN WITHOUT A COUNTRY.

federacy instead. It was an elegant solution. Now Vallandigham could be with his friends down south and his martyrdom would be thwarted. Under a flag of truce, he was escorted by an Ohio cavalry behind Rebel lines. Apparently, they weren't overjoyed to have him either; anyone who could cause that much mischief is better left alone.

Vallandigham was taken to Wilmington, North Carolina where he was kept under a close watch. Eventually, he met with Confederate officials and offered advice on how the war should be conducted. He had crossed the line which separates dissent from treason. When Vallandigham left the Confederacy under disguise and had himself

smuggled into Canada, there was a collective sigh of relief; nobody fully trusts a traitor.

Once he was safely in Canada, Vallandigham ran for governor of Ohio. He secured the nomination, but eventually lost the race to a member of the pro-war faction of the Democratic Party.

By the summer of 1863, after the Battle of Gettysburg and the surrender of Vicksburg, the war had turned in favor of the Union. The idea of peace negotiations with the Confederacy was losing its luster.

Most people would have thrown in the towel, but Clement Vallandigham wasn't finished. In 1864, he became involved in a scheme to form a "North-

western Confederacy" comprised of Ohio, Kentucky, Indiana, and Illinois. The four states would detach themselves from the Union after carrying out an armed rebellion. The Confederate government was in on the plan, but it fizzled. Vallandigham then decided to sneak back into the United States.

Lincoln was aware of Vallandigham's actions but chose to keep him under surveillance instead of re-arresting him. Since 1864 was a presidential election year, Lincoln may have thought the presence of the leading Copperhead might embarrass his own political rival, George B. McClellan. Although he was a War Democrat, McClellan's association with Vallandigham was a liability

by this time. Aided by the fall of Atlanta and the soldiers' votes, Lincoln was handily reelected. The war ended the following spring.

My own personal belief is somebody should have stuck an ice pick in Vollandigham's ear, but he was allowed to run for a Senate seat, which he lost in 1868. Vollandigham likewise lost a bid to regain his old seat in the House of Representatives. He then returned to his law practice, at which he was quite adept.

In 1871, Vollandigham was defending a client named Thomas McGehan who had been arrested for shooting a man in a barroom melee. The gist of Vollandigham's defense was the victim had accidentally shot himself while drawing his own revolver. While in a hotel room with his associates, Vollandigham reenacted the possible scene. There were two guns on the table in the hotel room, one was loaded, and the other was not. Unfortunately, Vollandigham chose the loaded revolver for his reenactment and shot himself in the abdomen. "I have foolishly shot myself," he gasped to his horrified fellow attorneys. He died

soon afterwards.

McGehan was acquitted but died a few years later after being shot in yet another barroom brawl. He had apparently failed to learn the error of his ways. Weirdly, another man tried to reenact Vollandigham's stunt to show his friends how it happened. The reenactment was a little bit too realistic; just like Vollandigham, he fatally shot himself. (I just stared for a few moments at the computer screen when I wrote this.) It pays to check your gun to see if it's loaded before you fool around with it.

A line from Shakespeare's Macbeth provides a fitting epitaph for Clement Vollandigham. "Nothing in his life became him, like the leaving it." As you can guess, he is not one of my heroes. However, he was an awfully good attorney, and he provided a heck of a story.

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A NEW MODEL NO. 3 FOR THE ARMY — THE SCHOFIELD

One Cavalry officer, Major George Schofield, working closely with Smith & Wesson, patented several modifications to the No. 3 to make it easier to reload on horseback while still holding the reins. Opening the action on the Schofield Model could be achieved with only the shooting hand, unlike the earlier Smith & Wesson American and Russian Models that needed both hands to open. With Schofield's design, the thumb of the shooting hand pulled back on the latch to open the action, the barrel tripping down and the cases ejecting all at once. This left the non-shooting hand still free to control the horse.

In 1875, Schofield submitted this modified No. 3 to the Ordnance Board, which happened to then be chaired by Schofield's older brother, General John Schofield. It was quickly adopted as substitute standard for the Colt Single Action Army. In 1875 a total of about 8,000 Schofield Models were delivered to the Army, which was more than half the number of Colt 1873s (15,000) ordered in the same time. Roughly one third of the revolvers issued to the Army. In the late 1870s were Schofield Models. In 1881, the Army started issuing a half-flap holster, with two flap positions that was suitable for both the 1873 Colt and 1875 Schofield revolvers.

The "Schofield Model" was chambered for a new .45 Smith & Wesson caliber cartridge, more powerful than the .44 American (and Russian). The .45 S&W round was shorter than the .45 Colt and had a slightly larger rim



Cartridge Box for 12 .45 Colt - S & W Schofield Revolver cartridges 1875-



*Left: Frankford Arsenal Colt .45 cartridge 1873/74
Center: Frankford Arsenal Colt-Schofield cartridge 1875-
Right: Modern .45 Long Colt cartridge*

to aid in the ejection process. The .45 S&W was loaded with a 230-grain conical lead bullet powered by 28-29 grains of black powder. The original .45 Colt round, on the other hand, had a 250- or 255-grain lead bullet powered by 40 grains of black powder. The Army later downloaded their .45 Colt rounds, reducing them to only 30 grains of black powder with card fillers. This was to make the 1873 Colt SAA more controllable, and easier to shoot accurately for the average soldier. This load basically duplicated the performance of the .45 Smith & Wesson round (and by no coincidence, later was duplicated by Colt's 1903 creation, the .45 ACP). I once loaded some old balloon head .45

Colt cases with 40 grains of FFFG black powder under a 255-grain conical bullet, and fired it from an original "Henry Nettleton" martial marked 1873 SAA. It was VERY enlightening, and I can see why the Army downloaded their .45 Colt rounds to 30 grains!

LOADING 1873 COLT AND 1875 SCHOFIELD ON HORSEBACK

Back when I was a Civil War Cavalry re-enactor (2002 to 2010), I tried loading both an 1873 Colt SAA and an 1875 Schofield on horseback. Riding in a standard McClellan saddle, I loaded



JESSE JAMES' SCHOFIELD REVOLVER AND SLIM JIM HOLSTER.

standing, at a walk, and finally at a trot. There was NO contest between the two revolvers for ease of reloading on horseback!

Holding reins and revolver in the left hand, I reloaded with the right hand from a pistol cartridge pouch on the belt. Sitting still on the horse, loading and unloading the 1873 was not too bad, but the 1875 was much easier. At

a walk, unloading the 1873 was a little more difficult than standing still, and I dropped rounds trying to load it. At a walk with the 1875 unloading was very easy and loading was still fairly easy. At a trot, I was unable to reload the 1873, as unloading was almost impossible. At a trot with the Schofield, I was still able to easily unload the revolver, and was also able to load the 1875 (though I did

drop a few rounds).

This ease and speed of unloading and loading of the No. 3 was its strongest point. Contrary to what one would think from watching a SASS match, 99.9 percent of the time, folks out West only carried one revolver. Even at the Gunfight at the OK Corral, the combatants were all armed with only a single pistol. I imagine there were times



DALLAS SToudenMIRE'S No. 3.

when someone expecting a “super-sized helping” of trouble might stick a second revolver inside their belt. By and large, if you used more than five or six rounds, you had to reload.

Even after the adoption of the 1873 Colt SAA, the Schofield and the earlier .44 Americans were very popular with the troops. Some people claim George Armstrong Custer carried a Schofield at the Little Big Horn, but recent archaeological finds tend to disprove that. These same digs did reveal, however, that at least three different S&W No.3 .44 American revolvers were there. However, it is not known which side used them.

The Army pulled the Schofield Models from active service and put them in reserve around 1887 due to supply problems caused by ammunition interchangeability issues between the .45 Schofield and the .45 Colt rounds.

While the Schofield round could be used in both the Colt and the S&W, the standard Colt round would not fit the S&Ws. Because of poor supply management and unclear nomenclature of the two rounds (both listed as “.45 caliber pistol ball” in supply inventories, Schofield equipped units would sometimes receive .45 Colt ammunition instead of the .45 Smith & Wesson cartridges. For a time, the Army tried issuing just the .45 S&W round to all units, but there were still significant amounts of .45 Colt ammunition in the supply chain causing confusion.

After the Spanish American War in 1898, the Army sold off the Schofields that had been in service, although some were issued to state militia units. A large number of Schofields were purchased by surplus dealers like Schuyler, Hartley & Graham and Francis Bannerman. Many of these Schofields had

their barrels cut to five inches and the front sight reset to make them easier to carry. A large number of these five-inch revolvers were purchased by Wells Fargo to issue to their Guards and Agents, who appreciated the S&W Schofield’s superior firepower.

CIVILIAN USAGE OF THE NO. 3 ON THE FRONTIER: OUTLAWS AND LAWMEN

The top-break Smith & Wesson’s were extremely popular with the civilian population. The long list of notables on both side of the law who favored the Smith & Wesson is amazing. Some of the outlaws are, Frank and Jesse James, Cole and Jim Younger, Charlie Pitts, John Wesley Hardin, and Bob Ford. Some of the lawmen and scouts who favored the S&W are Texas Jack Omo-



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hundo, Pat Garrett, Virgil and Wyatt Earp (who used an S&W No. 3 in .44 at the OK Corral, NOT a Colt Buntline), Bill Tilghman, Marshal Dallas Stoudenmire, Ronald MacKinzie of the 4th Cavalry, and even Theodore Roosevelt. My paternal Grandmother's cousin, Buffalo Bill Cody, also carried a pair of S&W No.3 American Models. They all liked the fast reloading firepower for which the Smith and Wesson No.3 revolver was second to none. In any gathering of men in the Old West, whether cowboys or lawman, you would be almost as likely see A Smith & Wesson as a Colt.

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GOOSE TERWILLIGER, SASS #11062L MARCH 29, 1947 – MARCH 25, 2022

BY CAPT. ALLYN CAPRON, SASS
#7605L

It is with great sadness that The Shortgrass Rangers report the passing of Goose Terwilliger (Dr. Robert Gose). He was a SASS Regulator and life member.

Goose was born in Springfield, Mo. He served the Lawton community as an Urologist from 1979 until his retirement in 2019. Often spotted in his signature red suspenders, he was a dedicated and compassionate physician who never stopped appreciating and learning from those around him. People from all over Southwest Oklahoma were his

patients. At the time of his retirement he had more than 6,000 patient records.

Goose was the driving force that started the Shortgrass Rangers in 1999. He was the club's first territorial governor and served for more than 22 years in that position.

Goose loved Cowboy matches. He attended the first END of TRAIL held in New Mexico and many more of the annual EOT matches. He attended every annual Land Run match hosted by the Oklahoma City club. He also attended matches hosted by other Oklahoma and North Texas SASS clubs. Goose had few clean matches, he never won a buckle, and he was never the fastest shooter. However, he always had fun and enjoyed being with other Cowboy Action Shooters™.

Goose's most famous — or notorious — shot was the time he shot his own hat. Goose drew a bead on a shotgun target. As he pulled the trigger a very strong gust of wind blew his hat off and right into the line of fire. The shot column went through his hat and knocked down the shotgun target. This was a one in a million shot that could never be repeated. Goose picked up the hat complaining it was his best dress hat and it was ruined! He stomped off the range and we thought he was really upset. A few minutes later he returned with a lot of bandages covering the hole. We all had a good laugh. At every Shortgrass Ranger match when the "Hat Stage" is shot the Hat Story will always be told.

Goose Terwilliger was a great SASS ambassador. He was a most valuable asset to his community and the Shortgrass Rangers. He will be sorely missed. Happy Trails, Cowboy.

LAKOTA SUE, SASS #17029

BY ANGEL, SASS #19622

Lakota Sue (Elaine Dieteman Haberland) took her last journey into the arms of God April 4, 2021.

She was born in Allegheny NY December 6, 1956. She received her undergraduate degree from Buffalo State College and her Masters in Special Education from Russell State College. She was a teacher for 28 years, with her career taking her to the public

schools and Northwest College in Powell WY.

