



The Bullet Hole

July – 2025

MONTHLY SHOOT IS ON JULY 20TH 2025

Setup at 7:45 and Shooters' meeting at 8:45 A.M.



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From our President;



Hello all. Happy July 4. As traditional, this month we will have our patriotic match for July. This year it will be on the 20th in the gulch. As a preview, we will have our obligatory 1776 sweep.

For our June Match, we had a good turnout of 18 shooters. It was the first time we have shot the birds in the gulch. Despite the inconsistency of the bird height, they were enjoyed by all. Now we have the berms and the range safety, we will have birds and Texas Stars more often.

The weather was excellent and it seemed that everyone had a good time with the match.

Thanks to everyone that showed up to help get the targets moved out and then stayed after to put this away. We can not have a match without all of your support.

A number of club members have inquired about have two matches a month in the Gulch. Your board will discuss this and would love your input prior to any decision. You can let any of us know or send an email to the Webmaster link off the Website.

The CAS Score system locked us out at the match so one posse had to keep score the old fashion way with paper and pencil. It was a challenge, but we got all the scores posted and updated. Diamond Dirk Slade (ME) and Hawkeye Dick had clean matches.

Eight of the eighteen shooter got all four of the birds which was great since the targets were fairly inconsistent. Jackpot Jerry and El Dorado are going to work on them prior to our next match to make them work properly. Here we are also looking for your input. The birds and stars take a lot more setup and management during the match. Would you like more of them or are we good with them only occasionally?

We had a number of the shooters take advantage of the Big Bore Optional targets even though a number of our BBO shooters were absent from the match. They were a good challenge for those shooters.

Due to the CAS Shooters system becoming a “for profit” software we are reviewing the options of paying them an annual fee to remain on that system or switching to PractiScore, which is free and owned by Dillion. Jackpot Jerry and Wylie Fox are evaluating these options for both SSS and BBR.

THIS DATE IN HISTORY (GIVE OR TAKE A FEW)

William Stacy was born in Gloucester, Massachusetts in 1734. He married and raised a large family, eventually resettling in New Salem, Massachusetts. He was a shoemaker or cordwainer by trade, though he may also have invested in banking and merchant shipping, meaning that he was a wealthy man with a financial stake in the American Revolution. He was a Captain in New Salem's militia in April, 1775, when the town responded to the crisis at Lexington and Concord. Alarm bells called the citizens to this green April 20, 1775 to learn of the battle at Lexington. There was indecision until 1st Lt. Stacy stepped forward and said "Fellow soldiers, I don't know how it is with you, but for me I will no longer serve a king that murders my own countrymen." Pulling out his commission from the crown he tore it to bits and trod it underfoot. Amid wild cheers a militia company of patriots was formed and under the gallant Stacy as Captain marched off to Cambridge. May such patriotism ever be with us. He was later one of the two officers during the siege of Bunker Hill and several other major battles during the Revolution.

So began our Constitutional Democratic Republic. Happy 4th of July.