

KINGS RIVER GAZETTE

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Upcoming 2010 Annual Shoots

Winter Range
SASS National Championships
February 24 - 28

Shootout at Fort Miller
April 15 - 18

Dry Gulch at Arroyo Cantua
April 23 - 25

SASS California State
Championships
April 29—May 2



New Kings River Regulators Officers

(from the left)

- Territorial Governor - Snakebite**
- Banker - Talon Hawke**
- Mayor - Slick Rock Rooster**
- School Marm - Pocket Change**
- Sheriff - Mariposa Slim**
- Blacksmith - Fargo (at shot show)**

2010 Shootout at Fort Miller "Draws" Near

The New Year is here and the Shootout at Fort Miller is coming. This year's match director, **Snakebite**, claims this will be the "Year of the Snake". And will be the best Shootout in history. He'll need everyone's help to make sure this happens.

There's a work party scheduled for January 30th (more inside) and ongoing upkeep of your adopted bays and buildings is needed to make

the range shines. Contact **Snakebite** to see what you can do to help.

Noted as being the premier match of Central California and one of the top matches in the West, the Shootout at Fort Miller is more than just a match to warm up for the California State Championships. It's known for it's great scenarios, bays, props and setting. Where else can you walk

down the main street of a cowboy town to the site of one of California's historical scenes? Where else can you ride the "as seen on TV" ore cart while shooting at the largest targets in the Nation? Where else can you camp for free, enjoy the Great Rib Roundup and still compete with the top shooters? Nowhere else but Fort Miller. Pitch in and keep this match the best in the State.

AS THE ROOSTER CROWS - SLICK ROCK ROOSTER

We had cloudy skies all day and the rain held off until we left the range.

Nine shooters of forty four were able to complete the match without a miss.

The nine clean shooters were **B. Haven Badly, Badmann Bob, Even Dozen, Hawkeye O'Riley, Papa Willie, Ruthless Ray, Sawdust**

Kid, Talon Hawke, and Tracker.

Mariposa even had a couple of clean stages himself. **Flying W Ramrod** was smoking hot in the Frontier Cartridge category with his three stages in under 30 seconds.

Thank you to the three posse leaders **Big Bad**

Blaine, Ruthless Ray, and Sierra Rider.

A reminder a work party is scheduled for Saturday January 30 in conjunction with FRPC annual meeting and Swap Meet.

Beginning at 8:00am we will work on the street front buildings, general grounds cleanup (cont on Page 3)

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The Gazette

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Range

5 Dogs Creek

2nd Weekend

Chorro Valley

3rd Weekend

Kings River Regulators

*4th Weekend*Two Rivers Posse
MantecaFaultline Shootists
Gonzales*5th Weekend*

Chorro Valley

Regulator Roundup

As you all should know, the annual Shootout at Fort Miller is coming up fast.

This year's Match Director, **Snakebite**, is expecting everything to work as well as, if not better than, last year.

So, to this end all Kings River Regulators need to sign up for work duties just like last year.

Being Match Director of an annual match is a long, demanding job. The event is dependent on how the Director covers all the bases.

Snakebite will need the help of all KRR members who attend the match as shooters or helpers to keep this the premier match of Central California.

Snakebite has already divided the match into Main Match director, **Snakebite**, and side match directors: Speed Stages will be **Mariposa Slim**, Silhouette is **Ramrod**, Cowboy Trap will be **Geo Kid**, Long Range is **Fargo**,

Plainsman will be **Snakebite** and **Ramrod**, and Sunday Match is **Fannie Mostly** and **Ramrod**.

The "non-match" duties are the ones that need the most attention. Emptying trash cans, repainting targets after the first day of shooting, initial match set up, after match tear down, potluck setup and tear down, the list is long and needs to be filled. Contact **Snakebite** to volunteer for a project.

Raffle prizes are needed. The raffle is the biggest money maker the club has each year. The better the prizes, the more tickets sold, the more the club has to operate with. Contact **B. Haven Badly** about raffle prize donations.