Lakota Sue startled shooting Cowboy Action with the Circle K Regulators in Balston Spa, NY, and mounted shooting with her horse Montana, then later with the Colter's Hell Justice Committee in Powell WY until a head injury limited her long gun capabilities. After that, she was a very gracious hostess at other activities with her shooting friends especially those at her home. Colter's Hell Justice Committee made it a habit to celebrate the year of shooting with a party where everyone dressed in their best or favorite eveningwear. Lakota Sue was always dressed in a beautiful gown that accented her flowing blonde hair with Wyoming Gun (SASS #17028) at her side.

Lakota Sue was a professional wildlife photographer and sole proprietor of Lost Canyon Photography. As a photographer she also took pictures of the accouterments of Cowboy Action Shooting™. Her eye for the unique shots is a sight to see.

Lakota Sue was married to Wyoming Gun (Steve Haberland) for 23 years. She and her husband found a small camp trailer in need of some love. They were able to refurbish this little camper, which was lovingly named "Wildfire," and she used it for many trips with the Sisters on the Fly. With her photographic eye she took lots of pictures of the tear down and rebuild. It was an amazing transforma-



tion with very unique finishes to put Wildfire back on the roads.

She lived a vibrant life even though she was diagnosed with cancer shortly before retirement from teaching and touched many lives as an educator, volunteer for Casting for Recovery, and a member of Sisters on the Fly.

I believe one of her favorite sayings was “Don’t settle for a spark, wait for the Wildfire.” She definitely didn’t settle for any spark as she brought lots of fire into her approach to life, which she was able to project through her love of photography and Cowboy Action Shooting™.




LUCKY BILL, SASS #765L APRIL 2, 1947 – NOVEMBER 24, 2021


BY YAKIMA RED, SASS #13539

It is with pause and reflection I share the passing of Lucky Bill. He was born Jay Robert Thorington in Boone, Iowa, graduated from Stratford High School and later attended Iowa State University. Jay married Annette Grabau in 1971 and fathered two sons, Zachary and Samuel. He worked many years in Iowa, Montana, and ultimately Powell, Wyoming in his career of radio advertising and disk jockeying. In 1988 he began dispatching for the Powell Police Department. Then in 1999 Jay became a dispatcher for the Park County Sheriff’s Department, retiring in 2009.

Besides his love of family, Lucky Bill had a passion for living history. Being one of the founding members of the Colter’s Hell Justice Committee, Lucky Bill set the bar high for authentic attire at all the events on and off the range. His experience in advertising would pay off as he many times submitted registration forms and wrote splen-


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did articles for *The Cowboy Chronicle*. He lived larger than life and put his whole being into the promotion of club events. Lucky Bill also headed up the Cody Gunfighters for a time and regaled tourist crowds in front of the Irma Hotel with tales of the Old West, guns a blazing.

As the memories rush in, a smile appears on my face for the friend who made us laugh during social gatherings. Who made us properly pose, hats back, no eyeglasses, for the monthly Posse picture. Road trips to other matches where we would pick up his lost accouterments following his wake. Thank you my friend for swinging a big loop. As a faithful servant and brother in the faith, I know you are now enjoying that special place that was set aside for you. Until we meet again, Harrumph!

MR. FINGER JUNE 11, 1963 – DECEMBER 20, 2021 HEAVEN'S POSSE JUST GAINED A GOOD ONE

BY HAIRTRIGGER HAYES, SASS
#92280 LIFE, REGULATOR

It burdens me deeply to report the passing of my best friend and fellow CAS shooter, Mr. Finger (SASS #99730). Bart, as we called him (because originally his alias was Bart Bittertrigger Finger), attended his first match at our club in 2014. He was brandishing a pair of untuned Schofields and a '66 rifle that was so stock that it sort of "crunched" when you worked the lever. That first day he was so slow we could have timed him with a sundial. But he didn't care and neither did we. A new friendship was formed that day and Bart and I quickly became

the best of friends.

Bart was a great addition to the club. His outgoing attitude always made new shooters feel very welcome. He was quick to get in line for whatever duties were called for. He was our club Range Officer and a recipient of the Top Hand award that is given each year to our standout volunteer.

Bart rose quickly in the game of CAS, despite his ill-fated first day, later winning Championships as high as the State Level and becoming a real contender placing as high as third in his category at the 2021 End of Trail – his last big match.

In addition to being a great friend

to the club and myself especially, he made a pretty darned good Santa Claus. With his snow-white beard and warm smile, kids flocked to him... and he loved it! They would be so convinced he was Santa I believe even Bart began to believe it a little bit. Bart was also a successful business owner for close to 20 years and served in the U.S. Air Force for 10 years.

No doubt a big hole has been left in our club and in our hearts by the passing of this great friend. But we are all the richer for having known Mr. Finger. Rest in peace old friend until we both meet again on that Posse in the Sky.



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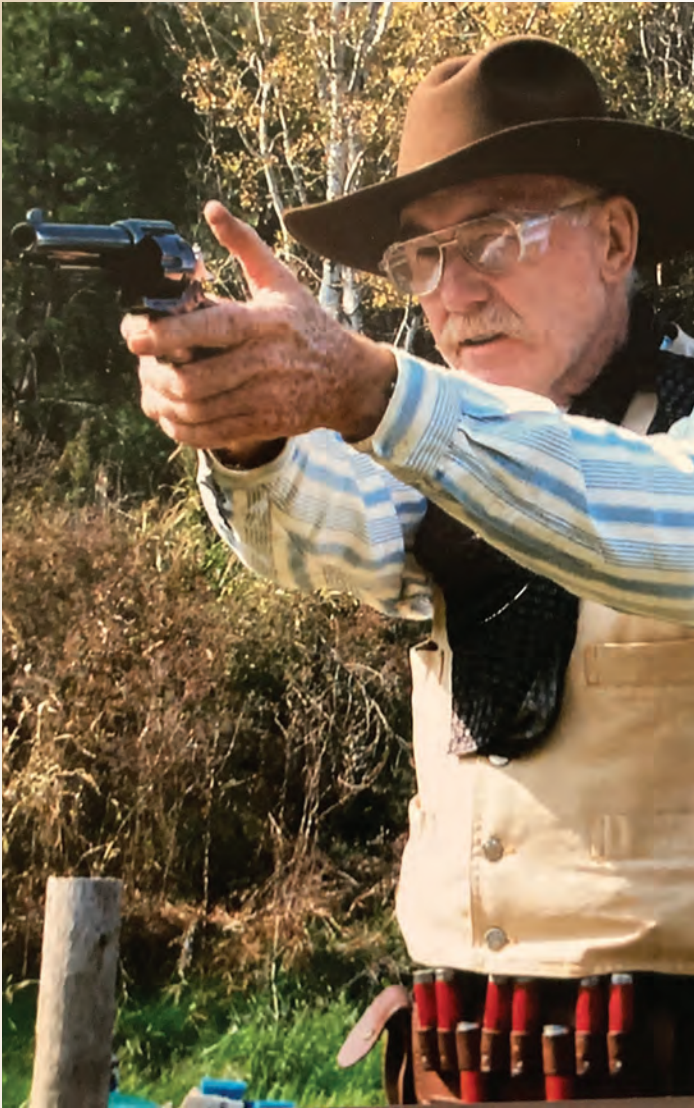
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**SWALLOWFORK,
SASS #35326
AUGUST 13, 1936 – APRIL 6, 2021**

BY THUNDER ALY, SASS #52068

Swallowfork (John Simpson) was born in Claresholme, Alberta, Canada. He worked for the Ministry of Natural Resources in Ontario his whole life, and was for many years the Superintendent of Algonquin National Park. He was the President of the Orillia Gun Club for many years and put his heart and soul into it. He began participating in Cowboy Action Shooting™ in the early 1980s and he helped me immensely in 2003 to get get into shooting and SASS, which I now really enjoy.

He moved to Stavelly in 2003 to be in the West and shot in the U.S. frequently. He got a lot of people interested in Cowboy Action Shooting™ in and around Stavelly. He leaves his wife, Kath, two daughters, and three grandsons.

Swallowfork was the type of person everyone could like and I for one will surely miss shooting with him.

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PRODUCT REVIEW



RANGE TACTICAL GEAR GUN CART

BY HOSS, SASS #95858

My first cart was a wooden cart purchased used from another Cowboy. While it worked okay, it was heavy and did not fit very well in my truck — I had to lay it on its side to fit it under the hard cover. I sold it and bought a Rugged Gear cart. The Rugged Gear carts are very good, with a couple of drawbacks. They don't handle side-hill travel very well and in my experience, the handle joints are prone to breaking, requiring replacement. Plus the original wire spoke wheels did not hold up. The upgraded plastic wheels are much better.

I had seen the Range Tactical Gear carts and thought one might work



for me. I opted for the five-gun Cowboy Gunslinger model. They also offer a three-gun model, but as I like to carry a backup rifle or sometimes side match long guns, I wanted the larger cart. Plus, the five-gun model has a handgun rack that will hold four revolvers. One can purchase plastic ammo boxes for storing miscellaneous gear on the cart. I had my son build a set of wooden boxes, I just like the look more than the plastic ones. Caution — do not load the front box down with everything including the kitchen sink. While the cart can handle the weight, it does make it harder to steer.

Set up is relatively simple. Push in a spring-loaded button, unfold the cart, slip the upright down into the proper position on the base, then secure two latches on upright, raise shelf, hook two more latches, install handle (which slides into slots with wing nuts to lock it down). It takes about a minute once you get the hang of it. There are several optional hooks, cup holders, brackets, and whatnot you can purchase to further customize the cart. You can also carry a rather large umbrella on it, if desired. I use a hook on one side to hold a folding stool and a belt holder on the handle, from which I hang



loading blocks. A brass grabber slots in nicely on the rear.

The cart is very stable going up and down or sideways on hills. There is a brake on one of the rear wheels. I found it works really well backwards, but going forward does not hold very well. Steering the cart can be a chal-

lenge. The wheels are fixed, so no swivel turning. Minor course adjustments can be made by exerting more pressure on one side of the handle. If you have to make a sharp turn either push down on handle to raise front wheels and spin like a lawn mower, or pick up rear end and turn on front wheels. In

my opinion the steering is the biggest drawback. But once you get the hang of it you will be able to navigate it around with no problems.

Pros — very sturdy; has a hand-gun rack; customizable; folds very flat; holds five long guns and four revolvers.

Cons — Hard to steer; more expensive than a Rugged Gear cart; you have to remove optional hooks to fold flat (although they are very easy to put on/take off); solid flat-free tires are an upgrade but should be standard

Overall, I am very pleased with the cart. I expect it will give me years of service. Visit their website — <https://rangetacticalgear.com/> — for further information.



