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# NORTHWEST REGIONAL RATTLESNAKE GULCH ROUNDUP 2009

By Ricochet Robbie, SASS #8775L Photos by Goldvein Photography and Samuel Vega Photography

enton City, WA - When you watched westerns as a kid, did vou ever want to be the character in the starring role? If so, you had your chance this year at Rattlesnake Gulch Roundup as the theme was Cowboy Movie Legends. Your shooter's badge gave you admittance into the world of famous movie roles.

There were 12 challenging stages based on some of the more memorable westerns of the  $20^{\text{th}}$  century. After shooting the side matches on Thursday, we shot six stages per day on Friday and Saturday. You could be any character from John Russell in Hombre displaying your bravery against the Grimes gang, Blaze Tracy in Hells Hinges cleaning up the town, Lin McAdams in Winchester '73 trying to find your stolen rifle, J. B. Books in The Shootist settling some scores before you meet your maker, or Will Kane in High Noon trying to best the Miller gang. The Rattlesnake Gulch Rangers worked hard this year, and the props and stages showed it. R. P.



86 APPALACHIAN SHOWDOWN XVIII by Sunshine Marcie

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The weather in Benton, WA was near ideal for a Cowboy Action Shoot. In addition to the usual side matches and 10-stage main-match, there were four different Scholarship fund raisers, and a special "Secrets of Soiled Doves" class for all the wanna-be "working girls." The whole event was fun and very successful, and Soiled Doves were plentiful and very much in evidence!

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Dodge, SASS #20279, (or "Slick" as we called him that weekend) did a fine job helping to build and then running the Cheyenne Social Club.

We had several fundraisers for the Scholarship Fund. In addition to donating all proceeds from our side matches on Thursday and raffling off a gun, we also held a soiled dove class, and let you get your photo taken with a soiled dove for a fee, which was donated to the fund. We raised \$1,410 from all four of these efforts.

Once again we had perfect event weather. This year the match was hard fought between Mid Valley Drifter, SASS #35724, and Shifty Jack, SASS #65353. On the first day of shooting, Mid Valley Drifter was ahead of Shifty-winning two stages to his one. However, by day two, Shifty came roaring back and had (Continued on page 74)



arterton, NZ – The 5th Annual SASS New Zealand Regional Championships were held November 4-8, 2009 at the superb Gladstone Range near Carterton in the North Island of New Zealand. For those who don't know, that's the most northern of the three major islands that make up the Kiwi paradise known as New Zealand or Aotearoa.

The range is set in the countryside, against towering limestone cliffs, and provides a camping (Continued on page 72)



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#### Saturday

6 Action Stages - Main Match 4 Mounted Stages - Main Match Side Matches - Cowboy Games

Sunday 2 Mounted Stages – Main Match

Top Gun Shoot-off after Awards

SASS Chili Cook-Off and Pot Luck Movie Night at Sunset

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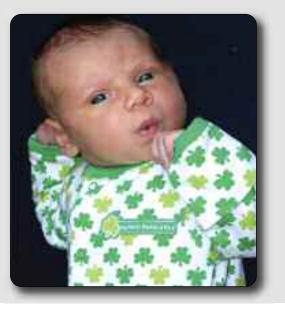
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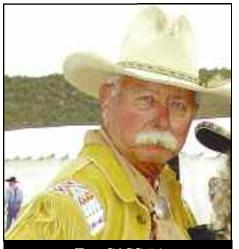
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#### Tex, SASS #4 ~SASS Hall of Fame Inductee~

ast month the notion of adding an age-based provision for each SASS sanctioned category was presented. Predictably many of the wire comments focused on the large number of potential categories. Some claimed there might be over 300 categories!! Well, there's not that many, but there are a bunch (see accompanying table). With the sole exception of Senior Duelist, none of the protected categories

# SASS SHOOTING CATEGORIES HOW Many IS Enough?

#### By Tex, SASS #4

have any age-based provisions, and that needs to change.

Notice also, there are a series of age-based categories above Elder Statesman and Grand Dame being suggested. Cowboy Action is a "graving" sport. More and more of our members are remaining active throughout their seventies and eighties. We even have a few ninety- year-old competitors, which is wonderful! Remember. you, too, if you're lucky, will one day join their ranks as an "old codger" competitor! Many eightyyear-olds have declared they really don't want to compete against those "seventy something"-year-old (Continued on next page)

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The shaded areas above indicate the categories currently identified in the SASS Shooters Handbook. Except for Senior Duelist, none of the categories across the top have any age breakdown provisions. Every square in this figure should represent a valid SASS shooting category.



#### (Continued from previous page) "whippersnappers!"

The Huntsman Senior Games in St. George, UT hold a Cowboy Action competition each year restricted to fifty-plus year-old competitors segregated into five year-wide age brackets. One of the reasons these games are so successful is because these shooters are being allowed to compete in their chosen shooting discipline with their peers. Obviously there are fewer competitors in the older age brackets, but it's always nice, for example, to be recognized as the best 85–90 year-old shooter!

Since SASS has agreed everyone wants to compete with their peers, and matches like the Huntsman Games have demonstrated the enthusiastic participation of older shooters, the question is how can match directors provide what their paying customers want?

One possible answer is for matches to <u>offer</u> ALL the categories in the figure. Clearly not all categories will have applicants, even for the very large events like Winter Range and END of TRAIL. It's also a certainty many of the categories will be lightly subscribed with perhaps only one or two potential participants. What to do?

Each match needs to develop its policy regarding awards. If "nice" awards are what the organization chooses to give, how many competitors are needed in each category? Ten? Five? Three? Heluva Rukus uses a sliding scale-some minimum number are needed to have a category, and then the number signed up for the category determines how deep the awards will go. For big categories, trophies plus buckles ten deep may be appropriate. For smaller categories, perhaps only buckles are appropriate. For very small categories, maybe only a certificate is needed.

Just because all the categories are offered, doesn't mean all have to be provided. At some (advertised) point before the match, say six to eight weeks, the signups are reviewed. If policy is five shooters are required for a category, then shooters in all smaller categories can be given an opportunity to declare a new category that is large enough to satisfy the criteria. (An alternative approach is to have a pre-defined process of automatically collapsing categories until a designated number of competitors are realized for each category.) If the smaller categories are allowed and lesser-valued awards planned, that's fine as well. The awards can be purchased based upon the head counts at the appointed time, ensuring only the awards actually needed are ordered. This practice also has the beneficial side effect of encouraging folks to signup early for a match—if you signup late, you might not receive an earned award because there were not enough in your chosen category at the appointed time.

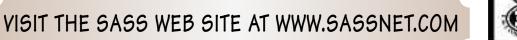
Everyone appreciates being asked in which shooting category they would prefer to compete. However, I give our cowboys credit for being adults. If they know the rules (policy of the host organization) regarding categories, and they're told their chosen category is undersubscribed and they'll either have to pick another category or shoot for fun, they'll do it and not complain.

If categories with only a single (or very few) competitors are allowed, it would be appropriate to at least provide certificates when recognizing the winners. They cost next to nothing, the winners are pleased to be recognized, and everybody goes away happy!

No one knows how many of the potential categories will have substantial subscribers until the application process is modified, allowing folks to request their categories. Until that happens, the very best one can do is simply REQUEST the category of your choice whether it's on the application form or not. The worst that can happen is to be told "no."

For the past few years a number of senior gunfighters have requested a Senior Gunfighter category at Winter Range. Each time they were either told "no" or you can shoot for "grins"-no awards would be presented since this is not an official SASS shooting category. The possibility of no awards prompted dropouts each year, but a small number of senior gunfighters persisted and insisted on shooting with their peers, expecting no awards, but certainly desiring recognition for their efforts. For the past two years Winter Range scored the Senior Gunfighters and brought them on stage for recognition, but no awards. This year, in an effort to ensure their guests went home happy, Winter Range opted to provide buckles after the ceremonies for the Senior Gunfighters (as well as to the lone Classic Cowgirl). While Winter Range wasn't expected or required to do this, the buckles were certainly appreciated! The Winter Range Board did good!

We're all getting older, and it's time to begin recognizing our age demographics in ALL SASS shooting categories and allow everyone to shoot with their peers! **1**.





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# Waddies Needed For The 29th Annual END of TRAIL

By Fancy Free, SASS Regulator #23612

Waddies are needed for END of TRAIL June 21- 27, 2010. What is a Waddie, you ask?

Waddies were the temporary help ranches would hire for large events, roundups, trail drives, fiestas, whenever they needed extra hands. Their pay was a dollar a day and found (food).

Work is what Waddies do. We get the water to the range coolers and down to mounted, run the parking lots and camping, drive the people movers, set up for the nightly entertainment, seminars and parties. You may be asked to put up banners and signs, or help bartend in the evenings. If it needs to be done, a Waddie is gonna do it. It's not ALL work, though! We have time for FUN, too!

What do we get for this? We get our dollar a day and meals,

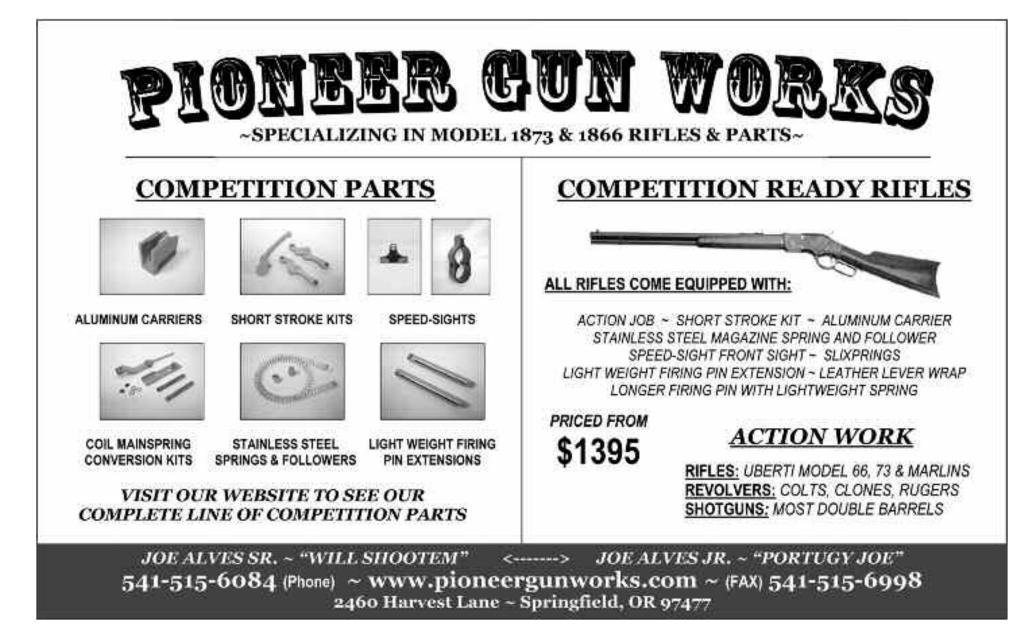
plus a mug, our END of TRAIL collectors pin, and we even get a chance at some really neat prizes, including guns. But the biggest thing we get is the chance to help SASS put on the World Championship. It's the feeling of being a part of END of TRAIL. Some of us cowboys and cowgirls have been coming to END of TRAIL for 10 years or more from all over the country. For some, it will be their first time at the event.

If this sounds like something you would like to be part of, go to the END of TRAIL page on the SASS Wire and sign up. Join us for the 29th annual WORLD Championship of Cowboy Action and Cowboy Mounted Shooting.

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#### FROM BACKPACKING TO COWBOY ACTION SHOOTING<sup>TM</sup>

My son and I were backpacking in the Red Lodge, Montana area about five years ago. On our way back to Minnesota, we stopped in Cody, Wyoming and stumbled into the once in a lifetime Colt exhibit in the Buffalo Bill Cody Historical Center. We are not gun people; more accurately, I did not grow up around guns and did not have any great interest in them. However, the exhibit clearly piqued a latent love for the Old West and the guns of the period.

As we talked, it became clear my son had no appreciation for the Old West, western movies, and the like. We spent a fair bit of time on the drive home talking about my childhood heroes, television shows, classic western movies, and history of the West. We had lunch in Sundance, Wyoming and talked about the namesake of the place.

We talked about my son's newfound aesthetic appreciation of the "six gun" as opposed to the semiautomatic pistol that is ubiquitous in the Tom Cruise type movies he watched. We bought a small caliber revolver (Uberti Stallion). I bought a .45 caliber revolver (Beretta Stampede). Tombstone Drifter and Aces Full, who have since become friends and teachers about all things related to guns and reloading, started answering questions about SASS and Cowboy Action Shooting<sup>™</sup>. The notion of having fun was appealing, and the notion of making a lot of noise while having fun was even more appealing. I bought replicas of a Henry 1860, a Remington 1875, and a Colt 1878 coach gun.

Now without benefit of segue, I will say that when I was running marathons, I never had any illusions of winning the race. I enjoyed the running and was there to have fun. This has been true of most everything I have done; the activity is reward in and of itself for me.

Back to Cowboy Action

Shooting<sup>TM</sup>. I have read with interest and appreciation articles and letters relative to "the Spirit of the Game." I personally do not shoot to win. I show up to have fun. The Crow River Rangers in Howard Lake, Minnesota is an outfit that has been quite accepting of me as a novice and marginal shooter who is unlikely to improve much in terms of the "standings."

I shoot unmatched revolvers. I have acquired and shot my Remington 1858 replica, switching out cylinders. My Henry causes me to pay attention to the follower; the TTN shotgun means I have to deal with cocking the hammers. I love it! And, I enjoy being on a posse with "real contenders;" that is, those who are slip hammering, short-stroking speed demons.

I have found a similar acceptance by the Cedar Valley Vigilantes of Morristown, Minnesota. As long as I am having a good time, I'll continue to shoot. As long as I am learning new things at a leisurely pace, I'll continue to participate. As long as these outfits continue to accept me as a shooter who is not interested in being fast, I'll make smoke and noise with them. As long as I keep coming in ahead of my brother-inlaw, Flint Hills Drover, I'll keep driving him to the shoots. Actually, I'd drive him anyway ... Red Lodge Rambler, SASS #79312 Mound, MN &

#### GUNS & GEAR COLUMN

I really enjoy the articles about improving the actions we use in Cowboy Action Shooting<sup>TM</sup>. It would be very helpful if you could do an article on the Uberti Schofield. I would like to get a better trigger pull on mine, but am afraid I won't be able to get the barrel latch back together!

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# HAPPY NEW SHOOTERS!

About a year ago, I saw an episode of *Cowboys* on the Outdoor Channel. It looked like a lot of fun so my wife and I looked into it. We found local clubs in our area and went to a couple of shoots to see what was going on.

What we found were a lot of nice people willing to share and help without batting an eye. At one shoot, I got out of our car and right next to us was a fellow in full costume loading his cart. I was wearing shorts, a tee shirt, and running shoes. The cowboy asked if I was shooting; I told him no, I was just there to look into it. He then said, "Well, if you want to try and shoot, look me up, you can try my stuff if you want to."

After I picked my jaw up off the ground, I thanked him, and we went on our way. My wife and I could not believe a total stranger would make that type of offer. I'm sorry to say I don't recall his name, but it made quite an impression. We know most Cowboy Action Shooters <u>are</u> like this. We joined SASS, spent a bunch of money (we're not done yet), joined some of our local clubs, and went shooting.

I read some letters in The Comboy Chronicle from folks who weren't welcomed or felt they did not fit in with the "group." I would strongly advise you to come to Nevada! We are now members of four different clubs, and every single group has welcomed us with no problems. Some faces are the same at each because they do overlap, but the attitudes are always great!

We jumped right in to help score, spot, re-set targets, or load and unload at the trailer. Don't just stand there! Pitch in, even if it's your first shoot!

We would like to give a big thank you to the following individuals. They have loaned us equipment, helped with techniques, explained rules, and very patiently answered every question we've asked: Fanner Fifty, Jasper Agate, Sagebrush Sam, Dakota Smithy, Dead-Eye Dick, Dutch Dalton, Irish Ike, Longarm, and The Bodie Kid. These folks have all gone above and beyond, and we want them to know it is appreciated.

Washoe Zephyr, SASS #85133 Reese River Ruby, SASS #86403 Carson City, NV 2.

#### HEAVIES AND SIDEKICKS

y mother was raised on a cat-tle ranch north of Blythe, California. In those years before air conditioning, everyone who could possibly afford it sent their wives and children to the mountains or the seashore for the summer. Those who could not afford it tried alternatives. My grandmother's alternative was working as the cook at a fishing camp in the San Bernardino mountains owned by Wallace and Noah Beery. Her summer playmate was Noah Beery Jr. or "Pidge" as every one called him then. A lot of the Hollywood crowd came up to fish, drink, and relax.

One day, while playing, she fell

from an embankment into a huge prickly pear, breaking her arm. Without hesitation, one of the men standing nearby plowed into that cactus at full charge. He gently picked her up and carried her to the kitchen and laid her on the table. Afterwards he stood by until the doctor arrived, pulling out thorns the whole time. From then on she regarded Victor McLaglen as the hero and John Wayne as the sidekick!

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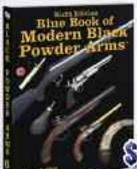
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First off I want to offer just a small note about Tex's "Why Should I Join SASS" article in the January issue of The Comboy Chronicle. Once more he is right on target, but then he always is.

What I would like to share with you is what we do here at The Withlacoochee Renegades concerning non-SASS shooters. Our Shoot fees are a little higher than some around these parts, but though this be madness, yet there is a method in it. At every shoot we give \$5 discounts for being a current member of the NRA, and another \$5 for being a current member of SASS. So in the long run, our shoot fees are about the same as other clubs, and if one shoots with us every month for a year, they will save \$120, more than enough to pay their dues and buy some ammo, too. If more clubs had a similar practice, it might help in the membership drive of both organizations.

The second thing I want to say is The Bear Lady, SASS #29754, and I were traveling through New Mexico last November, and having never seen Founder's Ranch, we stopped at Edgewood and called Headquarters. Prairie Mary answered and upon explaining our wishes, she immediately began working on our behalf. We learned the Ranch was closed, however, through her efforts contact was made with a couple of Waddies who happened to be out there that day working on The Copper Queen Hotel. A call or two later and she told us they would unlock the gate and be expecting us.

Finding the Ranch was no problem nor was finding the fellows sitting in the shade munching on their noon chuck. They soon put a hold on their chores and gave us a personal tour that was most interesting. Now I realize we were but a couple of members among nigh on 90,000, but we were made to feel not only welcome, but at home within the SASS family. A good feeling I might add.

I just wanted to offer a big ole Thank You to Prairie Mary, Crotchety Ole Bart, and Big Horn for being who they are, and I'll say it loud and clear, them's three to ride the river with! Hungry Bear, SASS #28669

Pinetta, FL .

#### "A REVERSAL OF FORTUNES" CLARIFICATION

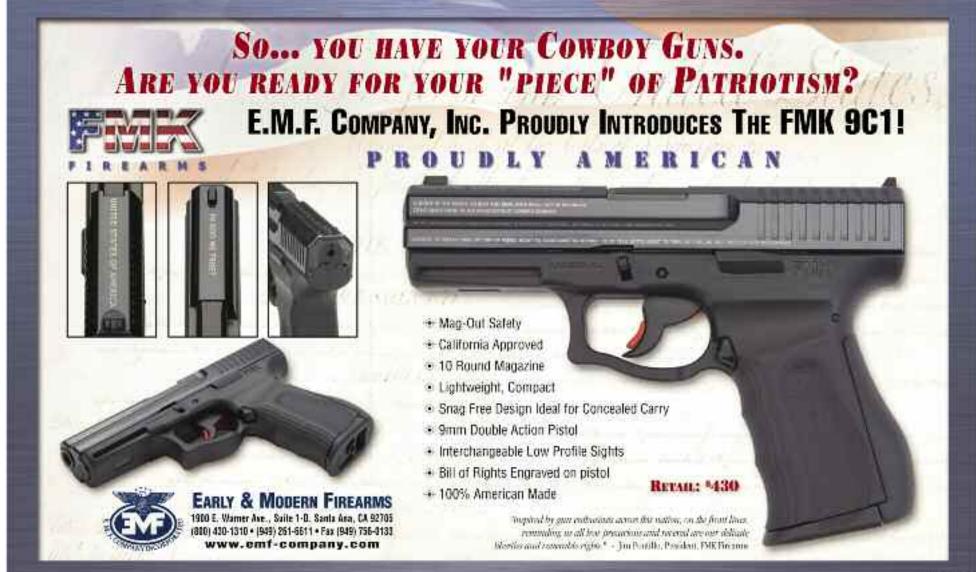
want the thank Larsen E. Pettifogger for the excellent article that challenged me to reverse the triggers on my Stoeger Side by Side. This article was so well written in the November Comboy Chronicle I could not wait for the December portion. After reading both installments, I was charged up to make the modification to my Stoeger. This past weekend I felt I was ready to get to work. I had made a prior modification by removing the safety link that impeded the triggers. Consequently, my safety did not work at all, and it was reversible by replacing the link and pin.

After following the November instructions to disassemble the triggers and the sears, I noticed in the December sequel my Stoeger was slightly different than the one shown. My Stoeger has one large trigger slot where the article showed two trigger slots. I was scratching my head as well as other body parts to determine

the impact upon my reversal. Well, with a lot of help from my retired machinist/mechanical engineer shooting partner, we achieved a working trigger reversal. The difference was significant because not only was grinding required, but also repositioning the rear trigger tail to engage the left sear. The modification for my model Stoeger required only modification to the rear trigger (the longer trigger). The rear trigger was modified by grinding away the underside and by heating the tail up to near red hot and (repeatedly and carefully) "S" bending it over by less than 1/4 inch to engage the sear for the left barrel. After smoothing the surfaces and bluing, the result is pleasing to the eye and very functional.

I appreciate the article and my shooting partner for a challenge I would not have attempted on my own. This experience has developed sufficient over confidence to permit bragging rights and provide assistance to my fellow SASS Shooters! Thank you again!

Lucky Jack, SASS Life #78573 TG Sunnyvale Regulators San Francisco, CA A





Cat Ballou, SASS #55 SASS Hall of Fame Inductee-

> y the 1890s, more fashion magazines and fashion plates were being published, helping women keep in touch with the latest styles. These images had a great influence on women's fashions. *Ready-to-wear* clothing became widely available, making it possible for more women to have fashionable clothes. Lingerie dresses, made of white lace, were worn by all but the poorest women since machine-made lace was now so affordable.

> Tailors began to specialize in ladies clothing and a new style was created: Tailor-Made. These Tailor-Made costumes were skirts of wool or serge and jacket-style bodices, usually worn with a shirtwaist blouse and a tie. They were perfectly suited to the new professional woman, for



handling business transactions in town, or for walking and visiting. Although these Tailor-Made suits were criticized as masculine and unladylike, women continued to wear them. By 1900, it had become an accepted fashion as more women went

Green-Eyed Gypsy, SASS #60086, wears a '90s-inspired sportswear costume for shooting.



began to appear in popular magazines such as Life, Harper's Monthly, Bazaar, and Weekly. She was a pen and ink character drawn by American artist/illustrator Charles Dana Gibson. The Gibson Girl was

competitive, sporty, and eman-

cipated ... and still beautiful.

For the next two decades, she

Prairie Weet, SASS #778, wears a Victorian bathing suit she designed and made.

to work outside the home and found it a practical outfit for the commercial workplace.

WHAT WOMEN WORE:

A Primer For Cowboy Action Shooting™

By Miz Annie Ross, SASS#60919

**OVGIRLS** The Nineties: *The New Woman* 

Combinations, drawers and corset cover all-in-one piece, became very popular since they were less bulky.

Corsets were tighter than ever in the 1890s to help define the hourglass figure. As they cinched in the waist, these new corsets rounded out the bust and hips. Corsets were elaborately decorated and sometimes worn over the petticoat. They were made of all colors and trimmed with lace and ribbons. In the very late1890s the corset elongated, flattening the lady's stomach.

By 1899, women began to rebel against the tightly cinched and heavily boned corset and many women began wearing a shorter, more flexible, lightweight corset.

#### **The New Woman**

The term New Woman was first used to ridicule the younger generation of active young women who participated in sports, went to schools and universities, and even entered the commercial workplace, which was beginning to open up to women. Women like this did not want to wear fully boned and interlined costumes all day and welcomed the Tailor-Made suits. By 1890, the Gibson Girl

> Miz Annie Ross, SASS #60919, wears an 1896 **Shooting Outfit** with Turkish bloomers for shooting at END of TRAIL.

became as influential as modern day movie and TV stars. Her clothes became fashionable. Skirts worn with embroidered blouses became popular. These blouses (also called *shirtwaists*) might be worn with a tie, a floppy bow, a cravat with a stick pin, a brooch, or a ruffled jabot. The blouses were embroidered, appliquéd, had lace inserts, pleats, or pin tucks.

Blouses (also called shirtwaists or *waists*) took on new importance and many women had several different blouses to match or complement each outfit. The blouse was originally a loose unlined bodice with a fashionable high collar and large leg-of-mutton, puffed, or bishop sleeves. It was worn with or without a jacket

#### **Sportswear**

Changing attitudes made many sports activities more acceptable for women, and sportswear was created. Unfussy, more-



tailored clothes were worn for outdoor activities and traveling. A blouse, tailored like a man's shirt with a high collar, was adopted for informal daywear and became the uniform of working women. Walking suits featured ankle-length skirts with matching jackets.

Bicycling became very popular and cycling costumes with shorter skirts and bloomers were worn. Although bloomers were introduced in the 1850s, few women wore them until bicycling became popular. Bicycling finally made pants acceptable attire for women for activities other than bathing at the beach.

Shirtwaists and anklelength plain skirts were worn for tennis, along with shoes of canvas with rubber soles. Full skirts with a belted blouse were worn for hockey. Women had worn *bathing suits* for many years. Many still had both bloomers and an overskirt, but some daring women wore a onepiece top and bloomer outfit.

These less restrictive readymade and sportswear styles of the New Woman of the '90s have become very popular with many cowgirls, especially for shooting!

You can find out more about the '90s as well as other periods of the Victorian Era, in the book "What Women Wore: A Primer for Cowboy Action Shooting<sup>™</sup> Cowgirls." Contact Miz Annie Ross via email at:

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he 29th END of TRAIL is just around the corner and it is time to make plans to the Land visit of Enchantment - New Mexico. We are planning the biggest END of TRAIL ever with a few changes to make it even better. One of the major changes this year is moving the Awards Ceremony back to Sunday. This leaves Saturday night as the Big Party. Saturday night's entertainment is Frederic Jackson Turner and his band "Red Sky." Most of you know Frederic Jackson Turner as a long time SASS member and outstanding Duelist shooter, but may not know his band. I am here to tell you they are great! They have entertained at several of the California SASS Matches and SASS members love their music. You will not want to miss Saturday night and "Red Sky."

We are also changing our policy on golf carts and ATVs for handicap shooters. Beginning this year, golf carts, and ATV's, along with single seat carts for the handicapped will be permitted when the owner provides proper state issued handicapped credentials. Owners must check in their vehicles with the END of TRAIL Administration Office and get a Founders Ranch Permit, which will authorize the use of the vehicle at Founders Ranch.

Golf Carts, ATVs, and single seat carts will be allowed on the Range Road and in designated parking lots on the west (near the bridge) and south of town. Golf carts or ATVs may only be parked along the fence line (grassy area) on the range road. They may not be parked in the road, in bays, or the mouth of bays, behind vendor buildings, or in front or around the Copper Queen/Belle Union. Even with permits, golf carts and ATV's are not permitted in town and may not be parked in town. Only single seat handicap vehicles are allowed in town. SASS will still provide handicap parking for vehicles with proper handicapped identification. Powered gun carts are permitted as long as they are not drivable vehicles. This will allow handicap shooters to drive within a short distance of almost every place in town and still keep town as dust free as possible.

Another change is the pet policy. The pet policy at END of TRAIL has never been very clear. This year pets are allowed in town at END of TRAIL, but are not allowed in the Belle Union, Gem Saloon, or Copper Queen. Vendor buildings or tents are off limits as well unless the vendor invites your pet in. Pets must be on a leash, and you are responsible for your pet and cleaning up after your pet at all times. There will be the public at our event, so if your pet does not like crowds, do not bring them into town. Pets may stay in the campground in campers as long as they do not bother other campers.

Camping, with the exception of Founders Club Camping, is on a first come first served basis. We always seem to have some campers believe the rules don't apply to them and some even try to get in and not pay for camping at all. This year camping paid for in advance is the normal \$50 dollars for the event. If you wait and pay for camping when you get to the ranch, it will be \$75. You are not allowed to set up unless you have a camping permit on your camper and auto. Founders Club members that will be camping need to register for camping before June 1st to make sure your spot is not used for another Founders Club Member. Remember, we have more Founders Club Members than we have reserved camping spots on the first four rows.

Another big change will be return of the Wild West Arena show. Missing from END of TRAIL for several years, we are bringing the Wild West Arena Show back to a new exhibition arena being built on the north end of town. Dr Buck is putting together a Wild West Arena show that will include some our very own Wild West Performing Arts Members. You are going to like what Dr. Buck is putting together. We will be expanding it every year to include the best the Wild West Entertainment around. We are also

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By Coyote Calhoun, SASS #201

hoping to expand the exhibition arena into a full-fledged mounted arena in the next few years, so the mounted events are more visible to all of our members.

With Coyote Calhoun

On last thing before I sign-off, by the time you read this article, a new END of TRAIL website will be up and running. Just click right here: http://www.sassnet.com/END of TRAIL/index.php

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Left: Image of the SASS "Marshal" engraved on the shovel of the engraved option. Photo also shows revolver with the optional Walnut grips, Right: Image of the left side of the engraved model showing the barrel and cylinder detail.



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#### INCREASE THE FUN AND WIDEN THE COMPETITION BY TRAIL BRAND HANDICAPPING

By Good Deal, SASS #30057

ost SASS matches are the rela-Ltively small monthly club level matches the 80,000 plus of us shoot and enjoy on a regular basis. From a purely mathematical standpointthis is where most of the fun in SASS resides. Each club's annual "big match" is a big deal for that club. Many of those, due to the efforts of the sponsoring club have become mini Regionals. That's good. Shooters get to play with more cowboys and cowgirls, and it is relatively inexpensive. State championships are also within the time and money limitations of most of us. That said, there is one commonality to these matches—there are few surprise winners. Let's face it, those young eyes and young hands are hard to beat. Even if you leave out the race guns most of us cannot afford, unless you shoot .32s or .38s with two hands, you are probably not going to win, even at your local club. But, there is a way to level the playing field and even increase the fun and widen the competition.

I shoot either Classic Cowboy or Senior Duelist, and as such, I usually shoot against just a handful of guys even at the Regional level. Wouldn't it be more fun, challenging, and motivational to shoot against everybody! I think so; here is how. It's called handicapping, but with a SASS twist. On the old cattle drives, herds from several outfits were often combined into one large herd. A trail brand was often applied to be used at the final accounting in the stockyards. Let's "trail brand" our scores. As a firm believer in the KISS (Keep It Simple Stupid) principle, I do not propose 80,000 handicaps, too much, too hard to keep straight, too easy to sand bag, just too much. How about 31, for all of us? One for each shooting category. Under this system you would have to win your category to win the match, but that is only fair. If you are still with me, read on and all will be revealed!

To get those trail brand num-



bers, I went to the gatherings of the best of the best, END of TRAIL and Winter Range. The scores for 2009 were used. The plan is to update annually. Starting with the top ten in each category (if available), I soon found that except for the real speed classes, the times took a big jump after 5<sup>th</sup> or 6<sup>th</sup> place. This would have loaded the numbers in favor of the slower categories-not leveled it out—so I went with the top five. This seemed really to be the best of the best in each category. I do not claim to be an expert number cruncher, but I think the numbers I arrived at are fair to all concerned.

Please folks, I am not proposing a rule change or something for a Territorial Governor's vote. This is just an idea that individual clubs might want to try. I just think there are enough good Duelists, Frontier Cartridge, and Gunfighters of all ages out there who would love to have a chance to take on Mr. or Miss Speedo and, some Speedo who would work harder with more competition. All for more fun. With Trail Brands, you could have posse winners too-more fun all day. Caution-if you do this, please tell your shooters BEFORE the match and explain it to them.

This is where it ended up after blistering my fingers for days. The numbers are based on the average speed per stage of the top 5 shooters in every category at 2009 END of TRAIL and Winter Range. This allows application to the total match time no matter how many stages were shot. Got that? Okay, all you do is multiply a shooter's total time by the trail brand number for each category. This year Cowboy and Cowgirl are the fastest, so their number is 1, no math required for them. Simple yes? That's it. Play with it. Try it. Talk about it. See what you think. Is it an idea whose time has come for your club or match? Personally, I would love to see an advertisement for a club annual or territorial match that includes "This match will use the Trail Brand handicapping system to determine overall match and posse winners." "A Top Ten Fastest Gun side match will follow the main match."

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[Interesting idea. Many of us have understood for years Overall Winner was a miscarriage of justice because all categories are not created equal that's why we have them! Category winners were the only thing that truly made sense. Using a technique such as this to "level the categories" may have merit—give it a try! ... Editor in Chief] **2**.

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#### WHY CAN'T WE HAVE FRONTIER CARTRIDGE?

am very disappointed the vote to include Frontier Cartridge Gunfighter failed. More and more people are shooting that category, many Regional and State championships include it because of so many requesting it, and, yet, it was voted down. I followed many discussions about it on the SASS Wire before the vote, and over and over some say. "Not another category!" I think the underlying problem is all the age brackets were added, but only in one category, which no longer has a name. Let's call it the "Hold your revolver with both hands and shoot a pump shotgun" category. When the age groups were established, I felt all the rest of the shooters were second-class citizens. Really, if age breakdowns are important, shouldn't we all get the advantage of competing with only our age shooters? Oh, guess not!

I'm 65 and don't mind competing with all ages, but I don't shoot a

'97 because I don't think it's true to the period. I shoot blackpowder unless I won't have time to clean my guns because of another commitment. And I'm shooting Gunfighter a lot of the time just because it's so much fun. As the rules note, blackpowder shooters are expected to deal with obscured targets. That's fine and expected, but now I have to compete against the smokeless mouse fart loads and pump shotguns! FCGF is clearly a category of its own, and yet has been turned down, I think because of "category overload" in other places, not because of its own lack of merit.

Let's be consistent! If age categories are something SASS must do, then do it for all shooting categories. If blackpowder shooters are to be split off from smokeless shooters, then do that, but allow us to have the same categories other shooters have.

Long Tall Texan, SASS #22449 Indiana, PA

[The Territorial Governors have a "rule" that disallows them from addressing the same failed proposition the following year. However,

one must admit, it DOES feel like there is undue discrimination when it comes to providing competition opportunities for shooting disciplines other than one's own. Not only should Frontier Cartridge Gunfighter have been approved, Senior-Frontier-Gunfighter should have been approved as well! Perhaps a new agenda item for 2010 could be constructed to allow agebased POSSIBILITIES for ALL categories, including Frontier Cartridge Gunfighter. I say possibilities, because realistically not all the age-based categories will be filled at any particular match. Match Directors should OFFER all categories and then PROVIDE those categories that have enough participation (and the Match Director can specify how many is enough!) ... Editor in Chief] 🦊

#### LET'S GET IT RIGHT!

In Seven Ladders article, "The Best Gunfight Of All," (February '10 issue) he failed to mention Elfego Baca surrendered on the condition he keep his guns and his captors ride ahead of him to Socorro, New Mexico.

A cavalry kepi with cavalry swords inverted is shown in Tuolumne Lawman's Part 3, "Handguns," photo of Pietta's EMF 1851 Navy. The sabers should have been the other way around. This is a small thing, but we are supposed to be interested in history.

I am a history buff, horseman, saddlemaker, and cowboy. I have been a SASS member for about five years and look forward to history articles and Purdy Gear's column.

Joe Darter, SASS #47994 Big Fork, MT 🎜

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By Colonel Dan, SASS #24025 Life / Regulator

2010 will be a year of great revealing in America. What do you mean, Colonel? This year will expose more about Americans and our political leadership than any single year in decades. It will show us what Americans really want and whether or not they care enough about their country to go get it. Will they begin the restoration of this nation to her founding principles, or aid Obama in his pledge to fundamentally transform her? Additionally, as events unfold throughout 2010, the shroud will be ripped away from "loyal opposition" candidates revealing exactly what they are made of. Will they pledge to block, defund, and repeal this unconstitutional legislation passed thus far? And if so, do we have any degree of confidence they'll follow through when the time comes based on their past behavior?

If Americans honestly desire a

constitutional republic based on individual freedom and economic liberty, they'll flush the current congress and send new blood to Washington as they did in Massachusetts this past January, but only with new blood that pledges to abide by our founding documents. If Americans want statism wherein big government controls private lives and business at unprecedented levels, they'll return the majority of incumbents to office—it's just that clear and just that simple. The people will get what they want—a republic if they can keep it, or statism if they allow it. Given the current make up of the congress and administration, there is no acceptable middle ground in sight.

This administration is comprised of radical statists in full pur-(Continued on next page)



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suit of an agenda that will "fundamentally transform America" [Obama's own words]. I believed him when he made that campaign statement, and I believe him now. By the actions of his first year and with the legislative connivance of his congressional cronies, President Obama and his team have shown all who are really watching their shenanigans exactly where they intend to take us, and it's not the road our Founders designed. It's transparently more akin to the road Karl Marx envisioned ... and that my friends, is truth.

Will Americans lie down and let these statists run over them and fulfill the promise of transforming the country, or will they rise up and throw the bums out? The answer to that question will be revealed in 2010.

Already we've seen more of a political uprising in this country than we've seen in years, and I pray it not only continues, but grows in both size and intensity.

"Statism; are you crazy, Colonel? That's like a Nazi or Communist government isn't it?" Here is the definition of statism from Webster's dictionary—you tell me.

Statism: concentration of economic controls and planning in the hands of a highly centralized government often extending to govern-

#### ment ownership of industry.

Now does that sound exactly like what Obama and his crew are doing? Does it sound more like James Madison or Karl Marx? You decide, and decide you must.

Secondly, 2010 will reveal much about those running for officeeither incumbents or freshmen candidates. What will they pledge to us-statism, or a free republic? Will they try to convince us what the several administrations past brought us, culminating with Obama, is best for America, and only they can deliver the Utopia promised by a government provided cradle to grave society? Or, will they pledge to undue the damage and lead us back to the freedom of a republic based on the Constitution and our Founders' values?

If they promise Utopia, you know from whence they come. If they don't pledge to block, defund, and ultimately repeal unconstitutional legislation of the past, you know from whence they come. If they've been in office for years on end and have been part and parcel of this slide into statism and their words ring hollow compared to their actions when speaking of respect for our constitution, you know from whence they come judge them by their actions.

