



MERLIN MARAUDERS Cowboy Gazette

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Howdy pards. Not a whole lot going on right now. We have a lot of projects pending R&D and some are on the back burner. Currently, I am trying to orchestrate the transfer of our Merlin Marauder domain website to the Northwest Cowboy website that Harley Davidson and Jed I. Knight manage.

The first JCSA Safety Committee meeting was held on July 16th and Har Trigger will be reporting on what transpired at our next general meeting in August. The main focus of the first meeting centered on affiliated clubs who shoot steel targets---details to follow.

As most of you know, the Jefferson State Regulators put on a real fun shoot this past weekend which followed the theme of the Wild, Wild West TV series. Everyone got a chance to fire off Just Bill's black powder canon and light a whole bunch of smoke bombs---cough, cough. Through all the smoke and fire, participants somehow managed to hit a few of the moving targets. A great time was had by all.

That's all for now. Remember to keep your powder dry and always drink upstream of the herd. Yer pard,

Yer pard,

Bear Bone Smith

Match Winners-July 2009

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

NEXT GENERAL MEMBER MEETING
Tuesday, August 11th
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**
August 1st
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

JCSA NEWS - Imnaha Chuck

Membership: Membership now stands at 60.

We would like to welcome **Mark Jones**, aka **Pugilist**, **SASS 1006**, of Glendale. Mark has been around for a long time as indicated by his number.

- JCSA elections are on the horizon. Vacant positions up for election are: President, Vice President, Secretary and Director at Large
- JCSA Safety Committee had their 1st meeting on July 16th and elected Gail Johnson as chairperson. . MM will be is represented by **Har Trigger**.

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

Name	Where	When	Contact	Phone
Shootout at Saddle Butte, (OR STATE)	Albany, OR	August 14-16, 2009	Mid Valley Drifter	(541) 259-2774
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_i_knight@northwestcowboyactions shooting.org
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_i_knight@northwestcowboyactions shooting.org
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_i_knight@northwestcowboyactions shooting.org
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

"A well regulated Militia, being necessary to the security of a free State, the right of the people to keep and bear Arms, shall not be infringed."

- The Constitution of the United States – Second Amendment



MERLIN MARAUDERS MATCH FINAL July 4, 2009

Match Final	ALIAS	STAGE	STAGE	STAGE	STAGE	STAGE	Total Time	Class	Class	Total Misses
		1	2	3	4	5			Final	
1	Bloody Bill Anderson	28.89	25.61	23.98	33.03	24.98	136.49	Elder Statesman	1	2
2	Deputy Ray	37.51	31.23	33.46	38.27	26.40	166.87	49'r Class	1	4
3	Bear Bone Smith	36.39	33.43	32.25	51.12	29.33	182.52	Cowboy	1	4
4	General Lee Goode	31.79	45.98	32.65	54.00	42.08	206.50	Cowboy	2	11
5	Molly B' Dam	52.20	39.83	39.50	42.72	33.92	208.17	Ladies Senior	1	3
6	Venison Stu	40.65	37.40	51.37	44.75	40.13	214.30	49'r Class	2	1
7	Charlie Parkhurst	43.06	38.42	44.52	52.54	40.94	219.48	Ladies 49'r Class	1	1
8	Kidd Krystin	50.99	41.74	44.95	49.91	35.98	223.57	Senior Gunfighter	1	2
9	Jed I. Knight	41.08	35.63	32.15	64.96	54.03	227.85	Fr. Cartr. GF	1	5
10	Pugulist	43.48	50.51	55.73	42.36	40.50	232.58	49'r Class	3	4
11	Whiny Henry Yoho	61.10	36.52	44.44	67.12	44.67	253.85	49'r Class	4	7
12	Barbarosa Mike	64.98	51.99	46.58	54.27	43.68	261.50	Senior Duelist	1	3
13	Badd Dog Matt	55.78	50.03	39.65	61.65	55.34	262.45	Gun Fighter	1	16
14	Johnny Eight Toes	47.31	65.05	46.52	63.94	42.06	264.88	Silver Senior	1	3
15	Rogue Rascal	52.32	45.54	52.58	58.47	56.60	265.51	Elder Statesman	2	2
16	Johnny Dingus	36.53	40.95	85.31	64.79	43.34	270.92	Gun Fighter	2	7
17	Line Century	44.73	50.30	55.81	73.42	57.98	282.24	Elder Statesman	3	6
18	ImnahaChuck	57.54	53.35	60.37	69.32	52.46	293.04	Senior	1	3
19	Wimpy Hank Yoho	62.24	53.21	58.69	76.39	43.46	293.99	49'r Class	5	8
20	Two Tone	56.48	60.48	62.33	62.99	63.09	305.37	Silver Senior	2	1
21	Ten Sleep Good Guy	49.49	58.63	91.73	61.05	45.70	306.60	Duelist	1	1
22	Sweetwater Jack	65.44	59.85	78.62	60.59	55.19	319.69	Elder Statesman	4	5
23	Checotah	81.87	44.67	72.27	83.55	49.30	331.66	"B" Western	1	8
24	Rifle 'en Rebecca	41.53	67.28	109.58	68.58	74.77	361.74	Lady Wrangler	1	19
25	Merlin Maverick	59.17	58.94	80.73	77.95	120.00	396.79	Elder Statesman	5	2
26	Witchita Belle	89.90	64.53	80.80	94.94	78.71	408.88	Ladies Senior	2	10
27	Gaye Abandon	62.02	78.69	97.26	111.38	82.66	432.01	Lady Silver Senior	1	8

