



MERLIN MARAUDERS Cowboy Gazette

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The Prez sez

Well pard'sthings have finally calmed down after our successful annual shoot. Our annual committee review was held on June 9th and we will undoubtedly make a few minor changes for next year. All in all however, the consensus was that very little needs to be changed for 2010 thanks to all those who helped in putting on this terrific event.

Recently, many of our members participated in the Jacksonville Sesquicentennial this month, which garnered a lot of press coverage. It's a great way to bring positive attention to cowboy action shooting and re-enactments. We had a lot of interested spectators approach our illustrious group (State of Jefferson Vigilance Committee) with inquiries about what we cowboys and cowgirls do. So, as Sweetwater Jack put it, "it's a great way to recruit new cowboy shooters". It appears that similar events are in store for SJVC in the near future ---Yee-Haw!

Just a reminder...our Merlin Marauder cowboy club will definitely be holding the monthly shoot scheduled for the 4th of July. Hey pards, in what better way could we celebrate our Independence Day! See ya all on the range.

Yer pard,
Bear Bone Smith

Match Winners-June 2009

1 st	Purgatory Smith
2 nd	Bloody Bill Anderson
3 rd	Bear Bone Smith
4 th	General Lee Goode
5 th	Deputy Ray

NEXT GENERAL MEMBER MEETING Tuesday, July 14th

At the **Black Forest Restaurant, 820 E Street "NE", Grants Pass, at 6:30 PM.**
Arrive at 5:45 PM if you intend to eat dinner first. Directions: (541) 474-5323

NEXT MONTHLY MERLIN MARAUDERS COWBOY ACTION POSSE MATCH July 4th

Arrive early to help set up stages @8:00 a.m.
Sign-in is from 8:00 to 8:45 a.m. Shooter Meeting at 8:45 AM. Directions. JCSA Range, I-5 Exit 61 Merlin, Thence northbound on frontage road to Josephine County Sportsman Park



MERLIN MARAUDER CLUB NEWS

Membership: Membership now stands at 59.
No new members since last month.

We regret the loss of **Tamra Smith**, aka **Calamity Tam**, of **Butte Falls**.

JCSA NEWS - Imnaha Chuck

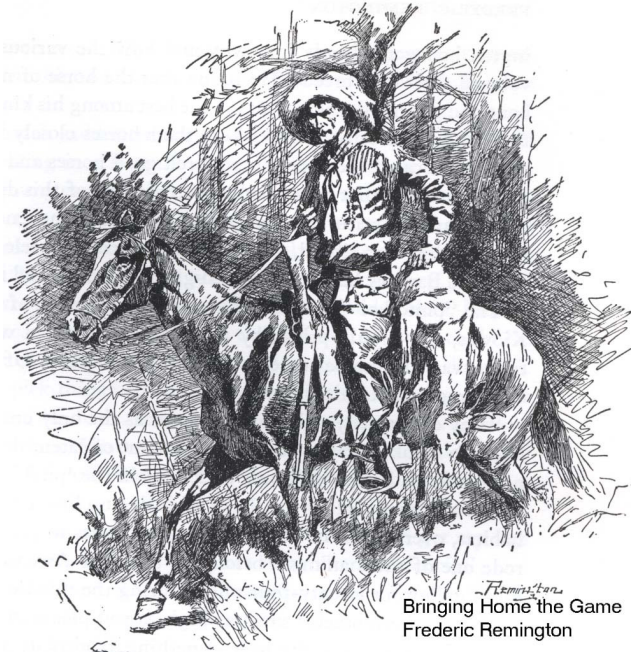
- JCSA Sports Shooter deadline is June 15th.
- JCSA Safety Committee should have their 1st meeting and elect a chairperson in June. MM will be well represented by Har Trigger.
- JCSA radio ads on KRWQ will run through June 21st.

Upcoming Nearby Annual Matches - Match Directors, send Annual Shoot info to Rogue Rascal to be listed

Name	Where	When	Contact	Phone
Guns of the Timberland	Blue Lake, CA	CANCELLED	Kid Knee Stone	(707) 445-1981
Shootout at Saddle Butte, (OR STATE)	Albany, OR	August 14-16, 2009	Mid Valley Drifter	(541) 259-2774
Wild, Wild West Shootout	Ashland, OR	July 18, 2009	Jed I Knight	(541) 944-2281
Lead Daze at Linkville	Klamath Falls, OR	September 4-7, 2009	Tule Spud	(541) 883-2024

