

Presidential Ponderings

Howdy All,

Well another shooting season at RJSS is in the books and by all accounts it was a good one. The weather this year was the best yet, and the shoots themselves where a real hoot. Smoke-N-Fire is growing and the Ambush did exceptionally well. We got quite a few new members and several waiting to join next year.

The results of our election were announced at the club meeting on October 25th. Pres. - Chuckwagon Sam

V. P. – Deputy Keck **Secretary – Bdoc Treasurer – Durango Dave** Safety Officer – Honeydipper **Registration – SloPoke Sara and Mattie Hays** T.G. – Vegas Kid 29 members showed for the meeting which had been posted since January. New members accepted, **Dusty lady Dirt Slider Knife Man RamBunctious Rex Dutch Henry Brown One Eye jack** Mad Max Long Shot Letta **Penns Woods Drifter Dirty Dale Gemstone Janet Princess Happy Talk The Thorn Hill Kid** Plans are in the works for the Winter Gathering. If you have any suggestions please email me at sgmiller@zoominternet.net Just a word about our Nation's Presidential election. If there was ever a time to be a member of the NRA, it's now. If you're not a member

If there was ever a time to be a member of the NRA, it's now. If you're not a member please join. I have no doubt that our sport and the 2nd amendment will be challenged by the new Administration and Congress. The NRA needs our support to help preserve our rights and freedoms.

CW.



News from Tombstone

Thank you to all who helped me during my time as Vice President I had a great time, but, it would not have been possible without the help of a lot of cowboys and cowgirls. I am afraid to list everyone whom helped me for fear of missing someone. I hope our next Vice President will get whatever help that is needed for RJSS to run smoothly, and if you are asked to help please do whatever you can to help.

Thank you Tombstone Timi

Colonel's Column

Territorial Governor's Report

The SASS Convention and Territorial Governors Summit will be held in Las Vegas, Nevada December 4-7, 2008. The agenda for the summit was received by the TG's on October 13. This does not allow much time for them to get the agenda items before their respective clubs to learn their wishes. I have hard copies of the eleven point agenda available for the asking. I made these available at our Groundhog Day shoot and the meeting of October 25 at Brady's. I also emailed a copy to each member for which I have an address. I am pleased at the good response. Some of the items are pretty self explanatory while others you need to read over a few times and realize where these came from. Probably the most controversial item is the first one. This item seeks to do away with the matter of fixed versus adjustable sights by eliminating the Traditional and Modern categories. These were two of the original SASS categories set up when fixed sight revolvers were not as available as today but Ruger Blackhawks were readily available. In their place would be two age based categories, 17-35 and 36 and up. This would put age as the determining factor all across the line as you would have Buckaroos, Young Guns, 17-35, 36-to I presume 48, 49er, Seniors, Silver Seniors, and Elder Statesman. Revolver sight type would not matter nor would shooting style.

Item #2 addresses adding Gunfighter to all the #1 categories.

Item #3 basically says manufacturer labels are ok but labels other than those of the manufacturers are prohibited. In other words your shirt could have a Wahmaker label but not an RJSS logo.

Item #4 just wants handguns lying flat and on the prop totally, not propped up or hanging over the edge for enhanced retrieval.

I have no idea what prompted Item #5 but its aim is to have clothing items worn as they were traditionally.

Item#6 is on the agenda again, the old "dropped round". Come to your own conclusion here, everyone has their own opinion, it is what it says.

Item#7 looks worse than it is. It is an attempt to make the current rule clearer. Basically, if you cock a firearm out of order you must fire it.

Item#8 is also once again on the agenda. The last sentence of this one says it all. Again, everyone has their own feelings about this one.

Item #9 is peculiar to those gunfighters who carry butt forward.

Item #10 is to allow a little bit more action for those using single shot shotguns. Sometimes these folks are new or junior shooters so think on this one a little. And lastly, is Item #11 which addresses aerial targets and their scoring for Buckaroos and Buckarettes. Basically it encourages them to shoot at the target while still in flight.

