



ROOP COUNTY SHOOTERS ASSOCIATION

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Howdy all,

We put the 19th annual Roop County days 'in the books'. Thanks to all that made this year's annual match the best one to date. We ended up with 63 registered shooters joining us this year. We had the usual selfless help under the pavilion with Nana doing a stand up job writing the names on the name badges. Pasco Trace, Blackjack Slim, Desert Rose and BeeBad had everything under control for all that goes into the details the bulk of us never see. Thank you, Thank you, Thank you!!!! It was

also one of the hottest I can remember; I couldn't keep enough water in me!! We had an inspirational 9/11 ceremony. Thanks to Irish Ike for being able to read the text that was handed to him without even a quiver in his voice. I know there was no way I could have none that. There's a reason he is El Jefe Supremo and always will be in my eyes!! We had four posses and talking to the other posse leaders the posses ran themselves. Thanks to those folks who stepped up and ran the posses for us and a special thanks to Sand Dab Sam for running our posse in my absence. We had 19 shooters shoot in our very own Tom Horn Class. Many of them were on my posse and we didn't fall behind, in fact we caught the posse ahead of us on more than one occasion during the two-day match. We had Quickly Down Under join us from southern NV for the first time and he turned out to be a gem. I hope he knows that he is now part of our cowboy family and is more than welcome back any time!!! We are quite fortunate that he has a son in Sparks so we should be seeing more of him in the future!! We had our friends from Utah join up once more and they are always a treat to see. Nevada Star made her shooting debut and shot pretty well. Her real strong suit was winning some cool stuff at the raffle we held during dinner and awards on Saturday night. She was fortune enough to win the coveted quilt

made by the quilt ladies. A special thanks goes out to those lovely ladies who go out of their way to make such a beautiful piece of art. Desert Rose spoke to Washoe Z and me about something special they want to do next time around. More on that next year as the matches grow closer.

All of our potlucks under the pavilion were a blast with folks bringing all kinds of different goodies. The Ice Cream social was a hit once more. The movie night was a treat. Ogallala did a great job on the choice of the film and JJ set up the borrowed equipment from Jackpot Jerry. The only disappointment was the cartoons didn't work. BeeBad brought out some goodies for us to munch on during the film and that was also a treat.

We had 18 plainsman shooters and an unprecedented 18 wild bunch shooters shoot in the heat of the day on Thursday afternoon. Long Range was well attended with Brazos at the helm. Irish Ike ran plainsman and Bordello Fellow ran the wild bunch. I think he is gearing up for the Nevada State Wild Bunch Match to be held next Oct. Long Arm along with the help of Drifter John set up the speed matches and had lots of help at the speed matches. I finally got a chance to shoot a few of those, in fact I won the speed '87 shotgun, OK, I was the only competitor, but I still won something!!! Our BB gun match was a hit once more. Remember that your extraordinary shooting ability with a smooth bore bb gun needs to be witnessed by someone besides yourself! I was cleaning guns on Friday afternoon under the shade of the pavilion and Sand Dab said I needed to join him at the BB Gun side match. I told him I was busy, but he insisted. He had an air soft Tommy gun that he used to mow down the BB Gun targets in a full auto blast. The grin on his face was pale in comparison to the smile on mine. He reset the targets and put the "toy" into my hands and I followed suit and blasted down those suckers and such!! What a blast, literally!!!!

Ogallala did an outstanding job on the stages again this year with an eye to detail on his setup. He did an extraordinary job on the text and trivia on the opposite page in the shooters handbook. I rarely ever read the stuff that's in the handbook, but couldn't put his work down, good job amigo!! Nevada Blaze stepped up and took over the awards and along with Hawkeye Dick, who made the beautiful overall men's and ladies trophies. Also new this year was Dutch Dalton who took over the huge job of registrar and did an outstanding job of cleaning up my little messes that went on behind the scenes, thanks amigo!!! The raffle was a hit. We made over \$1645.00 dollars and thanks to all that brought some really cool stuff. Who knew that Ogallala was such a gifted public speaker! I asked Irish Ike to MC the evening festivities and was out cooking when Ogallala stepped up and got the ball rolling. It turned out that Ike did the awards and Ogallala handled the raffle; that was truly a match made in heaven and I hope they

do the same again next year. The one award that I hold near and dear to me is the top hand award. It was real tough to choose a winner this year with all the hard workers that

stepped up. Nevada Blaze jumped right in with no hesitation. We had a couple of guys that were always there when I needed something. A very special and heart felt thanks goes out to Russian River Ranger and Flannigan Flats for going out of your way to make this match one of our best!!!! We felt that the new comer to our group Bordello Fellow took on the responsibility for wild bunch and was one of those guys coming up to us asking what else needs to be done. Another thankless job was given to Dr. Dust to bring in ice. That may not seem like a big deal but the reality of it all is that is one of the most important jobs we have.

Drifter John, our co match director, was his usual Eveready bunny working selflessly from the early morning till all the work was done in the evening. We all need to thank JJ for doing the job most of us want to have nothing to do with; setting up running the scores. For the folks who made sure all the steel was set up before the match, taken down and put away on Saturday afternoon, while I got to take a much needed rest, my hat is off to the crew who was there working without being told that something needed to be done. Well, I couldn't have done as much as we did without your selfless help. There aren't enough words of praise I could heap on you!!!!!!!!

Next year will be our 20th annual Roop County Days and we are already planning some special things to commemorate such a huge accomplishment. Putting on an annual match is a lot of work and once more we will be requesting your help to make it the best match we have ever produced.

Once more, a special thanks to all, I'm sure I left someone out because there were so many of you that stepped up, who made this Roop County Days flow seamlessly. We couldn't do it without your help and participation!!!!!!!!

New business:

Roop will be sending our own representative to the TG meetings. Turtle will be down in the area and will represent us.

We have the Cops & Cowboys benefit shoot on Saturday Oct 10th. If you haven't signed up yet there is still time. JJ is writing the stages for our Oct monthly match on Sunday. If you shoot the Cops & Cowboys match you can shoot Sundays match for free. Washoe and I delivered our brand new outhouse to the range. We have spoken to the folks who run the racetrack and they will clean them for us. We will be working on some solar lights for those of you that campout on the range without facilities.

That's all for now, see you on the range,

Jasper

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