



High Plains Drifters

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MONTHLY MATCH

A perfect day for shooting! Warm, a bit of a breeze and 35 shooters made for a fun match. Jackpot Jerry wrote some very fun stages for everyone to play with. There were poppers, a bell, and some really fun orders to shoot. It looked like we had a lot of happy shooters and 10 of them shot clean! I seriously thought that Longarm was going to have a stroke when he found out we had to shoot at the bell with pistols!

We had an out of town guest join us. Maddog Mark, thanks for coming and shooting with us.

Many thanks to Jerry for the stages and for everyone helping set up and tear down.

NEW SHOOTER ORIENTATION DAY

Hats off to Drifter John on this one! We (both clubs) spent a little money for advertising

and it paid off big time. We had **15** people show up and **13** of them shot. After some basic introductions and instructions, they went up to a bay and got to shoot. LOTS of big grins and shaky hands from the excitement. Jasper prepared a great lunch for everyone and then back up to do more shooting.

One of the new shooters came back on Sunday to join us for the regular monthly match. Her name is Terry Ray (Hope I got the spelling right). Drifter John hooked her up with guns and ammo and she shot her first match. We called her "Donuts" because she brought some to the shoot. We also warned her that she better pick her own alias or we would be glad to do it for her.

Drifter John has some comments later on in the newsletter but I just wanted to say THANK YOU to all of our own Cowboys and Cowgirls that came out to help the new shooters. We had some one for each new shooter, plenty of guns, ammo and leather. That is a great bunch of people to do that.

And another big THANK YOU to Drifter John for the job he did. This event gets bigger every year and we seem to pick up new members each time.

SHOOTOUT ON THE COMSTOCK

We are about 10 days away from our Annual Match. Our latest count shows about 60 shooters and we will hope for more. If you aren't signed up, get hold of Dutch Dalton and do it ASAP! This is how we raise money for all the fun stuff we play with like targets, props, the Range itself, etc.

JJ has some really fun stages written for this year at the Main Match. There will be Side Matches for Speed, Wild Bunch, Plainsman and Long Range.

We are raffling off a Rock Island Armory 1911 .45 ACP this year. MUST be present to win. The Quilting Ladies have generously put together another Cowboy Quilt to raffle off at the Dinner.

Mernickle Holsters will be there to present last year's high bidder (Grizzly Peak Jake) with his new rig. And then we will auction off another rig for this year.

Fanner Fifty is doing Tri-Tips, Chicken and Ribs for the Pot Luck Dinner on Saturday night. Bring a side dish and enjoy.

The Boy Scouts are going to be providing lunch on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday at the shoot. Make sure you support Troop 1776. They were out Saturday the same day as the New Shooter Orientation and did a great job of cleaning the Range. They cleaned up weeds, all the bays and hauled trash for us. Big THANKS to Jasper for organizing and setting the Boy Scouts up for us!

SHOOTOUT ON THE COMSTOCK - RAFFLE

If you have anything you would like to donate to the Raffle, it would be greatly appreciated.

Maybe something you don't use anymore, or something that maybe you grew out of? (Yes, it does happen)

Bring it out and we'll put it on the table to benefit the club.

RANGE IMPROVEMENTS

Jasper is working with the staff at the Race Track to *possibly* get a water line put in to the Pavilion in the next week. It would really be a big deal to have water available for Matches and the Annual Shoots.

POWDER

Wylie Fox scored some Titegroup powder. If you need some, see him or me at the Annual Shoot and we'll get you hooked up. The cost is what he paid for it.

SHOT

There is still lead shot available in the ROOP Con-Ex. \$35.00 per bag. See Jasper.

WEATHER

Looks like we're going to start getting warm here in short order. Please plan accordingly. We will try and provide water at the shoots but plan ahead and make sure you have water, sunscreen, light clothing, etc, etc. If you are out shooting and don't feel well, TELL SOMEBODY! Ain't none of us getting any younger! Stay hydrated and monitor yourself. YOU know best on how you're doing.

