

The CirKulator



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DATES TO REMEMBER

6/15/11 – CKR Monthly

Meeting, 7:30 PM

6/18/11 – CKR Setup for

Monthly Shoot, 9 AM

6/19/11 – Father's Day/CKR

Monthly Shoot

NOTES FROM THE TRAIL BOSS

May sure has been a crazy month. We had to do some adjustments to Heluva Rukus and then try to get ready for our monthly shoot, plus line up work days for our new projects and updates for September.

Sunday, May 15th, we knew it was going to rain. And rain it did! But we still had 34 brave cowpokes come out to shoot anyway.

There were some great stages thanks to Rowdy Bill -- lots of thinking and lots of busting when it came to who was shooting. I would like to send out a big "Congratulations" to Roy Cassidy for his first clean monthly shoot.

I am sending out a huge "Thank You" to all for helping pick up after the shoot. It sure made it easier for everyone, especially since we were all wet.

There are 300 people signed up for Heluva Rukus 2011. It will be the first year we will use the split shooting system where you will shoot Saturday morning and Sunday afternoon *OR* shoot Saturday afternoon and Sunday morning. This will give you more time to shop at the vendors or to watch some of the best shooters in the Northeast that you might otherwise never get to see. I hope you all take advantage of this opportunity. There will be lots of campers on the grounds for Rukus this year. Space will be tight. Please be respectful of these campers; this is their home. But I am sure they will be glad to spend some time with you, visit a while, and maybe share some stories like all cowboys like to do.

See most of you next month.

Smokehouse Dan

MAY MONTHLY SHOOT

Before discussing the shoot, I'd like to say a few words about all the work that went on at Saturday's setup. A big "thank you" to everyone who came out to help. In addition to setting up the stages, all the plywood was taken off the windows in Rukus Flats, signage was put back up, targets and props were

uncovered and/or moved around after their winter storage, etc. A very special thanks to Sixgun Schwaby for bringing up rubble and putting it in the potholes on the range roadway, as well as using it to build ramps up to the line shack and freight office, making entry and exit from these buildings much safer. He also used his fancy machine to widen the berm at the line shack. All-in-all, some great range improvements!

Now on to the shoot itself... Ok, April was downright cold, so we figured it was bound to be nicer in May, right? Well, it may have been a bit warmer, but it was a whole lot wetter! Actually, as it turned out, it really wasn't as bad as we had feared. But a lotta folks must've taken the weathermen at their word and figured on a total washout 'cause only 34 brave souls joined in on our lead-slingin' fun this month.

Thankfully, Rowdy Bill had kept the forecast in mind when writing this month's scenarios. He made sure to keep the stages in the berms with the most cover. Gotta love those permanent buildings and the great covered shelters and loading/unloading areas! The stages themselves were fun and challenging as usual. There was

plenty of opportunity to practice gun transition and more of those “Shooter’s Choice” stages that make us all think. We got a chance to use the new modular panels that Dude and Whiskey built, too, and they worked out great. Thanks to Cletus for his paint job on them as well.

Congrats to the following cowpokes who remained standing when the smoke cleared. And please take special note that we had a **FEMALE TOP GUN** this month. Yeehaa! Way to go, Chris!

TOP GUN – THREE BARREL CHRIS

B-Western – Sassparilla Will
Cowboy – Happy Holiday
Duelist – Sixgun Schwaby
Elder Statesman – Frenchy Wolf
FC Duelist – Whiskey Brooks
49rs/L 49rs – Annabelle Bransford
Frontier Cartridge – Grandpa Zeb
Gunfighter – The Dude Bandit
Senior – Blackhands
Silver Senior – Lonesome Trailsman
Wrangler/Ladies Wrangler – Three Barrel Chris
Ladies Senior – J. T. Longfeather
Clean Shooters – Always Willin’, Feany Valentine, Lonesome Trailsman, Roy Cassidy

Annabelle Bransford

COWBOY KLAYS

The Cowboy Klays shoot on May 7th went very well.

Despite a dismal weather forecast, eight intrepid cowboys and one non-cowboy showed up to shoot, and the rain held off until we were all done and at lunch at a nearby diner. We shot one round and thanks to Soup Meat who pulled the trap for eight shooters and was all worn out at the end of the round. Next shoot Yukon Mike and I will do the trapping so Soup Meat can shoot and relax a bit. Speaking of Mike, he managed to lock his gun and his hat inside his truck and himself outside his truck which, of course, we will never let him forget. Mike took a lot of heat on that account, but he was able to use Rowdy’s gun and I, not surprisingly, had a spare hat to lend him. Fortunately Mike’s brother took pity on him and brought the extra set of keys all the way from home. At the end of all that, Rowdy Bill was our top cowboy shooter with a 34, right behind our non-cowboy Frank with a 36 (which we don’t count due the fancy new styled gun he uses). I was a distant 3rd place, and Yukon Mike, Whiskey Brooks and our new shooter, Chris, were all tied in 4th place. Chris had never used one of our cowboy shotguns, and she tried a couple of our other shooters’ guns until she found one that sort of worked for her. Also, she had never shot sporting clays before either. I guess Mike was upset at being locked out of his truck, as for Whiskey Brooks, there appears to be no excuse. Willie Missfire and Roy Cassidy brought up the end of the group. Next Cowboy Klays – July 4th!

Dude

JUNE SIDE EVENT

FYI – there will be a one-stage Wild Bunch side event held following our regular June monthly shoot, so don’t forget to bring your 1911 pistols!

UPCOMING MAJOR SASS MATCHES

Lots of big shoots are coming up in the next month or so. Good luck to all of our folks who will be participating!

May 27-29:

VT State Championship, St. Johnsbury, VT
PA State Championship, Muncy Valley, PA

June 3-5:

Tri-State (MA/CT/RI) State Championship, Harvard, MA

June 10-12:

The Reckoning, Guthsville, PA

June 21-26:

End of Trail, SASS World Championship, Founders Ranch, NM

If you know of any of our CKR members who trophy at any major SASS events, please make sure to keep Annabelle informed so that she can congratulate them in *The CirKulator*. Every cowpoke deserves his/her 15 minutes of fame, ya know!

Happy

Trails!