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Match Earns Most Procedurals Ever –

Watch Out for that Rope Slim!

by Slick Rock Rooster

Forty two shooters turned out on a beautiful spring day for a very challenging match. I'm not quite sure what Mariposa Slim was suffering from when he designed this match. It was very easy to acquire a procedural. However, two shooters shot the match clean. Deadly Tedley and Orosi Kid managed to make the steel ring with every shot. Good job cowboys! Thanks to the posse leaders Major Gregor, Rogan Steel and Talon Hawke who helped guide us through a mind game of challenges. I was surprised to see a double shooter win stage two that was handicapped for someone shooting a pump. Way to go Snakebite.

The most gratifying event of the day was to see Doc James and his wife Leona, show up for the match. Doc has been recovering from a major health setback. It was sure good to have him present along with his good friend Toby. Doc was recently recognized by SASS with the TRUE GRIT award given at End of Trail. This award is the highest given by SASS.

Also at EOT Deadly Tedley took third place in the dualist category and Snakebite took sixth place in the black powder cartridge category.

Our blacksmith Sierra was also at End of Trail where he was awarded the title and badge of SASS Regulator. This award is given to those who have promoted Single Action Shooting above and beyond their local clubs and have helped SASS in a major way. Congratulations Sierra.

Saturday May 8, FRPC hosted an open house youth day to encourage new shooters to partake in the shooting sports. The various organizations that make up FRPC each used one of our bays to promote their club. Also participating were the National Guard, the NRA, and the California State University Police with demonstrations to make shooting information available to the public. A big thank you to all of the cowboys who helped to make this possible - Judge Jeremiah Steele, Ma Steele, Rogan Steele, Stubby Nine Fingers, Michigan Bob, Snakebite, Rooster Junior, Junebug McCaffrey, Talon Hawke and Slick Rock Rooster. Thank you from FRPC.

Deadly Tedley is the match director for next month's shoot (June). Bring plenty of shotgun ammo. There will be four stages instead of five to try and beat the heat. We will try this for June July and August. I would really like to try a night shoot sometime. Does anyone have any good ideas?

- SRR



Thanks to May Match Director Mariposa Slim. That's a mighty modern lookin' horse he's got there! And a nice bright color - too bad the newsletter prints in black and white!

Thanks also to the posse leaders, Major Gregor, Rogan Steele, and Talon Hawke.

**SHOOTING TIME
(SUMMER HOURS)
SHOOTERS' MEETING
8:30 A.M.
SHOOTING STARTS
9:00 A.M.**



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From the Pokey

Safety Violations –

What are safety violations? There are three categories of safety violations: 10-second minor safety violations, Stage Disqualifications, and Match Disqualifications.

- **10 second minors are:**

- Not leaving a long gun action open.
- Leaving empty or live rounds in the magazine or carrier of the long gun.
- Loading more than the correct number of rounds in a long gun.
- Not returning pistols to leather unless otherwise specified.
- Carelessly placed open, empty long guns that slip and fall but don't break the 170.
- Retrieving a dropped "dead" round.

- **Stage Disqualifications are:**

- Any dropped UNLOADED gun on the firing line (between loading and unloading tables)
- Any accidental discharge deemed unsafe (including at the loading table)
- Accidental discharge striking anything five to ten feet from the shooter.
- Violation of the 170 rule.
- Returning a handgun to leather with the hammer not fully down on a spent round or empty cylinder.
- A cocked pistol leaving the shooters hand (this means switching hands with a cocked handgun also)
- Leaving a live round in the chamber of a long gun.
- Changing location with a cocked gun or a gun with the hammer down on a live round.
- Unsafe firearm handling, such as fanning.
- Loading at other than the designated loading position or firing line.
- Use of an illegal or illegally modified firearm.
- Use of illegal items.
- Holstering or staging a pistol with the hammer down on a live round.
- Sweeping anyone with an unloaded firearm.
- Failure to adhere to loading and unloading procedures.

- **Match Disqualifications are:**

- Two accumulated Stage Disqualifications or Two Spirit of the Game assessments.
- Belligerent attitude / Unsportsman-like conduct.
- Shooting under the influence. Alcohol, Drugs (prescription or other).
- Shooting illegal ammunition e.g. too hot.
- Dropping a loaded firearm.
- Accidental discharge striking within five feet of the shooter.
- Sweeping anyone with a loaded firearm.

For further insights into what these are, take Snakebite's ROI course. It will make a safer shooter out of you.

Next month: Helpful hints for being an RO.

- Ramrod

PLACES TO SHOOT

1st Saturday-Sunday of Month FRPC

Silhouette Range
Long Range

Shooting starts around 9:00 a.m. and goes all day.

1st Sunday of Month 5 Dogs Creek Bakersfield

Contact: Ten Bears
(661) 589-6838

3rd Saturday of Month

Kings River Regulators

Setup day for Sunday match

Start time 8:00 a.m.

New shooters orientation starts around 8:30 a.m.

3rd Sunday of Month

Kings River Regulators

FRPC Range

15687 Auberry Road, Clovis, CA

Shooters Meeting 8:30 a.m.

