



Merlin Marauders
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MERLIN MARAUDERS Cowboy Gazette

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Howdy all,
Well if you were not at this month shoot you missed a great time! We shot SNAKES and it was a BLAST! Derringer Donna and I got our first clean match! Woohoo!

I want to thank all of you that participated in the pot luck! It turned out great and was lots of fun! We will plan

another one in the near future.



Yer Prez:
Bobbin' along Daisy

August GENERAL MEETING
Tuesday, August 13th @ 6:30 PM,
 at the Black Bear Diner in Grants Pass. Take the Second Grants Pass exit and head south on 6th Street – you'll see it on the right at 1900 NW 6th St.

Next Monthly Match: **Saturday,**
 August 3rd, 2013 Try to arrive early to help set up stages @9:00 a.m. Sign-in is from 9:00 to 9:30 a.m. Shooter Meeting is at 9:30 AM. !I-5 Exit 61 and North on frontage road to Josephine County Sportsman's Park

MERLIN MARAUDER CLUB NEWS

Membership: Membership stands at 65!

Battle of Rogue River 2013:

Our combination Annual Match and 2013 Oregon State Championship was, to many of the shooters who came from all over the map to shoot it, one of the best "annuals" we've ever put on, and the reason for that is simply because of all of you. You busted your butts, going the extra mile in every department. You persevered through every problem we ran into and overcame every obstacle to put on a match that will be talked about for months to come. Our net income for the match was, according to our overworked (and unpaid) Treasurer \$3780.47 If any of the shooters had any complaints, I certainly didn't hear about them.

MERLIN MARAUDERS WEBSITE: LeeVern (Library Babbage) is progressing with the re-vamp and upgrading of the website, and has overcome several problems. More info as it comes available.

MERLIN MARAUDERS FLAG: Long Henry Thompson reports that purchase of a three by five foot, 33 star American flag is still under pursuit, but will have to be made of cotton instead of a modern material due to unavailability of a flag with all of our requirements of embroidered stars, etc. in a "weatherproof" material. More info to come.

Battle of Rogue River 2014 ??

One of the subjects that was to be discussed this month at the July Club Meeting this evening, 9 July, was to be whether or not to HOLD a 2014 Annual Match!! As you know, we have already voted at the June General Meeting to pass the baton for the Oregon State Championship to another Oregon club. Although we had a quorum this evening at the July meeting, the turnout was much smaller than expected, and the general consensus was that it would be unfair to all Merlin Marauder members to vote yea or nay on holding an annual next year. So, it was tabled until the next meeting on Tuesday, August 13th. Please, please, try to attend this meeting and join the discussion and voting. The result, one way or the other could have a MAJOR impact on the only SASS club EVER to have the honor of being (according to our hard-won "Wooly Award") the "Best Club" in SASS for TWO YEARS running!! - ((Remember that there was no SASS Convention in 2012, so the Wooly Award was not presented in 2012)



Stage Setup for August 3rd:

Stage 1 Sweetwater Jack
 Stage 2 Molly b' Dam
 Stage 3 Barbarosa Mike

Stage 4 Britt Ponsett
 Stage 5 Britt Ponsett

MARAUDER MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION AND MATCH FEES:

<u>MEMBERSHIP</u>		<u>SHOOTING FEES</u>	
Individual Membership	\$25	Individual MM Member	\$10
Family* Membership	\$35	Additional MM Family Adults	\$5 each
<i>*Family is defined as all living under one roof</i>		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
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 for \$25

JULY MONTHLY MATCH SCORES

Rank	Alias	Category	OVERALL		Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Stage 4	Stage 5
			TIME	Misses	Net	Net	Net	Net	Net
1	Kidd Krystin	Sr. Gunfighter	215.33	1	44.09	27.70	65.92	40.53	37.09
2	Johnny Eight Toes	Elder Statesman	225.52	1	30.07	36.95	67.41	44.86	46.23
3	Molly b'Dam	Lady Silver Sr.	244.28	6	42.44	33.37	66.97	65.90	35.60
4	Ruby Jim	Elder Statesman	254.90	0	62.53	32.39	71.59	51.11	37.28
5	Line Century	Veteran	258.19	5	41.95	40.18	66.26	53.31	56.49
6	Mountain Grizz	Senior Duelist	309.04	8	38.79	45.87	92.65	83.34	48.39
7	Merlin Maverick	Veteran	325.25	3	49.36	58.12	89.51	65.81	62.45
8	Bobbin Along Daisy	Merlin Cowgirl	333.46	0	53.20	50.07	93.84	76.45	59.90
9	Derringer Donna	Elder Statesman	337.90	0	55.72	55.22	88.12	76.17	62.67
10	Treacherous Jack	Senior	342.65	29	160.00	26.17	70.97	51.20	34.31
11	Barbarosa Mike	Frontiersman	348.35	0	55.86	49.72	113.82	78.73	50.22

Designates a Clean Match (No Misses, Procedurals, or Safety)

Dispatches From The Territorial Governor

Looks like the usual Summer doldrums have hit the Rogue Valley..... Heat runnin' in the 90's and 100s have sent us scurrying for shade and crankin' up the A/C. The shooter numbers at most of the local club matches are down both due to the heat and summer vacations, what with the kids being out of school and all. Gaye and I were no exceptions and headed back to Hawaii to take MY kids and grand-daughters to the islands, (*Strictly for educational purposes, of course, to show them Pearl Harbor and instill in them a little feeling for the history of the place....Waikiki Beach and Mai Tais were of little importance in our never-ending quest to educate the young.*)

Trolling the T/G Wire this month has produced just a few things of interest. One item struck my eye, though and it pertains to EXTERNAL FIREARMS MODIFICATIONS: And the following is from our good friend and consummate Territorial Governor, PaleWolf Brunelle: "FWIW - The majority of "new" modifications that are brought to the ROC for review are usually dismissed 'out of hand' as not being listed in the SHB. It is stated numerous times in the "preamble" to the FIREARMS COVENANTS and reiterated at the end that: *"ANY EXTERNAL MODIFICATION TO ANY FIREARM NOT SPECIFICALLY REFERENCED IN THIS HANDBOOK IS EXPRESSLY PROHIBITED!"*

Most recently the following were ruled as "illegal" (subject to SDQ if used in a match):

- 1/ Replacement magazine tube that extends beyond the muzzle of the firearm
- 2/ "Counter-boring" the barrel of a rifle to lighten the muzzle. (ie. boring 4" of the bore of a .38 cal rifle out to .44 or .45 cal) Note: This has nothing to do with the "crowning" of the muzzle.

SWEETWATER JACK