

Battle Born Rangers Newsletter

Reno, NV

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From our club president -Bordello Fellow

Still on vacation!!



Next Months Matches

Oct 4th Saturday Cowboy

Oct 11th BBR Wild Bunch

Oct 12th BBR Cowboy

To be announced - Long Range

Oct 19th SSS Cowboy at the Gulch

From your Wild Bunch and Cowboy Coordinator -
Flanigan Flats



**Ali and Flanigan are still on a
well deserved vacation!!!**

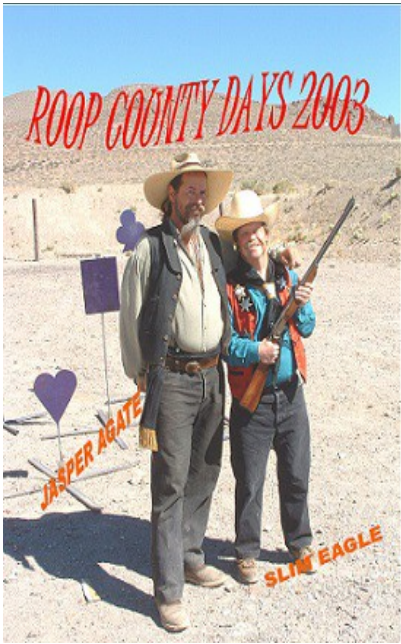
From your Secretary – Jasper Agate

Howdy all,

I'm going to be a little short this month on text for this newsletter.

Rough Rider Rich has stepped up for our first Saturday match and he will need our help to make his first match successful!

The stages are written and he plans on being at the conex's at 3:00pm on this Friday Oct 3rd for set up with the match on Saturday Oct 4th. The Shooters meeting will be at 9:00 am. Please try to arrive early to help with finishing the set up.



We don't have any stage writers for our Oct Wild Bunch & Cowboy match.

Once more your help doing the things that are required to put on a match is needed.

If you have any ideas please let me know this week so we can coordinate the two matches.

I witnessed a couple of safety issues that we need to address. Please watch your gun handling off the line. We all do it to some degree just be mindful of your muzzles. If its more than a quick wipe down or light oiling we should be heading to the side of the berms or the designated safe area they have set up between the berms. One of the other issues I saw was a shooter who covers their guns in the gun cart forget to open

the actions while heading to the loading table. When brought to your attention try not to look annoyed instead thank the person who reminded you and cheerfully cooperate. We are in a new environment, which we are not in control of and it would be a shame to have someone from the Nevada Firearms academy come by and point out safety issues to us.

That's all for this month and I hope to see you on the range,

Jasper

From your TG and Wild Bunch & Cowboy RO Trainer



RO Training

It is my opinion that the true value of the courses is the participants. The material has value, especially if you have never taken any SASS courses. The greatest value is the

discussions between the students. Even if you have taken the courses in the past, I would hope you would participate in the next offerings, probably May 2026. Especially the experienced members. You, the experienced shooters, have tremendous value in your experiences. I would also suggest you might refresh your knowledge base. Please make an attempt to attend.

COWBOY & Wild Bunch Issues

Land Run, the SASS National Championship, will have a WBAS TG meeting 6PM Central on Sunday October 5. In the past these meeting have been made available to TG's via ZOOM. A month ago I posted on the WBAS TG-only forum asking for an agenda and if there are arrangements for off-site participation. There have been NO replies. This forum is intended to allow TG's to communicate WB issues with the goal to make appropriate changes to WBAS. Only one of the WBAS advisory members has ever posted. At this time, due to no agenda, off-site arrangements and lack of SASS participation of the forum, I am left to assume that SASS places a low value on TG participation. Now, things may change in the next few days. I will keep you informed.

