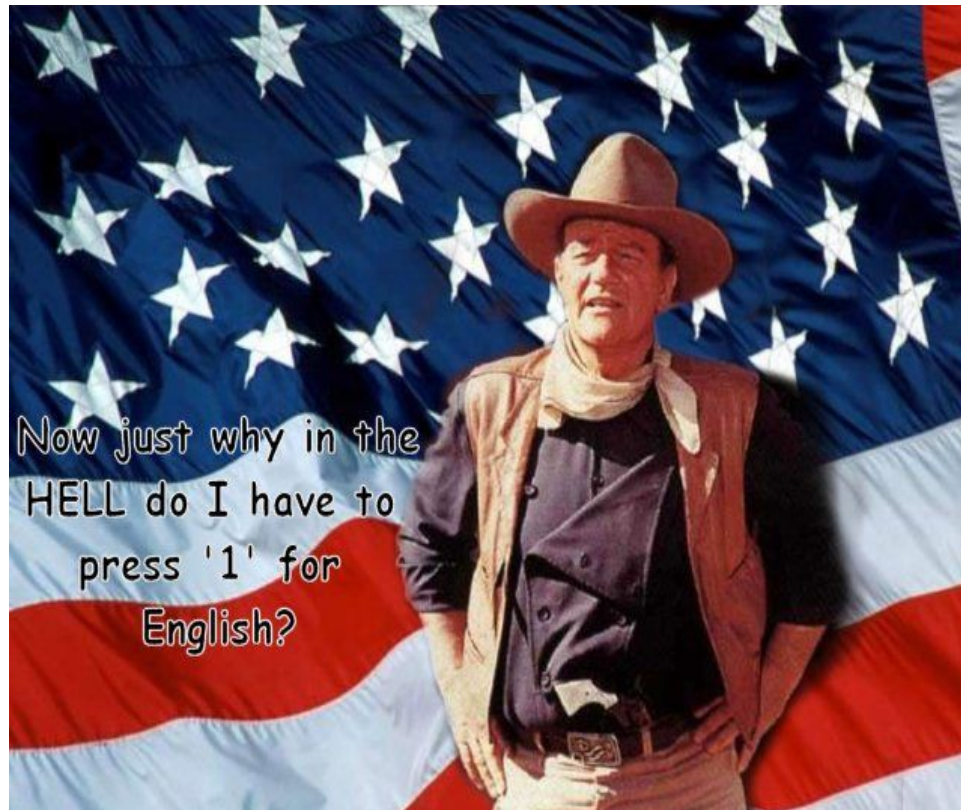


Battle Born Rangers Newsletter

Fernley , NV

May 2023



From our club president -Bordello Fellow



Howdy All,

Sorry for being so late on May's news letter. Some of us took a couple of weeks off to shoot matches out of town. Now that I am back, time to focus on Roop County days

Just three weeks away!!

On Saturday, April 29th Wylie Fox had an RO-2 class. There were 13 club members in attendance. Everyone met at the Fernley library for 3 hours of class review. It was a fast pace class with lots of information flowing from both the instructor and the participants. After class, we all drove out to the range for a pizza lunch and "Hands On" training. There were lots of laughs and lots of learning. After the hands-on training there was a live fire training with stage review. All in all a good day and I always learn something new. If you have never taking a class with Wylie as an instructor, you are missing out on a excellent training experience.

Just a reminder that May is when BBR collects annual dues. If you have not paid your dues, please see Brazos.

Update for Roop county days: We are three weeks away for this match!!

Raffle: We still need donations for the raffle. As one member put it, “Not garage sale junk” but good shooting/cowboy related products. Also wine, knives, and cowboy clothes (in good repair) is good. If you have a talent for making products, please think about donating it to the raffle. In addition we have three free shoots. Nevada State Championship match in Bolder City, Helldorado match in Ukiah, Calif., and 2024 Arroyo Cantua match at Diamond Dick’s Cowboy town. Would like to thank all our pads at Eldorado Cowboys, Helldorado Rangers, and Diamond Dick’s Cowboy’s for their generous donations.