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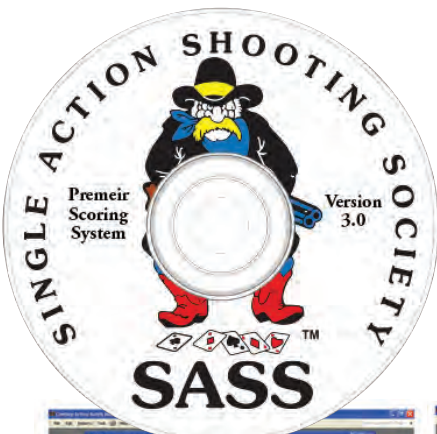
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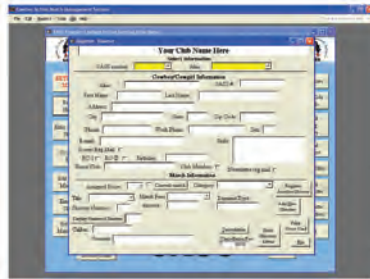
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SASS AFFILIATED CLUBS 2022 MONTHLY SHOOTING SCHEDULES

CLUB NAME	CITY	MATCH DAY	PHONE	CONTACT	RANGE LOCATION
AUSTRALIA					
Shooters Union Australia Ltd	N/A	As Sched.	+61 409 471 423	Painted Mohawk	Various Ranges Across Australia
Westgate Marauders	Port Melbourne	2nd Saturday	61 0433419284	Stampede Pete	Melbourne International Shooting Club
AUSTRALIAN CAPITOL TERRITORY					
Majura Rangers	Majura	3rd Sun	N/A	Blinky	SSAA-ACT Shooting Range
NEW SOUTH WALES					
Mid-Western Pistol Club Inc.	Aarons Pass	4th Sun	+61407853393	Tumbleweed Kate	Windermere Regional Shooting Complex
QUEENSLAND					
Dalby Pioneers	Dalby	4th Sun	+0458 510 122	Mrs. H	N/A
Sporting Shooters' Association of Australia, Inc.	N/A	As Sched.	+61 447 831 154	R. C. Shot	NSW, QLD, VIC, ACT, SA, WA, NT, TAS
The Gold Coast Gamblers	Gold Coast	1st, 3rd & 5th Sat	+61 413 440 600	Dug Deeper	N/A
Wallumbilla Regulators	Wallumbilla, QLD	As Sched.	61+ 428 464 606	Slippery Shayne	Wallumbilla Rifle Club
VICTORIA					
Little River Raiders	Little River	3rd Sun	61 407 553 281	Sambucca Kid	Eagle Park Shooting Complex
AUSTRIA					
City Marshals	Graz	As Sched.	+43 699 131 154 83	Clint Coldwell	Shooting Range LH Graz
Sportschützenverein Nibelungen	Steinwand	As Sched.	+436645575133	Super Mario	Shooting Range 3665 Gutenbrunn
Sweetwater Gunslingers Austria	Vienna	Sat. As Sched.	+43 (0) 664 49 80 32	Fra Diabolo	Club Wiener Pistolenschützen
CANADA					
Nova Scotia Cowboy Action Shooting Club	Camden	As Sched.	902-890-2310	Wounded Belly	Nova Scotia Muzzle Loading Association
ALBERTA					
Canadian Historical Arms Society	Leduc County	Every Wed.	780-977-5977	Alberta Jayhawk	Genesse Ranger
Porcupine Hills Shadow Riders	Granum	2nd & 4th Saturday	403-687-2284	Southwest Trapper	Willow Lane Ranch
BRITISH COLUMBIA					
Heffley Creek Gun Club	Heffley Creek	As Sched.	250-573-2885	Gunfighter Jim	N/A
Kamloops Cowtown Cowboys	Kamloops	As Sched.	250-573-2885	Gunfighter Jim	Kamloops Target Sports Association
Red Mountain Renegades	Mission	1st Sun	778-241-5538	Goldie Stone	Mission and District Rod and Gun Club
Valley Regulators	Courtenay	3rd & 5th Sat	250-897-2194	Little Edgy	Courtenay Fish and Game Protective Association
Victoria Frontier Shootists	Victoria	2nd Sun	250-744-4705	Black Ashley	Victoria Fish & Game Protective Association
NEW BRUNSWICK					
Beaubassin Range Riders	Saint-Andre LeBlanc	2nd Sat & 5th Sat	506-312-3330	Frenchy Cannuck	Cap Pelee Gun Club
ONTARIO					
Ontario Single Action Federation	Guelph, ON	As Sched.	519-362-1184	Doc Lonesome	N/A
Prairie Dog Rebels	London	As Sched.	519-860-2004	Currahee Kid	Crumlin Sportsmen's Association
Ruff's Regulators	Cornwall	As Sched.	514-409-6117	Marshall MacPhee	Cornwall Handgun Club
Square Circle Wranglers	Clarence-Rockland	As Sched.	613-797-4855	Red Storm	Eastern Ontario Shooting Club
QUEBEC					
Centre De Tir Granby Multi-Sports	Granby	As Sched.	450-532-4111	Smoking Mike Whitecloud	Centre de Tir Granby Multi-Sports
Club De Tir Beausejour	Levis, Quebec	As Sched.	418-609-2139	Lieutenant Bluberry	Chasseurs et pecheurs Levisiens inc.
SASKATCHEWAN					
Saskatchewan Association of Wild West Shooters	Saskatoon	As Sched.	306-222-2480	Dusty Dawn	Saskatoon Muzzle Loading Club

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CZECH REPUBLIC

Association of Western Shooters	Pelhrimov	As Sched	420 777 776 066	Colbert	Shooting Range Pelhrimov
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FINLAND

Classic Old Western Society of Finland	Loppi	As Sched.	+358-50-5174659	Captain Woodbury Kane	N/A
SASS Finland	Loppi	As Sched.	+358 50 5174659	Woodbury Kane	Loppis Shooting Range

FRANCE

Black Rivers	Roanne	As Sched	336 87 46 25 82	The Kid of Neckwhite	Route de Charlieu
Buffalo Valley	Châteauneuf-en-Thymerais	As Sched.	06 08 83 89 36	Slye Buffalo	Avenir Sportif Thymarias
Bull Run Valley	Sainte Opportune	As Sched.	06-47-52-09-37	Ben Calhound	Association Sportive Flers Messei
CAS/SASS France	Rochefford du Gard	As Sched.	33 (0) 607 269 373	Marshall Dundee	Golden Trigger of Freetown
East Valley	Dettwiller	As Sched.	06 76 49 54 81	Cornelius Chesterfield	Club de Tir de la Licorne
Fort Desaix	Mundolsheim	As Sched	+33 608254502	Old Oak Claudee	Societe de Tir de Strasbourg
Golden Trigger of Freetown	Puylagarde	As Sched .	06-75-70-36-78	Cheyenne Little Colibris	A.S.T.E.V
Greenwood Creek Gang	Cogolin, France	As Sched	33688091360	Handy Hook	N/A
Joly's Saloon	Bernay	As Sched.	06 08 83 89 36	Myra Maybelle Shirley Reed Starr	Joly's Saloon
Loire Valley Regulators	Cornery	As Sched	06 83 31 30 53	Yul Tatoo	Club de Tir Sportif de Touraine
Old West Gunfighter	Rochefford du Gard	As Sched.	33 (0) 607 269 373	Marshall Dundee	Provençal de Tir
Snake Valley	Le Fenti Bernard	As Sched.	06 07 09 5592	Chris T. Bunner	"Champ Blanc"

GERMANY

Cowboy Action Shooting Germany	Edderitz	Last Sat	+49 1609 76 52588	Marshall Heck	Tombstone Village
SASS Germany	Wegberg	Wed	28233426	Rhine River Joe	Caritz Springs
CAS Europe	Heerd	Wed	28235807	Hurricane Irm	TR-Dusseldorf

ITALY

Western Club Canne Tonanti	Verano Brianza	As Sched. Sun	+393493276203	Bruce Miller	A.S.D. Traversera Shooting Club
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LUXEMBOURG

SASS Luxembourg	Varies	As Sched	00352 691 161 580	Katie Lou	SSCK
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NEW ZEALAND

Ashburton Pistol Club	Ashburton	3rd Sun	+64 21 525 347	Kiwi Witch Doctor	Ashburton Pistol Club
Ashburton Pistol Club Wild Bunch Shooting	Ashburton	3rd Sun PM	N/A	Kiwi Witch Doctor	Ashburton Pistol Club
Bullet Spittin' Sons O' Thunder	Palmerston North	2nd Sat	+64 275 221 920	Calamity Carrie	Rifle Rod & Gun Club Manawata Inc.
Green Mountain Boys	Upper Hutt	1st Sun	+64 274 221 551	Bald Eagle	Kaitoke Pistol Club
SASS Pistol New Zealand	Hastings	As Sched.	+64 34 38 9696	Lindis Ranger	New Zealand Pistol Association

POLAND

SASS Polish Western Shooting Association	Lodz	As Sched	+48605100315	Crazy Zebra	1st Western Shooting Range
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SLOVAKIA

Slovak Western Shooting Association	Domaniza	As Sched.	00421903667096	Bambino	Shooting range Domaniza
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SOUTH AFRICA

Western Shooters of South Africa	Simon's Town	3rd Sat	+27 826522150	Dusty Devil	False Bay Gun Club
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SWITZERLAND

Old West Shooting Society Switzerland	Kreuzlingen	As Sched	+41 79 909 92 70	Texas Knight	N/A
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UNITED KINGDOM

British Western Shooting Society	Grimsby, Lincs	3rd Weekend	+44 7903 287398	English Luke	North Cotes Butts Rifle Club
Shooters of the Cast Iron Shore	Liverpool	As Sched	44 (0) 7903103254	Arkansas Tom Jones	Atlantic Leisure Sport Complex

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

ALABAMA

North Alabama Regulators	Woodville	1st Sun	256-504-4366	Buck D. Law	Cavern Cove Competition Shooting Range
Old York Shootists	Blountsville	2nd & 4th Sun	205-616-9395	Derringer Di	Old York Shootists Cowboy Action Shooting Range
Russell County Regulators	Phenix City	1st Sat	706-566-1740	Will Killigan	East Alabama Gun Club

ALASKA

Alaska 49er's	Palmer	2nd Sat & 4th Sun	907-982-5017	Flaco Joe	Mat-Valley Sportsmans Shooting Range
Alaska 49ers Wild Bunch	Palmer	2nd Sat	907-982-5097	Flaco Joe	Mat-Valley Sportsmans Shooting Range
Golden Heart Shootist Society	Fairbanks	2nd & 4th Sun	907-978-2296	Montana Kid Hammer	Fox Outdoor Range
Juneau Gold Miners Posse	Juneau	3rd Sun	907-500-9735	Coho Cowboy	Hank Harmon Rifle Range

ARIZONA

Arizona Cowboy Shooters Association Inc	Phoenix	2nd Sat	949-525-7124	Tombstone Sallie	Ben Avery Shooting Facility
Arizona Yavapai Rangers	Camp Verde	4th Sat	928-202-0044	Kirk James	Forest Service Road 9571
Bordertown, Inc.	Tombstone	As Sched	520-290-8599	Quicksand	Tombstone Livery
Colorado River Shootists	Yuma	4th Sun	760-662-3495	Charity Rose Lee	Adair Range
Cowtown Cowboy Shooters	Peoria	1st Sun & 3rd Sat	480-773-2753	Barbwire	Cowtown Shooting Range
Cowtown Wild Bunch Shooters	Peoria	4th 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
Granite Mountain Outlaws	Chino Valley	3rd Sun	928-963-6515	Tramp	Compass Training Center
Los Vaqueros	Tombstone	3rd Sat	520-444-8181	Eric Rooster Cogburn	Tombstone Livery
NAZty Bunch	Flagstaff	3rd Sat	928-607-5179	Coconino Pistolero	Camp Savage
Rio Salado Cowboy Action Shooting Society	Mesa	1st Sat	602-657-4532	Colt Laredo	Rio Salado Sportsman's Club
Whiskey Row Gunslingers	Prescott	2nd Sun	949-422-9961	Wolfe Lehr	Yavapai Recreation League
White Mountain Old West Shootists	St. Johns	3rd Sat	928-243-4471	Monty Rio	Northeastern Arizona Shooters Association

ARKANSAS

Arkansas Leadslingers	Rogers	2nd Sat & 4th Sat	479-633-2107	Dirty Dan Paladin	Frisco City
Judge Parker's Marshals	Fort Smith/Van Buren	3rd Wknd	479-651-2475	Naildriver	Old Fort Gun Club
Mountain Valley Vigilantes	Hot Springs National Park	1st Wknd	501-337-9368	Bulldog McGraw	Mountain Valley Sportsman's Association
Outlaw Camp	Heber Springs	2nd, 4th & 5th Sat	870-847-0733	Arkansas Harper	Outlaw Camp
White River Gang	Mountain Home	1st & 2nd Sat	719-839-0133	Bayou Bob	Twin Lakes Gun Club

