

# ❖Kings River Gazette❖

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## Blue Skies - Fast Lead

Sunday morning didn't look too promising, weather wise, but the 45 posse members and 6 Goat Ropers strapped on leather, loaded the ammo wagon and headed for Fort Miller. After the one black cloud hanging over the range passed, the skies cleared to a beautiful blue and with a brisk wind to their backs the posse attacked the range.

Not sure what bit ol' Cole Chance and Jessie Montana, but what ever it was left an idea for a mighty challenging fun shoot.

Now this is just my own reckonins' of how it went but I don't recall havin' to shoot at targets you can barely see, cause they was hid behind trees and such before, shucks I can have a real hard time hitin' the ones I can see, but it was fun tryin'. I did notice that some of the Goat Ropers got that tin can across the line quicker than some of us more experienced shooters did.

Now that everything goes down stage was fun, unless you turned one of your targets sideways. Tequila Joe shot till his went down, I shot till I ran out of shells and that target was still standin' there grinnin' at me.

What was that bout a bonus shot, I led our posse off on that one and showed them how important it was to get the bonus shots by shooting the whole stage from the first stop. Just about everyone else decided that was too hard and hit the bonus targets.

The make believe barroom was good cept for them buzzards hangin' round at the end of the hall.

Don't know bout you, but I enjoyed myself. Specially enjoyed my new pistols. If I get as good as they can shoot, look out.

*Ruthless Ruth*



## Sun Shines of KRR

The February shoot was favored with some nice sunny weather. Somebody up there

must like us cowboy shooters.

How about that new building in bay 2, that Terrible Ted and Ruthless Ruth are sure doing a fine job. I want to thank Ted and Ruth and all those that are helping with this project, this is an outstanding new addition to our range.

Sure hope this spirit catches on and we see lots more new props built! If you have any ideas or want to build something, contact Buckskin, Flatiron or myself and lets get started. The main reason we want you to tell us is to keep from having 5 of the same thing built. Remember no project is to large or small to be used to improve our shooting range.

KRR needs everyone to be involved to keep our club the best in cowboy shooting.

I would also like to thank Shorty for all his hard work on our new target stands

and modifying existing targets to improve our safety and scoring. Seems like every time I talk to Shorty he's got a great new idea to improve our shooting. This is the type of club involvement that makes KRR the best there is.

I believe the more our membership is involved, the more they will enjoy the sport.

Long Range shooters come join us March 7 for another raid on the other side of the hill. Let's all meet at 8:30 in the range house, wear your cowboy gear, bring lots of ammunition, I just might need to borrow some.

Rumor going around is those mean old women are putting on the shootout in March, so boys be prepared for anything.

*Cole Chance*

## WORK DAY SUNDAY - MARCH 28

We are fast approaching the time of year when we need to schedule work days. Weather permitting we have scheduled a work day for **Sunday, March 28, and will plan to start at**

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**NEW SHOOTING TIME**

**JAN - FEB - MAR**

**SHOOTERS MEETING**

**AT 9:30**

**SHOOTING STARTS**

**AT**

**10:00 am**

Club voted at December shoot to set start time back 1 hour in winter months to allow out of town shooters a little extra time to get here in bad weather conditions.

9:00 am. We will be working on three areas. They are:

1. Clean up and re-organization of the corral.
2. Installation of the flag pole.
3. General cleanup of the grounds.

Thanks to Miss Kitty, our club now has their own post hole digger, and thanks to the Mayor, Cole Chance, the club has a nice heavy duty 50' extension cord. Any other members that can donate tools of any kind please contact Buckskin. They will be marked with KRR and placed in our tool box.

**DON'T FORGET! WORK DAY**  
**SUNDAY MARCH 28. BRING**  
**YOUR OWN LUNCH.**

## Buckskin



Let's  
Go  
Shootin'

Long Range Silhouette  
Sunday March 7th  
F.R.P.C.

Meet at KRR Range  
8:00 am

*If you plan to go let Cole Chance  
know ahead of time, so he can let the  
Silhouette Club know how many of us  
to expect.*

1 st Sunday of Month  
5 Dogs Creek  
Bakersfield

2nd Sunday of Month  
Chorro Valley Regulators  
San Luis Obispo  
*Need directions? Call  
Sam Luis at 805-543-7245*

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## ANNUAL MATCHES

Stampede  
Mar. 11 - 14 th  
Las Vegas, Nevada  
*Jessie Montana has entry forms*

High Sierra Shootout  
May 28-30, 1999  
Railroad Flats, CA  
Tom Anderson  
916-624-5510

John Wayne Shoot  
Chorro Valley Regulators  
July 1999  
San Luis Obispo  
*Talk to Sam Luis for more info*

Shootin' in other people's back yards  
can be a lot of fun - try it - you'll like  
it!!