HPD JULY

The HPD July Monthly Match will be on Sunday, July 5th. This will be our "FernleyStock" weekend. There will be a Wild Bunch Match on Saturday the 4th.

It will be a camp out if you want to attend. It will also be "Ruby and Washoe's Hawaiian Shirt Shoot". More info to follow.

July is also when we nominate people for Officers in the club. If you want to help out, throw your hat in the ring.

ROOP

ROOP will be holding their Monthly Match this Sunday, June 14th, at the Fernley Range. Shooter's meeting at 9:00 am, shooting starts right after.

FINALLY

That's about all I have for now. It is going to get real busy here in the next week with the Annual Match. I hope ALL of our Members will attend and shoot. It is a lot of fun and it's how we make it as a club.

See you at Shootout on the Comstock!

Washoe Zephyr

PS: From our friends in California.

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The **2015 SASS Western Regional** will be held at the Chorro Valley Regulators (CVR) range in San Luis Obispo, CA on August 5-9, 2015. This is a super event featuring well over 300 shooters, at a great range along California's Central Coast. Events include 12 challenging stages, warm-up matches, black powder night shoot, cowboy trap, Wild Bunch, long range (100y, 125y, & 400y), ROI and ROII classes, Plainsman, speed rifle, speed pistol, speed shotgun, Buckaroo / Buckarette / Young Guns mini-match, and a Top-16 shoot-off on Sunday along with several team-shoots, all followed by our awards ceremony. And, to top it all off, there's the incredible CVR 5-Star Banquet dinner/dance on Saturday night. We'll have more than 20 vendors, and there's ample room for camping (trailers). This is a not-to-miss event. For more information and registration forms, please go to our website at: chorrovalleyregulators.org. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me at the info below.

We're 8 miles from the Pacific Ocean and the weather is great in August...

Come shoot with us!

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Hi All I want to thank all the Cowboys and Cowgirls who came out to help with the New Shooter Orientation on Saturday. We had fifteen folks show up and enough of you stepped up that we could have a cowboy for each new shooter. The add in the RGJ worked pretty well and one of the new shooters was the lady who designed it for the paper. A big thanks to Jasper for cooking lunch for everyone. Thanks again for a successful day. You guys are tribute to our clubs and the Cowboy Way.

Drifter John





HPD June Match





Wild West Outlaws and Lawmen

Doc Holliday

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John Henry "Doc" Holliday was a gambler and a gunman and loyal friend to Wyatt Earp. He was born in Georgia in 1851 and it is believed he graduated from a dental college in Pennsylvania or Maryland around 1872. He practiced dentistry for a short time in Atlanta and Griffin, Georgia. It was in the early 1870's that Doc developed his chronic cough and other symptoms of pulmonary tuberculosis, the same disease that killed his mother. He headed West to drier climate in 1873.

He then practiced dentistry in Dallas, Texas and took up life as a gambler. His games were poker and faro and from gambling and the drinking that ensued, he became involved in a number of gunfights. At one point, he was suspected of stagecoach and train robbery and after killing a bartender in a Las Vegas, Holliday moved to Tombstone and took up with Wyatt Earp. There is a story that Earp indicated Doc had saved his life once in Dodge City by coming to his rescue in a fight with cowboys. Holliday again practiced dentistry, gambling and maybe some stagecoach robberies while in Tombstone, even while Earp was deputy marshal.

By the time, Holliday had been married to "Big Nose" Kate Elder who signed a statement against him about a stage robbery that lead to his arrest. Holliday was out on bail when the famous O.K. Corral gunfight played out on October 26, 1881 with his help. He then accompanied the Earps from Tombstone to Colorado and was then arrested in Denver.

It was Bat Masterson, probably at the behest of Wyatt Earp, who intervened with the governor and got Holliday released. After a few more killings and arrests, Holliday went back to Glenwood Springs, Colorado where he died of his disease at the age of 36.

