



KINGS RIVER GAZETTE

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Upcoming 2010 Annual Shoots

Winter Range
SASS National Championships
February 24 - 28

Shootout at Fort Miller
April 15 - 18

Dry Gulch at Arroyo Cantua
April 23 - 25

SASS California State Championships
April 29—May 2



Two Months and Counting

Yep, the Shootout at Fort Miller is only two months away.

Time to get in touch with **Snakebite** and let him know where you're going to help out.

This is the Club's big match and requires the help of every Kings River Regulator to make it happen.

If you don't know what to do, ask **Snakebite**. He's got a list of duties that needs to be filled.

Work can be anything from painting targets, to picking up trash, to setting the tables and chairs up for the potluck, to putting up signs. There's enough work for everyone so don't hold out because you're new or have

physical limitations.

This match is the most work related match of the year, **Snakebite** has taken the responsibility to ensure it's run the KRR way and as KRR members, it's up to us to support him in every way.

Get out there and volunteer to make the Shootout at Fort Miller the premiere event of the year.

AS THE ROOSTER CROWS - SLICK ROCK ROOSTER

Well the mayor was sick this month so **Talon Hawke** filled in officiating for him.

Here are his words, and some I put together, regarding the match.

The rain held off long enough to get in all five stages.

The match was written by **Talon Hawke** and provided

both a diversified and enjoyable match.

Posse leaders **Meaner N Me** and **Two Toe Bill Quickshot** ran the posses at such a pace that all shooting was done by noon. Good job Regulators.

New shooter **Sierra Shaman** and visiting shooter **Horned Toad Tom** from

Chorro Valley both seemed to enjoy themselves.

There were new benches in evidence courtesy of **Two Finger Slim**, and judging by **Kawah Kid** and **Tucson Smith**, they make great picnic tables also.

KRR member **Deputy Dan Beartrap** made the Fresno Bee with a (cont page 3)

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Regulator Roundup

Missing Persons Report... Follow up

A few years ago, one of our mainstays and hard working members disappeared leaving a void that has not been filled.

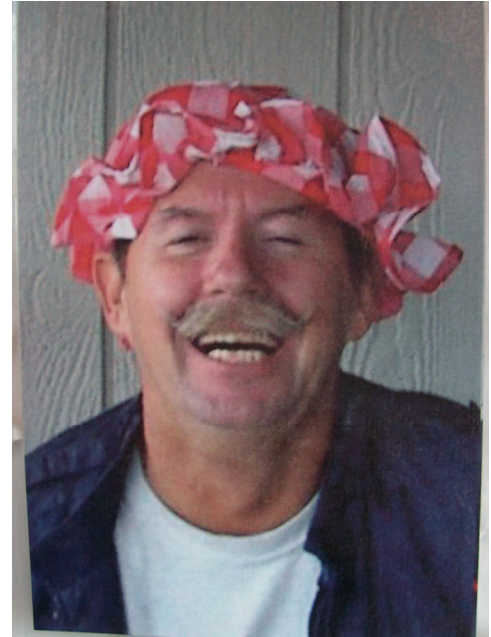
This month, **Fannie Mostly** received a phone call from this missing cowboy.

The cowboy is doing well, remarried and enjoying life. He's still working at Fresno City College and, while he wants to and says his wife wants him to, he won't be coming to any matches in the near future as he knows he'll end up buying \$4,000 in equipment once he's hooked again.

He's still thinking of all his shooting pards and the times he had at KRR. He is responsible for most of the building at Bay 1 and his name figures prominently over the Saloon.

He'd love to hear from any of his old pards, so give him a call and encourage him to come out and play with borrowed guns—call Bob at (559) 301-2551.

Missing Regulator Found at Last



Michigan Bob

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

From the Forge (by proxy)

You've probably noticed the new benches on the range and at the club house.

This is a project done by **Two Finger Slim** and is gratefully appreciated by all KRR members. Now you can sit, take a load off and relax before taking your duties are up for your posse.

You probably saw a couple of the buildings on Main Street had blown over during the last big winds. We'll be putting these buildings back up and making repairs prior to the **Shootout at Fort Miller**. Stay tuned for work party dates and times.

Speaking of the **Shootout at Fort Miller**, we'll be scheduling a work party a couple of weeks prior to the Annual Gala to finish the spruce up and ready the range for the Best Kept Secret in SASS.



THE SMITH

RAMROD'S MUSINGS

From the Pokey

So you want to be an RO?

Well congratulations, you've passed your ROI and/or your ROI class and want to try your hand at being an RO. Good for you. The sport of Cowboy Action Shooting always needs RO's and an RO trained shooter is a plus for any posse, not just as an RO, but spotter, shooter and all around help to the posse.

Just a few reminders that get lost in the course work.

Always stay within an arms reach of the shooter. If for some reason the shooter tries to act in an unsafe manner, you'll be there to stop him. Unsafe manners include breaking the 170, trying to chamber or fire after a potential squib, letting an unsecured gun leave their hands, falling,

etc.

You're also in a position to "safely assist the shooter through the course of fire".

This means you can give hints or directions to a shooter that has that "deer in the headlights" look. You keep count of the rounds fired from each gun so when the dreaded jam happens during a sweep, you can tell the shooter which target to restart on.

Remember, coaching is not required by the RO, but is appreciated by most lost or new shooters.

As for coaching, lack of coaching is not grounds for a reshoot, but bad coaching is. So, if you're not sure about directing the shooter, don't. If you do give the shooter wrong directions that lead to a Procedural Penalty, let the spotters and scorekeeper

know you told the shooter wrong and there should be no "P".

Watch the timer to make sure the first couple of shots are recorded, then watch the shooter and the gun, don't get fixated on the timer or watching down range. You're in the best position to see the targets if you're in the proper RO position. Then make sure the timer has picked up the last couple of shots.

After the stage has been shot, tell the shooter the time and miss count, then tell the score keeper. There are no National Secrets about the time or miss count so let everyone know.

Don't be afraid to ask for help. Timing is tough and tiring, let someone else step up if you get distracted or tired.

Above all, have fun.

Fannie Mostly's Sharp Shooting Award

This month's award is in honor of Valentines Day.

Prior to the start of the match two person "sweetheart" teams were pulled and the total time of the fastest sweethearts win.

Congratulations to **Ruthless Ray** and **Two Toe Bill Quickshot** finishing

2nd and 3rd overall and 1st Place sweethearts with a blazing time of 378.36.

Second were sweethearts **Kaweah Kid** and **Rusty Shotgun** at 406.85 and third was **Flying W Ramrod** and **Horned Toad Tom** with a 408.54.



Ruthless Ray and Two Toe Bill Quickshot

As the Rooster Crows (cont.)

great picture of him helping a Fresno citizen.

Great Speckled Body gets the hard worker award for doing anything and everything on her posse. And doing it all with a smile.

Thanks go to **Rusty Shotgun** and **Big Bad Blaine**.

without their trucks and hitches the targets would have been moved with wheelbarrows again.

Ramrod won first overall and promptly thanked **Snakebite**, **Wobblin Bob**, **Badman Bob**, **Sierra Rider**, **Crusty Jim** and **Pocket**

Change for not being there so he could finish first.

Hopefully the Mayor will be in good health next month and we can read his insightful commentary.

TH and **FWR**

Membership Dues are Due

Yearly Dues for KRR are:

- Individual - \$20.00
- Family - \$40.00
- Snail Mail Gazette - \$10.00

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March Match Director



WILD CAT JOHN

PAPA SAYS



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