

# ❖Kings River Gazzette❖

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## Cowboy Country

Well its happened, the new shootin area is a reality, and the first match is under our belt. Rot Gut Charlie led the charge fer what turned out ta be a real hum dinger of a time. The weather broke and things dried out just enough to break-in the new real estate. We had 55 daring waddies what were ready fer anything. When the smoke cleared, it was plum easy ta see that Longbranch was leader of the pack. I think that kid has been practicin in his sleep. He has shor been comin on strong lately. Well, I'm right proud of him. It was kinda neat ta see four scenarios goin on from one vantage point. Once you made it all the way ta the back of the shootin area you didn't have far ta go fer yer next stage. That wagon wheel design worked out purty good. The only problem was that iffin you wanted ta water yer horse it was a fer piece ta the water hole! Well, I think that problem is gonna be took care of, right soon! Tracy give us a wagon from out back of the range house. As soon as we kin get er fixed up we'll mount a one-holer on it. Ventura said he might supply it iffin he kin use it fer office space and a place ta hole up when he's on the lamb. Hey, we don't care where he does his paper work! Maybe some day, we kin go ta a two-holer so ya kin have someone ta talk to whilst ya take care a business. Any how, we had a bunch of new rowdies lookin us over, and a few new shooters too. Looks ta me like this here Cowboy Action Shootin is here ta stay.



## -100-

That's right folks. KRR #100 has been issued and surpassed. The lucky new member is:

**Digger O'Dell**

We all want to welcome not only Digger, but also Red Hall, Kodiak Pete, Justice Loving, Silver Wolf, Blackie, Felix and Madera Dave. It is great to see new faces and friends among the old ones. (and believe me some of them are older than dirt!).



## FRPC Elections

Elections for FRPC officers will be held on Jan 31. If you are not a member of the FRPC do yourself and your club a favor. JOIN NOW! And come vote. As a member of FRPC you will have the right to unlimited shooting. As a member of both KRR & FRPC you will be allowed to set up the KRR targets on the cowboy range to practice. Non FRPC members don't have this privilege. Please be there, we need your vote.

## Swap tables

There will be swap tables at the Jan 31 annual meeting. Cole Chance has reserved two of them. This is a good time to get rid of some of those treasures you don't use, or maybe trade a gun. BBQ tri-tip will be available for lunch. Get a few raffle tickets too. FRPC welcomes all the new members and the KRR thanks you for your support. Your vote is IMPORTANT!

## HOW SWEET IT IS

As you all know by now, things have changed. The KRR is on a roll. The best thing about this project is not the fact that we have enlarged our shooting area, it's not the new buildings that have been added or the 100 trees we planted. It's not even the fact that we have shown that we are here to stay. These are all bonuses which will help us to grow and prosper. But, all this considered still leaves us with the single best thing to come out of this project. Unity! We have pulled together to accomplish our goal. I don't think that even the nay sayers will doubt our ability to get things done. Blacksmith Buckskin has formed a planning committee to develop both short and long range plans for our new home. These plans will require continued "buy in" from club members. If you have not as yet "bought in", do it now! The rewards are great.

(Two days after I finished writing this column, I received an open letter that says it much better than I have. Read on)

## OFFICERS:

Mayor: SnakeBite (Doug Gilmore)  
787-2943

SASS #4767L KRR #1

Sheriff: Cole Chance (Leon Chism)  
673-7416

SASS #8243 KRR #26

Banker: Jessie Montana (Barbara Chism)  
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SASS #8244 KRR #27

Blacksmith: Buckskin (John Dotts)  
855-2713

SASS #12434 KRR #47

Schoolmarm: Fannie Oakley (Connie Gilmore)  
787-2943

SASS #6719 KRR #10



## Cowboy Chatter

\*Hey, if a cowboy says to you "grab the apple", what are you gonna get ahold of? If he tells you to "keep it dry", what does he mean? Well, as any good ol cowboy or girl knows, he's talking about the saddle horn, and keeping whatever he told you, a secret.

\*Congratulations to Sierra, who joined the "Jessie Montana Gun Belt Around the Knees Club". They now have two members! Too cool dude, too cool.

\*We need a taller horse for Longbranch. He looks like he's riding a pony.

\*What do Leadfoot, Hawkeye O'Riley, Rick-O-Chet, Sierra, Longbranch, Geezer, Hawkeye, and Bulldog have in common? They all cleaned at least one stage.

\*How many stages do you want to shoot at a monthly match? We can shoot as many as you folks want. Every stage will add about 30-40 min to the overall match time.

\*PARKING!!! Please remember that parking along the building is for current officers and handicapped only. We ran out of parking for some folks who needed it at the last match. Let's all just do it right, and not make this an issue.....again. Thanks.