OREGON & Northern CALIFORNIA MONTHLY MATCHES

1 st Saturday	Grants Pass	Merlin Marauders	Bear Bone Smith	[541] 582-4144	ricksmith@bearbone.com
1 st Saturday	Canby	Mollala River Rangers	Gold Dust Bill	(503) 705-1211	
1 st Sunday	White City	Table Rock Rangers	Jed I. Knight	(541) 944-2281	jed_1_knight@jeffersonstateregulators.com
1 st Sunday	Bend	Horse Ridge Pistoleros	Big Casino	(541) 389-2342	
1 st Sunday	Florence	Siuslaw River Rangers	Johnny Jingos	(541) 997-6313	johnnyjingos@yahoo.com
2 nd Saturday	Medford	Table Rock Rangers	Jed I. Knight	(541) 944-2281	jed_1_knight@jeffersonstateregulators.com
2 nd Saturday	Burney	Shasta Regulators	Cayenne Pepper	(530) 275-3158	modocsass13826@sbcglobal.net
2 nd Saturday	The Dalles	Fort Dalles Defenders	Frisco Nell	(541) 835-5630	
2 nd Sunday	Bend, OR	Pine Mountain Posse	Cowboss	[541] 548-7325	toevs@qwestoffice.net
2 nd Sunday	Klamath Falls	Klamath Cowboys	Mad River Mongo	(541) 884-1905	
3 rd Saturday	Ashland	Jefferson State Regulators	Jed I. Knight	(541) 944-2281	jed_1_knight@jeffersonstateregulators.com
3 rd Saturday	Redding	Shasta Regulators	Modoc	(530) 365-1839	modocsass13826@sbcglobal.net
3 rd Sunday	Shedd (Albany)	Oregon Old West Shooters	Mid Valley Drifter	[541] 259-2774	MidValleyDrifter@outdrs.net
3 rd Sunday	Bend	Horse Ridge Pistoleros	Big Casino	(541) 389-2342	
4 th Saturday	Klamath Falls	Klamath Cowboys	Mad River Mongo	(541) ?	
4 th Saturday	Shedd (Albany)	Oregon Old West Shooters	Mid Valley Drifter	[541] 259-2774	MidValleyDrifter@outdrs.net
4 th Saturday	Eureka/Arcata	Madd River Rangers	Kid Knee Stone	(707) 445-1981	clsnowden@aol.com
4 th Saturday	Yreka	Hawkinsville Claim Jumpers	Lethal Les Amour	[530] 926-4538	
4 th Sunday	The Dalles	Fort Dalles Defenders	Frisco Nell	(541) 835-5630	
4 th Sunday	Roseburg	Umpqua Regulators.	Big Lou	(541) 484-5900	dr97@qwest.net



Bringing Home the Game
Frederic Remington

MERLIN MARAUDERS MATCH FINAL June 6, 2009

Match		STAGE	STAGE	STAGE	STAGE	STAGE	Total		Class	Total
Final	ALIAS	1	2	3	4	5	Time	Class	Final	Misses
1	Purgatory Smith	25.77	20.51	22.62	19.22	28.07	116.19	Gun Fighter	1	0
2	Bloody Bill Anderson	33.08	23.23	22.94	20.61	43.95	143.81	Elder Statesman	1	4
3	Bear Bone Smith	32.70	26.38	36.08	27.32	29.70	152.18	Traditional	1	1
4	General Lee Goode	35.08	27.04	34.58	27.08	40.95	164.73	Traditional	2	3
5	Deputy Ray	29.37	35.30	45.43	28.16	46.65	184.91	49'r Class	1	1
6	Wales Holiday	35.42	30.63	50.66	31.12	37.56	185.39	Traditional	3	2
7	Konocti	40.24	34.87	41.41	31.41	39.52	187.45	Traditional	4	1
8	Runnin' Wild	37.34	33.90	44.71	34.55	48.37	198.87	Gun Fighter	2	5
9	Gravestone Dodger	40.95	30.32	54.03	38.77	36.75	200.82	Senior	1	2
10	Kidd Krystin	39.39	34.71	54.20	42.20	45.07	215.57	Senior Gunfighter	1	0
11	JD Walker	40.78	38.75	61.38	42.01	49.03	231.95	Elder Statesman	2	1
12	Missouri Rogue	46.85	38.72	61.24	42.28	54.63	243.72	Senior	2	2
13	CHP Shot	67.54	36.44	55.77	39.98	44.16	243.89	Silver Senior	1	4
14	Barbarosa Mike	58.42	44.09	59.03	45.19	58.38	265.11	Senior Duelist	1	2
15	Sweetwater Jack	50.75	34.46	78.43	46.74	56.90	267.28	Silver Senior	2	4
16	ImnahaChuck	54.45	43.74	63.15	54.55	57.08	272.97	Senior	3	3
17	Pugulist	58.45	50.38	67.99	42.64	54.41	273.87	49'r Class	2	12
18	Badd Dog Matt	57.70	41.41	55.99	74.47	56.01	285.58	Gun Fighter	3	16
19	Ima Horsinaround	56.43	54.99	73.76	51.07	51.95	288.20	Ladies 49'r Class	1	5
20	Rogue Rascal	54.30	67.50	51.22	55.08	60.25	288.35	Senior Fron Cart	1	4
21	Johnny Dingus	93.06	43.25	52.43	52.05	60.27	301.06	Gun Fighter	4	14
22	Two Tone	63.00	47.38	85.18	44.76	72.34	312.66	Silver Senior	3	3
23	Mountain Grizz	67.09	50.53	74.72	51.40	69.82	313.56	Senior Duelist	2	11
24	Rifle 'en Rebecca	53.18	75.89	79.03	61.12	63.30	332.52	Ladies Traditional	1	15
25	Line Century	87.15	49.58	60.73	67.06	68.78	333.30	Elder Statesman	3	14
26	Charlie Parkhurst	98.29	50.64	75.10	48.13	65.98	338.14	Ladies 49'r Class	2	5
27	Cool Hand Lucas	82.09	76.93	135.09	96.93	86.83	477.87	Young Guns Boys	1	4

