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From The President

Things that Boom and Sparkle

...and Things that Don't

We decided we wouldn't shoot on Independence Day, and I was glad of it. The 4th of July is a family day for us. This year Desert Willow's brother hosted the cook-out. We took hot dogs and some side dishes, including Desert Willow's famous Fourth of July beans. I usually make them, but she gets the credit. Afterwards some of us went to her sister's new house to watch the fireworks, and from her front yard we had a spectacular view of the Lions Club's great fireworks show.

On the 18th, it was back to business. I wrote six stages but only used two sets, to eliminate one move of the gun cart, and also, as usual for the last match of the summer, I designed some of them to go a little faster so we would get done a little sooner. The shooter lines were "famous last words," in honor of the morons who tried (some successfully) to kill themselves on the 4th with fireworks. Shooters were saying things like, "Relax, I've done this lots of times," "Don't worry, it's not loaded," and "Hold my beer and watch this."

Also, as advertised, we took a shot at an exploding target with a 22 rifle. If you've been feeling sad that you didn't come out and shoot an exploding target, don't. We only got one to go off. But I think it was my fault, and I think I know what I did wrong, so if we ever do it again, I will do some things differently and with a little luck it will work better.

Thirteen shooters turned out for the match on a fairly cool and breezy day, and we were done before the rains came. Bad Bascomb won the match, followed by MC Ryder, Wrangler Red, Cowboy Earl, and Yours Truly. Our stalwart lady Goode Bascomb was 7th overall. Calico Cad from Arizona dropped by as he often does in July, and it was good to see Ballarat Bob and Ozark Lawdog out there. All of the scores are here: http://www.robbersroostvigilantes.com/2015Scores/July_18_2015_overall.html. We're not shooting in August. See you in September!

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A Vigilante in New Mexico

By Cowboy Earl

SASS #61595, RRV #110

Only a handful of RRV members have been to End of Trail since it moved to Founders' Ranch. I went this year, and I made a trip out of it, and went to Arkansas first. It rained almost every day I was there, which made it hard to get out and shoot turtles on the ponds on the farm. Turtles eat the fish in the ponds, so I shoot them when I can.

After my Arkansas visit I doubled back to New Mexico, and fought the wind and rain all the way there. I was pulling my trailer, and I stayed at the Hidden Valley RV Park along with lots of other shooters. Founders' Ranch is dry camping, no hook-ups. Dry camping is fine for people who don't sweat. But old guys like me need a shower every day or we get to stinking.

The rain clouds followed me to the range, and it rained a lot, but my posse never got wet. That was strictly luck, and I'll take all the luck I can get. A wise man once said, "I'd rather be lucky than good." Other posses weren't nearly as lucky.

End of Trail was fun, with lots to see, lots to do, and a really great shoot. I only wish I could say the same for my score. I may have to go back next year to try and redeem myself.

And maybe some of you ought to think about trying to go with me. I think all cowboy action shooters ought to find a way to go to End of Trail at least once. They do a great job of making it a pleasure to be a shooter, and the town site gets better and better every year.

I put my cart in the gun cart contest, and it came in third. I think the judge was a liberal.

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In September we will be shooting on the 5th and the 19th. We'll still be on **Summer Hours**, so we'll start sign ups at 7:00, have the meeting at 7:45, and the new shooter class will be at 6:30. As always, we'd like to know in advance if new shooters are 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 and 4th Saturday at the Gem Ranch in the Cajon Pass on old route 66. Contact Luke Warmwater at (909) 987-7017. www.cajoncowboys.com. They host *Legends of the West* August 29 – 31 2014.

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. Contact Little Jersey Jo, 1-760-247-5012, joed56676@gmail.com.

Lone Wolf Shooters, Remaining Schedule. CAS: Jul 26, Aug 30, Sep 27. WB: Aug 16, Sep 20. All matches at 8:00. The range will close on September 30. 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.

Chorro Valley Regulators shoot the 2nd Sunday and most 5th Sundays at Morro Bay. They host the **SASS Western Regional** August 6 – 10

Time to Pay Your Annual Membership Dues

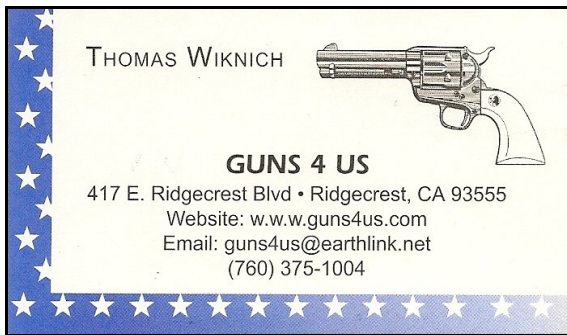
Our member year is September 1 – August 31. You can pay your dues at a match, which we will gladly accept. My preferred method is a check in the mail, along with a new signed and dated liability release, to:

Robbers Roost Vigilantes
1036 W. Vulcan Ave.
Ridgecrest, CA 93555

Individual:	\$25
Couple:	\$30
Family, includes children living at home under age 18:	\$35

If you pay your dues on or before September 19, you will be entitled to a free shoot at any RRV match prior to the end of this calendar year. Remember last year, we had a turkey shoot (a real one; Wrangler Red won the turkey) and this year on December 19 we are likely to do something similar. Pay your dues on time and shoot well, and you could shoot that match for free and win a turkey.

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How to Join the Robbers Roost Vigilantes...

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 877-411-SASS, 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.

The RRV Board is Up for Election

The RRV executive board, and the individuals currently serving in those jobs, is shown on page 2. Board members are elected annually, and serve a one-year term. All current members are willing to serve another term in their present jobs.

All RRV members in good standing (dues paying) are eligible to nominate others, to be nominated, and to be elected to a job on the board. A Board meeting will be announced in the near future, and voting for the B.O.D. will take place at that meeting.

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Schedule of Monthly Matches

RRV Match Dates:

August 2015: No Matches.

September 5, 2015

September 19, 2015

**Summer Hours: Sign up starting ~ 7:00,
Safety Meeting ~ 7:45.**

New Shooter Class ~ 6:30.



Duke, you forgot to get me some!