



MERLIN MARAUDERS Cowboy Gazette

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The Prez Sez!

Howdy you all,

Thank you all for doing such a fine job of making the club run smoothly! We have some changes going on this next year, so read the newsletter all the way through to hear all about it!

We will continue to have our meetings on the first Monday of the month, at Pour Authority, until the Black Forest diner is finished and reopened (hopefully, soon).

Wishing you all a very happy and healthy month!!

Hugs!

— Your Prez, Bobbin' Along Daisy

NEXT GENERAL MEETING:

Monday, October 7th, 2019 @ 6:00 PM

OR Pour Authority (208 NW 6th Street/Corner of 7th & H Streets)

Turn to the next page for directions.

This is the correct address; our apologies for last issue's error.

NEXT MONTHLY MATCH: October 5, 2019

Setup on Match day mornings - 8:30 AM

Sign-in - 9:00 to 9:30; Safety Mtg. - 9:30; First shot - 10:00

Take I-5 to exit 61 and North on frontage road to
Josephine County Sportsman's Park.



October 5 (Sat) & 20 (Sun), 2019 Stage Writers:

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

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

MOLLY'S NEWS UPDATES! - September 2019

Membership: As always, we welcome new members. Membership dues are \$35 for a Family and \$25 for single memberships. Want to join? Send your payment to our Merlin Marauders P.O. Box: P.O. Box 202; Grants Pass, OR 97528. Join us at JCSA **the first Saturday of any month and the third Sunday** for our monthly matches. We'll even let you try it. Our monthly meeting is held on the first Monday of the month.

A Big Get Well to **Mountain Grizz** who had back surgery. He is doing pretty well and has started physical therapy. Yea, Grizz!

Our October monthly meeting is back to the first Monday of the month. We will once again meet at the **OR Pour Authority** (208 NW 6th Street/Corner of 7th and H Streets). **NOTE THESE DIRECTIONS** as there was some confusion for several of our members as to the exact location of the meeting place, as the phone book lists it as 208 NW 6th Street. I know it is confusing, but go north on 7th. Stay in the left lane and turn right at the Corner of 7th and H. Our sincerest apologies to our members who could not find the restaurant. Come early if you want to eat. The meeting starts at 6:00 p.m. Hope to see everyone there on October 7th.

2020 Battle of Rogue River CANCELED: Due to numerous circumstances, our 2020 Battle of Rogue River has been canceled. We would like to extend our sincere thanks to all of you who worked so hard to help make our previous matches a success in the past. It takes a lot of people to put on an annual and every effort is much appreciated. We will give it a rest for 2020, and perhaps we will reinstate it in 2021 if we have enough help. We will notify other clubs and also post a notice on our Merlin Marauder Web Site.

SPECIAL NOTICE — Now TWO matches a month: We are happy to announce that we will be submitting our match schedule to JCSA at the September 11 meeting. We have scheduled 2 matches a month for 2020 on the First Saturday and the third Sunday of the month (and plan to also schedule for the balance of 2019 starting in October, November, and December). New Hope Kid feels it also will give us a chance to run Wild Bunch Matches if the interest is there.

Nominations: Bobbin Along Daisy appointed a Nominating Committee at the September meeting. The committee consists of Merlin Maverick - Chair, Ima Loden, and Queen of Clubs. Nominations will be open for President, Secretary, and two Directors. Please contact any of the committee members if you wish to run for office. Formal Nominations will follow at the October and November meetings, with a final vote in December.

Mark your Calendars: **OUR 2019 CHRISTMAS PARTY** is scheduled for December 14th at the Black Forest Restaurant.

MARAUDER MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION & MATCH FEES

<u>MEMBERSHIP</u>		<u>SHOOTING FEES</u>	
Individual Membership	\$25	Individual MM Member	\$13
Family* Membership	\$35	Additional MM Family Adults	\$8 each
<i>*Family is defined as all living under one roof</i>		Individual Non-MM Member	\$16
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**”

The good news is that we seem to be re-instated by SASS as an “official” club, and SASS has graciously allowed me to continue as your TG.

The Annual End of Trail Territorial Governors’ Meeting was held in June. Here are a few of the subjects brought up by clubs all over the country:

It was suggested that it would be a good idea to define “DNF” (Did Not Fire) as a stage started, but did not finish and thus create a penalty of “DNS” (Did Not Start) when a shooter did not START a stage for some reason (sickness, early departure, etc.).

This has been a confusing penalty to apply for some Range Officers (R.O.’s) and has been applied incorrectly at matches. THE WILD BUNCH AND THE RANGE OPERATIONS COMMITTEE (ROC) RECOMMEND LEAVING IT AS IS, BUT CAN OFFER CLARITY ON THE APPLICATION.

As examples, if a shooter starts a stage, but can’t finish it (say, because they forgot to load their rifle), they would not receive a DNF — but only 5 second penalty for each of the 10 unfired rifle shots (in essence, 10 misses). If a shooter forgets to wear a shotgun belt, the same logic applies: 5 seconds for each of the unfired rounds as each is considered a miss.

HOWEVER, if a shooter chooses not to start the stage, or to not finish the stage, but the person is CAPABLE of starting or finishing the stage, then a DNF will be assigned. Also, if a shooter misses a stage time (late to the stage or arriving late at the range for whatever reason) and can’t make up the stage within the rules set by the match officials or match policy, then a DNF will be assigned. In essence, if a shooter simply chooses to quit mid-stage — on his or her account, say, because of a Procedural (P), multiple misses, and/or weapon malfunctions, then a DNF would be assigned.

Also, please be reminded that failure to bring enough ammunition to the line to complete a stage is scored the same as misses for any unfired rounds. *Shooter’s Handbook (SHB)*, pg. 28.

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No September 2019 Monthly Match Score
However, as Announced: Two Monthly Matches in October!
See Ya There!