



# The Howler

at 5 Dogs Creek

Nov./Dec. 2011

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## from the trap line ...

*by Mad Trapper of Rat River*

### Behind the Facade: It's Your Turn Now

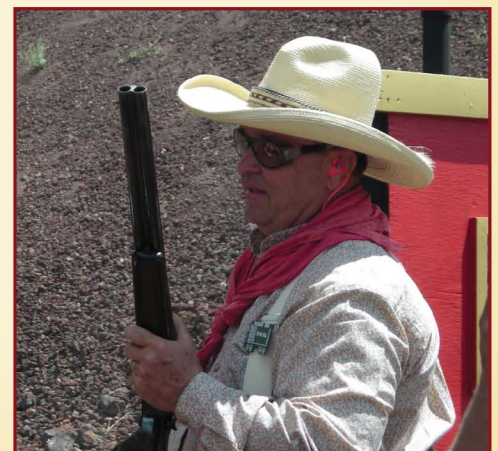
You show up at the range, unload your gun cart, strap on some leather just in time for the shooter's meeting. We all say the Pledge of Allegiance and then you enjoy three plus hours of shooting, camaraderie and fun. It's a warm day so you go to the cooler, which

magically appears every time, and get a cold bottle of water which has been iced down for you to enjoy. Ever wonder who makes the water, ice and coolers magically appear? Now it's lunch time. You eat your lunch, discuss guns and/or politics and wait for the scores. Ever wonder who cleaned the table you're sitting at? Who makes the trash disappear from each bay? Who is left to clean up after you have departed? The two people instrumental in making this happen are El Alacran del Norte and his ever-smiling wife Miss Foxi Schoolmarm. "Thank you" hardly gets it done folks! Others need to step up and volunteer to help them out. Let's face it, none of us is getting any younger. So we all need to do a little something to make our club run efficiently. For starters, make sure your trash goes into a trash barrel/bucket and NOT in the recycling buckets. How about carrying a trash bucket from the last bay you shoot on? Spend an extra half hour to help clean up after scores have been read. If you enjoy shooting, remember there are no gnomes, leprechauns, or angels to make the club run. IT'S UP TO ALL OF US AND THAT INCLUDES YOU.



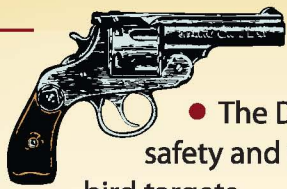
### Thanks Dutch Bill ...

*for contributing all the blue recycling pails. Your generosity will help all club members remember where to put the cans and bottles.*



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## • • • • • The Sheriff's Log

by Fordyce Beals

• The December match is sponsored by Hennessey Hays. I have reviewed the stages for safety and they have elements of speed, bonus rifle and pistol long range shots, and shotgun bird targets. • She-Bang was a great success last month even if the weather and the regional at Lucerne kept the shooter numbers down. Congratulations to the Ladies of 5 Dogs for a great match that will keep shooters coming back for more. • I still need sponsors for some monthly matches next year. Talk to me and I will set up a month for you. Another need is for score keepers for the state championships. If you volunteer you can get training at the monthly matches and be all set when 5 dogs biggest match of the year takes place May 3rd to 6th 2012. • Email the sheriff at [fordyceia@live.com](mailto:fordyceia@live.com)

### Government work?



David Olds digging the easy way

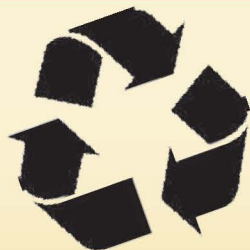


By now you know we have new and permanent loading tables. I want to personally recognize the work party consisting of QuickDraw Grandpa (Range Wrangler), Sam Ootie, and Huckleberry Flash, who, along with myself, toiled the better part of an entire day building and installing the tables. I would be remiss if I did not also thank range owner David Olds who augered all the holes for us. Mr. Olds supplied himself, the tractor, and a member of his range staff for the two hours it took to accomplish the 32 holes. A delicious barbecued lunch was served by Wanderin' Rose and Miss Barah Lee Misditt of the Rat River Catering Company. Those enjoying the meal were not certain of the source or kind of meat served but were assured that it was very fresh and picked up by the caterers on their way to the range. Thanks ladies.

... da mayor

### Operation Bowling Pin Removal : 100% Successful!

Thanks to everyone who carried the bags of pins away.  
Special kudos to **Bix Bender** who took the lion's share.



### Recycle Reminder

Don't forget your plastic bottles and soda cans when you come to the range.

Please leave them by the woodpile.

A little from everyone will soon add up to a lot.

## The infamous "Wall of Shame" Unveiled

In order to exercise some control over stage design,  
and,

In order to assure stage designers will shoot "very carefully",  
and

In order to have a little giggle at the person who screws up . . .

The Wall of Shame was officially unveiled  
after the She-Bang on Sunday.

Rule of the Game:

If you get a Procedural (P) on a stage that you have designed  
you will be assessed a one time engraving charge of \$7.50  
and your name will forever be enshrined on the

**5 Dogs Creek Wall of Shame.**

Not meant to be a punishment, jest fun.

We have a winner!

First initiate on what will become the infamous  
5 Dogs Creek Wall of Shame  
is . . .

**Calgary Kate**

*Congratulations Miss Kate, please make sure someone witnesses  
you make your deposit in the Donation Jar.*



*Calgary Kate took the news really well!*



## Brandy for sale?!

**You have got to be kidding! Did you really think this beauty was for sale? What kind of a cowboy club do you think we're running? NO, you cannot buy Brandy Rose! You can however bid on a bottle of "special" brandy that was donated by Gus Ashcroft and Brandy Rose. Auction will be held at the shooter's meeting on Saturday, Dec. 3, 2011. Here is an opportunity to get some Christmas shopping done early and help our club. Thanks to Gus & Brandy, proprietors of the Howling Wolf Saloon.**

## CLUB CLASSIFIED SECTION and NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS:

If you have guns, boots, or other dry (or not so dry) goods that you would like to list for sale in the newsletter, please contact Kate Barlow at [kate.dora@hotmail.com](mailto:kate.dora@hotmail.com)

- **Pictures** should be submitted in one of the following formats: JPG, TIFF, PDF, or PSD.
- **Text** should be submitted in a Word document or sent as plain text in an email message.
- **DEADLINE:** by the 20th of the month for the material to appear in that month's newsletter.