\*Scenarios: When you turn in a scenario, please remember that it is subject to change. Putting on a match is one way you can really help our club and have fun at the same time.

\*Saturday setup needs new BLOOD. The same dedicated faces are there every time. If it doesn't happen, we'll have to come up with a plan....DA

\*The Planning Committee has been formed and the first meeting is set. They will coordinate the improvements of our range. If you have an idea to put forward, talk to our Blacksmith, Buckskin @ 855-2713.

## Open Letter to the Kings River Regulators

It is not often that one gets the chance to view the past through the lens of the present, especially a past that many believe to be myth or legend. This was the experience that I had during our workday on Saturday, January 2<sup>nd</sup>. What I saw was the Regulators coming together for the common good, a purpose not unlike that which tamed a frontier and defined the American character. It does not take a lot of imagination to see the "can do" spirit of that day is the same spirit that raised barns, built bridges, cleared fields and brought civilization to the American West a hundred and forty years ago. This spirit is something unique to America's frontier, even the Canadian experience was vastly different, and obviously it hasn't been completely lost. I watched at least four generations working to accomplish a task that most "carpetbaggers" thought we couldn't get done and we did it with style, on budget, and on time. I saw wives working with husbands, sons working with fathers to clear rocks from a field. This scene must have been duplicated tens of thousands of times on the frontier from Texas to Montana, Oregon to Kansas. Those who do not understand us think that we are cowboys for the fantasy of it. Those who know realize it's the connection to a unique heritage that binds us and we celebrate that heritage, not trivialize it. You do not need to have had a relative at the Alamo or have been born on a horse. It only takes an appreciation of individual freedom, and the ability to "Cowboy Up" when needed. The members of the Kings River Regulators have proven up to the task and, without exception, are the kind of people you can ride the river with.

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## Boat and Sports Show

The Kings River Regulators booth at the Boat and Sports show was a tremendous success. We had a good turnout of members and made an impression on the show itself. Wearing our cowboy gear attracted a lot of attention and gave us the opportunity to pitch our sport to folks that had never heard of it. The feedback I received from other exhibitors at the show was good. They said that folks were talking about us all over the place. (They didn't say what the talk was about!) Any way, it has already started to pay off. we had a number of new faces looking us over at the last match and they seemed to like what they saw. One comment heard often was that everyone was so friendly, and having fun. Who knows, Fort Miller 98 might fill up fast.

