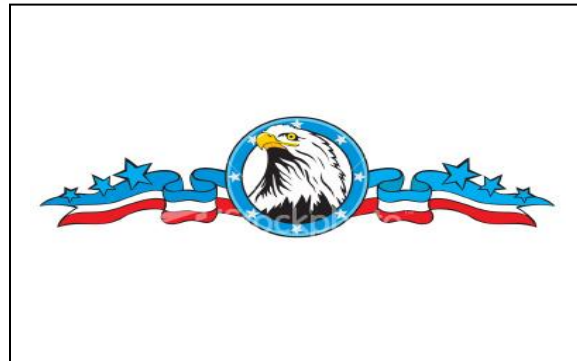




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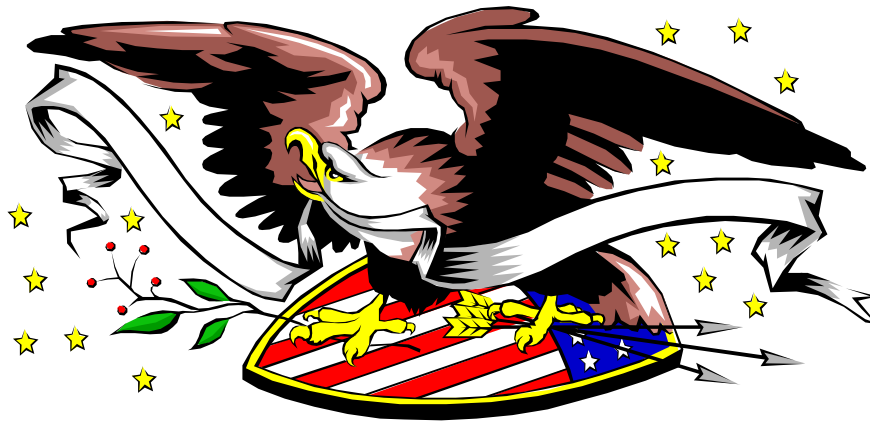
Presidential Ponderings

Howdy Pard,

Is it just me or is it July already? We got lots of info coming your way bout' the big shoots and all. Durango and Mattie will be fillin' ya in on all the doin's. Tombstone Timi is gettin' things in shape at the range. Thanks to all that were able to come for the work day, much accomplished. Remember the BBQ is Saturday evening of the Ambush not Friday as in the past. Social hour starts at 4:30, meal at 5:30. Come hungry!

Ponder this: The recent Supreme Court decision on gun bans came down to one judge. That makes this year's elections even more important to those of us that enjoy gun sports and believe in the 2nd Amendment. Choose wisely!

CW



News from Tombstone

Community Days:

Don't forget, the last Saturday in July is Community day and we need volunteers to help with the visitors. We worked with over 70 children last year. We will need rifles and pistols that shoot 38's and 22's. Anyone who would like to donate a brick of 22 shells we went thru 2 bricks of 22s last year. I have 38 rounds. Please let me know if you can volunteer. I would like to have enough people that we can switch people out and get a break every hour. Please let me know if you can help.

A special thanks to all who came on Saturday to help get the range ready for the Ambush. I thought nature was going to be against us, but we won out and got a lot accomplished and had a nice picnic. Thank you.

Timi



June Clean Shooters

Bigg Lead Foote

Gatekeep

Ten Mile Sally

Ten Mile Smith

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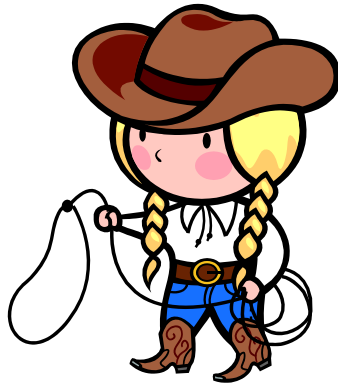


Words from Whip

I just want to add a reminder for everyone to get their
money in for the Ambush and Smoke and Fire.

WHIP





Mattie's Musings

Howdy all. Can you believe that Smoke N Fire and Ambush are this month? I can't believe how fast this year is flying. Things are moving along for both of these fine shoots. If you are coming please contact me at csipe@lhtot.com or 724-593-6602 or Durango Dave at durangodave44@comcast.net or 724-228-8999 so we can get you registered for either or both events.

Last Saturday we had a work party at RJSS. A lot of mowing, prop placement, target tweaking, barrier fence building and painting went on. We may have had a small work detail but a lot got done. Special thanks to the new folks on the block, Jack Russell Terrier and Dutch Henry Brown for coming out and helping.

We may need to have another work party prior to the shoots. Watch the web page for the announcement. The weather hampered getting everything done that we wanted.

