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DATES TO REMEMBER

8/2/08 – CKR Work Day, 9 AM 8/10/08 – Remington Stepping Out Day CKR CAS Demo 8/13/08 - CKR Monthly Meeting, 7:30 PM 8/16/08 – CKR Setup for Monthly Shoot 8/17/08 – CKR Monthly Shoot 8/24/08 – Cowboy Klays 8/26/08 – Last CKR Practice Night of the Season 9/3/08 – Heluva Rukus Shooters Packet Stuffing

NOTES FROM THE TRAIL BOSS

Just a quick note on July's shoot. It was hot... But it was still fun. We tried something new with 6 stages, and one was with the moving target. We had 62 shooters that enjoyed the stages. We will run 6 stages again next month for August, as well as the moving target again. Also, in August, we will shoot long range after the regular stages. This is to prepare for the Rukus.

The summer is busy for all. We have a work day set for August 2nd. Ol' Scratch is in charge of the work day. Please give him a call if you can help. We also have a CAS demo to do at Remington Arms on Aug. 10th. We have to finish the building

between stages 9 and 10. Please help for the Rukus also, even if you aren't going to shoot. See you in August.

Mo Lasses has a few Cowboy Campfire Cookbooks left for sale. They are priced at \$18.95, and all proceeds go to the SASS scholarship program. Please contact him if you want one (donadler@hotmail.com). They will make a great gift. The cookbook has some very good recipes which come from cowboys all over the USA.

Stay safe, and shoot straight.

Smokehouse Dan

JULY MONTHLY SHOOT

The forecast for July 20th was NOT good -- flash flood warnings for the area starting at noon. chance of severe thunderstorms in the afternoon. Not exactly conducive to a day on the shooting range, I'd say. Nevertheless, 62 die-hard "CASaholics" were registered and ready to throw some lead by 10 AM. And throw lead, they did - on a total of SIXstages. And guess what? No one got wet!

Due to the increase in the number of stages, this month's

scenarios had a little less movement than normal and the targets were moved in a bit closer than normal in an effort to make things go faster. There were some new and different target acquisitions, which kept the shooters on their toes. AND there was a new target - a gravity-fed mover. The mover was activated by pushing a plunger, after which it traveled at an angle down a cable for approximately 60 feet before coming to a stop. The target appeared to work well, and barring any unforeseen problems, it will be used in Heluva Rukus.

Congrats to the following cowpokes who get braggin' rights for the next month:

TOP GUN – ROWDY BILL
Traditional – Yukon Mike
Duelist – Smilin' Pete
B-Western – The Dude Bandit
Classic Cowboy – Tom Payne
Frontier Cartridge – Mange E
Coyote

FC Duelist – Adirondack Jack
Gunfighter – Whiskey Brooks
49rs – Rotten Rich
Senior – Blackhands
Senior Duelist – Peddler Jack
Silver Senior – Rowdy Bill
Elder Statesman – Latigo
Means

Ladies 49r – Annabelle Bransford

Ladies Traditional – Three
Barrel Chris
Ladies Frontier Cartridge –
Marian Cartwright
Ladies Senior – Christmas
Carol
Ladies Silver Senior – May
Rein
Clean Shooters –Buck
Staghorn, Always Willin',
Lonesome Trailsman, and
Rowdy Bill.

Annabelle Bransford

CKR WINNERS AT OTHER MAJOR SHOOTS

The **SASS NH/VT State Championship** was held in Holderness, NH, July 11-13. There were 112 shooters in attendance, including a good number of CKR members.

Congrats to Costume Contest winner: Best Dressed Cowgirl – Three Barrel Chris

Congrats to category winners: Rowdy Bill -1^{st} Silver Senior (& CLEAN) Annabelle Bransford -2^{nd} L49r Rattlesnake Rische -2^{nd} Elder Statesman Blackhands -3^{rd} Senior Three Barrel Chris -4^{th} LT Myrtle Wells -4^{th} L49r Yukon Mike -5^{th} Traditional

Yukon Mike, Rowdy Bill, Annabelle, Blackhands, Three Barrel Chris & Myrtle also made it into the Top 16 Men/Top 16 Ladies shootout.

And most importantly, congrats to the new **Vermont SASS Ladies Champion**, our own

CKR member and female shooter extraordinaire, Three Barrel Chris! Yeehaa!

The weather was decent, the stages were good and the camaraderie was super! What more can you ask for!?

LONE FEATHER STUDIO CAS DEMO

On July 19th, well-known local Western artist, Ken Schmidt, held his Annual Open House at the Lone Feather Studio in Ballston Spa. Once again, the CKR was invited to present live CAS demonstrations as a part of the day's activities. This was our 4th year there. Smokehouse Dan explained the sport of CAS to the spectators, ten CKR members shot two different scenarios (a Boot Hill scene and a bar scene) using club props and targets that were set up in Ken's backyard. This year's weather was HHH (hazy, hot and humid) and pretty uncomfortable, but we moved the timing of the demos up a bit (12:30 and 2:00) and managed to miss any rain. Although the demos themselves were well received. we noticed overall attendance of the event was down somewhat this year. When not doing the demos, the enjoyed club members delicious free buffet and got an opportunity to check out (and/or purchase!) Ken's fabulous Cowboy/Indian/Mountain Man artwork. An authentic Indian tepee, several beautiful (and overly curious) horses and a number of nice hot rods were there as well. Ken generously agreed to sponsor a stage at

Heluva Rukus this year and donated a gorgeous \$250 framed Conestoga wagon print. At the conclusion of the event. the names of the CKR members who attended were thrown into a hat for a drawing for a piece of Ken's art on slate. Congrats to winner, Ms. Whiskey, whose name literally blew out of the hat and was grabbed in mid-air by Rowdy Bill. 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

A work day is scheduled starting at 9 AM, Saturday, 8/2/08, to finish the building between stages 9 and 10. There is a lot of work to be done, and the more folks who help out, the easier and faster things will go. Please donate a few hours of your time to help complete this task. Any questions may be directed to Ol' Scratch at minkhunter25@hotmail.com or 518-885-1376.

HELUVA RUKUS DINNERS

Anyone interested in purchasing an additional Friday night banquet ticket (\$32) or Saturday night BBQ ticket (\$15) should send a check (made out to KF&G Club) to Annabelle (Debbie Myers, 8 Hidden Valley Lane, Ballston Lake, NY 12019) by no later than 8/24/08. Make sure to include your alias and exactly what the check covers.

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).

Pair of Great Western II pistols, 38-357 cal., 5 ½" barrel, blue finish, NIB, \$400 each. Call Malta Single Shot at 518-584-4899.

HAPPY TRAILS!