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DATES TO REMEMBER

4/22/16 - Work Day & Setup for Muster at Ft. Misery, 9 AM 4/23-24/16 - Muster at Ft. Misery, SASS NY State Wild Bunch Championship 5/7/16 - SASS RO I and II Training (see article below) 5/11/16 - CKR Monthly Meeting, 7:30 PM 5/14/16 - CKR Setup, 9:00 AM, followed by Monthly Rough Riders Match, 11:30 AM 5/15/16 - CKR Monthly CAS Match

APRIL CKR ROUGH RIDERS MATCH

Thanks to several industrious CKR members, almost all of the setup for the April RR/CAS matches was completed on Fri., April 15th, so the folks who arrived early the next day to help out found themselves with pretty much nothing to do. If Fri. setups are going continue, we are considering changing the start time for future RR matches. Don't worry, though - emails will be sent out and the website changed if we decide to make a time change.

A total of 21 folks participated in our first Rough Riders match of the season. This was

everyone's first and only chance to shoot a RR match at the CKR prior to the upcoming "big event", Muster at Ft. Misery (see separate article). weather was seasonably warm, and the skies were blue - a perfect shooting day. Dude Bandit's five RR stages were undeniably challenging (uh, Stage 3 – YIKES!), but trust me, they were nothing compared to what he has planned for the Muster, so Muster shooters, be forewarned! It was a fun day with a lotta lead-slinging and a great warmup for the Muster.

Congrats to this month's winners:

TOP GUN – Rowdy Bill Men's Modern – Rowdy Bill Men's Traditional – Whiskey Brooks

Ladies Traditional – Renegade Roper

APRIL CKR CAS MATCH

The Circle K's first CAS match of the 2016 season was held on April 17th with 58 shooters joining in the fun. The weather was spectacular – with temps rising well into the 70s and vivid blue skies. As always, it was great getting together with our old pards again, but it was

especially nice to welcome a couple of new CAS shooters to our ranks as well. Hopefully they enjoyed their day and will become "regulars' at the CKR. Thanks to ideas gleaned from some Florida shoots, Rowdy Bill treated the April competitors to some new and different target acquisitions. Apparently, although requiring a bit of concentration, the new sequences were not too difficult based on the high number of clean shooters. Way to go, folks!

When the smoke cleared and the day drew to a close, the following folks were left with braggin' rights 'til we do it all again next month...

Congrats to:

TOP GUN – JAMES SAMUEL PIKE B-Western – Wyatt Hurts Cattle Baron – Frenchy Wolf **Classic Cowboy** – Travis Spencer **Cowgirl** – Kate Cartwright **Duelist** – Sixgun Schwaby Elder Statesman – Rowdy Bill **Grand Patron** – Latigo Means **Grand Dame** – Lily Rose FC Duelist – Doctor Bill **FC Gunfighter** – Whiskey **Brooks Gunfighter** – Smilin' Pete 49r - Yukon Mike **Ladies 49r** – Spinning Sally

Senior/Ladies Senior –
Annabelle Bransford
Sr Duelist – I. C. Moose
Silver Senior – Four Feathers
Ladies Silver Senior – Violet
Cassidy
Wrangler – James Samuel Pike

Ladies Wrangler – Renegade Roper

Young Gun – Spaghetti Gunslinger

Clean Shooters – Annabelle Bransford, Feany Valentine, I.C. Moose, Kate Cartwright, Latigo Means, Lone Star Jake, Marshal Cartwright, Monte, Whiskey Brooks, and Wyatt Hurts

CKR PRACTICE NIGHTS

The CKR weekly CAS/WB Practice Nights will get back into full swing on 4/20/16. These practice sessions will be held from 5-7 PM each Weds. from now until late Aug., so mark your calendars and) plan to come on out and throw some lead with your fellow CAS pards. All CKR members and new/prospective CAS/WB shooters are invited to attend. This is a great opportunity to questions, hone your ask CAS/WB skills, get familiar with new firearms, or test your ammo.