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**, **Whiny Henry** and **Wimpy Hank Yoho**, and are available from Molly b'Dam or Bear Bone Smith for \$25.

Merlin Marauder Website

The Webmaster is **Jed I. Knight**

www.merlinmarauders.com

Send any photos or information to **Jedi I. Knight** at the website e-mail address or to:

jed_i_knight@northwestcowboyactionshooting.org

Dispatches from the Territorial Governor by Sweetwater Jack

Questions have arisen on the subject of penalties for using "illegally acquired" ammunition.... No, I don't mean stuff shoplifted from Bi-Mart..... I'm talking about the ammo someone hands you on the firing line when you discover that you don't have enough to shoot the course of fire. The most common reason that shooter fires "illegally acquired" ammo is that they are short on shotgun shells to finish a stage and someone hands them some. It could also be rifle but is most often shotgun "What!?!? That's ILLEGAL? I didn't know that", would be the first thing out of the mouth of most of us. Yep, it's ILLEGAL. Now, at the local/club level during a monthly match it goes on fairly often, (especially if there's a chance to slip JD Walker a black-powder shotgun shell or two.) and no penalty has ever been assessed, as far as I can remember, at ANY of our local clubs, either on the shooter or the person giving them the ammo.

WHAT IS the **OFFICIAL** penalty, then??? Well, there **ISN'T** any as of this writing. HOWEVER, from the discussions on the TG Wire, It looks like this MAY become an Agenda Item at the TG Summit Meeting next December at the SASS Convention. Keep in mind that this will probably NOT have to be applied at the club monthly match level, but only at Annual, State, Regional etc., higher level matches, unless it becomes deemed to be a general "safety" item. (Doubtful) So that you won't be surprised at a "higher" match, one of the ways this is being scored at the various "higher" matches involves

scoring the "illegally fired" rounds as **MISSES**, and would be as follows:

Round count : 10 revolver, 10 rifle, and 2 shotgun.
Shooter 1: Firearm sequence: R,S/G,P. Shooter fires 10 rifle, then 2 "illegally acquired" SG, then 10 pistol.
Shooters raw time: 30 seconds, plus 10 seconds for 2 SG "misses" Total stage time 40 seconds

Shooter 2: Firearm sequence: R,P,S/G. Shooter fires 10 rifle, then 10 pistol, then 2 "illegally acquired" shotgun.
Shooters raw time: 30 seconds, plus 10 seconds for 2 SG "misses" Total stage time 40 seconds.

One proposal has been that since SG was last firearm, shooter 2 should have their time "backed up" to the time at shot #20 then their 2 misses added on. If shot 20 was at 25 seconds, then for shooter 2 we have adjusted-DOWN raw time 25 seconds, plus 10 seconds for 2 SG "misses" Total stage time 35 Seconds.

This is **BLATANTLY UNFAIR!!!** BOTH Shooter 1 and shooter 2 did the same thing, Fired 20 legal rounds and 2 "illegally acquired" rounds in the same raw time. Both **DESERVE** the SAME SCORE!!! The order in which the firearms are utilized during the stage should have NO bearing on the final outcome. And our "rules guru" PaleWolf Brunelle agrees with this. We'll see what is made of this in December at the TG Summit.

Keep cool and hydrated, and shoot straight

