

KINGS RIVER GAZETTE

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The Monthly Rag of the Kings River Regulators

Stogie Johnson, Editor

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We are Thankful For A Great Thanksgiving Shoot!!

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Well if you missed the November shoot you missed a good one! Mayor Big Bad Blaine cooked up a great meal, turkeys and ham (and Spam!) were won, and a good time was had by all. In the end Big Bad Blaine took top honors on Saturday & Coyote Carson took em' on Sunday. We had 3 clean shooters on Saturday – Big Bad Blaine, Coal Cart Rob, & Dusty Devil Dale and on Sunday Big Bad Blaine (is he cheatin'?) Snapshot Dualin, and Tequila Sunrise. We got to shoot from the ore cart, which is always fun, in addition to trying to hit those little iddy biddy clay pigeons for bonus points. All in all it was a great shoot, and we thank Sheriff Dusty Devil Dale for arranging it.

Speaking of Sheriff DDD, he has submitted an interesting article about a special bullet named after our own (in)famous Snakebite. Check it out in this issue!



Poison Oakley throwing lead downrange

THE MAYOR'S MESSAGE

Don't forget that it's time to re-up your membership to the KRR. Be sure to bring your membership fee to the match in December so that we can get the books all squared away. Thank you all for being members of our awesome club!

Big Bad Blaine, Mayor, KRR#324



Look! Jailhouse is in, you know, the jailhouse!!

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more shooting. That's a good plan Buddy!!



In the Noose

This month we're going to get to know Buddy Love a little better by putting him In the Noose.

So how did Buddy get his start in Cowboy Action Shooting, you ask? It all started when he went to the Western Regionals as a vendor with a chuckwagon! He came home & told his wife, Sister Sangria, "Oh my!" He thought it sure looked like fun. That was back in 2010, and Sister Sangria started shooting in about 2017 – Hey the couple that shoots together, stays together, right? Buddy says about our sport that, "You come at first for the fun of shooting & then stay because the people are so great". Well the people he has met are great enough that He and his wife are members of both the King's River Regulators and 5 Dogs Creek. When he isn't being a cowboy Buddy works for Frito-Lay – but only for another year or so when he plans on hanging it up and doing

Speaking of shooting, his favorite stage to do is the ore cart (which we got to do this month!). His advice for new shooters is to not start buying equipment right off the bat. Ask questions & try things out first.

Well thank you Buddy Love for letting us chat with you. I'll finish the interview with a Buddy Love quote about Cowboy Action Shooting; "It's the funnest thing ever!"

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Roadhouse Randall enjoying his first match!

Here's that article submitted by Dusty Devil Dale, as promised:

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I wanted to take this opportunity to tell you something about Uberti 73s or clones of Winchester 73s in general.

A friend recently told me about a badly worn carrier he found, on a Win 73 clone, that would no longer feed cartridges. He discovered that there was a flat spot worn into the ramp on the front of the carrier, it caught the shell rim on the next round in the magazine, held on to it, and wouldn't let the carrier rise. If you're trying to feed .38 Spcls through a 73 clone that was designed for .357 Mags, the carrier has to shove all of the rounds back into in the magazine at least a 10th of an inch every time you cock it. This will definitely cause a flat spot on the carrier ramp, while adding to the force needed to crank the lever. Fortunately, there are a couple of ways to avoid this. One of them is to use .357 Mag cases. The other is to use a "Snakebite Bullet", designed by our "Snakebite", A.K.A. Doug Gilmore. This bullet will make a .38 Spcl cartridge as long as a .357 Mag cartridge, and allows it to feed properly and freely in 73s. You can get this bullet mold from "Dick Dastardly" at Big Lube Bullets. "The bullet drops from the big six cavity mold at near .359, easily sizes to .357", and it has a **biig** lube groove for you black powder shooters. The only problem is, the bullets weight, it's @ 158 grns. If you're using the same powder volume for both pistol and rifle cartridges, you'll be on the low pressure side for pistols with lighter bullets, and on the high pressure side for your rifle with the heavier bullets. Be sure to check your reloading manual if you're using different bullet weights, and adjust your powder volume accordingly. I hope this helps someone. Good shootin' & have fun out there. That's biglube.com for the "Snakebite Bullet" mold.



Big Lube Version of the "Snakebite Bullet"

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Wilhelm Scream gettin' er' done in the ore cart!!



Getting ready for a great shoot!!

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Point of order:

Chaps, by definition, are ass-less. Just sayin'.



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Sheriff DDD takin' care of business



Tall Tale Todd shooting his way out!

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