



Battle Born Rangers Company



High Plains Drifters and ROOP County Cowboys



A Hale and Hearty Hello

The 25th Annual ROOP County Days and Nevada State Wild Bunch Championship is in the books, as they say.

RCD landed on 60 shooters. We left registration open to the day of the shoot. And we allowed shooters to change categories as they saw fit. We had many of the out of area regulars show up again. And we had some new shooters show up for event.

At the end of the day we had 28 categories for 60 shooters. Lots of awards were given away Saturday night. And our Tom Horn categories made up around 30% of the shooters.

Besides registration, Dutch Dalton set-up the posse's. The mix of shooters and how everyone started each day resulted in no posse having to wait for another posse to finish shooting a stage. A nice outcome.

Ogallala Kid built the stages from the Wild Bunch set-up to avoid moving a lot of steel. So, like the Wild Bunch match we had birds, dueling trees, and we moved targets back on some of the stages. We wanted to see how the shooters would react. No complaints and at the diner when I mentioned the increase in distances we got some applause.

On Friday, Grace brought out the ice cream sandwiches. They disappeared really fast. We also handed out the side match awards to reduce the time for the Saturday night diner and awards. Sometimes they can drag on, and on.

Thursday after the shooting was done we experienced the Fernley mild breezes. Our racetrack friend brought out the water truck and watered down around the pavilion. Soon after, the mild breezes came up again and we experienced the zero visibility Fernley dust bowl! Followed by some rain in the evening.

Friday morning we woke up to a nice steady rain. The talk of not shooting, delaying shooting etc. ended when we all had made it up to the stages at 8:30 and the rain stopped.

After 2 days and shooting 12 stages we were ready for dinner and the awards. Jasper and his band of nutrition distribution specialists prepared some tri-tip, chicken and pork butt for our club supplied "protein". Fanner did his cook the meat in a barrel thing resulting in some tasty eats. Mosebee somehow became the Chef apprentice to Jasper and really helped out. Rex T Dog and Sand Dab Sam offered up some assistance as well. Our guests brought a nice range of side dishes as always.

The awards. We had 28 categories and we decided not to award below 1st place for some of the categories. But there's always some potential for some disorganization in handing out the awards. Gold Rush Allie volunteered to organize the awards and play Vanna when we handed them out. She did a fantastic job resulting in a smooth process.

The overall shooters were Molly Magoo and Dutch Dalton. I mentioned that our sport is the only one I know of where women and men use the same guns, the same scenarios, and compete on the same level. It makes for some interesting trash talk after the match.

49'r Preacher and Brazos set-up the Long Range Side match. Please read all about it.

I was supposed to run registration at the shoot. But two fine members of our club Barb Galligan, Bee Bad, and Mary Mueller, Desert Rose, showed up and told me to go away. We gave away a Battle Born Coffee Mug and a 25th anniversary ROOP County Days pin to each shooter.

We ordered extra pins to send out to shooters who have always attended RCD but couldn't make it this year.

Georgia Blue and Fallon Kid took on water and ice for the shoot. Each day Georgia tracked me down and gave me a status report on the condition of the toilets. Funny stuff right there.

We had more people helping this year than we have in the past. The outcome was everything ran smooth, except for the idiot running the IPAD's. He eventually got everything set-up and synced correctly. Thank you Wylie.

The theme for the shoot this year was Blazing Saddles. It was agreed that there is no way you could show this in a theater or uncensored on TV ever again. The whole premise of the movie is if you offend and make fun of everyone, then it isn't wrong.

Some of the lines that had to be said at the stages got a lot of laughs. Holding the shovel and saying "OWWWWWW", as Slim Pickens, did got everyone laughing. That and "Blow it out your XXX Howard" won the day. Thanks Ogallala and Jackpot Jerry.

After the last round was fired on Saturday a bunch of great BBR members and friends all pitched in to the laborious task of bringing the steel forward and putting it away.

Sunday morning was handled quite well and very efficiently by a wonderful crew of cowboys.

That's a lot of hard work after a weeks worth of shooting. I don't know all the names, but thank you for your efforts.

I've tried to mention those who helped out with setting up the shoot and helping get everything done. I missed some and I apologize. Next time you see me smack me in the back of head.