Shooting starts at 9:00 a.m.

Contact: Mayor Slick Rock Rooster
(559) 299-8669

4th Sunday of Month

Two Rivers Posse

Manteca, CA

Contact: Cherokee Knight
(209) 477-8883

Don't miss the fun - sign up now!

Fort Miller Shootout '04

September 17-19, 2004

Contact: Slick Rock Rooster

(559) 299-8669

or

Ruthless Ruth

(559) 251-9507



Salute to Captain Mace

April 24, 1894. . . oops, April 24, 2004

With the help of KRR and SASS members, a century-old injustice has been corrected. Captain Russell Perry Mace, described as "Madera's First Citizen" finally got the headstone he richly deserved.

SASS member Milt Gauthier and KRR members Levi Longneck, Wildcat John, Coarsegold Kid, Texas Ed, T.O.Slo, and Crusty Jim, under the command of Talon Hawke, provided a 21-gun salute to Captain Mace at the dedication of his new headstone at the Arbor Vitae Cemetery in Madera.

Captain Mace was born in 1820 and led a dream life, if you're a fan of the old west. He traveled west as a young man, went to sea, fought in Mexico, hunted buffalo, scouted, was elected to public office and became the owner-operator of Madera's first hotel, The Yosemite, in 1878. He died on April 24, 1894.

The sixth-grade class of Madera's extraordinary teacher, Bill Coate, had discovered that Captain Mace's grave was marked only with a concrete slab with his name pressed in it. Graves of the Captain's children, who died after him, had proper headstones. Mr. Coate's class took on the task of getting a proper marker for the Captain. Through their efforts, Raymond Granite Company donated the stone. Mark Peruch, a local monument carver, etched the stone. The Madera Cemetery District provided the mounting of the stone and the entire event was under the direction of Dan Whistler of Jay Chapel. Ancestors of the owners of Jay Chapel had actually performed the original services for Captain Mace in 1894.

Mr. Coate's class of nineteen students recited a brief biography of Captain Mace for those attending. The local Masonic Lodge performed a ceremony for Captain Mace, who also was a Mason.

On April 24, 2004, the new headstone was dedicated and the 21-gun salute arranged by Levi Longneck and Wildcat John was performed in front of the attendees. Wildcat's blanks performed flawlessly, and the crowd was properly impressed. All of the riflemen shot various breeds of 45-70's. As a memento of the occasion, Wildcat John offered up the empty brass to the members of Mr. Coate's class. There were just enough empties to go around.

It was a good day, even if it was Boot Hill.

- Levi Longneck

Notes from End of Trail -

As most of you know, 2004 was the last year that EOT will be held in California. The WB is moving to their new ranch home about 20 miles outside of Albuquerque. Next year's EOT will be held at "Founders Ranch." It is 480 acres of honest to goodness cowboy country. There will be camping for 800 rigs, with water and electricity hookups, showers and flush toilets...and for those of you who have been to the current EOT site, you will be glad to hear that there will be NO mounds of cow-pie dust to deal with! Hooray! The move was kept quiet until after this year's EOT in order to avoid any problems with the owner of the current site. Looks like things are getting better all the time. It's a little farther to drive, but I think it will be worth it. I must say that this year's EOT was the best that I have ever attended. It was #8 or 9 for me and it was great.

I have received a waiver from Hipshot to proceed with an ROII course without having to meet the requirement of two certified instructors. I looked through my calendar and just don't see any time that will work other than at the Fort Miller Shootout, so it is planned for the Thursday before the match. I understand that our mayor has put in a requisition for good weather for the match so this should work out nicely. I've touched base with Doc James, who is also a certified instructor, about sitting in on the class. His experience is always welcome.

Until then, ride easy Pard.

- Snakebite

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**KINGS RIVER REGULATORS
OVERALL MATCH RESULTS
May 16, 2004**