Kings River Regulators  
MATCH FINAL OVERALL STANDINGS  
STAGES 1 thru 4

MATCH	ALIAS	CLASS	( STAGE 1 )		( STAGE 2 )		( STAGE 3 )		( STAGE 4 )		( -- TOTALS -- )		
FINAL			TIME	RNK	TIME	RNK	TIME	RNK	TIME	RNK	TIME	PNTS	
1.	LONGBRANCH	#12433	T	44.37	1	64.91	1	44.44	3	53.60	1	207.32	6
2.	SUDDEN	###027	T	51.65	3	70.25	2	50.77	7	60.51	2	233.18	14
3.	BULLDOG	###003	T	52.60	5	86.52	5	51.90	8	66.06	4	257.00	22
4.	SNAKEBITE	# 4767	T	59.75	10	73.86	3	48.97	4	76.03	7	258.61	24
5.	FRED BURNHAM	#12160	T	61.39	12	81.66	4	50.00	5	82.56	9	275.61	30
6.	SAM LUIS	#12780	T	52.29	4	97.14	11	55.10	11	80.38	8	284.91	34
7.	RICH-O-CHET	###023	M	62.47	14	88.96	7	57.97	14	68.27	6	277.67	41
8.	SHILOH	###026	T	56.66	7	99.50	13	60.41	16	66.34	5	282.91	41
9.	JOAQUIN RIVERS	#11912	T	53.24	6	88.44	6	63.38	19	86.56	12	291.62	43
10.	COLE CHANCE	# 8243	T	68.66	19	101.97	15	54.79	10	63.91	3	289.33	47
11.	HAWKEYE O'RILEY	# 6443	T	61.16	11	102.03	16	53.18	9	87.92	13	304.29	49
12.	HOSS	# 9565	D	57.41	8	100.43	14	69.65	24	83.68	10	311.17	56
13.	ANTELOPE KID	###001	M	70.80	23	95.25	9	50.59	6	97.74	18	314.38	56
14.	RIVERDALE	###024	M	69.70	20	97.01	10	62.15	17	85.21	11	314.07	58
15.	GEEZER	#11911	T	44.40	2	105.24	17	62.37	18	106.10	24	318.11	61
16.	LEADFOOT	# 5535	T	70.14	22	95.04	8	65.77	21	92.70	17	323.65	68
17.	TERRIBLE TED	# 9014	O	62.19	13	107.19	18	65.82	22	98.75	19	333.95	72
18.	FELIX	###012	O	74.65	26	118.18	31	1.73	2	103.70	23	298.26	82
19.	LIL HOSS	###018	J	67.15	17	121.21	33	57.01	12	100.13	21	345.50	83
20.	BUCKSKIN	#12434	O	64.90	16	116.47	26	76.11	30	88.79	14	346.27	86
21.	DOC JAMES	# 5061	T	59.46	9	97.86	12	92.56	43	109.41	27	359.29	91
22.	NEEDA TAILOR	# 8141	W	76.69	29	117.33	28	58.82	15	101.84	22	354.68	94
23.	RED HALL	###025	T	72.25	24	113.40	24	64.12	20	114.10	32	363.07	100
24.	REV. BUSTER DOORS	###022	D	73.55	25	127.33	38	69.89	25	89.36	15	360.13	103
25.	VENTURA	###029	T	63.75	15	117.68	30	75.48	29	113.64	31	370.55	105
26.	JESSIE MONTANA	# 8244	W	70.80	23	137.44	41	70.67	26	92.62	16	371.53	106
27.	ROUGH CUT	# 8464	T	67.91	18	117.47	29	82.91	37	108.06	26	376.35	110
28.	HANK	# 7369	D	76.34	28	110.54	21	82.34	36	112.32	28	381.54	113
29.	HARD PAN	###013	M	87.01	38	121.50	34	67.94	23	99.84	20	376.29	115
30.	BEAN POT	# 6964	M	76.00	27	131.23	40	57.96	13	120.80	37	386.07	117
31.	TOELESS JOE	# 8608	O	70.26	31	108.98	20	91.51	41	112.46	29	391.21	121
32.	NAVAJO JOE	###019	T	77.51	30	120.90	32	72.90	27	120.21	36	391.52	125
33.	GOOD HANDS	###014	T	83.98	35	113.79	25	92.18	42	107.67	25	397.62	127
34.	RUTHLESS RUTH	# 9015	W	82.92	34	116.48	27	88.98	39	113.31	30	401.69	130
35.	BUZZARD	###004	O	86.99	37	153.99	48	1.03	1	139.00	48	381.01	134
36.	PALOUSE	###021	M	96.28	45	107.69	19	78.15	34	122.24	38	404.36	136
37.	COAL TRAIN	###007	T	69.84	21	122.58	36	93.39	44	127.89	41	413.70	142
38.	LIGHTFOOT	###017	M	86.01	36	124.90	37	76.71	31	123.20	39	410.82	143
39.	TEQUILA JOE	###028	M	93.32	41	111.20	22	88.59	38	130.41	42	423.52	143
40.	CYBER COWBOY	###008	T	110.11	50	111.30	23	75.34	28	135.80	44	432.55	145
41.	DAKOTA	# 8438	T	80.42	33	158.50	49	79.22	35	120.21	36	438.35	153
42.	ROT GUT CHARLIE	#13304	T	93.89	42	122.10	35	97.31	48	114.75	33	428.05	158
43.	SHORTY	#12810	M	93.96	43	143.40	44	76.78	32	136.70	45	450.84	164
44.	CHEROKEE	###006	M	100.43	47	141.42	43	97.08	47	118.20	34	457.13	171
45.	MADERA DAVE	# 7446	D	101.93	48	127.80	39	106.34	50	120.14	35	456.21	172
46.	BEAR	###005	M	94.01	44	139.26	42	77.69	33	167.90	53	478.86	172
47.	SIERRA	# 3229	T	78.61	32	150.50	47	107.26	51	137.10	46	473.47	176
48.	WIDOWTAKER	###030	M	90.21	39	187.39	52	93.99	45	133.16	43	504.75	179
49.	JUSTICE LOVING	###015	T	100.37	46	148.70	46	97.60	49	126.30	40	472.97	181
50.	BEARPAW	# 7559	O	91.38	40	189.22	53	91.17	40	156.80	51	528.57	184
51.	NEB	###020	D	119.11	52	147.20	45	115.49	54	137.20	47	519.00	198
52.	KODIAC PETE	###016	T	112.24	51	167.22	50	96.31	46	150.00	52	533.77	199
53.	ANEJO SHOOTER	###002	D	108.60	49	196.50	55	110.22	53	143.30	49	558.62	206
54.	DIGGER O'DELL	###010	T	132.00	54	170.60	51	110.07	52	153.40	50	566.07	207
55.	DIRTY STEVE ROBERT	###011	D	127.00	53	190.20	54	140.00	55	174.60	54	631.80	216