If you have further questions on these items please contact me. I will continue to tabulate your responses until November 22. I will than communicate these to the SASS office by December 1 along with our proxy vote to Deputy Keck who will be attending the convention.

Good Shooting, The Col





I would like to thank all involved for a wonderful

shooting season. It was a blessing that we had no safety issues. Hope to have a RO1 course over the winter, I will keep you posted as soon as it is finalized.

Wishing all a great Thanksgiving.

Hugs & Kisses

Dip

Registration Notes

Howdy Folks,

Well, another shooting season has been put to bed and we are looking forward to the next already.

I want to say "Thank You" to Miss Lacey Remington for being a part of registration the last 2 years. I know you are a busy lady, & a first time Grandma this year and things got a little hectic, but you helped to organize & get things together to make it easier on the shooters & the registration office, I do appreciate it. A BIG cowboy hug to Dip, my honey, for all the help thru the year in putting badges together & making the trays to keep them organized. To Surly & Chalk for their help throughout the year, programs, stage writing, pictures etc. Surly, even though you have retired from registration, you have tried to teach us & have been an enormous help for us in the little building! Thank you to Tombstone Timi, for all the work with targets, set up & writing & preparing for shoot days. You can now relax! Thank you Col Wm. Hays, for stepping up to fulfill Fuzzy's term as TG, we all appreciate it. And of course, lest we not forget, Mattie, Whip, Dip and

Chuckwagon, good friends and a great crew, we have all put it a lot of time & effort, and RJSS had a good year.

Now, a BIG welcome to all the new officers for the coming year, I look forward to working with all of you and making RJSS a fun place to shoot!

On a final note, I would like to thank those members, non members and brand new folks that have helped in one way or another this past season. No matter how big or small the task you do at RJSS is it lightens the load for someone else. I hope to see more people join these ranks for next season, you would be surprised how much fun a work day REALLY is, and you might make a new friend, too. Until next time, remember, Learn to speak kind words, nobody resents them.

SloPoke Sara



Fuzzy's Shotgun Raffle a Success

By Durango Dave & Bdoc

Thanks to all those Cowpokes at the last three Cowboy matches in Oct. and at our October club meeting for buying raffle tickets for Fuzzy's old shotgun. Because of your support, The River Junction Shootist Society was able to raise \$312 to help H. J. & Honey Richardson's little girl Caddie with her uncovered medical expenses The lucky ticket pulled belonged to Capt. John Huston, who was actually present to receive his prize. We never saw a happier cowboy. Thanks again to the Capgun Kid for donating Fuzzy's shotgun, and thanks to the Dry Gulch Rangers and the Logan's Ferry Regulators for letting us sell the raffle tickets at their shoots for this noble cause. Cowboy Action Shooters have really BIG HEARTS.



From the Deputy

I would like to thank everyone that voted for me and I will do my best to make things run smooth.

Thank You, Deputy Keck

Meaner N' Zinn

Time to start thinking about 2009

With ground hog day behind us it's time to start thinking about next year. Our executive board is doing a great job and already have some fine events scheduled for the '09 season. Unfortunately member registration alone does not cover all the needed expenses. Then there is the issue of improvements and maintenance on the grounds. We are asking for volunteers to join me on a ways and means committee to explore funding resources that may be available to us. Everyone is familiar with selling tickets to raise money, but there have to be better ways and I'm sure if we wrestle this issue together we can come up with them. Please email me with any questions or suggestions. <u>lindy kay2000@yahoo.com</u> See you all at the Winter Gathering.

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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

 <u>Extras</u>

 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 <u>AMBUSH AT INDIAN CREEK 10 - July 19-20</u> <u>COMMUNITY DAY WITH ICVSA – July 26</u> <u>http://www.nauticom.net/www/rjss/</u>

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