

# ♦Kings River Gazzette♦

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## CORRAL GO'S UP

Buckskin was the ramrod that headed up the new corral. A few wranglers turned out last Saturday to get the post set and aligned. We need to have a good turnout next Saturday, the 22, to put up the fencing. Bring your hammer. This corral is being built to house our targets and props. The cost of the project came out of KRR's account, and it took a chunk. The location has it's good and bad points but overall I think it will work out fine.

The post holes were moved in by the guys in the range house. Thanks guys you saved us a lot of work.

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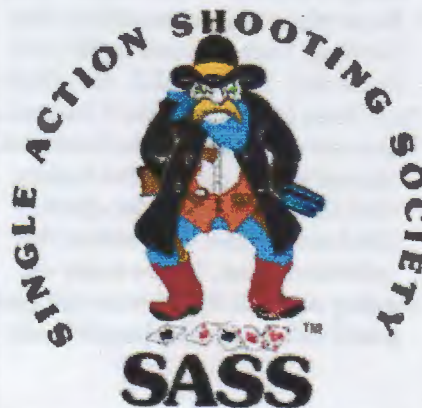
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## BIG SKY

Jessie Montana ,a.k.a. (Honey), was this months match director and it was as big as Montana skies. You had to be there to believe it, 12 shotgun in one stage.

I loved it!! Riding the horse around stage 3 was a hoot too. I liked all that shootin. It took a tad longer to complete the match, but what the heck, that's what we come here for. It seems that I'm forever saying that things just keep gettin better, but they do! The scores keep tightening up too. I'm starting to see a few cowboys that are real comers. Like I said afor, git to some other matches and acquire a feel fer what others are doing. They all have good ideas. Let's "STEAL" their best ones, and make them even better! By the way, that no-count, No Name, won the trip to Hi-wa-ya.



## Quote of the Month

"My name's Bearpaw, and I don't lie"

## ROOTS

The KRR needs roots if it is to continue to grow. We have the opportunity to become one of the best clubs in the state. The only thing stopping us is the lack of dedicated space. We need a place that we can build on without the requirement to take it down after every shoot. Five bays would be fine for our monthly matches, with another 5 available for our annual match. We have been looking at the other side of the hill, west of the long range. It looks like 8-10 bays could be cut into the mountain facing the SW. There is plenty of room for parking and camping, and being away from the main entrance to the range would be nice. This spot would give us what we need to really make things happen. We will be doing some surveys in the area so as to get a feel for the cost of such a range improvement. Providing us with a permanent shooting spot would not only help us, but would also help FR & PC. CAS (cowboy action shooting) is the biggest thing going in shooting sports right now. We need to take advantage of that. We have members that have some equipment, and Shorty's Pop-in-law is an operator. Some of the heavy stuff would have to be rented, and insurance and permits secured. If the estimate comes in at a reasonable level, I plan to ask the board of directors to go forward with the project. The range is going thru some rough times. The income from public use is down, ~~and the range is not making money~~. It takes money coming in for upkeep and payroll, and right now, the input is short.

Snakebite





## Cowboy Chatter

Are we going to put on another annual match? If so, when? It takes at least 6 mo lead time, and we need everyone's help.

Bearpaw is looking for a trailer to build a portable Shooting prop on.

What about having a swap table at the matches for private parties only?

Side matches, long range, pot shoots, and team shoots? They seem to always slip away. Everyone wants to go home. They are not a usual part of monthly matches, but, we can do them if we want. Do we? Maybe we can have a timed posse shoot to cut a post in two. No limit on ammo, just raw time! What ever we do, it can't drag on and on and on and on and on and on.....!

We'll need a DRY BOX to put in the corral for keeping supplies in. Anyone got one to donate?

LETS GO!!!!

EOT, Norco, Ca. April 24,25,26,27  
John Wayne,SLO, Ca. May 10,11  
High Sierra,Railroad Flats, Ca.  
May 22,23,24,25

## Here come the Judge

A couple of weeks ago at the Nevada Stampede I got a chance to talk with Judge Roy Bean, SASS #1. He said that he has been talking with the NRA. The NRA wants us on-board. They NEED us. The anti-gunners are winning the battle. As the Judge pointed out, "They have the organization, but we have the IMAGE". Like it or not, CAS is the only gun sport that is getting good public press. Cowboy costuming verse camos helps to put many folks at ease and decrease the "Militia" image which many non-gunners feel threatened by. Lets face it, Rambo Vs Roy Rogers is no contest when it comes to "clean cut, wholesome Americana" SASS is expected to top 20,000 members by the end of 1997. Our draw is increasing at a remarkable rate. At every major and local match around the country, there is a new breed of cowboy shooter turning up. You can spot them right away, because they are GOOD! They are the 3-gun and combat shooters. It seems that they too enjoy our less stressful type of shooting. Lets keep it that way.

## DETONATION

Spent an afternoon with Bird Shot, a.k.a. Mike Daly of Hodgdon Powder Co. He says that he and other ballasticians have been trying for years to produce this so-called low powder charge condition in cartridges. You know, the supposed condition that blows up your gun and spoils your whole day. He and ALL the others have been unable to make it happen. Mike says that the cases he has investigated lead to progressive loaders that don't have a powder check. I think one person is spreading this misinformation. I have many old loading manuals full of what this guy would call detonation bound loads.

## What a Deal

The FR & PC offers the best shooting deal available. For just \$50 a year, you can shoot all you want. That cost is pre-rated too. Even if the KRR was not located at the range, it would still be a good deal. You get a lot for your money. If you join, you will be able to come up to the range and check out the key to our target storage. Then you can set up your own stage and blast away. You will be held responsible for any target damage! Also, you WILL be a voting member of the FR & PC. General elections are in January, and the deadline for filing for office is 50 days before the election. The petition must have at least 2% of the members signatures. Approx. 20. The offices up for election in January 1998 are: President, Second Vice-President, Treasurer, Executive Officer, and Public Relations Officer. Lets get some of our people into these spots.

## GOAT ROPERS

Those of you that have youngins that want ta do some shootin, next month is yer chance ta get em started. Sheriff Hank is a fixen to startup a "Goat ropers" match. It will be 22 rifle with external hammer, shot as a single shot, shotgun 410 to 20 ga. This will not be a timed event, but scored on hits only. There will be a \$2 fee for each shooter. All shooters must have eye/ear protection, be accompanied by parent or guardian, and have a release form signed by parent / guardian, and of course, the guns. Call Hank for further details. (some slack MAY be cut)

