

The CirKulator



Kayadecrosseras Fish and Game Club

For Information Call:

Smokehouse Dan (518) 885-3758
Annabelle Bransford (518) 877-7834

706 Geyser Rd. Ballston Spa, New York 12020

Published by the Circle K Regulators for Cowboy Action Shooting in the Capital District

AUGUST 2014

DATES TO REMEMBER

8/24/14 – CKR Work Day, 9 AM

8/27/14 – Last CKR Practice Night of the year, 5-7 PM

9/10/14 - HR Shooters Packet Stuffing, 7 PM

9/14/14 – Final Range Cleanup & Partial Setup for HR

9/18/14 – Finish of Setup for HR

9/19-21/14 – **HELUVA**

RUKUS 2014 !!!

9/22/14 – HR Teardown

Take a deep breath, and start counting down to HR 2015!

AUGUST ROUGH RIDERS MATCH

We didn't have quite as good a turnout for Rough Riders this month (only 20), but still a respectable number of folks showed up to give their 1911's a workout. And thanks to Dude Bandit's stages, they were able to do just that, with a total of 95 pistol shots over the course of 5 stages. We welcomed another new RR shooter, Borderline Jeff, to the fold this month. It's great to see more folks getting into this shooting sport. There were some challenging new and different target acquisitions for the pistol, as well as the ore cart mover, the swinger hostage target, those dang double bird

throwers, and a couple of new shotgun targets to contend with this time. The new shotgun targets seemed to work fine – as long as you AIMED at them. They dangled from two windows in the homestead stage and counted as hits only if they were UP after being shot. Pretty cool! The weather was perfect for shooting, and we ALMOST had a clean shooter. Poor Rowdy Bill was clean 'til his final stage when he missed one pistol target! Sooooo close!

Congrats to the following folks who get bragging rights 'til Oct.

TOP GUN – Rowdy Bill

Men's Modern – Rowdy Bill

Men's Traditional – Jess

Lucky

Open – Whiskey Brooks

Ladies Modern – Annabelle Bransford

Ladies Traditional – Renegade Roper

AUGUST CKR CAS MATCH

Well, we finally made it out of the 50s and into the 60s this month, thanks to some brand new CAS shooters and several shooters who joined us from out-of-state (MA, CT, NJ, and FL!). Our August 17th shoot drew a total of 62 shooters, including a couple of "locals",

Devil Jack Hays and Doc Mixx, who were shooting CAS for the very first time. We were also happy to have Rio Drifter and his better half, Tennessee Tall, from FL join us this month. They were finally able to add the State of New York to the map in their RV showing all the States in which they have shot CAS on their travels around the country (46 to be exact!). Despite the weatherman's threat of rain showers, the weather turned out to be awesome – one of the nicest days of the year! The stages were apparently somewhat challenging, however, as evidenced by the fact that we only had two clean shooters. Some different target acquisitions and a good bit of movement kept the shooters on their toes both mentally and physically. Unfortunately, the new shotgun targets gave some folks quite a difficult time. A little tweaking is in order before we'll want to use them for CAS again, methinks! But regardless of misses and P's and running out of shotgun shells, everyone seemed to have a great time! Thanks to all for coming, to Rowdy for six action packed stages, to the Boy Scouts for helping pick brass, and to Eric and Donna for keeping the cowpokes well fed!

At the end of the day, the following gunslingers were left standing.

Congrats to:

TOP GUN – The Eastwood Kid

Cattle Baron – John S. Books

Classic Cowboy – Travis Spencer

Cowboy – The Eastwood Kid

Cowgirl – Snazzy McGee

Duelist – Sixgun Schwaby

Elder Statesman – Rowdy Bill

Grand Dame – May Rein

Frontier Cartridge – Willie Misfire

FC Duelist – Doctor Bill

FC Gunfighter – Whiskey Brooks

Gunfighter – The Dude Bandit

49r – Jesamy Kid

Ladies 49r – Big Sky Di

Senior/Ladies Senior – Annabelle Bransford

Sr Duelist – Peddler Jack

Silver Senior/Ladies Silver

Senior – Tennessee Tall

Wrangler – Quaker Hill Bill

Ladies Wrangler – Renegade Roper

Young Gun – Spaghetti Gunslinger

Clean Shooters – Big Sky Di and May Rein – the ladies rule!

