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DATES TO REMEMBER

7/2/10 – Bowling Pin Shoot 7/10/10 – Cowboy Klays 7/13/10 – CKR Monthly Meeting, 7:30 PM 7/16/10 – Bowling Pin Shoot 7/17/10 – Setup for CKR Monthly Shoot 7/18/10 – CKR Monthly Shoot

NOTES FROM THE TRAIL BOSS

On June 20, 2010, Fathers Day, 67 cowpokes came out to enjoy another great day of cowboy shooting. Rowdy Bill once again set up some great stages with fun target sequences and plenty of movement. The weather was normal for June – "HOT". It brought back memories of Heluva Rukuses of the past, but that did not discourage us.

Our thoughts are of HR 2010. Much work is planned for this Sept. event. With several work days behind us and more to come, the changes to the range are already apparent. The addition to the pavilion was completed June 26-27. We still have other areas that need our attention. We will be finishing up the covered area and unloading table on stage 4 and the covered area and storage

space on stage 1, as well as another covered area on stage 5. We need to have more dirt moved, as well as clean-up done on the other stages. All of this is to be done, along with the 4th of July, NH State Shoot, New England Regional and various monthly shoots, so as you can see, time is very limited. But I know this... We work with a great bunch of people, and with the dedication and pride that they have, we will complete these tasks.

To all of you that did not get into HR 2010, please don't think that you can't be involved with this event. We need help. You and your spouse and kids can help with the registration table, door prize table. maintenance, etc. But most of all, come out even if you are not shooting. See the vendors, meet the shooters, watch and enjoy the whole atmosphere. You really should see the Top 16 Team Shootoff on Sunday. The best in the Northeast shoot it out. It makes for a great show.

We have vendors coming from all over. We will have a gun engraver, a laser engraver, and many other sutlers. There will be people selling everything for your cowboy needs. P.T. Litewell will be there to take your picture in color or sepia

tone (old fashion way). And you don't have to be a shooter to have your picture taken. What a nice idea for Christmas cards!

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So as I always say, come and see the handiwork your cowboy shooters do, and enjoy this grand event.

Smokehouse Dan

JUNE MONTHLY SHOOT

Ok, it's June and it's hot, so what else is new? Hot or not, we still had 67 gunslingers join in the fun, including a couple of Rowdy's stages new folks. required a bit of brain cell activity which can be daunting if one is not sufficiently hydrated or has not taken enough gingko biloba, but most of us managed to muddle through. Of course, some of us also managed to hit one of the "good guys" (hostage targets) on Stage 5. Sigh! I hate it when that happens!

Anyway, when the smoke finally cleared and the day drew to a close, the following cowpokes were left standing. Congrats to:

TOP GUN – ROWDY BILL B-W– Lone Star Jake Duelist – Smilin' Pete **Elder Statesman** – Frenchy Wolf FC Duelist – Doctor Bill Frontier Cartridge – Irascible Curmudgeon Frontiersman – Wheels Cartwright **Gunfighter** – The Dude Bandit 49r/Ladies 49r - Annabelle Bransford **Senior** – Blackhands **Silver Senior** – Rowdy Bill **Senior Duelist** – Peddler Jack Wrangler/Ladies Wrangler -Three Barrel Chris Ladies Duelist – Shani M **Ladies Frontier Cartridge –** Kate Cartwright **Ladies Senior** – J. T. Longfeather **Clean Shooters** – Violet Cassidy, Always Willin, Feany Valentine, John S. Books, K. B. Wales, Wheels Cartwright, and Whiskey Brooks.

Annabelle

COWBOY KLAYS

The Dude Bandit has tentatively scheduled a Cowboy Klavs shoot for Saturday, July 10th, at the Philmont Rod and Gun Club's upper range in Hillsdale, NY. Shooting will begin at 9:30 AM. We use our CAS main stage shotguns. Cowboy attire is requested. We shoot 50 birds from 13 stations, and the cost is \$12 per round. We generally shoot two rounds and then go to a late lunch at the diner over by the Taconic Parkway around 2 PM.

If you plan to attend, please email Dude and let him know (theodb1897@hotmail.com).

As soon as he has 10 pre-

registered shooters, he will send out a confirmation email for the event.

Plan on bringing a couple of extra rounds as there are sometimes technical difficulties.

Also, if you need directions, email Dude and he will send them to you.

CKR WINNERS AT MAJOR SHOOTS

CAS in the Great Northeast is back into full swing. The first big match in our neck of the woods the **SASS** Pennsylvania State **Championship** – was held in Muncy Valley, PA, Memorial Day weekend. They had great weather for the event, lots of really nice props, numerous side events, ten action-packed and challenging stages (some maybe TOO challenging), several vendors, and plenty of lead slinging fun for all! There were a whopping 213 shooters in attendance. Congrats to Rowdy Bill who shot clean, took 1st in Silver Senior and came in 7th overall, and to Annabelle Bransford who took 2nd in Ladies 49r.

That same weekend marked the first individual SASS Vermont State Championship.

(Previously VT and NH held a joint event.) The event was held in St. Johnsbury, VT, with a total of 104 shooters participating, including quite a few CKR members. Word has it that the match was a lot of fun and that the host club did a

great job on their inaugural State shoot. Congrats to **Blackhands** who took 2nd in Senior and to **Renegade Roper** who took 2nd place in Ladies Wrangler.

Following close on the heels of the PA and VT shoots was the **SASS Tri-State (MA/CT/RI)** Championship, held in Harvard, MA, June 4-6. Among the 163 shooters were numerous CKR members, and what an impressive showing those CKR folks made!