MATCH			STAGE 1			STAGE 2		STAGE 3		STAGE 4		STAGE 5		TOTALS	
FINAL	ALIAS		CLASS	TIME	RNK	TIME	RNK	TIME	RNK	TIME	RNK	TIME	RNK	TIME	PNTS
1	DEADLY TEDLEY	#29403	D	23.08	2	37.34	2	28.77	1	29.74	1	42.59	1	161.52	7
2	SNAKEBITE	# 4767	BP	22.35	1	31.40	1	33.07	2	35.92	2	48.03	2	170.77	8
3	COAL TRAIN	# 8146	49	31.05	4	40.44	3	37.63	5	37.42	3	50.11	3	196.65	18
4	SUDDEN	#12166	S	33.64	7	46.98	13	39.74	6	39.92	5	51.57	4	211.85	35
5	EL MAESTRO	#37731	T	31.78	6	41.09	4	43.16	8	44.87	13	56.10	5	217.00	36
6	KAWEAH KID	#12024	49	30.96	3	45.78	9	45.94	11	45.70	15	56.46	6	224.84	44
7	SLICK ROCK ROOSTER	#41875	49	36.56	10	46.00	12	39.86	7	42.47	10	78.09	13	242.98	52
8	COARSEGOLD KID	#29263	49	34.29	8	42.78	5	37.53	4	41.63	8	94.14	30	250.37	55
9	SHILOH	#17515	T	41.64	17	44.13	6	49.98	17	45.63	14	61.40	9	242.78	63
10	FLYING W RAMROD	#40599	BP	34.60	9	54.46	20	53.37	23	41.43	7	60.56	8	244.42	67
11	TINHORN TUCK	#46540	49	43.74	19	47.76	15	49.04	14	42.14	9	69.26	11	251.94	68
12	ROOSTER JR	#41876	J	38.12	15	44.17	7	51.04	19	52.65	24	79.12	14	265.10	79
13	LEADFOOT	# 5535	D	43.29	18	48.13	16	49.37	15	44.00	12	82.84	18	267.63	79
14	HELLFIRE HANK	#42583	T	36.84	12	45.96	11	52.22	21	38.16	4	99.68	32	272.86	80
15	SIERRA RIDER	# 3101	T	105.00	40	45.92	10	47.62	12	42.87	11	57.18	7	298.59	80
16	LITTLE FAWN	#41497	J	37.03	14	48.83	17	48.49	13	54.76	27	70.54	12	259.65	83
17	HAWKEYE O'RILEY	# 6443	S	50.94	25	57.05	25	34.55	3	50.24	21	81.31	17	274.09	91
18	GEO KID	#27051	S	31.32	5	47.58	14	60.94	31	51.11	22	85.79	22	276.74	94
19	MICHIGAN BOB	#40417	T	49.82	23	50.98	19	44.27	9	48.59	18	86.70	25	280.36	94
20	TALON HAWKE	#41641	S	48.72	22	48.93	18	50.22	18	46.46	16	85.04	21	279.37	95
21	TUCSON SMITH	#21461	S	39.43	16	66.65	32	72.49	36	40.90	6	65.64	10	285.11	100
22	ROGAN STEELE	#42754	J	46.09	21	45.49	8	44.60	10	87.45	37	86.65	24	310.28	100
23	PAPA WILLIE	#47161	S	44.23	20	54.48	21	58.39	30	52.54	23	79.48	15	289.12	109
24	FANNIE MOSTLY	#41799	W	36.96	13	58.32	27	54.07	24	50.02	20	88.15	26	287.52	110
25	RUTHLESS RUTH	# 9015	W	56.04	28	54.87	22	52.88	22	54.33	25	84.52	19	302.64	116
26	TERRIBLE TED	# 9014	ES	57.44	31	57.85	26	49.52	16	49.74	19	93.66	29	308.21	121
27	FARGO	#18631	49	50.20	24	56.87	24	62.72	33	58.73	28	84.57	20	313.09	129
28	CRUSTY JIM	***003	S	36.58	11	81.75	37	58.28	29	54.38	26	91.25	27	322.24	130
29	HOSS	# 9565	D	60.62	33	55.40	23	61.56	32	46.98	17	91.91	28	316.47	133
30	JUDGE JEREMIAH STEELE	#42753	49	62.18	34	70.44	34	51.29	20	71.56	36	81.30	16	336.77	140
31	MAJOR GREGOR	#42582	T	77.93	37	68.24	33	55.04	25	61.55	30	86.53	23	349.29	148
32	LADY GUNNER	#33830	W	54.34	26	64.30	30	57.37	28	66.86	34	98.27	31	341.14	149
33	OROSI KID	#56199	T	60.61	32	63.96	29	57.31	27	59.41	29	107.52	34	348.81	151
34	T O SLO	***026	M	56.54	30	77.27	36	57.29	26	70.64	35	103.25	33	364.99	160
35	MARIPOSA SLIM	#45708	ES	55.85	27	66.55	31	69.35	34	63.77	31	119.62	37	375.14	160

36	TIPPICANOE SLEW	#46935	S	63.10	35	61.99	28	72.03	35	64.36	32	118.75	36	380.23	166
37	SIERRA	# 3229	D	56.05	29	94.94	38	79.23	37	88.79	38	123.99	38	443.00	180
38	I L B DRIFTIN	#57888	T	79.50	38	70.54	35	93.64	38	65.17	33	126.45	39	435.30	183
39	BRICKERSTAFF	#**029	D	88.55	39	123.89	41	107.52	40	94.52	39	110.07	35	524.55	194
40	STUBBY 9 FINGERS	#54059	49	105.57	41	109.45	40	95.84	39	101.34	40	133.26	40	545.46	200
41	3 FINGERS RED LA BEL	# 9218	D	77.18	36	107.34	39	990.00	42	990.00	42	990.00	42	3154.52	201
42	JUNEBUG MCCAFFREY	#51549	W	127.27	42	137.99	42	108.86	41	145.95	41	165.68	41	685.75	207

THERE ARE LOTS OF SPECIAL SHOOTING EVENTS COMING UP – PUT THEM ON YOUR CALENDAR!

May 27-30, 2004
High Sierra Shoot Out '04
 Contact: Tom Anderson
 aka Max Sand (916) 359-4041

June 24-27, 2004
Ambush at Durham Ferry
Manteca, CA
 Contact: David Barnes (209)
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September 17-19, 2004
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