



5 DOGS CREEK HOWLER

AUGUST MATCH CHALLENGES SHOOTERS WITH BLOOMERS, BOAS, BRAIDS AND...WALLPAPER?

The August match, aptly titled "Bloomers in the Breeze," offered shooters five stages of good shootin' and good fun. Organized by Annie Thom, Emma Pistol, Maggie Thom, Mudhen Millie, Nugget Nellie and Calgary Kate, shooters enjoyed moments with Annie Oakley, Mae West, Ma Kettle, and Martha Stewart.



Emma Pistol, Maggie Thom, Mudhen Millie, Calgary Kate and Annie Thom show off some of the props used during the August match.

Stage one taught shooters the importance of not only shooting well, but also looking good in the process. Shooters knew that Annie Thom and Maggie Thom had created something unique as the entire stage was adorned with ivy and an abundance of flowers. Starting in the jail, Martha Stewart's new living quarters, the initial shooting order was determined by the color of wallpaper selected.

Moving the length of the bay, carrying but never shooting your shotgun (as accessorizing is of the

utmost importance), some shooters had fun by adding bouquets of flowers in the barrel of their pard's shotgun. Once the shooting was finished, the stage was not complete until the flowers were appropriately arranged in a vase near the last shooting position.

On stage two, Annie Oakley saved the day from the Oak Leaf Bandit and his gang of miscreants. Written by Calgary Kate, shooters grabbed their rifle from a scabbard, fired away at the bad guys. Dashed through

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THIS MONTH'S TOP 10

1. Coal Train
2. Chama Bill
3. Kaweah Kid
4. Chattan
5. Professor Cubby Bear
6. Even Dozen Warner
7. Almost Dangerous
8. Mescalero
9. Tuscon Smith
10. Little Fawn

COUPLES EVENT - (SIDE MATCH)

1. Mudhen Millie and Professor Cubby Bear

COMING UP...

★ Saturday & Sunday,
September 25-26:

Work party

All hands will be appreciated for a work party beginning at about 8:30 a.m. Lots of final details to get ready for the annual match. Questions? Contact Portugee Phillips

★ Thursday, Sept. 30 -
Sunday, October 3:
Shootout at 5 Dogs
Creek and SASS Calif.
State Championship

BLOOMERS IN THE BREEZE A BLAST FOR ALL

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town with their pistols and shotgun blazing. A playing card was the target for the final pistol shot. Hits earned shooters a 10-second bonus. Oh! It is also important to note that all shooters wore beautiful braids in the spirit of Annie Oakley throughout the stage. Cowboys in braids was indeed a sight to behold!



Quick Justice and Missouri Drifter try to look tough in their braids!

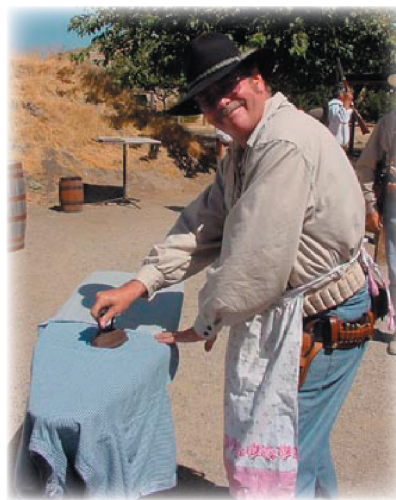
Before shooting stage three it was important to finish doing laundry and hang the bloomers in the breeze. After hanging the laundry, shooters started the stage by reciting the tongue-twister provided by Mudhen Millie, “Blushing Betty hangs her bloomers in the brisk breeze.” This fun stage had a straightforward shooting sequence, and finding shotgun shells hidden in the laundry basket added to the laughter.

The sultry, provocative Mae West was appearing at the Pleasure Palace – for one day only! Mudhen “Mae West” Millie put shooters in the mood to be entertained by having everyone drape a feather boa over their shoulders throughout the stage. Moving from the stage, to the bedroom, into the hall and ending up in the parlor, with feathers fluttering was indeed entertainment for all.

Emma Pistol brought Ma Kettle to life on stage five. After ironing and fishing shotgun shells out of the “toilet bowl,” shooters helped fight off the dirty varmint no gooders stealing Pa’s silver from the mine. Shooters wore an apron through the stage with an extra rifle round in the pocket. The rifle round was loaded on the clock for a chance at a bonus shot at the bell in the mineshaft

The top gun for the day was Coal Train who sailed through the match in just 190.69 seconds with no misses. Little Fawn again showed her speed and was the top lady of the day.

