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DATES TO REMEMBER

4/24/15 – Work Day & Setup for Muster at Ft. Misery, 9 AM
4/25-26/15 – Muster at Ft. Misery, SASS NY State Wild Bunch Championship
5/9/15 – SASS RO I and II Training (see article below)
5/13/15 – CKR Monthly Meeting, 7:30 PM
5/16/15 – CKR Setup, 9:00 AM, followed by Monthly Rough Riders Match, 11:30 AM
5/17/15 – CKR Monthly CAS Match

APRIL CKR ROUGH RIDERS MATCH

Following setup on April 18th, 21 folks gathered to participate in our first Rough Riders match of the season. This was everyone's first and only chance to shoot a RR match at the CKR prior to the upcoming "big event", Muster at Ft. Misery (see separate article). Dude Bandit's five RR stages were undeniably action packed, but trust me, they were nothing compared to what he has planned for the Muster, so Muster shooters, be forewarned! The weather was seasonably warm and the skies were blue, but at times the wind gusts were strong enough to blow your bullets clean off target (at least

that was my excuse!) We had a couple of first time RR shooters join us this month, along with other more experienced competitors who were trying out different guns or ammo in preparation for use at the State match. Homer had the chronograph set up to give folks a chance to make sure their loads met WB power factor. And Scout Wrangler even wrangled up a brass picker for one of the posses. It was a fun day with a lotta lead-slinging and a great warmup for the Muster.

Congrats to this month's winners:

TOP GUN – Rowdy Bill
Men's Modern – Rowdy Bill
Men's Traditional – Whiskey Brooks
Ladies Modern – Annabelle Bransford
Ladies Traditional – Renegade Roper

We ALMOST had a clean shooter this month. Rowdy Bill hit every target he was supposed to, *PLUS* two extras, which unfortunately earned him a "P"! Argh!

APRIL CKR CAS MATCH

The Circle K's first CAS match of the 2015 season was held on April 19th with 52 shooters joining in the fun. The weather was a bit chilly in the early morning, but it turned into an absolutely beautiful spring day. We were excited to have so many of our old CAS pards back with us after the long, hard winter and doubly excited to have three brand new CAS shooters (Soldierin' Sandi, Warden Willie, and Col. Douglas Mortimer) join us for the first time. Hopefully they enjoyed their day and will become "regulars" at the CKR. Thanks to ideas gleaned from some Florida shoots, Rowdy Bill treated the April competitors to some new and different target acquisitions which kept things interesting (albeit sometimes a bit more challenging than usual, it seems). Despite the paltry number of clean shooters this month, everyone made it through the six stages with a smile on their face, and that's what it's all about.

When the smoke cleared and the day drew to a close, the following folks were left with braggin' rights 'til we do it all again next month...

Congrats to:

TOP GUN – JAMES

SAMUEL PIKE

B-Western – Sky Ryder

Cattle Baron – Frenchy Wolf

Cowboy – Black Jack Daniels

Cowgirl – Kate Cartwright

Duelist – Sixgun Schwaby

Elder Statesman – Rowdy Bill

Frontier Cartridge – Grandpa Zeb

FC Duelist – Wheels

Cartwright

FC Gunfighter – Whiskey

Brooks

Gunfighter – Smilin’ Pete

49r – Yukon Mike

Ladies 49r – Crystal Creek

Chris

Senior/Ladies Senior –

Annabelle Bransford

Sr Duelist – Jess Lucky

Silver Senior – Kerry Blue Kid

Ladies Silver Senior – Violet

Cassidy

Wrangler – James Samuel Pike

Ladies Wrangler – Spinning

Sally

Young Gun – Mista Spike

Clean Shooters – Feany

Valentine, James Samuel Pike,

Rowdy Bill, and Shatagee

Trapper

CKR PRACTICE NIGHTS

The CKR weekly CAS/WB Practice Nights will get back into full swing on 4/22/15. These practice sessions will be held from 5-7 PM each Weds. from now until late Aug., so mark your calendars and) plan to come on out and throw some lead with your fellow CAS pards. All CKR members and new/prospective CAS/WB shooters are invited to attend. This is a great opportunity to ask questions, hone your

CAS/WB skills, get familiar with new firearms, or test your ammo.

CKR SASS RO TRAINING

Annabelle Bransford and Rowdy Bill will be conducting their annual SASS RO I and II training at the CKR in the KF&G clubhouse on Sat., May 9th. RO I (SASS Range Operations Basic Safety Course) will run from 9AM – 12:30 PM and is STRONGLY encouraged for ALL CAS shooters. RO II (SASS Range Officer Training Course) will run from 1 – 4:30 PM and is for SASS members who have taken/passed RO I and have participated in CAS matches for a minimum of 6 months. Anyone wishing to attend should contact Annabelle immediately (email: annabelle69@juno.com; phone: 518-877-7834). All CKR members are eligible to attend this training for FREE. The cost for new students who are not CKR members is \$10 for RO I, \$25 for RO II, payable at time of training. Non-members taking either course as a refresher will be charged \$5 (to cover the cost of a new pin and dated chevron).

