



# ROOP COUNTY SHOOTERS ASSOCIATION

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Howdy all,

We had nice weather for our last shoot of the year and 24 cowboys came out to play. Washoe and Ruby wrote the stages, but someone was missing from that dynamic duo. Washoe had transferred his cold to Ruby and she was at home sick in bed!! Hope you are feeling better darlin'!!! They had six fast and fun stages with bonuses on each stage. Thanks to all that brought

canned food for our food drive. Participation was off a bit, but the donation was well received at Evelyn Mounts. After the match we had a short get together with libation donated by the club and snacks brought by the shooters and of course gifts from Santa's little helpers (Washoe & Ruby).

We have stage writers for all the matches next year and I'll be sending out the info to the writers in the next couple of weeks. We are adding a few long-range matches to test the waters, so to speak, and figure out how to put on a long-range match for guests and ourselves in our new facility. We lost an old friend the day before Thanksgiving, Domingo past unexpectedly in his home. The family had a wonderful memorial for him a Thunder Canyon Country Club and there were well over 100 people gathered to tell tails from his past. I had no idea of some of the antics he had done in his youth and well beyond. Come to think of it he never really grew up!! Kind of like the rest of us who haunt the range for the entire weekend on a regular basis. We had a large group of cowboys all dressed up in their finest to give him a rousing send off. Hick's Mountain Honey and Sand Dab Sam came all the way from Santa Rosa in a snowstorm to be with us for such an auspicious occasion.



On a high note, our dear friend Ole Uffda got a new kidney. He had surgery in San Francisco on Saturday the 13th and is out of the hospital resting and recouping in the bay area with his son. Lets send our best wishes for a full recovery for a real American hero. Ole was a navy seal in a former life!!! Hopefully he will be on the mend and be able to be with us for the next Roop County Days and regale us with his stunning rendition of the star spangled banner. Guaranteed to choke you up and possible bring a tear to your eye!!

49er Preacher and I made the long trip down to southern CA for a long-range black powder only match held every December and we had a ball!! We got to shoot out to 888 yards with the closest target being over 400 yards. We shot warm ups on Thursday and shot the main match over the next three days with some more warm ups in the morning and forty round match to follow. We had a ball!! Even though it a long drive down there I would highly recommend this match. It draws some of the top shooters in the west and they are all willing to share their vast experience. We saw some old friends down at that match. If you have been around for a while you might recognize the names of Jessie Montana and Cole Chance AKA Barbara and Leon Chisim. This is one guy that didn't need an alias!!

We have a big year ahead of us and we're looking for more help on the range and off. It's important that we get enough help setting up the matches but there is a lot going on before the match begins and after the match is over. We have just a couple of people that are capable of finishing up the scores and getting them posted. Most of us can now work those computer thingy's that keep the scores straight while we are shooting and boy that scoring program is a wonderful thing!!! JJ's the only person who has been setting up the tablets before the match .All the stages round count; bonuses and special requirements must be done before the match. In the morning of the match while we are

busy chatting with old friends there is a group of dedicated people setting up the posses. We need to get more involved with the entire process and take the time to learn what these hard working guys are doing for us. The day will come when JJ and Jackpot Jerry won't be there for one reason or another and to be blunt we'll be screwed because no one else knows just how much these guys do for us. I plan on learning how to set up the match this year and just how all that electronic equipment we now own works on the range. Something about WIFI, routers, extra back up batteries and what ever else I'm missing needs to be known by more than a couple of hard working guys!!

BeeBad and I would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a safe and joyous New Year!!

Looking forward to seeing you on the range next year,

Jasper

# Long Range at Pala, Ca.



# December ROOP Match



Merry Christmas



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Illustration of the Boy on the Horse