

KINGS RIVER GAZETTE

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Upcoming 2011 Annual Shoots

Winter Range
February 22-27

Shootout at Fort Miller
April 15-17

Dry Gulch at Arroyo Cantua
April 22-24

SASS California State Championship
April 29-May 1

High Sierra Shootout
May 26-29



It's Raining, it's Pouring.....

For the first time ever, the Kings River Regulators have been rained out twice in a row.

The November and December matches were called on account of rain and we were all glad to get in a January shoot.

While the rain is a fine thing, it sure puts the damper on shooting. Something about slick footing,

rusty guns and cold, wet shooters, or some thing like that.

Remember to keep watching your emails in case it happens again.

On another note, it's time to renew your dues and sign up for the Shootout at Fort Miller.

Your dues help keep the club in targets, props and help put on the best kept

secret in SASS, the Shootout at Fort Miller.

KRR shooters show up in the top ten at the State Match, Western Regionals, National and World Championships each year. So pay your dues, sign up for the annual and show the Cowboy Shooting World what being a Kings River Regulator means.

AS THE ROOSTER CROWS - SLICK ROCK ROOSTER

Forty seven shooters turned out for the January 2011 shoot at the KRR range. After two months of cancelled shooting due to rain and mud, it was great to get back to doing what is fun and not sitting and looking at the weather reports.

We had two new shooters show up on Saturday for orientation and Sunday to shoot the match. A big KRR welcome

goes out to **Dabster Dave** and to **Lil Missy**. **Lil Missy** is the granddaughter of **Great Speckled Body** and **Wyoming Rambler**.

It is a good thing the weather had a little overcast hiding bright sunshine, as **Fannie Mostly** was wearing her new white with red lacing B Western rig built by **Wildcat John** (see her photo on pg 3). This rig is dazzling! In bright sunshine it

will be blinding.

Talon Hawke wrote the match and it was straightforward with little difficulties.

It was great to see some of those we had not seen in a few months. **Geo Kid** and **Lady Gunner**, and **Ramrod** and **Fannie** had been traveling and shooting at matches all over the place.

Badman Bob was (cont pg 3)

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Happy Birthday!

<p><u>December Birthdays</u></p> <p><i>Wildcat John</i> <i>Walkabout</i> <i>Ma Steele</i> <i>Kaweah Kid</i> <i>Judge Jeremiah Steele</i> <i>Mariposa Slim</i> <i>Cole Chance</i> <i>Smokum Joe</i> <i>Deputy Dan Beartrap</i> <i>Blackie</i></p>	<p><u>January Birthdays</u></p> <p><i>Sutter Lawman</i> <i>Wyoming Rambler</i> <i>Tahoe Tattler</i> <i>Red Hal</i> <i>Josie Bells</i> <i>Devil'z Rope</i> <i>Sierra Shaman</i></p>
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Monthly Matches

1st Weekend
 FRPC Silhouette and Long Range
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2nd Weekend
 Chorro Valley

3rd Weekend
 Kings River Regulators

4th Weekend
 Two Rivers Posse Manteca
 Faultline Shootists Gonzales

5th Weekend
 Chorro Valley

♪♪ He's in the Army now...♪♪



One of our Junior members isn't a junior any more.

Dusty Stranger, son of **Sloan Stranger and Miss Rose E Beautok**, enters the United States Army in February.

Dusty and **Sloan** have been members of the Kings River Regulators for a few years and **Dusty** has shot the Shootout at Fort Miller.

Now we'll see if all that ROTC and CAS training will pay off.



RAMROD'S MUSINGS

From the Pokey

Breaking the 170 at the loading table.

Are you aware that the rule covering sweeping with a loaded or unloaded gun starts at the beginning of the loading table and runs to the end of the unloading table?

Did you know that when you grab your revolver by the barrel and hold it barrel down to show you don't have a round under the hammer, you may be breaking the 170.

Next time you try this, look and you'll see the muzzle is pointing straight down, 180 degrees.

If that revolver has rounds in it, that is a Match Disqualification. Learn to show the revolver to the loading table officer another way.

When showing unloaded also remember the 170.

Stay Safe, Stay in the Game.

Cowboy Logic

KIT CARSON—1809-1868

Christopher Houston "Kit" Carson became a legend in his own time, living long enough to see his frontier adventures reinvented in dime novels. Raised in Missouri, he was apprenticed as a teenager to a saddlemaker. Feeling restless, he defiantly left home in 1826 and was hired on as a herder with a caravan bound for Santa Fe. The saddlers offered a reward of one penny for his return. From Santa Fe he ventured to Taos where he fell in love with the locale and made it his home base for the rest of his life.

For the next several years, Carson ranged throughout the Rockies working as a fur trapper, learning the Native American customs and languages, but he also fought on numerous occasions against hostile warriors. From 1829-1864 he engaged in approximately 30 skirmishes and battles against warriors from various tribes.

The rendezvous of 1835 proved unusually eventful for Carson. He

shot a bullying trapper named Shunar in a mounted duel. He also traded for his first wife, a beautiful Arapaho maiden named Waanike, who gave birth to two children. Sadly, Waanike died of illness around 1838.

In 1842 Carson has hired as a guide for \$100/mo. by Lt. John C. Fremont. Over the next four years Carson accompanied Fremont on three explorations across much of the west.

Assigned to carry dispatches to Washington DC, Carson reach the nation's capital to find that he had become famous. Back in New Mexico, he was appointed an American Indian agent, and served for a decade. During the Civil War he became Lt. Col. of the First New Mexico Volunteer Infantry. By 1864 Carson was a Brig. Genl. and commanded a punitive expedition to the Texas panhandle. During the ensuing Battle of Adobe Walls, Col. Carson dueled 2,000 warriors—more than any other commander until Custer in 1876. (cont. below)

Fannie Mostly's Sharp Shooting Award

This month's Sharpshootin' Award goes to the shooters who finished 1st on Stage 1, 10th on Stage 2, 20th on Stage 3, 30th on Stage 4 and 40th on Stage 5. This shows a nice cross-representation of the fine shooters we have at KRR—all ages and styles!



Badman Bob
1st on Stage 1



Wildcat John
10th on Stage 2



Fannie Mostly
20th on Stage 3

As The Rooster Crows

(Cont. from Pg. 1)

one of three shooters to shoot the match clean, along with **Above Snakes** and **Wildcat John**.

Next month's match director is **Hawkeye O'Riley**. Sharpen up your throwing skills as he has tomahawks for us to throw.

Cowboy Logic, cont.

Carson married Josefa Jaramillo in 1843, but she died in 1868 following the birth of their 7th child. Bereaved and in bad health, Carson died a month later.



Wrong Way Wrangler
30th on Stage 4



Slick Creek Seth
40th on Stage 5

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Next Month's Match Director



HAWKEYE O'RILEY

ROAD APPLES



I was shooting so bad...I tried to throw my hat on the ground and missed!