Greeters: I think this is now covered but could use a few members to help out.

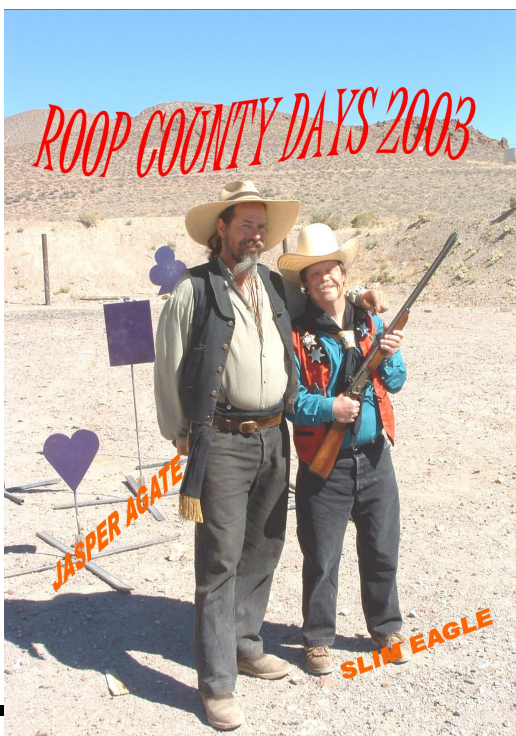
Range Cleanup: June 10 & 11 is scheduled for cleanup and repairs as needed.

Shooters Trophy’s: Just waiting on the vendors to finish up. Have received the metals from SASS for the Black Powder match.

I plan to go out to the range on June 14th so we can set steel starting on June 15th. There is a lot of targets to be set and the more members we have the easier and faster we can get this done.

Also May was the month that annual dues are collected. Remember to update your membership. There will be a HPD “Water” shoot this Sunday. Two cases (24+ bottles) will pay for your shoot. The following week’s shoot has been canceled for range cleanup and prep for the upcoming match. That’s about it for now.

See you at the range,
Bordello



From your Editor -Jasper Agate

Howdy all,

This is going to be short and sweet because I’m late in writing it. We had a Long Range practice on Saturday because of a light turnout. We put out a few pieces of steel at different ranges and shot those. It was an enjoyable day for those of us who came out. I was still nursing a broken finger so I only shot a few rounds out of the rifle I plan on using for the Teddy Roosevelt Wild Bunch match coming up. Even with the reduced load that I was using my finger still “barked” at me!!

We finally got some cowboy shooting in with the weather being fairly mild. We had 20 shooters come out to join us on Mothers day. We had two small posses with a couple of the shooters having to leave early for obvious reasons!! Jackpot Jerry had some rehashed stages for us and Capt. West printed them out. Our very own NV Star and Brazos were the only shooters to shoot clean and it was good to see Washoe Zephyr shooting with us once more.

We won't have a June long Range or Roop monthly match because we are having a work weekend to get ready for our upcoming annual match.

See you on the range,
Jasper

Next Months Matches

June 3rd **NO WILD BUNCH**

June 4th HPD Cowboy

June 10-11th **NO LONG RANGE OR COWBOY MATCH** - Range Clean up

June 17-24th ROOP County Days



From our Long Range coordinator - 49er Preacher

Attached to the front of this email is a long range survey. Just click on the **Long Range Survey** and the survey will come up. If you are interested in long range please take a minute and answer the questions in the survey.

We're trying to make the matches more inter active for your shooting pleasure.

Editor: Sorry Buddy thats the only picture I have on file!!!

From our Territorial Govenor – Wylie Fox Exquire

There were 12 graduates of the 2023 RO II Course held on 29 April 2023.