(<u>UPDATE</u>: Since the entire range will be closed from 4/22-5/1, there will be no practice night on 4/27.)

CKR SASS RO TRAINING

Annabelle Bransford and Rowdy Bill will be conducting their annual SASS RO I and II training at the CKR in the KF&G clubhouse on Sat., May 7th. RO I (SASS Range Safety **Operations** Basic Course) will run from 9AM -12:30 PM and is STRONGLY encouraged for ALL CAS shooters. RO II (SASS Range Officer Training Course) will run from 1 - 4:30 PM and is for SASS members who have taken/passed RO I and have participated in CAS matches for a minimum of 6 months. Anyone wishing to attend should contact Annabelle immediately (email: annabelle69@juno.com; phone: 518-877-7834). All CKR members are eligible to attend this training for FREE. The cost for new students who are not CKR members is \$10 for RO I, \$25 for RO II, payable at time training. Non-members taking either course as a refresher will be charged \$5 (to cover the cost of a new pin and dated chevron).

MUSTER AT FT MISERY

It's hard to believe that in just a few days, the Circle K Rough Riders will host their 3rd annual SASS NYS Wild Bunch Championship on April 23-24. There are currently 49 registered shooters. Setup for the match will be on Friday, 4/22, beginning at 9 AM. Any help would be appreciated!

There will be a drawing for a Ruger SR1911 pistol at the event. The pistol was generously donated by Match Sponsor, Sturm, Ruger & Co. Raffle proceeds will go to the local fire department/EMTs

who will be onsite throughout the shoot. Tickets are \$5 each or 5 for \$20 and will be on sale throughout the weekend (or until the maximum of 500 are sold). The drawing will be held at the Sunday awards ceremony. You need not be present to win.

Any questions pertaining to the Muster should be directed to Roy Cassidy at 518-227-5054 or emailed to: roycassidy1911@yahoo.com.

CKR WINNERS AT OTHER MAJOR MATCHES

Not too many CKR folks attend major CAS matches over the winter months, but we did have a few who deserve a "Yeehaa" for their shooting prowess:

The SASS Florida State Championship, The Siege at St. Augustine, was held in (of all places!) St. Augustine, FL, on Jan. 7-10. Attendance was down a good bit this year for some reason with only 220 competitors shooting the match. Congrats to Rowdy Bill - 4th Elder Statesman, clean, and in the Top 32 Shootoff, Renegade Roper – 1st Ladies Wrangler, clean, and in the Top 32 Shootoff, and Annabelle **Bransford** – 1st Ladies Senior and in the Top 8 Ladies Shootoff.

The 25th annual <u>SASS National</u> <u>CAS Championship</u>, Winter Range, was held in Phoenix, AZ, on Feb. 22-28. A whopping 791 shooters participated in this Silver Jubilee celebration event - quite impressive! Congrats to **Sixgun Schwaby** who took 2nd

place in the Duelist category and **Renegade Roper** who finished 2nd in Ladies Wrangler. Awesome showing!

HELUVA RUKUS 2016

The annual email/USPS mailing of HR registration forms went out on April 16th, and the completed forms have already started coming in. Hopefully, HR '16, our 16th anniversary of hosting the SASS NY State CAS Championship, will prove to be a record-breaker, and we will be able to make it to our goal of 300 shooters.

With so many registered shooters expected, we'll need a lotta help, so please do your part. First, sign up for a committee (or 2 or 3). Committees include:

- Main Stage ROs
- Side Event ROs
- Setup
- Tear-down
- Registration Table
- Door Prize Table
- Range Maintenance
- Props
- Scoring (non-shooters).

(You may sign up at a CKR meeting or CAS shoot.)

Then do whatever you can to help us obtain stage/side event sponsors, vendors and door prizes. Updated sponsor/vendor registration forms will be available shortly on our CKR website's Heluva Rukus page (www.circlekregulators.com/heluvarukus.html).