

Battle Born Rangers Newsletter

Fernley , NV

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Merry Christmas to all



I don't mean to be a grinch however....to those of you who are placing Christmas lights/decorations in your yards, would you please avoid anything that has Red or Blue flashing lights together? Every time I come around the corner, I think it's the police and I have a panic attack. I have to brake hard, toss my glass of Jack Daniel's out the window, fasten my seat belt, throw my phone on the floor, turn my radio down, and push the gun under the seat. All while trying to drive. It's just too much drama, even for Christmas. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.?

IMPORTANT REMINDER

We'll be setting steel at 9:00am with a Wild Bunch & Cowboy matches start time of 10:00 am until after the March matches Long Range will remain with a start time of 9:00 am because of the way the sun affects us in the afternoon.

From our club president -Bordello Fellow



Howdy All,

I would like to wish you and yours a very Merry Christmas. Here's hoping that you get to spend quality time with family and friends, enjoying the holiday season. We all gathered on December 3rd at the Silverland Hotel in Virginia City for our annual Christmas Party. This party was a combined effort by SilverState Shootest and Battle Born rangers. It was quite the shindig !! Cowpokes and Cowgirls were dressed in their best outfits and looking really fine. It seemed to me that everyone had a good time. Melanie (SSS - Social Director) asked for volunteers to make table center pieces for at least 8 tables and a few people stepped up to make them. This was a contest that gave a prize for first place and also one person from each table had a chance to win the center piece at their table. First place came down to two different designs, one by SassySue and the other by Dastardly Doug. Both unique designs, with one a pure Christmas

Theme and the other with duel purpose. A Christmas Theme with a brass bag included in the design. The voting was close and the judges seemed to lean towards Dastardly Doug's design. But in the end, SassySue's design won the hearts of the judges giving her the win. Just a side note, I did ply some of the judges with adult beverages just prior to the voting. Just me being social. It is my understanding that we will be doing this again next December on the 2nd. Now would be a good time to get reservations at the Silverland Hotel.

As mentioned in the last news letter, we went to the City of Fernley to see if we could get a grant for a June shoot. Georgia Blue worked his magic and we were approved for the grant. They awarded us \$3890 in grant funds. This is a little more then we got last year. As a side note, I asked Georgia Blue to put in for \$4500, but am happy with the grant we did get. So I checked with some of the clubs around us to see whats on their calendar and the only ones who seem to be having a June Shoot near us is Old 97 Railroad up in Redmond, Oregon. They are hosting the Oregon State Championship from June 1-4, then the Or. State BP championship on June 5th. They are talking a wild bunch match on June 6 and 7th put on

by Little Italy. After that they are going to do the a Frontiersman match. According to Arctic Annie, they will be done by Saturday June 10th. Now on to RCD 2023. This is a fun group worth shooting with. So it might be something you should put in you calendar. With all that in mind, June 17th will start our annual shoot. I had a conversation with SSS and they would like to put on a one day shoot with lunch in Virginia City on Saturday, June 17th. Then we could either do a BAM match on June 18 & 19 or the black powder match first. Then the other one on June 20 and 21. Thursday June 22 would be side matches leaving June 23 and 24 for RCD/Tom Horn Western Regional Championship. All matches with the exception of the shoot with SSS would be "Big Bore Optional". The stage setup would be one time for all matches with some minor adjustments for each shoot. Should keep steel movement to a minimum. So here are some questions that need to be addressed ASAP. What order for shoots? SSS, BAM, BP, RCD or SSS, BP, BAM, RCD? Or do you have another suggestion? Need Match directors for each shoot or one overall? Do we do a raffle? It is where we make \$\$ to make improvements for the club. What should we charge for each shoot? Do we want to raffle a gun? This all is going to take a combined effort from club members so is there a duty that you would like to volunteer for? If I do not get enough volunteers, I guess I will ask members to step up on a one on one basis. While we are at it, there was a suggestion to have the banquet night be catered instead of us cooking. How do you feel about that? Another suggestion was belt buckles for all the First Place shooters and awards down to 3rd place in all shoots. Does that sound good to you? Because I am somewhat new at this I have to ask, what am I missing? Do you have other suggestion, comments, or concerns. If so please feel free to reach out to me by email, text, or phone call.

