



KINGS RIVER GAZETTE

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Upcoming Annuals

Winter Range SASS National Championships
March 7 thru 11, 2007

Shootout at Fort Miller
April 12 thru 15, 2007

California State Championships
May 3 thru 6, 2007
5 Dogs Creek, Bakersfield

THE SHOOTOUT AT FORT MILLER IS HALF FULL



As of Sunday, January 28, we have over 70 signups for the 2007 Shootout at Fort Miller.

Since we can only handle 125 shooters, don't be left out. Download the application, call, write or send an email if you want us to mail you one.

This is the one big match of the year and we'd like all

our club members to make it. Come out and visit with your old pards.

We're looking for volunteers to help with this year's match. There will be a list posted by the Headquarters building at each shoot and on the website after the March shoot. Contact Ramrod or Fannie Mostly if you can help. If

we can't get enough volunteers, we'll start assigning projects!

There will be a general work day on Saturday March 17. We'll do the final clean-up and range work for the Shootout. More info to come in the February Gazette.

AS THE ROOSTER CROWS SLICK ROCK ROOSTER

It was a cool and crisp morning with 48 willing souls on the Kings River Regulators range. **Fannie Mostly** and Sheriff **Ramrod** had designed a great match that challenged everyone's shooting abilities. This was one fun match. Every stage was a little more than the stan-

dard: stand and deliver ten, ten, four.

On Stage 1 we had to move up and down the boardwalk to three shooting positions for six shotgun targets, then shoot through a doorway with one pistol, then go down the alley to shoot the rifle at the Sheriff

Ramrod target with little boots, gloves and hat; then back up the alley and to another door to finish with the second pistol. It was a lot of movement with six different shooting positions.

On Stage 2 we only had three different (cont pg 3)

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Monthly Matches

1st Weekend
 FRPC Silhouette and Long
 Range

5 Dogs Creek

2nd Weekend
 Chorro Valley

3rd Weekend

Kings River Regulators

4th Weekend

Two Rivers Posse
 Manteca
 Faultline Shootists
 Gonzales

5th Weekend

Chorro Valley

REGULATORS ROUNDUP

From the Territorial Governor

Howdy Pards:

I hope you have all had a little time to read through my report on the summit and get a feel for any new changes that have taken place this year. There are, of course, a few things that we ought to get used to. The new stage conventions give us some "Default" data that applies when it is not otherwise addressed in the scenario. Such as...if the stage write-up does not give you a specific starting position..."hands on window sill" or "hands on hat"...then the shooter is to start in the default position: "...standing fully erect with hands at side". Remember that the Senior category has been split in two, and of course the new rule that says ugly men are not allowed to wear dresses – listen up **Wildcat** and **Fiddletown!** As expected, the summit was not as big of a hot bed as the last two have been. However, I expect the next one to be a boiler. Tex has picked up the ball on the Wimp load issue, and if you read his last editorial, you can see that he is running with it. A straw poll at the summit was taken to see if the TGs thought some attempt should be made to get some minimum ammo requirements in place. That straw poll passed with a wide margin. Some thought that the way to control it was to increase the use of knockdown targets. This, of course, is expensive and adds time to the match. I would expect, however, to see more knockdown targets at EOT, and would also expect to see those targets actually calibrated using the standard .38, 158gn. There are many ideas being floated on the Governors wire addressing this issue. A few TGs don't believe there should be any minimum ammo requirement, and of course a few that think everyone should shoot only fully loaded 45s. As many of you know, I am a long time supporter of some minimum ammunition requirement. On the one hand, shooting tiny bullets that just barely clear the barrel are not very cowboy. They can be very risky and unsafe, and are very difficult to spot. On the other hand it does not take a big load to shoot these up close steel targets, and there is no reason for us to beat ourselves up shooting big loads. So, that leads me to inquire of the membership on the issue. What do you think about this issue? I know that inserting a minimum ammo requirement into the BP category virtually put an end to the problems that had developed in the BP category. Let me know what you think.

