



KINGS RIVER GAZETTE

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Upcoming 2013-2014 Annual Shoots

SASS California State Black Powder Championships
Morgan Hill, CA
November 8-9

Pozo Vigilance Committee
Toys for Tots
November 23

Winter Range
Ben Avery Shooting Facility
Phoenix, AZ
Feb 24-March 2

The Shootout at Fort Miller
FRPC
April 18-20



Last match of Summer Hours 2013

Yep, this past weekend saw the end of 2013's summer hours.

The weather is cooling down, it's getting dark earlier and soon the goblins, turkeys and reindeer will be out in force.

Starting in November the Winter Hours are:

Registration: 8:00
Shooters Meeting 8:30
Shooting: 9:00

Don't forget to set your clocks back an hour November 3rd. We don't want you late for the Shoot at 5 Dogs Range.

Finally, as the seasons change it's time to reflect on what's happened this year so far:

KRR Shooters make up 15-20% of the California State and Western Regional Matches.

KRR Shooters show well at Winter Range.

KRR Shooters have the most fun.
Yep, that says it all right there

FROM THE MAYOR - SIERRA RIDER

The Match Directors for this month's match were **Wyoming Rambler** and **Great Speckled Body**. They did a great job with fun stages, a target painted like a jack-o-lantern and we got to shoot some snakes.

We had 14 shooters on Saturday and 31 on Sun-

day. Included among our shooters was **High Rock Drifter** from Tucson who said he had a good time. We also had **Bullet Bustin' Bryce** who shot his first match on Saturday and had a clean stage on the first stage he shot. Good Shooting.

Rusty Shotgun was the fastest shooter on both days so it seems his new Browning Shotgun and the new 73 springs from **OI No. 4** did not hurt his performance.

It is time for KRR Officer Elections. If you want to run for any office, please let us (cont page 3)

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From the Territorial Governor - Snakebite

VOTING ISSUES

1) If the lever closes on a long gun after it is set down open, should there be a "no call" if it is, in fact empty, or a penalty if a spent case or round is ejected? If the gun closes, the shooter will be the ONLY one to touch the gun until it is shown clear or otherwise.

2) Should the **MSV** penalty for picking up

retrieving a dropped **or ejected** round be removed if it can be done safely? i.e.:

24. Ammunition dropped by a shooter in the course of loading or reloading any firearm during a stage or "ejected" from any firearm may be SAFELY recovered or replaced from the shooter's person or other area as required by stage description. If the round is not fired it is counted as a missed shot.

SHB p.23 / RO1 p.19

3) Recently, the issue of modifying rifle triggers from a curved profile to a straight profile has been discussed. This modification sets the trigger closer to the lever so it is less likely to wound the shooter's trigger finger. The RO Committee has determined that this modification is an illegal modification according to the SASS Firearms Covenants, but requires a rule change to allow it.

The RO Committee is looking into setting limits on how much re-profiling can be done. Further discussion ensued about modifying triggers for guns other than lever action rifles, and a suggestion was made for ONLY allowing re-profiling triggers on lever action rifles.

Enforcement of this particular rule will be at the discretion of each match director until such time as it comes before the TGs for a vote

4) Should the Bisley hammer/grip frame restrictions from the SHB "Firearms Covenants" be removed.

Please let Snakebite know your opinion of these items prior to December 1.

Discussion Item 1

Lindholm Brothers approached Hipshot at the Western Regional asking that a minimum rowel size for B Western and Classic Cowboy be established, as there is not a stated minimum size. This has been discussed by the RO Committee, and the determination has been made based on Coyote Calhoun's *intent* that the minimum rowel size be set the diameter of a quarter (actually .995" = 24.26mm).

There was also discussion of requiring jingle bobs, but, according to discussions within the RO Committee, jingle bobs were rarely used prior to 1900. Therefore that should not be a requirement, but of course can be allowed.

Discussion Item 2

The SASS dress code is explicit that no logos are allowed. However, the problem remains that some people dress so minimally.

Should the minimum clothing requirements be increased??

Discussion Item 3

Single shot Shotguns are allowed in Frontier Cartridge, Frontier Cartridge Duelist, Frontiersman... The rule book will be updated to state that it **must** have an exposed hammer and **may** have an ejector for each of those categories.

Discussion Item 4

The Shooter's Handbook states that "Original barrels may be replaced with new barrels of correct styles (e.g., round, octagon, half-round) for that type of firearm." Comments have been made that original pistols did not have octagonal barrels. The wording in the Handbook will be clarified to spell out that octagonal barrels are allowed on pistols.

