

The CirKulator

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DATES TO REMEMBER

7/31/07 – CAS Practice, 5-7 PM
8/7/07 – CAS Practice, 5-7 PM
8/12/07 – CAS Demo at
Remington
8/14/07 – CAS Practice, 5-7 PM
& Monthly Meeting, 7:30 PM
8/18/07 – Setup for CKR
Monthly Shoot, Noon
8/19/07 – CKR Monthly Shoot
8/21/07 – CAS Practice, 5-7 PM
8/28/07 – CAS Practice, 5-7 PM
8/29/07 – Heluva Rukus
Shooters Packet Stuffing, 7:30
PM

**NOTES FROM THE TRAIL
BOSS**

July 15th, Cowboy Action Shooting at the Circle K. The weather was another factor. The threat of rain dampened some of our regular shooters from coming. Little did they know we only had a few sprinkles in the morning and a small shower in the afternoon. It was enough to get wet and then make it humid afterwards. But, as always, all who were there had a great time. The humidity did manage to sneak up on a few people. For the first time, we had a shooter succumb to the heat and go down. But as always, the cowboys came to his aid with water and Gatorade and got him back on his feet.

We did call EMS to come and check on him. They cleared the shooter, but he went home right after the EMS left. Thanks for the fine work to all who aided in that emergency.

There were 58 shooters that got to shoot this day. All the stages were taken directly from End of Trail 2007. Rowdy Bill kept them as written and only changed a few props. We want shooters to see how scenarios are written and put together elsewhere. I know that on this day there were not too many clean shoots. Shooters who have never gotten a procedural got one. Rowdy hopes to pull 5 more stages from the End of Trail for our August shoot.

The Greenfield Lions Club was on hand to feed us once again. They did a great job serving hot dogs, hamburgers, sausage sandwiches, and beans. The food always tastes great since I don't have to cook (not that I won't if I have to). They did ask the shooters how many would be interested in having a chicken dinner next month. I don't know the outcome because they had packed up before I finished shooting. I will be in touch before the August shoot to find out their intentions and put out an email.

We did get our new Circle K T-shirts. These shirts have the Circle K logo over New York State with a star for Ballston Spa and 'Cowboy Action Shooting' under the logo. They are a tan colored shirt with blue and gold. We have plain short sleeve T-shirts with the design on the front for \$12.00, short sleeve pocket T-shirts with the design on the back for \$15.00, and plain long sleeve T-shirts with the design on the front for \$17.00. These are a quality T-shirts with great graphics and sizes from Small to 3X. Some sizes are limited, but we can order more if need be. We will be selling these at our monthly shoots as well as at HR 2007. If you want shirts and know that you can't get to our shoots, let me know and we will get them to you. Call 518-885-3758 for Smokehouse Dan or Doe Dancer.

We also shot on Stage 10 for the first time, which is where we built a fine Freight Office in memory of Muleskinner Micah who passed away in Sept. 2005. Muleskinner was one of the original founders of Circle K and one of the most devoted Cowboy Action Shooters around. It was a pleasure to help erect this in his honor. There were many people who helped make this building come

together in a short time. You all did a great job, and 'Thank You'. I know Muleskinner thanks you, too.

Another first for this shoot was our new pass from the permanent town stage straight out to the middle fields. This was welcomed since the heat and humidity got real heavy. This pass saved everyone the long walk around the chicken shack and bathrooms. Even though it wasn't completely finished, it was much easier than that long walk.

There is still more work being done at the club for HR 2007, including more earthwork as well as more tree removal. There are more props to build. We are trying to see if we can get one more permanent stage set. This is to be a mineshaft. But we know that time is important, and this may have to wait until next year. We are still looking for help for HR 2007.

Circle K members who plan to go to the Remington Demo Shoot on Saturday, August 12th, need to contact me so we can coordinate time and what we have to do at the shoot. Also some Circle K members are planning to go to the Tioga Sportsman Club on Saturday, August 4th, for some Cowboy Action Shooting. Tioga is a fairly new cowboy club located just east of Binghamton, N.Y. We do have to let these folks know how many are coming because they have a chicken dinner for lunch with your paid admission to the shoot. We hope to coordinate a time and place to leave from so we can

carpool as much as possible due to gas prices.

Again, thanks to all at this shoot, and please help us at HR 2007.