CALIFORNIA

5 Dogs Creek	Bakersfield	1st Sat & Sun	559-707-5316	Buddy Love	Five Dogs Creek Shooting Range
Cajon Cowboys	San Bernardino	2nd, 4th, & 5th Sat	760-900-5199	Pasture Patti	Route 66 Shootings Sports Park
California Rangers	Sloughhouse	2nd Sat	916-606-9051	Juss Slim	Sacramento Valley Shooting Center
California Shady Ladies	Sloughhouse	4th Sat	916-952-1013	Lady Gambler	Sacramento Valley Shooting Center
Canyon Oaks Shootists	Sylmar	2nd Wknd	626-644-5368	Dusty Sagerider	Canyon Oaks Sportsmans Club
Chorro Valley Regulators	San Luis Obispo	2nd Sun & Prec. Sat	805-286-1188	Sinful	San Luis Obispo Sportsman's Association
Coyote Valley Sharpshooters	Morgan Hill	3rd Sat	510-862-8000	Calamity Carl	Santa Clara Countny Sports Park
Double R Bar Regulators	Lucerne Valley	2nd Sun	760-998-8047	Horse Thief Harold	Lucerne Valley Lions Club
Dulzura Desperados	Dulzura	3rd Sat	619-997-2755	Reuben J. Cogburn	South Bay Rod and Gun Club
Escondido Bandidos	Escondido	1st Sat	760-745-9249	Double Diamond	Escondido Fish & Games Assoc.
Faultline Shootist Society	Morgan Hill	4th Sun	408-306-1886	Pasco Pete	Coyote Valley Sporting Clays
Gold Country Wild Bunch	Sloughhouse	3rd Sat	925-783-3800	Tully Mars	Sacramento Valley Shooting Center
Hawkinsville Claim Jumpers	Yreka	4th & 5th Sat	530-598-6871	Wichita Belle	Dodge Range
Helladoro Rangers	Ukiah	3rd Sunday	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	510-703-8064	Grizzly Peak Jake	West Point Rod & Gun
Hole In The Wall Gang	Piru	1st & 4th Sun	661-373-2709	Lefty Longridge	California Tactical Academy
Kings River Regulators	Clovis	3rd Sun	559-352-9829	Big Bad Blaine	Fresno Rifle & Pistol Club

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Mother Lode Shootist Society	Jamestown	1st Sun	209-795-4175	Sioux City Kid	Mother Lode Gun Club
Murieta Posse	Sloughhouse	3rd Sun	510-703-8064	Grizzly Peak Jake	Sacramento Valley Shooting Center
Nevada City Peacemakers	Nevada City	3rd Sat	530-263-2192	Constable Dan	Nevada County Sportsmen's Club
Northfield Raiders	Panorama City	3rd Sun	818-344-5170	Old Mustang	Panorama Sportsmans Assoc.
Outlaws "The"	Sloughhouse	1st Sat	916-216-0168	Sheriff Wil Katchum	Sacramento Valley Shooting Center
Pozo River Vigilance Committee at Lazy Arrow	Santa Margarita	4th Sat	805-801-8750	Roger Rapid	Camatta Ranch/Lazy Arrow Adventures
River City Regulators	Davis	1st Sun	925-382-5751	Noah Hair	Yolo Sportsmen's Association
Robbers Roost Vigilantes	Ridgecrest	3rd Sat	760-301-4520	Nasty Newt	Ridgecrest Gun Range
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	949-235-4437	Razorback Red	Raahauge Shooting Enterprises
Two Rivers Posse	Manteca	1st Sat & 4th Sun	209-814-5322	Dragon	Manteca Sportsmen's Club

COLORADO

Briggsdale County Shootists	Briggsdale	2nd & 4th Sat & 5th Sun	970-493-1813	Kid Bucklin	Pawnee Sportsmens Center
Castle Peak Wildshots	Gypsum	2nd Wkd	970-653-0258	Doctor Death	Gypsum Shooting Sports Park
Colorado Cowboys	Lake George	1st Sat	719-689-2272	Clay Britches	M Lazy 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	970-201-4773	Black Mountain Cat	Bears Ears Sportsman Club
Pawnee Station Vindicators	Nunn	3rd Sat & 3rd Sun WB	970-213-9608	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.
Rockvale Bunch	Rockvale	3rd Sat	719-252-5970	Cat Tracker	Rockvale Gun Club
San Juan Rangers	Montrose	1st Sun	970-417-6247	Kodiak Kid	San Juan Shooting Range
Sand Creek Raiders	Byers	4th Sun	303-366-8827	Sweetwater Bill	Colorado Rifle Club
Thunder Mountain Shootists	Whitewater	3rd Sat & Sun	970-270-4853	Pinto Being	William Jarvis Shooting Complex
Thunder Mountain Shootists Wild Bunch	Whitewater	3rd Sun	970-270-4853	Pinto Being	William Jarvis Shooting Complex

CONNECTICUT

CT Valley Bushwhackers	Coventry	2nd Sat	860-384-0543	Double Tap Taylor	Manchester Sportsman Association
Ledyard Sidewinders	Ledyard	1st Sat	860-608-0916	Yosemite Gene	Ledyard Sportsman's Club

DELAWARE

Paden's Posse	Bridgeville	3rd Sun	302-841-8727	Cool Hand Lee	Bridgeville Rifle and Pistol Club
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FLORIDA

Big Bend Bushwhackers	Woodville	3rd Sat	850-320-4411	Deadeye Davis	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
Fort White Cowboy Cavalry	Fort White	2nd Sat	352-222-4214	Confederate Colt	Fort White Gun Club
Hernando County Regulators	Brooksville	1st Sun	517-622-4372	Shoulda Dun Gun	Hernando Sportsman's Club, Inc.
Lake County Pistoleros	Tavares	3rd Sat	650-776-2854	Smart Asterisk	Eustis Gun Club
OK Corral Outlaws	Okeechobee	4th 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	Panhandle Cattle Company
Panhandle Cowboys	Holt	2nd Sun	850-932-3955	Jeb Stuart Foley	Element Training Complex
Red Hills Rangers	Midway	2nd Sat	850-443-3327	Colonel Kraken	Talon Range
Roughshod Raiders	Gainesville	1st Sat	352-317-2357	Delta Glen	Gainesville Target Range, Inc.
Southwest Florida Gunslingers	Punta Gorda	3rd Sat & 4th Sun	239-772-7994	Vaquero Tom	Hansen Range and Gun Club
Weewahootee Vigilance Committee	Orlando	2nd Sat	407-729-8057	Dead-Aim Dave	Central Florida Rifle and Pistol Club

GEORGIA

Cherokee Cowboys	Gainesville	4th Sat	845-401-0902	Dirty Redd	Cherokee Gun Club
Georgia Mountain Piedmont Regulators	Eastanollee	2nd Sat	706-714-8441	Iron Chief	Georgia Mountain Shooting Association

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River Bend Rough Riders	Dawsonville	1st Sat	770-361-6966	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	423-593-3767	Double Barrel	Phoenix Farms

HAWAII

Maui Marshals	Lahaina	1st & 3rd Sat	808-870-1796	Shoo-fly Kid	Valley Isle Sport Shooters Club
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IDAHO

Eagle Rock Regulators	Idaho Falls	1st Sat	208-520-8824	Missouri Ruffian	Southeast Idaho Practical Shooters
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	503-953-5643	Nels Gandy	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

ILLINOIS

Border Bandits	Rockford	4th Saturday	815-721-2282	Dry Fire	NIRPC
Fort Beggs Defenders	Plainfield	3rd Sat	815-254-1062	Toranado	Oak Park Sportsmen's Club
Good Guys Posse	Winnebago	4th Sun	815-923-2191	Cornbread Lawman	Dry Gulch Ranch
Illinois River City Regulators	Chillicothe	2nd Sun	309-243-7236	Granville Stuart	Chillicothe Sportsmen's Club
Illowa Irregulars	Milan	3rd Sun	563-349-2273	Rootin Tootin	Milan Rifle Club
Kaskaskia Cowboys	Sparta	2nd Sat	618-534-3548	Okaw	World Shooting and Recreation Complex
Kishwaukee Valley Regulators	Waterman	1st Sun	815-501-9421	Six Fingered Shootist	Aurora Sportsmen's Club
Lakewoods Marshals	Rinard	1st Sat	618-262-6948	Rusty Banker	Lakewoods Marshals Cowboy Action Shooitn Club Range
McLean County Peacemakers	Bloomington	3rd Sat	309-379-4331	Marshall R. D.	Darnalls Gun Works & Range
Vermillian River Long Riders	Streator	2nd Sunday	815-303-4555	Lead Poison Lar	Sandy Ford Sportsman Club
Wabash Rangers	Westville	4th Sat	217-267-2820	Henry Remington	Wabash Rangers

INDIANA

Circle R Cowboys	Brookston	3rd Sat	219-208-2793	Mustang Bill	Wildcat Valley Rifle and Pistol Club
Deer Creek Regulators	Deer Creek	4th Sunday	765-749-6059	Flat Water Bo	Deer Creek Conservation Club of Grant County
Paradise Pass Regulators	Etna Green	1st Sat	574-354-7186	C. C. Top	Paradise Pass
Pine Ridge Regulators	Carbon	2nd Sat	812-442-6259	P. R. Undertaker	Pine Ridge Ranch
Westside Renegades	Evansville	4th Sat	812-459-2153	Tinhorn Timmy	Westside Sportsmen's Club
Wolff's Rowdy Rangers	Bristol	3rd Sat	574-536-4010	Justice D. Spencer	Chief Wa-Ke-De Range

IOWA

Fort Des Moines Rangers	Indianola	1st Sun & 3rd Sat	641-660-2452	John Wesley Hardin	Central Iowa Shooting Sports
Outlaw's Run	Red Oak	2nd Sun	712-621-5726	Capt. Jim Midnight	Red Oak
Turkeyfoot Cowboys	Waterloo	1st Sat	319-361-2131	Fence Cutter	Turkeyfoot Long Rifles Range

KANSAS

Butterfield Gulch Gang	Chapman	1st Sun & 3rd Sat	785-479-0416	Flinthills Dawg	Clark's Station
Capital City Cowboys	Topeka	4th Sun	785-313-0894	Top	Capital City Gun Club
Chisholm Trail Rowdys	Benton	4th Sun	785-224-4918	Chisholm Kid	Chisholm Trail Antique Gun Association
Free State Rangers	Parker	1st Sun, 3rd Sat, & 5th Sun	913-244-4960	Beans Haney	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	913-209-3836	Cooncan	Powder Creek Shooting Park
Powder Creek Cowboys Wild Bunch	Lenexa	5th Sat	913-680-5757	High Plains Hud	Powder Creek Shooting Park

KENTUCKY

Hooten Old Town Regulators	Mckee	1st Sat	859-230-3693	Lyn Ike	Hooten Old Town
Kentucky Long Rifles Cowboys	Morehead	2nd Sat	606-462-3278	Longshot Ace	Kentucky Long Rifles Club

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Kentucky Regulators	Boaz	1st Sat	270-556-4082	Shenandoah Slim	Kentucky Regulators Gun Club Inc
Knob Creek Gunfighters Guild	West Point	1st Sun	502-551-8174	Hinote	Knob Creek Gun Range
Levisa Fork Lead Slingers	Pikeville	4th Sat	606-424-8706	Escopeta Jake	East Kentucky Sportsman Assoc.
Ponderosa Pines Posse	Manchester	3rd Sat	219-309-3726	Cat A Tonic	N/A

LOUISIANA

Deadwood Marshals	Sorrento	1st & 3rd Sat	504-458-1898	Doc Spudley	Deadwood Marshals
Up The Creek Gang	Lake Charles	2nd & 4th Sat	337-499-5289	Sparky Gal	Lake Charles Gun Club

MAINE

Maine Marshals	Berwick	As Sched	207-272-7119	Tyler Tornado	Sanford Springvale Fish and Game
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MARYLAND

