

# The CirKulator



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## DATES TO REMEMBER

**10/12/16** – Monthly Meeting,  
7:30 PM

**10/14/16** – Setup for Monthly  
Matches, 9:00 AM

**10/15/16**–Rough Riders Match,  
11:00 AM

**10/16/16** – Monthly CAS  
Match

Remember – the CKR final  
RR/CAS shoots of the season  
will be **Nov. 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup>** this year!

## HELUVA RUKUS 2016

Well, Heluva Rukus 2016 is now in the history books. The Circle K Regulators' 16<sup>th</sup> annual SASS New York State Championship was once again a monumental success, thanks to the efforts of many dedicated club members who worked tirelessly to see to it that the shooters were given fun-filled, action-packed stages, awesome props, numerous vendors, beautiful trophies, and an overall memorable experience on Sept. 16-18, 2016. And a special thanks as well to all the shooters for their kind words regarding the match which made all that work worth it!

Despite a constantly changing weather forecast for the 3-day event, it turned out to be a lovely fall weekend. Friday and

Saturday boasted bright blue skies and comfortable temps. Thankfully, the heavy rain and thunderstorms predicted for Sunday turned out to be nothing more than a few minutes of light drizzle in the morning. Whee – we definitely dodged a bullet there!



Approximately 160 cowpokes participated in the numerous side matches and wandered along sutlers' row on Friday. The side events this year included the usual speed shotgun/rifle/pistol/derringer/pocket pistol events, an increase to THREE mini-stages (shot with either CAS or Rough Rider firearms), the long range event, and multiple .22 caliber events. The 11 vendors on site made it all too easy for cowpokes to part with their hard-earned cash. Our three main match sponsors, Klassic Laser Works, Cowboy Gunworks, and Sturm, Ruger & Co., were with us throughout the weekend. Other vendors included a leather maker, a

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target maker, photographers, bullet makers/distributors and vendors selling cowboy clothing and other accessories. A special thanks to Tazz and Rose of Klassic Laser Works for the great CKR / HR 2016 customized towels they donated for every shooter and vendor this year - nice mementos and useful as well!

Rowdy Bill did a great job as usual with the main match stages – LOTS of movement, lots of “shooter’s choices”, and lots of leadslinging fun. You can never accuse him of writing boring, stand-and-deliver stages for sure. There were various movers, pistol knock-downs, rifle knock-ups, the beloved kick-down door, and targets of every size and shape. Target acquisitions were varied and, at times, challenging, keeping the shooters’ minds, as well as their body parts, working.



The props were fantastic once again, thanks to the talented CKR building and decorating crews. The new building fronts added to the Town Stage - Professor P.T. Litewell's photo shop and the Gem Saloon - both looked super. (See pics above.) Stage 6 looked great with its trees, teepees, raft, and "river". A big thanks to Gator Dunn for his special additions to the props on that stage (see pic below). The mission / Boot Hill stage and the cattle corral / wagons stage looked like real scenes from the Old West. There's nothing like having a Western movie set right on KF&G property! Yeehaa!



A total of 246 shooters from 18 different states and Canada completed the match this year. There were competitors in 33 different categories, including 5 Gran Patrons (age 80+) and 1 Gran Patroness! Wow! In the end, we were pleased to "crown" El Muerto Negro and CKR's own Renegade Roper as the Overall Top Male and Female AND the 2016 New York State Men's and Ladies' Champions. Awesome shooting, you two!

Thanks to all those who donated items for this year's special raffle and to all those who purchased tickets. With the proceeds from the ticket sales

and some generous personal contributions, we were able to make sizeable donations not only to the local EMTs who were on-site all weekend, but to the SASS Scholarship Fund and to a scholarship fund for our own young shooter, Spaghetti Gunslinger, as well.



Again, thank you to all the Circle K members who worked so hard all year and throughout this shoot to make it another great one. And an especially big "thanks" to all of the shooters from outside our club who volunteered to help us out with ROing duties, both on side event day and in the main match. We couldn't have done it without you! Thanks, too, to the Boy Scouts who picked brass all weekend and to the kitchen crew who provided the hungry cowpokes with 3-squares a day (including a shish-kebob buffet Fri. night and a BBQ chicken and ribs buffet Sat. night). Special thanks to Kimmy Hudson and Mark Munzert for providing us with entertainment Sat. evening. Thanks as well to 'Mo' Lasses (our Match Director and SASS liaison), Kay T. Ryder (in

charge of data entry), Cook County Kate (in charge of the Info Desk), Tequila Rob and Running Nanna (our scoresheet runners), L.T. Cool One (our "go-to" guy), the Costume Contest judges, and all the others who pitched in to help out with the multitude of jobs which an event of this size requires. Also, thanks to all the vendors whose presence adds so much to the event. To all who came to Rukus 2016, thanks for coming, and we look forward to having you all with us again in 2017.