Snakebite, SASS #4767

UP CLOSE AND PERSONAL

Alias: Mariposa Slim

Category: Elder Statesman

Name: Fortunato Parrino

KRR Number: 220

How Long CAS: Five years
 this April

What got you started: My brother in Nebraska joined SASS and NCOWS and wanted to know how to reload. So we did over the phone for about three weeks.

Who was your mentor: Leadfoot. He was the RO on my first stage of my first match at KRR. Helped me get over the first time jitters.



Mariposa Slim

Favorite Shooting Memory:

First clean match when I won a silver dollar .

Current Occupation: Retired

Past Occupations: Deputy Sheriff, postal clerk and carrier, wood worker and machinist.

Current Hobbies: SASS

Past Hobbies: Bowling, Water skiing, Square and round dancing

Family: Wife Emily. One son lives in Merced, one granddaughter in Merced and one daughter lives in Modesto .

Favorite Food: Veal Picante

RAMROD'S MUSINGS

From the Pokey

I was at a match over the weekend and a newer shooter had to go around on his revolver twice. It never did go bang. He then put it back in his holster. While this is allowed under SASS rules, here's why it's a better idea to ground the revolver on a prop.

The hammer might be down on an unfired round causing the shooter to get a DQ, also, what if the round decided it wanted to go bang and was in the holster...Ouch.

It's safer to not re-holster and it's faster to ground the revolver (if a safe place is available) instead of waiting for someone to take it out of your hand.

From the range...

Well pard's, it's getting close to the Shootout at Fort Miller. We're going to have a general work party on the Saturday of the March match (the 17th). Nothing too elaborate, just cleaning and sprucing up. The new target trailer will be there also and we'll need help moving the steel and other targets to organize the corral. I'm sure we can get someone to cook dogs, burgers and beans for the workers. There'll be a list of chores posted at the February match and in the Gazette so ya'll come out and we'll make short work of it.

See you on the range.

Cowboy Logic

Black Bart aka Charles Boles, famous for being the "Po8" robber of 1877-1883. Having robbed 28 Wells Fargo stages, Black Bart actually left only two poems.

He was outdone by a 15 year old boy who had hitched a ride on the stage to shoot squirrels. After getting down from the uphill bound stage to look for game, Jimmy Rolleri came back to the stage and shot at Black Bart while he was trying to break open the strong box. Fleeing, Boles dropped a cuff with a laundry mark on it and was captured in San Francisco by Harry Morse. After serving 5 years in San Quentin he was paroled and disappeared.

Shootout at Fort Miller 2007 info and entry forms are on the website and available at the Headquarters building at Fort Miller.

If you need them snail mailed, call or send us a note: (831) 637-8872
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NEXT MONTH'S MATCH DIRECTOR



Nine Lives

PAPA SAYS



Life is like a coin...you can spend it any way you wish, but you can only spend it once.

FANNIE'S SHARPSHOOTIN' AWARD

This month's sharpshootin' award goes to the fastest overall posse. Posse 1.

Under the guidance of that wily old veteran **Snakebite** and anchored by new junior boy, **Dream Maker** in his first ever shoot, Posse 1 had the quickest overall time of 4,153.20. Posse 1 also had 7 shooters in the top 10. Good shooting pards.



Posse 1

AS THE ROOSTER CROWS (CONT. FROM PAGE 1)

shooting positions with pistols on each flank, ten rifle knockdowns and the shotgun with a couple of highflying birds to shoot.

The third stage was shot at Rosa's Cantina with two shotgun targets at the patio and two more on the north end, then move to the center and shoot two racks of knockdown tombstones with the pistols alternating

between racks (great for the gunfighter), then finish with the rifle and the option to pick up any missed pistol targets with the rifle.

The fourth stage was shot from the jailhouse beginning with the pistols in a continuous Lawrence Welk sweep, then move to the porch and with rifle shoot the moving Texas Star, move through the doors and two shotgun

knockdowns with birds.

The fifth stage only had one shooting position at Bay 8. This stage had a **Ramrod** sweep with the rifle and only two shotgun knockdowns.

Thanks go to **Sawdust Kid** for repairs to the door of Fort Comfort and to **Coarsegold Kid** for repairs on Floozy's door and sign work - looks great!

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