If they have a solid background in American values, have



not made a life out of politics, display a fundamental knowledge of and respect for our founding principles, and PLEDGE to turn back all legislation contrary to those principles, you <u>may</u> know from whence they come. You'll know them by their fruit, as that sage advice goes.

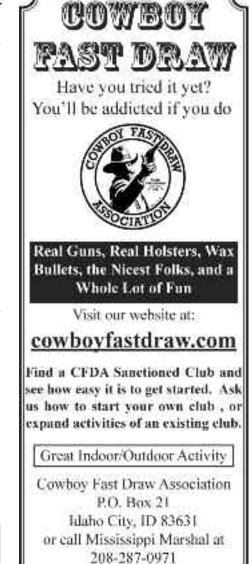
Can you know for certain what resides deep in their hearts? Not really. But, if they're reluctant to make such a vow, a small window opens into their souls for public view, and their trustworthiness can be justifiably questioned.

America, it's now up to you. Can we keep the republic we were given, but now must earn, or do we hand over our country, our lives, our fortunes, and our sacred honor to those who will trample them into dust? 2010 will be a year of great revealing, my friends. 2010 will show us much about ourselves—a mirror into our souls. I hope we'll like what we see in that mirror.

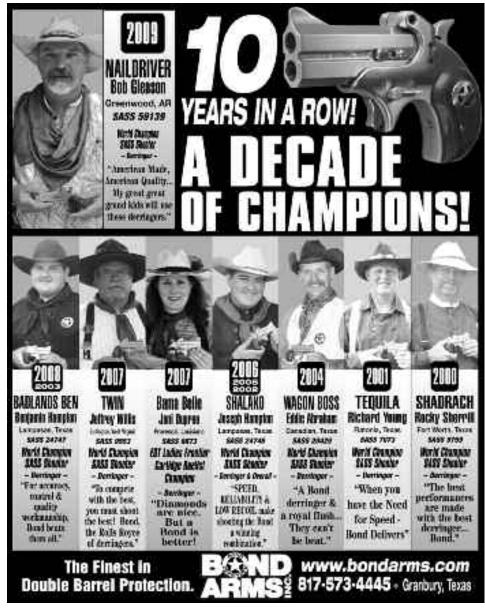
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"The first requirement of a sound body of law is that it should correspond with the actual feelings and demands of the community, whether right or wrong." Oliver W. Holmes

uring the turbulent years following the Civil War, the western frontier was marked as much by outright lawlessness as it was by the compelling opportunity for a new and prosperous life. The lure of free land, open space, gold, and pros-



perity were irresistible magnets for approximately 250,000 migrants who trundled west between the years of  $1862 - 1882.^1$ 

Almost immediately upon leaving the stability of the eastern cities, voluntary associations of westward migrating citizens were organized to help maintain wagon train discipline, preserve order, thwart criminals, and prosecute thieves and murderers. Consequently, on the trail extraordinary remedies were often resorted to in the protection of lives and property. Thus was born the earliest vigilantism in the form of wagon train governments.

As the great American migration lurched westward from St. Louis, MO, hunger, thirst, fierce loneliness, wild animals, harsh geography, bad water, severe weather, and Indian raids were only a few challenges that faced the wagon train pioneers. Significant threats traveled with them and among their number. They were the thief, the army deserter, rustler, the outlaw gunman, and murderer. In Roughing It, Mark Twain recalls life in Montana in the early 1860's: "Violence was the rule. Force was the only recognized authority ... Murders were done in open day and with sparkling frequency, and nobody

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thought of inquiring into them."<sup>2</sup> Because of this ever present menace and because they were moving into regions where there was no law or established procedures to deal with criminals and renegades, they resorted to self-help. Simply stated, vigilantes evolved without ... more to the point, in spite of ... legislative influence and the meddling of lawyers. Their purposes were the soul of simplicity: to quell disorder, protect lives and property, recover stolen property, and arrest thieves and murderers.<sup>3</sup>

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Contrary to what the anti self-help crowd would have us believe, vigilance (Continued on next page)

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committees sprang from respectable American and Western European precedents. One of its forms can be traced to the 12th century's Frankish Knights Templar. The Templars initially organized voluntarily to provide protection from brigands who preyed on the Christian pilgrims visiting holv places in Syria and Jerusalem during the 1st Crusade.<sup>4</sup> Mainly, though, they derived from influential elements of English criminal justice known as Hue & Cry,<sup>5</sup> from the early Germanic and English tradition of Posse Comitatus,<sup>6</sup> from the Norse and Saxon tradition of the folk-moot,<sup>7</sup> from the Spanish (and later Mexican) Alcalde system, and from our own Constitution's 2nd Amendment. All five legal traditions, the very soul of vigilantism, have survived, in one form or another, up to the present.

In today's world with electronic access to vast library collections, only the willfully blind and those who purposefully twist the truth will deny vigilantism's historic legitimacy and vitality. In fact, the anti self-help mind set totally disregards what historian Carl Coke Rister tells us, namely, that "[T]he vigilantes unquestionably served the frontier well in ridding it of desperado control. They bridged the gap between the lawless frontier and the orderly communities that came later."<sup>8</sup> Even the famous frontier shootist-lawman, John Henry "Doc" Holliday, in an interview with the Daily Denver Times, June 15, 1886 had this to say about his and Wyatt Earp's role in taming Tombstone, AZ:

The claim that I make is that a few of us pioneers are entitled to credit for what we have done. We have been forerunners of government. As soon as law and order are established anywhere we never had any trouble. If it hadn't been for me and men like me there never would have been any government in some of these towns. When I have done any shooting it has always been with this in mind.<sup>9</sup>

The formation of vigilante groups in this country merely confirmed the American notions of self-reliance, selfpreservation, willingness to help a neighbor, and popular sovereignty. All combined, these elements constituted the glue that held the new and mobile communities together in the face of outside threats.<sup>10</sup>

#### **QUASI POLICE VIGILANTES**

A legal no-man's-land in the newly settled areas of the west developed as a consequence of weak or nonexistent law enforcement. Into that void rushed a legion of independent guns and private associations organized principally for the protection of property and personal safety, and who, with special commissions, carried out quasipolice functions. Among these were the Dodge City Peace Commission in Kansas, Law Enforcement League in California, and the American Banker's Association in the Midwest. Other famous private law enforcement agencies include: The Pinkertons, Wells Fargo Police, the Merchant's Police, Railway Special Agents. the Homesteader's Protective Association, The Anti-Horse Thief Association, Stock Grower's Association,<sup>11</sup> and the Cattle Raiser's Association. The latter employed Range Detectives to protect their interests and bring lawbreakers to justice. In 1884 they did just that by hanging fifteen thieves and murderers they had pursued into Montana.

Vigilante justice was common throughout the American west and existed in some form in nearly every frontier community at one time or another. As early as the 1760's in North Carolina, the Regulators were formed to break the grip border ruffians, thieves, and murderers held on the back country, but, the earliest record of a vigilante hanging was in Texas in 1841. The Texas vigilantes, however, were not formally organized until 1876 after which time they promptly hung twenty outlaws in nine months. In 1864, Truckee, California was purged of bad characters by an organization known simply as 601, which killed one person, severely wounded another, and banished a host of others.<sup>12</sup> Later in the cowtowns, a type of banishment was also used in the form of white affidavits which, in a few terse words, invited the recipient to leave town by the first available transport or suffer the consequences, which were usually very unpleasant.  $^{13}\,$ 

San Francisco's experience with vigilantes had impact well beyond its own geographical boundaries. When criminals began flocking to the California gold fields well ahead of constitutional or statutory authority, miners formed vigilance committees each of which elected a jury and established what became known as courts of common consent, or miner's courts, with a District President who also served as Presiding Judge. Proceedings of vigilante courts have been described as oral, summary, and void of such technicalities as appeals. Punishments were typically executed soon after the verdict was rendered.

Vigilante courts that were established in remote outposts of the frontier favored common sense and Biblical principles over equity and were usually presided over by men with scant legal training, so decisions depended upon custom, intelligence, and fairness.<sup>14</sup> Punishments imposed by vigilante courts had a marked Spartan severity. That, of course, was part of their deterrence value. Because there were usually no jails, a man might be whipped, branded, have his ears cropped, or be hanged within minutes or hours after sentence was passed. One vigilance committee operating in the California gold fields pinned the following note to the lapels of those men it found necessary to hang:

#### VIGILANTES AROUND! NO MORE MURDERS! Behold the fate of this man. The same terrible end awaits all murderers. Life and the public security is too sacred not to be protected, even by a resort to the unpleasant means of Lynch Law! TAKE WARNING! TAKE WARNING! Else, ye murderers, the fate this brute has met with awaits you. By Order of the Committee of Vigilantes Or, consider this little bit of doggerel left pinned on the shirt of a bad guy hanged in Casper, Wyoming: "Process of law is a little slow, so this is the road you'll have to go. Murderers and thieves, Beware. PEOPLE'S VERDICT!"<sup>15</sup> Vigilantes, then, would be those protectors who George Orwell reputedly described as "rough men who stand

ready in the night to visit violence on those who would do us harm." In Mexican California during the flush period (1848-1853) local government was, as it had been under the Spanish before, the Alcalde system. There was nothing similar in the English or American experience unless it was that of a ship's captain at sea or the medieval lord of his castle. The allpowerful Alcalde could be appointed or elected. In either event, he had sole authority in his district with sweeping powers as a lawmaker, executive, and judge. In American legal equivalents he would wear the hats of Legislator, Executive, District Attorney, Sheriff, Judge, and Jury. He possessed power to adjudicate such matters as normally may arise before police, probate, civil, criminal, or equity courts, and sit as his own court of appeal.

While the position of Alcalde became extinct, the form continued to live on as a model in California mining camps until state law was able to gain ascendancy in the development of local government.

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  - It was one such organization that had hired the infamous Tom Horn (c.1860-1903) and whose life was portrayed by Steve McQueen in the 1980 Warner's Bros. production, Tom Horn. A life which incidentally serves to illustrate that when government is unwilling or unable to protect its citizens and their property, and circumstances are serious enough, the task will be undertaken by the people themselves with occasional errors in judgement as to who they employ; but, certainly self help is no more error prone or abusive than the huge paramilitary federal law enforcement agencies that terrorize its citizens. For example, no vigilante action in the entire history of the United States can even come close to the death and destruction wrought by the Feds at Waco.

Frontier law recognized that an emergency was a sudden or unexpected event or combination of circumstances that called for immediate action. Employment of private police and range detectives was such a response. Formation of vigilance committees was another.

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TICLES



Buck Bloodsworth, SASS #18071

By Buck Bloodsworth, SASS #18071

**Some Are Professional** 

**Performers, Others Are** 

ithin the realm of all the Wild West Arts-Trick Roping, Gun Handling, Bullwhip Cracking, Knife Throwing, Trick Roping, etc., one common bond all the participants strive to accomplish is to keep America's Heritage of these arts alive through teaching! Understandably, many of the professional performers and preservationists of the arts have produced and marketed several DVD's and books on the various skills executed by Wild West Arts aficionados. These resources have played a major role in promoting and creating widespread interest in the arts, along with providing valuable education regarding appropriate techniques, safety standards, and history of these unique technical disciplines.

I urge everyone who have witnessed or heard about these fascinating Wild West Arts, and have thought about grabbing a length of rope and twirling it into a Wedding Ring, doing a fancy flurry of spins with your shootin' iron, snapping a series of targets with a few cracks of a bullwhip, throwing four or five bull's-eye sticking knives or tomahawks or having your trusty steed do a few Wild West Show tricks, to investigate and invest in some of these very helpful tools. Many of these educational DVD's and books are available on the SASS website and right here within The Cowboy Chronicle's pages.

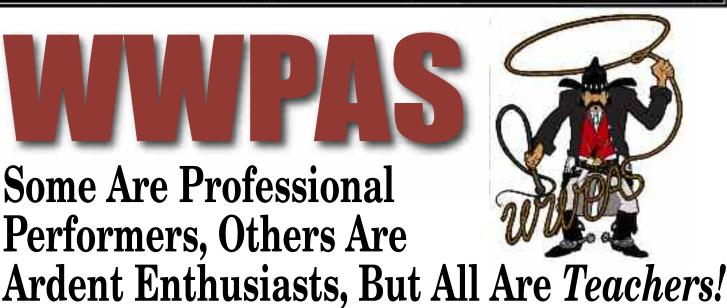


contact me directly if you either can't find a particular DVD or book that you "just gotta have" to continue your journey into becoming the Wild West Performer you know is living within you and clamoring to get out! I can probably help you find it.

Now let me touch on another form of learning the Artsone that was around long before TVs (we're talking the ones with tubes, not the ones now as big as a tractor trailer and as thin as

... Paris Hilton?) and, even before cowboys was "learned in school to read and rite proper like." You Hands On Teaching! The Wild West Arts, all of them, including my personal favorite, Stunts, are probably one of the last true skills that are best learned as an apprentice. Ask any Wild West Arts Performer and 99.9% of the time, I'd sure as shootin' bet when they were "start'n out," there were, at the very least, a handful of helpful, seasoned professionals that, pardon the pun, "Showed them the Ropes" with "Hands on Teaching!"

Now this is where WWPAS comes in! As a member of SASS, and I'll remind you again, you are also a member of the Wild West Performing Arts Society, every SASS member now has the incredible opportunity to add additional Western Skills to their already unique SASS experi-





ence, and learn them from the very "Best in the Business," and literally, the "Best in the World"-Hands On! Many of you have already been bitten by the WWPAS bug and several more SASS members took advantage of the chance to sample the various arts at the SASS Annual Convention in Las Vegas last December. For the lucky members that attended the event, which, by the way was also the 1<sup>st</sup> Annual WWPAS Convention and Competition, and tested their Wild West Arts skills, they had an (Continued on next page)



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amazing "Who's Who" of teachers! A constant crowd of apprentices gathered around the knife throwing area where the one and only World Champion, Michael Bainton, had a continual "Classroom" full of students, while Jack "The King of Fling" Dagger showed them how to take those same skills into the World of Show Business! The instant gratification of making a 10' piece of braided kangaroo hide make a "crack" that breaks the sound barrier was helped along with the aid of WWPAS members Ben "Whipmaster" Esseling, Dan Mink, Judy Taylor, and the honorable Anthony Delongis. (Angelina Jolie was one of his apprentices!) Future gun-spinners had a cast of Wild West Arts "valedictorians" as teachers-Pistol Packin' Paula, Hotshot Johnny Tuscadero, and Charlie

Keyes along with Leslie and Jim Leone. Apprentice programs were in "full twirl," with several trick ropers in attendance such as Bruce Brannen, Kowboy Kal, and Rider Kiesner (who, by the way, got his start as a Kowboy Kal apprentice!).

The goal of WWPAS is to make workshops, seminars, and performers available at not only the SASS Annual Convention and END of TRAIL, but to also offer it as an addition to the countless club shooting events throughout the country. I again invite you to contact me directly if you either have general WWPAS questions, or if you would like details about how you can incorporate WWPAS into your event. Also, any SASS members who would like to be added to my e-mail list and receive the monthly WWPAS Newsletter, just drop an email line to: DRBuc@cox.net. Adios for now!

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Back in 1943, a bright new musical comedy by Richard Rodgers and Oscar Hammerstein II hit Broadway ... and what a Hit it was! The play was *Oklahoma*, and it virtually changed overnight the way Broadway shows were put together.

One of the highlights was a song sung by cowboy, Curly McLain, to his sweetheart, Laurie Williams, in which he described how he was going to take Laurie to the box social celebrating Oklahoma's new statehood in his "shiny little Surrey with the fringe on the top."

Now you can rest assured Curly

# WILD WEST "WHEELS"

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

By Whooper Crane, SASS #52745

didn't own a Surrey! No cowboy had the bread required to own and maintain one of these pretty carriages. What Curly most likely planned to do was rent one from Louie's Livery, the Hertz of its day.

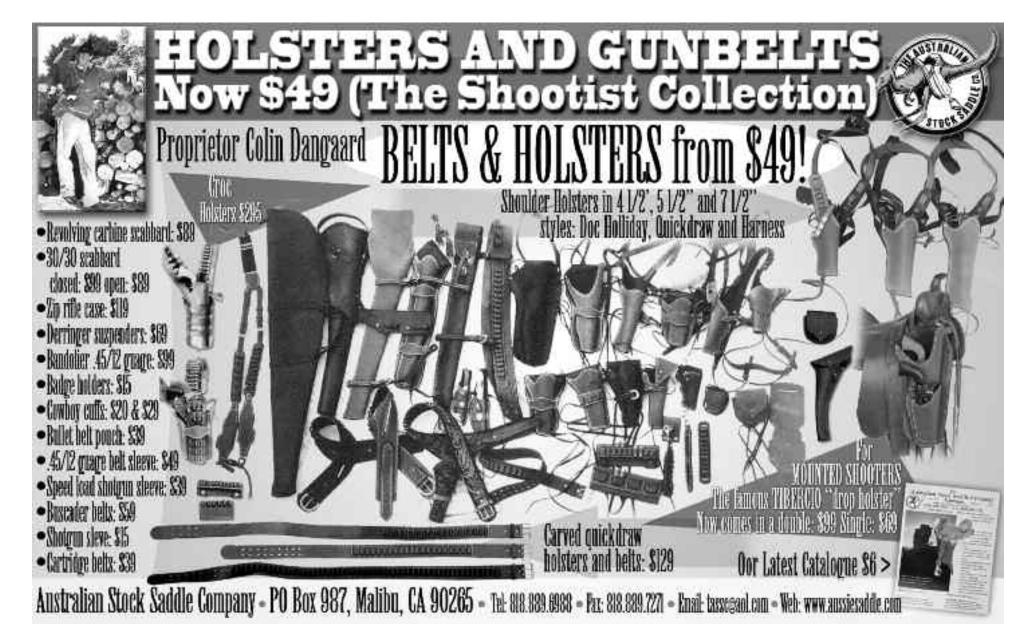
While Buckboards were the "pickups," I guess you could say Surreys were the "sedans" of light carriages back during the cowboy era.

Most Surreys had two rows of seats, able to accommodate four passengers comfortably ... and normally pulled by just one high-stepper. You sometimes found them in "big family configurations" with three or even four rows of seats, cramming in up to eight passengers, and rigged for a matched team.

Curley mentioned his rig came "with isinglass curtains that roll right down in case there's a change in the weather." Isinglass was a bendable "glass" (actually a sheet form of mica) that rolled



A shiny little Surrey with a fringe on the top. Surrey photo by hansenwheel.com





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up and down, much like the vinyl side curtains we see on golf carts today, allowing passengers to see out but stay dry in the rain as they traveled to their box socials, church meetin's, and other such doin's.

Now Curly would have to pay Louie a buck to rent his shiny little Surrey for the evening or up to five bucks for the whole day ... which was pretty hefty for a cowpoke who made only a buck a day poking cows. But this was far better than forking over 150 - 200 for your own rig (not to mention the upkeep).

Surreys were popular transportation throughout the country, not just in the West. In the days when most folks simply walked or (in cities) rode horse-drawn streetcars, Surreys stood out as the vehicle of choice as "daily drivers" for families of wealth.

Like all the other horse-drawn

vehicles of their era, they passed the baton on to the motorcars and motor trucks that came on the scene at the tail end of the cowboy era we all love so well.

I guess today's "Surreys" are the ubiquitous SUVs that pack our streets. It looks like the next generation's "Surreys" will be Hybrids and Electros and their ilk. That's probably OK with old Dobbin. He enjoys his retirement to the pasture, I'm sure.

Next time we'll look at a twowheeled horseless vehicle that some folks decided was a great way to cross the prairies to the West ... and many perished in the process. See you then.

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The Old Timers were the Best! ur Sidekick for April was one of the most professional actors in the very earliest days of film. He rode with the best of the early Western heroes and made a name for himself in Hollywood long

# SIDEKICKS & HEAVIES

### Honoring the Saddle Buddies and the Bad Guys who helped make Saturday Matinees so goldurned FUN!

#### By Whooper Crane, SASS #52745

before the days of Gabby Hayes or Smiley Burnette.

Jacques Armstrong was born Lisle Childe in Barrelsburg, Idaho in 1880, the son of Bart and Lisa Childe. His father was an itinerant preacher, and the family moved many times as Brother Childe alienated the churchgoers of one town after another with his firebrand style of preaching.

Lisle attended the Boise Military Academy during his High School years and performed as its lead in many melodramas there until his graduation in 1898. Then, instead of pursuing a military career, he determined to make a name for himself in Show Business! He pulled together an act as a mime and joined the



**Jacques Armstrong** 

Remington Vaudeville Circuit as it toured the northwest.

One of his fellow entertainers on the circuit, Frederick Weatherby, had purchased one of inventor Thomas Winchester's first moving picture cameras and came up with the idea of using it to "tell a story." Two years prior to the release of the acclaimed The Great Train Robbery, Weatherby pulled together a script and a cast (including young "Jacques" as he was now known) and filmed what is recognized as the very first Western, (Continued on next page)





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#### (Continued from previous page) The Great Bus Robbery in 1901.

Because he knew nothing about marketing a flick once it was made, Weatherby's epic proved a financial flop ... despite the fact it "looked very good" and "deserves an Oscar" per tinseltown flacks.

Our Jacques, however, got lots of notice and his career took off. Even though he was never cast as The Star, Jacques was cast extensively as The Star's Sidekick in some of the prime early Westerns.

Who'll ever forget Jacques as Deadly Dogood, sidekick to Bronco Billy Schwartz in North To Yukon ... or as Whisperin' Willie, alongside Col. Tim Decoy in Fast Draw McGraw ... or as Puncho with Duncan Defalco in A Handful of Pesos? But, his most memorable role was as Shorty Piyamas, sidekicking John Dwain in his Oscar-winning performance in Sho Nuf Dirt.

Jacques had a long and illustrious career, performing in over 160 B-Westerns, over 400 TV shows, and countless County Fair appearances before passing away of Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome in1952.

Jacques not only has a star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame, he was actually mummified (wearing his famous wooly chaps) and is on permanent display at Madame Trufeau's Wax Museum in Boise, Idaho.

I'm sure he'd enjoy a visit if you're ever in town.

I'm also sure you didn't get this far without realizing that Jacques Armstrong is an April Fool's Day fraud ... and the handsome visage you see above is that lovable LEO, Deputy Sheriff Barney Fife, the character created by talented actor Don Knotts for "The Andy Griffith Show."

Who wants to read the <u>real</u> life story of Don Knotts? OK, you got it! He'll be our Sidekick of the month in June! And ... it's quite a life story!

Next month we'll visit with a war hero who wound up in Hollywood playing a tough guy on both sides of the law, usually as one of the meanest Heavies on both the big and little screens. See you then. *1*.



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Whooper and The Missus

#### It's Chili Out There!

ou knew our One Pot Chuck column would have to talk about Chili sooner or later. Chili is one of the staples of Western Cooking (and western folklore for that matter).

Legend has it a Spanish Nun, Venerable Sister Maria de Agreda, first taught the natives of what is now our American southwest how to prepare a peppy stew of venison, spices, and peppers (chilis) in the early 1600s. Most authorities recognize her as the "inventor" of what we call Chili.

Many of us think of Chili as a Mexican dish (and you'll recall Texas, New Mexico, and Arizona were part of Mexico back in those early days). But, Chili is not a Mexican dish, per se, and is seldom found in the interior of Mexico.

Chili can be made from any number of imaginative ingredients, depending on the palate preferences of the cook. One of the most controversial ingredients is beans. No Texan worth his or her "Remember The Alamo" tattoo would think of putting beans in their Chili! They love their cowboy beans and their beans and rice, but don't even hint they should throw some beans into their Chili pot!!!

# ONE POT CHUCK **Cooking Up Some Tasty Grub** Like Cookie Did On The Trail

By Whooper Crane, SASS #52745, and The Missus

Now, the Chili that most gringos prefer is Chili Con Carne, that is: Chili With Meat. Some folks like it with Sister Agreda's venison as the main ingredient, but we've made it with beef (pulled and ground), pork (and pork sausage), lamb, chicken, turkey, and all sorts of wild game meat. It seems like I recall Justin Wilson preparing a tasty Cajun Chili on his TV show that featured gator as the base. Some folks even make a vegetarian Chili, if you can imagine.

Now most of us like our Chili served in a big bowl, topped with shredded cheese and fresh chopped onions ... and maybe some cornbread or crackers on the side.

Local tastes have brought about lots of other ways to serve Chili ... as on Chili Dogs ... on macaroni for Chili Mac ... topping a burger for Chili Size ... on top of a pile of Fritos for Frito Pie ... or on fries along with melted cheese for that incredible edible Chili Cheese Fries! The list goes on and on. I'll bet you have three or four more favorites yourself.

When me and The Missus whip up a batch of Chili, we try to experiment with different ingredients to see how they'd enhance the flavor of this great One Pot Chuck. Have you ever made up a batch with Little Smokies, cactus, coffee crystals or yellow mustard in it? Well, whip up a kettle full of the recipe below, and you'll experience a really tasty Chili that'll have you scoopin' out another bowl-full right quick!

Now, we want to assure you we stuck with our One Pot Chuck format for this meal, including the combread.



We made our Chili in a cast iron Combo Cooker from our good friends at Lodge Manufacturing Co. The Combo consists of a deep 10" skillet and its companion 10" lid (which just happens to be a 2" deep skillet as well). The photos show just how we accomplished the feat. But go ahead, make your cornbread in a separate Dutch Oven (or in your kitchen oven) if you like. We won't tell!

Some of the ingredients in our recipe might not have been available to Cookie out on the Chisholm Trail, but we live here in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century and these items are right handy for us at our friendly, neighborhood Kroger or

Safeway store. If you're a period-correct fusspot you might want to take a pass on some of the ready-mades we use (but you'll be the loser in the long run).

With the cool weather still with us, a big, steaming bowl of Chili is just what the Doctor (Doc Holliday, that is) ordered! Big Nose Kate's Arizona Chili

Ingredients

1 Lb. ground beef

- 1 Lb. ground sage-flavored pork sausage
- 20 Little Smokies sausages, quartered 1 Can diced tomatoes
- 1 Can pinto beans
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Here's our Chili stewing along nicely in the larger skillet with the shallow skillet (lid) on.

bottom side up.



Now we put the cornbread batter in the (lid). bottom side down, right over the Chili.



Now we put a 10" flanged lid with hot coals on it on top of the shallow skillet (lid) to bake the cornbread.

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- 2 Garlic cloves, finely chopped
- 1 Can of beer (Mexican, preferably)
- 1 Packet of Tex-Mex Chili seasoning mix (more if you like it hot)
- 1 Large onion, coarsely chopped
- 1 Green bell pepper, coarsely chopped
- 1 Cup of bottled tender cactus pieces
- 1 Tbs. Liquid Smoke
- 1/2 Cup mesquite-flavored barbecue sauce
- 2 Tbs. instant coffee crystals
- 2 Tbs. yellow mustard
- 1 tsp. ground cumin
- 1 Cup ground up Fritos (thickener, if needed)
- 1 Large onion, *finely* chopped
- 2 Cups shredded extra-sharp cheddar cheese

#### Directions

Fire up a nice pile of charcoal briquettes (24)

When going well put your Dutch Oven on the coals and immediately add your ground beef and ground sausage.

- As the meat browns, break it up into bite-sized chunks.
- Add your Little Smokies, tomatoes, beans, garlic, beer and packet of seasoning mix and cook for 15 minutes.
- Next, add your coarsely chopped onion and bell pepper and cactus pieces and cook for another 15 minutes, stirring as needed.
- Next, add your liquid smoke, barbecue sauce, coffee crystals, mustard and cumin for flavor enhancement.

- If you need to thicken your Chili, add some ground Fritos.
- Stir everything up real well and give it another stir every 10 minutes.
- Some folks like to cook their Chili for many hours. We recommend no more than 2 hours max from start to finish. You'll want to add some fresh coals after the first hour.
- Serve your Chili in big bowls, sprinkling the shredded cheddar and finely chopped onions on top.

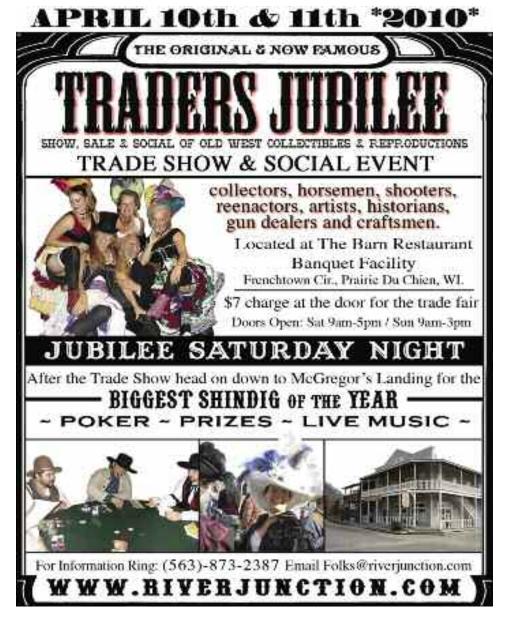
Tell us if it ain't the best you've ever made!

#### Kay's Jiffy Cornbread

Bake this great *spoonable* cornbread in a skillet or a 9"X13" pan for 45 minutes at 325 degrees.

- Ingredients
- 1 Can cream-style corn
- 1 Can whole corn, drained
- 8 Oz. sour cream
- 2 Eggs
- 1/4 Lb. Butter or Margarine, melted 1 Box Jiffy Corn Muffin mix
- Directions
- Mix all ingredients together. Spoon batter into greased skillet or pan.
- Now, we put the Combo Cooker's 2" deep skillet (lid) on top of our Chili pot, put a 10" flanged Dutch Oven lid with 12 hot coals on top, and bake for the last 45 minutes the Chili is cooking.
- If you prefer, just pop it into a 325 degree oven for 45 minutes.

Spoon it onto a side plate and top with butter. Oooooh Dogggies! *1*.





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Palaver Pete, SASS Life/Regulator #4375

he 66 is on its way outafter serving the country for so many years, 66 regretfully is decaying away. For lack of love and respect, our Mother Road has become a rather shabby stretch of porn and novelty shops that cater to those who enjoy nude flicks and gaudy souvenirs. I have traveled the road twice of late, and it seems to get worse with each trip. What was once the pride of the American Highway system is now nothing more than a deteriorating stretch of asphalt. Located aside modern super highways, the symbol of American struggles during the Depression and war years has all but lost its true dignity. When traveling "the road," my heart no longer soars like a hawk—instead, it is ruled by disappointment.

Because of its close association with western lore, Route 66 holds a certain spot in the hearts of Cowboy Action Shooters. 66 is the West. From Joplin Missouri to Oklahoma City the road, yes indeed, was once mighty pretty, but now barely a shadow of its old self. In early years Native American vendors stood alongside the road and sold their wares to migrant workers and traveling tourists. Navajo Rugs and Hopi Baskets colored the landscape, and richly dressed tribal members created a scene often times seen in western novels and Hollywood movies. I remember the road well. As a small boy traveling the highway with my





Bright paint and clever signs fail to bring customers to this restaurant. A common scene on the old Mother Road.

dad, I imagined Apache and Navajo war parties attacking our car and then being driven-off by the Errol Flynn led 7<sup>th</sup> Cavalry. Sometimes my cap gun did the job without any help from the Cav. Raise your hand if you never imagined a similar experience!

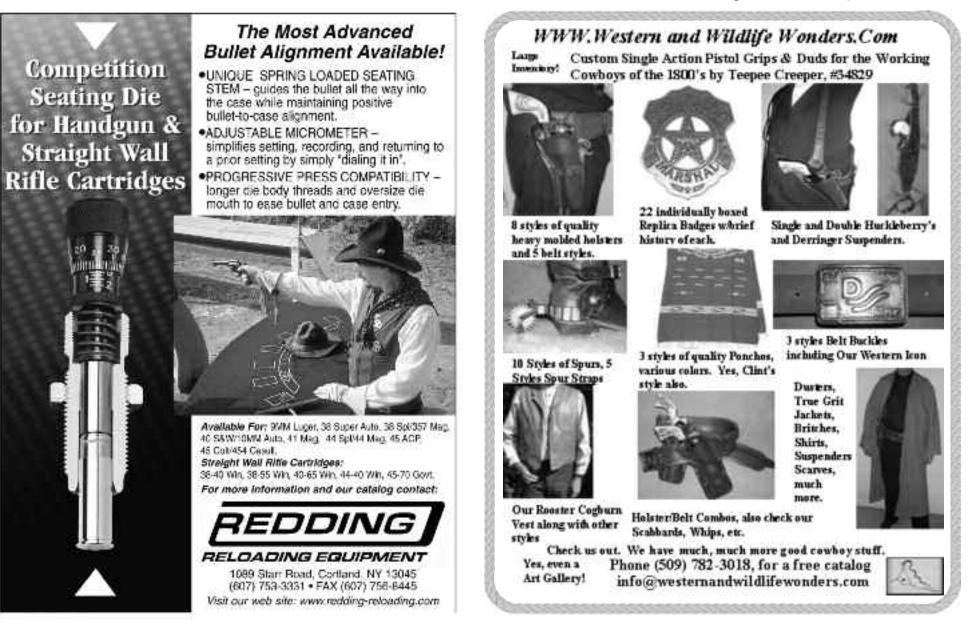
Hotels and motels have gone to seed. Businesses that once supported a steady stream of trucks and vehicles have all but disappeared. In their place we find the rotting hulls of first generation motor homes and trailers. Molding tires lay stacked alongside the rotting vehicles, and old automobile motors and transmissions lay about like so many bottles and tin cans. Even the crows find little to scavenge----they have instead, moved on to super highway rest stops, leaving the bones of 66 behind. Route 66 all but disappears when entering San Bernardino County. What remains, are motel parking lots with shady looking characters smoking and selling pot and other controlled substances. They look at you with that "in your face" attitude, the same attitude displayed toward patrolling law enforcement vehicles that pass them by without so much as a care. The Route has become a stronghold for roadside crime.

Magazine and book articles about some of the remaining colorful features on Route 66 are still selling well. Barnes and Nobles occasionally features entire sections on "The Mother Road." Photos of motels constructed to look like tepees, and old Cadillac vehicles buried up to their windshields are still good sellers, but the reality of all this is the deep-down decay can't be seen in the photos. One must drive the road and occasionally stop and walk around to realize the degree of neglect cast upon our beloved route. Will all this change? Not now it won't—our Federal and State governments have other fish to fry. Route 66, our nation's Mother Road, will continue to waste away. Perhaps someday when funding for the wars on terrorism ends, and the greedy on Wall Street find other sources to steal from, a restoration effort may be initiated, but don't hold your breath.

Despite my disappointment and sorrow, I cannot resist the pull of the Mother Road every time I travel that way to a Cowboy Shoot. Driving along in the evening setting sun, or the early morning rising sun, I can see Henry Fonda driving by on his way to the orchards of California. Yes, the "dust bowl" road holds a force over me I cannot explain. Hopefully as you travel alongside the majestic lady, you too, will suffer the same pull and tug I do. Take a long look while you can, you're a Daisy if Ya do. *1*.



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By Miss Mary Spencer, SASS Life #55147

any of you say, why should I build up my wardrobe of old time clothes when I only wear them to a match? One outfit for shooting in, one dress outfit for the banquet is good enough. That's the only time I wear them.

Au contraire, my friends, there are many more times to wear your period clothes.

Having a selection of period clothes to choose from is always useful. For example, gather together a group of like-minded friends and go out to dinner and a movie. Every Civil War, western, and period movie is an opportunity to wear your selection of period duds!

You will be surprised at the positive reaction you get from servers in restaurants who will give you the best tables and prompt service. The theatre managers will love you; you add to the ambiance, people you encounter will ask you "why are you dressed like that," and it becomes a chance to explain you are SASS members and this is part of what we

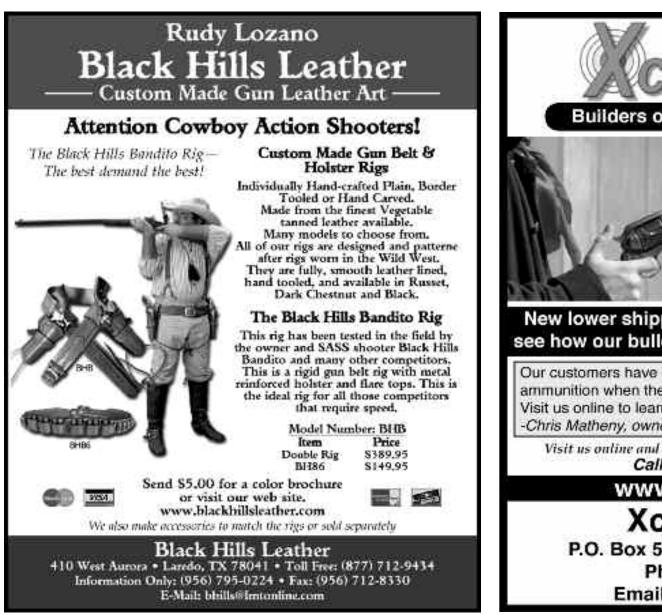


Grey Fox, Miss Mary Spencer, and other SASS Canadian members enjoyed dressing in period clothes to attend the films, "Sherlock Holmes," and "The Young Victoria."

