

# The CirKulator



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## **DATES TO REMEMBER**

**03/28/10** – CKR Cabin Fever Shoot / Cowboy Swap'n'Sell /Pot Luck Dinner (see article)

**04/14/10** - CKR Monthly Meeting, 7:30 PM

**04/15/10** (or thereabouts) – Heluva Rukus Mailing

**04/17/10** – Setup for CKR Monthly Shoot

**04/18/10** – CKR Monthly Shoot

**05/01/10** – SASS RO I & II Training (see article)

## **JANUARY CKR DINNER**

On January 23, 2010, the CKR held their annual winter cowboy dinner at the Ravenswood Restaurant in Clifton Park, NY. The weather was good to us with no snow, allowing us to travel safely, but it was a “balmy” 20 degrees.

Forty-two tried-and-true cowpokes enjoyed a sit-down prime rib or stuffed filet of sole dinner. Need I tell you what the cowboys chose? 36 of them went for the prime rib. Homemade desserts, consisting of éclairs, assorted cookies, brownies, and 2 cheesecakes, were brought in from Sweet Sensations.

Territorial Governor Feany Valentine presented the 2009

Wooly Award for Best Annual State Shoot to Match Director, Homer Suggs, and Trail Boss, Smokehouse Dan, for the 2009 NY SASS State Championship, Heluva Rukus. Feany read the speech given by Tex, SASS #4, at the SASS Convention in Las Vegas where the award was presented to CKR member, Mo Lasses, who proudly brought it back to NY.

The presentations didn't stop there. The Dude Bandit presented TG, Feany Valentine, with a beautiful “Top Hand” belt buckle. This is one of only a limited number which have been presented to those individuals who have gone “above and beyond the call of duty” – doing the work necessary to put on Heluva Rukus and the monthly shoots, reliably showing up for the extra work parties for building projects and range maintenance, volunteering their time to be Range Officers at the monthly shoots and Heluva Rukus, and providing the leadership, as either club officials and/or Heluva Rukus committee chairpersons, that allow us to maintain quality shoots and improve our events year after year. We are lucky, as a club, to have a core group of “Top Hands” that have shown this kind of dedication over a

number of years.

The Dude wasn't finished there. Sassparilla Will received the first annual Dude Bandit Appreciation Award – a pocket watch with a train engraved on the front and an engine sound when it's opened. Dude, being an avid Disney fan, included Mickey Mouse as the engineer. Renovating the train was Will's first HR project, and he has continued surprising us with new props built at home. These have included loading and unloading tables that blend in with the stages and, for staging our long guns, a travel trunk on a hand cart with wheels and a prop made to look like wooden liquor crates. The watch is a small token to show Sassparilla Will our appreciation for his efforts in support of the CKR.

Two other awards of note were the Annabelle Bransford Sexiest Cowboy of the Year Awards. Word has it that the actual “awards” were personally presented to the winners by Annabelle in Florida; however, the commemorative photos were presented to the totally embarrassed winner, Yukon Mike, and runner-up, Tom Payne, at the dinner. (You really had to be there!)

Everyone who attended the

dinner received a door prize, ranging from gift certificates to boxes of ammo. Thank you to Bear Camp and his wife, Barb, of Lost Target Shooting Supplies for donating a case of shotgun shells for door prizes.

With a few door prizes left to give away, the group decided to hold an impromptu trivia contest. Congrats to Tom Payne who proved himself to be the trivia guru of the evening.

Many thanks to Sharon (Lone Star Jake's wife) for ramrodding the event once again this year. A good time was had by all.

Lone Star Jake  
(& various co-authors)

### **CKR CABIN FEVER SHOOT**

Don't forget our annual Cabin Fever Shoot / Cowboy Swap'n'Sell / Pot Luck Dinner which is scheduled for Sunday, March 28<sup>th</sup>. We'll need some help for setup around 9 AM. Shooting will start at 10 AM. Chow will be served at approximately 2 PM. Cost is a share-a-dish for the big feast! Contact Doe Dancer at 518-885-3758 to coordinate the menu. And don't forget to bring your extra, unwanted cowboy guns and gear to swap or sell. Tentative plans are to have 2-3 stages set up. The shoot, of course, is weather dependent, but regardless of the weather, the swap'n'sell and dinner will go on.

### **CKR WINNERS AT OTHER MAJOR SHOOT**

**The Last Stand, the Florida State Championship**, was held Jan. 7-10, 2010, in Orlando, FL. There were over 300 shooters in attendance, including several from the Circle K. With Annabelle, Rowdy, Dude Bandit, James Pike, Yukon Mike, Tom Payne, and Peddler Jack all on the same posse, it was almost like shooting back in NY – *including the weather!* That Saturday boasted record cold, forcing participants to shoot in 35 degree temps with rain, sleet, and even a few flakes of **SNOW!**

All the CKR folks put on a fine showing, and everyone had a blast, despite the less than Florida-like weather. Congrats to the following CKR members who went home "packin' wood":

Rowdy Bill – 2<sup>nd</sup> Silver Senior  
Peddler Jack – 3<sup>rd</sup> Sr. Duelist  
Tom Payne – 4<sup>th</sup> Classic Cowboy  
James S. Pike – 5<sup>th</sup> Cowboy  
Annabelle Bransford – 5<sup>th</sup> Ladies 49r  
Clean – Rowdy Bill and Peddler Jack  
Iron Man Side Event – James S. Pike

Yukon Mike's and James S. Pike's fine shooting earned them the right to compete in the Top 32 Shootoff and sent each home with a well-deserved Last Stand Survivor badge. Annabelle even managed to get in on the Ladies Shootout as an alternate. Way to go, folks!

### **SASS RO TRAINING**

Rowdy Bill and Annabelle will be holding SASS RO I and RO II training at the CKR on Saturday, May 1st. The classes will be held at the KF&G clubhouse from 9 AM – 4:30 PM (RO I – 9 AM – 12:30 PM, RO II – 1 PM – 4:30 PM). These classes are FREE for CKR members. The cost for non-members is \$10 for RO I and \$25 for RO II. Anyone may take RO I; however, in order to take RO II, you must have taken and passed RO I, be an active SASS member and have participated in CAS for a minimum of 6 months. It is possible to take both classes the same day. Anyone wishing to do so should bring a lunch.

Rowdy and Annabelle will also be conducting RO II training at the Pathfinder Pistoleros Club in Fulton, NY, on May 15<sup>th</sup>, at the MA/CT/RI Tri-State Shoot in Harvard, MA, on June 3<sup>rd</sup> and at the Great Nor'easter (New England Regional) in Pelham, NH, on July 21st.

If you are interested in taking any of these classes, please contact Annabelle via phone (518-877-7834 or 518-368-3535) or email ([annabelle69@juno.com](mailto:annabelle69@juno.com)). Pre-registration at least a week in advance is required.

### **CKR PRACTICE NIGHTS**

Rowdy Bill will start running Tuesday practice nights (*for CKR members only*) as soon as the weather and daylight permits, possibly as early as

4/20/10. Practice will run from 5-7 PM and will be held at the left end of the range (where our permanent "line shack" is). This is a great opportunity to ask questions, hone your CAS skills, get familiar with new firearms, or test your ammo.

## **FOR SALE**

**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).