



# MERLIN MARAUDERS Cowboy Gazette

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## The Prez Sez!

Howdy, Everybody,

First off, I want to **thank you** all for the support you showed setting up, attending, and patronizing our Garage Sale. I want to give a special thank you to *New Hope Kidd!* He brought in two letterman jackets from Hidden Valley high school! The Stitch 'n Bitch Club made the decision to give the jackets to Ima Loden's brother, who is involved with that school and will make sure they are put to good use.

**Getting' down to the wire!** Please, if you have not turned in your application for the *2017 Battle of Rogue River Annual* (May 19-21), please contact Molly by April 28th, if you plan on shooting. We need to get a count on how many are coming. Take it from me, this is going to be a lot of fun and you won't want to miss it!

*The Stitch 'n Bitch Club* worked on the raffle quilt, and it will be ready to drop off at the quilters! **Thanks, ladies!**

And a **Happy Easter** to you and your families!

*Hugs!*

— *Your President, Bobbin' Along Daisy*

**NOTE NEW MEETING DATE:**

**NEXT GENERAL MEETING: Monday, May 1st @ 6:00 PM**  
At the Black Forest Family Restaurant at 829 NE "E" Street,  
in the Grants Pass Shopping Center near Staples.  
Come early for dinner! (5:00 PM or so)

**NO MONTHLY MATCH FOR MAY!**

**INSTEAD, MAKE SURE YOU GET SIGNED UP FOR  
OUR ANNUAL BATTLE OF ROGUE RIVER, MAY 19-21.**  
Applications must be in to Molly b'Dam by April 28!

**NEXT MONTHLY MATCH: Saturday, June 3rd.**  
*Sign-in* - 9:00 to 9:30; *Safety Mtg.* - 9:30; *First shot* - 10:00  
*Setup* on Friday morning 9:00 - 11:00 AM  
Take I-5 to exit 61 and North on frontage road to  
Josephine County Sportsman's Park.

## MOLLY'S NEWS UPDATES!

**Membership:** Our Merlin Marauder membership stands at 48. Dues are \$25 for an individual membership, and \$35 for a family.

**Annual Match:** Preparations for the 2017 Battle of Rogue River continue. Mark your calendars for **May 19, 20, and 21, 2017**. The 2017 theme will be "**Western Comedies**" which should make for some hilarious, fun stage scenarios. We are once again asking shooters to **wear red on Friday in honor of our troops**. We have also scheduled our usual potluck for Friday, as well as lots of fun side matches.

**Weekend work parties will commence shortly, so watch for notices.** We need everyone's help to make this match a success. We are dedicating the match to a well-known Cowgirl - **Candy Johnson**. Candy passed away in December from cancer. She has done our award medals for the past 5 years, and she will be greatly missed.

I would once again like to note that **Sweetwater is donating a "Pre Ban" 1985 Colt AR-15 "Sporter II" Rifle plus a matching 3x20 Colt scope plus dies and over 700 rounds of ammunition, a package worth \$2,700.** We will be selling raffle tickets at \$20 each, both before and during the annual match. In addition, all shooters will be eligible for our drawing of an EMF-Pietta Great Western II Model 1873 Cold Clone "Alchimista" revolver in 45 long Colt Caliber, also donated by Sweetwater and Gaye Abandon. Thank you so much, Sweetwater, for your generosity and support. I don't know what we would do without you.

We also have some nice raffle prizes and shooter prizes lined up, vendors, and fabulous chitlins, so plan to attend the 12th Annual Battle of Rogue River - lots of goodies, fun stages, costume contests and great side matches. If you would like to be a match or stage sponsor, please notify us ASAP as we are working on the match program. Campers that want power should reserve soon to be allotted a space.

**If you have not signed up yet and plan to shoot the BORR, please send you application to us as soon as possible: April 28 is our target date.** Our Match Application and additional info can be found on our website at [merlinmaraudercowboys.com](http://merlinmaraudercowboys.com). And, of course, **if you'd like to help out**, there is much that needs to be done to set up and help the match run smoothly so feel free to contact any of the club officers and volunteer. We have fun with that too!

**Merlin Marauder Yard Sale:** We would like to extend a **big thank you** to all of the individuals who made this year's yard sale a success. We started Friday's sale with a huge power outage (yikes, no coffee or breakfast at home and no showers to boot!). Fortunately, the JCSA facility was not affected even though it was a blustery day. **A big thanks** to Sweetwater for once again matching our net sales income, and to Daisy for feeding us chili and fixings. Until next year...

## **MARAUDER MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION & 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
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			

### **May Stages:**

Come to the annual Battle of Rogue River, May 19-21

For a rootin', tootin' great time!



