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From The President

Pirates, Pearl Harbor Day, and Christmas

You can't accuse this club of being predictable. Well, you can, but you'd be wrong. We think you should have fun with this game, and if you're not having fun, you're doing it wrong. I realize that having fun gets interpreted by some as meaning that you don't care about the shooting, but I haven't seen it around here. What I do see is people trying to shoot the best they can. To some, that means hitting all the targets, and to others, it means going as fast as you can. Most of us tend to operate somewhere in between those extremes.

But, I digress. I was talking about predictability. As it turns out, you can predict with some degree of certainty that on any given Saturday the RRV will shoot 6 stages, the round count will be somewhere in the neighborhood of 60-60-24, and the targets will be somewhere within the SASS recommended guidelines, standing still, and not shooting back. Well, most of the time.

Our December 7 match was lost to wild weather, so we put it on the shelf and shot it on the 21st. Would you predict having to deal with the Imperial Japanese Navy at Pearl Harbor? How about pirates coming over the rail and running right at you? Or, that rascal Blitzen running a pyramid scheme? I didn't think so.

Four shooters drove up from down south to shoot with us: Dead Eye Maverick, Not So Dead Eye Maverick, Mexican Bob, and Charity Rose Lee. Welcome to all, and come on back! Sixteen shooters turned out for the match, including Chris Kringle, who looked a lot like Buckhorn Bud shooting Cap and Ball Gunfighter. Dead Eye Maverick, Not So Dead Eye Maverick (top lady on the day), and Mexican Bob demonstrated how it's done and finished one-two-three, respectively. Ozark Lawdog and Cowboy Earl rounded out the top five.

All of the scores from the match are posted on our web site at www.robbersroostvigilantes.com. Nobody shot the match clean.

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Real Life Westerners You Didn't Want to Mess With

Fourth in a Series

Although he is primarily remembered as "Old Blood and Guts", General George S. Patton wasn't born on the battlefields of World War II. He was born in the 19th century, and in the early 20th century he was a young 2nd Lieutenant with the 8th Cavalry, with a penchant for Colt Single Action Army revolvers, chasing Pancho Villa around Mexico as part of General John J. Pershing's Mexican Expedition. On March 16, 1916, Villa and his men had invaded the U.S. and sacked the southern New Mexico town of Columbus, killing 18 civilians and U.S. soldiers, wounding 8 more, and taking mules, horses, supplies, and machine guns.

On May 14, Lt. Patton, with 15 men and three Dodge touring cars, entered the town of San Miguelito. When three of Villa's revolutionaries rode into town, guns blazing, Patton, standing in the middle of the street, drew his Colt and shot two of the men's horses from underneath them. One was killed, but Patton waited for the second man to get to his feet and draw his pistol before dispatching him with a single shot from his Peacemaker. His men killed the third bandito. Patton tied the three men to the hood of his car like so many deer, and triumphantly drove them to his commanding officer.

Sometimes rightly, and sometimes wrongly, generals are criticized for sending young men to certain death, but Patton never asked his men to do anything he wouldn't do himself. If you don't believe it, ask those three banditos.

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In January we will be shooting on the 4th and the 18th. We are on **Winter Hours**, so we'll start sign ups at 8:00, have the meeting at 8:45, and the new shooter class will be at 7:30. As always, we'd like to know in advance if a new shooter is coming out so we can be prepared to take care of them.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Monthly shoots:

The Cajon Cowboys shoot on the: 2nd (club day) and 4th (open shoot) Saturdays of each month at the Gem Ranch in the Cajon Pass on old route 66. Contact Luke Warmwater at (909) 987-7017. www.cajoncowboys.com.

Five Dogs Creek Cowboys in Bakersfield shoot on the 1st weekend of each month. Call Utah Blaine, (661) 203-4238. www.5dogscreek.com

High Desert Cowboys shoot in Acton on the 3rd Sunday. Contact Doc Silverhawks, (661) 948-2543, or Lumpy Grits or Ima Schofield at (661)265-1923.