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Practical Cowboy Action Shoot  
March 27 & 28  
Angeles Shooting Range  
San Fernando, CA  
Sponsored by  
Int'l Tactical Training Sem. Inc.  
Instruction by  
Ray Coffman - Thunder Ranch  
Larry Mudgett - LAPD Firearms Unit  
Scott Reitz of LAPD Metro Unit  
Brett McQueen of L.T.T.S.  
\$200 Shoot & BBQ  
Resv. (310) 471-2029

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## THE FANDANGO IS COMING

The Sons of the San Joaquin have again invited the Regulators to participate in their second annual Fandango. This a historical and educational celebration of the music and culture of the West. It will be held at the Clovis Rodeo Grounds May 21, 22, 23, 1999.

Several of us participated last year, we were in full dress and wearing our iron. I think everyone would agree that we could not have been treated better. This year will be bigger, better publicized, and a helluva lot of fun.  
If you would like to go or want more details, call

Flatiron  
(432-3264)

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## GOAT ROPERS

For our first time out shooting with the adults, it wasn't too bad. The kids had a good shoot and learned a little more about competition. We have some improvements to make to keep things moving however, and they are as follows:

1. We need to get the loading situation more streamlined. It took too long assuring that each one loaded safely and correctly. We will work on that.

2. Crowding around the loading bench and talking will be prohibited from now on. In the future we will ask that everyone stay back and wait to be called to load.

3. There is a problem with single shot rifles. By their very nature they are slow. We will have to work on that one, too. Kids, don't forget you are being timed and when you shoot single shots you are naturally going to be slower.

4. Parents, 22 ammunition will be provided by the KRR. We do ask that you bring 1 box of 410 shotgun shells. This needs to be new ammunition, not re-loads.

All in all, it was a good shoot, but we need to improve those areas mentioned above. I am not sure, but I got the distinct feeling that some of the kids were overwhelmed by all of this. I would like all the Goat Ropers and their parents to meet at 9:00 am before the next shoot to discuss some of the problems we encountered.

## Buckskin

Thanks!!

Just about the time I was getting ready to print this here paper, I realized my printer wasn't working. Something about my computer not talking to my printer?? I want to thank Snakebite for his help in re-establishing the lines of communication.

Ruthless Ruth

## Feb. 3, 1999

## Welcome to the KRR

## A Plea to Cole

I'm here today to tell ya'll  
that I've hung up my guns forever  
and taken up the Good Book in my  
search for truth.

No longer will I ride with desperados like  
Terrible Ted and Ruthless Ruth.

No more hangin' with gunmen like Big  
and Little Hoss.

Hell either one would smoke ya  
just to prove which ones the boss.

There all a bunch of killers with  
reputations to maintain.

They shoot with and at each other,  
to prove the best will reign.

Ole Cole has fallen in with the regulators,  
with handles like Shilo, Snakebite  
and Hank.

All them would plug ya for a nickel  
just to move up one step in rank.

Desperados, Apaches and Mexicans too  
Ex lawmen, and trainrobbers and  
some straight shootin women  
to name just a few.

To say this is a dangerous  
group of outlaws,  
would surely be no lie.

But to call them killers to their face  
would be a certin way to die.

San Luis and SLO Hank ride from the  
California Coast to join us in the freigh  
just to prove who's top gun  
on any given day.

So Cole I hope you'll follow my lead  
and abandon the hoot owl trail.  
Avoid the hangman's noose  
or maybe life in jail.

Please Cole my friend from this motley  
crew you surely must run.  
Cause he who lives by it shall surely  
perish by the gun.

