



MERLIN MARAUDERS Cowboy Gazette

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The Prez Sez:

We had a great shoot for Aug. Twenty shooters showed up and seven of them shot the Urban Cowboy category! Fun, Fun, Fun!

Thank you to all who helped set up and take down. Grizz really appreciated the help.

We hope all of you are safe from the fires!!!!!!

Thank you Sweetwater for doing the newsletter, even though you had eye surgery!
So if there are any mistakes, please over look them, he is doing the best he can!



Yer Prez,
Bobbin' along Daisy

SEPTEMBER GENERAL MEETING
Tuesday, September 9th @ 6:30 PM,
at the Black Forest Family Restaurant
at 829 NE :E" Street, in the Grants
Pass Shopping Center near Staples,

Next Monthly Match: **Saturday,**
September 6th, 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: Paid-up Membership now stands at 49. We would like to welcome our newest member- New Hope Kid.

Repeating: Monthly Meeting Place Change: The June 10th meeting, at the Black Forest Family Restaurant on "E" Street near Staples and the Grants Pass Shopping Center, just off the Parkway was met with positive comments from those in attendance. Most liked the wider selection of menu items and slightly lower prices from those of the "Previous Establishment". At 8/12/14 General Membership Meeting a vote was taken to continue meeting at the Black Forest.

The Marauders' **MONTHLY Match for August** injected a fresh, new approach to our monthly matches. Our match director created a new category for us. This new category, called "Urban Cowboy" calls for the entire match to be shot with only ONE firearm! Which one? I'm glad you asked.... "Old Slabslides"! Huh? YES! "The G.I. .45"! the venerable Colt Model of 1911 (or a "clone" thereof.) ALL targets were to be engaged with the 1911. The results were incredible! 7 out of the 20 cowboys and cowgirls who shot our August match opted for the new category. Unfortunately, we seem to need to do a little "fine-tuning" to bring us up to speed with this TWENTYETH CENTURY firearm. There were 185 targets missed in this category, but the attending laughter was probably worth the effort.. I think I'll stick to the "Guns that won the West", instead of the "Guns that won World War I". On the other hand, you DO only have to clean ONE gun at the end of the day..... swj

Nominations for Election of 4 Club Officers will be taken starting with the September Club Meeting.

NEWSLITTER. I'm still hoping for a volunteer to do the September Newsletter. My right eye (the worst one) was re-built on the 14th, of July and the surgery on the left one just yesterday, 11 August. They are still healing for another month. If someone would be willing to jump in here and take over the Newsletter for the month of September I would deeply appreciate it. Thanks in advance for volunteering. Just drop me an e-mail at sweetwater@uci.net and if I can see it I'll respond. (Got no responses for the August issue, so will work around it somehow. Thanks anyway) SWJ

Other Club Matches:

The Wolverton Mountain Peacekeepers will hold their 9th Anniversary Match On September 20-21, 2014 This club shoots just North of Vancouver WA, and is the home club for many of the folks we know: Hellfire and Lucy, Big Iron Buster and "Ol #4" for a few. It's a fun match every year, and worth the drive up there.

For info contact Big Iron Buster at 360-892-3027 or e-mail him at: bigironbuster@yahoo.com (To make these "links" work, press and hold the "Ctrl" key and then "click" on them as usual.) SASS Rules Apply. There is dry camping available. Match fee is \$50 per shooter. Get an application at:

http://www.wolvertonmtnpeacekeepers.com/WMP_registration_form_2014.pdf



Word from The Shasta Regulators is that "Ambush at Hat Creek", their **Annual Shoot**, is coming up fast. **September 12, 13 and 14 at The Hat Creek Rifle and Pistol Club Range in Burney, CA.**
[Match Information](#) [Application 2014.](#)



Merlin Stage Setup for September 6th:

Stage 1: Molly B'Dam (Berm 1) Stage 2: Molly B'Dam (Berm 1)
 Stage 3: Barbarosa Mike (Berm 2) Stage 4: Britt (Berm 3)
 Stage 5: Britt (Berm 3) Help with set-up on Friday will be much appreciated, as usual..

