

## KINGS RIVER GAZETTE



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## NEW OFFICERS, NEW LOOK

On a cold and rainy December morning, with the existing Town Council running unopposed, and only one person willing to be secretary, the following Regulators were duly enshrined as the new Town Council:

For his second term as Mayor, the one and only....

### Slick Rock Rooster.

As Territorial Governor, and has been since Noah....

### Snakebite.

In his first full term as Banker....

### Talon Hawke.

As our new School Marm, the ever lovely....

### Fannie Mostly.

Once again, a tip of the hat to our Blacksmith....

### Sierra.



The new Town Council of the Kings River Regulators

For all you troublemakers, as returning Sheriff....

### Flying W Ramrod.

Also appointed by the masses:

### Deputy Sheriff....Crusty Jim.

Blacksmith Helper....

### Michigan Bob.

Teachers Aide....

### Swanee Rivers.

Let's all get behind our Town Council and keep this club one of the best in the country.

## AS THE ROOSTER CROWS SLICK ROCK ROOSTER

With a rainout in December we had a beautiful sunny, cool January day to make up for the previous month's weather. Wildcat John edged out Little Fawn to finish first overall. This match was designed to be shot with the spirit of Christmas in the air.

Congratulations to John for providing a great match. Snakebite finished third despite the "lying, cheating spotters" that continue to follow him to every match. **Yahoo!** to Papa Willie for shooting a clean match.

We had a battle between two shooters in the Gunfighter class. El Maestro and Ramrod both began shooting in the class this month and finished right next to each other with El Maestro edging out Ramrod by 0.34 seconds and one rank point. (page 3)

## FROM THE DESK OF THE TERRITORIAL GOVERNOR

### Summit Report

This years TG summit was as I expected, FAST AND FURIOS. It has proved to be the most far reaching summit to date. There were about 300 clubs represented at the summit this year. That is a record. I'm pleased that the numbers have increased. It takes a bit more work, but gives us a very broad base of support when we do come up with something. Here are the results, and some comments.

Item #1. Should all SASS State and higher championships be required to honor all SASS categories even if there is only one participant? Yes=242, No=52, Abstain=1

Item #2. Should all rule changes passed at the TG summit go into effect as of March 1 of the following year? Yes=293, No=2, Abstain=0 There was little discussion on this.

Item #3. Should all BP categories be changed to add the following statement in the shooters handbook?

"It is expected the black powder competitor shall contend with smoke-obsured targets. To insure this, all shotgun, revolver and rifle power charges must produce smoke equivalent to a base line load of 15 grains by volume (1cc) of ffg black powder." Yes=245, No=49, Abstain=1

Item #4. Should B-Western be made official? Yes=222, No=70, Abstain=3

This category was changed and is now unique. It is the only category at this time where a competitor can shoot ANY style on any stage.

Item #5. Should any competitor be allowed to protest a non-safety issue (miss, procedure, equipment, etc) on another shooter? Yes=6, No=289, Abstain=0

Item #6. Should any competitor be allowed o protest a safety call on another competitor? Yes=21, No=270, Abstain=4

Item #7. Should we allow competitors in the FC category the option to choose to shoot GF style? Yes=156, No=133, Abstain=6. This must be sent out for ratification since it did not get a 2/3 pass vote.

Item #8. Is a shooters age determined by the advertised start date of the match? Yes=287, No=8, Abstain=0

Item #9. Should the practice of putting the hammer tie down strap of the holster under the hammer (between the hammer and the frame) be allowed? Yes=18, No=276, Abstain=1

Item #10. Should we change the issue (safety penalty) of empty shells left on the carrier of an open shotgun or rifle to a no call issue? Yes=126, No=168, Abstain=1.

Item #11. This is the Modification item. It was tabled until a mods committee could be formed and a recommendation submitted. I am on the committee, and it has been a real battle. I don't expect to see things changed from what is already out there, but do expect to see things slow down a bit.

