



# River Junction Epitaph



## Presidential Ponderings

Sure is nice to see the sun again! No one has been able to get close enough to the range to see if we have any snow damage, but if the sun stays out a few more days we might be able to walk down in.

Thirty cowpokes showed up for the Winter Gathering, sure was fun to see everyone again. Thanks to those that donated prizes that we used for a Chinese auction. It raised \$310.00.

I know time slips by quickly and we're running fast toward the deadline for membership renewals that would allow your name to be placed in the membership directory. If you haven't renewed please do so as soon as possible. If you need an application go to, [www.riverjunctionshootistsociety.com/memapp.htm](http://www.riverjunctionshootistsociety.com/memapp.htm)

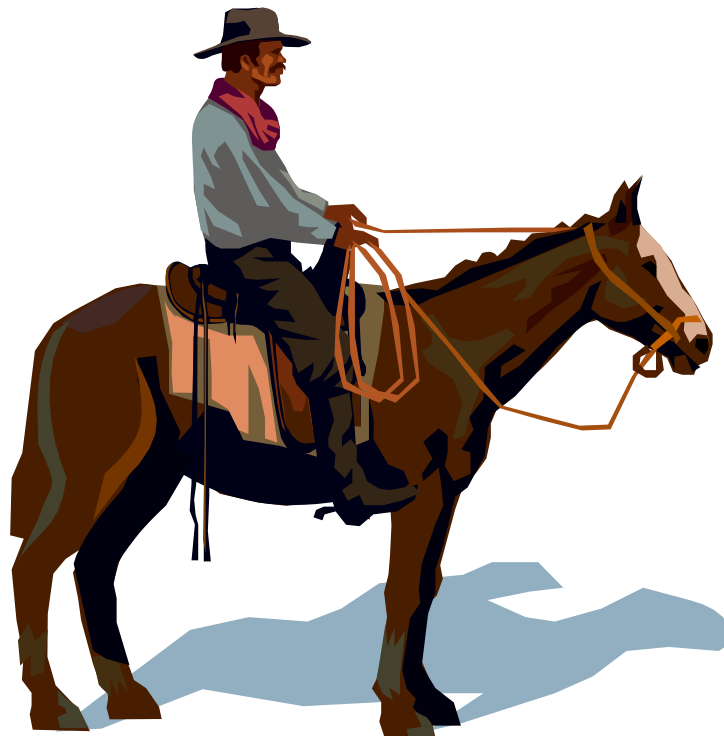
I also want to thank Slo-Poke Sara for the heart-felt words she wrote in the article for the Cowboy Chronicle about Miss Dorothy. Read it here, [www.flip24.com/issues/rm/thecowboychronicle/6/flash.html#/82/](http://www.flip24.com/issues/rm/thecowboychronicle/6/flash.html#/82/)



# From the Deputy

I want to say sorry for the way I acted at the Jan. meeting in Jan. because on the 19<sup>th</sup> of Jan., Tues. evening started to have double vision, I thought it go away. But it was still there by morning, later that morning I called my wife at work and told her after I went to the dentist that morning I wanted to stop at the eye doctors to have my eyes checked. After the dentists, I stopped at the eye doctors and told him what was wrong. He checked me out and said get to my family doctor as soon as possible. So the next day, I saw my doctor, after he checked me out, he wanted me to take some tests to get a better idea of what was going on because he thought I had another stroke. He told me no driving; I had my MRI that after noon and had to take the other test Mon morning. I got up Sat morning drove up to Brady's by keeping one eye closed so I wouldn't have double vision. After the meeting I drove back home, and sat around and listen to my wife and daughter yell at me for driving to the meeting. When I got up Sunday morning, I didn't have any double vision anymore. Went Mon. and had a scan called Doppler on my neck and a blood test done. I went back to the doctor on the 29<sup>th</sup>, my blood pressure was a little high, but had gone down but I had lost ten pounds, my blood tests were good. He was amazed that I wasn't seeing double anymore and told me I was the luckiest guy he knew having another stroke, and able to do everything I can do. He said that double vision usually last 6 months or longer. Now to get, back to Cowboy shooting, I hope when the weather breaks, we can work on getting the prop barn's new roof on, I already found out about the shingles for on it and we'll get them on as soon as I can get to the range, if this snow ever melts.. Maybe we can get started on building the covered loading and unloading tables asap. We need to finish the stair railing and a few other things and we're done on bay #6 Got the shotgun targets repaired, hinges needed replaced and we're getting one new target this year for on the range. So all you sweet taters out there listen for the phone to ring. Thanks, to all that came to the Winter Gathering.

P.S. When the snow melts, I'll let Sam know so he can send everyone a e-mail.



# REGISTRATION NOTES

Howdy All,

Thanks goes to Chuckwagon Sam for the good time we had at the Winter Gathering. Everyone had a good time, food was good and it was great just getting together with all of our cowboy friends after this hard winter! Ranger Joe and Allegheny Trailblazer had some great stories to tell of their buffalo hunt out West.

We are going to need anyone who can lend a hand to help get things going for the first shoot. Whatever you can help with will be appreciated. This has been a tough winter on RJSS and the snow has been so high you just can't get into town. Hopefully things held up well, with any luck the snow will be gone by that time!

I want to remind everyone of the Spaghetti Dinner to be held directly after the June 19 match. The theme of the day is "Spaghetti Westerns" so mark your calendars. This will be a fundraiser for our club and money raised will go towards improvements. The menu will consist of spaghetti, salad, bread, drinks and dessert. The cost is \$5 per person.

Also, don't forget about our Sadie Hawkins Day in August. There will be a "Sorry Lookin' Sadie" contest for the cowboys, so guys be thinkin' about that special outfit! There will be something special for the ladies, too.

I hope March weather is better than February and see you all soon.

SloPoke Sara

## MATTIE'S COLUMN

Howdy all. It sure was great getting together at the Winter Gathering. Everybody was decked out in their cowboy/cowgirl duds. It makes me hopeful that Spring is around the corner and we can start shooting again. Now is the time to look at your wardrobe, guns, ammo; etc. so not to be surprised when that first match in April comes around.

What might have fit last year may not now. We still have time to drop a few pounds and inches so the clothes and the rigs fit. Just go at it easy when you start. Also, now is the time to get your reloading finished up and determine what category you might want to try your hand at this year. Let me know what you might be doing to get in shape. After watching some of the Winter Olympics, I've started to use the treadmill and the Nordic skier in the basement. Not too much dust was on them. It helps to be watching your favorite cowboy movie while doing it. It tends to help you go a little longer.

Well, see you all soon. Take care.

Mattie



# A word from Meaner

Howdy all.

The winter gathering was great. With all the snow I wasn't sure I would make it, but I am so glad I did. It was so good to see all my old shooting buddies again. It really made my trigger finger itch! Listening to all the gang talking it sounds like they have some new exciting things for us to do this year. The fast draw sounds awesome. Sign me up!!!!

We still have a few members that haven't sent in their renewal form. We need those asap so everyone can be included in the directory. Also this is a great time to sign up for the NRA. Without a magazine subscription it is only \$10. Your membership not only supports the rights protecting our firearms, but makes available to you at no additional charge up to \$1000 firearms insurance and up to \$5000 accident insurance if you are injured traveling to or from a shooting event. If anyone still needs to have a membership renewal form sent to them please let me know. Keep warm and well. Looking forward to shooting with you all soon.

Meaner N' Zinn

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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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