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DATES TO REMEMBER

6/17/15 – CKR Monthly Meeting, 7:30 PM **6/20/15** – CKR Setup, 9:00 AM, followed by Monthly Rough Riders Match, 11:30 AM **6/21/15** – CKR Monthly CAS Match (& Happy Father's Day!)

MAY CKR ROUGH RIDERS MATCH

Following setup on May 16th, 15 folks gathered to participate in our monthly Rough Riders match. You'd have thought that everyone would have been warmed up and ready to rock and roll with Wild Bunch-style shooting after just competing in SASS NYS the Championship a couple of weeks ago, but nooooo! Either this match was a lot harder, or folks still need more practice 'cause the number of misses was through the roof! Some shooters might have grumbled about the difficulty of the stages (with no shoots, LOTS of clay birds, the Texas star, the regular knockdown plate rack, knockup targets, and the progressive knockdown plate rack contend with), but no one could complain about the weather. It was a great day for throwing lead, and throw lead, we did for 5 action-packed stages.

When all was said and done, the following cowpokes came out on top. Congrats to:

TOP GUN – Rowdy Bill Men's Modern – Rowdy Bill Men's Traditional – Wheels Cartwright Men's Open – Whiskey Brooks **Ladies Modern** – Annabelle Bransford

Unfortunately, this month there was no one even CLOSE to having a clean match. Heck, out of 75 stages shot, there were only 6 clean STAGES, let alone any clean matches! Yukon Mike and Buck Wilder tied for the fewest misses for the match with 8 each. Guess that gift card for dinner at Olive Garden (meant to go to the first person to clean a CKR RR match) is still safe.

MAY CKR CAS MATCH

This month's CAS match was held on May 17th with 50 shooters competing in the event. Skipping spring, we jumped right into summer with blue skies and temps in the mid-80s. The frosty temps of April were forgotten, as instead of handwarmers. Gatorade and ice water were now in demand. Despite the toasty temps, the competitors hung in there 'til enjoying the end, the

opportunity to shoot 6 fun-filled stages and get a little more practice in before the "big shoots" of the 2015 season start.

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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:

Cassidy

TOP GUN – ROWDY BILL B-Western – Sky Ryders Cattle Baron - Frenchy Wolf Classic Cowboy - Travis Spencer **Cowboy** – The Eastwood Kid **Cowgirl** – Kate Cartwright **Duelist** – Sixgun Schwaby Elder Statesman – Rowdy Bill **Grande Dame** – May Rein Frontiersman – Stick Man Tom **Frontier Cartridge** – Slick Morgan FC Duelist – Wheels Cartwright FC Gunfighter – Whiskey **Brooks Gunfighter** – Smilin' Pete 49r – Yukon Mike **Ladies 49r** – Big Sky Di Senior/Ladies Senior -Annabelle Bransford **Sr Duelist** – Peddler Jack **Sr Gunfighter** – Grandpa Zeb Silver Senior – Shatagee Trapper **Ladies Silver Senior** – Violet

Wrangler/Ladies Wrangler – Renegade Roper Clean Shooters – John S. Books, Lightning Lee, Lone Star Jake, Lonesome Trailsman, Pot Shot Bob, & Rowdy Bill

CKR SASS RO TRAINING

Annabelle Bransford and Rowdy Bill conducted their annual SASS RO I and II training at the CKR on May 9th. Along with two first-time RO I students, ten folks took the course as a refresher (including eight CKR members). There were a total of eight students for RO II (including five CKR members). Four of the RO II students were newbies, and four were refreshers. Congrats to CKR members Stick-Man Tom, Ryder, and Whistlin' Micah who are now officially RO II-certified. It's always great to have more qualified ROs in the club. And it should be noted that Stick-Man Tom's and Sky Ryder's new training was quickly put to use as they ably assisted with the RO duties at this month's CKR CAS match. Good job, guys!

MUSTER AT FT MISERY

Muster at Fort Misery 2015, the SASS NYS Wild Bunch Championship, is now in the history books. There were 49 registered shooters. Although the weather did not fully cooperate, everyone seemed to enjoy the 10 stages designed by The Dude Bandit. Although there were no clean shooters. everyone agreed that the stages were challenging but also fun. Saturday night dinner was a success. KF&G Club members,

Donna and Eric, once again put on a fabulous dinner for us. We all agreed that it was one of the highlights of the weekend. A big Rough Rider 'thank you' to the Chronograph Crew, Homer Suggs, Feany Valentine, 'Mo' Lasses, and Stick-Man Tom. Also, a special recognition to Stick-Man Tom for doing anything that needed doing. Kay T Ryder did a great job in the scoring shack as always.

We want to recognize the winners:

Top Overall Man – Rowdy
Bill
Top Overall Woman Renegade Roper.
Men's Modern – Rowdy Bill
Ladies' Modern – Annabelle
Bransford
Men's Traditional – Hawkeye
Harry
Ladies' Traditional –
Renegade Roper

With the great response this year, we all hope to see you next year on April 23-24, 2016, as we host the 3rd annual SASS NY State Wild Bunch Championship at the Circle K.

Roy and Violet Cassidy

HELUVA RUKUS 2015

Plans are moving along nicely for this year's SASS NY State Championship. Rowdy Bill has been working diligently on the stages and providing Dude Bandit and his Props Committee with ideas for some great new items to build. Meanwhile, Yukon Mike continues his work on this year's premiere prop, a full scale chuckwagon.

Suggestions for a special 15th anniversary commemorative "goody giveaway" are being volleyed about.

And the registrations just keep coming in. As of this writing, we are up to 168 shooters from 17 different states. If you haven't already sent in your registration, don't delay! This is especially critical for those planning to camp on site. Space is limited and filling up FAST!

And if you can help us out by obtaining sponsors, vendors, or door prize contributors or are willing to serve on a particular committee (main match ROs, side match ROs, setup, teardown, range maintenance, registration table, door prize table, props, etc.), jump right in. As you can imagine, for a shoot of this size, we need a lot of help!

Any questions may be directed to 'Mo' Lasses at donadler@hotmail.com or annabelle69@juno.com.

<u>UPCOMING MAJOR CAS</u> <u>MATCHES</u>

Good luck to any of our CKR members or pards who may be attending the upcoming **PA State Championship** on Memorial Day weekend or the **Tri-State (CT, MA, RI) State Championship** on June 5-7.

Please note that unfortunately the **Quick and the Dead** Annual Shoot, originally scheduled to be held in Maryland, NY, June 13-14, has been cancelled.