



# MERLIN MARAUDERS Cowboy Gazette

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## The Prez Sez!

Howdy, All!

First, I would like to say once again highlight that we put on a fantastic annual match! The weather was almost perfect and everyone had a great time!

I want to thank all our worker bees! Without each and every one of you doing YOUR part this match wouldn't have happened! So thank you with all my heart, for working your hearts out!

See you all next month! Have a great 4th of July!

*Hugs!*

— *Your Prez, Bobbin' Along Daisy*

**NEXT GENERAL MEETING: Monday, July 2<sup>nd</sup> @ 6:00 PM**  
At the Black Bear Restaurant at 1900 NW 6<sup>th</sup> Street.  
Come early for dinner! (5:00 PM or so)

**NEXT MONTHLY MATCH: Saturday, July 7<sup>th</sup>.**  
**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.



## July 7<sup>th</sup> Writers of the Purple Stage(s):

Stages #1, 2 - at Bay #1: New Hope Kid

Stages #3, 4, 5 - at Bay #2: Long Henry Thompson

## MOLLY'S NEWS UPDATES!

**Membership:** Our membership stands at 60. We would like to extend a special welcome to our newest member – Devin Boone with an alias of Boone Docker. Welcome aboard. Membership dues are \$35 for a Family and \$25 for single memberships. Want to join? Send your payment to our Merlin Marauder P.O. Box – Box 202, Grants Pass, OR 97528. We always welcome new members. We meet the first Monday of the month at the Black Bear Diner. The meeting starts at 6:00 p.m.

We have two of our cowboys still on the mend. Both Bear Bone Smith and Imnaha Chuck had back surgery and are recuperating. It was good to be able visit with them both at the Annual Match. Give them a call to cheer them up.

**2018 Battle of Rogue River Recap** Our Lucky 13th 2018 Battle of Rogue River is now history. We would like to extend our sincere thanks to all of you who worked so hard to make our match a success. It takes a lot of people to put on an annual and every effort is much appreciated. As always, it was fun to visit with old friends and catch up on the latest cowboy news.

Special kudos are in order for this year's **Ranger Awards**, awarded to **Jackpot Jude, Twitchy Finger, and Boone Walker**. This year's **Regulator Award** was given to **Imnaha Chuck**. **Special President's Awards** were presented to **New Hope Kid** and **Mountain Grizz**. The **Spirit of the Game Award** went to **Merlin Maverick**. All of these recipients were recognized for special efforts and are to be congratulated.

Congratulations to Arctic Annie and Fast Enuff for top Man and Lady, and both also won the top 8 shootoff in their category. Good shooting...wish I could be that fast.

The special shooter prize/rifle was won by Britt Ponsett, and the Luger pistol went to Merlin Maverick. **(Thank you, Sweetwater, for your contributions.)** We also caught Sweetwater by surprise by informing him that this year's Annual Match was dedicated to him. For once he was speechless. Much deserved congratulations.

Last but not least, **we wish to thank all of you** – the shooters who participated. Without you we would not have an annual match.

**SPECIAL NOTICE:** We will be evaluating our Annual Match next year. For example, we will ask, among other things, "Do we have enough member volunteers, enough additional non-member workers, and enough stamina to make it work?" Plan to join us at our monthly meeting at the Black Bear Diner on July 2<sup>nd</sup>. We welcome your input.

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## **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 for Our Territorial Governor" will return next month.** —

**Answers to April's Teaser:** See how well you did with *The Lucky 13<sup>th</sup> Battle of Rogue River* from our previous newsletter. Hope you scored a clean match!

**1 - 2011: A Tribute to TV Westerns — The Roy Rogers Show**

Trigger was known “The Smartest Horse in the West,” Bullet was labeled “The Wonder Dog,” and “Nellybelle” (yes, spelled with a “y” and no space) was Pat Brady’s jeep (BTW: his horse was Phineas).

What was Buttermilk?

- a.) A Buckskin gelding   b.) Dale’s horse   c.) Originally was named Taffy and then Soda  
d.) Was faster off the blocks than Trigger   e.) All of the these

**2 - 2012: A Salute to Oregon History — Merlin’s Battle for Temperance**

Merlin was named after what specific type of falcon found in the area?

- a.) Aplomado   b.) Pigeon Hawk   c.) Peregrine   d.) Prairie   e.) Red Tail

**3 - 2013: Outlaws, Bandits, & Belles — Lady Gambler Extraordinaire: Lottie Deno, 1874**

Lottie was born Carlotta J. Thompkins but was also known as Laura Denbo, Faro Nell, and Charlotte Thurmond until one night after the last hand of the last game had been won by her, a drunk cowboy yelled,

“Honey, with winnings like them, you oughter call yourself Lotta Dinero!”

What TV character is said to have been based on her?

- a.) Victoria Barkley (*The Big Valley*)   b.) Lily Merrill (*Lawman*)   c.) Michaela Quinn (*Dr. Quinn, Medicine Woman*)  
d.) Lou Mallory (*The Rifleman*)   e.) Kitty Russell (*Gunsmoke*)

**4 - 2015: Great Western Film Shootouts — Open Range: The Harmonville Battle**

At the end of the film, what epithet does Charley call Boss

after Sue reveals she knows Postelwaite is his (Charley’s) full last name?

