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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

SHOOTOUT AT FORT MILLER CHANGES DATES



At the meeting of the Fort Miller town council, it was unanimously decided to move the Shootout at Fort Miller from the September/October time slot to the third weekend in April.

The Shootout at Fort Miller 2007, will be held April 12 thru 15.

This is the first big match of the year in Northern and

Central California and is three weeks before the California State match held at 5 Dogs Creek in Bakersfield. This offers a great opportunity to put the final edge on your game before State.

Don't forget the famous Great Rib Roundup, Potluck and Talent Show Saturday night after the

match. If you have a talent, brush it off and bring it to the show. Those folks from last year know what we mean.

More info on the website including the flyer, application and tentative schedule.

See you there.

AS THE ROOSTER CROWS SLICK ROCK ROOSTER

Papa Willie had the KRR cowboys take a Southwest Tour similar to the modern NASCAR Southwest Tour. This tour took us to California, Nevada, Arizona, New Mexico and Texas in the late 1800's. We had an "El Paso Street Fight" on Bay 1, "San Francisco Clean-Up" on Bay 2, "Nevada De-

fense" on Bay 3 (with Nevada sweeps on all targets), "New Mexican Standoff" on Bay 4 and "Arizona Jail Break" on Bay 5. The match was written with many choices for the shooter to make as to where to start from and which gun order to shoot. This makes it interesting to study strategies

used by different shooters. Many thanks to **Papa Willie** for the great match.

The foggy times of the year are upon us again. The sun was out early but disappeared for most of the day in a bank of fog. Two posses were led by **Shiloh** and **Ramrod** (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

The Duel in the Garage or Skunk Shootin' with *Wildcat John*, *Crusty Jim* and *Porch Dog*.

Seems there were some stray cats eating *Porch Dog's* cat food in his garage. So, being the resourceful fellow he is, he set a humane trap in the garage to catch and release the mangy felines.

First morning the trap was set, sure enough he bagged one. A pretty black and white striped hombre. But, the garage door was closed and barred, providing no way to pick up the trap and put some distance between it and the house.

So, *Porch Dog* called *Wildcat John* for help. *Wildcat John* and *Crusty Jim* arrived at *Porch Dog's* place and these three wild game trappers put their considerable experience together to come up with a game plan.

One of the cowboys remembered hearing that if you shot a skunk in the belly with a .22 short, the critter would drop like a stone and not spray. Great idea said the others, however since it's tight in the garage, the round might go through the beast and into something valuable. Well, another said if you shoot it in the head with a .22 it will freeze the bodily functions like a hit to the belly, but won't allow the round to pass through.

So it was decided, a .22 short in the head and they'd be able to remove the trap, skunk and all.

A sharp bead was taken, slack pulled out of the trigger, pop went the round and all the collected wisdom was proven**WRONG!**

Hope you get the smell out soon *Porch Dog*. Thanks for the laughs.

UP CLOSE AND PERSONAL:

Alias: Hawkeye O'Riley

Category: Senior

Name: Jim Riley

KRR Number: 3 [one of our founding members]

How Long CAS: 11 years
 Started shooting competition muzzle loading in 1964

What got you started: Love of the sport

Who was your mentor:
Snakebite, *Hank* and *Beanpot*

Favorite Shooting Memory:
 Our first annual match

Current Occupation: Retired and loving it.



Hawkeye O'Riley

Past Occupations: Surveyor and public works inspector.

Current Hobbies: Cowboy action shooting and reloading.

Past Hobbies: Muzzle loading and fishing.

Family: Cathy, Gail, Carolyn, James. 6 grandkids and 4 great-grandkids.

Favorite Food: See foods, I see them and I eats them.

RAMROD'S MUSINGS

From the Pokey

Don't forget to let **Snakebite** know how you feel regarding the Territorial Governors Agenda issues in last month's Gazette.

A few cowboys and cowgirls took the ROI and ROLL class this month from **Snakebite**. Good going to those folks.

The ROI class should be taken by all shooters to increase their knowledge about the safety aspects of our sport. The next time an ROI course is offered, sign up. You'll be glad you did.

From the range...

With the Shootout at Fort Miller only five months away, it's time to plan work parties to spruce up the range, bays and cowboy town.

Saturday March 17, 2007, after set up will be a general work party, weather permitting.

We'll do weeds, clean up and some painting. Bring your hand tools, weed eaters and willing spirits. We need to get the range ready for the crown jewel of cowboy shooting, the Shootout at Fort Miller.

Cowboy Logic

Five months until the Great Rib Roundup, Potluck and Talent Show.

Got your act ready. If you can tell stories, sing, play an instrument, tell poetry or do a comedy routine, brush off the trail dust and show us what you have.

If you would like to help at the annual, contact **Ramrod** or **Fannie Mostly**. We'll need help setting steel and props on Wednesday, setting up the speed matches and Tres Amigos. General help is always appreciated.

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 MONTHS MATCH DIRECTOR



Mariposa Slim

PAPA SAYS



☼ All sunshine, without a little rain, makes a desert.

☼ Happiness is not the absence of trouble, but your ability to cope with it.

FANNIE'S SHARPSHOOTIN' AWARD

This month **Fannie** decided to throw out the fastest and slowest times to find the sharpshooter.

With a net time of 79.09 November's Sharpshooter is **Lefty Vaquero**.

Snakebite was second with 90.75 and **Sudden** third with 95.56.

Good shooting cowboys.



AS THE ROOSTER CROWS (CONT. FROM PAGE 1)

with about twenty shooters per posse. Three shooters were able to shoot the stages clean - congrats to **Shiloh**, **Smokum Joe** and **Mariposa Slim**. **Lefty Vaquero** was the overall match winner with some very fast times on all of the stages. **Snakebite** was second overall and is still complaining about the "Lying, Cheating Spotters". He

keeps trying to get the best spotters money can buy. **Slick Rock Rooster** needs to remember to hold onto his shotgun when ejecting shells.

It was great to have so many ladies shooting. We had a total of eight ladies shooting the match. A special get well to **Pocket Change** who is recovering from some surgery. We

hope to see her back soon.

Fort Miller 2007 will be held April 12-17. This is a big change for us and April will be here sooner than you think. Volunteers are needed to run the side matches - contact me or **Ramrod** if you can help.

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