Damascus Wildlife Rangers	Mt. Airy	2nd Sat	301-253-0578	Dogmeat Dad	Izaak Walton League of America
Eastern Shore Renegades	Sudlersville	1st Sat	610-724-4842	Black Hills Drifter	Delmarva Sportsman's Association
Thurmont Rangers	Thurmont	1st Sun	202-330-8545	Dutch Coroner	Thurmont Conservation and Sportsman Club

MASSACHUSETTS

Danvers Desperados	Middleton	As Sched.	781-254-8041	Pittsburg Mac	Danvers Fish & Game Club
Harvard Ghost Riders	Harvard	As Sched.	978-456-6971	Grazer	Harvard Sportsman's Club

MICHIGAN

Eagleville Cowboys	Central Lake	4th Sat	231-676-0922	One Son of A Gun	Eagleville Ranch
Hidden Valley Cowboys	Sturgis	3rd Sun	574-349-3764	Johnny Rebel	St. Joseph Conservation and Sportsmans Club
Johnson Creek Regulators	Plymouth	4th Sat	734-320-4941	Sarge	Western Wayne County Conservation Club
River Bend Rangers	Niles	2nd Sat	574-220-3714	Robert Chance Cole	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 Sch	248-709-5254	Terrebonne Bud	Detroit Sportsmen's Congress
Saginaw Field and Stream Club	Saginaw	As Sched	989-585-3292	Katie Callahan	Saginaw Field and Stream Club
Sucker Creek Saddle & Gun Club	Breckenridge	3rd Sat.	989-832-8426	Kid Al Fred	
Wolverine Rangers	Kimball	As Sched.	734-612-0570	Sinola Kid	Blue Water Sportsman's Association

MINNESOTA

Cedar Valley Vigilantes	Morristown	1st & 3rd Sat	612-384-9115	Riverboat Red	Ahlman's Gun Shop
Fort Belmont Regulators	Jackson	3rd Sun	507-822-5214	A J Royal	Des Moines Valley Sportsman's Club
Granite City Gunslingers	Kimball	2nd Sat	952-452-2907	Hillbilly Bert	Kimball Rod and Gun Club

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 Road
Mississippi River Rangers	Byhalia	3rd Sun & 4th and 5th Sat	901-335-6152	Justified	Rabbit Ridge Ranch

MISSOURI

Bear Creek Volunteers	Walnut Shade	2nd Sat	417-208-9142	Artemus Von Schutze	Liberty Range
Bear Creek Volunteers Wild Bunch	Walnut Shade	1st Sat	417208-9142	Artemus Von Schutze	Liberty Range
Boonville Regulators	Boonville	2nd Sun, 3rd Sat, & 5th Sun	816-686-8881	Dusty Dustem	Boonville Regulators
Butterfield Trail Cowboys	Walnut Shade	1st & 3rd Wed & 2nd Wknd	417-350-5271	Stennett Kid	Ozark Shooters Sports Complex
Butterfield Trail Cowboys Wild Bunch	Walnut Shade	4th Wkd	417-350-5271	Stennett Kid	Ozark Shooters Sports Complex
Central Ozarks Western Shooters	Newburg	3rd Sun	630-841-1686	Irish Jack Daniels	Central Ozarks Practical Shooters Range
Gateway Area Shootist Society	Barnhart	3rd Sun	314-578-6027	Fat Chance BuckO	Arnold Rifle and Pistol Club
Glad Top Shooters	Squires	3rd Wkd	417-543-0709	Hon. Sgt. Edward Greenwood Hampton	Bar Lazy B Range
Southern Missouri Rangers	Marshfield	4th Wkd	417-839-8325	Two Shot Hoss	Outlaw Range
The Ozark Posse	Cassville	1st Sat	417-846-5142	Tightwad Swede	N/A

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MONTANA

Sun River Rangers Shooting Society	Augusta	1st Wkd & 4th Sat	406-590-7599	Crusty Curt	N/A
Bitterroot Buckaroos	Hamilton	1st Sat	406-531-4116	May B. Shecann	Whittecar Rifle Range
Black Horse Shootists	Great Falls	Wkd of 3rd Sun	406-868-9737	J. E. B. Stuart Montana	Great Falls Shooting Sports Complex
Gallatin Valley Regulators	Three Forks	2nd Sat	406-539-9400	Gooch Hill Drifter	Manhattan Wildlife Association
Montana Territory Peacemakers	Billings	4th Sat	406-628-8694	Angel	Billings Rod & Gun Club
Rocky Mountain Rangers	Noxon	2nd Full Wkd	406-240-2139	Jake the Snake	Noxon Rod and Gun Club

NEBRASKA

Columbus Rifle Club	Columbus	4th Sun	402-710-3645	Tommy Two Dog	Columbus Rifle Club
Eastern Nebraska Gun Club	Louisville	3rd Sat	402-643-5000	Crooked Creek	Eastern Nebraska Gun Club
Lancaster County Bounty Collection Agency	Frith	2nd Sat	402-890-7620	Terry Lane	Nebraska Shooters
Platte Valley Gunslingers	Alda	3rd Sat	308-380-4682	Stirrup Trouble	Heartland Public Shooting Park

NEVADA

Battle Born Rangers	Fernley	As Sched.	775-250-4554	Irish Ike	N/A
Desert Desperados	TBA	3rd Sat	702-419-7024	Nasty Nels	TBA
Eldorado Cowboys	Boulder City	1st Sun & Prec. Sat	702-808-5476	Mojave Rose	Boulder Rifle & Pistol Club
Nevada Rangers Cowboy Action Shooting Society	Las Vegas	2nd Wknd	702-460-6393	MT Fargo	Clark County Shooting Range

NEW HAMPSHIRE

Pemi Valley Peacemakers	Holderness	As Sched.	603-620-5001	Dakota Joe	Pemigewasset Valley Fish and Game Club
White Mountain Regulators	Candia	As Sched	603-203-9699	Six Shot Steve	Kinnicum Fish & Game

NEW JERSEY

Jackson Hole Gang	Jackson	4th Sun	732-928-9028	Bronco Joan	Central Jersey Rifle & Pistol Club
Monmouth Rangers	Farmingdale	2nd Sun	973-495-4290	Bobby Reno	Monmouth County Rifle & Pistol Club, Inc.
Quinton Mavericks	Quinton	2nd Sun	609-805-0010	Unexpected Bill	Delaware Blues Rifle and Pistol Club, Inc.
Shongum Wiley Coyotes	Oxford	3rd Sun	973-219-9585	Johnny Swan	Shongum Sportsman Association

NEW MEXICO

Buffalo Range Riders	Albuquerque	1st Sun	505-321-9216	Estancia Kid	Hayes City
Gila Rangers	Mimbres	2nd Sat	575-956-5221	Hands	Fowler Land and Cattle Company
Monument Springs Bushwhackers	Hobbs	4th Sat.	575-408-2177	Curley Bill Jones	Hobbs Gun Club
Picacho Posse	Las Cruces	4th Sat	575-644-3317	Fast Hammer	Butterfield Shooting Range
Rio Grande Renegades	Albuquerque	3rd Sat & 4th Sun, 3rd Sun WB	574-253-2808	Fire Eater	City of Albuquerque Shooting Range Park
Tres Rios Bandidos	Farmington	2nd & 4th Sun	505-402-6031	Pepper Dane	San Juan Wildlife Federation

NEW YORK

Alabama Gunslingers	Bason	1st Sat	716-693-3237	Nickel City Dude	Alabama Hunt Club
Boot Hill Regulators	Chester	1st Sun	570-296-2032	Tom Payne	Monroe Chester Sportsmen Club, Inc.
Circle K Regulators	Ballston Spa	3rd Sun	315-357-2352	Feany Valentine	Kayaderoseras Fish & Game Club
Circle K Rough Riders Wild Bunch	Ballston Spa	As Sch	315-357-2352	Feany Valentine	Kayaderoseras Fish and Game Club
East End Regulators	West Hampton Beach	1st Sun	516-729-0381	Deuces	Long Island Practical Shooters, Inc.
Hole In The Wall Gang	Calverton	3rd Sat	631-379-3333	Mt. Misery Mike	Calverton Shooting Range
Holliday's Rough Riders	Blasdell	5th Sun	716-394-3676	Evil Jack Spade	Blasdell Rod and Gun Club
Pathfinder Pistoleros	Fulton	1st Sun	315-420-4952	Blackjack Belle	Fulton, NY
The Long Riders	Shortsville	4th Sun	585-734-0867	Loco Poco Lobo	Shortsville Rod & Gun Club
Tioga County Cowboys	Owego	1st Sat	604-760-5746	Dusty Drifter	Tioga County Sportsman's Association
Tonawanda Cowboys	Pendleton	3rd Sat	716-544-1638	Rusty Rick	Tonawanda Sportsman's Club

NORTH CAROLINA

Buccaneer Range Regulators	Leland	2nd Sat	910-330-7179	Jefro	Buccaneer Gun Club Inc.
Carolina Catlemen's Shooting and Social Society	Creedmoore	2nd Sat	919-791-9816	J. M. Brown	Sir Walter Gun Club

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Cross Creek Cowboys	Wagram	3rd Sat	910-470-4891	High Noon Henry	Wagram Sportsmen's Association
Flat Branch Ranch	Bunnlevel	4th Sat	910-624-2624	Twelve Mile Bluff	Range 37 PSR
Gunpowder Creek Regulators, Inc.	Lenoir	3rd Sat	828-851-1910	Noah Fitz	Town of Mine Branch
Iredell Regulators	Statesville	4th Sat	704-677-0554	Tin Can Sailor	Iredell Lodge - FOP #10
Neuse River Regulators	Hevelock	1st & 3rd Sat	252-354-4275	Bronco Kid	Sure Shot Gun Sports
North Carolina Cowboys, Inc.	Salisbury	As Sched.	828-851-1910	Noah Fitz	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 Sched.	701-223-3085	Rod-Iron-Rip	Fried Family Marksmanship Complex
Sheyenne Valley Peacekeepers	Enderlin	Last Sat	701-793-4116	Wild River Rose	Sheyenne Valley Peacekeeper Range
Trestle Valley Rangers	Minot	2nd Sat	701-833-4282	Buffalochip Dave	Minot Rifle and Pistol Club

OHIO

Big Irons	Middletown	1st Sat	513-894-3500	Deadwood Stan	Middletown Sportman'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
Central Ohio Cowboys	Circleville	4th Sun	614-657-8322	Abe Cross Jackass Jack	Pickaway County Sportsmans Club
Firelands Peacemakers	Rochester	3rd Sat	216-789-7885	Harry Yount	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	419-205-0114	Badfinger Bodene	Sandusky County Sportsman's Club
Scioto Territory Desperados	Marengo	3rd Sun & 5th Sun	614-795-0461	Johnny Longpants	Cardinal Shooting Center
Shenango River Rats	Masury	2nd Sat & Last Thurs	440-693-4210	Slow Mo Dern	Brookfield Tri-District Conservation Club
Wild Wild West Point Cowboy Action Shooting	West Point	2nd Sun	330-386-6975	Blue Eyed Bob	West Point Rod & Gun Club

OKLAHOMA

Indian Territory Single Action Shooting Society	Tulsa	1st Sun, 3rd Sat, & 4th Wed.	918-508-9381	Slow Hand	Tulsa Red Castle Gun Club
Lincoln County Cowboys	Cushing	1st Sat & 3rd Sun	918-285-0543	Scott Wayne	Crossroads Gun Range
Oklahoma Territorial Marshals	Arcadia	2nd Sat & 4th Sun	405-409-9442	Flat Top Okie	Oklahoma City Gun Club
Red River Valley Cowpokes	Albany	2nd Wknd	580-847-2210	Calamity Di Bar	Red River Valley Cowboy Church
Shortgrass Rangers	Grandfield	1st & 3rd Sat	940-447-6864	Redleg Reilly	N/A
Tulsey Town Cartlemen's Association	Tulsa	2nd & 4th Sat	918-955-6190	Reverend Lyin Kerrdawg	Tulsa Gun Club

