



MERLIN MARAUDERS Cowboy Gazette

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The Prez Sez:

Grizz and I want to thank you all for helping at the Monthly match and the set up for it on the Friday before.

Just to make sure there is no confusion, you will have to be a SASS member to shoot the Annual Match.

There are a lot of reasons the club has always had this rule. I feel: "Why should our members continue to pay to be SASS members if we are going to let Non-SASS People shoot these matches?" So,

to Support SASS, this is how it will stand .



Yer Prez,
Bobbin' along Daisy

April GENERAL MEETING

Tuesday, April 8th^e 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,

April 5th, 2014 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 now stands at 62 Still need those dues to come in...!

BUILDING of the Storage Shed has been completed! The materials bid from Fields Lumber and Hardware, and a construction bid from Jay Miller Construction were accepted and the work begun and completed! The membership allocated funds for the project during the February General Meeting. Mountain Grizz rode herd on the project AND did the electrical work! Here's the result:



BATTLE OF ROGUE RIVER,

It is very important that we have a good turnout for the April general membership meeting on Tuesday evening, April 8th, as there is a need for the Merlin Membership to vote on some issues affecting the Annual "Battle of Rogue River". Please attend if at all possible.

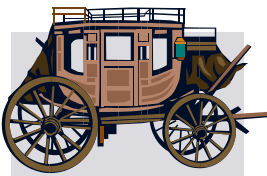
We WILL be selling "Match Insurance" policies this year as it is no longer a "State Match". WORK PARTIES at the range to prepare for our annual match will be held in May on the following dates: May 3,10,17,24 and 31 ALL help on these dates will be appreciated to spruce up the range and help with paint touch-up, etc... Try to arrive at 0900 if at all possible. Library Babbage has completely up-dated the Merlin Marauders website, and has posted the Battle of Rogue River application there. A copy of the application is also attached to this newsletter. WUPATKI has volunteered to work with LIBRARY BABBAGE and is learning how to update and maintain the website and act as Library's backup! . (MUCH appreciated, WUPATKI!)

OTHER CLUB MATCHES:

The Umpqua Regulators will be putting on the VERY fun and exhausting "True Grit" Match May 23-25 In Roseburg. Get your TWO Rifles and FOUR Revolvers tuned up and ready for this match!

The Horse Ridge Pistoleros are holding the NW Regional this year in Bend: May 29 to June 3.

Stage Setup for April 5th:



Stage 1: Sweetwater Jack

Stage 2: Molly

Stage 3 Daisy

Stage 4: Britt

Stage 5: Britt (4 & 5 on same bay/different scenarios)

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			

March Match Scores

Rank	Alias	Category	Overall TIME	Misses	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Stage 4	Stage 5
1	Bear Bone Smith	Silver Senior	147.80	0	32.67	30.74	28.56	29.21	26.62
2	Riverdog	Sr. Gunfighter	152.90	1	32.29	31.67	33.14	27.20	28.60
3	Kidd Krystin	Sr. Gunfighter	221.76	3	63.65	36.45	50.65	38.75	32.26
4	Britt Ponsett	Sr. Gunfighter	222.86	3	49.65	35.37	59.64	47.15	31.05
5	Mountain Grizz	Senior Duelist	261.77	4	66.23	46.65	65.81	42.25	40.83
6	Line Century	Veteran	310.10	15	66.21	70.82	58.71	51.14	63.22
7	Imnaha Chuck	Senior Duelist	324.11	2	94.79	57.70	61.33	61.88	48.41
8	Lucky Rick O'Shay	Cattle Baron	342.64	6	87.94	54.92	84.31	52.55	62.92
9	Barbarosa Mike	Classic Cowboy	357.09	8	72.69	105.52	68.36	57.77	52.75

Highlight indicates Clean Match, No Misses, No Procedurals, No Safety Violations

Dispatches From The Territorial Governor

First of all..... Oregon Senate Bill 1551 to enact legislation to make background checks mandatory for most PRIVATE firearms sales died a quick death with the closure of the Oregon 2014 Legislature Session. (Fortunately the state legislature may only meet for 35 days in “even” years, but meets for SIX MONTHS in “odd” numbered years.) Oregon State Senator Floyd Prozanski and his minions will, no doubt, resurrect this horror NEXT year.

I just read on the SASS Wire that the 2014 SASS Convention (and Territorial Governor Summit) will be held in 2015, instead of 2014. The Menger and Crockett Hotels seem to have “double-booked” with another organization which has priority over SASS. While the SASS Convention will still be held in San Antonio, it has been moved to January 7 to 11, 2015. It will still be at the Menger and Crockett Hotels. Small tidbits of “history”:

1. The BAR at the Menger Hotel is where Teddy Roosevelt recruited his “Rough Riders” for the Spanish-American War.
2. The Menger is supposed to be the “Most Haunted Hotel” in Texas, and some say the entire country. (The Hotel is right where the Alamo’s final battle was fought.. well within the walls of the fort.)
3. Roy Rogers, Dale Evans and TRIGGER used to stay at the Menger when in San Antonio. They stayed in a suite on the SECOND FLOOR and Trigger had a stall (converted from a closet) WITH THEM. (Honest!) Trigger used the stairs.

Revolvers "in hand" From the T/G Wire:

Page 14 of the Shooters Handbook under Gunfighter, states "The Gunfighter and B Western Categories are the only categories that allow two loaded pistols "in hand" at the same time. This is a two part question. 1. May a **duelist**, while shooting the first revolver, have their hand on the other revolver while it is still holstered? 2. If both revolvers are staged on a table, may the shooter, while shooting the first revolver, have their hand on the second revolver? Is it legal? The following is from the RO I Glossary.

"Revolver in hand: When the muzzle of the revolver clears the mouth of the holster, or breaks contact with a prop where it was staged." So,,, : The shooter may have his/her hand on the second revolver as long as it doesn't clear the holster, and, they may touch it on the table as long as it remains **in contact** with the table.

Is Senior Gunfighter an age based or shooting style category?

Questions come up about “glued-together” categories..... Such as: SENIOR GUNFIGHTER. Although these are not SASS official categories, we need to establish a way to get all sub-categories on the same page.. The discussion at the 2013 T/G Summit resulted in the following:

One issue is some categories permit adjustable sighted guns and others do not. Equipment is the driving force for rules interpretation. In other words a Senior Gunfighter would have to follow Gunfighter rules for shooting style and the equipment used.