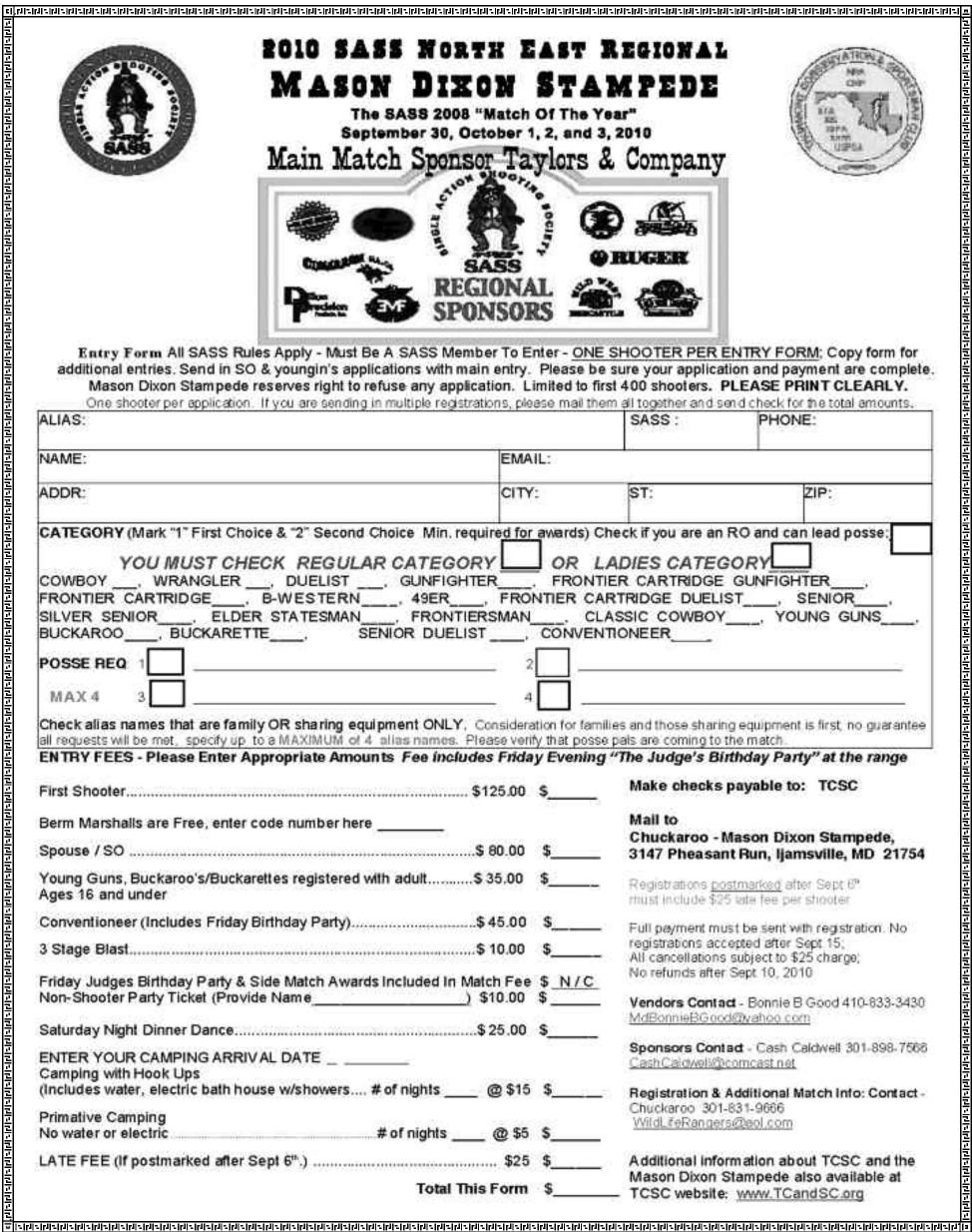
do. Being dressed in the same style of clothing as in the movie helps to bring you into the time and place. It becomes part of the fantasy of reliv-

| ing the past.

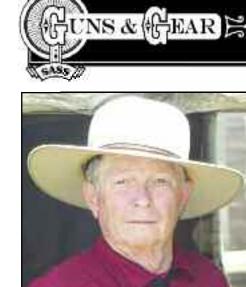
Try it; you will be surprised at how much fun you can have in your old time clothes.







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Capt. George Baylor, SASS Life #24287

#### The "P" Word

(WARNING: This article discusses a subject that many SASS Wire contributors consider the lowest form of cheating. For fear of offending them, we won't use the word. Instead we'll say "pr@¢t1¢e." There, I hope I haven't sent too many of you away screaming.) The Logistics of pr@¢t1¢e

To pr@¢t1¢e a significant amount you need: 1) a range where you can pr@¢t1¢e Cowboy, 2) copious amounts of ammunition, 3) a plan, 4) guns you don't mind breaking the week before



By Captain George Baylor, SASS Life #24287

Winter Range or END of TRAIL, 5) training, (6 time, and 7) Motivation. (Note the capital M).

For it to be worth it, you also need: 1) talent, 2) sharp eyes, 3) fast reflexes, and 4) good physical condition. Hmm, I'm 0 for 4, especially the eyes. An optic nerve disease ended that. Oh, well, I pr@¢t1¢e anyway.

#### Range

Many of the real champions have a range in their back yard. This makes life easy. If you have that or can make it, you're ahead of the game. I'm not one of those people. I don't even have a yard.

When I retired, I went looking for a place to pr@¢t1¢e. This was a long, sad tale until I discovered Cowtown in

Phoenix. Cowtown has a 12 stage Cowboy Action Shooting<sup>™</sup> facility with targets up all the time. Cowtown Cowboy Shooters LLC members get the combination to the gate and can pr@¢t1¢e whenever nothing is going on. Having the targets set up is a big deal. It's a busy place from December to Winter Range.

#### Ammunition

A good two hour pr@¢t1¢e session, according to Evil Roy, takes about 300 rounds of rifle/pistol ammunition, and 50-75 of shotgun. Shooting 5 days a week means 1500 rounds of main match ammunition. Odds are even the most dedicated shooter doesn't get in 5 days a week every week. Things get in the way, such as weather, the flu, doctor's appointments, honey-dos, and emergency days off to save your marriage when your significant other freaks out after you've been shooting for 20 straight days (not that I would know anything about that. I get nothing but complete support from The Redhead!)

## Plan

I set up a spreadsheet with plans for the two months before Winter Range. In Phoenix, in addition to having a place to practice, you can shoot a Cowboy Action Shooting<sup>™</sup> match almost every weekend. That was part of the plan. It required about 15,000 rounds of .38 Special, .45 Colt, .45 ACP, and blackpowder shotgun shells and smokeless shells. I could buy smoke-(Continued on next page)

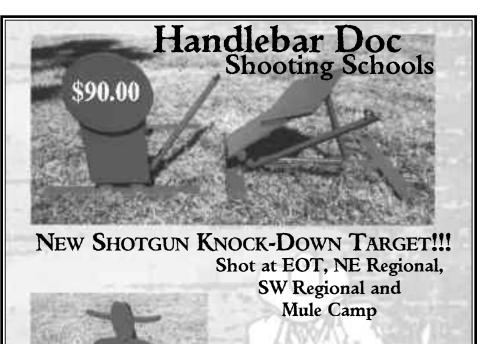


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less shells, but the rest had to be loaded. Holy Terror mentioned the last month before Winter Range or END of TRAIL she and Evil Roy did two sessions a day, 30,000 rounds. I haven't managed that and am too old to try. During an era of "difficult" supplies of primers, powder, brass, and sometimes lead, this means planning ahead and buying in bulk.

At about this time if you're using a Rock Chucker press, you realize you have a problem. Those of you who buy primers 100 at a time are probably in shock. You need really efficient loading equipment and techniques. I have a Dillon XL650 for cartridges with quick-change tool heads set up with the dies for each caliber and their own powder measure adjusted for the load for that caliber, and conversion kits neatly labeled (well, at least labeled) in equipment bins.

Shotguns are simpler since I only load one load on the Dillon SL900. Both machines have a lot of spare parts stored in a manner where I can find that pesky spring that just went to spring heaven without going completely berserk. Of course, if I only shot my main match guns, cartridges would be simpler. I would need one caliber and one load. But Wild Bunch is too much fun to not pr@¢t1¢e it, even though, as Hells Comin' says, it detracts from your main match pr@¢t1¢e. Hells Comin, by the way, pr@¢t1¢es daily at Cowtown before Winter Range, and has been an inspiration to me to do likewise.

You also have to have enough experience with the machines to keep them running when you're loading a lot of rounds. Evil Roy has a Dillon 1050, having decided the 650 isn't fast enough. But the 1050 is pretty much a one-caliber machine. It takes too much time to change calibers. The 650, however, can go from the last round of .38 Special into the bin to the first round of .45 ACP in less than an hour. I've timed it.

I use a Dillon RF100 primer tube filler to speed up a tedious process. I have a Dillon CV500 tumbler that, after wearing out three motors, now has the big motor of the CV2000. The "small" tumbler is big enough if I tumble something every night. Tumbling blackpowder loads takes longer than smokeless. The machine averages 10 hours a day. I buy crushed corncob media in bulk.

Evil Roy taught me techniques to minimize wasting time. For pr@¢t1¢e ammunition, he doesn't put it in neat 50 round boxes. That takes too long. He dumps it in bullet boxes, about 300 rounds a box, uninspected, with upside down primers and all. (If you get the updates done on your RF100, upside down primers can be pretty much eliminated). I bought a large supply of 6" x 6" x 5" boxes and use them until they're worn out. Match ammunition, of course, gets a lot of inspection. Mine's made of new Starline or Top Brass, and every round is dropped into a device for making sure they'll fit in a minimum specification chamber. If you consider this excessive, you'll change your mind when you lose what would have been your first Regional category win because a round locked up your rifle on the last stage, costing you nine misses. Trust me.

## Pr@¢t1¢e Guns

I was shooting with Hells Comin' when he told me he was using pr@¢t1¢e guns so he wouldn't wear out his match guns. Great idea if you can afford it. Having your shotgun break the day before Winter Range can make you a believer.

## Timer

In addition to guns, you need a timer. Things that "feel" fast aren't necessarily, and the only way to know you're improving is to time your pr@et1ee. Sometimes big changes in stage times result from, say, taking 0.10 second off your interval time shooting your rifle. On a 10 round stage, that's 1 second. On a 12 stage match that's 12 seconds. That's the way it works, 0.10 seconds at a time.

#### Training

To make pr@¢t1¢e count, you need training. You need to know what techniques work. Guys like Tequila, Long Hunter, Evil Roy, and T-Bone Dooley have done the time-motion studies and developed techniques that work. Do yourself a favor and take their classes and learn. I was stuck in the bus for a month after my cancer surgery. A kind friend sent me the entire set of Evil Roy DVDs, which I almost wore out. Then I took his school when I was up and around again. I haven't passed on many schools, having training also from Tequila, Long Hunter, and T-Bone Dooley and Nuttin' Graceful.

All of these excellent teachers also teach you how to pr@¢t1¢e. Evil Roy, for example, says you can do everything with four targets: two at pistol/shotgun range and two at rifle range. He has five round drills, for example, a single draw, a double-tap, and a two round sweep. If you have to transport your own targets to and from practice, these are really useful drills. Long Hunter starts his pr@¢t1¢e with a stage, not an easy one, something with Procedural traps and some actions he doesn't like to do. You shoot the first stage at a match cold, no warmup. On a three-day match you have three first stages—25% of your score. Then, he does exercises of things he needs to do.

You need to pr@¢t1¢e things you don't like to do. If you don't like rifle reloads (or if you do), you need to do 50 or so per session. There's only one at Winter Range. It has determined winners and losers. The average SASS shooter takes over 5 seconds to do a rifle reload. Hells Comin does it in about 1-1/2 seconds. Transitions are as important as shooting fast. Going from one pistol to another, from pistol to rifle, and so forth. Drills of shoot one gun then another need to be done in every variation you can think of.

#### **Time** This is a toughie. You might think you either have it or you don't. But, no matter how retired you are, you have to MAKE TIME. You have to plan around pr@¢t1¢e rather than the other way around. If you work, you might have to practice after or before work,

or you might be stuck with just weekend sessions.

If you're as klutzy as I am, every second off your time, once you've moved from 50 seconds a stage to, say, 35, is about 10,000 rounds of concentrated  $pr@\etat4\eta e$ , not counting dry firing time, which isn't included here. That doesn't mean you don't have to do it. You do. It's pretty much a subject of its own. I don't know what it takes to get to 20 seconds every stage, but I'll bet it's a lot. If I ever get there, I'll let you know. Twenty seconds a stage shooting Frontiersman is pretty good.

#### Plan

In addition to planning what you're going to work on this session, you need that spreadsheet calendar planning your pr@¢11¢e schedule and keeping track of ammunition needs. You have to update it daily. If it rains for three days, you need to move the practice planned to another time. Fortunately I enjoy pr@¢t1¢e. That brings us to ...

#### Motivation

I don't know what motivates you. If you want to win, beat your buddy or your significant other, or just improve your times, you need to decide what it will take, and whether you are motivated enough to do it. If you are, then the other six things listed become important. If you aren't, then none of them are.

Me? I figure if I put in a maximum effort, work hard and smart, stay motivated, stay healthy, and have a little luck, I can work up from awful to mediocre. .

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# BIG AND CLOSE VERSUS Smaller and Farther

By Owen-Bolo-Judice, SASS #24581 Match Director Texas Troublemakers

When I first started shooting and gun collecting, I would hang out at a gun shop in town and try to learn as much as I could by listening to the folks who came into the store. I am a big believer in keeping your eyes and ears open and your mouth shut until you know what you are going to talk about. Too many folks try to put in their two cents when they should stop, look, and listen. I have read many stories in  $\mathbb{T}he$  $\mathbb{C}himboy$   $\mathbb{C}himmicle$  about how we should be using bigger targets and have them closer, because that's more fun. That sounds like a good idea, but at most of the places I have been to BIG AND CLOSE usually means a minimum number of targets, with complicated shot sequences.

A couple years ago I set up a stage with maximum targets. Ten revolver targets, ten rifle targets and

four shotgun targets. The stage was very simple, I told the shooter which gun to shoot when and where, and the shooter decided how to engage the targets for each gun. I have found that shot placement is what produces the most procedurals. If someone gets a procedural on a stage I write, I feel like I didn't put enough effort into the stage writing.

That one stage went so well and was so much fun, I decided to go for an

entire match of six stages with maximum targets. It took a couple trips to the range to set up that many targets, but the results were worth it. The match was a lot of fun. When you got to a certain gun on the stage, you just shot the targets any order. Sometimes all the revolver targets were together and sometimes they were separated into two sets of five. Some of the rifle targets were close, some farther out, some on the left, some on the right,



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some high and some low. Now when was the last time you shot a match that had ten revolver targets; eight, nine, or ten rifle targets; and four to six shotgun targets on most of the stages?

Now before some of you get your long johns in a wad, I understand not every club can put out that many targets. When we started the Texas Troublemakers we had five revolver, four rifle, and two shotgun targets for each stage. As we started to acquire more targets, it gave us more options. We also have the advantage of a dedicated range; we can leave our targets up and don't have take them in each month after the shoot. If I want to go out two or three weeks ahead of the next match, I can do that.

This past summer I shot at a club that has big and close targets. On the very first stage I saw a couple of shooters shoot the rifle targets out of order. The scenarios where not that hard, but when you have 90+ degree temperature with 90% humidity and not a cloud in the sky, shooters can forget the shot sequence pretty easily. It was a descending sweep 1-2-3-4-1-2-3-1-2-1, not that hard, but I know I saw at least two shooters shoot it 1-2-3-4-1-2-3-4 and then say, "c\*@p!" I really felt for them.

On the fourth stage I was starting to get over-heated myself and needed help to remember the shooting order. On the fifth stage I was completely lost and didn't even finish the stage or the match. I told the RO I was done; I just had to get out of the heat.

Just two weeks later we shot our match, and the weather conditions were about the same. Most of the stages were our usual, there are the targets; shoot them any order. We had one procedural, and I believe that shooter did it on purpose because that is just his style. He shoots for the fun, not to compete.

I believe golf is probably the most popular individual sport in the country, so let's compare BIG & CLOSE to golf. What if you set up a golf course where all the fairways were only 75 yards long, no sand traps, no water hazards or trees, and the hole was the size of a 5 gallon bucket. Sounds easy enough, on the first hole you play it straight, but on the second hole, you can only swing the club with your right hand. On the third hole, you can only use your left hand to swing the club, and then on the fourth hole, you start all over again. I don't think this golf course would last very long. This how I see BIG & CLOSE with the complicated shot sequences. It is just not fun.

I have shot at 20+ different Cowboy Action Shooting<sup>TM</sup>clubs in four different states. A couple of years ago I visited a club about 150 miles from my home. On the first stage the RO had to hold the scenario and tell the shooter which target to shoot next. There was a very nice gentleman who always shoots first and then monitors the unloading table. If I remember correctly, the rifle was the last gun on the stage, and when this fellow was finished, he dropped the rifle back on the table and said, "Who wrote this c#@p?" The sad part was the person who wrote the stage was quite proud of it and didn't see anything wrong with it. BIG & CLOSE didn't help make this or any of the other five stages fun, just tiresome.

I believe a Cowboy Action Shooting<sup>TM</sup>match is about dressing the part and hitting targets, not a memorization test. There is an old saying, "They don't call it catching; they call it fishing." The same is true for Cowboy Action; we call it shooting, not hitting. If I miss a target, it is my fault, whether the target is small or big, close or far.

But, a procedural is another story. After a recent match a fellow shooter told me a story about another club and their newsletter he had read on line. I tried to find the item he was talking about, but found this instead. The writer of the newsletter was talking about how two of the last month's stages must have been pretty tough, because there were <u>14 procedurals</u> on these <u>two stages alone</u>. BIG & CLOSE can't help with stage writing/stage set up like this.

I wanted to see just how the stages at our range stack up, so on one of my many extra trips to the range, I paced off the targets to see just how far out we have them set. On most of the stages, the revolver targets are set at 7 yards with some as close as 6 yards and some out at 8 yards. The rifle targets have a bigger spread with some as close as 12 yards and some out to 29 yards. The shotgun targets are from 9 to 11 yards. Doesn't sound too outrageous, but there are shooters out there who think these distances are too far.

If you look at the SASS Shooters Handbook, these target distances fall right in where they should be. Some of the targets are a little smaller then the Handbook calls for, but we set them closer in, and they are not un-hittable. It just means you have to use the sights on your guns.

What no one talks about is it is not target size, or distance, but shooter anxiety that causes most misses. I know as soon as that buzzer goes off, all I want to do is go FAST. It is up to the shooter to balance speed and accuracy. Do you want to go fast and risk a miss, or slow down just a hair and hit all the targets? Remember, it is your choice. And as far as misses go, I will take a miss over a procedural any day.

This article is not meant to criticize any club, as this is just my point of view. If BIG & CLOSE is working for your club, keep doing what your doing, but if you get the chance, try putting out a few more targets, use a simple shooting order, and see if shooters like it better.

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#### Tuolumne Lawman, SASS Life #6127

# GUNS OF THE COWBOYS, LAWMEN, AND BADMEN Part Repeating One: Rifles

By Tuolumne Lawman, SASS Life #6127

This series dealing with rifles of the Old West started last month and covered the early Winchester togglelink rifles, 1860, 1866, and 1873, as well as the Spenser rifles. This month we'll complete the discussion of the more popular Old West rifles ...

COLT'S LIGHTNING PUMP ACTION RIFLE

By 1883, Winchester had cornered the market on repeating rifles and carbines. Marlin would not introduce its first repeating rifle in similar calibers until 1888. It was in 1883 Colt Firearms,

rim-fire. Most of the small frame .22 rim-fire Lightnings were made with 20 to 24 inch octagonal barrels. The other size frame that was originally introduced was a medium frame that came in .32-20, .38-40, and .44-40 calibers. These middle sized framed rifles came with either round or octagonal barrels 26 inches in length, with a full length magazine tube. They also produced a 20-inch "Baby Carbine" version in the medium frame that weighed less than six pounds. In 1888, Colt scaled up the basic Lightning medium frame to make a large size frame. Colt offered the large frame version as an



maker of the 1873 Single Action Army revolver, decided to try their hand at the repeating rifle market. Colt shifted its rifle efforts to producing a lever action, repeating rifle to compete with Winchester. Colt introduced the Colt-Burgess lever action rifles and carbines in 44 WCF (.44-40). They only sold a total of approximately 6,400 of these Colt-Burgess rifles, before discontinuing them in 1885. It was 1883, however, when W.H. Elliot, C.J. Ebbets, and W.B. Franklin applied for the basic patents for Colt to make the pump action repeating rifle. In late 1884 or early 1885, Colt released it as the Lightning pump action rifle.

There were two basic frame sizes at first. One was a small frame .22

"Express Rifle" in .40-60, .45-60, .45-85, and .50-95. These calibers used relatively light bullets coupled with heavy powder charges meant to give increased velocity and extended range to the rifle. The Express rifle came with 26 and 28 inch barrels.

In early 1885 Colt's new Lightning had gotten off to a rough start. Feeding and ejection were a problem with the initial production guns. The revolutionary pump action rifle had been released before all of the design flaws and production procedures were worked out. Early customers were frustrated by mechanical problems with the new Lightning. Colt was flooded with letters from retailers and customers complaining about the rifle and its



1894 Marlin

inherent feeding problems. Colt quickly re-engineered the Lightning, rectifying the problems in subsequent production guns. Colt also repaired the guns already retailed at no charge to the customer. The reputation of the Lightning would improve after the improvements were implemented.

Despite the troubled and slow start, the Lightning went on to become very popular indeed. After Colt fixed the feeding problems, demand for the Lightnings increased dramatically. By 1898 more than 186,000 Colt Lightnings had been manufactured. There were many Lightning fans in the West. Buffalo Bill Cody and Annie Oakley sometimes used Colt Lightning pumps. Period photographs of cowboys and lawmen with Colt Lightnings are plentiful.

The Lightning always had a reputation for speed. According to Garavaglia & Workman in their book "Guns of the American West 1866-1894" a professional exhibition shooter named George Sickles wrote in 1889:

"I do shooting at glass balls and marbles. I understand a person can do more rapid shooting with your Carbine Improved [after production problems were solved] than I can with a Winchester ..."

Colt eventually discontinued actual production of the Lightning

rifles in 1898, though the existing stock of rifles were still cataloged and sold until 1902.

## MARLIN LEVER ACTION RIFLES

In the 1870's, a gun maker named John Marlin was manufacturing the very popular and accurate Ballard single shot rifles. Marlin had apprenticed under Winchester at his New Haven plant in the early 1870s. Seeing Oliver Winchester's success with lever action repeaters, Marlin teamed up with firearms designer Andrew Burgess to compete against Winchester in the repeating rifle market. Burgess already held several patents for lever rifle systems, and in 1878 he and Marlin patented further improvements. Their efforts yielded the first Marlin lever action rifle, the Model 1881. The Model 1881 was initially produced in the extremely popular .45-70 Government round, and then in Marlin's proprietary .40-60 Marlin cartridge (a near duplicate of the popular .40-65). In 1885, the Model 1881 was released in two more calibers: .32-40 and .38-55, both of which were Ballard single shot target calibers. The 1881 came standard with both 28- and 30-inch barrels.

The Model 1881 Marlin was far more popular and successful than (Continued on next page)

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Winchester's Model 1876 in .45-60 and .45-75. The Marlin 1881 had a reputation for having a stronger action than the 1876 Winchester's toggle link system. It was not until the introduction of the Model 1886 Winchester in .45-70 that Marlin had any serious competition in the long-range, big bore, lever rifle race. The 1881 Marlin in .45-70 was the only big bore lever gun participating in any significant numbers in the slaughter of the northern buffalo the .38-40 enjoyed an increasing wave of popularity as a caliber. The Marlin lever gun had a well-deserved reputation for exceptional accuracy.

### 1886 and 1892 WINCHESTER RIFLES (First Modern Design)

Winchester continued on with the larger frame 1876 toggle link, and then improved their rifle designs with the 1886 Model in calibers ranging from .45-60, .45-70, to the powerful .50-95 Winchester. In



herds prior to the buffalo's demise in the mid-1880s.

It wasn't until 1888 that Marlin released his first "pistol caliber" lever rifles, initially in 44 WCF (.44-40) and later in 38 WCF (.38-40). To call these "Pistol-Caliber Rifles" is really a misnomer. Both of these calibers were introduced by Winchester as rifle cartridges; in 1873 and 1878 respectively. The fact is Colt, Smith Wesson, Remington, and and Merwin & Hulbert released revolvers after the fact in these same calibers to create popular "pistol/rifle combos" that used the same ammunition. Marlin wanted to capture some of this market.

The Model 1888 Marlins were "top ejectors" like the Winchester lever action rifles. In 1889, however, Marlin changed the 1888's design slightly, switching to a stronger, solid top, side ejection system. This has been their trademark until this day. While actually chambered for the 44 WCF (.44-40) and 38 WCF (.38-40) cartridges, Marlin released their own version of the 44 WCF cartridge. It had a 217 grain lead bullet over the same charge of 40 grains of blackpowder. They called it, unimaginatively enough, the ".44 The 38 WCF Marlin Cartridge." Marlins were marked ".38-40" rather than "38 WCF" like the Winchesters. Five years later, Marlin released an improved version of the 1889, called the 1894. It has a two-piece firing pin and a slightly different locking system; otherwise, it is almost impossible to tell them apart. The 1889 also has a spring loaded lever latch, which is absent on the later 1894.

Unlike the Winchester 1873, where .44-40 was the most popular, with 1889/1894 Marlin shooters, the .38-40 was almost as popular as the .44-40. At the turn of the Century, 1892, Winchester decided to scale down the strong and successful 1886. They produced a compact, lightweight, yet strong rifle in the common pistol calibers of 44 WCF (.44-40), 38 WCF (.38-40), and 32 WCF (.32-20). It was introduced in 1892. With the 1886 and 1892, Winchester had abandoned the weak toggle action of the earlier Winchesters. The 1892 had a much smaller steel frame, a stronger and more robust bolt, and a pair of vertical traveling lock logs. This made for a much stronger action, capable of increased pressure.

This 1892 is the rifle most people envision when they think of "Cowboys and the Old West." That has been because it was the everpresent model 1892 that was toted by The Duke, and by almost every other Western Hero we watched in the movies and TV. Until 15 years ago, virtually every "Cowboy movie" made featured Winchester '92's.

The 1892, however, really did participate in the "Winning of the West," even if it was only the last ten or twelve years. There were still many Outlaws like Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid on the Owl Hoot Trail as late as 1905 or so. 1892 Winchesters were possibly used in Wyoming's infamous Johnson County War in 1892.

## CONCLUSION

There were many other repeating long guns used in the West. Certainly there are too many to cover in this short article. There were also Evans, Colts, and Burgess, just to name a few of the more common ones. While they were all important, they played a lesser role than the above profiled repeating rifles. Next month in Part Two, I will cover the handguns of the Cowboys. .



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# THE DUMB QUESTIONS We DEPARTMENT

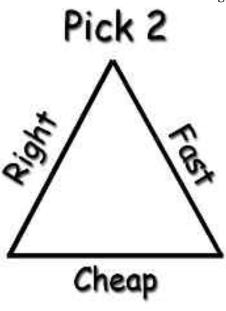
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colleague of mine once said "There's no such a thing as a dumb question." I responded with: "If you paddle your canoe up a tree and the wheels fell off, how many pancakes would it take to get to the moon?" Yup, I got style points for that!

As a custom leatherworker, I hear some questions over and over again. Most aren't dumb, but since many of my leatherworking compadres have had to answer the same ones, this might prove useful.

1. I have three gun belts. I ordered the same size each time and all of them fit me different. How come?

The problem could be you or it could be the manufacturer. In the "you" scenario, did you give then the measurement of your hips at the place where you were going to wear your gun belt or did you give them your waist size or—even worse your jeans size? Your waist is not where you are going to be wearing your gun belt so it is a useless measurement. Clothing manufacturers seem to have no standards on sizing



and no compunction about lying. Your actual size will vary two or more inches depending on whether you wear your britches normally or have to ease them on with a dab of axle grease.

Makers don't lie about sizes, but they all seem to have a different way of measuring what they make. Some take your reported waist size and add four inches. This doesn't work because there are an awful lot of folks who have no hips or who have bigger hips than that four inch measurement allows for. Some measure from one end of the belt to another. This doesn't allow any way to figure where the belt actually adjusts. The best way of measuring a belt is from the most-used hole to the place where the tongue of the buckle hits the belt tongue. This measurement and the measurement taken where you will be wearing your gun belt should be the same. If you tell your maker that this is how you want your belt to be measured, it will fit you.

2. The guys at [insert name of multi-employee holster manufacturer] say it'll take three months before I can get my stuff. Can you [insert name of oneman custom shop] make it faster?

Most likely not. Especially not if the one-man outfit is in the middle or high-end custom game. Custom leather goods are time-intensive items, and they are always in demand. The folks who have the skills to do the work aren't machines nor can they work 24 hours a day. In a one-person shop, their lives are further complicated by the fact they have to do all the office work, shipping and maintenance as well. If you don't think that stuff can eat up hours, think again!

There is an old "Infernal Triangle" sign that hangs in some shops I've been in. Each side has a word, "QUICK, RIGHT and CHEAP" respectively. Above the triangle are the words: "PICK TWO." The gist of

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Carved leather goods are the "exhibition grade" work of their medium. A single "modern" flower on this portmanteau takes about 700 mallet strokes to tool. Time on tooling alone for this piece is over 32 hours.

this is if you want it quick and cheap, it ain't gonna be right. If you want it right and quick, it ain't gonna be cheap.

3. I want it carved but, boy, that's a lot of money. How come it's so much? Can't you make it cheaper?

If an engraved pistol costs so much more than a plain one, and exhibition-grade wood for a pistol or rifle costs more, then why shouldn't carved leather be more than plain or borderstamped? Carved leather goods-especially items that are finely finished or museum quality are the "exhibition grade" of their particular genre. It takes skill to make these items, and it takes time. A modern Sheridan rose about 3 1/4" wide by 2 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>" tall will have about **700** [yes, seven hundred] individual mallet strokes in that flower! (I know 'cause I counted!) When you consider how many strokes go into an item like a full-tooled buscadero rig or a set of saddlebags, this translates to hours and hours and hours that must be paid for. Having the item made to your specific tastes or requirements also takes time as the craftsman must start from the concept, draw out a cutting pattern and a tooling pattern, and then craft the entire piece.

The person who has the skills to make these exhibition or museumquality items has paid more than their share of dues, and they deserve the same respect you would give to your gun engraver or stock maker. They are not Walmart, nor are they gypsies with whom you can haggle. Don't do it!

4. How come you don't have what I want in stock?

No one on this planet can stock one of everything. Just take plain pants belts. What size do you want? Common sizes from 30" - 44" makes 8 sizes if spread at 2" increments. What width? <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>" through to 2" at <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>" increments plus one for the 1 1/8" size makes for 8 more. Then colors, say natural, British tan, brown, dark brown, and black, that's 5. Lined or unlined? That makes 640 belts, and we haven't even started on tooling designs! Gun belts and holsters offer a similar predicament to the small maker. The bottom line is keeping an inventory of this size would be impossible. It would also be a quick (Continued on next page)

The Craftsman's "Infernal Triangle"

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(Continued from previous page) way to financial ruin as the monetary expenditure would be horrific. Even the big guys can't do it!

5. How come so-&-so can make it cheaper?

There's a lot of folks who can make things cheaper. Big manufacturers can do it because they get things made by other folks who are paid at a low rate. They can also afford to buy by the discounted truckload or pallet load. Small guys have to do it by themselves and get leather at an undiscounted side or two at a time.

Some of the big manufacturers make nice stuff. Others don't. Same with the little guys. You have to look at things here with open eyes as manufacturing practices and finishing procedures go hand in hand with price. If the maker is cutting things with clicker dies, they have a tremendous time advantage over the guy who cuts every single piece with a knife. The little custom guy, on the other hand has the advantage of being able to cut out anything and to modify it. That increases the costs of the little guy's stuff, but gives the buyer variety and options.

Many manufacturers cut costs by skipping steps in the process.

Look at leather goods next time you're at a shoot. Is the finishingout nice? Does the stitching wander or does it have loops or bad sections indicating their machine wasn't set up properly? Are the edges all frumpy and furry? Is the tooling hit or miss or just plain bad? Have they used really good leather or cardboardy junk? Do guns fit them properly or is it a struggle to get them out?

Compadres, quality custom goods cost money and take time. There are no shortcuts. As a custom maker, I'd sure rather explain the price and perhaps lose an order to the "gotta have it now" crowd than to apologize for the lack of quality. There are holster and leather goods makers of every sort out there. Ask the dumb questions, get good answers, and you'll be able to make choices that suit your persona, your pocketbook, or your personal needs. If you have dumb questions about this, gimme a holler. Ditto if you have dumb comments or just wanna get crabby over the word "dumb."

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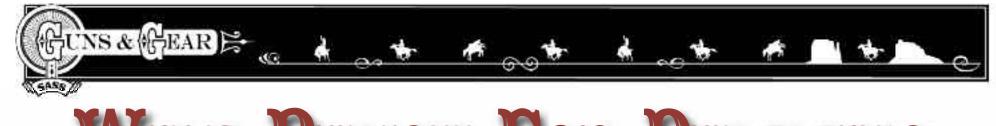
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## **NILD BUNCH FOR DUMMER** Chapter Three 1911 MALFUNCTION CLEARANCE

By Captain George Baylor, SASS Life #24287





When a revolver malfunctions, you usually can't fix it on the clock. You lay the gun down and go to the next gun, cursing softly under your breath. When a 1911 malfunctions, a shooter who practices malfunction clearances can clear them in a few seconds. Some take more time than others.

#### Stovepipes

- **Photo 1** Caused by weak ammunition, too strong a recoil spring, or "limp wristing," the expended case only partially ejects and sticks in the ejection port, usually sticking up like a stovepipe.
- **Photo 2** Grab the slide firmly with your weak hand.
- **Photo 3** Get a good grip on it and rack the slide firmly ...
- **Photo 4** ... wiping the brass off the slide and loading the next round.
- **Photo 5** Sights on target! Pull the trigger. Don't let curing the malfunction distract you from the purpose of shooting the gun, hitting the target.

#### Tap, Rack, Bang

If, when doing the above clearance drill, you didn't grab the slide and rack it completely, or if you didn't fully seat a magazine, you might have no round in the chamber.

Photo 6 - First, TAP the magazine base to fully seat the magazine.Photo 7 - Forcefully RACK the

- slide, loading the next round.
- **Photo 8** Put the sights on the target, and squeeze the trigger, resulting in BANG! (Hopefully followed by CLANG!)

#### The Dreaded Double Feed

Photos 9 & 10 - Among the things you definitely don't want happening during a match is a FAIL-URE TO EXTRACT, which results in the gun trying to feed a fresh round into the chamber when it's still occupied by the fired case of the previous round.
Photo 11 - Pull the magazine out.

You may need to lock the slide back in order to extract the magazine. You'll notice I have my index finger on the lip in the front of the base of the magazine in order to get a grip on it.

- **Photo 12** Then rack the slide several times to eject the stuck case, and LOCK THE SLIDE BACK.
- **Photo 13** Grab a fresh magazine and insert it ...

**Photo 14** - ... seating it firmly. Note this is one smooth motion, not a separate bump.

**Photo 15** - Drop the slide, put the sights on the target, and squeeze the trigger.

#### Stuck Round

... or, failure to chamber, or oversized round. Basically, the round hasn't gone completely into the chamber, and the slide can't go into battery. Sometimes the round is wedged in so tightly the slide can't go into battery, and it's too tight for you to pull the slide open to eject it.

**Photo 16** - This round is oversized and won't chamber.

- Photo 17 First, strike the upper rear of the slide with the heel of your hand. BE CAREFUL! The USUAL result of this action is a bleeding weak hand. That's hard on the bluing. If that doesn't seat the round, and you can't pull the slide open ...
- **Photo 18** ... find a corner on a table, window or door frame, or such, and place the recoil spring plug on the vertical edge.
- **Photo 19** Shove the gun forward sharply. Note the ejected round in the air. If there is a loaded magazine in the gun ...
- **Photo 20** ... the gun is now loaded and ready to fire. Remember, you will be one round short. For such situations I keep a magazine with one round in it on my belt.

## Practice malfunction clearing

At the range you may practice with live ammunition. At home PUT ALL THE LIVE AMMUNI-(Continued on next page)



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TION AWAY. Put your good magazines away. Use only "dry practice" magazines, not from fear you'll wear out or break the good ones, but because you'll only load these with dummy ammunition, and you'll only load your good magazines with live ammunition. Those holes in the wall are really hard to explain. Wives, neighbors, police chiefs, and juries don't understand, and there are no "do-overs." For the failure to chamber, make an oversized dummy round. Wrapping the round in clear packing tape works.

Thanks to Omaha John for helping with the photographs. In the next chapter we'll talk about equipment. .





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Cree Vicar Dave, SASS Life #49907 Territorial Governor, Sucker Creek, Michigan

There is something about a badge. It sets off a uniform. In Cowboy Action Shooting<sup>TM</sup> we may have differing getups, but we all wear the distinctive SASS badge. Along with the SASS badge, some local Cowboy Action clubs also have unique badges to identify their members. Modern technology has made badge making an art.

Recently our club, Sucker Creek Saddle & Gun Club (<u>www.suckercreek.org</u>), decided to look into obtaining badges for our members. I found many companies out there on the Web in this business. Badges come in differing shapes, sizes, and styles. Some are flat faced, while others are convex. The base material used runs from plastic to composite metal to brass alloy. Then there are the choices of finish: paint, nickel, rhodium, silver, gold, etc. It says in Proverbs 15:22, "Plans fail for lack of counsel, but with many advisors they succeed." So I started asking questions.

Just about the time I was being surrounded by too much information, Doc Teaford at SASS Headquarters gave me a heads up on the company that produces badges for Cowboy Action Shooting<sup>TM</sup>. I had noticed SASS badges being well built and easy on the eyes. The convex style, plating, graphics, and locking clasp are quite professional. They also have the capability of placing a seal or a character in the center, such as on the TG badges.

The name of the firm is SMITH & WARREN BADGE COMPANY. They are located in White Plains, NY 10601 www.smithwarren.com (website: Phone is 1-914-948-4619). They have been in business for over 83 years producing high quality badges from the Old West type to Law Enforcement. The base material is brass alloy with a nickel, rhodium, or gold, etc. choice of finishes. When I called, they put me in contact with Erin, one of their representatives. She was more than adequate in guiding me through the maze of style, finish, graphics, and price options. If only one or two badges are wanted, they might seem a little pricey. But if you're looking for



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twenty-five to thirty for your club, they will work with you.

Something that makes their badges unique is the option of placing a 3/4" diameter seal in the center of it depicting the club logo, name, or what have you. This seal can also be produced as a smart looking lapel pin. The choices are many.

