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MONTHLY MATCH

Ah May, the time of year for Irish Ike's famous "Josey Wales" match. We had 41 shooters come out to play. Some were "Josey Wales", some were "Kinda Josey" and some were "Girl Josey". Lots of lines to say, lots of shooting and a bunch of fun. When the smoke cleared, Fanner Fifty came out on top for "Josey Wales". Deadeye Dick took the title of "Kinda Josey" (and was the only clean shooter at the match). And Fanny Seabride took honors as "Girl Josey". The winners all received incredible trophies for their efforts along with sparkling water for Fanny Seabride and a bottle each for Dick and Fanner with some type of cough elixir.

Thanks to Irish Ike for the prizes and for the shoot. To show what a sport he is, he fired a round into the table on Bay 7 to take himself out of the running for his own awards.

What a great guy!

RANGE IMPROVEMENTS

If you came out Sunday, you could see that we have done a lot more work to the place. The pavilion is repainted (mostly) and we have a new registration/kitchen area inside. A HUGE thanks you to Drifter John for the work on the new cabinets and counter tops. They really look great and are very functional.

This coming weekend, Domingo will be out with his tractor to do some grading and filling. We could use some volunteers to help him with a little shovel and rake work. We have all the tools there. You will need some gloves, water and a lunch. If you can help out, call or e-mail me so we have a head count.

CAMP OUT

The camp out was a big success. We had 14 people for our potluck dinner on Saturday night. A few highlights were Jaspers tamales and Hawkeye Dick's seafood soup. Hawkeye pulled out his own kitchen and went to work with amazing results. Good food and fun for all. Hawkeye Dick also had his new Can-Am UTV, which looked more like a yellow and black spaceship running around. It is fast! Jasper did a great burger and dog lunch for everyone that helped out on Saturday. Big thanks to him.

RANGE OWNER AND NEW RANGE

We have a new gate and fence at the corner coming up to the Range. It was put in by Dan Simpson to help protect our Range when they are having races and we aren't out there. It has a new lock on it and the President, Vice-President and Range Master for both clubs will have keys.

There is a new group using the rifle ranges to the South of our place. Jasper and I have met the people there and they seem pretty responsible. There will be ongoing classes throughout the year. I think we will get along fine as we have like interests. And, more shooters at the facility is a good thing.

STAMPEDE

We will be out of town this month so there will be no Stampede.

SHOOT A COM

Shoot out on the Comstock is HERE in a little over a month. As of today, we have 41 shooters registered. If you aren't signed up yet, give Dutch a call or an e-mail and please do so. You can bring the entry fee to the shoot. It also helps for planning awards and for the dinner.

Remember, we give out LOTS of awards.

If you can volunteer to help out, call or e-mail me. I can put a list together and we can come up with assignments as needed.

We also still need items for the "Chinese Raffle". This is a great way for the club to raise funds for improvements, targets and shooting table repairs.

If you are planning on camping out, some of us will be coming out on Tuesday the 10th. Let me know, there is always stuff to get ready.

We want to put on a really great shoot for our guests and that only happens if folks pitch in.

NEW SHOOTER ORIENTATION

On Saturday, May 31st, Drifter John will be doing his annual Shooter Orientation Class. He could use some help with instruction, guns, leather, ammo etc. If you can, come out and help him out. Some of our current members started this way and it is a great way to give back to the sport.

This will also be another camp out weekend with Saturday potluck.

The Boy Scouts that will be assisting with Shoot a Com will be out to do some Range cleaning under the watchful eyes of Jasper Agate.

NEW MEMBER

49er Preacher is the newest member of HPD. Please make him feel welcome.

ROOP SHOOT

This Sunday, the 11th will be Fanny Seabrides Mother's Day shoot. The ladies **don't** have to shoot shotguns and for the guys, neither do you if you wear a **dress**.

I really dare anyone to do this.....

RANGEMASTER

This little bit applies to both clubs. The Rangemasters bust their butts to get things set up and taken down. They assist when someone else writes the stages and insure that the stages are safe to shoot. They really need ALL our help setting up and tearing down. Come a little

early and pitch in. There is always room for more help.

Paying your shoot fees does not make you spectator, it makes you a PARTICIPANT. So get out there and participate.

The assistance is ALWAYS appreciated.

HELLFIRE PREACHER AND FALLEN GRACE

My apologies to you but, I had to put a section in here to say how good it was to see **both** of you at the Range and SHOOTING! Preacher looked great and said that he is feeling better. Grace brought killer apple crisp to the potluck dinner and crazy good baked treats to the Match.

Grace even provided cigars to the "Girl Josey" shooters for the match for extra realism. Looking forward to seeing you again!

That's about all I have for now. We're going to get really busy here in the next month and a half and your help will really be appreciated.

Thanks to all.

Washoe Zephyr



OUR LADY JOSIE WALES SHOOTERS





WINNERS: FANNER FIFTY, DEADEYE DICK, FANNY SEABRIDE

May HPD Match





HEEEEEEEEEEEEE'S.....BACK!!!



TURTLE



Howdy all and Happy May!

The May match started out with a great potluck dinner the night before. We had a good turnout and the food was outstanding. I'm always telling people that have never been to one of our potlucks that "cowboys sure can cook". Thank you to everyone that participated.

What a great day it was for the match on Sunday, just enough wind so the black powder smoke was "swept out of the way". Using four cap and ball pistols was a little more work than I had anticipated. I must either be out of shape or really good at multi tasking because I was able to pack six stages of fun into only three stages :)

I hope you all enjoy the rest of the month. I'm looking forward to seeing ALL of you at the June match. Remember, it is my Underwear Challenge. The weather should be good and I'm expecting to see ALOT of underwear out there :)

Til then,

Fallen Grace

PS: I'm still working on the T-shirt information and will have that for you at a later time.



One of our newer shooters.....John Faro

John Faro, otherwise known as David Dargiewicz, is one of our newer shooters joining us out on the range. John said he chose his alias because he's sure that he would have been a Faro player or dealer if he actually lived during the late 1870's. He's been shooting Cowboy Action for about two months or so and tells me that he found the sport while surfing the internet in search of shooting sports.

David is originally from Syracuse, NY and is currently a resident of Sparks, NV. When asked if he was retired or working.....he said he was a "bit of both". When working, he is a printing manager. When he's not working, he enjoys other hobbies, such as lapidary, astro photography, motorcycles and golf, in addition to cowboy shooting. He also is dad to four kids and a pet bird.

Now for my favorite question.....John Faro was a skydiving instructor/jumpmaster with over 1300 jumps!!! How does that story go about jumping out of a perfectly good plane.....just kidding. It's interesting how often planes and motorcycles happen to be a part of our members hobbies. I guess it just goes to show that Cowboy Action Shooters enjoy fast paced, thrilling hobbies.

Make sure to introduce yourself to John Faro at the next match. Hmmmm.....I wonder if he'll be shooting in his underwear :)

"I have a very strict gun control policy. If there's a gun around, I want to be in control of it."

Clint Eastwood