OREGON

Dry Gulch Desperados	Milton-Freewater	1st Sat	509-520-2789	Pinto Annie	East End Rod & Gun Club
Horse Ridge Pistoleros	Bend	1st, 3rd, & 5th Sun	541-389-2342	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
Merlin Marauders Cowboy Action Shooting Posse	Grants Pass	1st Sat & 3rd Sun	707-485-5301	Molly b'Dam	Josephine County Sportsmans Association Park
Old 97 Railroad Rangers	Redmond	2nd Wknd	541-548-3198	Tetherow Tex LaRue	Redmond Rod and Gun Club
Oregon Old West Shooting Society	Albany	3rd Sun & 4th Sat	541-760-0884	Barry L Plotz	Albany Rifle & Pistol Club
Oregon Trail Regulators	La Grande	3rd Sat	541-571-4979	T. J. Maverick	La Grande Rifle & Pistol Club Hwy 244, LGRPC
Orygun Cowboys	Sherwood	4th Sat	503-539-6335	Kansan	Tri County Gun Club
Pine Mountain Posse	Bend	2nd Sun	541-419-4718	Sunrise Bill	Central Oregon Shooting Sports Association
Siuslaw River Rangers	Florence	1st Sun	541-997-6313	Johnny Jingos	Siuslaw Rod and Gun Club
Virtue Flat Shootist Society	Baker City	2nd Sat	541-212-5840	Hunt Mountain Drifter	Powder River Sportsman's Club

PENNSYLVANIA

Black Forest Cowboys	Coudersport	3rd Sat	814-203-1748	Bolo	Black Forest Conservation Association
Blue Mountain Rangers	Hamburg	3rd Sun	610-334-3504	Tombstone Coty	Hamburg Rifle & Pistol Club
Boot Hill Gang of Topton	Topton	1st Sun	610-704-6792	Lester Moore	Topton Fish & Game Association
Chimney Rocks Regulators	Hollidaysburg	2nd Sat	814-695-7064	Colorado Smith	Hollidaysburg Sportman Club
El Posse Grande	Muncy Valley	4th & 5th Sun	570-337-3974	Black Hills Barb	North Mountain Sportsman's Association
Elstonsville Hombres	Manheim	4th Sun	717-648-7491	Circuit Rider Jeff	Elstonsville Sportsman's Association

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Jefferson Outlaws	Spring Grove	3rd Sat	443-392-1615	Red-Eyed Kid	Jefferson Rifle Club
Logan's Ferry Regulators	New Kensington	2nd Sat	724-454-3159	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	Newport	1st Sat	717-307-6374	Farmer Brown	Ickesburg Sportsmen's Association
Welsh Mountain Regulators	Gap	2nd Sun	484-802-7122	Blaze Crittenden	New Holland Rifle and Pistol Club

RHODE ISLAND

Lincoln County Lawmen	Foster	4th Sun	401-595-0735	Nutmeg Ryder	Pine Tree Gun Club
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SOUTH CAROLINA

Belton Bushwhackers	Belton	2nd Sat	864-363-3147	Slippery Stew	Belton Gun Club
Geechee Gunfighters	Ridgeville	4th Sat	843-926-9480	Doc Kemm	Palmetto Gun Club
Greenville Gunfighters	Greenville	4th Sun	864-420-0577	Abe E.S. Corpus	Greenville Gun Club
Hurricane Riders	Galivants Ferry	3rd Sat	860-593-7566	Black Mike	Horry Chapter Wildlife Action
Palmetto Posse	Gaston	1st Sat	803-622-2537	Palmetto Traveler	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
Medicine Creek Road Agents	Oneida	1st Sun	605-222-5145	Iron Mender	Medicine Creek Road Agents Shooting Range

TENNESSEE

Greene County Regulators	Rogersville	1st & 3rd Sat	423-383-3195	Lil Weasel	Greene County Fish & Game Assoc.
Memphis Gunslingers	Lakeland	1st Sun & 2nd Sat	901-831-3676	Buffalo Trace	Memphis Sport Shooting Association
Ocoee Rangers	Cleveland	4th Sat	423-595-3819	Ocoee Red	Cleveland Hunting Rifle & Pistol Club
ORSA's Oak Ridge Outlaws	Oak Ridge	2nd Sat	865-207-7005	Uncle Ethan	Oak Ridge Sportsman's Association
Wartrace Regulators	Wartrace	1st & 3rd Sat	931-703-8274	Whiskey Hayes	Regulators Range

TEXAS

Badlands Bar 3	Clarksville	4th Wkd	903-272-9283	T-Bone Dooley	Badlands Bar 3
Butterfield Trail Regulators	Anson	3rd Sat	325-669-5903	Smilin Joe	Anson
Comanche Trail Shootists	Midland	1st Sat	432-557-0860	Tumbleweed Dan	Timberline Ranch
Comanche Valley Vigilantes	Cleburne	4th Wknd	817-980-7206	Shady McLarry	Ormsby Ranch
Concho Valley Shooters	Water Valley	2nd Sat	325-655-3625	Doc Sanders	McDuffie Range
Green Mountain Regulators	Marble Falls	4th Sat	210-710-3587	Big Iron Patnode	Green Ranch
Gruesome Gulch Gang	Plainview	2nd Sat	806-729-5887	Eli Blue	N/A
Highplains Highwaymen	Pampa	3rd Sat	719-510-7307	Howlin Wolf	Wolfpack Ranch
Lone Star Frontier Shooting Club	Cleburne	2nd Wkd	817-774-5637	Hot Tamale	Ormsby Ranch
Oakwood Outlaws	Oakwood	2nd Full Wkd	214-384-3975	Denton Dancer	Shank Ranch
Old Fort Parker Patriots	Groesbeck	3rd Wkd	254-366-2372	Slowaz Molasses	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	210-303-6996	Brazos Bo	Comanche Country Ranch
Rio Grande Valley Vaqueros	Pharr	4th Sun	956-648-7364	Dream Chaser	Pharr Rifle and Pistol Club
South Texas Pistoleros	San Antonio	1st & 3rd Sat	210-213-4812	Latigo Lee	A Place To Shoot Inc.
Tejas Caballeros	Blanco	3rd Sat	210-912-8227	Prickly Pear Peggy	Texas Republic Ranch
Texas Historical Shootist Society	Columbus	3rd Weekend	281-639-4166	Pepper Russel	Brune Ranch
Texas Riviera Pistoleros	George West	2nd & 5th Sat	361-254-0064	Ginger Vitis	Gamble Gulch Range
Texas Ten Horns	Leonard	1st Sat & Sun	972-658-4347	Hairtrigger Hayes	Top Gun Shooting Sports
Texas Troublemakers	Brownsboro	1st Sat	903-539-7234	Lefty Tex Larue	Troubletown Range
Texas Tumbleweeds	Pampa	1st Sat	806-231-4569	Cayenne	Wolfpack Range
Texican Rangers	Comfort	2nd Sat & Sun	210-355-5121	Alamo Andy	Adolf Stieler Ranch
Texican Rangers Wild Bunch	Comfort	5th Sat as Sched.	210-355-5121	Alamo Andy	Adolf Stieler Ranch
Thunder River Renegades	Plantersville	1st & 4th Sat	979-539-5752	Blackpowder Burn	N/A
Willow Hole Cowboys	North Zulch	3rd Sat	979-200-1130	Def Willie	Thomason Ranch

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UTAH

Castle Gate Posse	Price	4th Sat	435-650-6544	Fargo Kid	North Spring Shooting Range
Cowboys Of Utah	Salt Lake City	4th Sat	385-237-1861	Longwalker	WASR "Big Salty"
Dixie Desperados	Hurricane	2nd & 4th Sat	435-673-9785	Navajo Kelly	Desperado Canyon
Dixie Desperados Wild Bunch	Hurricane	1st Sat	435-668-4613	Mokaac Kid	Southern Utah Shooting Sports Park
Dixie Desperados/Territorial Wild Bunch	Hurricane	As Sch	801-829-8989	J.T. Wild	Red Rock
Utah Territory Gunslingers	Salt Lake City	1st Sat	801-913-6823	Brer Rabbit	Big Salty
Utah War	Salt Lake City	3rd Sat	801-913-6823	Brer Rabbit	WASR "Big Salty"
Wasatch Summit Regulators	Salt Lake City	2nd Sun	801-966-7522	Harry Trigger	Big Salty

VERMONT

Verdant Mountain Vigilantes	St. Johnsbury	As Sched	802-333-9320	Eyesa Horg	Caledonia Forest and Stream Club
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VIRGINIA

Bend of Trail	Hardy	4th Sun	540-855-4459	Redrider Slim	Roanoke Rifle & Revolver Club
Cavalier Cowboys	Montpelier	1st Sun & 2nd Wed	804-307-2980	Major B.S. Walker	Cavalier Rifle and Pistol Club
KC's Corral Cowboy Shooting Association	Mechanicsville	2nd 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
Rivanna Ranger Company	Charlottesville	2nd Sat	203-216-2316	Captian R. Hugh Kidme	Rivanna Rifle and Pistol Club

WASHINGTON

Mima Marauders	Olympia	2nd Sat	360-957-6051	Doc Kharon	Evergreen Sportsman Club
Northeast Washington Regulators	Colville	1st Wkd	509-690-4060	A. T. McGee	Ricochet Junction
Pataha Rustlers	Dayton	2nd Sat	509-520-2789	Pinto Annie	Patit Range
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	425-870-0193	Mudflat Mike	Marysville Rifle Club
Wolverton Mountain Peace Keepers	Ariel	3rd Sat (Mar-Sept)	360-901-5688	Evergreen Rose	Wolverton Mountain Gun Club

WEST VIRGINIA

Cowboy Action Shooting Sports	Great Cacapon	4th Sat Mar-Oct	304-289-6098	Last Word	Singing Hills Ranch
Dawn Ghost Riders	Hinton	1st sat	304-832-6550	Blue Ridge Rooster	Dawn Sportsmen's Club
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
White Horse Riders	Volga	2nd Sun	304-838-2791	Jessie May Belle	Whitehorse Firearms and Education Center

WISCONSIN

Bristol Plains Pistoleros	Bristol	2nd Wkd	847-421-1246	Rusty Brec	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	715-362-2792	Scum Bucket	Hodag Sports Club
Liberty Prairie Regulators	Ripon	3rd Sat	920-896-5128	Dirty Deeds	Ripon Rifle and Pistol Club
Oconomowoc Cattleman's Association	Oconomowoc	4th Sat	262-506-8146	Smokin Hammer Mike	Oconomowoc Sportsman's Club
Rock River Regulators	Beloit	1st & 3rd Sat	414-659-7650	Saddlespur Kate	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

WYOMING

Bessemer Vigilance Committee	Casper	1st Sun & 3rd Sat	307-267-1155	Smokewagon Bill	Stuckenhoff Sport Shooters Complex
Border Vigilantes	Cheyenne	3rd Sun	307-287-6733	Assassin	Otto Road Shooting Range
Colter's Hell Justice Committee WSAS	Powell	1st Sat	307-254-2090	Yakima Red	Heart Mountain Rod and Gun Club
Donkey Creek Shootists	Gillette	4th Sun	307-686-7519	Wyoming Gus	Milney Valley Range
Great Divide Outlaws	Rawlins	4th Sat	307-320-7250	Sling Lead	Rawlins Outdoor Shooting Complex

SASS AFFILIATED CLUBS 2022 ANNUAL MATCHES

CLUB NAME	DATE	CONTACT	PHONE	EMAIL	CITY	ST	MONTH	WEB
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AUSTRALIA

Hearthland Territorial	7/21 - 7/21	Dug Deeper	+61 413 440 600	dug@freshfrozen.com.au	Ashmore		July	www.goldcoastpistolclub.com.au
SASS Australian Regional Championship	10/1 - 10/2	R. C. Shot	+61 447 831 154	russell.behrens@mmem.com.au	N/A	QL	October	www.ssa2.org.au
Coach Stop	11/25 - 11/27	ShotGun Sam	61427741467	samprbc@gmail.com	Aarons Pass	NS	November	https://www.mid-westernpistolclub.org.au/