Keep an eye out for my article on Heluva Rukus in an upcoming issue of *The Cowboy Chronicle*. Meanwhile, I apologize for not currently having any photos of the new champs. I'm awaiting a CD from the official photographer and will get those pics and many others from the shoot put up on the website ASAP.

Annabelle Bransford

### **HELUVA RUKUS '16 WINNERS**

Congratulations to all the following cowpokes:

**NYS Men's Champion – El Muerto Negro**

**NYS Ladies' Champion – Renegade Roper**

**Overall Top Gun Male – El Muerto Negro**

**Overall Top Gun Female – Renegade Roper**

## TOP TEN OVERALL:

1. El Muerto Negro
2. James Samuel Pike
3. Yukon Mike
4. Quaker Hill Bill
5. Illustrated Man
6. Cartwheel
7. Renegade Roper
8. Spinning Sally
9. Rowdy Bill
10. Dusty Drifter

## FIRST PLACE CATEGORY

### WINNERS / NY STATE

### RESIDENT CATEGORY

### CHAMPIONS:

B-Western: Spirit Warrior /  
Lone Star Jake

Classic Cowboy: Travis  
Spencer / Travis Spencer

Duelist: El Muerto Negro / El  
Muerto Negro

Frontiersman: Patchogue Mike /  
Patchogue Mike

Frontier Cartridge: Splinter Bill  
/ Wheat Lightnin'

FC Duelist: Hawkeye Kid /  
Deputy Short Stack

FC Gunfighter: Dead Head /  
Whiskey Brooks

Gunfighter: Hawkeye Harry /  
Hawkeye Harry

Young Gun: Tommy Two Spurs  
/ -

Cowboy: Cartwheel / Cartwheel

Wrangler: James Samuel Pike /  
Illustrated Man

49er: Yukon Mike / Yukon  
Mike

Senior: Dusty Drifter / Dusty  
Drifter

Senior Duelist: Pecos Pav /  
Peddler Jack

Senior Gunfighter: Grazer /  
Dutch Cassidy

Silver Senior: Kerry Blue Kid /  
Kerry Blue Kid

Elder Statesman: Rowdy Bill /  
Rowdy Bill

Cattle Baron: D. H. Hauler /  
Frenchy Wolf

Gran Patron: Beaver Trapper /  
R. L. Trooper

Ladies B-Western: Birdie Cage  
/ Jewels Cartwright

Ladies Duelist: Nanny Oakley /  
Bootsie Hill

Ladies Frontier Cartridge:  
Boston Lady / -

Ladies Gunfighter: Hawley  
McCoy / -

Ladies Young Gun: Luna Tick /  
Luna Tick

Cowgirl: Penny Candy / Kate  
Cartwright

Ladies Wrangler: Renegade  
Roper / Renegade Roper

Ladies 49er: Spinning Sally /  
Spinning Sally

Ladies Senior: Annabelle  
Bransford / Annabelle  
Bransford

Ladies Senior Duelist:  
Nantucket Dawn / -

Ladies Senior Gunfighter:  
Emma Goodcook / -

Ladies Silver Senior: Shirttail  
Bess / -

Grande Dame: Yukon Deb / -

Cattle Baroness: Miss Tate / -

Gran Patroness: Bonnie Dee / -

## STAGE WINNERS:

- Stages 2, 3, 5, 6, 8, 9: James Samuel Pike
- Stages 1, 4, 7: Cartwheel
- Stage 10: Mista Spike

## CLEAN SHOOTERS (27):

Black Jack Daniels, Boston Lady, Deathwish Kid, Doc Savage, El Muerto Negro, Four Feathers, Iron Horse Gebby, Joe Boot, John Barleycorn, Lone Star Jake, Lupare Chenz, Mayor of Dubois, Monte, Nantucket Dawn, Pecos Pav, Peddler Jack, R. D. Buck, Ranger Bob, Rev. Dave Clayton, Rico Creekview, Sgt. John Campbell, Shirttail Bess, Shotgun Ron, Skipper, Spirit Warrior, The M&M Kid, Wheels Cartwright