I ask Erin about the connection between Smith & Warren and SASS. She replied that over the years Smith & Warren have developed a longstanding relationship with the Single Action Shooting Society<sup>™</sup> by manufacturing custom badges worn by SASS members. What originally started out as a small venture has become very popular over the years. Erin said, "Our experience with SASS and its affiliated members has been very fulfilling, and we would like nothing more than to grow and strengthen that relationship to make it a larger part of Smith & Warren. We look forward to continue working with the proud members of SASS in their preser-

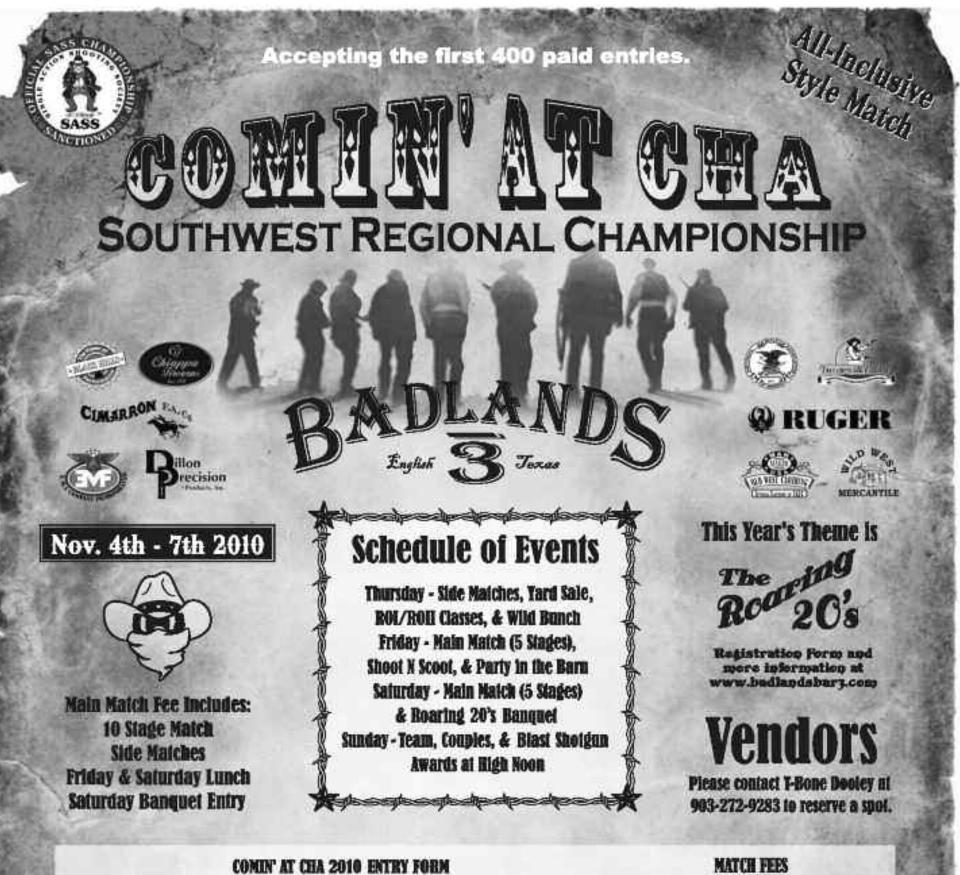
vation of the Old West." The Badges take four to six weeks for delivery, and they were well within their time frame. When I opened the box, I found as much and more than I expected. The badges look great. The graphics, workmanship, and finish are exceptional. I would like to thank Erin and all at Smith & Warren for a job well done. It has been a pleasure doing business with such a reputable company. These badges and lapel pins will be worn with pride by the Peacemakers of Sucker Creek. Thanks again, Erin, for your diligence in processing our order.

If you are looking for badges for your club, I would heartily recommend you check out Smith & Warren. <u>creevicardave@hotmail.com</u> *1*.



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he Cotaboy Chronicle recently received an inquiry from one of our cowboys. It seems there's a lot of confusion regarding what hammers are legal on which guns.

**Comment:** I seem to remember the Montados were only legal for Mounted Shooting competition.

- **Response:** As of the December 2008 Territorial Governors Summit, the Ruger Montado (with the gripenhancing grooves removed) has been a LEGAL main match revolver for SASS Action shooting. Prior to that acceptance it was only allowed for SASS Mounted Shooting. With the approval of that revolver, the SASS Firearms Covenants (modification rules) were amended to allow the exchange of the Montado/Super Blackhawk (SBHK)-style hammers with the standard hammers on all revolvers.
- Ruger Super Blackhawk/ Montado style revolver hammers (i.e. lowered and widened hammers) are acceptable on both adjustable and fixed sight model revolvers. (Shooters Handbook "Firearm Covenants," p.4)
- **Comment:** ... because the Montado does not have a shucking rod the shooter was prying the empty brass out with her fingernails, and if that didn't work she used a nail that was stuck in her hatband.
- **Response:** The standard Ruger Montado has an ejector rod. The shooter may have been using a revolver with the ejector rod removed (a legal modification) OR a revolver manufactured without one (e.g., a "Sheriff/Storekeeper" model) with a Montado/SBHK hammer installed.
- **Comment:** ... the ad below shows the new Ruger SASS Vaquero. Well folks, that sure looks like a Bisley hammer on that shootin' iron.

## YOU MAKE THE CALL What's With These New Hammers?

By Pale Wolf Brunnelle, SASS Life #2495



**Response:** ... but it is <u>NOT</u> ... the Ruger SASS Vaquero is the newest version of the Montado. There IS a difference between the Montado hammer and the Bisley hammer.



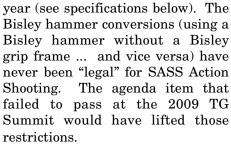


The Bisley hammer is wider across the entire top from the tip of the spur to the face.

Question: Are the Montado, Runnin' Iron, and SASS Vaquero

legal six shooters in non-Mounted competition now that the Bisley hammer conversions have been banned?

**Response:** Those three revolvers have been **legal** for Action Shooting for the past



- Bisley style revolver hammers may only be used when mated with a Bisley style grip frame. REVOLVER GRIP FRAMES
- Birdshead grip frames and grips may be installed on any SAA or its modern replicas but may not be used with Bisley style hammers.
- Bisley style grip frames may only be used when mated with a Bisley style hammer. (SHB "Firearm Covenants," p.8)
- Question: Is a cowboy toting a pair of old-style Ruger Bisleys, which weren't introduced until 1894, legal in Classic Cowboy even though he can't use an 1892 or 1894 rifle or an 1897 shotgun? Response: Yes.
- **Question:** Can a Junior sporting a pair of Ruger SASS Vaqueros with Old West styling that isn't so Old Wet anymore also shoot Classic

Cowboy? Response: Yes. CLASSIC COWBOY/COWGIRL

- Any Main Match fixed sight model revolver.
- Revolver calibers: .40 caliber rimmed cartridges or larger (SHB, p.15)

**Comment:** It seems to me there needs to be some hard fast rules adopted as to the use of the Bisley style hammer, whether factory produced or added on later, otherwise where do you draw the line?

**Response:** The line HAS been drawn ... and remains unchanged as of the 2009 Summit. *A*.

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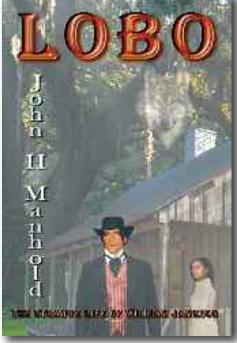
## By John H. Manhold—El Tigre Viejo, SASS Life/Regulator #28083

Reviewed by Sweetwater Jack, SASS Life/Regulator #28885

ell ... I done 'er AGAIN! ... NO! Not THAT! ... Only done THAT once, an' only because that fool lion snuck up on me a'fore he ROARED like that! (They was a OLD pair of pants anyways ...) No, I mean findin' ANOTH-ER SASS Member and Cowboy Action Shooter that can write up a storm, and keep this old cowpoke turnin' the pages one after the other for hours. John Manhold, better known to the Cowboy Action Shooting<sup>™</sup> world as "El Tigre Viejo" is no novice to putting words to paper ... Lord, no! With six textbooks, a lexicon in four languages, and a bunch of historical mystery and adventure novels to his credit, he has paid his dues in the literary world. "El Tigre" is either a worldclass researcher, deeply into the nineteenth century and the ways of that era, or there is something **to** this reincarnation stuff, and he's managed to bring with him his memories of a past life.

As I've said before, I'm a READ-ER. And *LOBO* is a READ! Those that know me also know I am a "commode reader." I like to shut the bathroom door, have a seat, and open my book. One-third of the way through *LOBO* I realized I had no feeling in either of my legs and it was 4:00 AM! The last time Gaye Abandon, SASS #44556, had to call the paramedics to extract me from the shower stall where I'd involuntarily flung myself trying to stand up, they said: "Next time just leave him on the floor and close the door until all the groaning and thumping stops." (And I thought they were supposed to be "CARE-GIVERS!")

Anyway, about the BOOK ... the central character, Billy, starts out as a young boy as he and his family leave the familiarity of their Ohio farm and head west. It's the 1850s, and Oregon beckons. Fortunately for



Billy/William Jameson, one of his strongest traits is adaptability, and it stands him in good stead as he (Continued on page 52)

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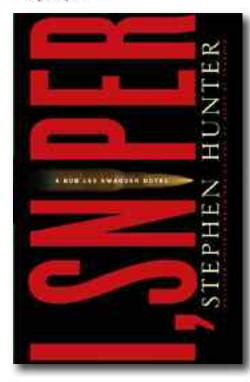
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hat would happen if two Cowboy Action Shooters squared off for real at a SASS match?

If a six-gun showdown seems out of place in a novel titled *I*, *Sniper*, well, cinch your Stetson down tight, Pilgrim, 'cause it's just one of the scenarios in the latest installment from best-selling author and Pulitzer-Prize winning film critic, Stephen Hunter.

Like most of Hunter's previous novels, *I, Sniper* features Bob Lee Swagger, the archetypal long-rifle marksman still slaying emotional dragons from Vietnam well beyond middle age. His sanguinary past has a way of haunting "Bob the

## **By Stephen Hunter**

Review by Arizona Billy Tilghman, SASS Life #5351

Nailer," who would rather age gracefully in retirement. But when a friend is fatally framed for the sniping murders of several 1960s peaceniks, Swagger hits the trail again. He's bound to prove his friend's innocence, no matter where the search may lead.

In Hunter's fast-paced, plottwisting style, he dopes the literary winds to near perfection, keeping his crackling prose centered in the ten ring with a high X count. Swagger's quest leads him to a private security contractor chock-full of lethal bad guys, mostly foreign lads with a talent for homicide. They're ramrodded by one of Hunter's finest villains, a cheerful Irish assassin called "Anto" Grogan.

How Swagger narrows the hunt to Grogan and Company is part of the author's craft as a leading-edge thriller writer. Suffice to say he receives help from a recurring character, FBI agent Nick Memphis, who fights a two-front war to keep the DC suits off Swagger's back long enough to accomplish the mission.

Before long, Swagger realizes the four deceased radicals were shot with more precision than could be expected of even expert snipers. That clue leads him to a fictional but conceivable  $21^{st}$  century scope that does everything: measures range, atmospherics, wind, and instantly computes a firing solution. Laments one marksman, "It takes the fun out of sniping."

The newfangled scope leads Swagger to the suspects, who are employed by a media billionaire with a long-hidden agenda. He's also a severely serious Cowboy Action Shooting<sup>TM</sup> competitor ("Texas Red") determined to win the Senior Blackpowder Cartridge category in a major Regional match. (The names given many of the characters render their real-life counterparts plain as daylight in a Zeiss optic.) Red is well down the trail to realizing that goal when suddenly confronted by Bob the Nailer wearing cowboy duds and sporting a big iron on his hip.

Marty Robbins fans will find much to enjoy in that passage.

What would you do in that situation? Well, Pard, old Bob does the same thing Roy and Hoppy did.

There are a couple of hiccups in the text, including ten-second penalties both for a miss and a Spirit of the Game violation. (For non-Cowboy Action Shooting<sup>™</sup> readers, SASS rules specify five and thirty seconds, respectively.) Those glitches aside, the Cowboy Action segments are enjoyable for their insight into the culture of our game.

In fact, throughout *I*, *Sniper*, Hunter delves into what is known as The Gun Culture generally. Nobody writing fiction understands it as well as he does, to the point a lifetime spent in that culture needn't outshoot a younger practitioner as long as it's possible to out-think him. Stephen Hunter. *I*, *Sniper*.

Simon & Schuster, 2010.

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## LOBO, OR THE STRANGE LIFE OF WILLIAM JAMESON ...

#### (Continued from page 51)

faces being captured by a Comanche raiding party, living the life of a Plains Indian slave and later a warrior, being schooled in England at Eton, surviving a storm at sea, then fighting off pirates, all the while escaping the wrath of the British Authorities after a deadly saber duel

... Of course there's landing in New Orleans and having to wait for his share of the prize money from a captured pirate ship, and ... What? Ya want me ta tell ya' MORE about all that stuff? Well ... I Cain't! Ya gotta' read the book yer ownselves! Besides, that's as far as I've gotten so far ... Gaye Abandon cut off the power ta' the bathroom lights agin'. More in a minute ... I think I know where I stowed some candles in here ...

Ok, we're good to go again. Ah, New Orleans! A city of mystery, thrills, and diverse cultures. A city whose secrets grow darker the deeper one probes. Is it really just "Laissez les bon temps rouler" as "Let the good times roll" is known in the Crescent City? Or, is something afoot? Will it be more like: "Lâchez les chiens de guerre" ("Let loose the dogs of war")?? El Tigre's understanding of the social, political, and cultural aspects of the times is demonstrated very well in *LOBO*, but it does not overshadow the plot and detract from the rapport the reader is building with his hero.

As with any true historical novel, you should be more than just "entertained" by the story, you should be learning something of the era. In *LOBO* this comes in direct "lecture" (if you will), but also with subtlety, much as when you notice something from the corner of your eye. You

have become, at this point, very concerned about the welfare of William Jameson and his trials and tribulations. Is William destined to continue his original journey to the richly forested lands of Oregon, or does fate have other plans for him? A handsome young man, well educated, and very adept with rifle, pistol, and blade, will his fortunes be found on the path westward? Or, has he heard the beckoning call of the Sirens of the South?? As Civil War approaches, what choices should William make? And why is he called *LOBO*?

Well, four pounds lighter (Couldn't get Gaye Abandon to even TRY to shove a pizza under the bathroom door) I finally finished the book ...  $\underline{I}$  know what happened. But if YOU want to find out, ya gotta' go out and buy the book! (And  $\underline{I}$  cain't <u>BE</u> bribed to blab, 'cause I've shot with El Tigre and his lovely bride, La Gatita, SASS #28084, and neither one of 'em is a slouch where it comes to puttin' lead on the target ... which would be ME if I gave it away ...)

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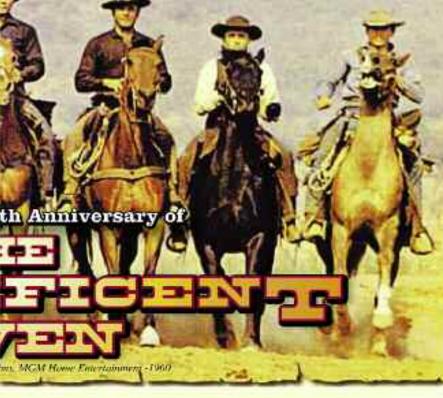
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By Palaver Pete, SASS Life/Regulator #4375

on't forget me," says Klondike. "I do " all the Leather work around here!" "Be a kid again, come on out, and join us!" says Cowtown Katy, SASS Life, #32412, AKA Sherry Klonaris. "If you haven't tried Cowboy Action Shooting™ and wonder what we do, send us an email or go to the SASS Website at www.sassnet.com and check us out. Come join us and relive the Old West." These words copied from Cowtown Katy's e-bay store testify to the fact she and her husband, Klondike, SASS Life, #29713, not only preach the SASS Gospel, they sell it on their e-bay site. Their reputation is impeccable, having satisfied nearly 3,000 customers, and they both enjoy a 100% satisfaction feedback record, which is no easy task in today's tough business community. To view their Cowboy/Cowgirl store with handmade items by Katy, and handmade leather products by Klondike, simply go to the Internet at:

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gear is top-drawer quality with only the best grade heavy leather as his supply. I have tried Klondike's leather for my 1911A1 and magazines. The draw is nice and easy, and the leather holds up real well. It's a lifetime rig that just keeps getting better with age, and his prices are most affordable. Klondike also makes holsters and other leather goods for Cowboy Action Shooters. Of particular beauty are his Botas or Boot Chaps that, along with his other leather works, makes one want to shoot Classic Cowboy.

Klondike and Katy operate out of their home and mobile home workshop, located in Maurepas, Louisiana. "At one time," says Katy; "we traveled all over the U.S. setting up our tent at SASS events, including END of TRAIL in both California and New Mexico. We set up shop at many State and Regional matches and Winter Range as well, so we are well known in the Cowboy Action Shooting<sup>TM</sup> world. We would set up our tent and before I knew it, Klondike



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would sneak off and be shooting while I manned the store," Katy complained with a big smile."

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Cowtown Katy is well known amongst the fashionable ladies of SASS for her beautiful hat and dress work (see accompanying photos of hats and leather goods). Personally, I don't know how she does it, but those beautiful hats that take hours to make, such as her Victorian Civil War era Edwardian Top Hat Side Saddle can be had for as low as \$55 plus shipping. Now how can you beat that? "If you do not see what you are looking for in my e-bay store, but can give me a description, item number, and/or manufacturer of the product you are interested in, we may be able to find it or make it for you-somehow we'll get it for you. Katy can be contacted by e-mail at:

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"Don't forget me," says Klondike. "I do all the Leather work around here!"

Again, Klondike says, "Well don't forget me, I do all the Leather work around here!"

Klondike makes more than just holsters for 1911's. One of his specialties is his Fancy Hollywood Buscadero, Cowboy Western Double Holster with belt and Shotgun Slides. This Rig, like all his leatherwork is made from 9-oz. top grade American leather with 4 oz. black split leather lining. This rig can be worn as a Buscadero or a Conventional Rig. How you ask? Klondike has made two slides that when fastened to the belt, you can attach the holsters to them and they will drop down like a Buscadero Rig, or you can choose not to use the slides and you have a conventional style rig. This is an innovative design not seen before in other Cowboy Action Shooting  ${}^{\scriptscriptstyle \mathsf{TM}}$  leather (Continued on next page)



Fancy Black Rig for 1911

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## **Cowtown Katy's Emporium Gears Up For** The Wild Bunch<sup>™</sup>...

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works. When asked about this, Klondike replied, "we have not seen this type of rig anywhere else, and I will have them listed on e-bay as well as the slides. I will also offer the slides in a separate listing in the event there are Cowboys and Cowgirls who want to place them on the belts they currently have. This gives them a great deal of versatility—a change-over from Buscadero to conventional in the blink of an eye!"

The holsters have a 10-15 degree muzzle forward cant. This rig has two strong side holsters made with the trigger guard exposed for easier access. They are low cut with a flared mouth for fast, slick draw and to give you that extra edge. These holsters are molded for the new model Vaqueros, Colts, and Colt Clones. They can easily be re-shaped to fit the old model Vaquero as well. The holsters have leather hammer thongs to securely hold your guns in place when not in use, and holster restraints to keep them from creeping up. The Chip Corner Buckle is nickel-plated and the rig comes with a matching 12 gauge shotshell slide that holds eight shells in pairs to allow you to pull two when reloading. This rig does not have bullet loops. The Belt is 2.5 inches wide (see accompanying photos). Klondike concluded by saying, "we can custom make this same rig for you in your choice of color (from available choices), and your size—same applies to the shotshell slide. If you have any questions, or need photos with the gun inserted in the holsters, please let Katy and Klondike know by email. Unfortunately because of political correctness, real guns cannot be photographed on the e-bay sitesuch nonsense! (Writer's note).

Well Cowpokes, there you have it. Affordable clothing (for both men and women), women's Victorian hats and dress wear, and quality leather works by Klondike. Give them a try, and save a great deal of moneythey are very affordable. You're a Daisy if ya do.



## **A TRUE SASS COWBOY** Buffalo P

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

really enjoy traveling to other states participating in Cowboy Action Shooting<sup>™</sup>. When they ask me who I'd like to be on a posse with, most times I just tell em, "It doesn't matter, I like meetin' new people." That's what makes Cowboy Action so special to me; no matter where you go, 99.2% of the shooters treat ya like family.

Some shoots are more special than others because of their great hosts. The Kansas State Shoot at Parker, Kansas is just one of them for me.

The Vicar's Wife and I went to Parker three years ago when our daughter, son-in-law, and family were stationed at Fort Riley, Kansas. We liked the camaraderie so much we decided to have another look see this year. I noticed several new permanent stages this time. It seems a while back a big rainstorm produced a gully washer through the range and played havoc with some of the props. The new buildings added a nice touch to the town.

The major ingredient for having a good shoot is having the right people put it together. Buffalo Phil, their president, knows how ta get it done. I can't say enough about his willingness to promote Cowboy Action Shooting<sup>TM</sup> and treat people right. He and his wife, Linda, own the property on which the club is located, but you would never know



it by talking to them. He comes across as more of a servant than a landlord. The prices for the state shoot won't break your bank, their monthly club shoots are the lowest I've seen, and there was free camping to boot. It says in Matthew 20:26 "... whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant." Buffalo Phil is one of those Trail Bosses that leads by serving others and delegates authority. That's why I'm nominating him for the "True SASS Cowboy" award! creevicardave@hotmail.com

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Seven Ladders, SASS #75152

t is one of the classic shootings of the Old West ... but it may never have happened the way it's been written about.

The shooter was a classic gunfighter. He was eighteen years old and out of control. His own father had urged him to flee to Mexico; his relatives hid him out after each of his murders. He was intelligent, personable, well spoken, but was seriously unbalanced. A modern clinical psychologist, Dr. Richard C. Marohn, author of *The Last Gunfighter*, has concluded the young man had "narcissistic behavior disorder."

Instead of riding to safety in Mexico, however, the teenager accompanied his cousins on a cattle drive to Kansas. This was hard, brutal work. Driving cantankerous longhorn cattle a thousand miles was tiresome, dusty, dangerous work. An experienced cowboy, supplying his own tack, could expect to ride sixteen hours a day, seven days a week. He was provided with beans, beef, cornbread, and all the dust he could eat. Using a string of horses, sometimes as many as twenty per cowboy, he herded, rounded up, cut, and drove cattle over vast prairies, across dangerous river crossings, through Indian country, past bandits and cutthroats of all sorts—and he did it for forty or fifty dollars a month. Some of these former drovers recounted their hard life on the trail in J. Marvin Hunter's classic *The Trail Drivers of Texas*.

By Seven Ladders, SASS #75152

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The teenaged gunfighter lived into his fifties, and he wrote of his experiences on the trail too, but it's obvious he was not a cowboy. Though he claimed later he was paid \$150 a month, three times the going rate for an experienced drover, most likely, he simply accompanied his cousins on a drive.

His name was John Wesley Hardin, and his reputation was based on word-of-mouth and a grossly exaggerated autobiography, drunkenly dictated to his girlfriend, Helen Beulah Mrose, in a hotel room in El Paso, Texas, years later. The purpose of his autobiography was to downplay some of the harshest rumors about him while building upon what he considered his most fun-loving adventures. What emerges is a stunning account of a dangerous teenager killing Mexicans, cowboys, and Indians on the cattle drive to Abilene, Kansas. What happened when they arrived (Continued on next page)



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was either another justifiable homicide or one of his lowest murders: he killed a man for snoring.

Hardin names the date as July 7, 1871, though it was actually August 6th. He had already had several confrontations with another legendary gunfighter, lawman Wild Bill Hickok, and each time, Hardin claimed he either outsmarted Hickok or charmed him into being a friend. This time, however, it would be different. Hardin says in his autobiography he and his cousin, Gip Clements, had just turned in for the night "when presently I heard a man cautiously unlock my door and slip in with a big dirk in his hand. I halted him with a shot, and he ran: I fired at him again and again, and he fell dead with four bullets in his body." Intended to justify the killing, Hardin's account is certainly not admirable. Unconsciously, he had admitted he was a back-shooter. Two other details he admits are also important. First, he had only one gun, and it was now empty. Second, he wasn't wearing any pants, stolen from him by the alleged thief.

Hardin jumped out the window and fled Abilene half naked, afraid to confront Hickok over the murder, a fact that settles for all time who was the most fearsome gunfighter. The killing of a man in the hotel, however, was widely reported differently. The man was sleeping in the room next door to Hardin's, according to this version, and Hardin shot through the wall to stop his snoring.

The Abilene Chronicle of August 10, 1871 and other newspapers of the time reported the shooting. The victim, Charles Conger, "was in his room sitting upon the bed reading a newspaper. Four shots were fired at him, through a board partition." By 1878, seventeen years before Hardin began his autobiography, written accounts had appeared claiming the man had been snoring. Hardin was quoted from an 1878 interview in which he admitted, "They say I killed six or seven men for snoring, but it isn't true. I only killed one man for snoring.'

Leon Metz, an El Paso historian who wrote an excellent biography of Hardin subtitled *Dark Angel of Texas*, devotes an entire chapter to the incident. He analyzed all sides of this peculiar shooting but doesn't conclude anything. The shooting remains one of Hardin's most famous, but how did it happen? We'll never really know.

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Joe Fasthorse Harrill, SASS #48769

**REED TAYLOR** was one of nine children, born to Josiah and Hepzibeth in 1820. In 1824 his family moved from Alabama to Texas. Creed joined the Texas Revolution at age 15 and fought against Mexico in the Battle of Concepción, the Grass Fight south of San Antonio de Bexar, the Siege of Bexar, and the Battle of San Jacinto.

He married Nancy Matilda Goodbread in 1840 and the couple had three children. Taylor joined the Texas Rangers the next year and fought Apaches at the Battle of Bandera Pass. He was later wounded fighting Mexicans at the Battle of Salado Creek.

Creed's wife died in 1867 and the following year his two sons teamed up with their cousin, Wes Hardin, to take part in the bloody Sutton-Taylor Feud. Both Taylor boys were killed in the fight.

Creed married Lurvenia Spencer in 1873 and sired five more children. Later, he collaborated with Jim DeShields to document his adventures in the book "Tall Men With Long Rifles." Creed Taylor died in 1906 and is buried in Kimball County, Texas. 4



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## TALES OF EARLY CALIFORNIA EDWARD F. "NED" BEALE

## NEARLY FORGOTTEN EARLY CALIFORNIA PIONEER

By Col. Richard Dodge, SASS #1750

n a dark, humid night in July 1848, in the Mexican port of Vera Cruz, a solitary figure dressed as a vaquero slipped from the shadows and boarded a small ship bound for Washington, D.C. Had one been able to talk to him, the man could have told an amazing story. He had already traveled almost two thousand miles from San Francisco and was on one of the most important missions in American history-a mission that would immediately and profoundly change the course of Westward expansion.

The man was Navy Lt. Edward "Ned" Beale, and he carried gold. Not just any gold, but gold from Captain John Sutter's millrace bringing the news of the fabulous strike to the attention of the U. S. Government. Had he failed in his mission, who knows the course of American history, but he did succeed, and California was quickly taken into the Union as a state, cutting off any efforts by Mexico to attempt re-annexation of its recently lost treasure.

Beale's long and hazardous journey was but one adventure in his amazing life. Born into a Navy family in 1822, he was rated Master before the age of 25 and sailed to California in 1845 on the "Congress" under Commodore Robert Stockton. Within three weeks, Stockton sent the young officer back to Washington with important dispatches. It was the first of six round trips Beale would make during his life between California and Washington, D. C.

On his return to California, he was again dispatched with U.S. Army Lt. Archibald Gillespie and fifteen men to meet General Steven Kearny's troops, which were on their way from Santa Fe, guided by Kit Carson, to invade California. They met Kearny just in time to be caught up in the foolish and disastrous Battle of San Pasqual near presentday San Diego Wild Animal Park. Encouraged by a wildly erroneous underestimation of the Californio forces that had gone out to confront Kearny's invasion, the vainglorious General ordered an ill-advised charge by his exhausted men. Their mounts were in terrible condition from their long desert march. The Californios appeared to flee, then turned as the Yanguis were strung out along the trail and counter charged. Superb horsemen splendidly mounted on fresh horses and defending their homeland, the Californios soundly defeated Kearny's men with their long lances,

killing a good number of them and forcing the Americans to take refuge on a hill where they remained stranded and surrounded without food or water.

The American invasion of California might have ended thereor at least been seriously delayedhad not three men made a daring escape through the Californios' lines and made a desperate and punishing 30-mile trip barefoot through a desert of thorny cactus and cruel rocky ground to Old Town San Diego for help. Those three men were Kit Carson, Ned Beale, and Beale's Indian guide. The ordeal cost all three men dearly for they were disabled for several months afterward. The relief column arrived just in time to save Kearny and his force from surrender.

Beale retired from the Navy shortly afterward with the rank of Lieutenant. A spirit of adventure seems to have seized him, and he ran with it. Perhaps his best-known exploit was the use of camels to fulfill a contract he obtained to build a wagon road from Ft Defiance in New Mexico to the California border on the Colorado River. A condition of the contract required him to use several camels that had been obtained in an experiment by Secretary of War Jefferson Davis, an experiment



that was abandoned in spite of its success. Though Beale was at first furious at the imposition, he came to accept the camels and admired their ability to carry a load that would have crushed the strongest mule, go for three days without water, and thrive on the most meager of desert forage. Build the road he did, and many of the sites along the road still bear his name, including Beale Springs near Kingman, Arizona.

Beale was to be involved with the camels for some years after the road was completed. Even the Army continued its experiments with them, some successful, some not, many in California. Some were auctioned off; others were simply abandoned to live in the desert where they startled many a prospector and desert traveler for years afterward. Some were even used in a cavalry charge by a group of civilians to rout a band of militant Mojave Indians threatening Beale's road building.

Beale's career continued with a series of governmental appoint-(Continued on next page)







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ments, including Surveyor General of California by President Lincoln to assist in keeping California in the Union. Governor John Bigler appointed him Brigadier General of the California State Militia to conduct negations with the Native-American tribes.

In 1853, President Fillmore appointed him Superintendent of Indian Affairs for California and Nevada, and he had participated in scouting a route for the transcontinental railroad. He served as Ambassador to Austria-Hungary under President Grant for a year before returning to his beloved California.

Beale also was a rancher and owned an enormous ranch in the area of Bakersfield, California. Today his name is scarcely known outside the Bakersfield area, where streets, buildings, and parks are named for him. Interestingly, the United States Air Force named Beale Air Force Base in northern California in his honor.

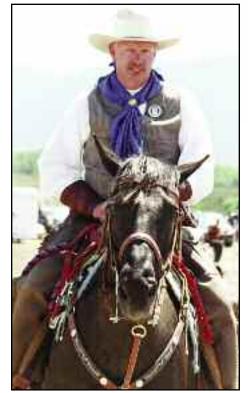
Edward "Ned" Beale was a military officer, administrator, surveyor, road-builder, statesman, rancher, adventurer, and explorer in a life few can imagine. It is unfortunate he is so little known and recognized as a pioneer of Early California.





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young daughters and a wife who needed him, Nick put the business on hold to help in any way he could. Luckily with all of the support of her family and doctors, Fariba is well and cancer free. Having the opportunity to again turn his attention to Tombstone Leather, I was very surprised and extremely pleased to turn



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from many of them in a number of areas, including engineering, quality, and functionality.

Nick Asadi was no different from many of us with his introduction to SASS following a lifetime of trap and skeet shooting and upland hunting. Once exposed to the sport, it became his passion. Nick had an engineering and metal work background, and he first set up a machine shop to fabricate his jigs and fixtures and ultimately his holster making machines. I believe he is the only holster maker to build his own cutting dies and conchos (available in German silver, jewelers bronze, sterling silver, and gold). Nick is extremely proud of the fact he is able to offer one of a kind custom conchos so his customers can stand out from the traditional mass production world.

Nick also built two 150 ton presses and has a unique method of attaching and forming conchos to his holsters so they are part of the holster and do not stick out where they could get caught on something. Tombstone Leather Products (a division of Knights Leather Products) uses only domestic hand selected leather that is double shouldered, vegetable tanned, and free of all caustic chemicals and salts that might corrode the metals. Additionally, all of their quality products are hand dyed in house from custom blended dyes, made exclusively for them. Nick has nine sewing machines, and he uses lock stitch harness stitchers, hand rolling and burnishing the edges, instead of just painting them, and all of the holsters are hand molded and fitted for a perfect draw. Nick is very particular about the leather, ensuring the tolerance is adjusted within .005 of an inch; even the bullet loops are pre-stretched first and then cut to exacting specifications.

To be sure, the Tombstone Leather holsters I have seen are beautiful, but beyond that, they are extremely well thought out and engineered. One particular model I like utilizes a "notch" on the belt where the strong side holster is positioned. Not only does this place the gun slightly lower so the draw is quicker, but it ensures the gun is in the precise location on your body every time. Nick has also worked closely with top Cowboy Action Shooters to design holsters that retain the gun but allow a very quick access during competition. Nick has also developed a very competitive holster rig for use in Cowboy Fast Draw and builds rigs designed specifically for women with a highly curved belt and newly designed holsters. I personally am looking forward to trying out Tombstone Leather's new Mounted Shooting rig, which features a slightly raised front edge to help guide the gun back into the holster (anything I can do to keep my eyes focused where I want to go when

competing is a good thing!).

Rounding out his products, Nick offers beautifully made shotgun belts and a new Wild Bunch<sup>™</sup> rig for the 1911, complete with a double magazine pouch, which is currently being field tested. Recently, Tombstone Leather introduced a Starters Rig featuring a choice of an exposed or enclosed trigger guard that retails for only \$149 for one belt and two holsters. This will allow new shooters to get started in the sport easily and give them the ability to decide which style of the professional grade to order down the road based on experience and taste.

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## → Cowboy Murder'n Maude, SASS #8704 → SASS Regulator Class of 2005

By Doc Nelson #19958, and Ruby Jane, SASS #82613

**Price, UT** – On November 14, 2009, The Castle Gate Posse (CGP) lost one of its founding members in a tragic accident. Not only did the Posse suffer a blow, the sport of Cowboy Action Shooting<sup>TM</sup> lost a tireless advocate and a true example of the Spirit of the Game.

Cowboy Murder'n Maude, aka Iris Howe, was born March 31, 1951 as the daughter of William Bonifas and Patricia Bonifas in Escanaba, Michigan. She married Aaron L. Howe, Rowdy Hand, SASS #63268, on October 21, 1972 in Escanaba, Michigan. She is survived by her husband, two children, two grandchildren, her parents, four sisters, and three brothers.

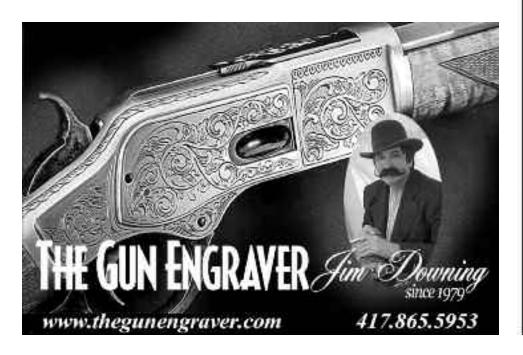
Cowboy Murder'n Maude was interned November 21, 2009, in one of her favorite cowgirl outfits, at the Cliffview Cemetery, Price, Utah. The Castle Gate Posse offered a final blackpowder cartridge gun salute at the graveside.

Maude was an early and integral member of the Castle Gate Posse. What began as a small club meeting on an old shared city range ended up as a significant part of the North Springs Shooting Range and Recreation Area. Castle Gate Posse's new home is a premier dedicated Cowboy Action Shooting<sup>TM</sup> range with over a million dollars invested in it, including 14 full size building fronts (a couple with a second story), a club house with water, electricity,



and flush toilets. All of this came through the constant efforts of Cowboy Murder'n Maude, the driving force of the Castle Gate Posse.

Maude was always the first to make sure 'spectators' were invited in and shown a good time. This behavior was repeated over and over again as new people came to see what Cowboy Action Shooting<sup>™</sup> was all about. In fact, new shooters were her priority. Making sure the spectators got a chance to 'try it' with some guns, making sure there was gear available for those who were too new to have everything they needed, and making invitations to groups like the scouts or a Gold Wing motorcycle club to come out and have some fun. For Maude, more people equaled more fun.



One of the many reasons Maude was made a SASS Regulator was her effort to get publicity for SASS and the CGP. There was always a good spread in the local paper. She would make sure names were included and a list of winners written in. CGP members who did well in large matches held elsewhere were also given credit in the local paper due to Maude and her connections.

Maude loved the youth and was always making sure they had a drink or a treat or were included in stage write-ups. Whenever possible Maude would brag on her 'kids' and make certain their accomplishments figured prominently in the newspaper articles.

One of Maude's favorite things to do was to have a good long story for the stage and then make sure it was acted out. There was a stage that required the shooter to actually eat chili beans; another made the shooter carve a 'Z' for Zorro, complete with mask and cape. Some of Maude's scenarios were over a full page long. Whatever it took to have some fun, that was Maude's motto.

Those of us who had the pleasure of shooting with Maude are going to miss her infectious smile and keen wit. Maude's love and sheer enjoyment of the game were obvious at anytime or to anyone around her whether on the same posse at a shoot or just bumping into her as she went from one end of the match to the other making sure everyone was having a good time and things were progressing as planned. We look forward to seeing Maude on the boardwalk again someday.

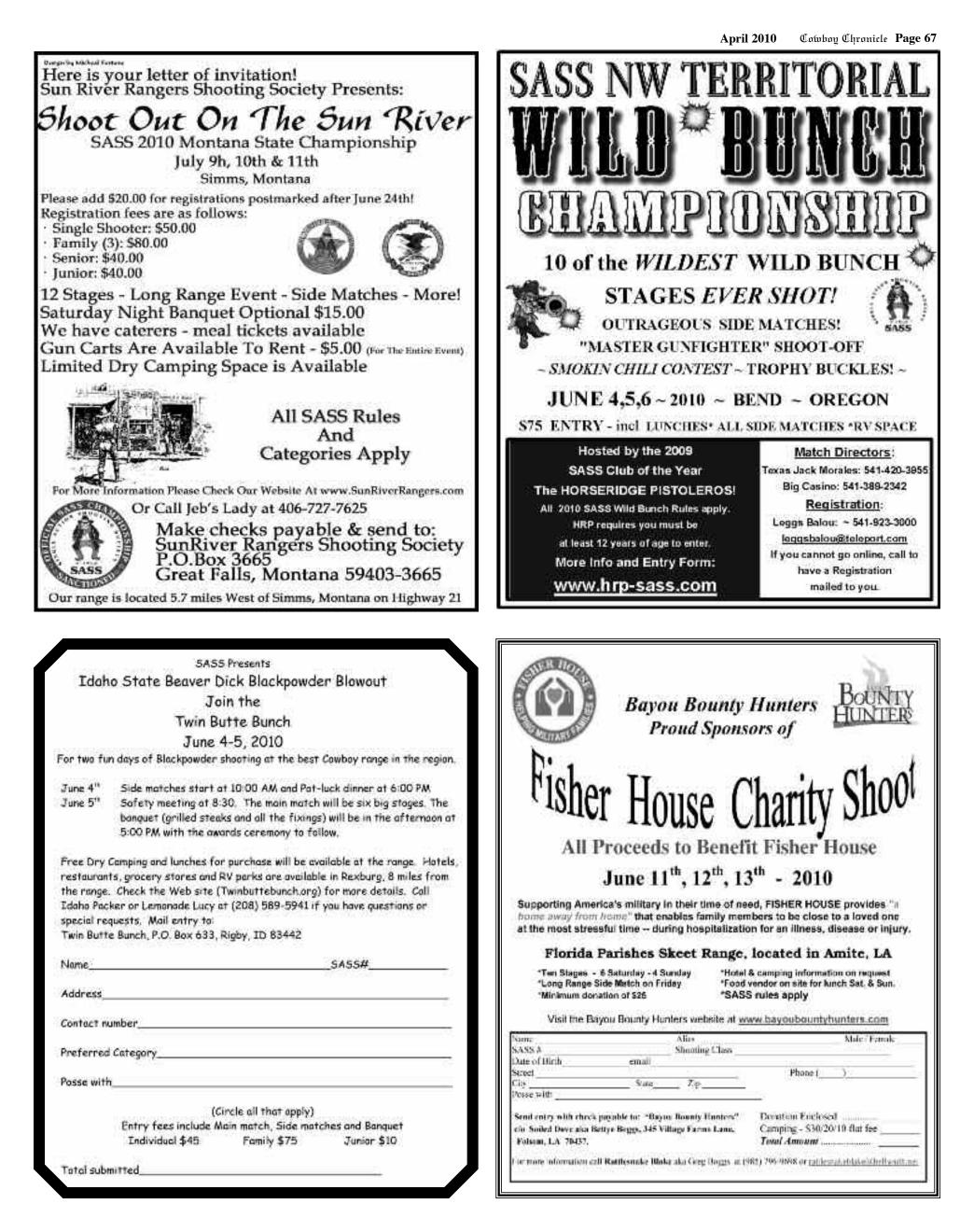


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## The 14th Annual Great Wisconsin Cowboy Shootout!