Smokehouse Dan

JULY MONTHLY SHOOT

What is it with these 'doom and gloom' weather forecasts? For July 15th, the weathermen predicted scattered thunderstorms, some possibly severe in the afternoon. Well, they weren't even close. It was generally a great day for shooting – albeit a bit humid, but with an occasional light breeze. Despite the nasty weather prediction, we still had 58 shooters this month, including one finely dressed new cowpoke and some folks we haven't seen since last year's Heluva Rukus. All of this month's stages were based on scenarios from End of Trail 2007, and, as might be expected coming from a World Championship shoot, they were somewhat more challenging than normal. We had aerials, knockdown pistol targets (calibrated to go down with a .32), a no-shoot target, and some interesting target acquisitions and gun transitions that forced the shooters to THINK, not just throw lead. We finally got an opportunity to use our awesome new building on Stage 10, and it worked out great. We also got to use the new cut-through between Stages 7 and 8 – a nice time (& leg) saver. The Lions Club once again did a great job keeping

the cowfolk fed. The only downside to the day was that one of our cowboys got dehydrated, and medical assistance had to be called. PLEASE, folks, even if you think it's not that hot or that you're not sweating that much, remember to keep hydrated. Drink, drink, drink! The CKR will try to do better with putting water out on the stages, too.

At the end of the day, the following gunslingers came out on top. Congrats to:

TOP GUN – ROTTEN RICH

Traditional – Cartwheel

Duelist – Smilin' Pete

Classic Cowboy – Tom Payne

B-Western – The Dude Bandit

Frontier Cartridge – Heartless

FC Duelist – Budda Bob

Frontiersman – Whiskey

Brooks

49rs – Rotten Rich

Senior – Blackhands

Senior Duelist – Peddler Jack

Silver Senior – Rowdy Bill

Elder Statesman – Armadillo Bill

Ladies Frontier Cartridge – Kate Cartwright

Ladies Traditional – Three Barrel Chris

Ladies 49r – Annabelle Bransford

Ladies Silver Senior – May Rein

Young Gun – Jeremiha T

Clean Shoot – Schoharie Kid, Flat Nose Drifter, May Rein

Annabelle Bransford

HELUVA RUKUS DINNERS

Last chance! If you have signed up for the shoot but have not yet paid for the Friday night banquet or for extra guests for

the Saturday BBQ, please do so ASAP if you wish to attend. If you are not shooting HR but plan to be around over the weekend, you are welcome to attend as well. The more, the merrier! The prices are the same as last year -- \$25/person for the banquet and \$15/person (shooter gets in free) for the BBQ. Please make checks payable to Kayaderosseras Fish & Game Club and send to: Debbie Myers, 8 Hidden Valley Lane, Ballston Lake, NY 12019. Make sure to enclose a note stating your alias and specifically what the check covers. .

CKR WINNERS AT OTHER MAJOR SHOOTS

The **NH/VT SASS State Championship** was held July 6-8 in Holderness, NH. There were 137 shooters in attendance. Congrats to the following CKR members who finished with honors:

Rowdy Bill – 1st Silver Senior (& 1st Wild Bunch Side Event)
Annabelle Bransford – 1st Ladies 49r (& 1st Ladies Pocket Pistol)
Yukon Mike – 5th Traditional (& 1st Working Cowboy Costume Contest)
Blackhands – 5th Senior
Three Barrel Chris – 5th Ladies Traditional
Rattlesnake Rische – 5th Silver Senior
Myrtle Wells – 6th Ladies 49r

CAS DEMO AT LONE FEATHER STUDIO

On July 21, 2007, well-known

local Western artist, Ken Schmidt, held his Annual Open House at the Lone Feather Studio in Ballston Spa. Due to the resounding success of the CKR's live CAS demos at this event for the past two years, Ken invited us back once again to participate in this year's event. Nine CKR members shot two different scenarios (a Boot Hill scene and a bar scene) using CKR props and targets that were set up in Ken's backyard. Just the opposite of last year's disastrous weather, the event was blessed with absolutely beautiful weather this year -- plenty of sunshine and temps in the upper 70s. A fairly sizeable crowd gathered under the tent at 1 PM, and again at 3 PM, to get a good view of the CAS action, snap a bunch of pictures, and listen to what Smokehouse Dan had to say about the goings-on. Despite some minor difficulties with the clay bird throwers (and a few "P's" on the part of the shooters), the demos went well. One gentleman took numerous photos that he said should be on the www.northeastshooters.com website under the SASS Section within a week or so. We presented our host, Ken, with one of our new Circle K T-shirts, which he promised to wear proudly – if we got him the right size – oops! When not doing the demos, the club members enjoyed a delicious free buffet and got an opportunity to check out Ken's fabulous Cowboy/Indian/Mountain Man artwork. An authentic Indian tepee, six beautiful horses and a number of nice hot rods were there as well. At the conclusion of the

event, the names of the CAS shooters who attended were thrown into a hat for a drawing for two pieces of Ken's art on slate. Congrats to winners, Whiskey Brooks and Smilin' Pete! We have already been invited to go back and do it again in '08. A special thanks to all those who participated in the event AND to those who helped with setup and teardown! A good time was had by all!

CKR WORK DAY

We have had a couple of very productive work days (thanks to some truly dedicated CKR members!), but we still have some more work to do on Stage 10 and a couple of other props that need to be built before Heluva Rukus. Therefore, we'll need to schedule another work day sometime in August. An email will be sent out to all members when the date and time is determined. Please do your share to help out, won't you?

Happy Trails!

