

Presidential Ponderings

Can't wait for the shoot Saturday and the Spaghetti dinner afterwards. It's my first shoot of the year and boy am I ready. Please note shoot date changes in Deputy Keck's article and read about the dinner in Slo-Poke's. Please keep Colorado Coffinmaker in your prayers. He's having some problems after a major surgery. We all wish him well and a speedy recovery. See you at RJSS!

From the Deputy

BAD MONTH IN MAY

Things just didn't happen right for RJSS in May, First off both the riding mower and the push mower broke, had to wait till Capt. Huston got them fixed for me. Had to change the oil and filter in the generator and Capt. Huston changed the sparkplugs. It's running fine now. Made the changes to the range that needed done to it, Thanks to Gatekeep, got that done.. Thanks to New Boots got bay six building stained on the outside so the rain won't hurt it, while Gatekeep and I worked on getting range improvements done. The rain limited us to have to pick days to get things done, but in was a good time to get things done at home. The match on the 22nd was a rainy one and only 4 people showed up to shoot it. We shot three stages, they were the stages that we had improved, and we saw how they helped make things go better. Got a stone pile built around the flag pole and a solar spotlight put in, so the flag can stay up all the time because the light comes on at dark and shines on it. But a board up on the Admin building with jobs that need done before and after a match, and a space for your name if you choose to do one. The match on the 29th was a Josey Wales / Wild Bunch one, it was a great day for a match, warm and no rain. This match helped out in seeing ways to speed up shooting on bay # 6. The people that were there gave me a few ideas to help it move faster.

AMBUSH AND SMOKE AND FIRE

We got only around 10 people signed up for the Ambush this year so far that's not many, I've been working hard to get it ready, stages written, stage props made, sponsors gotten for Ambush booklets to keep down the price of the booklet, I. V. S. A. will be a co – sponsor this year, along with the Italian Oven, stage sponsors so far are Whip Wagner, Starline Brass, and Enck's. As you know this will be the club's last year for holding the State Black Powder Match as it will be moving to a club out in eastern Pa. The other reason is I was getting tired of being the Match Director and running out of ideas for a match plus no help, I know what you're saying but we'd help, well if is it one thing I found out it's, talk's cheap. It's people that show up to help that really count to get things done. I'm glad I have a few people that I can count on to help me get things done. If not this club would be it bad shape. This is my last year for being the Match Director for the Ambush also, for some of these same ideas. It's time to turn it over to somebody else, who can do a better job, and improve the way it's run. If nobody takes the job then I guess it just goes away and we hold a regular monthly match instead. This year bay # 1 will be used as the side match bay. We will shoot speed handgun, rifle, shotgun, and hold a Wild Bunch Match at it. It starts at noon on Friday and runs through Sunday. The Best part of this is it's free to people shooting either the Ambush or S & F. Long range rifle will be held on Friday after S&F is over it is also free to Ambush and S&F shooters. Both side matches will be shot till dark.

COMMUNITY DAYS

Will be held on July 10^{th} went the main club has their Youth Day, This year we will hold only 22 gal. Shoots for the kids in Bay # 1 and the main club wants to use bay # 6 to hold their Black powder match. Anyone that wants to help, contact Deputy Keck. The only way to get new blood in this club, is by getting young people to start shooting.

SPECIAL AMBUSH RULES

There are some special Ambush rules for use on certain bays this year. They are that, on BAY # 6 SPURS NOT ARE ALLOWED TO BE WORN ON THE STAIRS. ON BAYS # 5 AND 7 YOU MOST NOTIFY THE POSSE SHOOTING FROM UPSTAIRS IF YOU HAVE TO GO DOWN RANGE TO MAKE A REPAIR. ON BAY # 6 IF BRASS IS LOST OUT THE WINDOWS ON BOTH UPSTAIRS AND DOWNSTAIRS IT IS LOST, NO PICKING IT UP. This will slow down the stage and we have to keep this stage moving. When the timer yells "CLEAR THE RANGE", everyone will get behind the firing line for the next shooter is coming up to shoot.

GUN TICKET MONEY

Please, bring your ticket money and any tickets you have left to the June match and give them to Vegas, because I have to be at a wedding that day and won't be there. If you don't sell all your tickets or turn them in before the first of July you will be charged for them. I don't want someone walking up to me at the Ambush and saying here 20 tickets that I couldn't sell.

REGISTRATION NOTES

Howdy All,

We had really nice weather for the May shoot. We are hoping for the same for this month's shoot. June is "Spaghetti Western" month at RJSS. We have great stages written by our club members and after the shoot everyone's invited for a "spaghetti" dinner. The menu consists of spaghetti, salad, bread, drinks and great desserts! Cost per person is \$5 & for those young cowpokes under 12, only \$2! So bring your family with you and plan to stay for dinner. All proceeds benefit the RJSS Building & Improvements fund. We would like to have an idea how many will be attending, so please email me at <u>expresshot@webtv.net</u> with your reservation. You may pay at the shoot for dinner when you check in at registration.

Time is just flying by, Smoke 'N Fire and the Ambush XII are almost here! Please send in your registrations as soon as possible. A lot of things are dependent on the amount of people who are registered. Smoke 'N Fire will be held on Friday, July 16 and Ambush at Indian Creek XII will be July 17 & 18. So, keep those registrations coming in partners!

Hope to see you all there!

SloPoke Sara

Prize sponsors for May shoot: Chalkdust & Surly Sally & Slick Mick

Clean Match: Dirty Dale, Powderburn and Hooter Hunter

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RJSS MONTHLY MATCHES 2010 April 17 – April's Fool's May 15 - Upstairs & Downstairs June 19 - Happy Posse Match August 21 - Sadie Hawkins Day September 18 -19 – Ground Hog Day October 16 – Two Mules For Sister Sara Registration 8:00 AM to 9:25 AM --- Shooters' Meeting at 9:30AM **Extras** April 24 – True Grit May 22 - Wild Bunch May 29 – Josey Wales June 26 – True Grit August 28 – Fuzzy's Wild Bunch **Rendezvous Dates** March 14 & Oct. 31

RJSS Membership Meeting Dates - Jan. 23, Oct. 23, - Brady's Restaurant - 10:00 AM

SASS PA STATE BLACK POWDER SHOOTOUT – July 16 AMBUSH AT INDIAN CREEK 12 - July 17-18 COMMUNITY DAY WITH ICVSA – July 10

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