In response to last month's Blazing Saddle Trivia question as to who the leading lady was and what the name of the character she played was. The answers are Madeline Kahn and the character she played was Lili Von Shtupp. The winner was Queen of Hearts. I wish this wasn't such a low paying organization that I could give a lovely trip to Las Vegas for the winner. Oh, well.

For this month's last and final question, "How many flavors of ice-cream are featured in the Howard Johnson's restaurant of Rock Ridge?"

On a Secretarial note, we currently have 94 members. The newest ones are One-eye Jack and Mad Max. Please extend a cowboy welcome to them. I've been asked if there are any RJSS badges for sale. Currently we don't have any in stock, however they can be ordered directly from Star Packer Badges. Their address is Star Packer P.O. Box 3422 Nashua, NH 03061-4714. Their phone number is 603-888-4714. Web address is www.starpacker.com

Take care,
Mattie



The Colonel's Column

On Friday July 4, 2008 Americans celebrate the 232nd anniversary of the birth of the Republic known as the United States of America.

We as gun owners have something more to celebrate this year. During the last week of June, for the first time in our history, the United States Supreme Court addressed the interpretation of the second amendment and found that the right to own a working firearm is an individual right of every American.

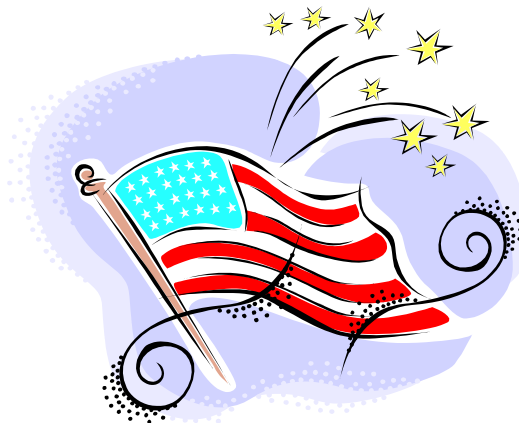
I joined the NRA way back in 1971, just three years after the passing of the Gun control Act of 1968. That act was passed in response to the Kennedy and King assassinations of the 1960's. It has been an uphill battle against the anti gunners ever since. Personally, I never thought we would see the U.S. Supreme Court address this issue as they seemingly sidestepped addressing it directly for 232 years. Only due to a political miscue by overzealous politicians in Washington D.C. did this occur.

With this ruling it allows the NRA and all pro gun groups, for the first time ever, to go on the offensive to have antigun laws overturned. This will not happen overnight or without significant spending in litigation. To that end every gun owner should be an NRA member. A Liberty membership costs \$10.00 per year and Mattie can sign you up. RJSS gets \$2.00 from the NRA for your membership.

Another thing you can do is register to vote. The presidential election is vitally important to gun owners this year. I have long since given up trying to evaluate the candidates on all the issues. There are too many issues and I know little or nothing about most of them. So, I evaluate all candidates on only one issue, that is, their position on guns. From my township supervisor to judges to the President of the United States, I disregard their party affiliation, race, sex, national origin, and their position on foreign policy, abortion, oil or any other item and zero in on their feeling on citizens owning guns. You have to be careful here for there are "Wolves in Sheep's Clothing" who say they are sportsmen only to gain your vote. Check out their past voting records on gun issues if they have been in politics awhile. Does what they say now, conflict with their views 5 years ago? Yes, you may end up voting for the person that is "not the brightest star in the heavens" but at worst they will not tamper with your gun rights.

On a more SASS oriented subject, the Banana River Outfitters 1887 shotgun load two system where a cap screw is added on the carrier has been declared illegal within current SASS rules by the RO Committee as of 5/28/08.

Good Shooting,
The Colonel



Ambush “July” Update

By
Durango Dave

Well, as we roll into July the “Ambush at Indian Creek” is less than three weekends away. The stages look to be in pretty good shape, and we have a nice variety of prizes for all. We’ll be starting to form up Ambush posse lists over the next two weeks which means I’ll be contacting some of you to be leaders and assistants. So far, the early responses have been very positive.

While we’re winding down to Ambush starting time, I have a few items to review for everyone. First, check the web site for the times of the Ambush activities, such as check in time, and attending the Saturday Night BBQ which is free to registered shooters. Also, don’t forget the Costume Contests because there are plenty of categories to dress for and win. Plus bone-up on your Lone Ranger trivia because there will be some questions asked from time to time during the weekend.

One last reminder deals with the Four Stage Warm-up Match & the Long Range Rifle shooting on Friday after the awards for the Smoke N Fire Black Powder Match. After we get things ready for the next day’s Ambush, Dip will start the four stage warm-up match and Tequila Sam will run the long range shooting at the gong. All the SASS rifle categories will be offered, so if some of you Cowpokes want to bring along your rifles, we’ll let ya get in a little shootin’ fun to start off your weekend.