CANADA

SASS Eastern Canadian Regional Championship	7/15 - 7/17	Currahee Kid	519-860-2004	ecasc539@rogers.com	London	ON	July	www.crumlin.org
Shoot Out on the North Saskatchewan	7/23 - 7/24	Alberta Jayhawk	780-977-5977	jctrenaman@shaw.ca	Leduc County	AB	July	https://historical-arms.com
Showdown in the Valley	7/29 - 8/1	Little Edgy	250-897-2194	edgy52@gmail.com	Courtenay	BC	July	www.valleyregulators.com
SASS WESTERN CANADIAN REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP Shootout at Bounty Gulch	8/3 - 8/6	Wild Whiskey Wade	306-230-3788	trentuntereiner@live.ca	Saskatoon	SK	August	www.sawws.com
Show Down on the Macleod Trail	8/18 - 8/21	Alberta Annie	403-687-2284	kranches@platinum.ca	Granum	AB	August	N/A
Headquarters Shootout	8/26 - 8/28	Black Ashley	250-744-4705	ash_man@shaw.ca	Victoria	BC	August	www.vfgpa.org/shooting/cowboy-action/
SASS Canadian National Wild Bunch Championship	8/31 - 9/1	Burt the Undertaker	250-230-0234	firemen164@yahoo.ca	Courtenay	BC	August	www.valleyregulators.com
SASS CANADIAN NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP Bustup at Boomtown	9/2 - 9/4	Whistlin Will	250-650-2947	Whistlinwill@gmail.com	Courtenay	BC	September	www.bustupatboomtown.ca

FINLAND

The North Star Trail	7/14 - 7/17	Captain Woodbury Kane	+358505174659	cassino@elisanet.fi	Loppi		July	www.cows.fi
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NEW ZEALAND

SASS New Zealand Wild Bunch National Championship	9/23 - 9/25	Mister Lott	65211165244	misterlott1@outlook.com	Hastings		September	www.pistolnz.org.nz
End of the Trail	10/21 - 10/23	Calamity Carrie	+64 275 221 920	carolyn.fulton@extra.co.nz	Palmerston		October	N/A
SASS New Zealand National Championship High Noon	11/11 - 11/13	Iron Eyes Cody	64 21 7237474	kmpayton24@gmail.com	Hastings		November	www.pistolnz.org.nz

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Independence Day Shoot-Out	7/2 - 7/3	Johnny Jingos	541-997-6313	johnnyjingos@yahoo.com	Florence	OR	July	www.siuslawgunclub.com/
SASS Nebraska State Championship Showdown on the Prairie	7/7 - 7/9	Stirrup Trouble	308-380-4682	dsayers@eaglecom.net	Alda	NE	July	www.plattevalleygunslingers.com/
SASS Idaho State Championship Renegade Shootout	7/7 - 7/9	Nels Gandy	503-953-5643	nelsgandy@gmail.com	Boise	ID	July	idahocowboyaction.org
Shootout on the Sun River	7/8 - 7/11	Robert Powers	406-231-0805	robertpowers4@bresnqn.net	Augusta	MT	July	www.sunriverrangers.weebly.com
Violence at Virtue Flats	7/8 - 7/10	Hunt Mountain Drifter	541-212-5840	dan.mcguire@msn.com	Baker City	OR	July	virtueflatsshootist.org
SASS Minnesota State Championship North Star Showdown	7/9 - 7/10	Hillbilly Bert	952-452-2907	hillbillybert@outlook.com	Kimball	MN	July	https://www.ggunslingers.club/
SASS Nebraska State Blackpowder Championship	7/10 - 7/10	Stirrup Trouble	308-380-4682	dsayers@eaglecom.net	Alda	NE	July	plattevalleygunslingers.com/
SASS Eastern Canadian Wild Bunch Regional Championship	7/13 - 7/14	Serenity / Legendary Lawman	905-393-4299	peterandlitz2012@gmail.com	London	ON	July	www.crumlin.org
Black Gold Shootout	7/13 - 7/16	Copperhead Joe	606-599-5263	jeromejarvis61@gmail.com	Manchester	KY	July	www.ponderosa-pines.com
SASS Utah State Championship	7/14 - 7/16	The Wolf of North Springs	435-650-4449	scotto4570@gmail.com	Price	UT	July	www.thecastlegatoposse.net/
SASS Montana State Championship Battle at Black Horse	7/14 - 7/17	J.E.B Stuart Montana	406-727-7625	dlfjaf@charter.net	Great Falls	MT	July	www.blackhorseshootists.com
Oregon Trail Shootout	7/15 - 7/17	T. J. Maverick	541-571-4979	tjmaverick@charter.net	La Grande	OR	July	www.lgrpc.com
SASS Oregon State Wild Bunch Championship	7/15 - 7/17	Texas Jack Morales	451-420-3955	guntraders@gmail.com	Bend	OR	July	www.hrp-sass.com/
SASS Illinois State Championship	7/15 - 7/17	Popcorn Kelly	563-650-4606	bohlm@outlook.com	Milan	IL	July	www.illowairregulars.com
The Long Riders Annual 3 Day Shoot	7/22 - 7/24	Loco Poco Lobo	585-734-0867	locopocolobo@gmail.com	Shortsville	NY	July	www.long-riders.org/
SASS Missouri State Blackpowder Championship Outlaw Range Mid-Summer Shootout	7/23 - 7/24	Longshot John	417-299-7635	easymav12@yahoo.com	Marshfield	MO	July	www.so-mo-rangers.com
SASS Michigan Wild Bunch State Championship Shootout at Bloody Porch	7/23 - 7/23	Sinola Kid	734-612-0570	sinolakid@gmail.com	Saginaw	MI	July	www.wolverinerangers.org
SASS Wisconsin State Wild Bunch Championship	7/23 - 7/24	Colonel Carbine	715-790-9959	garoth1961@gmail.com	Glenwood City	WI	July	www.wowsinc.org
Annual Roundup	7/29 - 7/31	Rowdy Rex	503-866-8993	strick747@frontier.com	Canby	OR	July	www.canbydandgunclub.org
SASS Ohio Black Powder State Championship Blackout at Stoney Bottom	7/30 - 7/30	Woody Shootem	419-704-3106	woody.shootem@frontier.com	Gibsonburg	OH	July	www.ourcowboys.org
West Match	8/5 - 8/7	T-Bone Shorry	425-503-9919	terrysporrng@comcast.net	Renton	WA	August	www.rucascowboys.com/
Badger Mountain Range War	8/5 - 8/7	Clay Britches	719-689-2272	seth@myvpm.com	Lake George	CO	August	www.coloradocowboys.net
Mason Dixon Stampede	8/5 - 8/7	Dutch Coroner	202-330-8545	dutchcoroner82128@gmail.com	Thurmont	MD	August	www.thurmontangers.com
SHOOTOUT at ELK RUN	8/5 - 8/7	Fence Cutter	319-361-2131	rsebetka@gmail.com	Waterloo	IA	August	www.turkeyfoot.org
Atomic Gunfight	8/5 - 8/6	Missouri Ruffian	208-520-8824	cpv8ng4570@gmail.com	Idaho Falls	ID	August	www.scips.org