## SIDE EVENT WINNERS

### (Men's / Ladies):

Long Range Rifle (Single Shot)  
– Dutch Cassidy / Scarlet  
Darlin'

Long Range Rifle (Single Shot -  
Open) – Montague Kid / -

Long Range Rifle (Lever Action, Rifle Caliber) – Cholula Mike / Scout Wrangler

.22 Caliber Rifle (Gallery Shoot) – Spirit Warrior / Crackshot Bev

.22 Caliber Rifle (Long Range) – Montague Kid / Crackshot Bev

.22 Caliber Pistol - Montague Kid / Kate Cartwright

Speed Pocket Pistol - Evil Jack Spade / Shirrtail Bess

Speed Derringer - Jesamy Kid / Dancin' Angel

Speed Rifle – Cartwheel / Crystal Creek Chris

Speed Shotgun (2 barrels) – Mista Spike / Annabelle Bransford

Speed Shotgun (1 barrel) – Cartwheel / Crystal Creek Chris

Speed Pistol - 1 Handed - Grazer / Hawley McCoy

Speed Pistol - 2 Handed – Cartwheel / Crystal Creek Chris

Speed Pistol - Gunfighter - Spades Hanlin / Hawley McCoy

Speed Rough Rider Pistol - Rev. Dave Clayton / Spinning Sally

Mini-Stage #1 (CAS Guns - 1 Handed) - El Muerto Negro / Nanny Oakley

Mini-Stage #1 (CAS Guns - 2 Handed) - James Samuel Pike / Renegade Roper

Mini-Stage #1 (CAS Guns - Gunfighter) - Hawkeye Harry / -

Mini-Stage #1 (Rough Rider Guns) – Yukon Mike / Shirrtail Bess

Mini-Stage #2 (CAS Guns - 1 Handed) – Sixgun Schwaby / Nanny Oakley

Mini-Stage #2 (CAS Guns - 2 Handed) - James Samuel Pike / Renegade Roper

Mini-Stage #2 (CAS Guns - Gunfighter) – Hawkeye Harry / Hawley McCoy

Mini-Stage #2 (Rough Rider Guns) - Rowdy Bill / Annabelle Bransford

Mini-Stage #3 (CAS Guns - 1 Handed) - Sixgun Schwaby / Nantucket Dawn

Mini-Stage #3 (CAS Guns - 2 Handed) - James Samuel Pike / Renegade Roper

Mini-Stage #3 (CAS Guns - Gunfighter) - Hawkeye Harry / Emma Goodcook

Mini-Stage #3 (Rough Rider Guns) - Rowdy Bill / Annabelle Bransford

### **COSTUME CONTEST WINNERS:**

Best Young'un – TStar Kid

Best Working Cowgirl - Big Sky Di

Best Working Cowboy – Nickel City Dude

Best Townie Male - Skipper

Best Townie Female – Crackshot Bev

Best Couple – Jewels Cartwright / Rhsty Heatmore

### **Gunpowder Creek Trading Post's Middle of the Pack Awards (\$100 in merchandise each):**

Male – Callous Clyde

Female – Nanny Oakley

### **SPECIAL RAFFLE WINNERS:**

Ruger Vaquero, .357 Mag (donated by Sturm, Ruger & Co.) – Patchogue Mike

Ruger Redhawk, .45 ACP/.45 LC Revolver (donated by Sturm, Ruger & Co.) – Doc Kemm

EMF 1851 Navy Brass Blackpowder Pistol – Suggs Jr.

Full Race Revolver Action Jobs (3 – donated by Cowboy Gunworks) – Joe Boot (2!) & Hawkeye Kid

Custom Knife & 2 Sheaths (donated by Lupare Chenz) – Deputy Short Stack

Handmade Quilt (by Calico Sue) – Deuces

DeSantis Leather 2-Gun Rig – Feany Valentine

Free Entry to 2017 NJ State CAS Championship (2) - Unexpected Bill & Big Sky Di

Free Entry to 2017 MA/CT/RI State CAS Championship – Cold Brook Kid

Free Entry to 2017 VT State CAS Championship – Beaver Trapper

Free Entry to 2017 NY Wild Bunch State Championship & 500 .45 ACP Bullets – Gator Dunn

