

Battle Born Rangers Newsletter

Reno, NV

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BBR's Board wants to remind you that annual members dues are due in May. \$50.00 for an individual and \$75.00 for a family.



From our club president -Bordello Fellow

Greetings and Salutations,

Rough Rider Rich's Saturday match was once again a lot of fun and challenging to shoot. Still shooting Josey Wales with cap and ball, so it was extra challenging for me. Still had a great time. The weather was almost perfect with a bit of chill in the morning,

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then sunny with a touch of wind later. All in all, a very fun shoot.

Wylie Fox held training in Minden on April 14th. With 9 people in attendance, there



were 3 different courses covering basic rules, Cowboy Action, and Wild Bunch. A number of the attendees were experienced RO's with lots of interesting stories to share. We spent some time on slides and a lot of time discussing "What's the Call" examples and in depth dive into some of the more confusing aspects of this game. Whether you hold the clock or not, this training makes a person a better shooter, spotter, and yes helps improve RO's timer operation. With the club picking up the tab for members training and buying lunch I am surprised more do not attend. These classes are very informative and worth the time.

So today, April 19th was a long range match. This one was a 22 match and the first one I have attended. There were only 5 people shooting so it turned into a practice match. 49er Preacher took time to explain how a match was shot, number of shots, time, equipment, etc. Pretty interesting and had fun putting small rounds down range. Even got to shoot one of those fancy, highfalutin single shot 22. Yes with a scope too. Dang that rifle can shoot. Thanks Preacher!!! So I received a phone call last month from a Loyd Brown wanting to sell a colt single action revolver used in the movie "Young Guns". According to Loyd, he has all the documents to prove it's use in the movie. So if you are a collector of just have a wish to own a bit of history I will include the information he sent. You can decide if it's for you.

Hello Mr. Bordello Fellow, I have included a letter attesting to the pistols Provenance as being the same revolver which Emilio used in both of the Young Guns motion pictures, as Billy the Kid. The letter is labeled as "test letter" short for testimony letter attesting to the authenticity of the revolver. To review the specifics of the pistol, it is a Colt SAA with a 4 3/4" barrel in .45 long colt. It is a 3rd generation revolver manufactured I believe in about 1983. This pistol does show some signs of wear, but still functions very well. As you can tell, the front sight has been filed down, "so I can get an extra 1/10 of a second on Sheriff Brady" as Billy states in the movie. I sincerely hope that one of your members will be able to use and enjoy this great piece of cinematic history. I am

asking only \$2,000 for this authentic Colt SAA. I also have a show jacket from the second movie. It is a levi style denim jacket with Young Guns II embroidered on the back and can forward you a picture of it if you think someone might be interested. My phone number is 530 583-2315 should you wish to contact me for more pictures or to answer any questions you may have.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely Loyd



Hope to see you at the range soon,
Bordello

From your Secretary – Jasper Agate

Howdy all,

I want to start this piece with a sincere thank you to all that bought Pasco's collection. Through your generosity I was able to give Souk \$9150.00.

March slipped by without our newsletter. I wonder if turning 70 had something to do with it?!?!?!? Everyone who contributes normally had a reprieve from writing as well! We're back to it and we managed to publish this newsletter for your reading enjoyment.

We have a couple of reminders for you-

1) I didn't add Big Bore friendly to Flanigan's April matches so.....



From here on out unless stated otherwise all his matches are

Big Bore friendly.

This doesn't apply to Rough Rider Rich's 1st Saturday cowboy shoot.

2) Your annual membership fees are due in May and we'll be collecting at the May matches.

3) We have no problem adding your items for sale or information for the club to the emails we send out. Please understand that it could go out as a stand alone email or added to an email with upcoming matches or other club business items on it. Please include any contact information you would like. Do NOT rely on us to respond to questions from our mailing list for you. For items that are for sale please write up something describing the item or items for sale with a couple of pictures sent as an attachment. Following the guidelines mentioned above will make our job easier and create a positive attitude on our part for the future of us allowing you to add items to our emails.

A hand full of us went to Wylie's SASS Cowboy and Wild Bunch classes that the clubs put together. We need to thank both clubs for picking up the fees SASS charges and providing lunch for us. Sass has put together a reasonable slide show that covered the material in the hand out. I really enjoyed the time we spend together with other members interjecting stories and experiences that were relevant to the subject matter. Taking all three classes took all day but I was never bored with the content or presentation. Wylie is a great teacher and kept us all engaged during the day long classes. We had as many breaks as needed and he even went out himself to bring us lunch!! I think everyone who attended enjoyed the classes with Wylie's humor and wit keeping our attention and as you can imagine "keeping us on track" which was in its self a full time job! I highly recommend that everyone take the appropriate class or classes to understand just how a match works and our duties and responsibilities during the matches. Even if you never plan on holding the timer and by the way no one is ever going to force you to run the timer just taking the classes will teach you in whatever form of assistance works for you.