CKR WINNERS AT OTHER MAJOR MATCHES

SASS New England Regional

The Great Nor'easter was held in Pelham, NH, July 24-27, 2014. There were 140 shooters, including a handful of CKR members. Weather cooperated better than normal there this year – no deluges, no heat strokes. They say that for their 10th anniversary next year, they

plan to have 12, rather than 10, stages. More bang for your buck!

Congrats to the following CKRers who “buckled” at this year’s event:

Rowdy Bill – 1st Elder

Statesman, clean, and 8th overall

Annabelle Bransford – 1st

Ladies Senior

Renegade Roper – 1st Ladies

Wrangler

Sixgun Schwaby – 1st Duelist

The Dude Bandit – 4th

Gunfighter

Rowdy, Sixgun Schwaby, Renegade Roper and Annabelle were all in the Top Gun Shootoff as well.

A special congrats to the 2014 Regional Champions, James Samuel Pike and Appaloosa Amy.

SASS Vermont State Championship

On August 8-10, 2014, the Verdant Mountain Vigilantes hosted the 5th annual Green Mountain Mayhem, SASS VT State Championship, in St. Johnsbury, VT. A total of 84 shooters, including several from the CKR, participated in the event. The date of the shoot was changed from Memorial Day weekend to August this year in the hopes of getting away from the nasty weather encountered last year. Well, it worked! The weather was great! On Fri., competitors had an opportunity to shoot speed side events, long range events, 2 CAS warmup stages, a Plainsman match, and a Wild Bunch match. No lack of lead-

slinging here! Six main match stages were shot on Sat., followed by an awesome catered dinner at the range. Four more stages were shot on Sun., followed by the awards ceremony. There was one main match stage that consisted of 12 shotgun targets (including 2 poppers with clay birds). A couple of stages had a great deal of movement; others not so much. But all were fun!

At the awards ceremony, both the Circle K Regulators AND The Dude Bandit were presented with special 5-Year Sponsorship Awards – a nice touch.

The following CKR members returned home victorious. Congrats to:

Rowdy Bill – 1st Elder

Statesman, 3rd Overall, & clean

Sixgun Schwaby – 1st Duelist

Renegade Roper – 1st Ladies

Wrangler

Annabelle Bransford – 1st

Ladies Senior & clean

Peddler Jack – 2nd Sr. Duelist & clean

The Dude Bandit – 3rd

Gunfighter

Roy Cassidy was clean as well!

Special congratulations to the 2014 Vermont State Champs, Island Pond Paul and Three Barrel Chris.

HR SHOOTERS PACKET STUFFING

On **Weds., Sept. 10th, at 7:00 PM**, we will stuff the shooters’ packets for Heluva Rukus. This is a major undertaking, so we can use a lot of help! We’ll be

putting labels on approximately 290 envelopes and filling them with the Shooters Handbook, a name badge, dinner tickets, brochures received from our sponsors and vendors, etc. Then we'll be alphabetizing them into boxes for registration. It should only take an hour or so, and it's actually kinda fun – a whirlwind of activity in the clubhouse with a dozen or more people working in assembly-line fashion. Please come and lend a hand! But don't walk off with a Shooters Handbook, or Annabelle will gun you down

door prizes tables on 9/19 and the morning of 9/20, teardown on 9/22, and with whatever else comes up during the shoot itself. Then plan to join us for a big sigh of relief when it's all done!

HELUVA RUKUS UPDATE

Well, the registration cutoff has been reached, and strangely enough, we currently have the EXACT same number of registered shooters as we had on cutoff day in 2013 (i.e., 276). Hopefully we won't get too many last minute cancellations and will end up with close to this number who actually compete this year. There are shooters from 19 states and Canada signed up, including a LOT of shooters who have never attended a Rukus before.

We have added a couple of new vendors since the last newsletter – LPL Bullets and Mountain Swan Designs (bullet-themed jewelry), as well as a brand new sponsor – Frank's Gun & Tackle Shop in Gloversville.

We will be needing all sorts of assistance at the shoot, so please do your part. Plan to help with range cleanup and partial setup on 9/14, final setup on 9/18, working the registration and