

### A Few From Our President - Irish Ike

Ola Mi Amigo's and Amigoette's

#### March Shoot



Again in keeping with the season the shooters who showed up were forced to suffer through our terrible winter weather

conditions. A number of shooter's almost succumbed to the terrible weather. OK it was sunny, and 65 degrees! Looking at my watch I confirmed that it was March. No coats, no gloves, no fires, no cold toes. With the weather the way it has been I am expecting snow in July for Fernleystock 5.

Jasper Agate wrote our stages and amazingly enough none of us felt the need to hang him after we were done. A good time was had by all. 30 shooters. Ok 30 people showed up and most of them could be classified as shooters. A few of us haven't got there yet. Once again I was two misses away from a clean match. Miss Robin volunteered to staff the gate and chase away the nerr do well's. Security is tight. I was OK with the first strip search but twice, I got a bit suspicious. In the future please bring your passport or a note from your spouse that it is OK for you to be at the range goofing off.

Each month we are asking for a volunteer to staff the gate up until we close it at shooting time. That person will get a free shoot for the match.

#### Range Improvements

We now have a 3 year lease for the range. With that we need to do some clean up. Our storefronts are at least 12 years old. They are just short of being classified as junk. Our dry desert dryness and winters are rough on wood. We are asking that members come forward with ideas for new storefronts. We want to replace them all, except Bay 1. We want to add more detail and create a more western town atmosphere. Washoe Zephyr has volunteered. OK, Jasper pointed at him and said you're the leader on this. We can do this over the rest of the year. We also want to paint the Pavilion.

The consensus of the HPD Board was to use the funds we have generated from Western States to pay for the materials. Obviously we will rely on free labor to get it done. This is the secret way of saying we expect the members to help in any way to get this done.

We will need some saws or chain saws to get rid of the wood pile. We want to turn it into firewood.

## The Range

Jasper sent out an update and we caught everyone up at the shoot. For those who missed it, HPD and ROOP have signed a 3 year lease for the Range. John Wood, the manger for the property, has been very helpful and looks forward to working with us. He has offered the use of his equipment and operator if we pay the fuel costs to make improvements to our berms.

## Shootout on the Comstock

We have confirmed that the Scouts will help us set up and take down. They will be there for



Let's get those applications in the mail !!

breakfasts and lunch Friday and Saturday. They will also be there to shag brass during the shoot. They don't want to do the diner so we are going to have the golf course provide the diner.

The Mernickle family has again offered up a custom holster for our Scout auction. They have been gracious in their supporting the clubs over the years and our Scouts. Remember, if you need leather of any kind they should be the go to source for it. And besides they do great work.

We have 27 entries so far. We are ahead compared to this time last year. If you can't shoot the event can you help in some way over the 4 days we put on the event?

## April Shoot

The Spanish greeting was my way of letting you know that I will be in South America during our April shoot. I have asked Jasper to stand in for me.

Unfortunately I won't be there to put on the Josey Whales event. We are moving it to the May shoot. That's if I come home!

## Spring is Here

Jasper is starting us off with camping for the ROOP March shoot. We open up the range on Friday afternoon and camp out during our warm months. So bring what you can sleep in and come out and join the gang. We practice, we have Beach Chair 22 matches, egg shoots, long range practice, pot lucks and fireside chats with adult beverages at night. Oh yeah the other incentive here is if you aren't there to defend yourself we will talk about you.

We have a number of slots open for volunteers to write stages each month.....This means you!

Check the calendar on the website for all of the scheduled event this summer.

And one last thing . . . .Dead Eye Dick, we all wish you a speedy recovery and please let us know if there is anything we can do for you.

El Heffe Supremo

*Irish Ike*

## Origin of Left & Right

I have often wondered why it is that Conservatives are called the "right" and Liberals are called the "left."

By chance I stumbled upon this verse in the Bible:

"The heart of the wise inclines to the right, but the heart of the fool to the left."

ECCLESIASTES 10:2 (NIV)

Thus sayeth the Lord. Amen.

Can't get any simpler than that.

**Howdy Ladies and Gents:**

***The HPD match for April falls on April Fools Day!!***

This is just a reminder that I issued an "Underwear Challenge" to all shooters, and spectators for that day. It's really easy and we can all be winners. All you have to do is show up in your underwear! You don't have to shoot black powder, you don't have to shoot gunfighter style and you don't have to wear red...unless of course that is the color of your Union Suit!

The underwear ***MUST BE*** on the outside of your clothing for all to see or it won't count :)

*Grace*

***BTW:***

All of those courageous participants could be in for a "Sweet Treat".....or not!  
I guess you won't know for sure until you show up ;)



**Howdy all:**

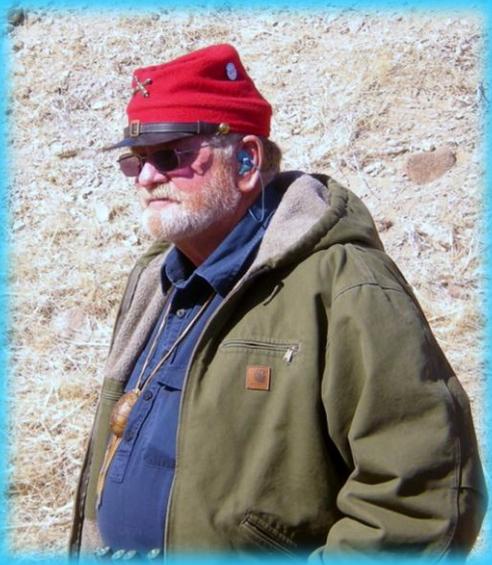
I had a ball writing the stages for you this month and I hope you had fun shooting them. I really wanted to shoot the Texas Star with my 10 gauge and it didn't let me down Thanks for all your help setting up and especially for the help putting all that stuff away. Out of 30 shooters we had 6 clean shooters and only a handful of "P's".

It was great seeing Denio on the range again and I hope we see him a little more often. Maybe I should tell him I have a few hundred firecrackers in the trailer left from last summer!!

Grace wanted everyone to know that she has issued a challenge for our April HPD match, April Fools day. **It's an underwear challenge** and she is going to be the one on the gate greeting you all. I told her that I'm not so sure that this challenge is such a good idea and she would hear nothing of it, so wear and shoot in your favorite underroos and maybe go home with a prize.

See you on the range,  
*Jasper*





Yah, Yah, Yah

I don't understand, I lined them all up and one missed !!!





You missed a spot this morning.  
Tomorrow I am just going to have to  
wash you myself !!



Comments are always appreciated. That way I know somebody is reading this.  
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