By Captain Cook, SASS Life #44613 Photos by Doe C Doe, SASS #66424, In-A-Flash Photography

**B** oyceville, Wisconsin – The 14th Annual Great Wisconsin Cowboy Shootout, Fire In The Hills, was held August 21 – 23, 2009. The Wisconsin Old West Shootists again hosted cowboys, cowgirls, townies, lawmen, soldiers, outlaws, gentlewomen (a few not so gentle), B-Western movie heroes, and baddies to celebrate the Old West.

The ghosts of the Earp brothers, the Clantons, Doc Holliday, the McLaureys, Sheriff Behan, and various other notorious characters also made their presence felt. The ten stages were written around the events (some even real) that made the Earps known across the West. However, since many of their shooting confrontations took place in and around saloons, we really needed eight liquor emporia, one corral, and one jail as stages. But, by making a few stretches, the scenarios DID reflect the lives and times of these folk, as well as the available stage buildings. From Wyatt politely tipping his hat to women at the bank, to attending the funeral of the late town Marshal White ("I see there's at least ONE Bible in this town!"), to buying laudanum for one of the "wives," to the gunfight in the alley near the OK Corral ("No! I've come to disarm you, not to fight!"), to the sad farewell as Morgan's body is shipped to family in California ... everyone had a chance to relive the hard times in Tombstone.

The stages were written to appeal to as many shooters as possible. Some featured straightforward sweeps, while others were a bit more complicated. Some of the targets were close; others were farther away. We had many highly favorable comments regarding the stages, so we must have done it right. I know I had a lot of fun shooting them!

One of my favorite stages required each shooter to wear a poke bonnet and yell, "Git outta my washin' you skunks!" as Miz Mattie drove the redsash-wearing "Cowboys" away from her house. While he shoved cartridges in his rifle, one shooter asked the loading officer, "Does this bonnet make my butt look big?" I ain't answerin' that question while you have a gun in yer hand, but the bonnet sure kept



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the morning sun out of yer eyes while shootin'. Hey! Maybe the women back then were onto something!

Friday afternoon started with the side matches. A favorite side match seemed to be the BB-Gun shoot ("You'll shoot yer eye out!") where the two top shooters won—what else?—a Red Ryder BB-gun! The stage was sponsored by Wolf River Vixen and River Raider, with the two BB-guns presented by the beautiful little Muddy Paws. That evening, during the evening meal, The Bog Creek Band serenaded us. Some of us were repainting targets, and the sound of that music floating over the hills was wonderful. A lovely sunset and the sound of quiet voices near the campgrounds closed out the day.

Saturday morning started with a welcome, announcements, posse assignments, the safety meeting, and the Pledge of Allegiance. Led by the clear notes from the trumpet played by Miss Jessica Blodgett, we sang the Star Spangled Banner. Then, the fun began as the targets quaked in fear. Most of the time, we hit those targets! In between all the banging and clanging, we shopped, we looked, we coveted, we bought neat stuff at the vendors. After six stages ("DANG! Those were fun!"), the guns were put away, we put on our best outfits and went to Olde Towne in Menomonie for the banquet. Good food, good company, what else can one ask? Oh, yes ... there were some neat door prizes, too.

Early Sunday morning, the day was started with Wisconsin Old West Shootists' traditional memorial service for our friends who have ridden the long trail before us. Mississippi Belle and Doc Ray did their finest, followed by the 21gun salute to our friends who have passed. The playing of TAPS (again by Jessica) closed the service.

Four more fun stages (interspersed

with more shopping, looking, coveting, and so on) finished the shooting. While the scores were tallied, the rest of us went over our own shooting ("How did I manage to miss that critter? Durn, you had good time on stage 4!"). Then, the final results! Congratulations to Top Guns Flyen Doc Koyote and Misty Blue Montana. And, special congratulations to Arizona Ames, winner of the Spirit Of The Game award. Well deserved, Arizona! Woodsy Lore won the handmade blanket. Cut Short won the Kirst Conversion Cylinder for his 1858 Remington clone, and Vixen won the shotgun. Doe C Doe gets the custom holsters and belt rig from Hay Root's Leather.

You sharp-eyed folk who carefully read through the list of winners will note two categories not usually seen. These are Military and Grubline Rider, and are specific to the Wisconsin Old West Shootists. The Military category is a costume category, requiring certain accoutrements from the Civil War through the Indian Wars period. The Grubline Rider category is probably closest to what the average person in the Old West actually carried, requiring one revolver and a rifle (no shotgun). The revolver is loaded on the clock. Both these categories put the shooter at a distinct disadvantage for time, but are a LOT of fun to shoot! More details on these can be found at our website <u>www.wowsinc.org</u>.

The Wisconsin Old West Shootists owe a big "THANK YOU!" to the sponsors, donors, and vendors for supporting Fire In The Hills 2009. So thank you to Kirst Cartridge Konverters, StarLine Brass, Annie Hillman, Don Burnham, Rockin Double J Leatherworks, Miss Kitty LaRue, Russell's Sport 'N' Bike, Gregerson's Hardware, In A Flash Photography, and WalMart for your support. We also thank Old Scyenne, Leather Originals, Will DeBeeste, Burnham's Antiques, and Hay Root's Leather for bringing such good stuff to Vendor's Row. Without all of you, the Wisconsin Old West Shootists could not provide such a great event as Fire In The Hills.

However, there was a bit of sadness, too. This is the last year Fire In The Hills will be held at this range. A vision, a big dream, and a lot of hard work went into building this fine facility, but we must move to a new location approximately six miles away. This fall and winter we will be moving buildings, uprooting targets, and planning the layout of our new site. We will take what we have learned over the past ten years and build on that to establish an even better range! All of us are aware a lot of pickin' and shovelin' is ahead, but the result will be worth the effort. We hope all of you will come back next year for Fire In The Hills 2010 at our new range! *A*.

	Winners	L 49er	Misty Blue Montana
Gunfighter	Marshal Fire,		SASS #58292
	SASS #10064	L Senior	Gamblers Gal,
Wrangler	Mockingbird,		SASS #40144
	SASS #22893	L S Senior	Lottie Shots,
Cowboy	Jarrett, SASS #32423		SASS #60457
49er	Flyen Doc Koyote,	L Wrangler	Aimee Less Drifter,
	SASS #31508		SASS #53282
F Cartridge	J W Cooper,	Cowgirl	Lucky Leslie,
	SASS #32121		SASS #66961
F C Duellist	Mississippi Traveller,	L Gunfighter	Nellie Belle
	SASS #25069	Pathfinder	
F C Senior	Hammer Head,	Young Guns	Sandbagger Bob,
	SASS #48146		SASS #77225
Duellist	Blackjack Martin,	Sid	e Matches
	SASS #50437	Long Range,	
C Cowboy	Lefty Henderson,	Smokeless Buffa	lo
	SASS #55021		Blackjack Martin
Senior	Free Bird,	Lever Action Rife	le
	SASS #61147		Blackjack Martin
$S \ Duelist$	Grizzly Paw,	Open	Nellie Belle
	SASS #22734	Pathfinder	
Silver Senior	Grizzly Hide,	Speed	
	SASS #53669	Shotgun	Lefty Henderson
E Statesman	Long Load,	Rifle	Mockingbird
	SASS #22631	Revolver	Amen Straight,
B-Western	River Raider,		SASS #77595
	SASS #55208	Rimfire	Marshal Fire
Big Bore	Itasca Bill,	Cowboy Clays	(tie) Woodey Lore
	SASS #16234		& Stoney Mike,
Military	Too Tall Lanoose,		SASS #35411
	SASS #16659	L BB-gun	Wild Annie O
Grubline Rider	Captain Cook,	BB-Gun	Stoney Mike
	SASS #44613		
L Big Bore	Wolf River Vixen,		
	SASS #55209		



## **Ohio Valley Vigilantes Ride the "3:10 to Liberty"**

**t. Vernon, OH** – The day was 10 July, 2009, and the air was filled with anticipation. Everyone was waiting for the "3:10 to Liberty" so the Final Showdown hosted by the Ohio Valley Vigilantes (OVV) could begin, and what a Showdown it was! We had over 100 shooters from five states: Ohio, Michigan, Indiana, Illinois, and Colorado. This year we are looking for even broader attendance.

Friday was filled with training classes, side matches, and the Wild Bunch<sup>™</sup> competition. RO-I and RO-II courses were offered, and Colt McAllister, SASS #13823, put on an all day advanced shooting school. This school was a great hit and was very well attended. Colt definitely lives up to his reputation, since he was the overall high shooter for the By Ole Saddlebags Joe, SASS #80963



Lassiter treated the participants to a great demonstration of quick draw, gun handling, and fast shooting.

entire Showdown.

The side matches were quite diverse, well attended, and included long-range contests, speed pistol and rifle, derringer and pocket pistol, speed shotgun, and cowboy trap. The trap contest was exceptionally well attended, and the competition was tough. The throwing machine had many features, so the "birds" were launched in different directions, different heights, and at different times. The shooters had to be on their toes for this event!

The Wild Bunch<sup>TM</sup> match attracted considerable participation as well as many spectators who wanted to watch the shooting of these inferior handguns. They must be inferior because the Wild Bunch<sup>TM</sup> shooters were faster when they shot their Main Match using revolvers! I know there are many "good" reasons why this happened, but it seems like an inferior handgun. Lassiter, SASS #2080, also showed us the single action is the fastest shooting gun made, but more about that later.

The Main Match was wonderful. The scenarios were well designed, and the cowboys and cowgirls were as friendly as ever. This year OVV built two new stages that provided for extremely fun shooting. The livery stable comes complete with big double front doors, hitching rails, and a covered 23-foot shooting bay divided into three areas. The saloon sports a front porch, swinging bat wing doors, and a second story with draped windows. We were told Big Nose Kate was seen in the end window. The saloon also has a 20-foot bar from which the shooting occurs.

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Plenty of room for movement and action in these new stages!

We did have a little rain at Liberty on Saturday, but nothing to dampen the spirits. We cap and ball shooters even made it through without a hitch, and the revolvers roared and smoked every time we pulled the trigger. The raindrops did knock some bullets off target, however, which is why there weren't more clean shooters. We OVV folks are hard at work again this year, and the loading and unloading tables will all be under cover for this year's Showdown. Unfortunately, this won't help those off-target bullets if it rains.

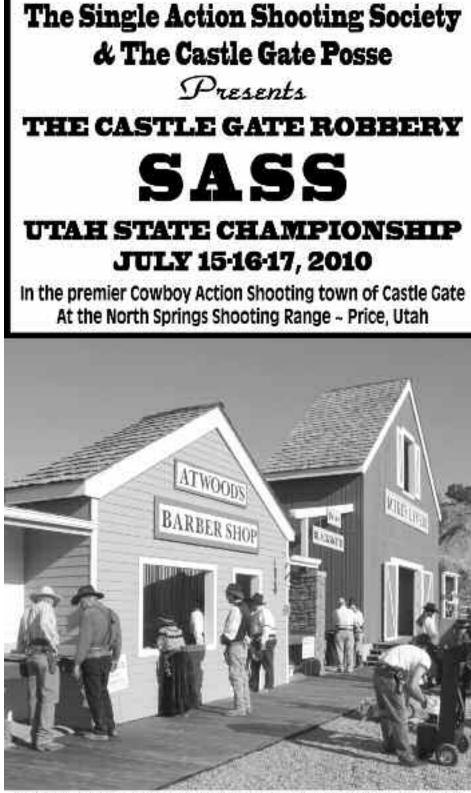
Saturday evening was a great time. The food was spectacular, headed up by Lake Jones, SASS #39125, and his family and relatives. In fact, the food for the entire three days was excellent and all meals were included in the entry fee. No extra cost. What a deal, especially when serving two roasted hogs with all of the trimmings. I think some folks came just for the vittles.

Lassiter treated us to a great demonstration of quick draw, gun handling, and fast shooting. He is definitely good, and no one doubted that when he twirled a Walker Dragoon behind his back, over his right shoulder, and caught it in shooting position. It takes "skill, a keen eye, and maturity" to juggle 4.5 pounds of steel over your shoulder and past your head. His quick draw produced jaw drops, and when he fired his single action so fast two shots sounded like one, there was thunderous applause. Nothing short of awesome. Yes, the single action is the fastest handgun.

There was plenty of time between shooting activities to visit the vendor booths. Circle M Saddlery & Gun Leather was there along with Old West Custom Hearing Protection, both from Kentucky. Murphy Gunleather out of Indiana was also represented. Several local vendors; Appalachian Bullet Company, Miss Lizzie's Mercantile, and Patriot Castings "Bullets of Champions" were also offering their wares. We did not have a clothing vendor, but that will hopefully be fixed this year.

When the awards ceremony was finished on Sunday, everyone seemed sorry the train was leaving Liberty. We all had such a wonderful time and left with fond memories. The SASS Wire was alive with compliments for the Final Showdown.

I waited until now to write about all of the good happenings last year so the time for this year's Final Showdown would be close at hand. We would really appreciate it if y'all would remember to put the Final Showdown on your calendar for 9 to 11 July 2010. Visit our web site at: <u>www.ohiovv.com</u> for the details.



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# HIGH NOON

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area around an olive grove. Shooters arrived from all over New Zealand, bringing their tents, caravans, and RVs to make the most of the weekend, staying on-range. Of note, this was the first New Zealand SASS Regional to offer Senior, Classic Cowboy, and Senior Frontier Gunfighter Categories. The addition of these shooting categories was greatly appreciated by those affected!

What made these championships a most memorable event for the 91 cowboys and girls was the attendance of Tex and Cat Ballou, who ya'all know through The Comboy Chronicle. Both Tex and Cat proved to be great ambassadors for SASS, and their attendance was highly appreciated.

The crew from Gladstone did a great job organizing the event, and by Wednesday the ranges were open for some early-bird practice. Wednesday was also the start of the Shooting School hosted by Miss Ruby Redsmoke, Trinity Hill, Payden Kash, and Brandy. This was well

	Winners
New Zealand	
Regional Champions	
Man	Payden Kash,
112010	SASS #28437
Lady	Miss Ruby Redsmoke,
,	SASS #48421
Top Gun	White Lightning Jack,
	SASS #58650
Categories	
Wrangler	Payden Kash
49er	Ranger Scout,
	SASS #81393
Cowboy	Just Plain Lucky,
U	SASS #78242
L B-Western	Miss Ruby Redsmoke
Senior	Honorable Roddy,
	SASS #86401
L Wrangler	Brandy Ann Kash,
	SASS #47085
F Cartridge	One Eagle,
	SASS #51643
B-Western	Tucson the Terrible,
	SASS #47089
Duelist	Ima Big Un,
	SASS #60258
Cowgirl	Patience, SASS #82101
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	SASS #42910
S Senior	Wicked Will Creek,
~ <b>D</b>	SASS #52603
S Duelist	J. E. B. Stuart,
<b>T</b> G	SASS #5686
E Statesman	Dinkum Dingo,
7 G ·	SASS #47092
L Senior	Cat Ballou, SASS #55
Side Events	XX71 · / X · 1 / · T 1
Speed Revolver	White Lightning Jack
Speed Rifle Speed Shotgun	Just Plain Lucky
	Payden kash
Long Range P C L Action	Honorable Poddy
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It was announced the SASS NZ Regional will be on South Island next year ...

attended, picking up a number of entries on the day, and continued on Thursday morning. All who attended were most impressed, and left with so much information, hints, and tips they didn't know what to practice first! I'm sure their classroom time will be evident by improvements in their results.

Thursday also saw the side events and long-range events get underway. The long-range events are increasing in popularity with more participants than ever. Muzzle-loading events were also well attended, and from comments heard after, there will be even more participants next year.

Friday saw the start of the main match, with three stages in the morning and another three in the afternoon. The stages were fun to shoot, but some of them sure had us thinking (in the Whisky Run, plenty forgot to take the whisky bottle with them to the next shooting position). The stages where the shotgun had to be shot "from the hip" scrambled the scores a bit—luckily, any targets missed from the hip could be reengaged from the shoulder—and there was a fair bit of this!

The stagecoach proved entertaining when it was the turn of the blackpowder shooters. The smoke poured out through the windows and doors and nearly choked both the shooters and the R.O. while still inside shooting! On this stage one began standing beside the coach. On the buzzer you grabbed your shottie and dispatched the four outlaws in front of the coach. Running to the



White Lightning Jack took on retiring NZ Champion, Payden Kash, during the Sunday morning Master Gunfighter event, and emerged victorious! Congratulations!

back of the coach, you grab your rifle and put two shoots each into the five outlaws lurking there. You then move to the stagecoach door. Here Tex got confused (it doesn't take much!). The directions read, "Take off hat and put on arrow, then enter stage coach." Tex was looking for an arrow to put on. Everyone else hung their hats on the arrow sticking out of the stage door! Through the window, Nevada sweep the three revolver targets with each revolver.

Saturday saw a repeat of Friday, shooting another six stages. The stages were well thought out and were challenging without requiring a law degree to understand them.

Several required a rifle or revolver reload ... something Tex and Cat Ballou have forgotten how to do!

The shooters enjoyed a Saturday evening banquet dinner and carried on during the night with yarns, dancing and drinks, and catching up with those they hadn't seen for a few months.

On Sunday Tex held a very popular seminar on Gunfighter techniques and also a discussion of the Wild Bunch match. The Top Gun Shoot-off was held with White Lightening Jack finally besting Payden Kash to become the 2009 SASS NZ Regional Top Gun. It has been a long time coming! There was also a Quigley match held on the longrange field.



Sarge proudly displays a set of Lindholm spurs he won in the prize pool. These wonderful sponsors of Cowboy Action Shooting<sup>™</sup> have supplied their unique and beautiful spurs to cowboys around the world!

SASS Regional winners were Payden Kash and Miss Ruby Redsmoke. Both are stepping back from Cowboy Action competition for awhile ... their presence will be missed. They have each been at the top of their game for some time now—both here and internationally. It'll be interesting to see which New Zealand shooters step forward to fill their shoes.

During the match Tex gave a fabulous display of his ability with those big 'ole blackpowder pistols, and amazed us all with the way he used his lever-action shotgun—"like greased lightning" (the lever shotty hasn't taken off in these parts yet).



Overall NZ Regional Champions were Ruby Redsmoke and Payden Kash. Both have been at the top of their game in New Zealand and Internationally for several years now. Both are retiring from competition for awhile, but hopefully, we'll see them again soon with a six-gun in their hands!

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Later at the after-match shindig, Cat and Tex showed us how to really cut a rug on the dance floor! Thanks must go to Jeb Stuart who hosted our visitors and helped make it possible for us all to shoot and party with a great couple of pards.

Thanks also to SASS for the prizes that were available, especially the spurs donated by Lindholm Brothers, USA, which were won by Schofieldsue and Sarge.

The Gladstone County Rangers did a great job organizing this eventthe biggest Cowboy Action Shooting™ event ever held in this part of New Zealand. Ranger Scout and Wild Ben wrote the stages and also oversaw much of the range construction. The food (breakfast, lunch, and evening meals) was excellent  $\dots$  and was included in the entry fee. I'm positive everyone enjoyed a most memorable shoot and are all looking forward to doing it again! Come visit us for a match if you can, and then take a few days and tour the countryside. The hills and mountains are green, the glaciers are cold, and the geysers are hot! And, the natives are nice ... you can actually TALK to them! .



# \* NORTHWEST REGIONAL \*



It doesn't take much to make some people happy! Ol' #4 is taking up where he left off at the Huntsman Senior Games in St. George, Utah!

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won four stages to Mid Valley Drifter's three by the second to last stage. It all came down to the last stage when Mid Valley Drifter shot an amazing stage and bested Shifty Jack to become the overall match winner and the Northwest Regional Champion.

May B. Shecann, SASS #58075, of Seattle, Washington and the current Washington State Women's Champion shot her way to the Northwest Regional Women's title. May B. Shecann shot an excellent match and came in  $16^{\text{th}}$  overall. Buck Shot Shell-E, SASS #37335, the current Oregon State Women's Champion from Lebanon, Oregon was May's closest competitor. She also shot extremely well and came in  $22^{\text{nd}}$  overall.

Our entertainment coordinator, Diamond Deb Goldvein, SASS #38204, was responsible for the costume contests. This year she held a "Secrets of Soiled Doves" class for those ladies who always wanted to participate, but needed some help. The proceeds collected from this class were also donated to the Scholarship Fund. Apparently, the class worked, as we had the largest turnout ever for the Soiled Dove Contest. I am sure glad I did not have to choose the winner, as the costumes were great! Stormy Jo, SASS #12187, won with an amazing blue-feathered getup that was dazzling.

The boys had a finest derriere contest, and The Elder Katie, SASS #5707, was back again as the head Judge with her assistant Blue Eyes, SASS #92. Although it was a close call, Hoss Face, SASS #17097, of Post Falls, Idaho took home the trophy. I think it was his chaps that cinched the win.

O'Callahans at the Shiloh Inn was the location of the Saturday Night banquet, where we were treated to more costume contests, a fine dinner, and dancing. The Elder Katie



There seems to have been more Soiled Doves at this match than any in recent memory, and Mudflat Mike wasn't about to let any of them go to waste!

resumed her duties as the Head Costume Judge along with Mid-Valley Drifter and Buckshot Shell-E. Most of the side match awards were presented that evening.

I had a great time at this match, and it was exciting to find out who won. It was also exciting to see Kid Koder, SASS #78381, win a Model '92 donated by the Rattlesnake Gulch Rangers. He is a buckaroo who dearly wanted to own this rifle from the second he saw it, so to see it go to him was perfect.

However, I have to admit my favorite moment came when Wyatt Jack Hammer, SASS #43578, won a Plinkerton pistol. You see, Wyatt is on active duty in the Marine Corps stationed at Camp Pendleton, California.

	Winners	Duelist	Johnny Pinebox,	S Senior	Wilkes, SASS #28702	Bought It	Johnny Buck,
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-	<b>Regional Champions</b>	E Statesman	Hey Granpa,		SASS #5026	Derringer	
Man	Mid Valley Drifter,		SASS #60902	S Duelist	Lightning Gordon,	Won It	Doc Tombstone,
	SASS #35724	F Cartridge	Ol' #4, SASS #41004		SASS #5437		SASS #49630
Lady	May B. Shecann,	F C Duelist	Appy Dan,	Wrangler	Mid Valley Drifter,	L Won It	May B Shecann,
,	SASS #58075		SASS #67998		SASS #35724		SASS #58075
Master Gun	nfighter Shoot-off	Grand Dame	Bea A Star,	Side Matches		Bought It	Salinian, SASS #39817
Man	Shalako Tucker,		SASS #28873	Master Gun Fi	ghter Shootout	Speed Rifle	
	SASS #27964L	Gunfighter	Bonesteel Badger,	Man	Shalako Tucker,	Won It	Mid Valley Drifter,
Lady	Tillie Dies,		SASS #56088		SASS #27964		SASS #35724
	SASS #79511	Junior	Last Chance Morales,	Lady	Tillie Dies,	L Won It	Tillie Dyes,
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Buckaroo	Zee Steele,	L B-Western	Lucky Lucy,		SASS #57061		SASS #27964
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	SASS #51188		SASS #5707	Speed Pistol		Rimfire Pistol	
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Cowboy	Shifty Jack,	L Wrangler	Buck Shot Shell-E,	L Won It	May B Shecann,	L Won It	Stormy Jo,
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# **RATTLESNAKE GULCH ROUNDUP 2009**



Texas Jack Morales and family, Leggs Balou and Last Chance Morales, take time for a family portrait. These folks represented the "Best SASS Club of 2009" at the SASS Convention in Las Vegas.

He had just come home after serving a year in Iraq. Upon winning the pistol, the crowd offered up their thanks for his service by giving him a standing ovation. Yup, for me that was the most memorable moment!

Many thanks to Lampson International for the use of their stage, One Shot B for the use of his sound system, S.S. EQ., Inc., Pasco New Holland for the use of the tractors, and the Army National Guard for the use of their tent and tables. We would also like to thank our local sponsor, Ranch and Home, for their generous support of this match. Last, but not least, the Rattlesnake Gulch Rangers would like to thank our staff and all of the folks who worked as waddies and stage drivers to make this match a success. See you next year! .

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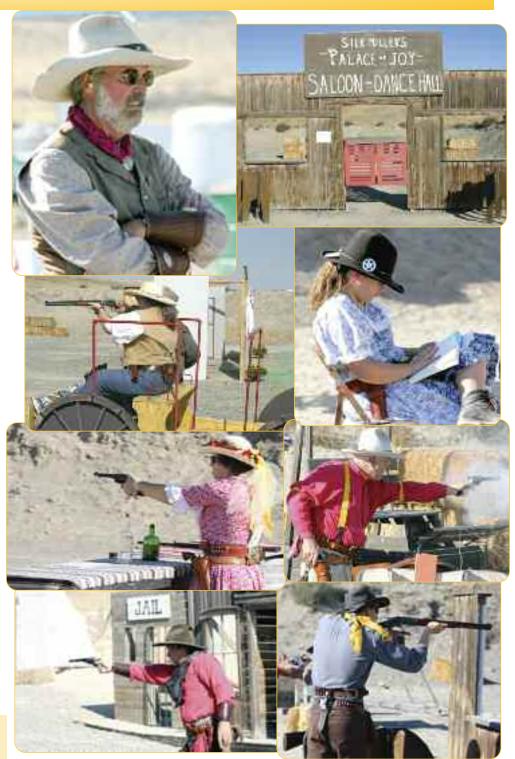


Stormy Jo, SASS #12187, won the Soiled Dove Contest with an amazing blue-feathered getup that was dazzling.



Regional Champions — Swifty Jack (Overall Winner) from Washington and May B. Shecann, current Washington State Champion. Congratulations!

Long Range Rifle	Lever Action
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Won It	Lakeside,
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	SASS #14210
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Won It	Hank Hills,
	SASS #78028,
	Heather Hills,
	SASS #78029,
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	SASS #60902,
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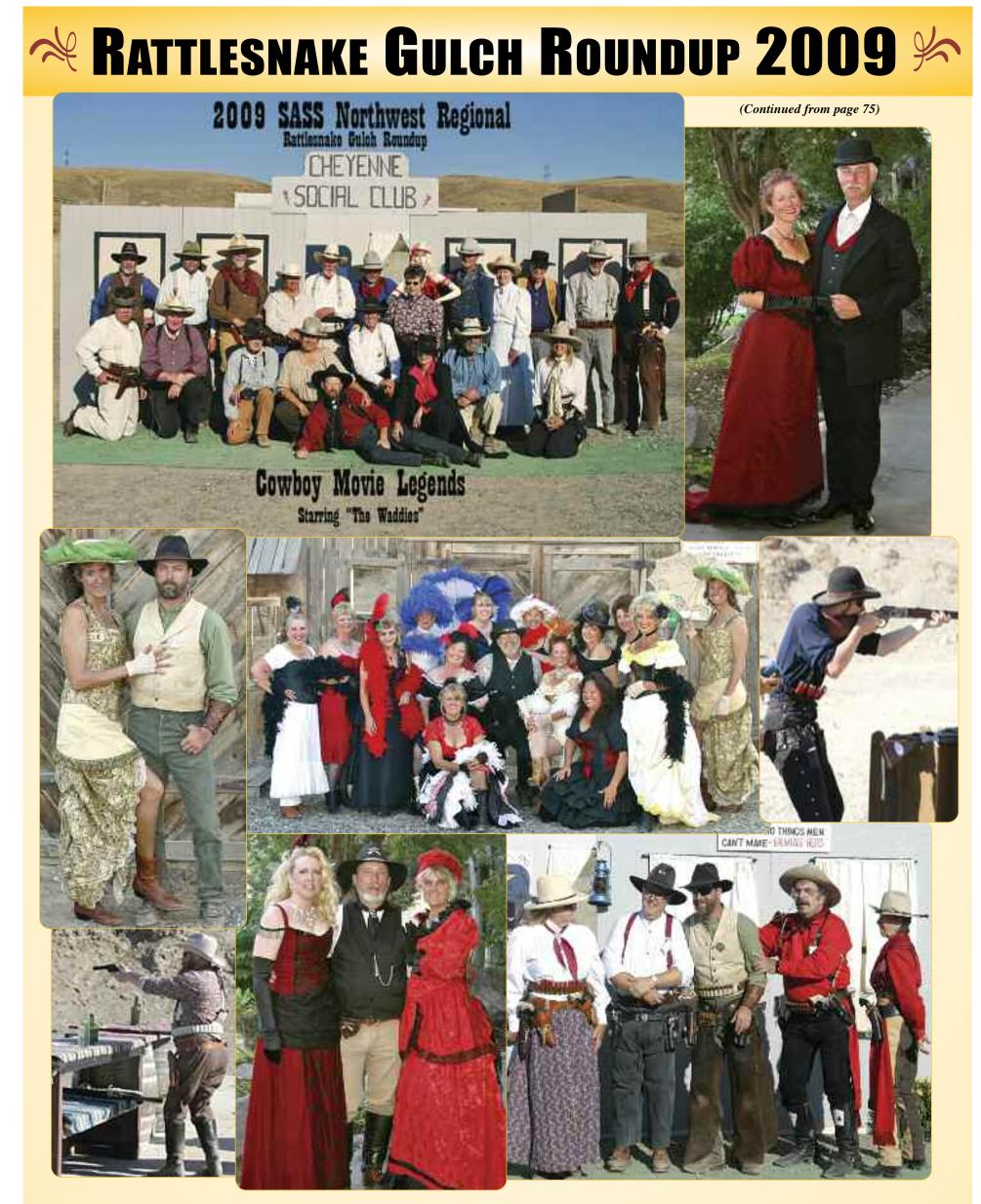


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	SASS #50730
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Best Shooting	Costumes
Lady	Snapshot Sal,
	SASS #67313
Man	Dakota Smith,
	SASS #2754
Junior	Pancake Poncho,
	SASS #79211
L Junior	Gold Dollar's Darlin',
	SASS #55034
Military	Hanibal Von Stormer,
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L B-Western	Diamondback Dottie,
	SASS #53439
B-Western	Kootenay Kid,
	SASS #72715

Best Evening Costumes				
Lady	Heather Hills,			
	SASS #78028			
Man	Paso Tom,			
	SASS #66808			
Junior Boy	Walks-a-Might,			
	SASS #62661			
Military	Colonel Douglas			
	Cedar, SASS #4578			
L B-Western	Lucky Lucy,			
	SASS #35334			
Couple	Hank Hills,			
	SASS #78029 and			
	Heather Hills,			
	SASS #78028			
Working Cowboy				
	Halfcocked Otis,			
	SASS #72017			
Soiled Dove	Stormy Jo,			
	SASS #12187			
Finest Derriere	Hoss Face,			
	SASS #17097			
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By Rye Creek Roberts, SASS #18503 Photos by Alan and Lorrie Lott, Mr. Quigley's Photography

# "Oh for the smell of blackpowder in the morning!"

ayson, AZ – For our 2009 match the Tonto Rim Marauders decided businesses that helped to make our local history should be a part of our stages. Therefore, after some research, all our stages bore the names of establishments that were a part of Payson, Arizona in the late 1800's.

The weather for our second annual blackpowder shootout was nothing less than perfect. Trailers and motor homes full of pards, old and new, began pulling in on Wednesday, May 13th. Stages were ready and guns cleaned, well except for ol' Silverado Cid's, SASS #51750. The welcoming committee was at the ready with shooters packets and information.

Thursday morning began with the boom and clouds of smoke of the longrange match. Continuing on throughout the day was several mini matches and the Plainsman event. This gave participants plenty of firearms to clean

and oil before the main match. That is, of course, except those guns belonging to Silverado Cid, which remained dirty.

As the sun broke over the mountains on Friday morning, many a cowpoke meandered through camp with coffee in hand readying for the first six stages of the main match. Cowboys and cowgirls blazed away throughout the match at stages consisting of a courthouse, theatre, mercantile, and ice cream stand.

During the days of the main match, and until the range closed, each participant had the opportunity to shoot for the Top Gun Award. This year we did something quite different. Shooters had to shoot stage 13 three times—once as Gunfighter, once as Duelist, and once using two hands. All guns were started on the table. To our surprise, we found this was very well received and gave every shooter an even chance.

After a Friday evening of much needed vittles and when darkness was upon us, a blackpowder night shoot was held. The rule of the night was the hotter the load, the better. It wasn't about the clang of the steel, but the fire and smoke! So exciting was this event Lorrie Lott of Quigley Photography put down her camera and joined us on the dark side! When all guns were put away it was time for a few liquid libations and spirited camaraderie.

Saturday arrived as another beautiful Arizona morning. Stages this day were comprised of a mineshaft, wagon, and saloon to test the shooter's ability. This day we were fortunate to have the local Payson Boy Scout troop to help with brass picking and preparation of the evening dinner.

Sunday morning began with Alan Lott of Quigley Photography conducting a marriage between Wily Yankee, SASS #63066, and Lola Jane, SASS #71423, right on the long-range field overlooking the amazing views of Arizona, and then quickly reassigned to run cowboy church. There is no better way to begin a day than to listen to Alan lift up the spirit of the cowpoke and gaze upon the distant Arizona

With scores tallied and put down to paper and ink, it was time for team shoots. Again this year, fairness was our main concern, so teams were picked by placing name badges in a hat and giving up to the luck of the draw. It was so popular many shot through two and three times. All too soon it had to end so the awards ceremony could begin.

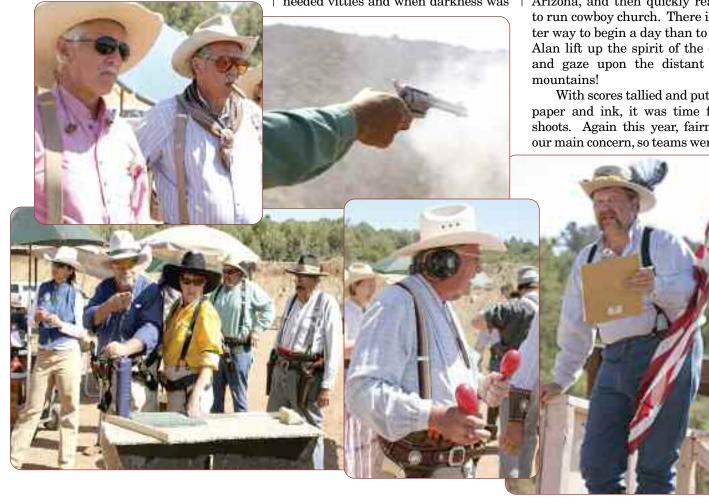
Awards were distributed in a timely manner to those who showed they were handy with the steel. This gave all those shooters from out of town plenty of time to hit the trail.

Our thanks go out to all our sponsors, also Lorrie and Alan of Quigley Photography for all the fun and great photos, and especially our staff-Silverado Cid who designed and wrote the stages; Jim Beam, SASS #7468, and Saddleback Kid, SASS #77080, who built the props and targets; and Dazzlin' Deb, SASS #51751, for scorekeeping.

Our 2010 event should be another no miss event. Out next Tonto Rim Smoke Out is May 13th through May 16th, 2010. For more information and applications go to:

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Winners				
B-Western	Marana Fred,			
	SASS #49193			
L F C Wrangler	Silver Heart,			
	SASS #48482			
F C Wrangler	Watch Ya Back,			
	SASS #61692			
$F \ C \ Cowboy$	Ruford Two Nickles,			
	SASS #72281			
F C Cowgirl	Mean Rayleen,			
	SASS #67283			
F C Classic	Wily Yankee,			
	SASS #63066			
F C Duelist	Silverado Cid,			
	SASS #51750			
F C Elder	Old Man Meadows,			
TECHIL	SASS #61837			
L F Cartridge	Pure Lilly,			
E Constant al an	SASS #6395			
F Cartridge	Pecos Clyde, SASS #48481			
S F Cartridge	Blue Ridge Ranger,			
S F Curtifuge	SASS #31232			
Frontiersman	Larsen E. Pettifogger,			
Frontiersman	SASS #32933			
Gunfighter	Hugo Bear,			
Gungighter	SASS #46193			
L F Cartridge	Lola Jane,			
	SASS #71423			
Smokeless	Harley B. Gone,			
	SASS #67282			





By Burly Bill Mayor of Buzzard Gulch, SASS #50840

ulsa, OK – W.C. Field once said, "Rumors of my death have been greatly exaggerated." So goes the same for the rumors about the death of the Indian Territory Single Action Shooting Society (ITSASS). On January 13. 2009 the ITSASS board received the letter every club dreads. "Your lease is cancelled." Well, at the time it seemed like the end of ITSASS. Where could we go? What seemed like a dastardly deed soon became a blessing in disguise. Then along came Tulsa's Red Castle Gun Club to the rescue. They invited ITSASS to become a division of their gun club. Not knowing if or how much of their town they could rebuild by the time Ruckus was supposed to happen, they had thought about not having the shoot at all. After all, it was April and the spring rains were starting. But, Robert Hinds, president of Red Castle, encouraged the group to continue the tradition. If all they could put together by September were hay bales and tables, then they could shoot off that.