This is your match and your chance to show Cowboy Action Shooters from around the country that the Kings River Regulators know how to put on a great event.

From the Forge

Howdy Pardds!

Well another year is upon us and it's time to spruce up the range.

On Saturday, March 20th, we'll have the last work party prior to our annual match.

We need to fix up Main Street and do repairs/touch up of the facades in the bays.

Bring your work gloves, screw guns, hand tools, lawn tools and a willingness to work.

We start at 8:00 and will work until at least noon.

This is a project that all Kings River Regulators, man and woman, can be involved with. Make a difference,

show up and help keep this venue the premier Cowboy Shooting destinations in the country.

We're hoping sometime this year to add a new prop in Bay 7—a gallows setup with raised platform so we can utilize the entire bay without needing to run the ore cart.

We're also thinking about adding to Cowboy Town. Some ideas are a Chinese Laundry, Livery Stable and Church. If you have any other ideas or want to get in on the upgrade of main street, let **Fargo** know.

Let's get to work and make Fort Miller shine.

RAMROD'S MUSINGS

From the Pokey

January Match Observations:

Well, not being Sheriff or a Posse Leader in January let me observe what goes on behind the shooting line and I must say I was surprised how poorly safety has enforced at the loading tables.

Loading table officers should never stand down range of the person loading their guns. This happens often as the loading table officer wants to be able to sit and relax while doing their duties, and pulling their seats to the side of the table. Folks, you are sitting in a potentially dangerous place, be aware of the 170 degree rule.

Some shooters have gotten in the habit of loading their revolvers then grabbing them by the barrel, pointing the muzzle down, and allowing the loading

table officer to look behind the cylinder to see if there is an empty space under the hammer. While I have no problem with this practice, the shooter should not move the gun from directly over the table. Especially do not move the gun off the table and hold it over the loading table officer's lap to let them get a better look. Make the loading table officer get up and look.

Cross draw shooters, when you're done loading your revolver and are re-holstering, DO THE TURN, and turn all the way 180 degrees to the loading table before putting your revolver back. If you fail to DO THE TURN, you are sweeping the loading table officer and anyone standing to the side of you. These are loaded guns and are subject to Match Disqualification penalties for sweeping with a loaded gun.

Spotters, there are places to avoid when spotting to ensure that you are safe. The main area of concern here is on Bay 4 (Rosa's Cantina). Position 3, the door, is a great place to see all the shooting however, when a shooter is at the patio or the first window, you are standing down range from a person shooting live ammunition at steel targets.

If a stage scenario has the shooter moving along the course of fire, the spotter should not be in the travel line. As the shooter moves, you are now down range of a person with loaded guns. Stay out of the 170.

There are more instances of relaxed safety which I will address in future issues.

Safety Begins with **you**, so **Be Safe**.

Fannie Mostly's Sharp Shooting Award

This month's Sharpshootin' Award honors the shooters who are the life blood of the match. Those shooters who shoot well, but not tops. The middle of the pack shooters.

This month **B. Haven Badly** and **Hawkeye O'Riley** were ranked 22 and 23 out of 44 shooters, with respectable times for the competition!



B. Haven Badly



Hawkeye O'Riley

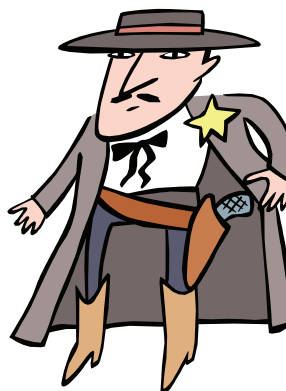
As the Rooster Crows (cont.)

and other repairs as necessary.

This FRPC meeting is for election of officers and your KRR mayor is running for President.

Your KRR banker is running for Operations Manager. Show up and vote.

The Swap Meet will begin at 9:00 am the meeting is at Noon.



Winter Hours

Registration 8:00

Shooters Mtg 8:30

Shooting Starts 9:00

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- **Membership** □
- **Dues are Due** □
- Yearly Dues for KRR are: □
- Individual - \$20.00 □
- Family - \$40.00 □
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February's Match Director



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