Congrats to James Samuel Pike, Rowdy Bill, Annabelle Bransford, and Big Sky Di who made it into the Top 16 Men/Ladies Team Shootoff.

A really special congrats to <u>James Samuel Pike</u> who shot clean, took Top Gun Overall, placed 1st in the Wrangler category, won 7 of the 10 stages, *AND* became the **SASS CT Men's State Champion** for the 2nd year in a row!!! It took 2 people just to carry all his trophies to the car!

Congrats also to:

Rowdy Bill -1^{st} Silver Senior (and 4^{th} overall)

Peddler Jack – 1st Sr. Duelist (and clean)

Tom Payne – 1st Classic Cowboy

Big Sky Di – 1st L. Wrangler **Annabelle Bransford** – 2nd L49r

The Dude Bandit – 4th B-Western

Sassparilla Will – 5th B-Western

Oklahoma Fork – 6th Frontier Cartridge

This was a great match that ran very smoothly, featured well-written stages, some super new props (a stockcar, cows and more cows, a livery stable, a chuck wagon, etc.), several new covered loading / unloading tables, a FREE Sat. night banquet (celebrating their 5th anniversary), and an exciting Top Gun Team Shootoff. Although there was a threat of some very nasty weather, the weekend didn't turn out too bad with just one wet stage on Sun.

On June 11-13, the Dakota Badlanders held their annual multi-day shoot, The Reckoning, in Orefield, PA (just outside of Allentown). This was another good match with some nifty props, fun (including stages an knockdown stage), and lots of creative target acquisitions. Instead of the normal side events on the first day of the shoot, they had a Wild Bunch mini-match (4 stages). They also had a nice pig roast and free beer Sat. night. Unfortunately, the weather was miserably hot and humid, but everyone survived. Included in the total of 104 shooters were a handful of CKR members.

Congrats to:

James Samuel Pike – Top Gun Overall, 1st Wrangler

Rowdy Bill – 1st Silver Senior (& 7th overall)

 $\begin{array}{llll} \textbf{Annabelle} & \textbf{Bransford} & - & 1^{st} \\ L49r & & & \end{array}$

Tom Payne – 2nd Classic Cowboy

The 29th Annual End of Trail, SASS World Championship. was held in Albuquerque, NM, June 22-27. Slightly more than 500 shooters participated in this year's match, up about 100 from last year. Although the number of vendors didn't seem to have increased, the daytime entertainment was considerably better this year with a new arena where different Wild West shows were held throughout the day. They had several training classes available, too, from gun twirling to gun transition. Seeing people ride longhorn through town steers certainly different, as seeing a 7-day old buffalo calf being led through town on a leash. There was also a great new food vendor with elk burgers, buffalo burgers, and a Philly cheesesteak to die for. The stages themselves were quick but involved enough unique things to keep them interesting (movers, knockdowns, bonuses, etc.).

CKR member, <u>James Samuel</u> <u>Pike</u>, was there for his first time, and boy, did he shoot to impress!!!! Congrats to Pike for shooting clean, getting into the Top 16 Shootoff, taking 1st in Wrangler, AND coming in 3rd OVERALL!!!!!! WOW! **Rowdy Bill** shot clean and placed his highest ever, taking 4th in Silver Senior. **Annabelle Bransford** came away with another 5th place buckle for L49r. Nice showing!

Meanwhile, **Mo Lasses** had his own 15 minutes of fame when he participated in the ground breaking for the new Cowboy Memorial Chapel and when he

read a special poem at the EOT Opening Ceremonies. Mo has been working hard to raise money for the chapel. He obtained a number of nice items at EOT which will be raffled off at the SASS Convention. All proceeds will go to the chapel fund. Mo will see to it that the CKR has tickets available for purchase ASAP.

HELUVA RUKUS '10

If you haven't already done so, make sure you sign up for a HR committee (or 2 or 3). You can do this at the monthly shoots or by calling/emailing Annabelle. HR Committees include:

- Main Stage ROs
- Side Event ROs
- Registration Table (Fri.)
- Door Prize Table (Fri.)
- Set-up (Thurs.)
- Teardown (Mon.)
- Range Maintenance (during shoot)
- Props
- Scoring (non-shooters)

Then do what you can to help us obtain sponsors, vendors and door prize contributors. With 280 shooters expected, we're gonna need a lot of door prizes, and getting them seems to get more difficult every vear. Contact Lone Star Jake (kardman23@aol.com or 518-399-3709) if you need sponsor/vendor registration forms sample letters or soliciting for door prizes or get them off our website (www.circlekregulators.com/ heluvarukus.html).

FOR SALE

Pair of Ruger "Bisleys", 357 cal., 5 ½", SS, like new, \$500 ea. Contact Peddler Jack (518-884-4949)

1873 Winchester (Uberti) 24" Rifle, 44 spl cal., blue, excellent condition, \$750 w/box. Contact Peddler Jack (518-884-4949).

Pair of Beretta Stampedes, nickel, 38/357, 4 3/4" barrel, \$400 ea. Contact Lone Star Jake (518-399-3709).

RL Dillon 550B complete with auto powder measure system, low primer feed alarm system, .45 cal conversion kit, 357 cal conversion kit and 2 tool heads. Lifetime no BS warranty from Dillon. Also includes large and small primer pick up tubes, small and large pistol and rifle powder bars and cartridge case bin. Entire press is in mint condition. Does not include the reloading dies. \$300.00 takes all. Call Gene @ 518-638-8158 (Argyle).

Gun Carts by Smilin' Pete. Take-down design to fit any size vehicle. Basic gun cart with 12 inch wheels. Will hold 3 to 4 guns. Call for prices (518-945 3218).

HAPPY TRAILS!