With help from Red Castle and a crew of volunteer workers from ITSASS, the new cowboy town was started. Workdays were scheduled and workers showed up in amazing numbers. It looked like a full-blown construction crew! Before long the bones of the new town (Buzzard Glutch) were in place, and then even more volunteers came to help, and the plans had to be expanded and then expanded again. Even with all the building going on, they were able to start shooting only four months after losing their old range. On the last month before Ruckus, they had 100 shooters for the month of August!

Ruckus started with pre-shooters and rain the weekend before. Side matches began on Thursday with a bang! There were both smokeless and blackpowder side matches with three places given. Then, there was the trail walk with 15 HIDDEN targets ... 15 bullets. What a challenge! Thirteen hits by Kangaroo Pete and Rock Creek Bottoms topped the list. The knife throw and the tomahawk throw didn't go as well. By the time it was over, there wasn't a whole hawk or knife ... next year they might have to throw rubber knives and hawks! The frying pan toss was another big hit thanks to Fly who stood down range and hurled insults at the ladies throwing the pans. Catoosa Red took the insults to heart and bested all the rest.

The threat of rain had been looming for days, and Thursday night it came down in buckets, but to everyone's surprise Friday morning brought blue clear skies that lasted throughout the match. Friday started with the safety meeting and some words of wisdom. There was also a remembrance of Vigilante, one of their friends and fellow shooters that had been lost only two weeks before. Vigilante had been a long time Cowboy Action Shooter and member of ITSASS. He and his friend, Shawnee, had been the grounds keepers up until his heath prevented him from doing so.

There were five quick stages shot Friday morning before the shooters were shuttled to the clubhouse for lunch. Then, off to the long range for the big bore side matches. After the side matches, everyone moved up to the banquet building for a potluck dinner and side match awards. The addition of blackpowder and three placements were a big hit!

Saturday morning bloomed clear and blue with all the shooters ready for more fun stages, and from the overheard conversations, they were not disappointed. After the five stages, everyone retreated to the banquet building where lunch was served. I'm not sure if this was a shooting contest or an eating contest! The vendors were conveniently set up on the lawn, and everyone got to walk off their meal while shopping. There was still a lot of shooting going on at the camp, but most of it was shooting the bull. The banquet started at about 5:30 when the

Oklahoma Cowboy Band (featuring our own Fast Fingers Green), started playing. More great food was served up, and then main match awards were given. The band continued to play the best dancin' music ever! There was more than one cowboy who took his sweetheart for a whirl around the dance floor!

Sunday morning brought more clear, blue skies and even more shooting. The team matches included three fun stages. One of them had the shooters pulling pistols from under a blanket where there were at least two extra unload pistols under the blanket! Then on to the Husband and Wife Throw and Shoot ... all I can say about that is it was a good thing we were not cavemen and had to rely on throwing rocks to eat, but what fun it was!

Last but not least ... the Man on Man Shootout! There were some fast and furious rounds, but Tucson was the last person standing. As soon as the Man on Man was complete a "grudge match challenge" was announced between Fast Fingers Green and Matt Valentine— Fast Fingers prevailed, but before he could bask in his glory, he was challenged by none other than Echo Belle (his bestest shooting buddy). Fast Fingers didn't want to beat her too badly (she is only 11), so as soon *(Continued on next page)* 



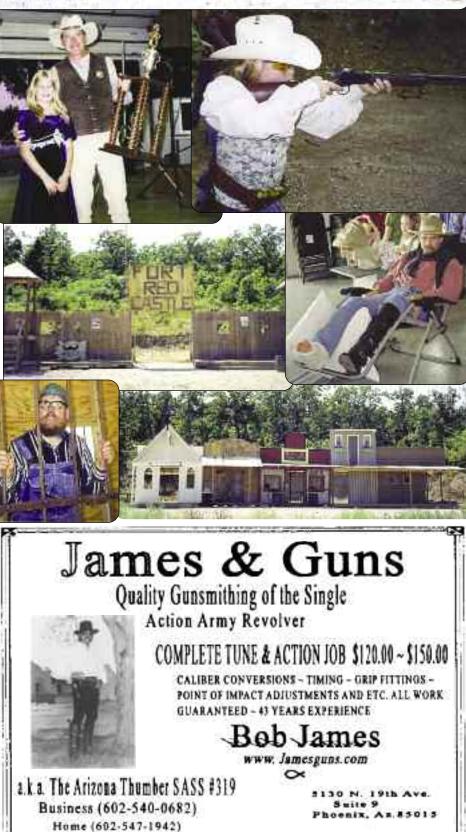




(Continued from previous page) as he made his first shot he looked over to see where she was, and she was already shooting her last shot! She left him there in the dirt! You should have seen her smile! With that, Ruckus in the Nations came to a happy end.

Thank you to all the volunteers, without you it could not have happened. Also, thank you to all the shooters!  $\pounds$ 

,	Winners
Overall	
Man	Roy's Creek Dan,
	SASS #73697
Lady	Kiamichi Queen,
·	SASS #26033
Categories	
49'er	Roy's Creek Dan
Wrangler	LeRoy Rogers,
0	SASS #49777
Senior	Montana Dan,
	SASS #15554
Cowboy	Okie Lawdog,
	SASS #79588
S Senior	Black River Jack,
	SASS #27175
B-Western	Fast Fingers Green,
	SASS #37898
L 49'er	Kiamichi Queen
C Cowboy	Bronco Red
E Statesman	Mud Puppy,
	SASS #68525
Gunfighter	Burly Bill,
Gungignien	SASS #50840
Duelist	Choctaw Jim,
	SASS #9437
L Wrangler	Missouri Mae,
	SASS #80828
Buckaroo	Hawkeye Okie,
	SASS #79590
S Duelist	Kangaroo Pete,
	SASS #68035
L F Cartridge	Querida Kate,
Li curringe	SASS #25555
L B-Western	Annie Hickock,
	SASS #37899
Frontiersman	Brazos Valley Kid,
I follotter ontant	SASS #55801
L Senior	Miss Mary Matilda,
	SASS #66348
Buckarette	Echo Belle,
	SASS #75636







# "Shootout at the No-Way Corral" 12th Annual Championship Of Cowboy Action Shooting™

By Buckeye Belle, SASS #8131

n the weekend of July 31 – August 3, 2009 the Alberta Frontier Shootist (AFS) Society made history by hosting the largest Cowboy Action Shooting<sup>TM</sup> event held in Canada to date. 134 shooters—from east to west, Ontario, British Columbia—even



Blackie, SASS #58846, makes a break for it on Stage 9 (Jailhouse). Stage theme—"The Good, The Bad, and The Ugly"—it's bounty collection time again, again, and again!



Buckeye Belle, SASS #8131, AFS Newsletter Editor

one from Australia. YeeHa!

The trailers and campers began rolling into the camping area as early as Tuesday prior to the event. The AFS range is located in the foothills of the Alberta Rocky Mountains. Visitors enjoy a beautiful park setting surrounding our Saloon. Traditional swinging doors lead out to a large front porch. Just this year, a covered back veranda was added facing the main campground. Camping area is dry, but a shower house for getting rid of some of the trail dust after shooting is available. With a cook shack, camp kitchen, and boardwalk connecting



Alberta Frontier Shootist Society VP, Whiskey Coulee, SASS #8130, gives the assembled crowd a hand for making this shoot such a huge success.





Santa Maria, SASS #46555, and One Eye Reb, SASS #46554, all decked out for the Sunday Awards Banquet. Not only did Santa Maria develop the stage scenarios for the Canadian Championships, she also made this fabulous dress—out of curtains no less! (Shades of Scarlet O'Hara.) She also made the complementary vest for husband, One Eye Reb—one very talented lady!

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all to the 49er Saloon, it's quite an impressive set up. And, we have quite the group of energetic cowpokes. Who knows what might be added for next year?

Actives began on Friday with side matches in the afternoon followed by Swap n' Meet that evening. The latter event is a great opportunity for new shooters to get costumes, gun leather, and even shootin' irons. It was also "Red Friday" with just about everyone wearing something red in support and recognition of our troops.

The main event began Saturday morning. This year's theme was popular western movies spanning the years from 1957's "3:10 to Yuma" to "Open Range" done in 2003. Our Shoot Director, Santa Maria, SASS #46555, took the rich material from the various movies we all know and love so well and turned out 10 outstanding stages for everyone's shooting enjoyment.

Shooting through five stages on Saturday and completing the remaining five stages on Sunday gave lots of time to refresh and reenergize for evening festivities. (Not to mention giving our hard working secretary, Mustang Heart, SASS #24909, comfortable time to tabulate scoring with her trusty sidekick, Seven-toed Pete, SASS #31229, assisting. For those who want to just "shoot-shoot," side matches held in the afternoon kept 'em going.

The Saturday night Saloon Gal/Soiled Dove contest yielded at least double the amount of entrants from last year, much to the appreciation of the gathered crowd. Doc Thompson, SASS #53294, had his hands full (pun intended) judging all the lovely ladies in attendance. He did his usual stellar job of entertaining all.

On Sunday everyone got gussied up for the Wine Promenade that preceded the Awards Banquet. D. Bogus Bandit, SASS #83582, was happy to serve a selection of fermented grape to the crowd while the costume judges reviewed the staggering amount of well turned out Ladies, Gentlemen, Cowboys, and Cowgirls ... not to mention outstanding recreations of various Frontier and Military costumes of the period. Once the delicious steak dinner was consumed various awards and prizes were handed out by the club President and Vice President.

As Sunday slowly faded away, a few wagons began rolling out, occupants reluctantly leaving behind a few days in the Ol' West to return to normal day-to-day living. But, I'm sure they left with much to reminisce about during the year and anticipation of returning for next year's event. A



Our camping area nestled in the foothills of the beautiful Canadian Rocky Mountains. This shot was taken early in the week. The back porch of the Saloon is visible to the left.







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# "Shootout at Horseridge and the 2009 SASS Governor's Cup" Has Its Champions?

By Leggs Balou, SASS Regulator #10400

Bend, OR – Here we go, it's time to hang on to yer bootstraps! SASS Cowboy Action Shooters headed once again to Pistolero country. This is a much-anticipated event that has become an annual reunion of shooters for 14 years and is still going strong!

Shooters from Australia, the great Northwest, and as far south as Louisiana quickly generated a sense of anticipation that electrified the usually peaceful warm desert air. Most folks tell us they keep coming back because it's one of their favorite annual matches!

Every year Horse Ridge Pistoleros kicks off our event with a Buffalo shoot, various long range and speed sides, and cowboy trap. This year our speed matches were dominated by a few top shooters, while the big bore and long range match-



Constable Nelson traveled from the "land down under" to spread cheer and friendship—and he can be pretty cheery!

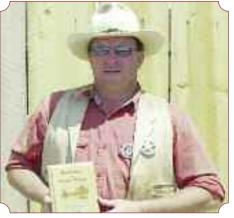
es were won by several newer participants. A favorite among the most daring and competitive shooters is the "Ore Cart Ride" where we ride the speeding ore cart, blazing away with our six-guns and rifle! It's a ride you won't want to take just once!

Friday morning the 12 stage main match got underway as bullets pounded steel and gunsmoke filled the morning air. Shooting the "bad guy" earned you a bonus, and "hostages" provided some shooters with challenge, while others with opportunity. Doors were shot open to quickly git to yer pardner. There was a good balance of gunfighter friendly stages, stages with plenty of movement, and a stand and deliver stage with a big buffalo all-gun "dump." Match officials were pleased to hear the overall feedback—"they were a lot of fun!"

The Horse Ridge Pistoleros held their 1st Annual Wild Bunch<sup>™</sup> side match in July of 2008, then introduced the "1st Annual Great Northwest SASS Wild Bunch<sup>™</sup> Championship" this past May. The level of participation for the Wild Bunch<sup>™</sup> side match for this year's match doubled that of 2008, with half our main match competitors shooting the event! It's exciting to see a new SASS discipline gain so much attention in just one year and create such a great level of excitement for so many shooters!

Of course a Shootout at Horse Ridge match would not be complete without the traditional and much anticipated Sunday morning "Master Gunfighter" finale! As the top men and women shootit-out to become the "Master Gun-





2009 SASS Governors Cup Champion— Wogg, SASS #28699. Congratulations!



Leggs Ballou was the recipient of the "Let 'er Buck" Award for outstanding Horse Ridge Pistoleros service. This "traveling trophy" is passed on to the new recipient each year along with a personal plaque they can keep for themselves.



Wild Bunch<sup>™</sup> Champions—(l-r) Matt Masterson, Traditional; Last Chance Morales, Modern and Overall; and Buckshot Shell-E, Lady. The Wild Bunch<sup>™</sup> event is gaining huge popularity both here and across the country. Give it a try! fighters," we also watch the top Governors shoot-it-out to become this year's "SASS Governors Cup Champion!"

The real fun starts when the shooters first draw their partners. You can expect to see sons against fathers, Elder Statesmen or Grand Dames against Juniors! (And, many times experience wins out over youthful speed!) The crowd participation is in full force, too. Spectators clap, laugh, frown, heckle, and grin, all in friendly humor as the 32 competitors are eliminated one by one.

The three Master Gunfighters that shot at the top of their game are: Man – Constable Nelson, Lady – Belinda Belle, and the 2009 SASS Governors Cup Champion – Wogg (for the 2nd consecutive year)! Constable Nelson surprised everyone, especially Belinda Belle, when he planted that last second "good luck" kiss, just before the two Master Gunfighters shot it out (for bragging rights).

Following a complementary Horse Ridge Pistolers' lunch, the Awards Ceremony commenced. The Champion shooters and winners received handsomely designed wood plaques engraved by Laserhound. The Clean Match Winners received the very cute Horse Ridge Pistoleros Clean Match pins. And, the Wild Bunch<sup>™</sup> Champions received beautiful gold and silver engraved trophy buckles. Another Horse Ridge Pistoleros tradition is to award the Horse Ridge Pistoleros' "Let 'er Buck" Award for outstanding club service. For 13 years this plaque has been passed on from recipient to recipient. This year I was very honored to have been voted to be the 2009 "Let 'er Buck" recipient!

The coveted SASS Governor's Cup is passed on in the same manner. It is a beautiful large gold cup award, with brass name plaques on the four-sided base with each SASS Governor who has won the Championship. And, for both the Let 'er Buck Award and the SASS Governors Cup Champion, Horse Ridge Pistoleros also present them their very own award plaque to keep.

As the award ceremony continued, raffles were won, more prizes were drawn, pictures were taken, hugs and kisses were shared and alas, everyone bids their goodbye until next year.

The sweetest surprise came Sunday morning when co-Match Director Big Casino was called away (once again), this time to welcome in a new strong and healthy, but sevenweek early grandson! Later that week our prayers were answered, as we got news that everyone was recovering well. The Pistoleros were also blessed with wonderful friends and shooters who exhibited the best of the "Cowboy Way," by selflessly jumping in and lending a much appreciated hand as several of our volunteers were called away for family emergencies. A special "thank-you" goes to CD Tom, Louisiana Lady, and Matt Masterson.

Congratulations to all who joined us in 2009! In our book, you're all Champions! Come join us again in 2010 for the Great Northwest

SASS Wild Bunch<sup>TM</sup> Championship June 4-5-6, and the 15th Annual Shootout at Horse Ridge SASS Governor's Cup July 22 - 26th.

View complete three level category winners, upcoming events, and our newsletter on our website at:

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

Habama Regulators" (NAR). This 13<sup>th</sup> annual "Ambush at Cavern Cove" highlighted the Clint Eastwood character "Josey Wales." Each of the 10 stages invoked a notable line from the silver screen drama.

Last year I met Two Ponies, SASS #18032, vice president of the NAR, at another state shoot. He invited me to the Alabama State shoot. He said I would not be disappointed, and he was right. Club President May Lillie, SASS #4316, did an excellent job hosting the event. And the LORD blessed us with good weather. It says in Psalms 33:12a "Blessed is the Nation whose God is the Lord ..." And, blessed we all were by the wonderful opening ceremony. It started with a group dressed in mid-1700 attire marching in with flag, drum, and fife. Then a most dramatic audio was played describing the eyewitness account of Francis Scott Key depicting the events leading up to the writing of our "Star Spangled Banner." It was so moving there was nary a dry eye.

The Club is located 45 minutes east of Huntsville, Alabama near Cathedral Caverns State Park. They are a way back in the woods off the hardtop. When you arrive on site it opens up into a very nice facility in kind of a box canyon. They have several great looking permanent stages that are well constructed.

On Thursday October 1 there were RO-I and RO-II classes and plenty of vendors to check out followed by "Hospitality Night Free Dinner" under the pavilion. Friday brought on more vendors, Side Matches, and a catfish/chicken dinner served under the pavilion at a modest price. On Saturday four main stages were shot followed by lunch and then two more stages. Sunday morning breakfast was topped off with a very large crowd at Cowboy Church. They received the Word of The Lord graciously and then adjourned to finish the last four stages of the match. I kind of like shooting six stages on the first day and four on the second day of a two-day match. It's much easier on an old timer like me.

The top three shooters were: Sidekick

Badlands Drifter

Tall Drink A Water I would like to thank May Lillie, Two Ponjes, and the rest of

Lillie, Two Ponies, and the rest of the good folks at the North Alabama Regulators for a time well spent. You can check out their club at

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By SunShine Marcie, SASS #64900

argent, WV – It was that time of year again, time for some Wild West fun at Appalachian Showdown, home of the SASS 2009 West Virginia State Championship. Cowboys and Cowgirls came from 14 different states, including West Virginia. The lead started flying at the Singing Hills Ranch bright and early on Friday, September 25th with side match day. Side matches included speed and long range events, pocket pistol, derringer, and Fort Mayhem.

On Saturday, the opening ceremony started all the excitement. Last Word, SASS #22225, was rewarded with a SASS Regulators badge, and Queen of Hearts SASS #9938, was rewarded with a C.A.S.S. rangers badge! CONGRATULATIONS cowgirls!!! After the National Anthem and a prayer, the shooting began with a buffalo bonus and a smile. All the main stages were based on the TV series "Maverick," so if you looked real close, you may have seen some Indians. The rain held off until the last stage. After a long day of being attacked by the Apaches, playing poker on a riverboat, and knocking out the town bully, everyone was drawn together by an old fashioned pig roast. With a little rain, everyone told their tales of the day's events. Hits, misses, throwing the strongbox ... it all makes for a good story!

With four main stages to go, Sunday began with a Nevada sweep and loot from a bank robbery. Although you never saw the loot, it ended up in your saddlebags. The law was after you! To hide from the law, everyone gathered under the pavilion for side match awards followed by category and costume contest winners. Last but not least, the overall match winner and men's WV State Champion is Twin. The ladies overall winner and WV State Champion is SunShine Marcie. At the final event, the crowds gathered around the stagecoach for the top gun shoot off. Last Word, the ladies champion, defeated Twin, the men's champion. We all know who cooked supper that night!

So, as Bart's pappy always says, "Don't play with strangers, the friends you have are dangerous enough." Come join your friends next year at the Appalachian Showdown XIX, September 24th, 25th, and 26th, 2010! *A* 



Match Winner and West Virginia's SASS State Male Champion—Twin. Another great performance!



West Virginia's SASS State Lady Champion—SunShine Marcie. Congratulations!



Devil's Bliss, SASS #58818, was recognized for her fine costuming as the Best Dressed Working Cowgirl



Side M	latch Winners
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Lady	Tricky Trina,
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Lady	Miss Shir Dar,
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Man	Twin, SASS #9553
Lady	Tricky Trina,
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Lever Action	Pistol Caliber
Man	Twin, SASS #9553
Lady	Side Saddle Sue,
·	SASS #73023

Lever Action I	Rifle Caliber
Man	Three Toed Pete,
	SASS #81589
Lady	Tricky Trina,
	SASS #59582
Single shot	
Man	Three Toed Pete,
	SASS #81589
Lady	Bonnie Dee,
	SASS #28413
Speed Rifle	
Man	Dig'em Deep,
	SASS #12251
Lady	Last Word,
	SASS #22225
Speed Pistol	
Man	Walker Colt,
	SASS #3035
Lady	Bdoc, SASS #76983

Speed Shotgun	- Model '97
Man	Wingem,
	SASS #14462
Lady	Queen of Hearts,
	SASS #9938
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Man	Goatneck Clem,
	SASS #16787
Lady	Snapshot Sandy,
	SASS #71498
Fort Mayhem	
Man	Twin, SASS #9553
Lady	Queen of Hearts,
	SASS #9938
Top Gun Shoot	-off
Man	Twin, SASS #9553
Lady	Last Word,
	SASS #22225
Last Word was t	he last one standing!!!

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WV State Cham	pions
Match Winner and	d Man
	Twin, SASS # 9553
<b>Overall Lady</b>	SunShine Marcie,
	SASS #64900
<b>Category Winne</b>	rs
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L Wrangler	Kiddo Caldwell,
	SASS #55504
49'er	Cody Conagher,
	SASS #6986
L 49'er	Lena Ockley,
	SASS #6987
Gunfighter	Walker Colt,
	SASS #3035
L Gunfighter	Lilly Parker,
	SASS #8573
Cowboy	Trapper Dan,
	SASS #40361
Cowgirl	SunShine Marcie,
	SASS #64900
Senior	Geronimo Jim,
	SASS #21775
L Senior	Queen of Hearts,
	SASS #9938

Duelist	Big Fred,
	SASS #28338
Buckaroo	Lost Rider,
	SASS #77567
E Statesman	Will Kilya,
	SASS #39148
Grand Dame	Bonnie Dee,
Grana Danie	SASS #28413
S Senior	Mr. Pistol,
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	SASS #15157
F Cartridge	Jug Browning,
	SASS #22356
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F C Duelist	Chance Calico,
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	SASS #25400

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	Buzzard Breath,
	SASS #1926
Hardrode Memo	orial Award,
34	th place overall finish–
	Wingem,
	SASS #14462
Three Barb Ben	nson Mem. Award,
	64th place overall
	finish –
	Bad Norseman,
	SASS #21962
<b>Costume Cont</b>	test Winners
Best Dressed	Working
Cowboy	Bull Shoals,
	SASS #24500
Cowgirl	Devil's Bliss,
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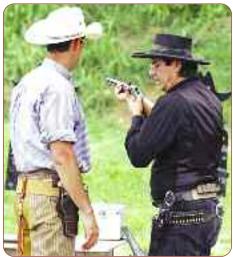
Bad Penny, SASS #1453



**Club** Crest

**B**rescia, Italy – A two hour drive almost due east of the great city of Milan, in the Northern Italian district of Lombardy, sits the city of Brescia. There you'll find a valley called Gardone Val Trompia, which is famous all over the world for the making of fine firearms. Storied names such as Chiappa Firearms and FAP F.lli Pietta are enough to make any Cowboy Action Shooter's fingers tingle with thoughts of stroking the lever of a finely tuned '73 or slipping the hammer thong from a beautifully made Colt clone.

And there, too, you'll find the



Lassiter passing on "secrets."



Lassiter with pards, Master Rino, SASS #5742, and Andro, SASS #80758

LSFC variously called the Lassiter Fan Shooting Club, the Lassiter Shooting Fan Club, and on its crest, Lassiter Fans Club, but probably most apt for the English language, the Fans of Lassiter Shooting Club.

You all must have read that article in the January Cottoboy Chronicle about the Evil Roy Secret Posse Group all dressed identically as Evil Roy that springs out from a hidden location in the remote Utah Mountains to stun unsuspecting Cowboy Action Shooters across the country. So when I found the Fans of Lassiter Shooting Club, I had the terrible vision of many cloned Italian Lassiters emerging from the Gardone Val Trompia wielding 1887 ArmiChiappa shotguns with awesome speed and deadly efficiency.

Thankfully, this isn't so. Thankfully because it can be an unsettling experience for the iconic figures that attract such tributes. It must be like walking into a Hall of Distorting Mirrors at the fall fair to see oneself so randomly reproduced.

"No, they don't dress like me," says Lassiter. "But they made me into a club, and I have an official license that says I am an official Italian shooting club. It's just a little surreal."

The seeds for the LSFC were planted in 2007 when a group of Italians led by Susanna and Rino Chiappa and Alessandro Pieta went to their first END of TRAIL in New Mexico. By Bad Penny, SASS #1453

**BUNKHOUSE BIDNESS** 

LASSITER FAN SHOOTING CLUB

Brescia, Lombardy, Northern Italy



**Posse picture** 



And the winner is ... SASS Italy vice president Marshal Steven Gardiner, SASS #64522, presents Doc Stampede, SASS #78249, with the Coppa d'Italia.

"There we met Lassiter," remembers Virginia West, SASS #73458, the LFSC vice president and the Chiappa's youngest daughter. "Some of us started talking to him and became fascinated by his way of living this Cowboy Action Shooting™ game."

But the thing that won them over completely "was how he taught all his shooting secrets so openly to other shooters."

It's The Cowboy Way.



Safety meeting at dawn

Lassiter, for his part, says the Italians were so likable they were impossible to resist, and "I like helping people."

He helped develop the Chiappa 1887 lever action shotgun and his is the "official torture test gun," he laughs.

"I'll put at least three boxes through it every day, and I'll probably shoot it more than anyone else would in 10 years," he says by way of explanation.

Thus, good friendships and a club were born.

In 2008 after another END of TRAIL spent together, Lassiter went to Italy with his wife Ms. Bonnie to



On to the next stage

attend the European END of TRAIL. The first day of the match was Lassiter and Ms. Bonnie's 25th wedding anniversary. By the end of the match Lassiter and Ms. Bonnie felt so at home they renewed their wedding vows during the awards ceremony.

"At the very beginning the LSFC was only a pin we put on our hats in honor of Lassiter," says Virginia West. "Now, it is a real SASS affiliated club."



Tomboy Jeky, SASS #74072, wants the truth



Loading and unloading tables



Looking good

Lining up for Lady's Costume Contest

The three amigos who founded the club are vice-president Virginia West, president Tomboy Jeky, SASS #74072, and her husband Ivan Bandito, SASS #74071. He also makes the club's steel targets. Virginia West describes this pair as "very funny 'thirty somethings' who really love this sport."

The membership comes from all over Italy, and "we aren't just a standard club," she says. "We are first of all friends who want to have fun together, and we organize dinners and pool parties in the summer as well as shoots."

"In Italy Cowboy Action Shooting<sup>TM</sup> started spreading in 2005," Virginia West recalls. "This was thanks to Wild Wild West, an association promoted by Chiappa Firearms and FAP F.lli Pieta. They moved around the country putting on a match every weekend, never twice consecutively with the same club, and lending guns to new shooters. It



The three LFSC founders



Couples costume contest

grew fast and became the Old West Shooting Society and in 2007 affiliated with SASS, becoming SASS-Italy. Now in Italy, there are about 500 Cowboy Action Shooters!"

The club system is still in its infancy with only 10 clubs operating.

"We all hold a couple of matches during the year plus the National Championship. About 25 people come to the club matches and roughly 80 shooters attend the annual match," says Virginia West. "We have a special match called 'Shoot Off Day.' It's made up of one on one shoot-offs and side matches in order to have plenty of fun. It is usually the first Sunday in October, and the prizes are everyday products like wine and salami."

Few clubs own their own ranges.

"Our favorite range is in Mazzano. It has hosted the European END of TRAIL (EEOT) in the past. It's an abandoned gravel pit owned by a gun dealer," says Virginia West. "It is quite big with15 bays and a couple of buildings, and there are some wood props made for the international competitions that we use from time to time. We are looking for a range to buy, but it isn't easy."

Virginia West and the other members of the club all pitch in drawing up the stages for matches.

"I've followed a couple of stage designs used in the past," she says, confessing she is a member of that wonderful posse—The Stage Robbers. "For the big annual matches, the Italian Wild Bunch write up the stages," she says.

The qualifications for being a member of the LSFC are simple. You must have a sense of humor, you must live the Cowboy Way, and, of course, be a fan of Lassiter. The membership is growing with every match, but there is a snag. No one under 18 can shoot a firearm in Italy. "I am the youngest," Virgina says. "And I am 19."

But she learned well and in a hurry. In September 2008 she was Top Lady and 6th overall at the 1st SASS French Championship at the Paris Western Show shot at the Tir Versailles. Tomboy Jeky was second lady and 7th overall. This bunch is dangerous!

The majority of members of LSFC are women and some take costuming very seriously "and come to the range and to conventions with brand new wonderful dresses every time," says Virginia West.

She has only one tip for forming a club. "If you create a club, be sure to do it with people you like and enjoy." Everything else will take care of itself! e-mail:

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Virginia West, SASS #73458, draws a bead



Hot and heavy action



# **THUNDER VALLEY** The Double R-Bar Regulators Match

### By Madd Mike, SASS Life/Regulator #8595

The word waz out, there was fighten to be had at a place sometimes known as Thunder Valley. That fact had inspired the three-hour, high speed drive in the modern day covered wagon (Saturn). This drive was after Early Dawn and Madd Mike crawled out of their warm cozy bed on that very early Sunday morning.

As they opened the front door of their homestead that predawn morning, only after peeking out of the <u>shooting</u> <u>cross slots</u> built into the <u>heavily timbered plank door (that's a lie)</u>, they waz, gazing for the tell tale signs of lurking saddle tramps or bush whackers, as are often spotted in the remote desert where they try ta hide. Instead they were greeted with cool crisp air, and a sky still clutching its black background, a background that was enhanced with the twinkle of a vast universe full of stars. The ominous 10,000 ft. peak on the horizon showed a white capping of beautiful virgin snow, highlighted by the dim light of the starry night. What a start to what would become a great day in life of the every day Cowboy Action Shooting<sup>TM</sup> shooter willing to travel.

The heavily braced pair was apprehensive yet excited, knowing full well they were headed for one of the greatest little western towns known to man, located in the rugged southwestern rock and brush country. The slight apprehension was due to the reputation of the destination. A sometimes hot and dusty speck in the territory of California known for its, rip roaring 1800's Tombstone-like gun fighting reputation.

The town was full of what looked like all bad hombres, as we pulled up to the hitching post out front.

We soon found badly needed hot coffee and old friends. One of the deadest fellers known to man signed 'em in (Prof Bullspit), but the pair, refused to give up their guns. After many hello's to old friends and the introduction to new ones, we were fully geared up and ready for action. Would ... could ... we possibly survive what was about to transpire?

The town soon erupted into an almost steady echo of gunfire as the stages were announced as fair game to the dozens of outlaws on hand, placing them under siege with heavy smoke and lead flying towards their intended targets. There were birds hiding behind woodpiles ta shoot, nasty peach cans on fence posts for pistol practice, and, of course, there was the usual saloon that needed clearing out. (We paid the posse leader to "NOT" demonstrate the proper use of the brass dance pole by the real piano!)

Perhaps the best of all waz a great rifleman stage. "Start standing like Chuck Conners" with rifle horizontal at yer waist, then ye're turned loose to blast yer rifle from the hip (bonus) as you walked down the path in front of you, looking fer them dirty low down varmints that waz needin' extermination. (Actually one huge target.) What a hoot! The smoke got thicker on that stage with the rapid fire going on.

When it was all said and done, the day turned out to be a 10+, hosting perfect weather, super duper stage writing, and magnificent folks.

This was soooooo ... worth the trip, that them two gun tote-in Nevadans not only survived the festivities, but they will be returning to this western town for the all shotgun match planned to clear the town of bad hombres again sometime in the near future.

Thank you to all that put this shoot on, as that takes dedication.

And thank you, to those that showed up to enjoy the fruits of their labor, and the making of new priceless memories. www.rrbarregulators.com/RRBar-Home.html



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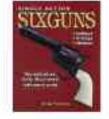
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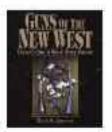
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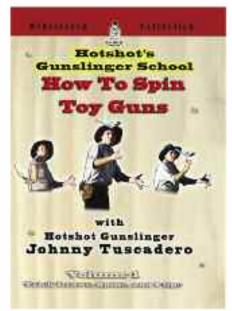
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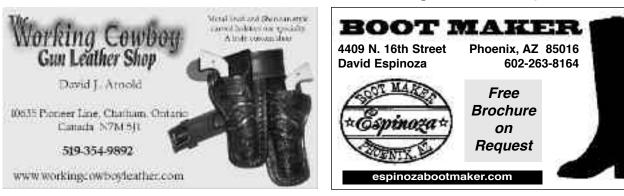
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	2nd & 5th Sat	Ozark Outlaw	501-362-2963	Heber Springs	AR	Antelope Junction Rangers	Fridays	Mayeye Rider	727-736-3977	Pineallas Park	FL
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	1st Sat	L. Topay	305-233-5756	Fort Lauderdale	FL	Deadwood Marshals	4th Sat	Barkeeps	225-715-8711	Sorrento	LA
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old Coast Gunslingers lowey In the Hills Cowboys	1st Sat	Lady Robin			FI '	Danvers Desperados		('write ('w Kloppe	781_667 7857	Middleton	
Gold Coast Gunslingers Howey In the Hills Cowboys Ghost Town Gunslingers	1st Sun	Copenhagen	904-808-8559	St. Augustine	FL FL	Danvers Desperados Harvard Ghost Riders	As Sched As Sched	Cyrus Cy Klopps Yosemite Kid	781-667-2857 781-373-2411	Middleton Harvard	
Gold Coast Gunslingers Howey In the Hills Cowboys Ghost Town Gunslingers Hernando County Regulators Fort White Cowboy Cavalry	1st Sun 1st Sun 2nd Sat				FL FL FL	Danvers Desperados Harvard Ghost Riders Shawsheen River Rangers	As Sched As Sched As Sched	Cyrus Cy Klopps Yosemite Kid Yukon Willie	781-373-2411 978-663-3342	Middleton Harvard Bedford	MA MA
Gold Coast Gunslingers Howey In the Hills Cowboys Shost Town Gunslingers Hernando County Regulators Jort White Cowboy Cavalry Dieechobee Marshals	1st Sun 1st Sun	Copenhagen Shady Brady	904-808-8559 352-686-1055	St. Augustine Brooksville	FL	Harvard Ghost Riders	As Sched	Yosemite Kid	781-373-2411	Harvard	MA MA MA MD

