



# THE HOWLER

## October Edition

Happy Birthday to  
Calgary Kate on 11/2



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## From the Mayor . . .

The last shoot was fantastic. Targets were nice and close, scenarios were fast and there were lots of smiling faces, especially on Sunday.

**TAKE NOTE**

The November shoot will be the beginning of WINTER HOURS.

REGISTRATION BEGINS AT 8:AM SHOOTING STARTS AT 9.

**ANOTHER NOTE FOR YOUR NOODLE!**

At Five Dogs we know people shoot better when they are well fed. So there will be a breakfast potluck on Sunday morning. Buddy Love and Sista Sangria will be cooking eggs, biscuits and gravy. YUM. Please bring a dish to share that is "breakfasty" in nature. Breakfast begins about 8:00 a.m. when registration opens.



## Sheriff's Log

**HOW FAST IS FAST?** This is probably a question you have asked yourself at some point in our game. Well lemme tell ya folks what fast is. Coyote Carson shot five stages on Saturday in 96.48 and then on Sunday he did it in 80.56. Now that's fast no matter how you look at it and it doesn't depend on what is "is."

Well folks another great match is behind us. A special thanks to Sam Ootie and Miss Barah Lee Misditt for doing the October match. If you haven't guessed by now, they put on a really fast, fun match. Yours truly will be doing the scenarios for our next monthly match.

Hope everyone has a safe and sane Halloween and we'll see you at the range in November.

Mad Dog Draper

## Range Wrangler says...

*5 Dogs Creek has created one of the finest range facilities in cowboy action shooting. Here is a tip for how all of us can keep our range in tip-top shape for all to enjoy.*

**Please....** Remember when you come out to practice at the cowboy range that jacketed ammunition of any kind is forbidden. Also keep an eye out for strangers who might be wanting to shoot our targets. The cowboy range is private and only 5 Dogs Creek members are permitted.

**Because ....**Jacketed ammo destroys our targets by putting huge dents and even nasty holes in them.

**Also ...** if you see any spray paint cans that have gone astray throw them in the trash or better yet take them with you. That removes all temptation for those who cannot resist the tagging urge.



*This month's advice was submitted by your editor, MTRR. Mescalero was busy with saw and hammer.*



# Clean Shooters, Sat. Oct. 1



**Same  
Rose,  
Different  
Thorns**

*Harry Morse, Buddy Love, Mad Trapper of Rat River, Bull McFearson, LAP DOG,  
Bix Bender, Mad Dog Draper*

# Clean Shooters, Sun. Oct. 2



*BONES Brannon*

*(Aptly named don't ya think)*

**Two  
Roses,  
A Lotta  
Thorns,  
& 1 Dog**

*El Alacran del Norte, Bull McFearson, Sam Ootie, Mescalero, FANNIE OAKLEY,  
CALGARY KATE, Coyote Carson, Kaweah Kid, Geo Kid, Dead Eye Maverick,  
Harry Morse (well hidden) Bix Bender, Mad Dog Draper, Hawkeye O'Riley*





# Don't forget to **VOTE**

## **Muchas Gracias Mescalero**

Just look at these new doors and windows on Bays 7 & 8! They are “gunfighter friendly” and now fit the girth of most of our cowboys (wider is better).  
A job well done when it was too hot to be doing it.



## **Two Dead Vultures Ready For Mounting**

Thanks to the artistic talents of Miss Barah Lee Misditt our vultures guarding the undertaker's facade have never looked this good.  
Another job well done.

# Have guns, must travel!

by *Mad Trapper of Rat River*

One of the great joys of retirement and being a cowboy action shooter is you can travel, see and do things and shoot. *Wanderin' Rose* and I recently took a month long BLT. No we didn't eat bacon, lettuce and tomato sandwiches for a month; BLT in this case stands for a Bucket List Trip. Ever since I heard there was cowboy shooting as a part of the Huntsman World Senior Games it has been on my bucket list. So this was the year.

The games are held in St. George, Utah (about a 6 hour drive from Bakersfield) the first weekend of October. The competition is open to anyone over the age of 50 and, in this case, I.D. is required when you register. You have to keep those darn youngsters at bay. Although there were over 11,000 participants at the games as a whole, the cowboy match is quite small by most standards. This year there were 103 shooters at the match which is always hosted by the Dixie Desperadoes. More on that later.

The competition is set up a little differently than a regular shooting match. In this case, all categories are age based, starting at age 50-54, 55-59 and so on all the way up as far as there are entries. For example, this year Washougal Will shot in the 85-89 class. Hope I can be there someday. Needless to say, he won the gold and got a standing ovation at the awards banquet. In addition to age-based, you have all the regular shooting categories, including Wild Bunch, Plainsman, Long Range, all regular side matches and few more to boot. They pack in a lot of shooting!

The Dixie Desperadoes have created a top-notch range (the best in Utah) and certainly do know how to put on a match. They should, they do three or four matches a year. I have never been to a match that was run as efficiently as this one. Club members are just the greatest bunch one could ever meet and a true representation of the cowboy spirit. There was breakfast laid on every morning, a chili potluck, an ice cream social complete with root beer floats and on and on...

The match itself was fast, fast, and faster, Targets were close but not ridiculously so. Poses were just right at 15 shooters and the one I was on was one of the best. We knew only two others, Alberta Annie and Southwest Trapper, but after two days we have many new friends which is how it should be.

Would I recommend this shoot? Ya bet yer bippy! We hope to go back and would welcome any 5 Dogs Creek members to come along. Plan now, you won't be sorry.

But wait, there's more.... After the games the BLT continued and we went to one on Rose's list, Antelope Canyon. This was the best and the fact that we traveled with our Canadian friends made it even better. Southwest Trapper is a real, honest to God cowboy and Alberta Annie...well she's one of a kind. Anyway after Antelope Canyon it's on to several gunfights in Tombstone. How boring is that?