If you have any Ambush questions or some helpful ideas, please feel free to contact me by phone (724-228-8999) or e-mail, (see my address below).

Now it’s time for more Lone Ranger trivia. In June we asked this question.

During the Lone Ranger TV series, who was the first “outlaw” the Lone Ranger pursued?

- a) Knife Norton b) Butch Cavendish c) Dirk Nelson

The answer was b) the evil Butch Cavendish.

The fastest e-mail trigger finger winners for June were: 1. Frankfort Kid, (Even shooting Senior he’s still fast on the draw.) 2. Allegheny Trailblazer, who gets honorable mention. He was fast enough, but his aim was a little to the right. (He picked Dirk Nelson.)

Here’s our July and final Lone Ranger trivia question that’s easy.

Clayton Moore played in all of the TV episodes of the Lone Ranger. True or False

You can email me your choice again at: durangodave44@comcast.net. We’ll tell the answer at the Ambush & in next month’s Epitaph. Until then, “Hi-Yo Silver, Away”.





Words from Dip

Howdy folks, I can't wait to see you all at SNF and Ambush. I would like to thank all of you out there who have helped this year at RJSS. I recently had the opportunity to check out a Fire Engine that had a 90 foot ladder bucket. What I would like to read to you is what was written on the operating instruction placard.

“ SAFETY FIRST

THERE IS NO HARD AND FAST RULE TO COVER FULLY THE USE OF THIS TOWER.THE COMMON SENSE, JUDGEMENT AND EXPERIENCE OF THE OPERATOR MUST BE DEPENDED UPON.”

The placard does go on to give some more instructions but I think, Man, doesn't that say it all.

See you all soon, God Bless

Dip

What's My Line?

Here's this month's question which can be answered by perusing the RJSS Membership Scrapbook on the web site. Submitting complete and correct answers (by email or pony express) by the deadline will enter you in a drawing for \$5 off your next RJSS shoot fee.

If you haven't yet sent me your scrapbook information, send it along. I'll get it posted and perhaps YOU will be spotlighted in a future Scrapbook question.

This month's questions:

1. Some RJSS members list antiques among their hobbies. Name one.
2. Remember Twin Pop popsicles and how you could break them in half lengthwise, each with its own stick. If Slopoke Sara and Moonlight Rose decided to give each of their grandchildren one Popsicle half, how many Twin Pops should they purchase? (OK, OK. Yes, it is a math question as well as a scrapbook question.)

Deadline is July14. Send your answers along with your alias to:

rjss@nauticom.net

or

T. Zigo 2507 W. Hardies Rd. Gibsonia PA 15044

You can also win \$5 off your next RJSS shoot fee by winning the caption contest currently posted with the June 21 results.

Thanks for visiting the RJSS web site,
Surly Sally

REGISTRATION NOTES

Are you ready? It's a comin'. Saddles are blazing and the Lone Ranger is ready to ride! Smoke 'N Fire and Ambush X begin in a matter of days!

Have you registered yet? For all you procrastinating cowpokes, times a wastin'! We are still accepting shooters for match. There's three days of fun in store for all, includin' the all important costume contest, (a personal favorite of Miss Lacey's), Warm-up match, Long Range Rifle and a BBQ set for Saturday night (after a hard day on the range) that's gonna knock your boots off! You won't want to miss it!

The Match Directors, Mattie Hays (Smoke 'N Fire) and Durango Dave (Ambush X) have been working real hard to make sure we all have a great 3 days of cowboy shootin' fun!

RJSS is sprucin' up for the special event and a BIG thanks to all who came to the work day & especially Dip who supplied the food & also to all that brought the extra goodies. Much appreciated. Thanks to Dutch Henry Brown & J.R.Terrier for all the hard work, also. I would like to give Mattie a personal thank you for being there with her medical treatment for Dip, without your help, we would have gone to the ER.

Hope to see you all at the match, until then remember: Only out on the range can you find yourself!

SloPoke Sara & Miss Lacey Remington

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RJSS MONTHLY MATCHES 2008

April 19 - Calvary Days

May 17 - Rifleman

June 21 - Have Gun Will Travel (Paladin)

August 16 - Josey Wales

September 20 - Bonanza

October 18, 19 - Groundhog Day

Registration 8:00 AM to 9:25 AM --- Shooters' Meeting at 9:30AM

Extras

April 26 - True Grit

July 27 - Wild Bunch (Sunday Shoot)

September 27 - True Grit

RJSS Membership Meeting Dates - Jan. 12, Oct. 25, - Brady's Restaurant - 10:00 AM

SASS PA STATE BLACK POWDER SHOOTOUT - July 18

AMBUSH AT INDIAN CREEK 10 - July 19-20

COMMUNITY DAY WITH ICVSA - July 26

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