Extend a hearty welcome to new club member Josiah Grant of Bakersfield who shot his first match with us this



Shooting his first match at 5 Dogs Creek, Chattan had no idea the skills required for this sport.

month. Others who have recently joined 5 Dogs Creek are: Bad Shot Baxter from Taft; Sgt. Buck from Frazier Park; Marshal Joseph James Mountford and Lady Mountford



New club member Josiah Grant does his best Mae West impersonation.

from Springville; and Bo Bean from Bakersfield. *Welcome and we hope to see you all shooting soon!*

It was great to see Buttonwillow Flash back on the range after a long respite. Rumor has it that impending shoulder surgery will keep him sidelined for a bit longer. *We wish you a speedy recovery!*

Next month will be our annual Shootout at 5 Dogs Creek and the SASS California State Championship. Hosting a top-notch CAS match requires a great deal of work and the help of many, many volunteers. If you have a few hours or are available for the full weekend to help out, your assistance will be greatly appreciated. Let Miss Becky know when you are available.

It has been decided that this is the last year we will be hosting the state championship. Our club will still have a large annual, but without the added responsibilities that come with the championship. So, come on out and help make this a match that will long be remembered!

5 DOGS CREEK - SEPTEMBER 5, 2004

40 SHOOTERS

CLASS	TIME	MISSES*	CLASS	TIME	MISSES*
MEN TRADITIONAL			MEN 49-ER		
1. Professor Cubby Bear	262.64	1	1. Coal Train	190.69	0
2. Even Dozen Warner	276.90	5	2. Chama Bill	218.39	1
3. Bearcat	301.29	4	3. Kaweah Kid	244.02	0
4. Hartford	307.64	2	4. Chattan	257.52	4
5. Buttonwillow Flash	307.66	7	2. Tres Pinos	400.71	10
6. Josiah Grant	492.27	23	3. Peso Bill	401.36	10
DUELIST			MEN SENIOR		
1. Almost Dangerous	277.73	7	1. Tucson Smith	293.65	11
2. Tom Doodley Squat	328.52	0	2. Missouri Drifter	295.98	5
3. Quick Justice	334.94	9	3. Geo Kid	341.96	16
4. Portugee Phillips	340.63	13	LADIES TRADITIONAL		
5. Big Hoss	352.89	4	1. Emma Pistol	364.66	8
6. Cockeyed Slim	407.08	20	2. Mudhen Millie	402.19	6
FRONTIERSMAN			3. Annie Thom	502.51	5
1. Fordyce Beals	458.03	13	4. Vixen	538.82	28
GUNFIGHTER			5. Maggie Thom	598.79	30
1. Mescalero	278.94	2	6. Laigha Tombstone	602.75	21
2. Rum Runner	369.56	4	LADIES DUELIST		
3. Ten Bears	383.06	13	1. Ida Mistum	393.41	13
FRONTIER CARTRIDGE			LADIES GUNFIGHTER		
1. Snake Marquez	418.35	20	1. Calgary Kate	347.16	5
ELDER STATESMAN			LADIES 49ER		
2. Curley Donn	517.27	0	1. Katt R. Wallen	639.74	21
CLASSIC COWBOY			JUNIOR BOYS		
1. Smiley	374.62	11	1. Doc Jones	298.68	11
			JUNIOR GIRLS		
			1. Little Fawn	294.01	11
			2. Deadeye Dani	380.46	2

* Misses include credit for any bonus targets.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR ANNUAL MATCH

The Shootout at 5 Dogs Creek — SASS California State Championship is just a few weeks away, September 30 - October 3. Much of the match's success depends on a herd of volunteers who help in a million different ways.

Prior to the shoot, there will be a work party on the weekend of September 24-25.

There are a variety of projects to help with:

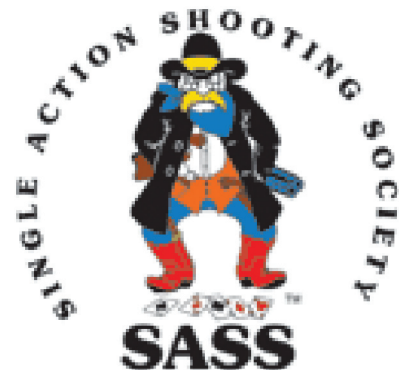
- nail down any loose boards on bays and building
- clean any areas that still have weeds
- set targets for the match
- place hay bales to separate bays
- clean up shotgun hulls and other trash from bays; empty trash cans from bays
- tidy the restrooms
- stuff shooters' packets
- make shooters' badges
- power wash and clean spider webs all over

During the match, volunteers are essential.

Whether you can help for a day or just a few hours, your efforts will be needed...and greatly appreciated. Let Miss Becky know when you are available and she'll gladly give you a job. It seems there is always something that needs to be done!

Volunteers will be needed to:

- help with side matches on Thursday (please sign-up in advance so we know there will be enough help — very shorthanded with this last year!)
- serve dinner on Thursday night
- sell raffle tickets
- monitor the gate to keep any public out of the shooting area and answer questions
- assist with scoring (collect score sheets from posses; computer input etc.)
- set-up and cover tables before and clean-up after dinner each night (this is a big job that generally falls to a very few...help!)



Maintaining a world-class range and hosting an exceptional event takes many hands. If you enjoy 5 Dogs, ride on out, lend a hand and help make it even better!

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