



# HIGH PLAINS DRIFTERS

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## MONTHLY MATCH

Well, there wasn't one for February. Fanner and I went out on Wednesday to drop off some hay bales for the bays. We were pretty well awed by how much snow was in Fernley. Talked to Matt the Race Track Manager and he said they got a ton of snow along with a ton of wind. (Surprise) Anyway, the bays were pretty well covered in drifts and the areas where there wasn't any snow was rather soft.

Fast forward to Friday when I came up with the bright idea of going out and shoveling the bays to be ready for Winchester's stages on Saturday. By this time, I had enlisted the help of Fanner *and* JJ. We did a ton of shoveling and then I tried to drive down from the bays to the pavilion. Couldn't turn because the mud kept pulling me the other way even in four-wheel drive. Decided that this wasn't going to work out and went to leave. Pulled up a bunch of mud on the truck that splattered the road and highway on our way out. That is why I decided to cancel the shoot. I figured that we were all probably going to tear the rest of the country side up just trying to get out of there after the shoot.

We will try again for March if the weather cooperates.

## **WILD BUNCH OPTIONAL**

This was an idea that started with Deadeye Dick. He wanted to get some trigger time on his 1911 for the upcoming State Championship that we are hosting in October. We will make the HPD matches Wild Bunch Optional. If you shoot the match WBO, you must adhere to ALL SASS WB rules. Non Comstock on the shotgun, 1911 in place of rifle, etc. There MUST be a WB certified RO to get you through the stage. We will try for this again in March and see how it works out.

## **SHOOTOUT ON THE COMSTOCK**

The dates are set, the application is available on the Northern Nevada CAS website and planning is underway. We will be holding the match in June on the 16th, 17th, and 18th. HPD will also be raffling off another 1911 along with our popular "Chinese Raffle". We need volunteers to help out. Get hold of me and will get you lined up. JJ is writing the stages again, Bordello Fellow is doing the Wild Bunch, Ike is doing the Plainsman, CC Dollar will be putting on the speed matches and Brazos will be doing Long Range.

The Boy Scouts will be back to assist and provide lunches and also benefit when we do the Belt and Holsters Auction with the Mernickles.

Please get hold of Dutch Dalton, (our fabulous registrar) and get signed up.

## **NEVADA DAY SHOOTOUT**

That is the name of our Nevada State Wild Bunch Championship. The dates are October 27th, 28th, and 29th. JJ is the registrar for this event so get hold of him and get signed up. If you haven't shot WB and want to give it a try, get hold of me and I will help you out.

## **FINALLY**

The amount of snow in Fernley really caught us by surprise. Shouldn't complain though, we can really use the water. Looking forward to trying some different things this year and hoping for better weather.

See you at the shoots!

Washoe Zephyr

**Moving to the next stage at February monthly match!!!**



## Christmas party for 2016 heads up:

The theme of this coming Christmas party will be "A Cowboy Ugly Christmas Sweater Party".

You have work to do, only 11 months left to fashion a winning creation!

Participation is not mandatory, but highly encouraged!

Can I encourage you more by telling you there will be CASH prizes?

First, Second and Third place prizes will be awarded.

(Prize amounts to be determined)

### Rules:

1. Start with a sweater, sweater vest, or sweatshirt that has a recognizable "Cowboy" theme. Any picture or design that can easily be considered "cowboy related" will be acceptable. i.e. boots, stars, log cabin, horse, hat, wagon, John Wayne?

2. Your job is to turn this sweater, sweater vest, or sweatshirt into an Ugly Christmas themed top. Add anything that you want to accomplish this: tinsel, ornaments, lights etc. for inspiration check out [www.TipsyElves.com](http://www.TipsyElves.com) or [www.UglyChristmasSweaterParty.com](http://www.UglyChristmasSweaterParty.com)

3. It must have long sleeves in the end. (Hint, hint, for the sweater vest)

Get your Thinking and Designing Caps on! Time is ticking!

Have fun! Mustang Sally

## **CLASSIFIEDS**

**If anyone has any Cowboy related items for sale (Guns. Leather, Clothes, ETC.), Send a description and price to me at, Sumi12000@msn. Com, and I will be sure and post it in the next Newsletter.**

**The Newsletter is for all the members so if you have any story or article you want posted send it to me.**

**Thanks,**

**Blackjack Slim**