BeeBad and I are heading off the Sac Valley to shoot the always enjoyable Arroyo Cantua match. Our club will be represented by a number of Northern NV shooters and should be a great time. It always has been in the past!!

See you on the range,

Jasper Agate

Next Months Matches

May 1st 9am - Set up for 1st Sat

May 2nd - 9am - BBR's 1st Sat Cowboy shoot

May 8th - 9am - BBR's Set up for the weekend

May 9th 9am - BBR's Wild Bunch match

May 10th 9am – BBR's monthly Cowboy shoot

May 17th 8:30am – SSS's setup and shoot at the Gulch

TBA 9am – BBR's Long-Range

From your Wild Bunch and Cowboy coordinator - Flanigan Flats

Howdy, a long time no see for a lot of you.

I truly hope to catch up with those we haven't seen in awhile on a range somewhere soon.

But let's go ahead and jump into this month's newsletter.

We had Rough Rider Rich's first Saturday Cowboy shoot on April 4th. Seven shooters came out for the match. The match was won by Captain James West. Somehow, I (Flanigan Flats) ended up being the only clean shooter. As always Rough Rider Rich put on a fun and challenging match. The first three stages of this match featured progressive poppers, totaling six poppers. Only two shooter Make Your Mark and myself broke all six birds and earned all three bonuses.

The next Saturday, April 11th, we had our monthly Wild Bunch (WB) match. The weather was forecasted to be.... not that great. But it turned out to be a pretty decent day while we were on the range. We only had four shooters show up for the match but, we had plenty of volunteer help, so we went ahead and shot. Gold Rush Allie stepped up and ran the timer for the whole match and

did a fantastic job. May was a dedicated counter and picked up brass. She was expertly assisted with the brass pick-up by Adel and Wild Bill Berry. A special thanks goes out to those four. Without their dedication and hard work this match would have been a bust. The match was won by me and there wasn't any clean shooters.

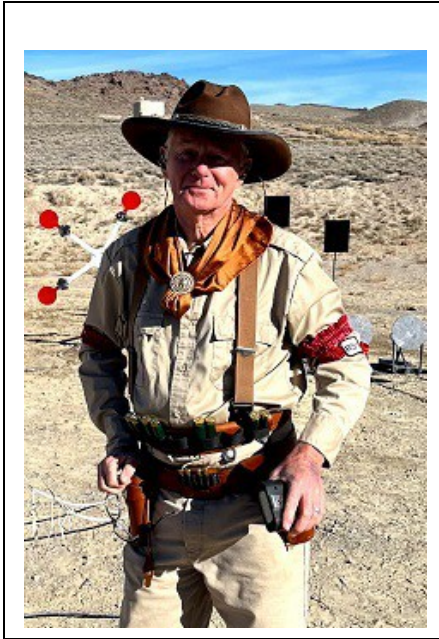
On Sunday, April 12th, we had our second Sunday Cowboy shoot. The morning was cold and weather was all around us, but we had five shooters and Jasper volunteered to be our score keeper and dedicated counter so we went ahead with getting the match started with the awareness that it was likely going to be just the first three stages. After those three stages weather was very imminent and it was still cold, so the vote was to pick up and make a run for warmth and cover. I am very excited to say that Gold Rush Allie won the match. Great Job!!! Brazos and Hawkeye Dick both shot clean.

I want to send out a big thank you to everyone that helped out this month. Thank you very much and I am hoping for better weather and to see more shooters on the Range in May!!!

Flanigan Flats

From your Wild Bunch & Cowboy TG and RO Trainer Wylie Fox

RO Training



There was a RO training on 14 April 2026. Thanks to Derringer Dan for arranging a room at his church.

The following members passed all three courses;
ROBS, CAS & WBAS.

Jasper Agate
Make Your Mark
Derringer Dan
Dead Eye Dick
Hawkeye Dick
Jeremiah Jonathan
Bordello Fellow
Gold Rush Allie
Flanigan Flat

The following member passed ROBS & CAS.

Ray B Jamison (left early, not interested in WBAS)

I do not expect to have another set of classes this year. I would highly encourage our newer and experienced shooters to attend next year.