With respect & Affection for the KRR  
Wichita Willie, KRR #108

*Editors note: As this paper was going to  
print Willie was laid up in Community  
Hospital with a little ticker problem.  
Hope he's OK now.*

## For Sale

### Harrington & Wesson Model 1871

45-70 cal, w/sites, cases, bullets  
& dies  
Longfeather  
559-784-8463

### H & R Trapdoor Carbine 45-70 \$400.00

2 Hartford 357 revolvers  
stag grips, 7 1/2" barrels \$500.00

2 Hartford 44-40 revolvers  
stag grips 7 1/2" barrels \$500.00  
Cole Chance  
559-673-7416

36 cal. Navy Revolver  
Includes powder flask, lead balls  
and patches.  
For Sale or Trade  
Terrible Ted  
559-251-9507

C Sharps 1875 Business Rifle  
40-65 calb w/deluxe tang site  
and globe  
Tom Doodley Squat  
831-657-9002

## KRR Cowboys Go Long

Sunday morning, Feb. 7th, broke with  
black rain clouds blanketing the horizon.  
Heavy rains hit Madera and Auberry, but  
like the Postman, KRR shooters aren't  
easily put off.

Cole Chance Terrible Ted, Joaquin  
Rivers, Mad Dawg, Madera Dave,  
Hawkeye O'Riley, Roughcut, Lightfoot,  
Riverdale, Butch, two friends of Mad  
Dawg's and an interested observer  
possied up at the FRPC range house and  
headed to the far side of the hill to test  
their long guns on the silhouette range.

Now you know a cowboy never makes  
excuses, but there was a lot of talk about  
the effect of rain drop deflection, light  
refraction and rust bore on a long range  
gun. Seems one of our shooters really  
did have a legit excuse. His hand loaded  
rounds grew overnight and no longer fit  
his gun. He got donations from other  
shooters though, and got to shoot  
anyway.

Madera Dave brought everything he  
had in the gun safe and shot it all. Said  
he was trying to get rid of all his old  
rounds, but he was really just having fun.

Seems every one had a real good time  
and there were a lot of "I'll be backs"  
heard.

Lightfoot and Riverdale tied with 21  
out of 40 targets hit, Terrible Ted hit 19.  
Riverdale got 7 out of 10 Turkeys (their  
hard to hit).

### Try it the 1ST Sunday of March

You shoot at 40 targets and get  
practice rounds (not bad for \$11) and  
help support another club at the range.

## A Cowboy's Guide to Life

Lettin' the cat outta the bag is a  
whole lot easier than puttin' it back.

Don't worry about bitin' off  
more'n you can chew; your mouth is  
probably a whole lot bigger'n you  
think.

Good judgment comes from  
experience, and a lotta that comes  
from bad judgment.

