



5 DOGS CREEK  
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Howdy Folks,

Well what a great week. This years event was really something to see and if you missed it well, you missed a lot of fun activities and great shooting events. The Howling Wolf Saloon was there to help calm the ole nerves after a grueling day of shooting. Almost Dangerous put on a great dinner Thursday evening and everyone really enjoyed themselves. We also got to listen to the cowboy poets El Lazo, Flying Ramrod and special guest (The great cowboy story teller Waddie Mitchell), followed by the great act of Cowboy Celtics on Friday night. What a great bunch for sure. There were some toe tapping going on and I even saw Dan doing a little jig in the background too.



Flying W Ramrod



El Lazo



The great story teller "Waddie Mitchell"





The Cowboy Celtics

The dinners Friday and Saturday evenings were catered and folks got in line early in anticipation of a great meal.



Many thanks go out to the volunteers who helped serve those great dinners. They also had fun doing this too.



Mad Dog Draper, Half Pint of Rum, Bull McFearson, El Alacran de Norte and Rum Runner



Cole Train



... Rosie the Bartendess from Howling Wolf Saloon



Dueling servers



Dirt McFearson cutting onions

We also had The Rudy Parris Band on Saturday evening and a lot of folks danced up a storm.





Big Hoss and his wife Gail had their mules and wagon out for the weekend and a lot of kids and grownups had themselves a time riding in their wagon around the range.



Many a good black powder shooter showed up for the Black powder night shoot Thursday evening. But, being that I am not a very good night photographer I only got a few photos to show them doing their great stuff.





After all the smoke cleared I was finally able to take a deep breath of clear air and was able to only squeak for a few hours but sure enjoyed watching these guys. They are awesome!!!

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There were quite a few folks on the long range Thursday morning too. I got to see some mighty fine shooting. Some even hit the wire then the light to put it out of action so the spotters didn't have that extra help in their job. But with all the scopes there they got the job done. Way to go shooters!!! Thanks too, spotters for a fine job!



Many thanks go out to GEO for giving some hats off to the shooters by shading their eyes while they were taking aim. That morning sun sure was bright.

Even Dozen ran a side match also Thursday morning and had some fine shooters hitting their marks.



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We have a letter and a few photos from Iraq that we'd like to share with the club. One photo has SPC Wiebe and SGT Soupier. The other is SFC Hurajt.

This letter below is from SFC Brad Hurajt who is the nephew of Yankee Trader, SASS #50765. Brad is with the National Guard out of Minnesota. Right after they got the news that their deployment was being extended, the first care packages from cowboys arrived. A big morale booster! We wanted to share this particular letter as so many of you have supported the effort to keep care packages en route and have been part of the photos taken at CAS matches that Brad mentions. You know, the photos where you hold up the signs saying "Howdy" and such.

Thanks for helping to bring some smiles to battle-weary soldiers. - Calgary Kate & Mescalero

March 28, 2007

"We got your package the other day. Thank you so much! We love getting packages from you guys. When a package comes with your name on it, all the guys gather around. The looks on their faces are priceless.

Wiebe just loved the present [gift wrapped box of Oreos...his favorite]. He was even caught sharing with Lunchbox. It's funny...seems like every time the mail comes Wiebe and Lunchbox always pick it up together. They remind me of my kids on Christmas - smiles and making sure everyone gather around. It's priceless.

We like the pictures you sent. We have them hanging all around our shop. Soldiers come in and ask, "Who are those guys?" Wiebe always stands up and says, "The best care box givers in the world."

Wiebe and Soupier or Lunchbox are the platoon clowns. Great for morale. I am attaching some photos of the guys. Thanks so much for all you do." Brad Hurajt





Don't miss a very important meeting about the future of 5 Dogs Creek on **Saturday, May 19 at Noon**. The meeting will be held at the range and the club will be providing pizza. **This meeting is critical for all members to attend!** We will be making decisions to determine how 5 Dogs Creek will move forward in the future.

The May 19 meeting is a follow-up to the club meeting in March. At that meeting, Almost Dangerous spoke very frankly about the need for more folks to jump in and help if the club is to continue at its current level.

Several ideas were discussed including the creation of a “range operations” position to support the Town Council. This individual would coordinate volunteers to help with specific chores and projects that need to be done monthly and long-term. This person would work with those who have adopted bays. It was also suggested a list of projects (both monthly and long-term) be created so that club members know how they can help.

No decisions have been made about the future of the club. That will happen on May 19. Please make your plans now to attend and do what you can to keep 5 Dogs Creek on the right trail.

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THANKS to everyone who pitched in and made the 2007 Shootout at 5 Dogs Creek a GREAT event. It was a very memorable weekend!!

”If you are planning to attend, it would be very helpful if you would drop Calgary Kate and Mescalero (donkathymiller@aol.com) a quick note. We're bringing the

pizza and a head count would be very helpful so we have some idea how much to order. If you won't know until the last minute, no problem. More than anything your attendance is what is important.”

Thanks....Mescalero & Calgary Kate

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Also there was some talk of a shoot that day also, but nothing decided yet. You might want to be prepared for one just in case though.

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There were other side matches put on at this years match but I didn't get a chance to take photos. I hope to get some from other photo buffs who would like to share with us. I will be sending Montego a copy of the Photos so he can post on the web too. There will be those of the Award pictures also. I didn't have a list of the club winners but when I get them I will post in the next newsletter.

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Thanks to all of you who have stepped up to make another memorable 5 Dog Creek State Shoot.

Friendly competition from some of our raffle salespersons contributed to an outstanding ticket sale. A special mention of thanks goes to "Waddie" Shiftless Drifter of Porterville. He worked from sun up to sun down Wednesday thru Saturday and part of Sunday doing whatever was called for.

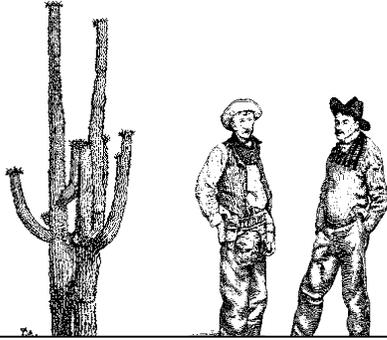
Again, my thanks to all of you!  
Nugget Nellie, WB

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If there is a July birthday person in our crowd, please let me know, I don't have anyone down on my list that month. See you at the next shoot June 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>. Doll Maker

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I would like to make a special request from the members of the club. If anyone has a copy of the side matches or totals of such please email them to me. I would like to get them published for all to see along with the state scores. Doll Maker



## Birthday Corner

For those of you who have a birthday this month, I would like to say  
**Happy Birthday You All**

Chama Bill  
Half Pint of Rum  
Lady Gunner  
Double Shot Darlin  
Missouri Drifter

