

JUhe Howler

at 5 Dogs Creek

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From the 46 Connected Ranch

by Utah Blaine

We are now on winter hours! **The Registration Office opens at 8:00 AM.** Please register by 8:45 AM. The mandatory shooter's meeting is at 9:00, with the match beginning immediately following.

Although I recognized during our November match those who have been working diligently at completing various task around our range, I'd like to make sure they are recognized in print with a big thank you!

Thanks to **Quick Draw Grandpa** and **Sam Ootie** for getting Thompson Water Seal on all of our buildings and all the wood facades for Bays 1 through 8.

Thanks to **Mescalero** and **Huckleberry Flash**. I noted in The Howler for October that when you all showed up in November you would likely see that we have new benches due to their efforts. This was indeed the case; the old benches, those just waiting for an accident to happen, were happily used as firewood both Friday and Saturday nights of the November match.

Thanks to **Mad Dog Draper** and **Sam Ootie** for repairing the roof on the office. Although, we don't seem to have had much rain lately, the repair certainly needed to be made before we have, hopefully, rain this winter.

Thanks to **Bones Brannon**, **Huckleberry Flash**, and **Fordyce Beals** who, with the assistance of **Mescalero**, welded mounting brackets on all 20 of the new steel targets recently purchased.

My father-in-law, Lap Dogs father, had a 61 year old ash tree in his front yard taken down recently, and asked if we could use any of it for firewood at our range. Of course, I said yes; however, I was out of town when the tree came down. Thanks to **Sam Ootie** who took two big pickup loads of wood from this tree to our range the day it was cut down, and another big load a week later.

We now have sponsorships for all 12 bays for our Annual in May 2014; however, there are still several side matches available for sponsorship for the nominal sum of \$100 each. In return for your sponsorship you will receive our warmest thank you, and we will post a sign with your name as the sponsor for the duration of the Annual. The side matches still available for sponsorship include: Speed Shotgun, Long Range Single Shot Rifle, Long Range Lever Action Rifle and Pistol Cartridge, Plainsman, and a Wild Bunch side-match. These opportunities are offered on a first come first serve basis!

- Those of you who follow the conversation in the Cowboy Chronicle know there have been discussions about costuming. The Editor-in-Chief, Tex, has written about this at some length. In the last issue there is a letter to the Editor by Sister
- Sara, SASS# 1710, titled "Costuming Needs a Fix." ... continued on next page

The Sheriff's Log

by Fordyce Beals

The November 2 and 3 was sponsored by Mescalero and Calgary Kate. The inclusion of the knock down target array on Bay 4 was a fun challenge. My pistol knock down load of 136 grain lead ball and 25 grains of 777 powder worked about half the time so I made use of the shotgun clean up offered. The several split pistol stages were appreciated by this gunfighter, the myth of gunfighter unfriendly stages is just that; a myth.

The match for November 30 and December 1 is sponsored by Hennessey Hayes. This is a long 4 day week end for the workers among us. No doubt we will see left over turkey at the pot luck!

Emails were sent out to the current years match sponsors. if you did not reply or you are a new candidate for match sponsorship you can get a copy of the orphan months from me at fordyceleia@live.com

continued from page 1 ... You may read the letter for yourself, but among other things she argues for Stage DQs for improper attire and objects to photos published in the Chronicle of shooters in jeans, t-shirts, ball caps, etc.

Tex comments on the letter saying: "I won't take pictures of folks not in costume...or who wear ball caps and even shorts to award ceremonies....Everyone needs to be more careful about the photos they take and what I use for the paper" (Cowboy Chronicle, November 2013:10).

So, why am I even bringing this up in The Howler. For our Annual in May we will certainly want photos of cowboys and cowgirls in costume, and want to encourage such costuming at the awards ceremony. We all know cowboys and cowgirls are independent cusses and don't like to be told what to do; nevertheless, the SASS Handbook does lay out costuming "rules," and we are SASS affiliated Club. One of the things we do is take a photo of clean shooters at our monthly matches. As a modest beginning, Lap Dog would like to request that if you are clean shooter, please remain in costume until after the photo of clean shooters is taken.

Bones Brannon has agreed to bring the .22 Shooting Gallery to our December match for your shooting entertainment after lunch on Saturday. So, bring your .22 single action or semi-auto pistols, your lever action, bolt action, or semi-auto rifles, and your .22 ammo. Those of you who shot at the Gallery during the She Bang know how much fun this is; those of you who haven't yet shot at the Gallery, here is your opportunity step into and relive the shooting arcades of yesteryear!

Guess what? It has seemed like "fall" has been a long time getting here; however, the leaves that are now beginning to cover the ground under the trees at the range indicate that it is making its way to 5 Dogs Creek. If you happen to be going to the range for some practice and have a few minutes after you are done, or just have a little extra-time on your hands, bring a rake and take care of some of those leaves. All you have to do is pile them outside the fence and they will be hauled away. As more and more leaves accumulate we may need a work party to take care of them.

Finally, we want to recognize the clean shooters at our November match. Check out their pictures on the next page. Congratulations to all of you! If I didn't shoot so many "stealth" bullets I might have a chance to join this august group one day.

All you cowboys and cowgirls out there keep your horse shod, your guns clean, and your powder dry. And we'll see you Saturday and Sunday of **November 30 and December 1**. Don't forget to bring your .22 pistols and rifles, and ammo for them!

More than 140 years ago, **Victoria Woodhull** was nominated for president of the United States by the Equal Rights Party. She conducted a stormy campaign, which she financed as a Wall Street broker. She and her sister published the Wood and Clalflin's Weekly, a tabloid-style periodical that published articles advocating such scandalous ideas as "free love." This periodical, which was read from coast to coast, also featured articles on how to divorce your spouse, how to operate a brothel, and how to become a profitable "soiled dove." As a result of the efforts of the Society for the Suppression of Obscene Literature, Woodhull was arrested in 1872 and charged with circulating obscene and indecent literature (True West, November 2013:32).



Clean Shooters



Saturday, November 2, 2013

Miss Ann Laughitoff, Mad Dog Draper, El Alacran Del Norte, Fordyce Beals, Chama Bill, Bix Bender, Harry Morse, Skywalker, Tehachapi Hornn, and Rattlesnake Rip (not pictured).

Sunday, November 3, 2013

Badger Clark, Chama Bill, Mad Dog Draper, Mad Dog Draper, Professor Cubby Bear, Huckleberry Flash, Calgary Kate, Tool Box, Mescalero, and Sierra Rider.



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