In addition to the training at CKR, Annabelle and Rowdy will also be conducting SASS RO I and II training at the Pathfinders CAS Club in Fulton, NY, on Sat., May 30th. Anyone interested in attending the training there should contact Dunn Shotwell (email: intothewood@gmail.com).

MUSTER AT FT MISERY

Time flies once the snow melts and the shooting season actually begins! It’s hard to believe that in just a few days, the Circle K Rough Riders will host their 2nd annual SASS NYS Wild Bunch Championship on April 25-26. There are currently 49 registered shooters (10 more than we had last year). Setup for the match will be on Friday, 4/24, beginning at 9 AM. Any help would be appreciated!

There will be a drawing for a Ruger SR1911 pistol at the event. The pistol was generously donated by Match Sponsor, Sturm, Ruger & Co. Raffle proceeds will go to the local fire department/EMTs who will be onsite throughout the shoot. Tickets are \$5 each or 5 for \$20 and will be on sale throughout the weekend. The drawing will be held at the Sunday awards ceremony. You need not be present to win.

Any questions pertaining to the Muster should be directed to Roy Cassidy at 518-227-5054 or emailed to: roycassidy1911@yahoo.com.

CKR WINNERS AT OTHER MAJOR MATCHES

Not too many CKR folks attend major CAS matches over the winter months, but we did have a few who deserve a “Yeehaa” for their shooting prowess:

The **SASS Florida State Championship**, The Siege at St. Augustine, was held in (of

all places!) St. Augustine, FL, on Jan. 8-11. There were a total of 280 shooters. Congrats to **Rowdy Bill** – 2nd Elder Statesman, **Renegade Roper** – 2nd Ladies Wrangler and winner of the Ladies Top Gun Shootoff!, and **Annabelle Bransford** – 1st Ladies Senior and clean.

The **SASS National CAS Championship**, Winter Range, was held in Phoenix, AZ, in late Feb. A whopping 685 shooters participated in the event this year, down 76 shooters from last year but still quite impressive! Congrats to **Sixgun Schwaby** who took 4th place in the Duelist category and **Renegade Roper** who finished 6th in Ladies Wrangler. Way to go, folks!

UPCOMING MAJOR MATCHES

There are lots of “big shoots” coming up over the next several months. If you have never participated in a major shoot (other than our own Heluva Rukus), why not pick at least one other to attend this year and see how they do things at other CAS clubs in the Northeast? Some of the larger upcoming matches include:

- PA State Championship, Muncy Valley, PA (5/22-24)
- Tri-State (MA-CT-RI) Championship, Harvard, MA (6/5-7)
- The Quick & The Dead, Maryland, NY (6/12-14)
- NH State Championship, Candia, NH (6/26-28)

- The Great Nor’easter, Northeast Regional, Pelham, NH (7/23-26)
- VT State Championship, St. Johnsbury, VT (8/7-9)
- The Showdown, Tioga, NY (8/21-23)
- ME State Championship, Berwick, ME (9/11-13)
- Mason-Dixon Stampede, EASTERN DIVISIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP, Thurmont, MD (10/1-4)
- NJ State Championship, Jackson, NJ (10/16-18)

For more info on any of these events, click on Shooting Events on the SASS website’s home page (www.sassnet.com).

HELUVA RUKUS 2015

The annual email/USPS mailing of HR registration forms went out on April 15th, and the completed forms have already started coming in fast and furious (49 as of 4/20). Hopefully, HR ’15, our 15th anniversary of hosting the SASS NY State CAS Championship, will prove to be a record-breaker, and we will be able to make it to our goal of 300 shooters.

With so many registered shooters expected, we’ll need a lotta help, so please do your part. First, sign up for a committee (or 2 or 3). Committees include:

- Main Stage ROs
- Side Event ROs
- Setup
- Tear-down
- Registration Table
- Door Prize Table
- Range Maintenance

- Props
 - Scoring (non-shooters).
- (You may sign up at a CKR meeting or CAS shoot.)

Then do whatever you can to help us obtain stage/side event sponsors, vendors and door prizes. If you need sponsor/vendor registration forms or sample letters soliciting for door prizes, feel free to email Big Sky Di at dianecolumbine@gmail.com or print the documents out from our CKR website’s Heluva Rukus page (www.circlekregulators.com/helugarukus.html).