This is already spelled out in the Handbook by referring to "Type of firearm". Model P Colts/Clones and 1851 Colt navies/clones are single action revolvers.

Discussion Item 5

There was discussion about ONLY allowing the shooter to stage of move long guns without posse help/interference. This would align the SASS Action Shooters and the Wild Bunch Action Shooters rules.

Not too much discussion, but some felt that this could slow a posse down. Happy Jack stated that it did not seem to slow down the WBAS matches.

Discussion Item 6

Categories and sub-categories: Are they age driven or equipment driven

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From the Pokey—

Match Disqualification

We all know what causes a Match DQ, or we should.

Two accumulated Stage Disqualifications or Two Spirit of the Game assessments.

- Belligerent attitude / Un-sportsman-like conduct.
- Shooting under the influence of alcohol, prescription, or other medication that may impair the shooter's physical or mental abilities.
- Shooting illegal ammunition.
- Dropping a loaded firearm.
- Any discharge that hits the ground or stage prop less than five feet from the shooter, any discharge at the loading or un-loading areas, or discharge that is deemed unsafe .
- Sweeping anyone with a loaded firearm.
- Third offence, in the same match, for failure to adhere to the guidelines of the category in which the shooter is competing.
- Interpersonal conflicts.

The Penalty for a Match Disqualification is "put your guns away for the rest of the match." Of course you're welcome to stay and do posse duties, it's the cowboy way.

Cowboy Logic—

Judge Roy Bean 1825(?) - 1903

Justice of the Peace **Roy Bean** reigned as the "Law West of the Pecos" for two decades, holding court in his saloon.

In 1892, Texas Governor **James Hogg**, wrote **Bean** that after ten years he had never sent the state its share of the fees and fines he had collected. **Judge Bean** replied "Dear Governor: You run things up in Austin, and I'll run them down here. Yours truly, **Roy Bean**"

During an inquest, a revolver and \$40 were found on the deceased. **Judge Bean** fined the corpse \$40 for carrying a concealed weapon and confiscated the pistol for uses by the court.

Judge Bean once freed an Irishman accused of killing a Chinese railroad worker after searching his

single law book and determining that the statutes "did not say it was against the law to kill a Chinamen."

In 1866, although prize-fighting was illegal in Texas, **Bean** staged a heavyweight championship between **Bob Fitzsimmons** and challenger **Peter Maher**. **Bean** built a ring on a sandbar of the Rio Grande, just south of town. A large crowd saw **Fitzsimmons** knock out **Maher** in the first round.

Bean was infatuated with actress **Lillie Langtry**, also called "**The Jersey Lily**." He wrote the famous beauty that he had named his West Texas hamlet "**Langtry**" in her honor. When she offered to pay for a public drinking fountain, he politely declined: "If there's anything these hombres of **Langtry** don't drink, it's water."

(Best of the West Bill O'Neal)

WANTED

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Next Month's
Match Directors

Your
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Contact Ruthless Ray if
interested

ROAD APPLES



Remember that si-
lence is sometimes
the best answer

From the Mayor - Sierra Rider (cont. from Page 1)

know and we will put you on the ballot. It can be fun but it is a lot of work and can be very rewarding.

We are in the process of preparing to install a new irrigation system and some electrical conduit on our range. We will probably have a work day to glue pipe. The range will do a lot of the heavy work like covering the pipes in the trenches. When

we have an exact date we will let you know.

The Agenda for the Territorial Governor's Summit has been published so look it over and let Snakebite know your wishes.

If you have any items you wish to donate for the Monthly Raffle or the Fort Miller Raffle, please bring them to the next match.

I look forward to seeing you at our next month's match.

Sierra Rider

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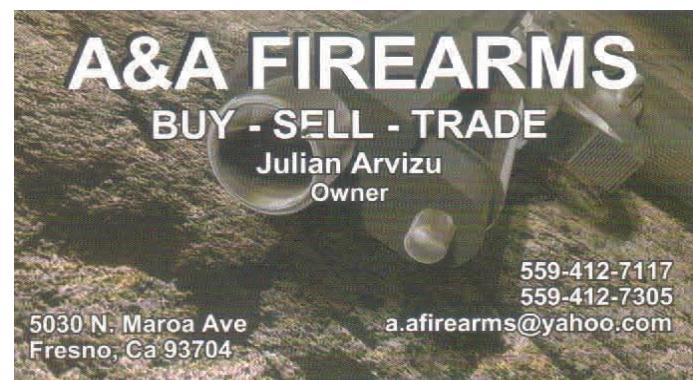
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