Item #12. Should the Uberti 1873 Percussion Pistol be allowed as a Main Match Pistol? Yes=165, No=119, Abstain=11. This item will be sent out for ratification

Item #13 Should revolving percussion rifles be allowed as Main match Rifles? Yes=20, No=267, Abstain=8

There seems to be a lot of support for splitting the Senior category and the Elder Statesman category at the half way point. This will most likely happen next year. A new version of the 1893 shotgun was presented for approval. Tex was in rare form, he was on a soapbox about 97 shooters having more than two shells in their hand at a time. He also suggested limiting shotgun targets to a max of two at a time by separating them with other guns. This did not set well with the group. That's about it for the summit, I'm honored to have represented you, and hope you are satisfied with my efforts.

Respectfully submitted

Snakebite, SASS #4767  
Territorial Governor

## RAMROD'S MUSINGS

### Notes from the Pokey

Steel Pick up and you.

As we all know, hauling the targets from the bays back to the corral is anything but fun. However, the brunt of the work is being done by a few members. So, when your posse has finished their last stage of the day, please bring the targets back to the corral.

Y'all did a GREAT job with steel pickup at the January match—let's keep it up throughout the year!

### Clean Match

Congratulations to **Papa Willie** for being the only shooter to have a clean match for January.



### Cowboy Logic

#### Hunting a horse:

A common excuse by a cowboy for a presence or absence not easily explained.

Old man Johnson had a pretty daughter, and a certain puncher used to drop by when he thought the old man was not at home. One day he was surprised to find the old man sitting on the front porch.

"Have you seen a little sorrel mare with our brand 'round here?" stammered the cowhand.

"Go right on into the parlor, you'll find 'er a sittin' on the sofa."

### Dues

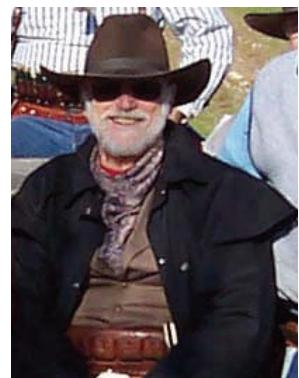
Don't forget, your dues are due. Shake out that poke and pinch a little dust for the club.

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### NEXT MONTHS MATCH DIRECTOR



### MARIPOSA SLIM

### FANNIE'S SHARPSHOOTIN' AWARD

This is a new monthly match award. Each match will have a different criteria so ya'll can't game the match. This month's award goes to the posse with the fewest total misses - **Posse 1** had 87 misses, an average of 4.35 misses per shooter. A big **Yeehaw** for Posse 1 (pictured at right).



### AS THE ROOSTER CROWS (CONT)

It can't get much closer. A big well done to both cowboys. It sure is fun to watch someone shoot the gunfighter class. It is good to see some of our newer shooters improving dramatically. Smokie Irons and Lyin' Ryan are becoming awesome shooters.

Saturday, January 28<sup>th</sup> is the FRPC annual meeting and Swap Meet. The meeting is open to all FRPC members, and the swap meet is open to

anyone that has something they wish to sell. There will be a raffle in conjunction with the FRPC meeting. Each member present will be given a raffle ticket. Prizes are donated by the clubs of FRPC.

KRR will hold a work party that morning (Jan 28) and we hope to have as many members as possible to participate in the FRPC election to be held at noon that day. According to Sierra, we will en-

close the addition to the corral, and do some general cleanup and earthwork. The rains have caused some rutting and some areas need a little dirt work.

I am looking for someone that could take care of our irrigation system. If you have knowledge of irrigation systems and could help the club, please let me know.

SRR

Coming soon to a computer near you.....

The Kings River Regulators website

More info to follow next month

Herb Bauer Sporting Goods

6254 N. Blackstone Avenue

10% discount on all shooting related merchandise to all SASS members.

Western Warehouse

Shaw Avenue in Clovis

15% discount on all merchandise to Kings River Regulator members

**Coming Events**

1st weekend  
FRPC Silhouette and Long Range  
5 Dogs Creek

2nd Weekend  
Chorro Valley

3rd Weekend  
Kings River Regulators

4th Weekend  
Two Rivers Posse, Manteca  
Faultline Shootists, Gonzales

5th Weekend  
Chorro Valley

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