



MERLIN MARAUDERS Cowboy Gazette

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The Prez Sez!

Howdy Everybody!

Just want to say happy Veterans Day to all our vets and their families! Thank you for your service. Also want to wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving! I hope you all have a great holiday!

We had a great shoot on Saturday. We have a few new members. They don't have aliases yet, but they are working on them. Twitchy Fingers and Jackpot Jude joined our club also. Welcome to all of you. Jackpot Jude received her 1911 rig that Butch Brass had donated to the annual shoot. He did a beautiful job! Thank you Butch!

Merlin Maverick is out of the hospital and doing great!

Don't forget about the Christmas party on the 9th of Dec. At 6. Bring a steal a gift if you want to play along. We are also doing gifts for the foster kids again. So if you would like to bring a gift, please don't wrap it.

See you all in December!

Hugs!

— *Your Prez, Bobbin' Along Daisy*

NEXT GENERAL MEETING: Monday, January 1st, 2018 @ 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)

NEXT MONTHLY MATCH: Saturday, December 2nd, 2017.
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.

December 2nd Writers of Stage(s):

Stages #1, 2 - at Bay #1: Bear Bone Smith Stage #3 - at Bay
#2: Sweetwater Jack
Stages #4, 5 at Bay #3: New Hop Kid

MOLLY'S NEWS UPDATES

Membership: Our Merlin Marauder membership stands at 56. Dues are \$25 for an individual membership, and \$35 for a family. New members include Long Rider Mike, Jackpot Jude and Twitchy Finger, Ron and Judy Shade and Mike Hackett. Welcome aboard! We wish everyone a HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

November Match: 17 shooters attended the November 6th monthly shoot. We had 3 new shooters.

2018 Match Update: Mark your calendars: The 2018 Annual Match will be our 13th and it is scheduled for May 18th, 19th, and 20th, 2018. Our theme will be "The Best From The Blasts from the Past" which will feature our best stages from past matches. Lots of fun things are planned so hope you can join us! Sweetwater Jack is donating a "1936 German Luger Pistol" (9 mm) to be raffled off at the match. Tickets will be \$10 each. This is a collector's item and one lucky winner will get a piece of history. Thank you Sweetwater for your generosity. The match application will be shown on our website starting in early December. *Stay tuned for info on another GREAT BATTLE OF ROGUE RIVER!*

Bylaws: The Bylaws were reviewed again at the November MM meeting, and the revision/expansion was made to the Match Director's description. The Bylaws revision (revision G) was adopted at the November Meeting.

Merlin Marauder Christmas Party: Our Christmas Party is scheduled for December 9th at the Black Forest Restaurant at 6 p.m. The cost for dinner will be \$20 plus a \$5 tip. Come join everyone at 5:30 - we will eat at 6 p.m. The food is always plentiful and GOOD and the company is outstanding. We will take toy donations for the foster kids program (unwrapped) and we plan to have our usual "Steal a Gift" (wrapped please).

Nominating Committee: President Daisy took additional nominations from the floor. Current seats to be filled are Vice President, Treasurer, and two Directors. All Incumbents for the current vacancies were rerunning and declared duly elected as no additional nominations were made. Officers will be installed at the January 2018 MM meeting. Congratulations everyone.

RO I Class: Bear Bone is planning to give an RO I course. If you are interested, contact him and he will give you all of the specifics.

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			



Dispatches From Our Territorial Governor: Bear Bone Smith

Howdy Pards,

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Most of you know by now that SASS has revamped the SASS Shooters Handbook which has been posted on the SASS website. On 11-15-17 Misty Moonshine sent notice that several corrections have been made since the new version of the Handbook was posted. In addition, the revised RO I course materials have been brought more in line with the Shooters Handbook. I would strongly encourage all SASS members review not only the new Handbook version, but also the revised RO I course materials---especially if you are planning on attending an RO I course. Now that the dust has settled in regards to the revised SASS rules and course materials, I should be able to schedule an RO I course in December depending on when I can reserve the JCSA classroom. For those who have already expressed a desire to take the RO I course, I will be contacting you as to the date, time and location of the class.

Just for clarification, the new updated version of the SASS Shooters Handbook contains sections and appendices that were moved from the RO I course materials in order to have a single document covering the primary rules, regulations and conventions promulgated by SASS. The new SASS Shooters Handbook is intended to be a supplemental reference to both the RO I and RO II courses. SASS members taking either one of the RO courses must be committed to know and understand the most recent version of the SASS Shooters Handbook.

Per Merlin Marauder Range Directive #6, shooters participating in Merlin Marauder shooting events must be at least SASS RO I certified in order to perform the duties of Chief Range Officer or Timer-operator at Merlin Marauder matches. Time and experience in cowboy action shooting alone is not enough. One must be familiar with SASS rules, procedures and safety policies.

Please contact me by phone or email if you wish to be included in the upcoming SASS RO I course. Contact information:

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Well, that about does it pards. Until next time, hope all you cowboys and cowgirls have a terrific Thanksgiving.

Bear Bone Smith – Merlin Marauder TG

Happy Trails!