Double R Bar Regulators, Lucerne Valley, shoot the 2nd Sunday. www.rrbar.com. They will host **Crap Shoot at Chimney Rock, "ROLL THE DICE,"** April 11 – 13. Contact Little Jersey Jo, 1-760-247-5012, joed56676@gmail.com.

Lone Wolf Shooters, Pahrump, NV, shoot the 4th and 5th Sunday. Call Lash Latigo or Penny Pepperbox, (775) 727-4600 days, (775) 727-8790 evenings. www.lonewolfshooters.com.

El Dorado Cowboys, Boulder City, NV, shoot the 1st weekend (Sat & Sun). Contact Charming at 702-565-3736, or Creeker at 702-328-4867. www.eldoradocowboys.com.

DEFEND THE ROOST 2014

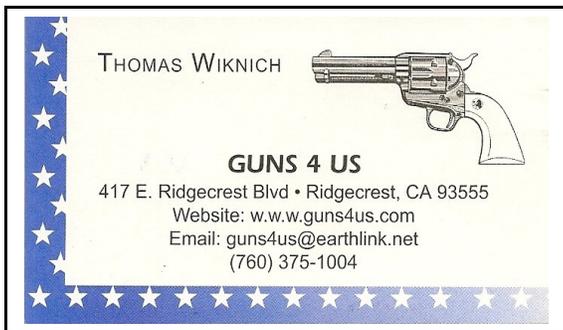
The Robbers Roost Vigilantes and GUNS4US present our 16th anniversary shoot Thursday through Saturday, May 15, 16, and 17, 2014. You can look forward to a full day of side matches on Thursday, including a three stage warm-up match, the Great Train Robbery, and a night black powder shoot. On Friday it will be five main stages and The Professionals, and on Saturday, five more main stages and Last Man/Woman Standing. Not to mention all the great food, Yelping Coyote, awards, and Cowboy Karaoke.

This year's theme is **Gunfighters and Gunfights**, which is kind of always the theme, but you know what we mean. ☺

New this year is a Cowboy Swap Meet on Thursday. We all have cowboy stuff we once thought we couldn't live without, but have decided we can. If you think it might be of interest to a fellow cowboy action shooter, bring it out. Set up your own table or share, as you wish. For more info, contact Goode Bascomb at ke.todd@mchsi.com.

The DTR 2014 application and information are available on our web site at www.robbersroostvigilantes.com.

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Come out to a RRV match, held the third (and sometimes first) Saturday of every month, or call Nasty Newt at 760-375-7618, or MC Ryder at 760-384-2321, or mail it in. Our membership application is here [RRV Membership Application](#) Annual membership dues for the RRV are: single membership \$25, member and spouse \$30, family membership (including children under 18 living at home) \$35. First time shooters will be able to take their FIRST (1) NEW SHOOTERS CLASS for \$10, any subsequent new shooters class or RRV match shoot will be \$10 members, \$15 nonmembers. Donations for shooting regular monthly RRV matches will be \$10 members, \$15 non-members. Memberships run from September 1 - August 31. New memberships purchased after September will be prorated depending on the number of months remaining and the type of membership. **RRV members are encouraged to become Single Action Shooting Society (SASS) members.** Please call SASS at (505) 843-1320, or go to www.sassnet.com. SASS first year single initiation membership is \$55, renewal for single membership is \$45. As part of your SASS membership you will receive The Cowboy Chronicle (12 issues/year), registration of your alias, a SASS badge with your SASS number on it, a membership certificate and membership card, a SASS Marshall lapel pin, and SASS Shooters Handbook. SASS membership is not required for membership in RRV, or participation in RRV regular monthly matches. **RRV encourages all shooters to join and support the NRA and the NRA Foundation, and Ridgecrest Gun Range Association.** For further information visit our website at www.robbersroostvigilantes.com.



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Schedule of Monthly Matches RRV Match Dates:

January 4, 2014
 January 18, 2014

Winter Hours: Sign up starting ~ 8:00,
 Safety Meeting ~ 8:45.

New Shooter Class ~ 7:30.

