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#### MAY 2010

#### **DATES TO REMEMBER**

6/4/10 – Bowling Pin Shoot 6/15/10 – CKR Monthly Meeting, 7:30 PM 6/18/10 – Bowling Pin Shoot 6/19/10 – CKR Work Day/ Setup for Monthly Shoot/Cowboy Klays 6/20/10 – CKR Monthly Shoot/Wild Bunch Side Event

# NOTES FROM THE TRAIL BOSS

May was a strange month. The weather was 80 on some days and frost on other days. But when it came to cowboy shooting, it was perfect. 85 dedicated shooters showed up to get the dust off their gear and start the 2010 season. With State shoots starting right at the end of the month, many shooters were looking for some extra practice.

Rowdy did another fine job with the stages. Hopefully everyone had some fun. We are still getting new shooters every month. That is a good thing. I hope all you new shooters enjoy this sport as much as the rest of us

We could use everyone's help this year. We have some buildings to put up before September. Always Willin is also going to try and add on to the pavilion. This will be a 30' x 50' addition. We need some help to get it started, and when it comes to putting up the trusses and roof, we will need lots of help. Dude will also be setting up work days to build some shed-type buildings. With State shoots, Regional shoots, and End of Trail coming up, there are only a few open weekends left, so we'll need to get moving with these projects.

Also Mo Lasses has started a program to collect money for a cowboy memorial chapel to be built at Founders Ranch in New Mexico. He has teamed up with a friend on the West Coast to reach a goal of about \$50.000. Circle K has pledged to help him as much as possible. Personally, I would hate to see us be beat out by the West Coast. The East Coast has some of the best shooters. If you think about it, we shoot with the best and don't always shoot year round for practice. We are also going to take money that we collect at HR 2010 for our raffle for the firemen/EMTs and give some of it to Mo. Mo will also collect money at our monthly shoots. Please help whenever you can.

Adirondack Jack is also collecting money for another cowboy who needs our help. Please help Jack also. We all know the economic condition sucks, but our government is not going to help us no matter what the TV says. We need to help ourselves and our own.

Smokehouse Dan

#### MAY MONTHLY SHOOT

What a gorgeous day for shooting – low 70s, mostly sunny, low humidity! This was the kind of day when everyone wants to be outdoors enjoying themselves. And what better way to enjoy yourself than with all your pards at a cowboy shoot!? Apparently a lotta folks agreed with me since we ended up with a whopping 85 shooters, including some new folks and several shooters from NJ, VT, MA, and CT.

Thanks to Lone Star Jake for heading up setup in Rowdy's absence. And thanks to Rowdy for once again coming up with six fun and challenging stages. We all enjoyed the opportunity to shoot at Fort Misery for the first time since Rukus '09 (even though we missed the gatling gun). And MOST of us enjoyed trying our luck at knocking

those pesky plates off the infamous Texas "It'll-Be-The Death-Of-Me-Yet" Star.

Adirondack Jack passed the hat at the shoot for Ricky Lee of Brims and Trims. B & T has been a vendor at and/or sponsor of Heluva Rukus several times in the past. Tragically, Ricky was shot and seriously injured a couple of months ago. He has spent 45 or so days in the hospital and is still physically a financially wreck and devastated. Like so many CAS vendors, he really does need to work to pay the bills but is not yet able to do so. Thanks to everyone's generosity at the shoot, Adirondack Jack was able to raise \$160 for Ricky. (Note: Jack spoke to Rick on 5/17. He is improving but has a lengthy rehab ahead of him. He was EXTREMELY appreciative and asked that his personal thanks be passed along to all.)

Mo Lasses was also looking for contributions at the shoot. He is one of the folks organizing the Cowboy Memorial Chapel Fund which you may have read about in the Cowboy Chronicle. We will continue to have a donation jar for this effort at future shoots. The funds raised will go towards the erection of a memorial chapel at Founder's They will also be Ranch. selling plaques to commemorate our CAS pards who have passed on. The club plans to purchase plaques in the name of deceased CKR members, Muleskinner Micah and Chipotle Red.

Following the shoot, The Dude Bandit once again took charge

of a Wild Bunch side event. Thanks, Dude.

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

#### TOP GUN – QUAKER HILL BILL

**B-W/Ladies B-W** – Emma Goodcook

Classic Cowboy – Travis Spencer

Cowboy – Quaker Hill Bill Duelist – Smilin' Pete Elder Statesman – Frenchy Wolf

FC Duelist – Gun E. Bear Frontier Cartridge –

Gentleman Doc

**Frontiersman** – Doc McCoy **Gunfighter** – Ivory Thunder **49r/Ladies 49r** – Annabelle Bransford

**Senior** – Blackhands

Senior Duelist – Peddler Jack Silver Senior – Rowdy Bill Wrangler/Ladies Wrangler –

Appaloosa Amy

**Ladies Duelist** – Shani M **Ladies Frontier Cartridge** – Kate Cartwright

**Ladies Senior** – Calico Jan **Ladies Silver Senior** – May Rein

Young Gun – Snazzy McGee Clean Shooters –Always Willin, Annabelle Bransford, Appaloosa Amy, Deathwish Kid, John S. Books, Lone Star Jake, Ranger Sgt. Jake McCandless, Shatagee Trapper.

### Wild Bunch Side Match: Blackhands

Annabelle

#### WILD BUNCH SIDE EVENT

The Wild Bunch side event went very well this month. Five shooters participated. Blackhands won with a very impressive clean round of 24.84 seconds. The group shot for about an hour. Everyone agreed that they would like for the event to continue, so reckon we'll do it again in June.

#### **COWBOY KLAYS**

Something new at the CKR - Cowboy Circle-Klays! Our first cowboy clays event at the Kayaderosseras Fish & Game Club will be held on **Saturday**, **June 19**<sup>th</sup>, following setup for our monthly cowboy shoot. Cost will be \$15.00 per round, 50+ shots. SASS legal shotguns and cowboy attire required. To register or for any questions, please contact Roy Cassidy at roycassidy@yahoo.com.

#### **CKR PRACTICE NIGHTS**

Tuesday CAS practice nights are in full swing. We are pleased to be training new folks nearly every week, as well as providing some of our "regulars" with a few tips and tricks for improving their game. And if you just want to "do your own thing", test out a new gun, or try out that new ammo, this is the time and place -5-7PM each Tues. (Open to CKR members ONLY!)

#### **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 year. Contact Lone Star Jake (kardman23@aol.com or 518-399-3709) if you need sponsor/vendor registration forms or sample letters soliciting for door prizes or get website them off our (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 34" 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!