



THE HOWLER

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From the 46 Connected Ranch

Left the Ranch
For tropical islands,
Where it was warm and humid,
And the ocean so very lovely,
But our heart stayed here,
With our friends,
On the Ranch

We are back! Lap Dog and I spent the first week of July on the Turks and Caicos Islands with 14 other family members. We had a wonderful time but are glad to be home once again. We should all have a vacation now and again; still, it is always good to return to our familiar surroundings and see our cowboy and cowgirl shooting friends on the range and to also reconnect in virtual space, something that obviously didn't exist in the Old West, along with so many other conveniences we take for granted in our world.

Those of you who participated in July's monthly shoot have now had the opportunity to see the new trees that have been installed on Bay's nine and 10. I checked on them the day after we returned home and can report they are doing well. Thank you once again to all of you who have been making sure the trees are getting adequate liquid refreshment, otherwise known as H₂O. While I was there I noticed that there was a sprinkler placed at one of the new trees with a very fine spray going. Later I met Will, one of the employees at Five Dogs, who told me he has been letting this sprinkler run on each tree for about a day and a-half, rotating through all four trees about every four days. So, if any of your happen to be at the range and see Will you might want to tell him thank you.

Planning for the She-Bang (the October shoot) is ratcheting up! Flyers for this annual event have been prepared, thanks to Lei Tombstone. And flyers have been sent to the Chorro Valley Regulators for inclusion in the shooter packets that will be distributed at the 19th Annual Chorro Valley Shootout: 2013 SASS Western Regional Championship. Plans have also been put in place to distribute the She-Bang flyers to our other sister clubs in the Valley and on the Coast. Please spread the word about the She-Bang whenever you are shooting with another club! If you have any questions about this event, or if any of you ladies are interested in helping out with the She-Bang, you may contact Lap Dog at dhansen2@bak.rr.com or 661-301-8288.

Sheriff's Log

The match for July was sponsored by Bull McFearson. The hot weather during the match was countered by an early start to shooting and fast moving posses that finished early. The rifle targets were set such that many thought they were further out than the norm. This is one of the benefits of having a different stage writer every month, shooters at the monthly matches will be ready for any challenge when they go to different clubs around the SASS world.

Many thanks to Bull.

The match on August 3 and 4 is sponsored by The Bean clan. I am looking forward to the quality stages that Jim and Bo set up. As the back stop to the monthly stage writers, I personally thank Jim and Bo for taking on, at short notice, this match.

The new trees on bay 9 and 10 should provide a much needed block to the warm summer sun when they leaf out next spring. If you go to the range to practice please do some irrigating to help the trees survive the dry summer conditions.

2013 SASS WESTERN REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP
THE 19th ANNUAL CHORRO VALLEY SHOOT-OUT
AUGUST 7th - 11th, 2013

The Chorro Valley Regulators are proud to be hosting the 2013 SASS Western Regional Championship. Located in the beautiful township of Chorro Valley, San Luis Obispo, California.

12 Stage Main Match, Side Matches Galore, Howling Wolf Saloon, Four Star Dinner & Entertainment.

SASS Rules Apply. Must be a SASS member to shoot this match.

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Historical Note: “**Sarah ‘Sally’ Haspel.** She met Wyatt in Peoria, Ill. on September 7, 1872, when they were arrested on a floating brothel on the Illinois River, a newspaper called her ‘Sara Earp, alias Sally Heckell, [who] calls herself ‘wife of Wyatt.’ The couple moved to Wichita, Kan., where she and Bessie Earp (wife of James Earp) ran a brothel in 1874” (*Wild West*, December 2012).

“Betcha ya didn’t know that did ya???”



SHE-BANG IS A COMIN'

YOU are hereby given fair warning and hearty encouragement:

WHEREAS: She-Bang is intended as a “fun for all match,” and

WHEREAS: The ladies of 5 Dogs will have many fun activities planned, and

WHEREAS: All funds raised by the ladies for the entire weekend will go to the American Cancer Society, and

WHEREAS: PINK IS THE COLOR linked with the American Cancer Society.

RESOLVED: Cowboys and cowgirls should make every attempt to wear something pink for this match.