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

AUGUST Match Scores:

| Merlin Marauder August 2, 2014 Scores | | | | | | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------|---------|--------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Rank | Alias | Category | OVERALL | | Stage 1 | Stage 2 | Stage 3 | Stage 4 | Stage 5 |
| | | | TIME | Misses | Net | Net | Net | Net | Net |
| 1 | Bloody Bill Anderson | Cattle Baron | 166.11 | 7 | 35.58 | 38.89 | 40.28 | 23.86 | 27.50 |
| 2 | Purgatory Smith | Urban Cowboy | 224.24 | 12 | 38.89 | 59.25 | 40.56 | 38.52 | 47.02 |
| 3 | Molly b'Dam | Lady Silver Sr. | 240.07 | 10 | 50.41 | 58.44 | 45.47 | 42.19 | 43.56 |
| 4 | Wichita Belle | Lady Silver Sr. | 297.72 | 13 | 48.28 | 59.72 | 73.75 | 34.50 | 81.47 |
| 5 | Bear Bone Smith | Urban Cowboy | 303.59 | 11 | 54.13 | 63.34 | 67.97 | 59.09 | 59.06 |
| 6 | Lucky Rick O'Shay | Elder Statesman | 303.84 | 2 | 64.59 | 56.07 | 59.63 | 62.45 | 61.10 |
| 7 | Long Henry Thompson | Sr. Duelist | 310.83 | 0 | 65.52 | 57.01 | 63.03 | 54.72 | 70.55 |
| 8 | Ocean Drifter | Forty-Niner | 312.09 | 1 | 53.75 | 65.26 | 91.86 | 48.05 | 53.17 |
| 9 | Rocky Retire | Cattle Baron | 325.26 | 5 | 55.27 | 54.54 | 62.90 | 59.50 | 93.05 |
| 10 | Imanaha Chuck | Senior | 334.88 | 5 | 56.68 | 90.20 | 66.33 | 61.51 | 60.16 |

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| 11 | Merlin Maverick | Veteran | 358.10 | 1 | 71.33 | 75.72 | 71.29 | 66.02 | 73.74 |
| 12 | Kidd Krystin | Urbane Cowboy | 390.05 | 10 | 79.32 | 76.08 | 77.18 | 69.52 | 87.95 |
| 13 | Cardiac Kate | Lady Forty- Niner | 458.42 | 16 | 75.62 | 70.41 | 104.22 | 108.63 | 99.54 |
| 14 | Ima Loden | Lady Forty- Niner | 466.22 | 8 | 91.80 | 91.75 | 98.24 | 85.46 | 98.97 |
| 15 | Westerly Wind | Urban Cowboy | 477.98 | 24 | 127.44 | 98.23 | 83.56 | 86.06 | 82.69 |
| 16 | Line Century | Urban Cowboy | 594.03 | 44 | 88.39 | 92.75 | 148.03 | 160.00 | 104.86 |
| 17 | Mountain Grizz | Urban Cowboy | 609.96 | 46 | 116.85 | 136.02 | 100.42 | 110.63 | 146.04 |
| 18 | Lucy Cannon | Cowgirl | 641.13 | 3 | 140.72 | 118.45 | 137.43 | 113.53 | 131.00 |
| 19 | Barbarosa Mike | Urban Cowboy | 754.34 | 38 | 130.23 | 160.14 | 138.29 | 150.27 | 175.41 |
| 20 | New Hope Kid | Forty-Niner | 4999.95 | 0 | 999.99 | 999.99 | 999.99 | 999.99 | 999.99 |

Designates a Clean Match

Dispatches From The Territorial Governor

This month's match was one I was very sorry to have missed. The idea of using a Colt 1911 type semi-auto to shoot all targets was a cool idea, and had I owned the required pair of 10-shot mags, AND had my binocular vision back, I would have done so. I understand that the seven shooters in the "Urban Cowboy" Ca. this month had a GREAT time, if a couple of misses. (And only had to clean ONE gun.)

I apologize for the smaller than usual newsletter this month. Had my left eye surgery today, Monday, 11th Aug., will get rest of the info tomorrow night at the meeting. I can't see the keyboard OR monitor very well, as my right eye does not focus at all at close range and the left is now looking thru a plastic "patch" with bubbles in it.... very frustrating, Can't get reading glasses for another month yet. I hope SOMEONE will volunteer to write next month's news. Can't get on the TG wire to check it as I can't read it.



Sweetwater Jack