Earlier in the year members who shoot Wild Bunch responded to a survey (see previous newsletters)

1. Current WB categories to stay (or introduce as "Classic" category) with .40 Cal and above rifles with '97 or Model 12 Shotguns?
YES / NO
2. For "Classic" categories the 150 Power Factor for rifles and pistols to be re-instated?
YES / NO
3. An "Open" category/categories to be developed for those who do not wish to shoot in the original or "Classic" categories? These to include all SASS sanctioned firearms plus others to be agreed. Power Factors for "Open" category/categories to be agreed.
YES / NO
4. With the introduction of an "Open" category/categories, delete overall winners and just have category winners?
YES / NO
5. Increase age-based categories: Open or Classic age category, up to 60 years; then Senior from 60 to 70 years; and Super Senior 70+?
YES / NO
6. Should shotgun misses be allowed to made up?
YES / NO
7. Enable "rifle to be last" in WB stage design?
YES / NO

Here is a summary from seven clubs

	# of Surveys	1-ClassicCat?		2-150PF?		3-OpenCat?		4-NoOverall?		5-NewAgeCats?		6-SGMMakeup?		7-RifleLast?	
		Q1 YES	Q1 NO	Q2 YES	Q2 NO	Q3 YES	Q3 NO	Q4 YES	Q4 NO	Q5 YES	Q5 NO	Q6 YES	Q6 NO	Q7 YES	Q7 NO
1 BattleBorneRangers	9	9	0	8	1	7	2	8	1	8	1	1	8	7	2
2 DixieDesperados	10	9	1	10	0	9	1	8	2	8	2	1	9	6	3
3 Rio Grande Renegades	16	15	1	16		11	5	12	4	14	2	10	6	15	1
4 Western Territorial	3	3	0	3	0	3	0	3	0	3	0	1	2	3	0
5 SunRiverRangersShootingSociety	7	7	0	4	3	2	5	2	5	1	6	4	3	2	5
6 NM State Shoot	7	6	1	7	0	5	2	3	4	5	2	2	5	0	0
7 Pampa	3	3	0	3	0	3	0	2	1	2	1	1	2	0	0
Grand Total	55	52	3	51	4	40	15	38	17	41	14	20	35	33	13
Percentages		95%	5%	93%	7%	73%	27%	69%	31%	75%	25%	36%	64%	72%	28%

Another from two clubs

1. 10Y 1N
2. 9Y 2N
3. 8Y 3N
4. 9Y 2N
5. 10Y 1N
6. 8Y 3N

No other clubs have posted any results on SASS forums

WTC (What's the Call)

At the last SSS match several shooters asked me for clarification, what qualifies for a re-shoot?

Shooters Handbook page 21

Reshoots are not awarded for ammunition or firearm malfunctions. However, if there is a range failure (failure of props, timer failure/unrecorded time, or Range Officer interference) beyond the competitor's control, a reshoot may be granted.

- On a reshoot, the competitor starts over clean, carrying only accrued safety penalties forward.
- The Match Director has the authority to override an "RO assisted" MSV penalty for a reshoot.
- Restarts shall be allowed for a competitor to achieve a "clean" start, before the first round goes down range. Multiple restarts by the same shooter, that in the judgment of the TO are seen to be "taking advantage," will not be entertained as they are not in the Spirit of the Game.

Shooters Handbook page 45

Reshoot – score recorded, the competitor starts over clean, carrying accrued safety penalties. Both scores turned in.

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Proper coaching is not considered RO Interference and will never be grounds for a reshoot.

- ✓ Improper coaching that either impedes the shooters progress or results in a procedural penalty may be grounds for a reshoot.
- ✓ Any Procedural penalties are the responsibility of the shooter.
- ✓ A TO who does NOT provide coaching is not responsible for a shooter's procedural penalties.
- ✓ NOT coaching does not waive any procedural penalties.

ROBS Course Slide 142

SASS matches above the club level are "no alibi" matches.

Once the first round goes down range, the competitor is committed to the stage and must finish the stage to the best of his or her ability.

ROBS Course Slide 144

IF there is a range failure *beyond the competitor's control*, a reshoot may be granted.

- ✓ Prop or match equipment failure
 - ✓ An RO impeded the progress of the shooter
- (RO Interference)
- ✓ Timer failure or unrecorded time

Reshoots are not given for ammunition or firearm malfunctions.

ROBS Course Slide 145

An RO stops a shooter from completing a shooting sequence due to a suspected squib load, but the firearm turns out to be clear.

The RO has impeded the progress of the shooter and a reshoot is in order.

The shooter starts over with no misses or penalties (except safeties*).

* The Match Director has the authority to override an RO assisted MSV penalty for a reshoot.