Blackjack Slim, Bordello Fellow, Deadeye Dick, El Dorado, Georgia Blue, Hawkeye Dick, Imus Offen, Jerimiah Jonathan, Justice Coldsteel, Nevada Starr, Patience Myazz and Redeye Hull. The class spent the morning reviewing SASS rules and guidelines. Then we headed to our range for lunch and three hands on sessions, which included shooter preparedness, stage design and live fire holding the timer. One of the many issues we discussed specific to our range was spotter placement. Specifically, where the spotters should be when the shooter is leaving the loading table and later moving to the unloading table. At all time once the shooter is at the loading table until the firearms have



been cleared at the unloading table, all those firearms are considered loaded. This means as the shooter is moving through the firing line NO ONE should ever be between the shooter and down range. Spotters need to be aware of this and ensure that they are never between the shooter and downrange.

On 13 May 2023 we had 4 graduates of the RO I Course, Double Down Dave, Fallon Kid, Flanigan Flats and Gold Ruch Allie. The class was held in the Scheels classroom in Sparks. Hopefully they will all be graduates of the 2024 RO II class.

On 29 July there will be a Wild Bunch RO class held in the library in Fernley. I encourage all wild bunch shooters to attend, even if you took the class in the past. I feel that the discussions between students in the classes is the most valuable part of the course.

This week there was a SASS Wire post about ricochets hitting the target. Blackwater (he produces very valuable videos on rules, you should see them), posted a link on this topic from 2014. The conclusion then was inconclusive, meaning the question was not resolved. A few hours later Palewolf posted that

[The first thing the bullet strikes is what counts as far as scoring the shot, regardless of where it ends up.](#) Later on, he posted that this was clarified in 2015 and repeated in 2018 by the ROC.

I am looking forward to the 8 days of shooting during RCD next month. Let's all help to insure our visitors have a safe good time with us.

From our Wild Bunch Coordinator -Flanigan Flats

Howdy all,

We had 10 shooters join us for the challenging and fun stages provided for us by Washoe Zephyr for the May monthly Wild Bunch (WB) match. The match was won by JJ. The day ended up being shortened to a three-stage match due to impending thunderstorms. Double Down Dave joined us for his first of what I hope is many more to come shoots. Congratulations to Fanner Fifty for achieving a clean



shoot, a true rarity in the world of Wild Bunch. We had three shooters shooting either Teddy Roosevelt (2) or Doughboy (1). Adding the big-bore to the wild bunch realm in my opinion is a unique chance to pull those safe queens out of the moth balls and put them to some use.

I would like to take a moment to extend a very heartfelt thank you to Gold Rush Allie for taking care of us administratively and scoring the match for us and to Wild Bill Berry for coming out and helping us pick up our brass. They are god sends to us.

With Roop County days and our 10 stage Teddy Roosevelt and Doughboy WB match coming up during Roop County Days we will **NOT** be having a WB match on 3 June. Please join us on the 18th and 19th of June for the above match.

Teddy Roosevelt substitutes a rifle caliber lever or pump action rifle manufactured before WW1 ended (or replica thereof) for our normal WB legal rifle and will be engaging targets at the outer limits of our bays. Rifle caliber is defined as having a minimum 1.8" cartridge case length. This opens the door to the 1895 Winchester and the Savage 99 to name just a few candidates. The Winchester 1876, 1886, 1894 and the Marlin counter parts are also very good options. Another interesting dynamic to this category is that period correct receiver mounted peep sights are legal. For a very good article on this category see page 16 of the January 2023 Cowboy Chronicle.

Dough Boy substitutes an original caliber bolt action military (BAM) rifle issued by any country to its military forces through the end of WWII. It must be as issued with original iron battle sights and no external modifications. Of course, faithful reproductions are ok.

Only lead bullets are allowed, gas checks are ok, for both categories. The official rules for both categories can be found on pages 21 and 22 of the SASS WB Range Operations/Match directors Handbook available on the SASS website. I encourage all perspective shooters to review these, and we'll cover them at the WB shooters meetings as needed. It is my plan to limit the TR/DB round count to 5ish rounds per stage, twentyish rounds of rifle cartridges per monthly match.

As always feel free to reach out to me with any questions.

Flanigan Flats