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

OCTOBER AND NOVEMBER MATCH RESULTS ON FOLLOWING PAGES

Merlin Marauders

Match Scores: October 7, 2017

Rank	Alias	Category	Overall		Stage 1		Stage 2		Stage 3		Stage 4		Stage 5	
			Time	Miss	Time	Rank	Time	Rank	Time	Rank	Time	Rank	Time	Rank
1	Sandy Charm	Lady Wrangler	158.63	4	31.30	1	28.53	1	41.74	4	23.98	1	33.08	1
2	Nick L. Ante	Gunfighter	162.70	1	31.55	2	33.00	3	29.47	1	29.12	2	39.56	4
3	Bear Bone Smith	Elder Statesman	170.46	2	31.64	3	31.74	2	39.31	2	34.28	3	33.49	2
4	Bifter Jones	Wrangler	198.91	4	35.00	4	33.33	4	45.79	5	50.57	8	34.22	3
5	New Hope Kid	Forty-Niner	216.73	7	35.84	5	40.87	6	57.42	9	35.70	4	46.90	8
6	Kidd Krystin	Senior Gunfighter	220.05	3	36.32	6	38.14	5	41.60	3	61.07	10	42.92	5
7	Purgatory Smith	Wild Bunch Modern	227.84	2	44.46	7	46.40	7	50.31	6	40.64	5	46.03	6
8	Long Rider Mike	Silver Senior	296.19	4	78.03	12	66.10	11	59.57	10	46.05	6	46.44	7
9	Cimarron River Deaso	Wild Bunch Modern	307.78	4	66.77	8	52.92	8	53.29	7	49.15	7	85.65	11
10	Cool Duckie Fish	Buckaroo	320.42	7	75.48	11	59.39	9	63.53	11	57.41	9	64.61	9
11	Trencherous Jack	Wild Bunch Traditional	355.43	6	72.87	10	63.87	10	54.27	8	78.29	12	86.13	12
12	Twilight Kane	Lady Young Gun	370.46	9	67.47	9	85.62	12	78.40	12	74.20	11	64.77	10
13	Barbarosa Mike	Wild Bunch Traditional	513.55	7	106.61	13	112.09	13	96.51	15	94.64	14	103.70	14
14	Red Fred	Wrangler	551.60	15	119.93	15	137.70	14	89.77	14	111.93	15	92.27	13
15	Paso Spence	Wrangler	2,285.77	5	110.15	14	999.99	15	87.98	13	87.66	13	999.99	15

Match Scores: November 4, 2017

Rank	Alias	Category	Overall		Stage 1		Stage 2		Stage 3		Stage 4		Stage 5	
			Time	Miss	Time	Rank	Time	Rank	Time	Rank	Time	Rank	Time	Rank
1	Royal Flush	Senior	114.30	1	20.31	1	27.65	1	24.06	1	20.86	1	21.42	1
2	Bear Bone Smith	Elder Statesman	197.15	7	31.61	2	33.93	2	31.43	2	62.32	11	37.86	3
3	Virgil Vander Veen	Wrangler	212.12	0	50.32	6	43.19	5	39.60	5	42.48	3	36.53	2
4	Butch Brass	Gunfighter	219.87	4	39.54	4	49.97	8	39.34	4	38.26	2	52.76	7
5	Kidd Krysun	Senior Gunfighter	241.06	1	38.80	3	39.39	3	44.50	6	66.93	12	51.44	6
6	Mountain Grizz	Senior Duelist	278.83	7	62.24	10	50.51	9	47.79	7	55.68	8	62.61	11
7	The Telemark Kid	Forty-Niner	282.77	11	68.73	12	40.29	4	65.06	13	50.35	7	58.34	10
8	Idaho Annie Rose	Lady Senior	284.90	6	48.36	5	44.56	6	54.59	9	58.98	10	78.41	14
9	Twichy Finger	Cowboy	285.50	17	53.74	8	94.53	16	49.06	8	43.08	4	45.09	4
10	Captain Eight \$	Cowboy	293.96	7	72.69	15	58.44	10	57.40	10	49.25	5	56.18	8
11	New Hope Kid	Forty-Niner	309.96	13	72.22	14	47.04	7	66.25	14	50.30	6	74.15	13
12	32 Bit Bill	Silver Senior	320.77	14	52.73	7	92.58	15	34.15	3	95.61	15	45.70	5
13	Jackpot Jude	Lady Gunfighter	324.03	6	66.88	11	61.62	11	64.67	12	72.80	13	58.06	9
14	Lucky Rick O'Shay	Cattle Baron	349.00	6	61.39	9	62.63	12	60.27	11	73.06	14	91.65	16
15	Charles Whit	Wrangler	353.41	6	70.63	13	64.89	13	73.35	15	55.84	9	88.70	15
16	Barbarosa Mike	Elder Statesman	428.52	18	93.33	16	70.39	14	88.56	17	104.06	16	72.18	12
17	Amy Loo	Lady Wrangler	611.04	48	127.20	17	160.00	17	75.29	16	118.47	17	130.08	17