CLEAN MATCH

Purgatory Smith, Kidd Krystin

MERLIN MARAUDER MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION AND MATCH FEES:

MEMBERSHIP

Individual Membership	\$25
Family* Membership	\$35

**Family is defined as all living under one roof*

SHOOTING FEES

Individual MM Member	\$10
Additional MM Family Adults	\$5 each
Individual Non-MM Member	\$13
Additional Non-MM Family Adult	\$5 each

For membership issues and information call: Molly b'Dam @(541) 479-2928

Complete new/renewal application and mail to: Merlin Marauders, P.O. Box 202, Grants Pass Oregon 97528

Monthly match stage design and setup gets a \$5 discount

Merlin Marauder Badges

We have club badges for sale. They are high quality polished brass badges made by the **Lindholm Brothers**, **Whiney Henry** and **Wimpy Hank Yoho**, and are available from Molly b'Dam or Bear Bone Smith for \$25.

Merlin Marauder Website

The Webmaster is Library Babbage

www.merlinmarauders.com

Send any photos or information to Library Babbage at the website e-mail address or to: leevern_beck@hotmail.com

Dispatches from the Territorial Governor by Sweetwater Jack

A question was brought up on the T/G Wire about the following stage. The main question, as I see it, would be whether or not the stage-writer **would** or **would NOT** be "lynched" by the shooters...

Take a look:

"After the incident at Fort Sackett you deserted and signed on for your first trail drive that lasted three months. You thought that it would never end, but it did and now you're looking for whiskey and some gambling. Wyatt will provide you with both at the Bella Union. He'll let you drink and gamble till you run out of money and we'll let you shoot until you're out of ammo.

10+ Rifle

10+ pistol

4+ Shotgun

All Misses May Be Made Up With Reloads On The Clock!

Pistols loaded five rounds each holstered, Rifle loaded ten rounds held at port arms in doorway, Shotgun open and empty staged on far right table.

Here's the gamble... Before starting you will reach into the bag and draw out a colored poker chip (**Blue 1 in 6 chance**, **Red 1 in 3 chance**, or White 50/50 chance). After drawing your poker chip the TO will tell the spotters your color and wait for you to give the line; "Wyatt you're a cheat and a thief!" (to signify you are ready). TO will then give a "stand by."

ATB: Starting with the rifle

White shooters alternate one shot each on two outside, closest and largest white targets for ten rounds then place rifle open and empty on table, move to left window and repeat sequence with pistols. Holster pistols and move to right table and shoot alternating for four shots on two outside, white shotgun targets.

Red shooters dump five rounds each on inside medium size red targets then place rifle open and empty on table,

move to left window and repeat sequence with pistols. Holster pistols and move to right table to double tap each red shotgun target.

Blue shooters (ain't you lucky!) Ten rounds in far center blue target then place rifle open and empty on table, move to left window and repeat sequence with pistols. Holster pistols and move to right table and shoot four shots far blue shotgun target. Proceed to the unloading table.

Well, of course, that answer lies in the Match Director's Guide, page 4: "**Avoid designing a stage that brings "luck of the draw" into the outcome. Rolling the dice, cutting the cards, spinning the wheel are all excellent means of providing a more interesting scenario, but should not attach a particular benefit for one shooter over another by the outcome. For example, cutting the cards to determine which gun is to be shot first is acceptable while cutting the cards to determine the number of shots to be fired is not.**"

I don't think any of our local monthly club matches have had a stage where "luck of the draw" so to speak, has had any effect on the scoring, but it is a point to keep in mind for all of us that do design stages.

On another subject, When Coyote Calhoun discussed the Wild Bunch written rules that were to be forthcoming, at the Winter Range TG meeting, he indicated that these rules would apply to Regional and above matches. He was aware that state matches and individual clubs can and will deviate from these rules. As a result, many clubs and matches that are hosting Wild Bunch events have relented on the rule that rifles must be .40 caliber or greater, and allowed and are allowing 38/357 rifles in order to expand the number of shooters that might participate. What do you folks think?