Wylie Fox has updated the training schedule and sent out an email on rule changes. Please respond to him so he can adjust schedules and/or vote on the proposed rule changes as per the wishes of the club. Also received an email from Nyack Jack about Arroyo Cantua in April (20-23) 2023. This is at Diamond Dicks Cowboy town. This is another fun shoot and a good way to kick off the shooting season.

Applications are out now. One more item that I need feedback on. Our plate rack on stage three is in need of repair. It is so far gone that the repair will cost almost as much as a new one. I am going to authorize \$3000. in spending for a replacement unless the membership objects. If you do not want us to go forward with this, I need to hear from you before the new year. If I do not hear objections, I will have Flanigan Flats move forward with a purchase. FYI, this target system can be used for all shooting disciplines. Well maybe not big bore??

Again, Merry Christmas to all, and to all.....a good night!!!

Bordello





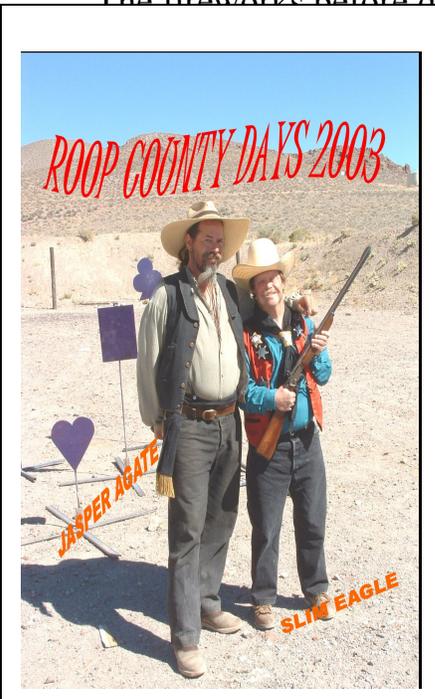
More cool pictures at the of the newsletter

From your Secretary – Jasper Agate

Howdy all,

If you missed the joint club Christmas party, you missed a good one!! We had over 40 people join us and I think all had a great time. The food was really good and the company was even better!! We had a couple of ladies and one gent make all the table decorations. The ladies had a bow hidden under one chair at each table for the lucky person who got the bow had the opportunity to take home the decoration on their table and guess what? I won the centerpiece made by our friend Dastardly Doug!!

The fireworks before dinner were a big hit with the group and soon there after we had a fine great seeing shooters away from the range. I got to hang out with Verdugo whom I haven't seen in quite awhile it turns out he is recovering from surgery and about ready to start shooting again. We had a new member of SSS join us and I had a great time talking to Wheeler Dealer. I hope he gets all his gear together and joins us at a match soon!!



We're trying something new. With the winter weather getting the best of us we are going to start having shooters sign up before the match so we know if we are going to have a full blown match, a practice, or if no one wants to come out a cancellation. This is going to take a little work on our end and I'm sure we will have some growing pains. Please feel free to contact your board if you have any ideas on making th transition easier for both you all and your board. **Update:** It seems to have worked. We had two shooters reply to me about the long-range match and we decided to stay home and bake cookies rather than brave the elements. For the Roop Dec Cowboy match we had 10 folks say they were ready to shoot. As I'm sure you are aware we got a substantial amount of snow on Saturday night and I don't think any of us are venturing too far on Sunday. We'll address this method again for our matches in January.

For long range next year please let 49er Preacher or myself know what kind of matches you would like and we'll see if we can make them happen.

BeeBad and I hope that you have a wonderful and are surrounded by family and loved one and we'll see you in the New Year,

Jasper

From our esteemed Treasurer - Brazos

Merry Christmas all!!



Our Christmas party was the most wonderful time I've had in years! The light snow that fell during the Fireworks show, made the over-all experience so special that it will be imprinted deep in my memory forever. They came fast and went on, and on, and on! My neck got stiff from looking up at it!

The food was great, and seeing so many good friends that I have missed over these last few months, made my heart glad to be there. The weather has not been kind to match attendance lately. Generous contributions to the party donation jar, resulted in \$371 helping to fund the party. The little bear thanks you (*For those of you that didn't make it to the event Brazos and his lovely wife May Day decorated the cutest bear with a jar for donations -Your Editor*). Silver State and BBR split the costs appropriately.

A huge "Thank You!" is owed to Jackpot Jerry and all the Ladies who helped decorate. They made this a beautiful and memorable event.

I hope to see you all again next year! My reservation is already in!!