## **Dispatches From Our Territorial Governor: Bear Bone Smith**

Howdy pards,

Here are some of the highlights from the SASS Winter Range TG meeting as re-printed by Allie Mo, SASS # 25217:

- The ladies equivalent to the Grand Patron category has been officially renamed by SASS to “La Patrona”, effective immediately.
- The Cimarron/Uberty “Rooster Shooter” RS419 single action revolver with factory grips is considered a historical firearm production grip as used by a TV Western figure. The grooves on the grips of this firearm are not even remotely “grip enhancing” and are therefore considered SASS legal as approved by the SASS ROC – they are a historical embellishment. These particular production grips are only allowed for this particular firearm. Grip enhancements are still not allowed.
- Enforceability of rules continues to be a SASS/CAS wide problem. Match Directors, Range Masters, and Posse Marshals need to enforce established SASS rules to maintain a fair and level playing field.
- Misty Moonshine (SASS CEO) is going to work on consolidating the SASS Shooter Handbook and RO I & RO II Course materials into ONE BOOK. The TG’s in attendance gave their full support and were much relieved she has volunteered to do this. Misty also is going to start sending monthly emails to all recognized TG’s in order to facilitate another communication channel to TG’s. The ROC will also add a monthly article included in the same email that relates to some current or hot topic pertaining to CAS rules and issues for discussion.

Well, cowpokes, that’s all I have for now. Shoot safe and Happy Trails.

**Happy Trails!**

**Bear Bone Smith, SASS Reg. 10719, Merlin Marauder T.G.**

# MERLIN MARAUDER MATCH RESULTS

## The March 4, 2017 Match

Rank	Alias	Category	OA Time	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Stage 4	Stage 5
1	Butch Brass	Gunfighter	166.05	33.01	35.13	41.08	26.21	23.62
2	Kidd Krystin	Senior Gunfighter	167.25	33.35	29.83	38.22	36.56	29.29
3	Britt Ponsatt	Senior Gunfighter	180.72	37.75	34.73	46.40	35.12	26.72
4	32 Bit Bill	Silver Senior	199.76	32.65	35.27	42.76	55.86	33.24
5	New Hope Kid	Forty-Niner	214.77	44.77	36.31	47.26	64.95	31.48
6	Cimarron River Deacon	Forty-Niner	250.75	45.55	36.62	50.45	64.76	53.37
7	A Little Two Wild	Lady Young Gun	258.99	44.96	66.97	45.98	55.36	45.42
8	Boone Walker	Traditional	320.13	78.78	67.77	62.18	70.73	40.67
9	Ima Loden	Lady Forty-Niner	364.81	68.40	57.92	120.62	62.23	55.64
10	Captain BS	Traditional	368.84	106.70	97.76	65.50	59.05	39.83
11	Idaho Annie Rose	Lady Senior	392.84	78.68	81.33	89.92	80.32	62.59
12	Miz Morgan	Buckaroo	581.27	146.42	0.00	183.84	148.74	102.17
13	Long Henry Thompson	Senior Duelist	2,157.26	44.33	54.18	58.77	999.99	999.99
14	Travis Allen	Young Gun	2,334.86	146.99	126.25	81.46	999.99	999.99

## The March 4, 2017 Match

Rank	Alias	Category	OA Time	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Stage 4	Stage 5
1	Royal Flush	Senior	110.20	28.02	24.89	16.85	21.99	18.35
2	Bloody Bill Anderson	Veteran	140.66	27.49	30.68	30.95	25.17	26.37
3	Butch Brass	Gunfighter	193.84	33.95	32.95	29.36	60.61	36.97
4	Kidd Krystin	Senior Gunfighter	204.57	37.70	36.52	38.86	51.82	39.67
5	Johnny Dingus	Senior Gunfighter	208.68	40.92	38.93	41.59	42.33	44.81
6	Wichita Belle	Lady Silver Senior	209.95	44.92	36.46	33.77	45.44	49.36
7	32 Bit Bill	Silver Senior	210.97	36.25	43.10	24.24	48.90	58.49
8	Cimarron River Deacon	Forty-Niner	232.17	47.88	47.13	38.55	50.77	48.04
9	New Hope Kid	Forty-Niner	235.35	48.70	38.59	36.36	55.98	58.72
10	Imaha Chuck	Merlin Cowboy	287.50	46.73	59.20	64.29	72.45	54.93
11	Barbarosa Mike	Classic Cowboy	287.77	61.77	55.27	55.36	58.17	57.20
12	Gadsden	Double Duelist	295.81	83.21	53.27	61.38	52.19	55.76
13	Idaho Annie Rose	Lady Senior	299.57	65.77	48.91	59.96	66.03	58.00
14	Cool Duckie Fish	Buckaroo	361.09	78.32	89.93	58.49	67.81	66.54
15	Rogue Rascal	Cattle Baron	382.54	69.69	107.20	52.18	76.65	76.82
16	Ima Loden	Lady Forty-Niner	438.12	62.91	115.26	83.80	76.06	90.23
17	Rascal Lady	Lady Forty-Niner	800.13	207.83	154.03	160.80	141.77	135.70
18	Maly o'Dam	Grand Dame	2,390.23	70.25	160.00	160.00	999.99	999.99
19	Long Henry Thompson	Double Duelist	3,096.58	47.70	48.91	999.99	999.99	999.99