COWBOY& Wild Bunch Issues

Below are two documents sent to the TG's as the potential 2026 items for discussion and possible voting. If there is a vote it will probably be in the fall of 2026. Please share wit me your thoughts so I can share them at the various TG meeting during the year.

SASS - CAS Territorial Governors - Agenda Items 2026

Below are the annual agenda items for TG discussion. Please utilize these discussion items for the organization of TG meetings throughout the year. Submit your meeting minutes appropriately to ensure all viewpoints are registered with SASS. This agenda will be updated as warranted.

TGs: Utilize these discussion items to engage your clubs and SASS members on important topics, readying your ability to vote appropriately when warranted.

*NOTE: Not all items for TG discussion will warrant a TG Vote to pass. SASS business policy items are the sole discretion of SASS, but SASS will consider all TG discussions, feedback, and suggestions on business policy items.

Clarification/Educational Opportunity: An observed situation/practice of competitor(s): at the loading table, after the firearms are loaded- the shooter(s) lifted the loaded firearm(s) into the shooting position and mimicked shooting the scenario/sweep. This practice is illegal. Just as dry-firing is illegal at the loading/unloading tables under SASS Loading & Unloading safety conventions, once a competitor's firearms are loaded at the loading table, firearms are NOT to be lifted into a shooting position for any reason whatsoever. This clarification/ruling will be added to the SASS Loading and Unloading safety conventions, banning this practice explicitly.

Discussion: Modifying the Junior Shooting Category: Changing the Junior Shooting Category from: Junior Boy/ Girl: 16 and under to: Junior Boy/Girl: 18 and under. This change will bring the Junior Shooting category in line with SASS Junior Membership parameters, and the legal requirements of "adulthood" at age 18 - no longer requiring parental/guardian supervision to participate and compete. - Further discussion on a possible "Young Gun" category (ages 18-25) to help ease the 20 year gap from Junior to Wrangler categories before the age breakouts begin.

Clarification on staging the '87 shotgun: When 87 shotguns are staged on a flat surface, they are to be staged flat with the trigger fully on the flat surface.

Clarification: SASS Sanctioned events - 100% SASS rules: 2026 brought a new requirement that all side matches and shooting activities presented at any SASS Sanctioned event be conducted 100% by SASS rules. It has been further clarified that this requirement is not intended to eliminate "fun shoots" as side matches that utilize different firearms (.22 cal, etc.) or other safe antics. All SASS Safety covenants must be honored, as well as all SASS participant conduct requirements (costuming, etc.). Ex: you cannot host a WBAS match at a SASS sanctioned match and not follow WBAS rules 100%.

Discussion: The 170° Rule: Issue: inconsistent interpretation, training, and application of the 170° rule. Proposal: develop a visual presentation of the violation of the rule in image and video form, including a video presentation dedicated solely to the 170° rule, adding to the ROBS Course and available for further clarification on the SASS Website.

SASS - WBAS Territorial Governors - Agenda Items 2026

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Clarification: Ventilator Rib on a Model 12 is LEGAL, and always has been. This clarification will be added to the 2027 version of the WBAS SHB.

Clarification - Discussion: Bronze sights: SHB, p. 13: "Sights may be the color of the slide or any combination of the slide color, including but not limited to blue, black, or natural stainless (natural colored) steel." Further clarification is needed on this rule - how much bronze is on the slide to warrant a bronze front sight?

Clarification/Educational Opportunity: An observed situation/practice of competitor(s) at EOT: shooter(s) were observed holding the slide back/open on their 1911 for movement (magazine still in), then releasing the held-back slide at the next position and continuing firing. This practice is ILLEGAL. TG's: pass the word and be on the lookout for this ILLEGAL practice. Specific verbiage banning this practice will be added to the SHB and WBAS RO Module in 2027.

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WTC (What's the Call)

Pistol targets set up with three targets, the center much larger with two smaller outsides. Range had a grass background. Instructions were to triple tap the center then place one shot on each of the outside targets. Setup was a facade type with differing windows, so slightly off center could have limited viewing if the spotters were not careful

Very fast shooter clearly engages the center as a quad tap, but missed the 4th shot, with me clearly hearing no ring and seeing the hole in the turf, off to the left- opposite side that two of the spotters were standing on, then places the 5th shot one of the outside targets. At the end, two spotters say clean with a P, one says clean (obviously a little oblivious).

The author of the post was the TO and his/her opinion is obvious.