- a.) Bluebonnet   b.) Mose Mouth   c.) Button Mouth   d.) Bucket Mouth   e.) Trap Door

**5 - 2016: The Great Western Legends of Louis L’Amour & Zane Grey**

*TRIMMIN’ OFF THE EDGES* edited from *THE SACKETT BRAND* by Louis L’Amour

Sam Elliott, Tom Selleck, and Jeff Osterhage had such a good time doing *The Sacketts* together, they reunited in another TV movie in 1982 based on what other Louis L’Amour story?

- a.) *The Daybreaker*   b.) *Ride the Rive*   c.) *The Shadow Riders*   d.) *The Warrior’s Path*   e.) *War Party*

**6 - 2017: Western Comedies — Maverick: The Last Hand**

The Lauren Belle (on which the climactic poker hand was played) was actually the last remaining sternwheeler tugboat in the US, decorated to alter its appearance (including two fake chimneys) to resemble

a paddle steamboat. What is the craft’s real name?

- a.) The Portland   b.) The Mississippi   c.) The New Orleans   d.) The Cambria   e.) The Col. Morgan

# MERLIN MARAUDER MATCH RESULTS

May 5, 2018

Rank	Alias	Category	DA Time	Total Misses	Net Stage 1	Miss Stage 1	Net Stage 2	Miss Stage 2	Net Stage 3	Miss Stage 3	Net Stage 4	Miss Stage 4	Net Stage 5	Miss Stage 5
1	R Verdog	Senior Gunfighter	152.66	0.00	25.96	0	26.95	0	26.36	0	33.55	0	39.84	0
2	Hatchett Creek Kid	Wrangler	226.38	0.00	40.02	0	47.18	0	42.98	0	46.40	0	49.80	0
3	Kidd Kyslin	Senior Gunfighter	246.11	4.00	34.87	0	46.31	0	54.99	0	57.70	4	52.24	0
4	Smokin' Joe Kidd	Wrangler	247.48	3.00	62.24	0	40.83	0	47.32	1	42.42	0	54.95	2
5	New Hope Kid	Forty-Niner	256.38	10.00	29.10	0	52.95	3	52.66	2	54.74	3	68.93	2
6	Britt Ponsett	Senior Gunfighter	263.13	7.00	53.74	2	44.84	1	39.61	0	55.64	2	69.30	2
7	Long Rider Mike	Silver Senior	263.63	0.00	53.65	0	56.91	0	53.86	0	46.94	0	62.18	0
8	32 Bit Bill	Silver Senior	265.61	15.00	30.31	0	51.88	1	32.40	0	88.33	10	62.69	2
9	Mountain Grizz	Silver Senior Duelist	311.27	3.00	59.68	0	47.96	0	52.98	0	66.72	1	83.94	3
10	Barbarosa Mike	Cattle Baron	322.16	4.00	54.04	1	66.68	0	80.23	1	66.98	1	74.24	1
11	Idaho Anna Rose	Lady Senior	329.97	14.00	45.59	1	47.24	1	47.09	0	98.53	7	91.22	5
12	Rogue Rascal	Cattle Baron	383.57	1.00	69.37	0	72.27	0	76.51	0	61.15	0	84.57	1
13	Line Century	Elder Statesman	394.03	19.00	66.50	3	69.43	3	76.90	5	75.34	3	105.86	5
14	Rascal Lady	Lady Forty-Niner	741.58	20.00	171.81	4	136.03	2	142.58	6	148.32	3	142.84	5

June 2, 2018

Rank	Alias	Category	DA Time	Total Misses	Net Stage 1	Miss Stage 1	Net Stage 2	Miss Stage 2	Net Stage 3	Miss Stage 3	Net Stage 4	Miss Stage 4	Net Stage 5	Miss Stage 5
1	Royal Flush	Senior	89.25	0.00	17.82	0	19.34	0	11.77	0	19.36	0	21.14	0
2	32 Bit Bill	Silver Senior	170.22	2.00	26.61	0	25.43	0	35.43	0	47.71	1	31.99	1
3	Britt Ponsett	Senior Gunfighter	173.08	3.00	33.60	0	44.21	2	26.03	0	44.60	1	29.64	0
4	New Hope Kid	Forty-Niner	195.47	6.00	42.22	2	29.36	0	54.00	3	36.46	0	34.39	1
5	Kidd Kyslin	Senior Gunfighter	220.63	7.00	46.03	2	34.40	0	35.72	2	49.62	1	52.86	2
6	Idaho Anna Rose	Silver Senior	247.48	29.00	42.67	0	39.05	0	160.00	26	60.67	1	45.09	2
7	Barbarosa Mike	Senior Frontiersman	393.69	13.00	56.29	0	106.89	5	65.53	2	66.00	1	97.98	1
8	Charlie Dick	Senior	438.48	10.00	132.87	1	104.11	3	62.86	2	60.96	1	77.66	3

The Lucky 13<sup>th</sup> Annual BoRR Match Scores are posted on our website.