



ROOP COUNTY SHOOTERS ASSOCIATION

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Howdy all,

We had a great day on the range for Mothers day. We had 28 shooters plus one come out to try their hand on Fanny Seabride stages. A special thanks to South Paw for showing up early to help Fanny and Big Pete set up the stages for the day. Although we shot the same stages last year they seemed fresh and quite fun!! I'm already looking forward to doing them again next year. Fanny's mother may I stage was a hit with the shooters. I won't spoil the fun if you weren't there, but I will say that there are some pretty bad pictures!! Our old friend Lene Fox came out to shoot with us. For those of you that don't know him he was instrumental in the set up and making the most of the old targets we have. He is a founding father and one hell of a nice guy!! He made all the big bore targets we still use today. Be sure to introduce your self the next time he comes out.

Russian River Ranger called me earlier in the week saying his oldest son Aaron has been participating in Civil war reenactments. He had bought a rifle at the last gun show from turtle and wanted to shoot it after our match. He asked if I knew how to shoot the new to them rifle. I really didn't have much experience with those guns, but we would figure it out. It turns out that I did have everything needed to accomplish the task of shooting that fine rifle, but I called our local expert for his advice. Reno Slim spent

many years shooting Roundivous and has some very fine rifles from that period. He said he would make sure we didn't do anything too stupid. He brought along three of his rifles, two flint locks and one percussion rifle. While Aaron was shooting his new rifle Slim loaded up his smooth bore and let lead fly. I have never shot one of those rifles and it was very COOL. I had the opportunity to shoot both the 69 caliber smooth bore and the rifled 50 and it was a real treat to shoot such an intriguing piece of history. I could get the bug to shoot one of those rifles some more!! Slim let all present have a go with them. Aaron let us shoot his rifle as well. Russian River Ranger brought out his Pedrosoli Sharps and we sent some rounds down range with that rifle as well. I don't think anyone but me missed the targets placed at the end of the berm.

Russian Rive Ranger had his son shoot one of the stages with his guns and I got an idea! I asked Aaron if he would like to shoot a pair of '58 Remington's, my '73 and hammered 12 gauge with the one true propellant. He got a big smile on his face and said yes. I had just finished a stage so I showed the youngster how to load one and stood over him while he loaded the second. He shot the next stage and did fairly well. I told him to load them up for the next stage. I watched from a distance and he remembered ever little step in loading the cap and balls. He shot them for the rest of the day and was loading them without supervision by the end of the day. I think Russian River Ranger is going to be looking for a pair of cap & balls in the near future!! He has another son who you'll be meeting soon. We talked of setting him up with 22's for awhile. Ah, enthusiastic young help!!!!!!!

We had rock delivered on the Thursday before the match and spent the rest of the day repairing our new long range facility. Thanks to Wiley Fox, Pasco Trace, Brazos, Dutch Dalton and Deadeye Dick for their efforts in making that building a little more safe! A special thanks to Deadeye Dick & Sassyfrass (Dick's lovely wife Vivian) for the wonderful lunch they sent along!!! Dan Simpson stopped by and complimented the job we were doing. We spoke to him about cutting a road and building berms for us. His main man Matt should have the work done this week. We spent Saturday with Domingo and his tractor scraping the bays of the dirt and rocks that have been falling off. Thanks to Long Arm, Washoe Monty, Ace Faro and Brazos for coming out to help! It started out a little cold and windy and turned to CRAP from there. We got everything done we set out to accomplish, but by the end of the day it turn REALLY BAD. It was the most brutal afternoon on the range that I can remember. You couldn't see 200 yards and the air was brown with that ugly fine dust that was blowing in from Fernley.

We didn't have a board meeting after the May match, because I was not prepared for it. We will have a Roop County Days meeting after our June match. The first weekend in June is a campout and our annual new cowboy introduction. Drifter John is working hard to get new shooters for us and needs our help. If everyone could bring out one new shooter we can have some new blood to share our enthusiasm. Bring guns, extra ammo and a can do attitude. We will also have the Scouts out on Saturday to help with clean up of the range for Shootout on the Comstock.

Don't forget that our annual dues were due in May. If you haven't paid by June, at the match, you will be charged \$5.00 more as a nonmember.

See you on the range,

Jasper



Well, another Mother's Day shoot is in the history books. There were more than a few equipment mal-functions and a few tragic brain-deaths, but mostly a lot of fun. I just wanted to mention the winners of the Best Mother contest and the highest scoring lady. They would be: Dr. Dust, Long Arm (you've got to see the photos!), and Hot Babe-Congratulations! I would also like to thank everyone for being good sports and going with the spirit of the game.

Thanks, Fanny

FANNY'S MOTHER'S DAY SHOOT



Love at first sight!



The Iilted Lover?



A good argument for sterilization!!



It's due in August.



It's official, they're engaged.



COWBOY WORDS OF WISDOM

- Don't dig for water under the outhouse.
- Don't go in if you don't know the way out.
- Don't mess with something that ain't bothering you.
- Never drive black cattle in the dark.
- Never approach a bull from the front, a horse from the rear or a fool from any direction.
- Never miss a good chance to shut up.
- Never ask how stupid someone is 'cause they'll turn around and show you.
- Never ask a barber if you need a haircut.
- Never slap a man who's chewing tobacco.
- If you get thrown from a horse, you have to get up and get back on, unless you landed on a cactus; then you have to roll around and scream in pain.
- A cowboy is a man with guts and a horse.
- If you climb in the saddle, be ready for the ride.
- The horse stopped with a jerk-- and the jerk fell off!
- When in doubt, let your horse do the thinkin'.
- Speak your mind, but ride a fast horse.