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Club Name	Sahad	Contact	Dhono	City	State	Club Nome	Sched.	Contact	Dhono	City	Stata
Thurmont Rangers	Sched. 1st Sun	Contact Cody Conagher	Phone 304-258-1419	<b>City</b> Thurmont	State MD	Club Name Border Rangers	2nd Sun (Apr-Oct)	Contact	Phone 607-724-6216	v	State
Monocacy Irregulars	2nd Sat	Church Key	304-229-8266	Frederick	MD MD	Hole In The Wall Gang NY	3rd Sat	Dammit Dick El Fusilero	631-864-1035	Greene Calverton	NY NY
Damascus Wildlife Rangers	4th Sat (Mar-Nov)	Chuckaroo	301-831-9666 207-698-4436	Damascus Sanford / Springvale	MD ME	Diamond Four	3rd Sat (Apr-Oct)	Kayutah Kid	607-796-0573 518-885-3758	Odessa Dollatan Smo	NY NY
Beaver Creek Desperados Big Pine Bounty Hunters	As Sched As Sched	Jimmy Reb Ripley Scrounger	207-876-3541	Willmantic	ME ME	Circle K Regulators D Bar D Wranglers	3rd Sun 4th Sat	Smokehouse Dan Captain M.A.F	845-226-8611	Ballston Spa Wappingers Fall	
Blue Hill Regulators Capitol City Vigilance Committee	As Sched As Sched	Dangerous D. Daltor Mark Lake	207-667-3586 207-622-9400	Blue Hill Augusta	ME ME	The Long Riders Mythical Rough Riders	4th Sun 5th Sun	Loco Poco Lobo Rev Dave Clayton	585-467-4429 716-838-4286	Shortsville Hamburg	NY NY
Hurricane Valley Rangers	As Sched	Leo	207-829-3092	Falmouth	ME	Rockdale Renegades	As Sched	Scheriff Richie	607-783-2752	Rockdale	NY
Rockford Regulators Butcher Butte Bunch	1st Sat 2nd Sun	No Cattle Grubby Hardrock	616-363-2827 810-750-0655	Rockford Fenton	MI MI	The Shadow Riders East End Regulators	As Sched Last Sun	Dusty Levis Diamond Rio	646-284-4010 631-585-1936	Westhampton Beach Westhampton	h NY NY
Double Barrel Gang	2nd Sun	Dakota Fats	269-721-8190	Hastings	MI	Sackets Harbor Vigilantes	Last Sun Ran	ger Clayton Conagher	315-465-6543	Sackets Harbor	NY
Chippewa Regulators Sucker Creek Saddle & Gun Club	3rd Sat 3rd Sat	Lazy Eye Ben Cree Vicar Dave	906-632-2720 989-654-3636	Sault Ste. Marie Breckenridge	MI MI	Big Irons Middletown Sportsmens Club, Inc.	1st Sat 1st Sat	Deadwood Stan Deadwood Stan	513-894-3500 513-894-3500	Middletown Middletown	OH OH
Hidden Valley Cowboys	3rd Sun	Saulk Valley Stubby	269-651-5197	Sturgis	MI	Tusco Long Riders	1st Sat	Split Rail	330-364-6185	Midvale	OH
Eagleville Cowboys Johnson Creek Regulators	4th Sat 4th Sat	Trusty Rusty Gabby Glenn	231-342-6462 248-474-0590	Central Lake Plymouth	MI MI	West Jeff Ghostriders Firelands Peacemakers	1st Sun 1st Wed, 3rd Sat	Col. Cord McNalley	614-563-6070	West Jefferson	OH
Rocky River Regulators	As Sch	Terrebonne Bud	248-709-5254	Utica	MI		& 5th Sun	Johnny Shiloh	440-984-4551	Rochester	OH
Saginaw Field & Stream Club Lapeer County Sportsmans	As Sched	Bad River Marty	989-585-3292	Saginaw	MI	Sandusky County Regulators Shenango River Rats	2nd Sat 2nd Sat & 4th Sun	Woodfox	419-726-7950	Gibsonburg	OH
Club Wranglers	Sun	Ricochet Bill	810-441-2438	Attica	MI	e	(May-Oct)	Shenango Joe	330-782-0958	Yankee Lake	OH
Cedar Valley Vigilantes Crow River Rangers	1st & 3rd Sat 1st Sun	D M Yankee Cantankerous Jeb	612-701-9719 763-682-3710	Morristown Howard Lake	MN MN	Miami Valley Cowboys Scioto Territory Desperados Inc.	2nd Sun 3rd & 5th Sun	Buckshot Jones Pickaway Tracker	937-418-7816 740-477-1881	Piqua Chillicothe	OH OH
Lookout Mountain Gunsmoke	2nd Sat	Weconweater	218-744-4694	Vincinio	MN	Wilmington Rough Riders	3rd Sat	Paragon Pete Diamond Desperado	740-626-7667	Wilmington	OH OH
Society Granite City Gunslingers	2nd Sat 2nd Sat & 5th Sat	Wagonmaster Rev. Cepheus	320-267-6576	Virginia Saint Cloud	MN	AuGlaize Rough Riders Ohio Valley Vigilantes	3rd Sun Deputy 4th Sat	Diamond Desperado D. J. McDraw	419-722-6345	Defiance Mt. Vernon	OH
East Grand Forks Rod & Gun Club Ike's Clantons	3rd Sun 4th Sun (Apr-Sep)	BB Gunner Dawgnapper	218-779-8555 320-275-2052	East Grand Forks New Ulm	MN MN	Central Ohio Cowboys Jackson Six Shooters	4th Sun Last Sat (Mar-Oct)	Stagecoach Hannah Flat Iron Fred	614-868-9821 330-538-2690	Circleville North Jackson	OH OH
The Ozark Posse	1st Sat	Tightwad Swede	417-846-5142	Cassville	MO	Shortgrass Rangers	1st Sat & 3rd Sun	Captain Allyn Capro	n 580-357-5870	Grandfield	OK
Rocky Branch Rangers West Plaines Waddies	1st Sun 2nd & 5th Sat	Iza Littleoff Buckshot Baby	816-524-1462 417-284-1432	Higginsville Tecumseh	MO MO	Cherokee Strip Shootists Rattlesnake Mountain Rangers	1st Sun 2nd Sat	Paladenton Black River Jack	405-547-2533 918-908-0016	Stillwater Checotah	OK OK
Moniteau Creek River Raiders	2nd Sun	Doolin Riggs	573-687-3103	Fayette	MO	Tulsey Town Cattlemens					
Central Ozarks Western Shooters Gateway Shootist Society	3rd Sun 3rd Sun	X S Chance Bounty Seeker	573-765-5483 636-464-6569	St. Robert St. Louis	MO MO	Association Oklahoma Territorial Marshals	2nd Sat & 4th Sat 2nd Sat & 4th Sun	Curly Thom Mabry Missouri Mae	918-376-4376 405-373-1472	Tulsa Oklahoma City	OK OK
Southern Missouri Rangers	4th Wknd	Smokie	417-759-9114	Willard	MO	Indian Territory Single Action	2nd Sun, 3rd Sat, 4th	Wed		2	
Natchez Six Gunners Mississippi Peacemakers	1st Sat 3rd Sat	Winchester Squinter	601-445-5223 601-825-8640	Natchez Mendenhall	MS MS	Shooting Society Tater Hill Regulators	& 5th Sun 3rd Sun	Burly Bill Taos Willie	918-830-2936 918-355-2849	Sand Springs Tulsa	OK OK
Mississippi River Rangers	4th & 5th Sat	Easy Lee	662-838-7451	Byhalia	MS	Horse Ridge Pistoleros Inc.	1st & 3rd Sun	Big Casino	541-389-2342	Bend	OR
Honorable Road Agents Shooting Society	1st Sat	Diamond Red	406-685-3618	Ennis	MT	Dry Gulch Desperados Merlin Marauders	1st Sat 1st Sat	Runamuck Bear Bone Smith	509-525-2984 541-582-4144	Milton Freewater Merlin	r OR OR
Sun River Rangers Shooting						Molalla River Rangers	1st Sat	Gold Dust Bill	503-705-1211	Canby	OR
Society Gallatin Valley Regulators	1st Sun & 4th Sat 2nd Sat (Apr-Sep)	Jeb Stuart Gooch Hill Drifter	406-727-7625 406-763-4268	Simms Logan	MT MT	Siuslaw River Rangers Table Rock Rangers	1st Sun 1st Sun & 2nd Sat	Johnny Jingos Jed I. Knight	541-997-6313 541-944-2281	Florence White City	OR OR
Rocky Mountain Rangers	2nd Wknd	Jocko	406-847-0745	Noxon	MT	Pine Mountain Posse	2nd Sun	Cowboss	541-548-7325	Bend	OR
Bigfork Buscaderos Last Chance Handgunners	3rd Sat 3rd Sat (Apr-Jul)	Bodie Camp Bocephus Bandito	406-883-6797 406-439-4476	Bigfork Boulder	MT MT	Klamath Cowboys Jefferson State Regulators	2nd Sun & 4th Sat 3rd Sat	Mad River Mongo Jed I. Knight	541-884-1905 541-944-2281	Keno Ashland	OR OR
Lincoln County Regulators	4th Sat	Gideon Withette	406-250-4790	Eureka	MT	Oregon Trail Regulators	3rd Sat	Willie Killem	541-443-6591	La Grande	OR
Montana Territory Peacemakers Yellowstone Regulators	4th Sat 4th Sat (Jun-Sep)	Backstrap Bill Chisler Wood	406-652-6158 307-690-2676	Billings West Yellowstone	MT MT	Orygun Cowboys Oregon Old West Shooting Society	3rd Sat & 4th Sat 3rd Sun & 4th Sat	Dog-leg Don Mid Valley Drifter	702-378-9885 541-259-2774	Sherwood Albany	OR OR
Flatwood's Cowboys	1st Sat	Seth Hawkins Wendover Kid	910-346-3612 252-908-0098	Hubert Booky Mount	NC NC	Fort Dalles Defenders	4th Sun 4th Sun	Frisco Nell	360-835-5630 541-484-5900	The Dalles Roseburg	OR OR
Old Hickory Regulators Old North State Posse	1st Sat 1st Sat	Tracker Mike	336-595-8853	Rocky Mount Salisbury	NC	Umpqua Regulators Lewis River Rangers	As Sch	Big Lou Johnny Colt	503-289-1280	St. Helens	OR
Walnut Grove Rangers Carolina Rough Riders	1st Sat 1st Sun	Hiem Pecos Pete	828-245-5563 704-394-1859	Rutherfordton Charlotte	NC NC	Columbia County Cowboys Dry Gulch Rangers	As Sched 1st Sat	Kitty Colt Pepc Holic	503-642-4120 724-263-1461	St. Helens Midway	OR PA
Buccaneer Range Regulators	2nd Sat	Dodge City Dude	910-270-3351	Wilmington	NC	Perry County Regulators	1st Sat	Tuscarora Slim	717-789-3004	Ickesburg	PA
Carolina Cattlemen's Shooting and Social Society	2nd Sat	Wicked Wanda	919-266-1678	Creedmore	NC	Boot Hill Gang of Topton Chimney Rocks Regulators	1st Sun 1st Sun	Lester Moore Hattie Hubbs	610-704-6792 814-696-5669	Topton Hollidaysburg	PA PA
High Country Cowboys	2nd Sat	Wild Otter	828-423-7796	Asheville	NC	Factoryville Freebooters	1st Sun	Tad Sloe	570-489-0652	Factoryville	PA
Bostic Vigilantes Cross Creek Cowboys	2th Sat 3rd Sat	Bostic Kid Huckleberry Mike	704-434-2174 910-980-0572	Bostic Wagram	NC NC	Whispering Pines Cowboy Committee	1st Sun	Mac Traven	570-723-8885	Wellsboro	PA
Gunpowder Creek Regulators	3rd Sat	Fannie Kikinshoot	828-754-1884	Lenoir	NC	Conestoga Wagoneers	1st Sun (Dec-Mar)	No Change	215-431-2302	Southampton	PA
Carolina Single Action Shooting Society	3rd Sun	Carolina's Longarm	919-383-7567	Eden	NC	Heidelberg Lost Dutchmen Logans Ferry Regulators	2nd Sat 2nd Sat (Apr-Nov)	Ivory Rose Mariah Kid	717-627-0694 412-607-5313	Schaefferstown Plum Borough	PA PA
Piedmont Gunslingers	3rd Sun	Sam Carp	704-596-7120	Churchland	NC	Mainville Marauders	2nd Sun	Dodge Bill	570-477-5667	Mainville	PA
Iredell Regulators Badlands Bandits (The)	4th Sat 3rd Sat	Stump Water Roughrider Ray	704-630-9527 701-260-0347	Statesville Belfield	NC ND	The Dakota Badlanders Westshore Posse	2nd Sun 2nd Sun	Barley Pop Bill Hud McCoy	610-770-1189 717-683-2632	Orefield New Cumberland	PA 1 PA
Dakota Rough Riders	As Sched	RoughRider Jim Bob	701-673-3122	Moffit	ND	River Junction Shootist Society	3rd Sat	Deputy Keck	724-423-6255	Donegal	PA
Trestle Valley Rangers Sheyenne Valley Peacekeepers	As Sched Last Sat (Apr-Sep)	Doc Hell Wild River Rose	701-852-1697 701-588-4331	Minot Kindred	ND ND	Jefferson Outlaws Easton Greenhorns	3rd Sat (Mar-Nov) 3rd Sat (Mar-Oct)	Oracle Jones Ragweed	410-239-6795 610-847-2798	Jefferson Lower Saucon Townshi	PA ip PA
Platte Valley Gunslingers	1st Sun 2nd Sun	Firewater Panhandle Slim Mile	308-226-2255	Grand Island	NE NE	Blue Mountain Rangers Matamoras Mavericks	3rd Sun	Cathy Fisher	610-488-0619 570-296-5853	Hamburg	PA
Alliance Cowboy Club Eastern Nebraska Gun Club	2nd Sun 2nd Sun (Apr-Oct)	Flint Valdez	712-323-8996	Alliance Louisville	NE	Silver Lake Bounty Hunters	3rd Sun 3rd Sun M	Hammerin Steel Iarshal T. J. Buckshot		Milford Montrose	PA PA
Flat Water Shootists of the Grand Island Rifle Club	3rd Sun	Fortyfour Maggie	308-383-4605	Grand Island	NE	Purgatory Regulators Elstonville Hombres	3rd Wknd 4th Sun	Dry Gulch Geezer	814-827-2120 717-949-3970	Titusville Manheim	PA PA
The Dalton Gang Shooting Club,		,		Grand Island		Stewart's Regulators	4th Sun	Basket Lady Sodbuster Burt	724-479-8838	Shelocta	PA
of NH LLC Merrimack Valley Marauders	3rd Wknd (Apr-Oct) As Sched	Littleton S. Dalton Sheriff R. P. Bucket	603-444-6876 603-345-6876	Dalton Pelham	NH NH	El Posse Grande Palmetto Posse	4th Sun (Mar-Oct) 1st Sat	Black Hills Barb Dun Gamblin	570-538-9163 803-422-5587	Muncy Valley Columbia	PA SC
Pemi Valley Peacemakers	As Sched	Laconia	603-524-2240	Holderness	NH	Piedmont Regulators	2nd Sat	Chase Randall	864-637-8873	Anderson	SC
White Mountain Regulators Thumbusters	As Sched 2nd Sun	Dead Head Doc Fanizzo	603-772-2358 732-892-7272	Candia Minmouth	NH NJ	Hurricane Riders Savannah River Rangers	3rd Sat 3rd Sun	Saloon Keeper Surly Dave	843-361-2277 803-892-2812	Aynor Gaston	SC SC
Jackson Hole Gang	4th Sun (Mar-Nov)	Papa Grey	732-961-6834	Jackson	NJ	Geechee Gunfighters	4th Sat	Edisto Ike	843-869-2429	Ridgeville	SC
Magdalena Trail Drivers Rio Rancho Regulators	1st & 3rd Sat 1st & 4th Sat	Grizzly Adams Sam Brannan	575-854-2488 505-400-2468	Magdalena Rio Rancho	NM NM	Greenville Gunfighters Cottonwood Cowboy Association	4th Sun 2nd Sun	Cowboy Junky Dakota Nailbender	864-414-5578 605-520-5212	Greenville Clark	SC SD
Otero Practical Shooting						Black Hills Shootist Association	3rd Sun	Hawkbill Smith	605-342-8946	Pringle	SD
Association Buffalo Range Riders	1st Sat 1st Sun	Saguaro Sam Garrison Joe	505-437-3663 505-323-8487	La Luz Founders Ranch	NM NM	Bald Mountain Renegades Bitter Creek Rangers, The	4th Sun 1st Sat	Hilltop Kid Silver Stallion	605-392-2319 931-707-9452	Faulkton Crossville	SD TN
Chisum Cowboy Gun Club	1st Sun 2nd Sat	Two Bit Tammy	575-626-9201	Roswell	NM	Greene County Regulators	1st Sat	Mort Dooley	423-357-8464	Rogersville	TN
Bighorn Vigilantes Lincoln County Regulators	2nd Sat 2nd Sat	Lawdog Bob John Steele	505-883-8829 575-937-3023	Edgewood Ruidoso	NM NM	Wartrace Regulators	1st Sat & 3rd Sat (Apr-Sept)	Will Reily	615-948-4143	Wartrace	TN
High Desert Drifters	2nd Sun 2nd Wed, 3rd Sat, 4t	Phillip Doboy Taylor	505-286-6686	Edgewood	NM	Memphis Gunslingers	2nd Sat	Loco Perro	662-838-9803	Arlington	TN
Rio Grande Renegades	& 5th Sat/ Sun	J. W. Calendar	505-856-4046	Albuquerque	NM	ORSA Cowboys North West Tennessee Longriders	2nd Sat 3rd Sat	Kid Ziggy Can't Shoot Dillion	865-675-1270 731-885-8102	Oak Ridge Union City	TN TN
Gila Rangers Seven Rivers Regulators	2nd Wknd 3rd Sat	Chico Cheech Stink Creek Jones	575-388-2531 575-885-9879	Silver City/Mimbres Carlsbad	S NM NM	Tennessee Mountain Marauders Highland Regulators, Inc	3rd Sat 3rd, 4th & 5th Wknd	Double Barrel	423-593-3767 423-628-2715	Chattanooga Winfield	TN TN
Rio Vaqueros	3rd Sun & 5th Sun	J. W. Brockey	575-744-4484	TorC	NM	Ocoee Rangers	4th Sat	Ocoee Red	423-476-5303	Cleveland	TN
Monument Springs Bushwhackers Picacho Posse	4th Sat 4th Sat	Val Darrant Fast Hammer	575-370-0650 505-647-3434	Hobbs Las Cruces	NM NM	El Vaqueros Alamo Area Moderators	1st & Last Sun 1st Sat	Tom Doniphan Tombstone Mary	254-559-9896 210-493-9320	Breckenridge San Antonio	TX TX
Tres Rios Bandidos	4th Sun	Largo Casey	505-330-2489	Farmington	NM	South Texas Pistolaros	1st Sat	Cibolo Sam	210-213-7746	San Antonio	TX
High Plains Drifters Eldorado Cowboys	1st Sun 1st Wknd	Irish Ike Charming	775-424-2336 702-565-3736	Fernley Boulder City	NV NV	Texas Peacemakers Texas Riviera Pistoleros	1st Sat 1st Sat	Deadeye Greg Longstar	903-593-8215 361-334-1978	Tyler Corpus Christi	TX TX
Fort Halleck Volunteers 2nd	& 4th Sat (Call) Gro	een Springs Thomsen	775-753-8203	Elko	NV	Texas Troublemakers	1st Sat	Lefty Tex Larue	903-539-7234	Brownsboro	TX
Lone Wolf Shooters, LLC Nevada Rangers Cowboy	2nd & 5th Sun	Penny Pepperbox	775-727-4600	Pahrump	NV	Orange County Regulators Buck Creek Bandoleros	1st Sat & 3rd Sun 1st Sat & 3rd Wknd	Texas Gator Hoofprint Prine	409-243-3477 254-897-7328	Orange Nemo	TX TX
Action Shooting Society	2nd Sun	Cross Keystone	702-506-7023	Jean	NV	Comanche Trail Shootists	1st Sat and 5th Sat	Dee Horne	432-556-8446	Midland	TX
Roop County Cowboy Shooters Association	2nd Sun	Russ T. Chambers	775-747-1426	Sparks	NV	Plum Creek Carriage & Shooting Society	1st Sat Sun	Delta Raider	512-376-2602	Lockhart	TX
Desert Desperados	3rd Sun	Buffalo Sam	702-459-6454	Las Vegas	NV	Badlands Bar 3	1st Wknd	T-Bone Dooley	903-272-9283	Clarksville	TX
Silver State Shootists Steptoe Valley Raiders	3rd Sun 4th Sat	Tahoe Bill Cheyenne Kid	775-586-9178 775-296-2053	Carson City Ely	NV NV	Thunder River Renegades Concho Valley Shooters	1st wknd 2nd Sat	Two Spurs Roamin Shields	936-273-1851 325-656-1281	Magnolia San Angelo	TX TX
Silver City Shooters Society	4th Sun	Iona Vequero	775-764-0257	Indian Springs	NV	Bounty Hunters	2nd Sat	Cable Lockhart	806-299-1192	Levelland	TX
Alabama Gunslingers Tioga County Cowboys	1st Sat 1st Sat	Bum Thumb Dusty Drifter	585-343-3906 607-659-3819	Alabama Owego	NY NY	Travis County Regulators Texas Tenhorns Shooting Club	2nd Sat 2nd Sun & 4th Sat	Cherokee Granny Cole Bluesteele	979-561-6202 817-577-1854	Smithville Greenville	TX TX
Crumhorn Mountain Cowboys Pathfinder Pistoleros	1st Sun 1st Sun (Apr-Nov)	Lefty Cooper Sonny	607-547-6008 315-695-7032	Maryland Fulton	NY NY	Texican Rangers Lone Star Frontier Shooting Club	2nd Weekend 2nd Wknd	Dusty Chambers Long Range Rick	830-377-6331 817-980-7206	Fredericksburg Cleburne	TX TX
Boot Hill Regulators	1st Sun (Apr-Oct)	Judge Zaney Grey	845-352-7921	Chester	NY	Oakwood Outlaws	2nd Wknd	Texas Alline	903-545-2252	Oakwood	TX
Salt Port Vigilance Committee Bar-20, Inc.		Twelve Bore Badlands Buck	585-613-8046 315-637-3492	Holley West Eaton	NY NY	Canadian River Regulators	2nd, 3rd & 5th Sat	Blacksmith Jim	806-355-7158	Clarendon	ТΧ
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Club Name	Sched.	Contact	Phone	City	State
Old Fort Parker Patriots	3rd Wknd	Slowaz Molasses	254-412-0904	Groesbeck	ΤX
Big Thicket Outlaws	3rd Sat	Shynee Graves	409-860-5526	Beaumont	TX
Cottonwood Creek Cowboys Gruesome Gulch Gang	3rd Sat 3rd Sat	Tracks Eli Blue	325-207-1094 806-293-2909	Snyder Plainview	TX TX
San Antonio Rough Riders	3rd Sat	Tombstone Mary	210-493-9320	San Antonio	TX
Tejas Caballeros	3rd Sat	Whiskey Runner	512-288-3399	Driftwood	ΤX
Red River Regulators	3rd Sun	El Rio Rojo Ray	903-838-0964	Texarkana	TX
Texas Historical Shootist Society Butterfield Trail Regulators	3rd Sun 4th Sat	Charles Goodnight Texas Slim	281-342-1210 325-668-4884	Columbus Abilene	TX TX
Green Mountain Regulators	4th Sat	Singin' Zeke	830-693-4215	Marble Falls	TX
Purgatory Ridge Rough Riders	4th Sat	Armed to the Teeth	806-777-6182	Slaton	TX
Huaco Rangers	4th Sat (Jan-Nov) 4th Wknd	Blueeyed Bear Denton Dancer	254-715-0746 214-384-3975	China Spring Cleburne	TX TX
Comanche Valley Vigilantes Tejas Pistoleros, Inc.	4th Wknd	Texas Paladin	713-690-5313	Eagle Lake	TX
Tin Star Texans	4th Wknd	Tin Star Lily	830-685-3464	Fredericksburg	TX
Three Peaks Rangers	1st & 3rd Sat	Second Amendment		Cedar City	UT
Big Hollow Bandits Copenhagen Valley Regulators	1st Sat 1st Sat	P.J. McCarthy Lead Culpepper	435-671-1929 801-627-4692	Heber Mantua	UT UT
North Rim Regulators	1st Sat	Autum Rose	435-644-5053	Kanab	UT
Wasatch Summit Regulators	1st Sun	Boots Rob	435-649-3625	Park City	UT
Crow Seeps Cattle Company L.L.C		Buffalo Juan	435-528-7432	Mayfield	UT
Dixie Desperados Deseret Historical Shootist Society	2nd &4th Sat 2nd Sat	Moe Greens Pronghorn Pete	435-668-6622 801-498-7654	St. George Kaysville	UT UT
Hobble Creek Wranglers		Hobble Creek Marshall		Springville	ŬŤ
Rio Verde Rangers	2nd Sat	Doc Nelson	435-564-8210	Green River	UT
Cache Valley Vaqueros	2nd. Sat 3rd & 5th Sat	Wasatch Ranger	435-723-1651 801-944-3444	Logan	UT
Utah War Diamond Mountain Rustlers	3rd & 5th Sat	Jubal O. Sackett Cinch	435-724-2575	Salt Lake City Vernal	UT UT
Mesa Marauders Gun Club	3rd Sat	Copper Queen	435-979-4665	Lake Powell	ŬŤ
Castle Gate Posse	4th Sat	Rowdy Hand	435-637-8209	Price	UT
Wahsatch Desperados	4th Sat	Sly Steadyhand	801-546-4843 757-471-6190	Fruit Heights Wakefield	UT
Pungo Posse Liberty Long Riders	1st Sat 1st Sun	V. B. Southpaw Thunder Colt	540-296-0772	Bedford	VA VA
Cavalier Cowboys	1st Sun (Mar-Dec)	Kuba Kid	804-270-9054	Hanover County	
Virginia City Marshals	1st Tues	Humphrey Hook	703-801-3507	Fairfax	VA
Blue Ridge Regulators K.C.'s Corral	2nd Sun 3rd Sat	Bad Company Virginia Bifloman	540-886-3374 804-550-2242	Lexington Mechanicsville	VA VA
Mattaponi Sundowners	3rd Sun & 4th Sat	Virginia Rifleman Flatboat Bob	804-350-2242	West Point	VA VA
Bend of Trail	4th Sun	Cavern Bill	540-380-4965	Roanoke	VA
Pepper Mill Creek Gang	4th Sun	Slip Hammer Spiv	540-775-4561	King George	VA
Stovall Creek Regulators Rivanna Ranger Company	As Sch See Sched	Brizco-Z Virginia Ranger	434-929-1063 434-973-8759	Lynchburg Charlottesville	VA VA
Verdant Mountain Vigilantes	As Sched	Snake-Eye Alger	802-476-6247	St. Johnsbury	VT
Mica Peak Marshals	1st & 3rd Sat	Old Timer Gus	509-325-9253	Mica	WA
North East Washington Regulators	1st (full) Wknd	A. T. McGee	509-684-2325	Colville	WA
Renton United Cowboy Action Shooters	1st Wknd	Jess Ducky	425-271-9286	Renton	WA
Mima Marauders	2nd Sat	Okie Sawbones	360-705-3601	Olympia	WA
Pataha Rustlers	2nd Sat	Doc Day	509-382-4898	Dayton	WA
Wolverton Mountain Peace Keepers Colville Guns and Roses		Hellfire	360-513-9081 509-684-3632	Ariel Colville	WA
Smokey Point Desperados	2nd Sun 2nd Sun	Cheyence Sadie Mudflat Mike	425-335-5176	Arlington	WA WA
Apple Valley Marshals	3rd Sat	Silent Sam	509-884-3875	East Wenatchee	WA
Ghost Riders	3rd Sun	Sidewinder Sam	425-836-8053	Fall City	WA
Panhandle Regulators	3rd Sun	Halfcocked Otis	509-991-5842	Otis Orchards	WA WA
Black River Regulators Custer Renegades	4th Sat 4th Sun	Montana Slim Joe Cannuck	360-754-4328 360-676-2587	Littlerock Custer	WA
Poulsbo Pistoleros	4th Sun	Sourdough George	360-830-0100	Poulsbo	WA
Rattlesnake Gulch Rangers	Last Sat	Ricochet Robbie	509-628-0889	Benton City	WA
Beazley Gulch Rangers Rock River Regulators	Last Sun 1st & 3rd Sat	An E. Di Stoney Mike	509-787-1782 608-868-5167	Quincy Beloit	WA WI
Western Wisconsin Wild Bunch	2nd Sat	Sierra Jack Cassidy	608-792-1494	Holmen	WI
Bristol Plains Pistoleros	2nd Sun	Huckleberry	815-675-2566	Bristol	WI
Crystal River Gunslingers	2nd Sun	Ghost Chaser	715-281-7823	Waupaca	WI
Wisconsin Old West Shootist, Inc.	2nd Sun & 4th Sat (Apr-Oct)	Tracker Jack Daniels	715 643 2011	Boyceville	WI
Liberty Prairie Regulators	3rd Sat	Dirty Deeds	920-229-5833	Ripon	WI
Hodag County Cowboys	3rd Sun	Hodag Bob	715-550-8337	Rhinelander	WI
Oconomowoc Cattlemen's Assn.	4th Sat	Marvin the Moyle	414-254-5592	Concord	WI
The Bad Guys Posse Dawn Ghost Riders	As Sched 1st Sun	Speedy Dan Coffee Bean	262-728-6577 304-327-9884	Elkhorn Hinton	WI WV
Frontier Regulators	2nd Sat	Captain Tay	304-265-5748	Thorton	ŵv
The Railtown Rowdys	2nd Sun	Miss Print	304-589-6162	Bluefield	WV
Rocky Holler Regulators	3rd Sun 3rd Wknd	Jessee Earp Pike Marshall	304-425-2023 304-925-9342	Princeton Eleanor	WV WV
Kanawha Valley Regulators Cowboy Action Shooting	JIU WKIIU	FIKE Waishan	304-923-9342	Licanoi	** *
Sports, Inc.	4th Sun (Mar-Nov)	Jackson	540-678-0735	Largent	WV
Cheyenne Regulators, Inc.	1st Sat	Dr. Frank Powell	307-637-0350	Cheyenne	WY
Colter's Hell Justice Committee WSAS	1st Sat	Yakima Red	307-254-2090	Various Location	s wv
Bessemer Vigilance Committee	1st Sun	Smokewagon Bill	307-472-1926	Casper	WY
High Lonesome Drifters	2nd Sat	Kari Lynn	307-587-2946	Cody	WY
Southfork Vigilance Committee	2-18-1	Wenn COLLIC 1	507 222 5025	Land	** 7* 7
WSAS Sybille Creek Shooters	2nd Sat 2nd Sat	Wennoff Halfcock Wyoming Roy	507-332-5035 307-322-3515	Lander Wheatland	WY WY
Powder River Justice Committee	2.14 044	., johning Roy	237 200-2212	., neutinu	., 1
WSAS	3rd Sun	Doc Fehr	307-683-3320	Buffalo	WY
Donkey Creek Shootists	4th Sun	Poker Jim Shariff L P. Ouiglay	307-660-0221	Gillette	WY
Snake River Rowdies	As Sched	Sheriff J. R. Quigley	501-155-4339	Jackson	WY
CAI	NADIAN M	IONTHLY M	ATCHES		
Red Mountain Renegades 1st Su	n Preacher Flyn	n T. Locke 604-820-15	64 Mission	BC CA	NADA
Valley Regulators 3rd Sa		ntry Amigo 250-334-34		BC CA	NADA

Red Mountain Renegades	1st Sun Pi	reacher Flynn T. Locke	604-820-1564	Mission	BC	CANADA
Valley Regulators	3rd Sat	High Country Amigo	250-334-3479	Courtenay	BC	CANADA
Palmer's Gulch Cowboys	As Sched	Caribou Lefty	250-372-0416	Heffley Creek	BC	CANADA
Victoria Frontier Shootists	As Sched	Teacher C.	250-592-4311	Victoria	BC	CANADA
Western Canadian Frontier						
Shootists Society	As Sched	Gunfighter Jim	250-573-2885	Kamloops	BC	CANADA
Nova Scotia Cowboy Action						
Shooting Club	3rd Sun	Wounded Belly	902-890-2310	Truro, NS	NS	CANADA
Badlands of H. A. H. A.	1st Sat	R.T. Ways	905-627-4123	Ancaster	ON	CANADA
Barrie Gun Club	2nd & 4th Sat	Northern Crow	705-435-2807	Barrie	ON	CANADA
Lambton Sportsman's Club	2nd Sat	Payton	519-337-9058	St. Clair	ON	CANADA
Wentworth Shooting						
Sports Club	2nd Sun	Stoney Creek	905-664-3217	Hamilton	ON	CANADA
Waterloo County Revolver						
Association	As Sched	Ranger Pappy Cooper	519-536-9184	kitchener	ON	CANADA
Champ de tir Saint-						
Jacques-le-Mineur	As Sched	Richelieu Mike	450-658-8130	Napierville	QC	CANADA
Ottawa Valley Marauders	As Sched	Button	514-792-0063	Ottawa	QC	CANADA
Alberta Frontier Shootists	As Sched	Mustang Heart	780-464-4600	Rocky Mtn House		CANADA
Rocky Mountain House						
Old West Shootists	As Sched	Luke A. Leathersmith	403-845-4347	Rocky Mtn House		CANADA

Club Name	Sched.	Contact	Phone	City	State
	EUROI	PE MONTHLY	MATCHES		
Sweetwater Gunslingers					
Austria	As Sched	Fra Diabolo	office@sass-austria.at	Vienna	AU
Old West Shooting					
Society Switzerland	As Sched	Hondo Janssen	044-271-99 47	Zurich	CH
Association of Western					
Shooters	As Sched	Thunderman	420-603-222-400	Prelouc	CZ
Cowboy Action					
Shooting-Germany	Last Sat	Marshal Heck	+49 160 97652588	Edderitz	DE
Jail Bird's Company	Monday	Orlando A Brick Bond	0049 2131 7423065	Wegberg	DE
SASS-Europe	Monday	Niers River Kid	0049-2823-98080	Wegberg	DE
Cas-Europe	Wed	Hurricane Irmi	0049-2823-5807	Bocholt RW	DE
SASS Germany	Wed	Rhine River Joe	0049-2823-5807	Spork	DE
Association of Danish	1 0 1	M	45 (00 012 (5	0	DV
Western Shooters	As Sch	Mrs. Stowaway	+45 602 013 65	Greve	DK
Classic Old Western Society			2 505055 11	т.	E.I.
of Finland	As Sched	Captain Woodbury Kane		Loppi	FI
SASS Finland	Various	Capt. Woodbury Kane	3.58505E+11	Various	FI FR
Golden Triggers of Freetown	2nd Sun Caj	ptain Jack Dimonds LeBeau	( )	frache de Rouergue	FR
L'Arquebuse d'Antony	As Sch	Jeppesen	01 46 61 17 98	Antony	
Club de Tir Beaujolais BERAC	As Sched	Jesse Sandwhite jean-cla Rev. Delano L. Oakley	33 3 80 20 35 51	Villefranche sur Saone Premeaux Prissey	FR
	As Sched Dimanche	Lictevoet Jean-Claude	+33(0)466 759 529	Uzes	FR
Les Tireurs de l'uzege Club de Tir de Bernay	Sat	Chriswood	02.32.45.59.00	Bernay	FR
Societe de Tir Bedoin	Sat	Chillswood	02.32.43.39.00	Bernay	ГK
Ventoux	Sat-Sun	Sheriff Ch. Outhpaw	049 035 1973	Bedoin	FR
Tir Olympique Lyonnais	Sat-Sun Sun	Barth	33 0 6 13 24 61 28	Lyon	FR
CAS/SASS France		rles Allan Jeppesen Lasalle		Varies	FR
Kells County Regulators	1st Sat	Indepenence Carroll	028 9336 8004	Varies	IE
Green Hearts Regulator	1st Sun	Marshal Steven Gardiner		Trevi	IT
Fratelli Della Costa Onlus	3rd Sat	Oversize	+ 35 056424677	Livorno	IT
Lassiter Fan Shooting Club	3rd Sun	Ivan Bandito	-430708	Mazzano	IT
Old West Shooting	bru buli	Trail Danaito	120700	mallano	••
Society Italy	As Sched	Alchimista	39-3342068337		IT
Honky Tonk Rebels	Last Sun	Kaboom Andy	39 335 7378551	Vigevano	IT
Wild West Rebels	Sun	Alchimista	-3342068304	Malegno-BS	IT
Maremma Bad Land's Riders	As Sched	Alameda Slim	alamedaslim@owss.it	Siena	IT
SASS Luxembourg	As Sched	Smiley Miles	+352-621 280 606	Varies	LU
SASS Netherlands	As Sched	Lightning Anja	0031-517-592120	Leeuwarden	NL
SASS Norway	As Sched	Charles Quantrill	47-932-59-669	Loten	NO
Quantrill Raiders Su	n (May-Sep)	Charles Quantrill	4793259669	Loten	NO
Schedsmoe County		-			
Rough Riders	Thurs	Jailbird	47-6399-4279	Lillestrom	NO
SASS Sweden	Varies	Wild Bull	4658612045	Varies	SE

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Western Shooters of South Africa	3rd Sat Ri	ichmond P. Hobson	027-21-797-505	4 Cape T	`own	SA
Ι	DOWN UND	ER MONT	THLY MAT	CHES		
Gold Coast Gamblers	1st & 3rd Sat	Dagger Jack	61-7-5537-5857	Gold Coast	QLD	AU
Adelaide Pistol &						
Shooting Club	1st Sat & 3rd Sur	1 Lobo Malo	61-8-2890606	Korunye	S.A	AU
SSAA-SASA Little River I	Raiders					
Single Action Club	3rd Sun	Tiresome	02 5978 0190	Melbourne	VIC	AU

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Cowboy Action Shooters						
of Australia	3rd Wknd	I.D.	02-9975-7983	Teralba	NSW	AU
Fort Bridger Shooting Club Inc.	4th Sun	Duke York	61-3-9551-2902	Drouin	VIC	AU
SSAA Single Action Shooting-						
Australia	Sat/Sun	Virgil Earp	61-7-4695-2050	Millmerran	QLD	AU
Trail Blazers Gun Club	1st Sun	Ernie Southpaw	64-3-755-7654	Mill Town		NZ
Bullet Spittin Sons O' Thunder	2nd Sat	Billy Deadwood	64-6-3564720	Palmerston N.		NZ
Frontier & Western Shooting						
Sports Association	2nd Sun	Souther Cross	0064 6 3798086	Carterton		NZ
Wairarapa Pistol and						
Shooting Club, Inc.	2nd Sun	Doc Hayes	06 379 6692	Gladstone		NZ
Tararua Rangers	3rd Sun	J.E.B. Stuart	(64) 6 3796436	Carterton		NZ
Western Renegades	4th Sat	Black Bart Bolton	027 249 6270	Wanganui		NZ

#### SASS MOUNTED MONTHLY MATCHES

Tombstone Ghost Riders					
Mounted Club	2nd Sun	Dan Nabbit	520-456-0423	Tombstone	AZ
Prescott Ranch Rangers	Varies	July Johnson	951-775-1957	Paulden	AZ
Ghost Town Riders	1st Sun	Steely Eyes Earp	951-737-6596	Norco	CA
California Range Riders	As Sched	Old Buckaroo	408-710-1616	Varies	CA
Revengers of Montezuma	1st Sun (Apr-Oct)	Aneeda Huginkiss	970-565-8479	Cortez	CO
Florida Outlaws Cowboy Mountee	d				
Shooting	As Sched	Two Gun Gina	321-636-5399	Ocala	FL
Border Marauders Mounted	As Sched	Bad Buffalo Bob	208-610-8229	Eastport	ID
Heartland Peacemakers	As Sched	Rawhidenlace	765-561-2521	Fountaintown	IN
Thurmont Mounted Rangers	3rd Sun	Timber Smoke	410-997-9370	Thurmont	MD
New Hampshire Mounted Shooter	rs As Sched	Myaz B. Dragon	603-487-3379	New Boston	NH
Cowboy Legends Mounted Shoot	ing				
Association	As Sched	Crown Royal Cowboy	973-296-6283	Pompton Plains	NJ
Buffalo Range Riders Mounted	2nd Sat			Founders Ranch	NM
Single Action Mounted Shooting	1st Sat	Hell Bent Wade	702-994-9714	Las Vegas	NV
Oklahoma Gunslingers	As Sched	Ima Sandy Storm	918-244-8060	Claremore	OK
Lone Pine Rangers	3rd Sat	Hawkeye Scout	541-447-7012	Prineville	OR
Liberty Prairie Mounted Shooters	As Sched	Halfpint Holloway	920-748-8405	Ripon	WI