.22 Steel Target (donated by Reaction Targets) – John S. Books

### 5-YEAR SPONSOR PLAQUES:

- Sturm, Ruger & Co., Inc.
- Calico Sue
- TStar Leather
- Maurice ‘Mo’ Lassus

### SPECIAL APPRECIATION AWARDS:

- R. L. Trooper, SASS #71, for his long term commitment to SASS and the sport of Cowboy Action Shooting
- Kay T. Ryder, for her dedication and commitment as scorekeeper at the Muster at Ft Misery (SASS NYS Wild Bunch Championship) and Heluva Rukus (SASS NYS CAS Championship)

### CONTRIBUTIONS:

- \$1500 - Milton Eagles Fire Dept. (EMTs on site during the match)
- \$1500 – SASS Scholarship Fund

- \$600 - Scholarship fund for CKR member, Spaghetti Gunslinger

### HR COMMENTS NEEDED

If you have not already done so, you are encouraged to comment on Heluva Rukus by calling or emailing Annabelle Bransford ([annabelle69@juno.com](mailto:annabelle69@juno.com) or 518-877-7834). Don't be shy – feel free to include both good points and bad. Include comments on registration, the AM/PM flight system, the stages, props, door prizes, raffles, vendors, food, overall facilities, side events, ROs, awards, parking, camping, etc. We'll be discussing any comments or suggestions received at our upcoming club meetings. Our goal is to make Heluva Rukus the best shoot we possibly can, a shoot that will send everyone home with a smile on their face and looking forward to coming back next year.

### CKR WINNERS AT OTHER MAJOR SHOOTS

The Tioga County Cowboys held their 7th annual multi-day match, **The Showdown**, in Owego, NY, on Aug. 26-28. There were 113 shooters, including several CKR members, in attendance. The weather was great, and the leadslinging opportunities abounded. There were several side events and 3 mini-stages to keep folks occupied on Fri., followed by 12 main match stages Sat. and Sun. The stages were fun, and the props were

nice as usual. They even had a couple of vendors. A pig roast and a silent auction rounded out the weekend.

Congrats to CKRers:

**Sixgun Schwaby** – 1<sup>st</sup> Duelist (& 7<sup>th</sup> overall)

**Renegade Roper** – 1<sup>st</sup> Ladies Wrangler (& 9<sup>th</sup> overall)

**Rowdy Bill** – 1<sup>st</sup> Elder Statesman & clean (& 10<sup>th</sup> overall)

**Annabelle Bransford** – 1<sup>st</sup> Ladies Senior

**Peddler Jack** – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sr Duelist

**Big Sky Di** – 2<sup>nd</sup> Ladies 49r

Congrats as well to overall winners, James Samuel Pike and Spinning Sally.

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The Thurmont Rangers hosted the **Mason-Dixon Stampede, the 2<sup>nd</sup> SASS Eastern Divisional Championship**, in Thurmont, MD on Sept. 29-Oct. 2. The theme this year was “The Reel West”, highlighting Western films, both old and new. Unfortunately, attendance was down, with only 148 shooters participating in the event, including 2 CKR members. The weather was generally wet and yukky, but could have been a lot worse if the weathermen had been anywhere close to accurate. There were several speed side events, 3 CAS warmup stages and a Wild Bunch mini-match on Thurs., followed by 10 main match stages Fri. and Sat. The stages were straight forward with minimal movement. There were a handful of vendors on site, who unfortunately got very little foot traffic due to the weather. A banquet was held

in the big tent, followed by games of chance in the clubhouse, on Sat. night. Sun. activities included team and man-on-man events, the awards ceremony, and the Top 16 / Sweet 16 Shootoff.

Congrats to CKRers:

**Rowdy Bill** – 1<sup>st</sup> Elder  
Statesman (& clean)

**Annabelle Bransford** – 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Ladies Senior (& one of the  
Sweet 16 Ladies)

A great big congrats to the 2016 Eastern Divisional Champions, James Samuel Pike and Spinning Sally, and to male and female Overall Top Guns, James Samuel Pike and Kathouse Kelli.

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During the same time frame as the Mason-Dixon Stampede, the Badlands Bar 3 range (and the infamous Dooley Gang) hosted the annual **Back At Cha** match in English, Texas. There were a whopping 280 shooters in attendance, including 2 CKR members. It was an action-packed event, but if you want more info on the shoot, you'll have to talk to one of the cowpokes listed below.

Congrats to CKRers:

**Renegade Roper** – 1<sup>st</sup> Ladies  
Wrangler

**Sixgun Schwaby** – 4<sup>th</sup> Duelist

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## FOR SALE

**1873 Ubertti 44-40 Rifle.** Like new. Less than 100 rounds shot. Action job by Deathwish Kid (Jim Maynard.) Short stroke lever

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