While everyone did a great job I'd like to acknowledge Bee Bad, Barb. She signed people in, helped organize the things going on each day, setting up the potluck table, she had to do some nursing twice, and was just everywhere. All that and managing Jasper. Thank you Barb. You made a big difference for our success. Make Tim buy you a diner.

As soon as we know the amount of funds we'll get form Fernley I'll publish the financial outcome of the match. Right now it's looking

That's about it for now

Ike, Jasper, and Georgia Blue, your Board.





The RCD Long Range side match events kicked off at 8:AM on a bright, warm Thursday morning. It was satisfying to see how many Cowboys (and Cowgirl) rose early for a chance to lie in the dirt and throw lead at targets they could barely see!! The firing line was full and there were enough spotters/scorekeepers for everyone. A new event this year was Long Range Revolver; shot at a 16" tall rectangle 75 yards away. Two shooters managed to hit it all five times, but Sanddab Sam took the "honors" by doing so in only 16.42 seconds! The Pistol Caliber Rifle Long Range event featured a 12" square at 100 yards. Bonnie Kate, the only woman shooting the long range events (and therefore the women's first place winner of all 4 events), showed all contestants, regardless of gender, how it should be done with 4 hits in 12.13 seconds (edging out Dunbin Hadley at 12.25 seconds). The Rifle Caliber Rifle Long Range event, gave shooters a choice of small, medium, and large targets (worth 3, 2, and 1 point respectively) at 400 meters. Tumbleweed Ed had the winning strategy, hitting the medium target every time for a total of 10 points. The Bison target stood at 700 yards as the day's ultimate test of long range marksmanship. Competition was fierce. Nine shooters hit the target at least once. Shooters could have up to three tries and the two top contestants. Ogalala Kid and Sanddab Sam, had 4-hit runs. But Ogalala Kid got the win with a second-best run of 3 beating Sanddab's 1 hit second-best run. A heart-felt "thank you" goes out to all who helped set up and run the events (especially Possum Hollow's RW who helped set up, run, and tear down but didn't even shoot them!).

Remember we have a long range match of some sort every month on the Saturday before Roop County.

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2021 Nevada State Wild Bunch Championship

Congratulations to Tully Mars top cowboy and Molly Magoo top cowgirl.

Nevada State Champions

Wild Bunch Ladies Modern

Penny Popperbox

Wild Bunch Men's Modern

Flanigan Flat

Wild Bunch Senior Men's Modern

Nasty Nels

Wild Bunch Men's Traditional

Wylie Fox Esquire

Wild Bunch Men's Senior Traditional

Jeremiah Jonathan

The shooter gift was a 8 round custom 1911 magazine engraved with 2021 Nevada State Wild Bunch.

The three day match ended Tuesday. Sunday started off with speed events. By far the most popular was speed pistol. The course of fire for the five pistol targets was outside targets, then inside targets then double tap middle for six rounds. Repeat pistol using rifle targets. Oh yea, I should mention that the magazines were loaded with exactly two rounds each. 1911 skills were put to use. Magazine changes, reengaging targets and double taps and target distance.

Side match winners

Molly Magoo Speed everything

Wooden Nickels Speed Shotgun

Nasty Nels Speed Pistol

Sunshine Bill Speed Rifle

The two-day match had five stages per day. Everyone was able to shoot many reactive targets. Two Texas Stars, dueling tree, shotgun knockdowns (for pistol), plate rack, stationary clay birds, popping clay birds, pipes, swingers, hostage taker, and many plates. You should check out the stages posted at

<http://www.northernnevadacas.com/html/scores.html>

In addition to the Nevada shooters, there were shooters from Utah, California, Oregon & Hawaii. A total of 28 shooters.

Lunch was served on both main event days. Sue Scott, Mary Lou & Nevada Starr prepared deli style croissant sandwiches on Monday, Round Table Pizza for Tuesday.

Awards to three places were a custom (large) silhouette of 1911 pistols, on a granite base.

While there check out ALL the scores and state champions.

Many of the Wild Bunch shooters are staying the week to shoot the 25th annual ROOP County Days. Another 4 days of shooting most every SASS gun you own. The main match has 12 stages of Big Bore firearms, black and smokeless. Again, check out the event at the above web page.

We've signed up for and received approval from SASS for the 2022 Nevada State Wild Bunch Championship.

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