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Match Name	Sched.	Contact	Phone	City	State
SASS Georgia State Championship					
Ride of the Immortals SASS Georgia State Black	Apr 08 - 10, 10	Easy Rider	770-841-4135	Griffin	GA
<b>Powder Shootout</b> Jail Break	Apr 08 - 08, 10 Apr 09 - 11, 10	Tuco Forsyth Texas Alline	478-214-2624 903-545-2252	Griffin Oakwood	GA TX
SASS California State Black Powder S	Shootout				
Resurrection at Robbers Roost SASS Midwest Territorial Black Powe	Apr 09 - 11, 10 ler Shootout	Just George	760-677-9109	Ridgecrest	CA
Smoke in the Woods	Apr 10 - 11, 10	Deadwood Stan	513-894-3500	Middletown	OH
SASS Washington State Blackpowder Dark Day at Rattlesnake Gulch	Apr 10 - 11, 10	Ricocchet Robbie	509-628-0889	Benton City	WA
Shootout at Fort Miller SASS North Carolina Black Powder S	Apr 15 - 17, 10	Slick Rock Rooster	559-299-8669	Clovis	CA
Smoke on the Border	Apr 15 - 17, 10	Carolina Jack	910-864-9875	Wagram	NC
Ruckus at Red Rocks Glory Hole	Apr 15 - 17, 10 Apr 16 - 18, 10	Bit Younger T. E. Kidd	435-688-1699 562-598-7771	St. George Azusa	UT CA
SASS Delaware State Championship Round-Up on the Nantcoke	Apr 16 - 18, 10	Deacon Will	302-422-6534	Seaford	DE
SASS Mississippi State Championship					
Showdown in Purgatory Shootout In The Swamp	Apr 16 - 19, 10 Apr 17 - 17, 10	Squinter Jed Lewis	601-825-8640 609-335-0346	Mendenhall Punta Gorda	MS FL
The Reckonong at Turtle Flats Dry Gulch At Arroyo Cantua	Apr 18 - 18, 10 Apr 22 - 25, 10	Deadlee Headlee Sutter Lawman	941-650-8920 530-713-4194	Myakka City Sloughhouse	FL CA
Land Run	Apr 22 - 25, 10	Missouri Mae	405-373-1472	Oklahoma City	OK
SASS FOUR CORNERS MOUNTED Buffalo Stampede	Apr 22 - 25, 10	SASS Office	505-843-1320	Founders Ranch	NM
Dry Gulch at Arroyo Cantua SASS FOUR CORNERS REGIONAL	Apr 22 - 25, 10	Sutter Lawman	530-731-4194	Sacramento	CA
Buffalo Stampede	Apr 22 - 25, 10	SASS Office	505-843-1320	Edgewood	NM
Wasco County Shootout Gates of Hell	Apr 23 - 25, 10 Apr 24 - 25, 10	Frisco Nell Lusty Lil	360-835-5630 323-353-3898	The Dalles Piru	OR CA
SASS California State Championship Shootout at 5 Dog Creek	Apr 29 - 02, 10	Mad Dog Draper	805-497-2857	Bakersfield	CA
Ambush at Ricochet Junction	Apr 29 - 02, 10	Scooter McComb	509-684-2460	Colville	WA
SASS Texas State Championship Comancheria Days	Apr 29 - 02, 10	Dusty Chambers	830-377-6331	Fredericksburg	ΤХ
Mo-Kan Border Skirmish SASS Kentucky State Championship	Apr 30 - 02, 10	Iza Littleoff	816-524-1462	Higginsville	MO
Hooten Holler Round-Up	May 01 - 02, 10	Appalachian Alan	859-749-9292	McKee	KY
Ride of the Rough Riders Shootout on the Little River	May 01 - 01, 10 May 01 - 01, 10	Done Gone Big Boyd	770-361-6966 229-244-3161	Dawsonville Valdosta	GA GA
Battle of Rogue River Blackhawk War	May 07 - 09, 10 May 08 - 08, 10	Molly B' Dam Stoneface Daguerrean	541-479-2928 801-489-7863	Grants Pass Springville	OR UT
Spring Avalanche Stampede	May 13 - 15, 10	Five Card Tanna	907-789-7498	Juneau	AK
SASS Arizona State Blackpowder Sho Tonto Rim Smoke Out	otout May 13 - 16, 10	Silverado Cid	928-595-1230	Payson	AZ
SASS West Virginia Blackpowder Stat	te Championship	Eddie Rebel	307-397-6188	Eleanor	WV
Smoke over Buffalo Flats Shooting Shindig- Shoot Out	May 14 - 16, 10				
on the Pecos Shootout at Leadville	May 14 - 16, 10 May 14 - 16, 10	Stink Creek Jones Colt Starbucks	575-885-9879 410-902-7939	Carlsbad Jefferson	NM PA
Thunder in the Brush Bullet Bourbon Blowout	May 15 - 16, 10	Virginia Rifleman Eli Blue	804-550-2242 806-293-2909	Mechanicsville Kress	VA TX
Billy Dixon	May 15 - 15, 10 May 15 - 15, 10	Cinch	435-724-2575	Myton	UT
Middle of the Road SASS Illinois State Championship Spi	May 15 - 16, 10	John Bear	208-562-1914	Kuna	ID
Roundup at the Gulch Shootout at Three Fingers Saloon	May 20 - 23, 10 May 21 - 23, 10	Beauucoup Joe Dirty Sally	618-521-3619 805-438-4817	Sparta Santa Margarita	
SASS NORTHWEST TERRITORIAI	<b>BLÁCK POWDI</b>	ER SHOOTOUT		-	
Smoke in the Gorge SASS Southwest Wild Bunch Champio	May 21 - 23, 10 onship	Frisco Nell	360-835-5630	The Dalles	OR
Shootout at Butterfield Trail SASS Utah State Blackpowder Shooto	May 21 - 23, 10	Fast Hammer	575-647-3434	Las Cruces	NM
Castle Gate Smudge Match	May 22 - 22, 10	Rowdy Hand	435-637-8209	Price	UT
Smokin' Guns at Rabbit Ridge High Sierra Shootout	May 27 - 30, 10 May 27 - 30, 10	Jered Maddox Nyack Jack	901-490-0183 916-812-0434	Byhalia Rail Road Flat	MS CA
True Grit SASS Vermont State Championship	May 28 - 31, 10	Oregun Gus	541-430-1021	Roseburg	OR
Green Mountain Mayhem	May 28 - 30, 10	Doc McCoy	802-434-2533	St.Johnsbury	VT
SASS Pennsylvania State Championsh North Mountain Shoot Out XI	nip May 28 - 30, 10	Black Hills Barb	570-538-9163	Muncy Valley	PA
End of Road SASS South Carolina State Champion	May 28 - 30, 10	Missy Mable	208-731-6387	Jerome	ID
Duel In Dixie	May 28 - 29, 10	Dun Gamblin	803-422-5587	Columbia	SC
SASS WERSTERN TERRITORIAL I Ambush at Mill Creek	BLACK POWDER May 28 - 30, 10	SHOOTOUT Ivory Jack McCloud	714-739-2721	Norco	CA
SASS Texas State Black Powder Shoot Resurrection	tout May 28 - 31, 10	-	830-685-3464	Fredericksburg	TX
Great Lakes Match #13	May 29 - 30, 10	Mickey Wall-Man	248-628-7424	Fredericksburg Attica	MI
Roundup St. Jude Children's Hospital	May 29 - 30, 10	Long Range Rick	817-980-7206	Cleburne	TX
Charity Shoot Where the Old West Stayed Young	May 29 - 30, 10 May 29 - 30, 10	Shamrock Sis Powder Wash Kid	309-798-2635 970-826-0150	Monmouth Craig	IL CO
Fast and Furious	May 29 - 30, 10	Goat Roper	620-345-3151	Hutchinson	KS
SASS Minnesota State Black Powder S Smoke in the Quarry	May 29 - 30, 10	Reverend Cepheus	320-267-6576	St. Cloud	MN
Utah Summer Games Lonesome Dove SASS Arkansas State Championship I	Jun 02 - 05, 10	Second Amendment	435-590-5436	Cedar City	UT
Rooster Cogburn's Posse	Jun 04 - 06, 10	Sister Sundance	479-970-7042	Belleville	AR
Showdown SASS MA, CT, and RI State Champio		Rob Banks	714-206-6893	Lytle Creek	СА
Shootout at Sawyer Flats SASS Idaho State Black Powder Shoo	Jun 04 - 06, 10 tout Beaver	Barrister Bill	978-667-2219	Harvard	MA
Dick Black Powder Blowout	Jun 04 - 05, 10	Idaho Packer	208-589-5942	Rexburg	ID
The Great Northwestern SASS Wild Bunch Championship	Jun 04 - 06, 10	Texas Jack Morales	541-420-3955	Bend	OR
Shootout at Coyote Gulch SASS Northwest Wild Bunch	Jun 04 - 06, 10	Pit Mule	515-205-0557	Indianola	IA
Championship	Jun 04 - 06, 10	Texas Jack Morales	503-907-6522	Bend	OR
Rifleman's Holliday SASS Colorado State Championship	Jun 05 - 05, 10	Mustang Lady Sue	928-243-3457	Snowflake	AZ
Battle at the Bird Cage Theatre Western States Cowboy Action Shooting	Jun 10 - 13, 10 Jun 10 - 13, 10	San Juan Dutch Dalton mmue	970-901-9582 el65744@aol.com	Montrose Fernley	CO NV
SASS Wyoming State Championship				2	
Cody's Wild West Shootout Raid on Andersonville	Jun 10 - 12, 10 Jun 11 - 13, 10	Joe Cross Chase Randell	307-587-2946 864-637-8873	Cody Anderson	WY SC
Fisher House Cgarity Shoot SASS Ohio State Championship	Jun 11 - 13, 10			Amite	LA
Shootout at Hard Times	Jun 11 - 13, 10	Buckshot Jones	937-418-7816	Piqua	OH
Prince of the Pistoleers Gunfight in the Badlands	Jun 11 - 13, 10 Jun 11 - 13, 10	Eldorado Wayne Cow Boss	913-686-5314 541-408-5890	Lenexa Bend	KS OR
Shootout at the Bar M Ranch Thunder In The Valley	Jun 12 - 12, 10 Jun 18 - 20, 10	Buckshot Baby Johnny Shiloh	417-284-1432 440-984-4551	Tecumseh Amherst	MO OH
Revenge of Montezuma	Jun 18 - 20, 10	Stumble Lenna	970-565-9228	Cortez	CO
SASS North Dakota and South Dakota Peace in the Valley	a State Champions Jun 18 - 20, 10	ship Wild River Rose	701-588-4331	Kindred	ND
SASS High Plains Mounted Regional Revenge Of Montezuma	Jun 18 - 20, 10	Aneeda Huginkiss	970-565-8479	Cortz	СО
Oregon Trail Shootout	Jun 19 - 20, 10	T J Maverick	541-910-4244	La Grange	OR NH
The Dalton Gang June Shootout	Jun 19 - 20, 10	Littleon Sidecar Dalto		Dalton	1111

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SASS WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP	Seneu.	Contact	Thone	City	State
END of TRAIL SASS Maryland State Championship	Jun 21 - 27, 10	SASS Office	505-843-1320	Founders Ranch	NM
Thunder Valley Days SASS New Hampshire State Champion	Jun 24 - 26, 10 Iship	Chuckaroo	301-831-9666	Damascus	MD
Flat Gap Jack Cowboy Shootout Yellowstone Valley Buffalo Stampede	Jun 25 - 27, 10 Jun 25 - 26, 10	Capt. Morgan Rum Backstrap Bill	603-772-5041 406-652-6158	Candia Billings	NH MT
SASS Wisconsin State Black Powder S Smoke in the Hills	hootout Jun 27 - 27, 10	Cattail Rose	715-643-2011	Boyceville	WI
SASS HIGH PLAINS REGIONAL Hell on Wheels	Jul 01 - 04, 10	Fight'n Joe Baker	307-220-5222	Cheyenne	WY
SASS Alaska Territorial Championshi Under The Midnight Sun	p Shootout Jul 02 - 04, 10	Tripod	907-373-0140	Anchorage	AK
SASS Midwest Wild Bunch Championship	Jul 03 - 04, 10	Deadwood Stan	513-894-3500	Middletown	ОН
Fort Halleck Days	Jul 08 - 10, 10	Green Springs Thomsen	775-753-8203	Elko	NV
SASS Alaska State Championship SASS Montana State Championship S		Darlin' Caroline	907-378-9472	Chatanika	AK
On the Sun River The Final Showdown	Jul 09 - 11, 10 Jul 09 - 11, 10	Jeb's Lady D. J. McDraw	406-727-7625 740-767-2326	Simms Mt. Vernon	MT OH
Renegade Shoot SASS Utah State Championship	Jul 10 - 11, 10	John Bear	208-562-1914	Boise	ID
Castle Gate Robbery SASS Pennsylvania State Black Powde	Jul 13 - 17, 10 er Shootout	Rowdy Hand	435-637-8209	Price	UT
Smoke and Fire at Indian Creek Ambush at Indian Creek	Jul 16 - 16, 10 Jul 17 - 18, 10	Deputy Keck Deputy Keck	724-423-6255 724-423-6255	Donegal Donegal	PA PA
Shootout at Horse Ridge & The 2010 SASS Governor's Cup	Jul 22 - 25, 10	Big Casino	541-923-3000	Bend	OR
SASS NEW ENGLAND REGIONAL The Great Nor'easter	Jul 22 - 25, 10	Sheriff R. P. Bucket	603-345-6876	Pelhan	NH
Cowboy Christmas in July	Jul 23 - 25, 10	Texas Slim	325-668-4884	Abilene	ΤX
Ambush at Hickory Ridge SASS Washington State Championshi		Mac Traven	570-723-8885	Wellsboro	PA
Westmatch XVII SASS WILD BUNCH WORLD	Jul 31 - 02, 10	The Elder Katie	253-946-1438	Renton	WA
CHAMPIONSHIP SASS New Mexico and Texas Mounted	Aug 05 - 08, 10	SASS Office	505-843-1320	Founders Ranch	NM
Championship Sagebrush Rebellion	Aug 05 - 08, 10 Aug 06 - 08, 10	SASS Office Chief Wages	505-843-1320 530-257-3402	Founders Ranch Susanville	NM CA
SASS Iowa State Championship Ambush on the Prairie	Aug 06 - 08, 10	Range Mathias Fischel		Elk Run Heights	
Billy The Kid's Breakout	Aug 06 - 08, 10	John Steele	575-937-3023	Ruidoso	NM
SASS Alaska State Blackpowder Shoot Smoke in the Greatland	Aug 07 - 07, 10	Four Bucks	907-243-0781	Anchorage	AK
SASS Idaho State Championship Reckoning at Black Creek	Aug 11 - 15, 10	John Bear	208-562-1914	Boise	ID
SASS MIDWEST REGIONAL Guns of August	Aug 12 - 15, 10	Deadwood Stan	513-894-3500	Middletown	OH
SASS Maryland State Black Powder Championship	Aug 15 - 15, 10	Cash Caldwell	240-285-7673	Thurmont	MD
SASS High Plains Territorial Black Po Shootout		Jubal O. Sackett	801-944-3444	Salt Lake City	UT
Shootout at Pawnee Station SASS Oregon State Championship	Aug 20 - 22, 10	Red River Wrangler	970-225-0545	Wellington	co
Shootout at Saddle Butte	Aug 20 - 22, 10	Mid Valley Drifter	541-259-2774	Albany	OR
Montana Territorial Shootout Fire In The Hills	Aug 21 - 22, 10 Aug 27 -	Bocephus Bandito Tracker Jack Daniels	406-439-4476 715-643-2011	Boulder Boyceville	MT WI
Badger Mountain Range War Western Legends	Aug 28 - 29, 10 Aug 28 - 29, 10	El Gato Gordo Autum Rose	719-683-6713 435-644-5053	Lake George Kanab	CO UT
Last Blast of Summer Monument Springs Bushwhacker	Aug 28 - 28, 10	Yankee	781-383-9799	Scituate	MA
Annual Fandago Showdown at Fort Tioga	Aug 28 - 29, 10 Aug 28 - 29, 10	Val Darrant Dusty Drifter	575-370-0650 607-659-3819	Hobbs Candor	NM NY
Ambush at Durham Ferry SASS Nebraska State Championship	Sep 02 - 05, 10	Dragon	209-836-4042	Manteca	CA
Midwest Roundup SASS Michigan State Championship V	Sep 02 - 05, 10	Firewater	308-226-2255	Grand Island	NE
Ranger Range War	Sep 03 - 05, 10	Deuce Stevens BB Gunner	616-890-6657 218-779-8555	Port Huron East Grand Forks	MI
MN Border Town Shootout Shoot'n in the Shade	Sep 03 - 05, 10 Sep 03 - 05, 10	Bulldog McCgraw	501-337-9368	Hot Springs	AR
SASS Virginia State Championship Star City Shootout	Sep 03 - 05, 10	Trapper Dan	540-890-5162	Roanoke	VA
Underwear Day Shoot Out at High Lonesome	Sep 03 - 05, 10 Sep 03 - 05, 10	Runamuck Two Bit Tammy	509-525-2984 575-626-9201	Milton Freewater Roswell	r OR NM
Siege at Clark Station Battle in the Badlands	Sep 04 - 05, 10 Sep 04 - 04, 10	Kansas Klatlander Roughrider Ray	785-493-5682 701-260-0347	Chapman Belfield	KS ND
SASS Nebraska Black Powder Shootor Smoke 'N Steel III		Firewater	308-226-2255	Grand Island	NE
John Wayne Shoot-out Ruckus in the Nations	Sep 09 - 12, 10 Sep 09 - 12, 10	Marshal Chance Burly Bill	805-460-9082 918-830-2936	San Luis Obispo Sand Springs	
SASS US Open	Sep 09 - 11, 10		295-2700 X8467	Sparta	IL
SASS Four Corners Territorial Black Last Stand on Allen St.	Sep 09 - 12, 10	Wily Yankee	520-400-5598	Tombstone	AZ
Standoff at Smokey Point Shootout at Stoney Bottom	Sep 10 - 12, 10 Sep 10 - 12, 10	Mudflat Mike Woodfox	425-335-5176 419-726-7950	Arlington Gibsonbong	WA OH
SASS Maine State Championship Thunder over Beaver Creek	Sep 10 - 12, 10	Rhino Jacks	207-324-3117	Berwick	ME
Dakota Territory Gold Rush Shootout '10	Sep 11 - 12, 10 Sep 11 - 12, 10	Hawkbill Smith Cantankerous Jeb	605-342-8946 763-682-3710	Pringle Howard Lake	SD MN
Table Rock Rangers Invitational SASS Minnesota State Championship	Sep 11 - 11, 10	Jed I. Knight		Medford/White City	
Gunsmoke '10	Sep 16 - 19, 10	Mogollon Drifter	507-838-0026	Morristown	MN
SASS New York State Championship Heluva Rukus	Sep 17 - 19, 10	Homer Suggs	518-274-8505	Ballston Spa	NY
Gateway To The West Six Gun Justice	Sep 17 - 19, 10 Sep 17 - 18, 10	Bounty Seeker Teton County Jr.	636-464-6569 208-709-1708	St. Louis Rexburg	MO ID
Bridgeport Vigilantes Eastern High Sierr Shootout	a Sep 17 - 19, 10	Bodie Kid	760-932-1139	Bridgeport	CA
SASS New Mexico State Championshi Old Magdalena	<b>p</b> Sep 17 - 19, 10	Grizzly Adams	575-854-2488	Magdalena	NM
A Gunfight in Dixie Shootout at the Happy Jack Mine	Sep 18 - 19, 10 Sep 18 - 18, 10	Marty Moss Happy Jack	901-674-8220 435-979-4665	Arlington Lake Powell	TN UT
Chippewa Regulators Willimantic Smoke	Sep 18 - 19, 10 Sep 18 - 19, 10 Sep 18 - 19, 10	Lazy Eye Ben Ripley Scrounger	906-632-2720 207-876-4928		MI ME
Wolverton Mtn. Peace Keepers	Sep 18 - 19, 10	Hellfire	360-513-9081	Ariel	WA
Shootout at Three Rivers SASS NORTHWEST REGIONAL CH		O Bar Freddie	505-325-2167	Farmington	NM
Rattlesnake Gulch Roundup SASS Oklahoma State Championship	Sep 23 - 26, 10	Ricochet Robbie	509-628-0889	Benton City	WA
Shoot Out at the OKC Corral Adobe Walls	Sep 23 - 26, 10 Sep 24 - 26, 10	Missouri Mae Querida	405-373-1472 831-635-9147	Oklahoma City Gonzales	OK CA
SASS West Virginia State Championsh Appalachian Showdown XVIII		Twin	304-289-6098	Largent	wv
SASS Indiana State Championship Hoosier Ambush	Sep 24 - 26, 10 Sep 24 - 26, 10	Thorney Rose	574-893-7214	Warsaw	IN
Verde Valley Range Wars	Sep 24 - 26, 10	Whisperin Meadows Dry Gulch Geezer	928-567-9227	Camp Verde	AZ PA
Purgatory Rush Hell Fire '10	Sep 24 - 26, 10 Sep 24 - 26, 10	Slick McClade	814-827-2120 318-395-2224	Titusville Quitman	LA
Rampage Ambush at Rocky River	Sep 25 - 25, 10 Sep 25 - 26, 10	Sly Steadyhand J. J. Longley	801-546-4843 248-549-1075	Fruit Heights Utica	UT MI
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Fall Roundup	Sep 25 - 26, 10	Shamrock Sis	309-798-2635	Milan	IL
Eagles Revenge	Sep 25 - 26, 10	One Son of A Gun	231-544-2461	Central Lake	MI
Shoot and Toot	Sep 25 - 25, 10	Chisler Wood	307-690-2676	West Yellowston	e MT
SASS Nevada State Championship					
Eldorado	Sep 30 - 03, 10	Charming	702-565-3736	Boulder City	NV
SASS NORTHEAST REGIONAL					
Mason Dixon Stampede	Sep 30 - 03, 10	Chuckaroo	301-831-9666	Thurmont	MD
Defend Old Fort Parker	Sep 30 - 03, 10	I Reckon	254-535-0557	Groesbeck	ΤX
SASS Alabama State Championship	0 01 02 10	<b>D</b> 1 <b>D</b> 1	056 010 0401	a a	
Ambush At Cavern Cove	Oct 01 - 03, 10	Drake Robey	256-313-0421	Cavern Cove	AL
Comanche Moon Shootout	Oct 01 - 03, 10	Dee Horne	432-557-6598	Midland	TX
Shootout on the Cimarron Huntsman World Senior Games	Oct 03 - 03, 09	Querida Kate	405-547-2533	Stillwater	OK
	Oct 05 - 09, 10	Buzzard Brat	435-627-2346	St. George	UT
SASS Tennessee State Championship Regulators Reckoning	Oct 07 - 09, 10	Will Poilly	615-948-4143	Wartrace	TN
SASS WESTERN REGIONAL	00107-09,10	Will Reilly	013-946-4143	waittace	110
Last Stand at Chimney Rock	Oct 07 - 10, 10	Five Jacks	760-949-3198	Lucerne Valley	CA
SASS Kansas State Championship	00007 10,10	Tive sucks	100 515 5150	Edeerne vaney	CH
Massacre at Millbrook	Oct 07 - 09, 10	Grandpa Buckten	705-421-2537	Hill City	KS
SASS Wisconsin State Championship		Giandpu Duenten	100 121 2007	iiii eity	
Mississippi Fandango	Oct 08 - 10, 10	Mockingbird	608-220-7152	Holmen	WI
The Geronimo Trail Shootout	Oct 08 - 10, 10	Chico Cheech	575-388-2531	Silver City/Mimbre	
Conestoga Trail Drive	Oct 08 - 10, 10	Basket Lady	717-949-3970	Manheim	PA
SASS Louisiana State Championship		5			
Shootout at Cypress Creek	Oct 08 - 10, 10	Louisiana Lady	318-397-2035	Downsville	LA
The Shootout on The Santa Fe	Oct 09 - 09, 10	Deadly Sharpshooter	352-332-6212	Fort White	FL
Trade Days	Oct 09 - 10, 10	Randy Atcher	812-945-0221	Canaan	IN
Lynchin In Tulsey	Oct 09 - 09, 10	Curly Thom Mabry	918-376-4376	Tulsa	OK
Border Wars '10	Oct 15 - 17, 10	Buffalo Phil	913-904-8733	Parker	KS
SASS New Jersy State Championship					
Purgatory in The Pines	Oct 15 - 17, 10	Peacemaker Reb	908-359-8794	Jackson	NJ
Wild West Extravaganza Shootout	Oct 15 - 17, 10	Penny Pepperbox	775-727-4600	Pahrump	NV
Diamond Four Roundup	Oct 16 - 17, 10	Kayutah Kid	607-796-0573	Odessa	NY
The Whoopin'	Oct 16 - 16, 10	Texas Heat	512-762-7552	Driftwood	TX
Smoke on the River	Oct 16 - 16, 10	Shamrock Sis	309-798-2635	Monmouth	IL
Hanging Tree Shootout	Oct 17 - 17, 10	X S Chance	573-765-5483	St. Robert	MO
SASS Arizona State Championship	Oat 20 24 10	Swift Watan	520 002 1217	Tuesen	17
Bordertown The Cunfight Pahind The Jarray Lilly	Oct 20 - 24, 10 Oct 21 - 24, 10	Swift Water Captain Jake	520-883-1217 714-318-6948	Tucson Norco	AZ CA
The Gunfight Behind The Jersey Lilly SASS Missouri State Championship	001 21 - 24, 10	Captain Jake	/14-318-0948	Noico	CA
The Show-Me Shootout	Oct 21 - 24, 10	Smokie	417-759-9114	Branson	MO
High Sierra "End of Track"	Oct 21 - 24, 10 Oct 21 - 24, 10	Peaceful	209-293-4456	Railroad Flat	CA
SASS Long Island Championship	00021 21,10	reaction	207 275 1150	Rumbud Flat	CH
Melee on the Bay	Oct 22 - 24, 10	Dusty Levi's	646-284-4010	Westhampton Beach	NY
Legends of the West	Oct 23 - 24, 10	Bojack	760-956-8852	Devore	CA
Blue Mountain Shootout	Oct 29 - 31, 10	Lester Moore	610-704-6792	Topton	PA
Guns of Autumn	Oct 30 - 30, 10	Joe West	706-864-9019	Gainesville	GA
Vengeance Trail	Oct 31 - 31, 10	Shady Brady	352-686-1055	Brooksville	FL
SASS SOUTHWEST REGIONAL					
Comin'At'Cha	Nov 04 - 07, 10	T-Bone Dooley	903-272-9283	English	ΤX
SASS North Carolina State Champion					
Uprising at Swearing Creek	Nov 04 - 06, 10	Carolina Jack	910-257-6242	Salisbury	NC
SASS SOUTHEAST REGIONAL					
Shootout at Givhans Ferry	Nov 11 - 14, 10	Edisto Ike	843-869-2429	Ridgeville	SC
SASS SOUTHWEST TERRITORIAI			005 504 0400		<b>.</b> .
Hangin' at Coyote Creek	Nov 12 - 14, 10	Rattlesnake Blake	985-796-9698	Amite	LA
Kaskaskia Cowboys Fight Against Canc		Beaucoup Joe	618-521-3619	Sparta	IL
Montrose Marshals Turkey Shoot	Nov 14 - 14, 10	Big Hat	970-240-6151	Montrose	CO
Cowford Stampede	Nov 18 - 22, 09	J Bird Blue	904-7784184	Jacksonville	FL
Defend the Roost The Great Northfield Raid	Nov 18 - 21, 10 Nov 19 - 21, 10	Just George	760-677-9109	Ridgecrest	CA
The Great Northfield Raid Bill & Dorothy Hahn Memorial	1404 19 - 21, 10	Desperado	818-341-7255	Sylmar	CA
Bill & Dorotny Hann Memorial Benefit Match	Nov 20 - 21, 10	Will Finder	619-224-8480	Pala	CA
SASS Florida State Mounted Champi		will Finder	017-224-0400	1 ala	CA
Lone Wolfs Last Stand	Nov 20 - 21, 10	Loco Shooter	352-262-0492	Ocala	FL
Cowboy Christmas Ball	Dec $02 - 02, 10$	An E. Di	509-787-1782	Quincy	WA
Old West Christmas Shootout	Dec $02 = 02, 10$ Dec $03 = 05, 10$	Mickey	830-685-3464	Fredericksburg	TX
Top Gun	Dec 11 - 12, 10	Kid Celero	561-312-9075	Okeechobee	FL
SASS Hawaii State Championship					
Great Pineapple Shoot	Dec 17 - 19, 10	Bad Burt	808-875-9085	Lahaima	HI
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Showdown in the Camp	Jun 15 - 17, 10	Fra Dia	abolo	office@sass-au	stria.at	Tabor-Opara	ny CZ
Gunfight at Tombstone	Apr 02 - 04, 10	Marsha	al Heck	49 160 9765258	38	Edderitz	DE
The Fight to Way-Mountain	Sep 01 - 01, 10	Hurrica	ane Irmi	Martins@SASS	-Germany.de	Wegberg	DE
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CAS - Germany	Oct 01 - 03, 10	Marsha	al Heck	49 160 9765258	38	Edderitz	DE
SASS-Germany							
Championship	Nov 01 - 01, 10	Rhine	River Joe	0049-2823-580	7	Bocholt	DE
North Star Trail	Jul 17 - 18, 10 C	aptain Wo	odbury Kane	+358505174659	<del>)</del>	Loppi	FI
Old West Gunfigters	May 22 - 23, 10			+33(0)980 4012		Uzes	FR
Last Shot on the Trail	Sep 02 - 05, 10	John P	eacemaker	+33 442 739 15	7 EO	T/Montbeliard	FR
SASS European Regional C							
End of Trail 2010	Aug 07 - 15, 10	Alchin	nista	39-3394206833	7 Gualdo 1	Fadino, Perugi	a IT
Gunfight at Fort Alamo	Dec 12 - 13, 10	Marsha	al Steven Garo	tiner +39-338	3-920-7989	Trevi	IT
Sulla Costa del West	Jun 06 - 06, 10	Oversi	ze	info@fratellide	llacosta.eu	La Spezia	IT
Cedar Stampede	Aug 16 - 22, 10	Jessie		+9611385982		El Rancho	LB
The Pioneer Shootout	May 24 - 25, 10	Charle	s Quantrill	47-932-59-669		Loten	NO
Six Feet Under	Jun 03 - 04, 10		ille Frank	buckskin@onlin	ne.no	Loten	NO
Rough Riders Reunion	May 08 - 09, 10	Samue	1 B Carpenter	479-001-1230		Lillestrom	NO
Cowboy Champs	Oct 23 - 24, 10	Hagma	n Will Lynch	+64 6 357 3109	)	Palmerston	NZ
Days of Truth	Jul 07 - 10, 10	Wild B	ull	46 586 120 45		Torsby	SE
South Africa Annual Match							
End of Year Shoot-Out		Richmond	P. Hobson	027-21-797-505	54	Cape Town	SA
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Nimrod/ Buffalo Shoot	Apr 17 - 18, 10	Teacher		250-592-4311	Victoria	BC	CANAE
Shootout at the Ridge	May 21 - 23, 10			604-820-1564	Mission	вс	CANAL
Palmer's Gulch Cowboy	Way 21 - 25, 10	Treacher	I Iyili I. Locke	004-020-1504	WII33IOII		CHIMIL
Action Match	Jul 02 - 05, 10	Turkey V	Will	250-579-5819	Kamploop	s	CANAE
Bar-E Fourth Annual Match		Northern		705-435-2807	Barrie	ON	CANAL
Showdown in the Valley	Jul 17 - 18, 10		untry Amigo	250-334-3479	Courtenay	BC	CANAL
Canadian Championship		0			-		
of CAS	Jul 30 - 01, 10	Mustang	Heart	780-464-4600	Rocky Mtr	n House AL	CANAE
Headquarters	Aug 21 - 22, 10	Teacher	С	250-592-4311	Victoria	BC	CANAD
SASS Canadian Regional							
Showdown in the Valley	Sep 02 - 05, 10		untry Amigo	250-334-3479	Courtenay	BC	CANAE
Showdown at Badlands	Sep 18 - 19, 10	R. T. Wa		905-627-4123	Ancaster	ON	CANAL
Bunkhouse	Oct 24 - 24, 10	Teacher	С.	250-592-4311	Victoria	BC	CANAE
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Gunfight at the Ok Corral	Oct 23 - 24, 10		e York		51-2902	Drouin	VI A
Winter Round Up 10	May 15 - 16, 10		atchewan San			Korunye	A
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Mountain View Sports Center	Anchorage	AK	David E. Wren	907-563-8600	Victorian Cowgirl	Sedona	AZ	Candace Walters	928-300-6636
Tom's Gun Shop & Sport Goods	Sterling	AK	Thomas Vogel	907-262-4695	West Fargo Gunsmithing	Cochise	AZ	Wes Flowers	520-826-0012
B&B Guns and Banjo Shop	Section	AL	Clyde W. Barksdale	256-228-3275	Wild West Merchantile	Mesa	AZ	Thomas Ingoglia	480-218-1181
El Camino's Cowboy's Again Gunsmithing	Shelby	AL	David M. Cover	205-670-9090	Wm. Brown Holster Company	Tombstone	AZ	William A. Brown	520-457-9208
City Lake Mercantile	Fayetteville	AR	Bob Coons	479-444-6818	Ade's Gun Shop	Orange	CA	Ade De Blasio	714-744-3373
Don's Weaponry, Inc.	North Little Rock	AR	Don Hill	501-945-2324	B-Bar-Y Traders	Jamestown	CA	Connie Youngman	209-984-0358
Marksman Pistol Institute	Tucson	AR	Bruce Schulman	520-293-1665	Bain & Davis	San Gabriel	CA	Peter Stefansky	626-573-4241
Piney Woods Trading Post	Texarkana	AR	Robert D. Cooper	870-774-1586	Bees Leather Company	Yucca Valley	CA	Harold L. Bees	760-413-9738
1880's Etc	Apache Junction	AZ	Diane Woolever	480-983-4615	BootBarn.com	Anaheim	CA	Glen Wilk	714-288-8181
Allsafe Security	Douglas	AZ	Lynn Kartchner	520-805-1970	Clark's Victorian Mercantile	Phelan	CA	J. Logan Clark	760-949-7449
AriZona Sun Mercantile	Tucson	AZ	Ron Southwick	520-207-3180	Costplusguns.com	Phelan	CA	Tim W. Seawolf	760-868-0236
Arizona Vintage Saddlery	Flagstff	AZ	Ron Harrison	928-527-3330	Cowboys & Indian Store, LLC	Santa Ana	CA	Jim Lincoln	714-210-2720
Buckaroo Bobbins	Chino Valley	AZ	Geneva Eads	928-636-1885	Del Valle Gunsmithing	Carmel Valley	CA	Raymond M. Parga	831-659-5033
Cedar Ridge Saddlery	Ash Fork	AZ	David Cox	928-637-0111	DocHollidayTrading.com	Burbank	CA	Ricardo Nance	818-558-3502
Cochise Leather	Cochise	AZ	David LaFlair	520-826-1272	Duncan's Gunworks, Inc.	San Marcos	CA	David Lewis Murphy	760-727-0515
Cowboy Corral	Sedona	AZ	Kathleen Cahill	800-457-2279	E.M.F. Company Inc.	Santa Ana	CA	Dan T. Teaford	949-261-6611
Derby Guns	Scottsdale	AZ	Kate A. Krueger	480-874-1383	Fort Courage Armory	Simi Valley	CA	Timothy J. Burns	805-526-6563
Earthwalkers	Cornville	AZ	Steffon Dalberg	928-284-9705	Fowler Gun Room	Orange	CA	Larry Nolte	714-771-3730
Griffin Gun Leather	Tombstone	AZ	Jim Griffin	520-642-1578	Glory Days Gun Leather	Oroville	CA	Don Bernard	530-534-1587
High Country Gun's & Knives	Prescott	AZ	Roger Landsberger	928-445-7704	Gold Creek Trading Company	Sutter Creek	CA	Steve L. Hoffer	209-267-9219
Hunter's Paradise, Inc.	Snowflake	AZ	Dennis Opheim	928-536-3343	Golden Gate Western Wear	Richmond	CA	William Knudsen	510-232-3644
International Handgun Leather	Phoenix	AZ	Ian L. Martin	602-269-0202	Grant Boys, The	Costa Mesa	CA	Randy J. Garell	949-645-3400
J.B. Hickok Mercantile	Prescott	AZ	John Strzepek	928-445-6336	Guns 4 Us Inc.	Ridgecrest	CA	Thomas R. Wiknich	760-375-1004
Jensens / Arizona Sportsman #4	Tucson	AZ	Steven L. Smith	520-325-3346	Gunslingers Gun Shop	Glendora	CA	Jeff Taverner	626-914-7010
Joe Wilcox Western Wear	Sedona	AZ	Dan Carroll	928-282-1348	High Desert Storm Sporting Arms	Palmdale	CA	Jeffery A. Storm, Sr.	661-265-0101
Legendary Guns	Phoenix	AZ	Bob James	602-242-1195	Lazy C Gun Carts & Ole West Woodworking	Costa Mesa	CA	Tuco Chavis	949-646-4159
Marshal Bo's Old West Mercnatile	Willcox	AZ	Judy Downey	520-766-1880	Load-X Ammunition Co.	Santa Rosa	CA	Steven Paulick	707-579-0990
Mary's Place Reenactment Shop	Tombstone	AZ	Mary Roach	520-457-2268	Lock & Load Gunsmithing	Lompoc	CA	Jeffrey L. Brewton	805-735-1500
Old Western Gun Repair	Maricopa	AZ	Thomas Thoresz	520-568-2852	Mojave Leather	Fullerton	CA	Henrik E. J. Hermiz	714-388-7767
On Target Enterprise	Kingman	AZ	Pierre Langlois	928-753-4314	Old Sacramento Armoury	Sacramento	CA	Sharon M. Hurley	916-446-7079
Outlaw Grips	Tucson	AZ	Joe Perkins	520-888-6799	Pair-O-Dice Mercantile	Paradise	CA	Terrance C. Leavey	530-877-4173
Pakem Firearms N. Mercantile	Tucson	AZ	Ken Kaufmann	520-743-0179	Peacemaker Specialists	Paso Robles	CA	Eddie Janis	805-238-9100
Saber River Gunsmithing	Prescot	AZ	Glenn Stolle	928-717-0067	Rancho Cordova Guns and Ammo	Rancho Cordova	CA	Gary D. Renville	916-635-7214
Sam's Shooters Emporium	Lake Havasu City	AZ	Ellie Scarmardo	928-680-4000	Red River "D"	Santa Clarita	CA	Leonard S. Duncan	661-714-1493
Smoke N Guns	Cottonwood	AZ	Perry Conrad	928-634-3216	RMB Enterprises	Milpitas	CA	Robert M. Blank	408-946-5289
Squibber's Old Western Gun Repair	Maricopa	AZ	Thomas Thoresz	520-568-2852	Sacramento City Dry Goods	Sacramento	CA	Joann Peterson	916-455-4527
Thunderstick Trading Company Ltd.	Tucson	AZ	Michael C. Gordon	520-290-8599	Shasta Leather Works	Montague	CA	Mike Domeyer	530-340-0050
Tim Carson Gunsmithing	Chino Valley	AZ	Tim Carson	928-636-6863	Sierra Shooting Sports	Modesto	CA	James Moore	209-544-1911
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por's Shooters Supply, Inc.	San Bruno	CA	Frank G. Tabor	650-589-0505	Rockin Double J Leatherworks	Willmar	MN	Dain Olson	320-979-1
n-X Ammunition	Montclair	CA	Richard K. Pumerantz	909-605-1617	Sportsman's Warehouse	Woodbury	MN	David J. Meacham	651-731-4
gger Happy	Lakewood Bakersfield	CA	Jay William Ross	562-866-2544	The Gun Shop	St. Bonifacius	MN	Tom Radde	952-446-9
lley Gun Inc. tor Valley Shooters Gunshop	Apple Valley	CA CA	Jack D. Watson Dennis Emmanuel	661-325-9468 760-242-2399	Cherokee Firearmes Co Diamond H Emporium	Springfield Columbia	MO MO	Nick Newman David Carl Holst	417-868-8 573-449-0
lker 47	Anaheim	CA	Andy Cauble, Jr.	714-871-8171	Dutch's Firearms	Raymore	MO	Dutch Becker	816-318-4
ld Bill's Old West Trading Company	Elk Grove	CA	Branden Irwin	916-686-7699	James Country Merchantile	Liberty	MO	Jean Warren	816-781-9
ld Sports pen Custom Art Works	Orangevale Snowmass	CA CO	Gary Morgan Steve Main	916-989-8314 970-923-4768	Meister Bullets, Inc Missouri Outfitters	Ozark Doolittle	MO MO	Bill Scrivner Richard M. Barnes	417-582-2 800-235-8
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