Your Pard,
Brazos

From our Wild Bunch coordinator – Flanigan Flats

Howdy all, Merry Christmas!! I hope Santa is good to everyone.



We didn't have a match in December and our January match got kicked out to 21 January 2023! I'm sure there will be several reminders of this. I want to stress that if there is anyone out there who wants to give Wild Bunch (WB) a try but doesn't have all the required guns or maybe it's bullets, whatever it is reach out to me and we'll figure out a solution together so you can give it a try!! We want ya 'all to come out and shoot with us!!

I mentioned this last month but it is worth mentioning again! Starting this Spring WB will be big bore optional! Either an appropriate Bolt Action Military (BAM) rifle or a big bore lever or replica there of manufactured before 1899. That's it for now.

Be safe and have a Merry Christmas and Happy New Years.

Flanigan Flats

Please note the change of dates for the month of January

Dec 31st - New Years Eve **No match**

Jan 1st - New Years Day **No Match**

Jan 7th Long-Range - Lever gun?

Jan 8th ROOP Cowboy Match - ???

Jan 15th SSS Cowboy Match

Jan 21st - Wild Bunch match

Jan 22nd - HPD Cowboy Match- Geogria Blue

From our aspiring Black Powder Guru – Fallon Kid

Howdy all,

“With black powder being in focus next year and if you want to go cap-n-ball, a capper is often a point of frustration. I have found a promising capper that works similar to a snail capper. It is a Polish Capper. It works on all the guns I have tried 51 Navy (Pietta), 58 Rem (Pietta & Uberti), Dragoon (Uberti), Walker (Uberti), 60 Army (Uberti). The good things noticed so far: It is solid milled brass construction vice sheet brass. It can work with #10 or #11 cci / RWS 1075 / Remington (that's the only type caps tried) The cap reservoir holds about 80 caps and can be dumped in reservoir and shaken to align in upright position. This is due to slight ridging machined into base. One other feature is this capper is pulled off by pulling capper straight up vice off to side. Additionally, to ensure cap will stay on nipple when pulling off, you first must seat the cap on the nipple by pressing cap down on nipple with capper.

This capper is made and shipped from Poland and ran me about 50 bucks. It actually arrived in about 8 days at my front door via signature delivery service. I bought directly off "Polish Capper" website so cannot verify any other source so caveat emptor.

If you want more info contact Fallon Kid 775-224-1906 or the1906house1@gmail.com

From your Territorial Governor -Wylie Fox Esquire

RO Courses for 2023



Tentative schedule for RO II, RO I refresher, RO I new & WBRO courses.

I have found it to be very successful to split the RO I course into two different days. One day each for refresher and new. The two days will have a different focus and emphasis.

Anyone may take either day.

In general EVERYONE benefits by taking both RO I and RO II courses. Wild Bunch shooters benefits with the addition of the WBRO course. SASS recommends that everyone take refresher courses every two years. Everyone should take the RO I course. Everyone (your posse) benefits when all the shooters

have current RO I training. Taking the course does NOT imply that you will be a TO.

RO II: April 29, 2023 in Fernley. The course has two parts, in class and at our range. You must have participated in SASS for six months. I personally recommend that Cowboys who are regular TO's should be current with the RO II course.

RO I refresher emphasis, May 13 in Fernley or ?: The course is all the classroom.

RO I new emphasis, May 20 in Virginia City ?: The course is all the classroom.

WBRO July 29 in Fernley. Both for new and refresher members.

Please let me know which courses you plan on attending. Specific details will be published at least a month before the course.

The ROC (SASS rules committee) has made some modifications, three.

Here is a thread on the SASS Wire.

<https://forums.sassnet.com/index.php?/topic/341915-new-rule-changes/>

Below are the official notifications from Pale Wolf to the TG's.

Wire ejector spring in place of the flat ejector spring on the left side receiver of the 1897 shotgun.

"Durability. Less prone to breakage and easily tunable."

"Reasonable "field expedient" replacement considering the immediate availability of replacement parts."



"Gun Skins" DIY vinyl wraps approved as firearm and/or stock/grip coating.

"Many of the Gun Skin themes are patriotic and support first responders and the military."

**** NO "CAMO" or "SPORT TEAM/Advertising" LOGOS ALLOWED.**

Faux ivory slip-on front sight.

Basic design previously approved (i.e., Sure Hit brass sight)

Material (faux ivory) and color (white) comply with current SASS allowed sight modifications (REF: SHB p.34)