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SASS WESTERN REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP Chorro Valley Shootout	8/10 - 8/14	Sinful	805-286-1188	michaelgarripee@yahoo.com	San Luis Obispo	CA	August	https://chorrovalleyregulators.com/
SASS NORTHWEST REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP	8/10 - 8/14	Missy Mable	208-731-6387	missymable3232@gmail.com	Jerome	ID	August	www.idahocas.net
SASS NORTHEAST REGIONAL Championship Guns of August	8/12 - 8/14	Lassiter	937-687-1039	lassiter45@aol.com	Middletown	OH	August	www.middletownsportsmensclub.com/cowboy-rangel
Annual 2 Day Camp & Match	8/18 - 8/20	Riverview Rattler	989-400-1057	mpjdon@gmail.com	Breckenridge	MI	August	www.SuckerCreek.org
Besemer Jail Break	8/19 - 8/21	Smokewagon Bill	307-267-1155	hooverpatwilliam@hotmail.com	Casper	WY	August	N/A
SASS New Hampshire/ Vermont State Championship Fracas at Pemi Gulch	8/19 - 8/21	Dakota Joe	603-620-5001	dakota814@msn.com	Holderness	NH	August	www.pemipeacemakers.com/
Border Wars	8/25 - 8/27	Beans Haney	913-244-4960	mhanev715@gmail.com	Parker	KS	August	freestaterangers.com
SASS Wisconsin State Championship Fire In The Hills	8/26 - 8/27	Colonel Carbine	715-790-9959	garoth1961@gmail.com	Glenwood City	WI	August	www.wowsinc.org
Shootout at the Susquehanna	8/26 - 8/28	Jewels Cartwright	607-222-4228	rhtsty@stny.rr.com	Owego	NY	August	www.tiogasporthsmen.com
Wolverton Mountain PeaceKeepers 17th Annual Match "Lonesome Dove"	8/26 - 8/28	Evergreen Rose	360-901-5688	baughma@yahoo.com	Ariel	WA	August	www.wolvertonmtnpeacekeepers.com
SASS Michigan State Championship Wolverine Rangers Range War	9/2 - 9/4	Sinola Kid	734-612-0570	sinolakid@gmail.com	Kimball	MI	September	www.wolverinerangers.org
Cow Camp	9/2 - 9/4	Letort Lawman	717-249-5049	letortlawman@gmail.com	Ickesburg	PA	September	www.perrycountyregulators.com/
SASS Virginia State Championship Gunfight at the Double-C	9/2 - 9/4	Major B. S. Walker	804-307-2980	majorbswalker@gmail.com	Montpelier	VA	September	www.cavaliercowboys.org
RoughRider Roundup	9/2 - 9/4	Rod-Iron-Rip	701-223-3085	ripsroast@bis.midco.net	Moffit	ND	September	www.dakotaroughriders.com
Shoor'n in the Shade	9/2 - 9/4	Bulldog McGraw	501-337-9368	bulldogmcgraw@outlook.com	Hot Springs	AR	September	www.mvsaonline.com
The Branson Triple Classic	9/2 - 9/3	Stennett Kid	417-350-5271	maryhansen1964@att.net	Walnut Shade	MO	September	www.btc-sass.com/
Eagles Revenge	9/3 - 9/4	One Son of a Gun	231-676-0922	eagleville38@gmail.com	Central Lake	MI	September	www.eaglevillecowboys.org
SASS Kansas State Wild Bunch Championship	9/3 - 9/4	Cooncan	913-209-3836	cooncan.pcc@gmail.com	Lenexa	KS	September	www.powdercreekcowboys.com
SASS Nevada State Wild Bunch Championship	9/5 - 9/7	Irish Ike	775-250-4554	jeich455@charter.net	Fernley	NV	September	www.northernnevadacas.com
Southwest Showdown	9/8 - 9/10	Tomanator	580-847-2210	claytoma@gmail.com	Albany	OK	September	rrvcowpokes.weebly.com
Standoff at Smokey Point	9/9 - 9/11	Mudflat Mike	425-870-0193	tmperin@comcast.net	Arlington	WA	September	www.smokeypointdesperados.org
Fall Fandango	9/9 - 9/11	Captain Jack Houston	505-463-6216	clnorfolk@msn.com	Albuquerque	NM	September	www.riogranderenegades.org
Shootout at Stoney Bottom	9/9 - 9/11	Badfinger Bodene	419-205-0114	badfinger66@gmail.com	Gibsonburg	OH	September	www.ourcowboys.org
SASS Missouri State Wild Bunch Championship Pershing's Own	9/9 - 9/11	Handlebar Scratch	417-865-5953	handlebar@thegunengraver.com	Walnut Shade	MO	September	bearcreekvolunteers.com/
SASS Maine State Championship Great Maine Gunfight	9/9 - 9/10	Tyler Tornado	207-272-7119	lylet@husson.edu	Berwich	ME	September	www.shootingbuns.org/mainemarsals/
SASS Missouri Wild Bunch State Championships Pershing's Pursuit	9/9 - 9/11	Handlebar Scratch	417-865-5953	handlebar@thegunengraver.com	Walnut Shade	MO	September	bearcreekvolunteers.com/
SASS Southwest Territorial Wild Bunch Championship	9/9 - 9/11	Handlebar Scratch	417-865-5953	handlebar@thegunengraver.com	Walnut Shade	MO	September	bearcreekvolunteers.com/
Gunfight in Dixie	9/10 - 9/11	Buffalo Trace	901-831-3676	terry.bishop@shelby-sherriff.org	Lakeland	TN	September	www.mssashooting.com
9th Annual Return of the Buffalo to the Plains	9/10 - 9/11	Sixty-Nine Cent Wizard	970-396-9010	sixty9centwizard@aol.com	Briggsdale	CO	September	www.briggsdalecountyshootists.com
Cheyenne Autumn	9/10 - 9/10	Eli Blue	806-729-5887	eli53766@yahoo.com	Kress	TX	September	N/A
Shoot and Toot	9/10 - 9/10	Gooch Hill Drifter	406-539-9400	ardebern@gmail.com	Logan	MT	September	sites.google.com/site/gallatinvalleyregulator2/
Gunfight along the Chisholm Trail	9/10 - 9/11	Monco	316-491-3249	danny38fp@gmail.com	Benton	KS	September	ctaga.com
SASS MIDWEST REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP Gunsmoke	9/14 - 9/17	Bronco Kate	507-269-2230	broncoate45@gmail.com	Morristown	MN	September	cedarvalleyvigilantes.com
SASS New York State Championship Heluva Rukus	9/16 - 9/18	Feany Valentine	315-357-2352	gold_dog@frontier.net	Ballston Spa	NY	September	www.circlekregulators.com/
Non Annual Annual BBQ Match	9/16 - 9/18	Pinto Being	970-270-4853	pschutz1@msn.com	Whitewater	CO	September	www.tmscba.com
SASS Idaho State Wild Bunch Championship	9/16 - 9/18	Idaho Six Gun Sam	208-866-7271	sixgunsam@cablone.net	Emmett	ID	September	www.gerge.org
SASS Kansas Black Powder State Championship The Battle at Butterfield	9/16 - 9/18	Flint Hills Dawg	785-479-0416	dawgpownd@eaglecom.net	Chapman	KS	September	www.butterfieldgulch.com
Ambush at Canyon Walls	9/16 - 9/18	May B. Shecann	406-531-4116	johnny.and.may@gmail.com	Hamilton	MT	September	www.BitterrootBuckaroos.com
Northwest Territorial Shoot	9/17 - 9/18	Nels Gandy	503-953-5643	nelsgandy@gmail.com	Boise	ID	September	idahocowboyaction.org
Ripshin's Round-Up	9/17 - 9/17	Noah Fitz	828-851-1910	Noahfitz.ncci@yahoo.com	Lenoir	NC	September	N/A
King of the Cowboys & Queens of the West	9/18 - 9/18	Lever Action Landon	740-244-1560	ke42219@gmail.com	Marengo	OH	September	www.sciotodesperados.com
Comin' At Cha	9/21 - 9/24	T-Bone Dooley	903-272-9283	tbonedooley@aol.com	Clarksville	TX	September	www.badlandsbar3.com
SASS Missouri State Championship Show-Me Shootout	9/22 - 9/24	Longshot John	417-299-7635	easymav12@yahoo.com	Marshfield	MO	September	www.so-mo-rangers.com
Shootout At Helldorado	9/22 - 9/25	Lead Nickel	707-391-5991	frednickel@comcast.net	Ukiah	CA	September	www.ukiahgunclub.com
SASS West Virginia State Championship Appalachian Showdown	9/23 - 9/25	Last Word	304-289-6098	lastword@citlink.net	Largent	WV	September	www.wvcass.org
Big Sky State Games	9/23 - 9/24	Homestake Drifter	406-652-6158	ar129@aol.com	Billings	MT	September	https://www.mtpeacemakers.com/
Shootout at Shakey's Gulch	9/23 - 9/25	Justice D. Spencer	574-536-4010	jjdarrigan@msn.com	Bristol	IN	September	www.wolffsrowdyrangers.com/
Fall Round Up	9/23 - 9/25	Rootin Tootin	563-349-2273	prucky299@aol.com	Milan	IL	September	www.illowairregulars.com
T-Town Shoot Out	9/24 - 9/24	Sheriff J. W. Hopkins	785-640-3742	sheriff.hopkins@hotmail.com	Topeka	KS	September	www.capitalcitycowboys.org
SASS Ohio State Wild Bunch Championship	9/24 - 9/25	Ruger Ray	937-422-4595	rugerray@att.net	Xenia	OH	September	www.greenecountycowboys.com
SASS Oklahoma State Championship Battle at the Crossroads	9/29 - 10/1	Scott Wayne	918-285-0543	mcc842565@aol.com	Cushing	OK	September	Lincolncountycowboys.com
SASS Southeast Regional Ambush at Cavern Cove	9/29 - 10/1	Buck D. Law	256-504-4366	don.carlton@arrowgraphics.net	Woodville	AL	September	www.northalabamaregulators.com

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SASS Nevada State Black Powder Championship	9/29 - 9/29	Mojave Rose	702-808-5476	scott-lefevre@msn.com	Boulder City	NV	September	www.eldoradocowboys.com
SASS Nevada State Championship Eldorado	9/30 - 10/1	Mojave Rose	702-808-5476	scott-lefevre@msn.com	Boulder City	NV	September	www.eldoradocowboys.com
Comanche Moon Shootout	10/1 - 10/1	Tumbleweed Dan	432-557-0860	dhagins421@suddenlink.net	Midland	TX	October	www.comanchetrailshootists.org/
Missouri/ Arkansas Border Wars	10/1 - 10/1	Ozark Captain	417-372-2993	ozarkcaptain@gmail.com	Mountain Home	AR	October	www.twinlakesgunclub.com
Rifleman's Holiday	10/1 - 10/2	Monty Rio	928-243-4471	bco173rd@yahoo.com	St. Johns	AZ	October	www.wmows.com
Huntsman World Senior Games	10/3 - 10/8	Bit Younger	435-239-4014	clark_poulton@q.com	Hurricane	UT	October	www.dixiedesperados.com
Buzzard Boil	10/7 - 10/9	Double Tap Taylor	860-384-0543	ljfisherman@yahoo.com	Coventry	CT	October	www.CTValleyBushwackers.com
Biggest Little Match	10/7 - 10/9	Pinto Annie	509-520-2789	pintoannie@cowboybullets.com	Dayton	WA	October	www.ccs shooting.com
Annual Charity Shoot	10/8 - 10/8	Colorado Smith	814-695-7064	adsmith0@yahoo.com	Holidaysburg	PA	October	www.pahcsa.com
SASS National Championship Land Run	10/8 - 10/16	Missouri Mae	405-517-8433	missourimae@gmail.com	Oklahoma City	OK	October	cowboy.okcgunclub.org/
Peacefuls End of Track at High Sierra	10/13 - 10/16	Grizzly Peak Jake	510-703-8064	trb94611@yahoo.com	Railroad Flat	CA	October	https://cagunslingers.com/
SASS New Jersey State Championship Purgatory in The Pines	10/14 - 10/16	El Diablo Gringo	973-662-0785	dave@servpro9326.com	Jackson	NJ	October	www.jacksonhollegang.com
SASS West Virginia State Wild Bunch Championship at Buffalo Flats XII	10/15 - 10/16	Eddie Rebel	304-397-6188	ecclark@suddenlink.net	Eleanor	WV	October	www.kanawhavalleyregulators.com
SASS Louisiana State Championship Hot Lead in Deadwood	10/21 - 10/23	Doc Spudley	504-458-1898	docspudley@bellsouth.net	Serrento	LA	October	www.deadwoodmarshals.com/
October Surprise	10/22 - 10/22	Yukon Gal	910-988-0406	dldavis60@aol.com	Bunnlevel	NC	October	www.facebook.com/groups/1177703212410628
SASS Arizona State Championship Bordertown	10/25 - 10/30	Quicksand	520-290-8599	pikcoyle@msn.com	Tombstone	AZ	October	www.bordertowncas.com
Cops & Cowboys	10/29 - 10/29	Judge Menday Coming	(512) 964-9955	N/A	Blanco	TX	October	tejasballeros.net
SASS North Carolina State Championship Uprising at Swearing Creek	11/3 - 11/5	Noah Fitz	828-851-1910	Noahfitz.ncci@yahoo.com	Salisbury	NC	November	SASSnccowboys.com
SASS Texas State Wild Bunch Championship	11/4 - 11/6	Col. Dusty Boddams	469-569-3322	jhurst@pwhome.com	Bowie	TX	November	www.facebook.com/groups/928402084279710/
Shootout at Usery Pass	11/5 - 11/5	Colt Laredo	602-657-4532	rene8029@msn.com	Mesa	AZ	November	www.riosaladocowboys.com/
SASS Bradshaw Mountain Reunion	11/12 - 11/12	Reverend Leadslinga	480-200-2986	reverend.leadslinga@gmail.com	Phoenix	AZ	November	www.acsainc.com
Turkey Shoot	11/13 - 11/13	Silver Rings	970-240-0419	pckinco@yahoo.com	Montrose	CO	November	N/A
Turkey Shoot	11/19 - 11/19	Def Willie	979-220-1130	defwillie@suddenlink.net	North Zulch	TX	November	www.willowholecowboys.com/
Defend Old Fort Parker	11/19 - 11/20	Slowaz Molasses	254-366-2372	agomez8@hotmail.com	Groesbeck	TX	November	www.oldfortparkerpatriots.weebly.com/
The Plainfield Incident	12/4 - 12/4	Kim Donn	707-365-1485	jadonn@comcast.net	Davis	CA	December	rivercityregulators.org/

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THE **Cowboy** CHRONICLE

SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

The Cowboy Chronicle welcomes and encourages submissions of articles and match reports from any and all readers.

Please submit articles in MS Word or something compatible. Open Office and Apple Pages (saved as MS Word) are also fine. A count of 500-800 words is a good target to shoot for, but shorter pieces are also fine. Match reports on larger events, like END of TRAIL, Winter Range, and Regional and Divisional matches may run 1000-1500 words if necessary. We will accept lengthier articles, but may choose to break them up into two or more parts to run in consecutive issues, or heavily edit them.

Please do not embed your photos in the Word document. They can be extracted for use in the *The Cowboy Chronicle*, but it can be a chore to do that. Instead, send your photos separately, in one or more emails, as attachments. Three to six photos per email usually works best. It's best to send JPEGs, but other formats are acceptable, and it's best to keep them at about 300 dpi and 3000 pixels (10 inches) on the short side. That size is

ideal and will allow us plenty of leeway when it comes to cropping and adjusting them for publication. Photos should be at least 1000 pixels on the short side to be used for publication. If you're unsure of the size of your pictures, or how to size them, send what you have and we'll adjust them and/or inform you if they're usable.

Usually, two to six photos are sufficient for an article, but we will consider using more for a "big" event, if provided. Photos need not have captions, but captions always make photos more interesting. Ideally, the caption would consist of one or two sentences that say something about the picture that is not obvious and/or is not implicit in the body of the article. "Sam making smoke" is a title but not a caption. "Sam, SASS #XXXXX, shooting his first black powder match; after much deliberation, he decided to give it a try and now he's hooked" is much better. A caption may also serve to let everyone know why the picture is worthy of being published in an international magazine.

Please use editor@sassnet.com for all article submissions.

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