



# MERLIN MARAUDERS Cowboy Gazette

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## The Prez Sez!

Howdy Everybody!

Just wanted everyone to know we changed next months meeting from the 1st to the 8<sup>th</sup> of January. I hope I see you all there!

A big thank you to New Hope for jumping in and helping out with the monthly match! Thank you to all the rest of you that helped this month also!

Our Christmas party was wonderful! The food was great as always! Thanks to the Black Forest Restaurant!

I hope you all have a very Merry Christmas and a happy New Year! Hugs to all...

*Hugs!*

*— Your Prez, Bobbin' Along Daisy*

**NEXT GENERAL MEETING: Monday, January 8th, 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, January 6th, 2018.**  
**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.

## January 6th Writers of Stage(s):

Stages #1, 2 - at Bay #1: Mountain Grizz    Stage #3 - at Bay #2:  
Twitchy Finger

Stages #4, 5 at Bay #3: Long Henry Thompson

## MOLLY'S NEWS UPDATES

**Membership:** Our Merlin Marauder membership stands at 56. Dues are \$25 for an individual membership, and \$35 for a family. I wish you all Happy Holidays, filled with warmth and compassion, family and friends, laughter and love and a **HAPPY NEW YEAR!**

**December Match:** 7 shooters attended the December 2nd monthly shoot.

**2018 Match Update:** **Mark your calendars:** STARTING WITH OUR JANUARY 8<sup>TH</sup> MEETING, work will begin in earnest for our 13<sup>TH</sup> 2018 Battle of Rogue River, scheduled for May 18<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, and 20<sup>th</sup>. 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 mid December. ***Stay tuned for info on another GREAT BATTLE OF ROGUE RIVER!***

**January 2018 Merlin Marauder Meeting:** Please note that our January 2018 Monthly Meeting has been rescheduled for January 8<sup>th</sup> as the original meeting was set for the 1<sup>st</sup> of January (a day of football games and relaxing). New officers will be installed - Merlin Maverick Vice President, Ima Loden Treasurer, Imnaha Chuck Director, and Queen of Clubs Director - congratulations to all!

**2018 Yard Sale:** Discussion will take place at our January Monthly Meeting to determine if we want to hold our usual Annual Yard Sale. This has been a great money maker for our club in the past and helps support our club as well as our sponsored 4H group. Plan to attend the meeting to give your input.

**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**

<b><u>MEMBERSHIP</u></b>		<b><u>SHOOTING FEES</u></b>	
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 Pard,

Not much happening on the SASS T.G. Wire what with all the Christmas holiday affairs and family gatherings. So, this month's column will be brief.

I received a shipment of the new updated SASS RO I handbooks and the RO Instructors book which will be used in the upcoming RO I class. The class was originally planned for December but was postponed while I awaited copies of the new RO I books and recovered from a nasty cold bug that lasted 3 weeks. Hopefully, I will be able to reserve the JCSA classroom in January and then notify those who have expressed interest in attending the class. Those of you who wish to attend the class and have not yet contacted me need to do so asap. I will be posting notification of the date and time the class will be held. Those who have already signed up will be contacted when the class date is known.

Well, that's all I have for this month. Hope all you buckeroos have a very merry Christmas and Happy New Years. Your pard, **Bear Bone Smith**, SASS Reg. 10719, Merlin Marauder T.G.

### December 2, 2017 Monthly Match

Rank	Alias	Category	OA Time	Miss	Stage1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Stage 4	Stage 5
1	Kidd Krystin	Sr. Gunfighter	205.64	3	32.55	33.07	55.33	44.77	39.92
2	Hatchett Creek Kid	Wrangler	218.60	1	36.93	44.30	42.89	45.35	49.13
3	Smokin' Joe Kidd	Wrangler	275.16	3	62.20	49.43	57.83	55.97	49.73
4	New Hope Kid	Forty-Niner	277.01	14	106.43	43.34	37.42	44.23	45.59
5	The Telemark Kid	Forty-Niner	293.03	14	52.67	58.82	79.95	36.93	64.66
6	Renegade Ron	Sr. Duelist	435.66	11	142.03	0.00	103.30	97.31	93.02
7	Never Miss Morgan	Buckaroo	574.46	6	130.31	93.99	104.68	109.03	136.45
	No Clean Matches								

**HOPE YOU WERE ALL GOOD BOYS AND GIRLS!!**