Kings River Regulators  
MATCH FINAL OVERALL STANDINGS  
STAGES 1 thru 4

MATCH FINAL ALIAS	CLASS	< STAGE 1 >		< STAGE 2 >		< STAGE 3 >		< STAGE 4 >		<-- TOTALS -->	
		TIME	RNK	TIME	RNK	TIME	RNK	TIME	RNK	TIME	PNTS
1. TOM DODDLEY SQUAT # 5035	D	44.93	1	50.80	4	52.81	7	62.47	2	211.01	14
2. SHAKESBITE # 4767	T	46.53	3	48.44	3	48.70	3	69.67	8	213.34	17
3. COLE CHANCE # 8243	BP	45.51	2	65.96	11	41.61	1	63.94	4	217.02	18
4. SAM LUIS #12788	T	50.53	4	44.21	1	62.44	15	66.74	5	223.92	25
5. HANK # 7369	BP	57.24	5	57.07	6	58.32	10	72.29	10	244.92	31
6. HAWKEYE O'RILEY # 6443	T	72.31	12	65.07	10	56.43	8	63.66	3	257.47	33
7. COAL TRAIN ***004	T	93.53	23	63.40	9	48.85	4	72.94	11	278.77	47
8. RIVERDALE ***016	M	101.25	31	54.64	5	48.21	2	73.12	13	277.22	51
9. SUDDEN #12166	T	73.34	13	46.97	2	73.51	21	78.78	17	272.60	53
10. SQUARE SHOOTER # 9417	O	66.70	9	75.67	18	74.12	22	68.13	6	284.62	55
11. LEADFOOT # 5535	T	92.65	21	80.80	25	56.68	9	54.76	1	284.89	56
12. BAD BOB ***002	T	79.39	15	72.59	16	60.70	12	74.49	15	287.17	58
13. SHILOH #17515	D	59.46	6	60.92	8	52.11	6	120.40	39	292.89	59
14. HOSS # 9565	D	64.74	8	60.78	7	77.44	24	87.71	21	290.67	60
15. TOELESS JOE # 8600	O	79.47	16	74.35	17	62.74	16	72.97	12	289.53	61
16. GEEZER #11911	T	64.71	7	72.59	16	61.37	13	97.95	27	297.22	63
17. BEAN POT # 5964	M	101.53	32	67.28	12	62.21	14	74.17	14	305.29	72
18. FLATIRON # 7983	T	96.95	26	75.37	19	68.54	19	71.75	9	313.11	73
19. TERRIBLE TED # 9014	O	66.71	10	82.00	27	59.21	11	102.26	29	310.26	77
20. PORTUCUESE PHILIP ***014	T	80.12	17	71.59	15	88.17	29	75.92	16	315.00	77
21. JOAQUIN RIVERS #11912	D	71.19	11	79.24	24	85.03	27	91.29	23	327.75	85
22. LONG FEATHER # 8574	O	98.13	29	76.19	20	64.33	18	87.63	20	326.28	87
23. EUCKSKIN #12434	O	75.66	14	84.75	28	75.22	23	92.23	24	328.86	89
24. SHORTY #12810	T	102.60	33	70.00	14	85.91	26	94.51	25	353.02	98
25. REV. BUSTER DOORSO ***026	D	130.75	42	91.42	34	50.99	5	79.39	18	352.55	99
26. MARSHALL KNOTA PES #21726	M	94.18	25	67.59	13	94.29	33	103.94	31	362.00	102
27. TUCSON SMITH ***021	T	91.33	20	87.36	31	102.34	38	83.76	19	364.79	108
28. LONGERANCH ***010	BP	106.27	35	78.33	22	87.47	28	99.89	28	371.36	113
29. ROT OUT CHARLIE #13303	T	86.88	19	88.16	32	79.54	25	116.63	38	371.21	114
30. WHISKEY RIVER #21727	T	117.50	39	77.18	21	71.50	20	109.79	34	375.97	114
31. JESSIE MONTANA # 8244	W	990.00	44	81.00	26	63.96	17	104.30	32	1239.34	119
32. JUSTICE LOVING ***000	T	120.21	40	85.67	29	92.52	31	95.69	26	394.09	126
33. RUTHLESS RUTH # 9015	W	86.29	18	95.43	37	93.64	32	123.03	40	398.39	127
34. LIGHTFOOT ***029	M	102.70	34	93.00	35	98.17	37	89.54	22	384.29	128
35. WIDOWMAKER # 8970	M	93.36	24	96.51	38	90.10	30	110.64	36	391.21	128
36. TEQUILLA JOE ***020	M	93.31	22	86.39	30	104.97	39	111.32	37	396.49	128
37. LONESOME JOE # 3175	T	97.09	20	94.69	36	97.30	36	103.58	30	392.66	130
38. STOCKTON SLIM ***018	M	96.98	27	78.51	23	144.13	43	135.10	42	454.72	135
39. HARDPAN CURMUDGEON # 8967	M	990.00	44	990.00	44	990.00	44	60.93	7	3030.93	139
40. TUOLUMNE LAWYAN # 6127	D	115.32	37	98.71	39	95.11	34	105.41	33	414.55	143
41. QUICK WHIP ***025	T	99.36	30	105.94	40	130.36	41	110.41	35	454.07	146
42. UNDERTAKER ***022	T	121.58	41	90.71	33	111.63	40	126.10	41	450.02	155
43. BEARPAW ***003	O	112.70	36	108.39	41	96.27	35	201.07	45	519.23	157
44. MICHIGAN BOB ***024	T	117.46	38	112.03	43	143.12	42	179.40	44	552.01	167
45. WIND DANCER # 8576	W	161.53	43	110.60	42	990.00	44	173.80	43	1436.01	172

LONG RANGE RESULT

PC/LEVER ACTION  
1st Rev. Buster Doorsdown  
2nd Joaquin Rivers  
3rd Longbranch

RC/LEVER ACTION  
1st Riverdale  
2nd Rev. Buster Doorsdown  
3rd Tuscon Smith

SINGLE SHOT  
1st Terrible Ted  
2nd Beanpot  
3rd Lightfoot

GOAT ROPERS  
1st JL Hank  
2nd Lil Annie  
3rd James  
4th Cody Coyote  
5th Hanky  
6th Raven