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From The President

Annual Angst

On the first Saturday of October, most of the Weak One gang was out of pocket, so we didn't have a RRV match. But a couple of them took their guns out of town with them. Bad Bascomb and Goode Bascomb made the trek to Sin City and shot *El Dorado*, the SASS Nevada State Championship match. They both rolled a seven, as Bad Bascomb came in 7th place Elder Statesman, and Goode Bascomb was 7th in Grand Dame. Good shooting, Bascombs.

The third Saturday saw several Vigilantes on the road again as the Bascombs, along with Ozark Lawdog and Venomous Doc, went to Norco for the inaugural SASS Western Divisional. Read all about it in Bad Bascomb's article right here. ➡

All this absenteeism left us a few ounces shy of a pint, but we had a stage writer in M.C. Ryder, so we went ahead with the match, and the H8ful Eight responded. Just kidding. They weren't hateful, that's the name of a new Quinton Tarantino western. But there were eight of us that turned out to shoot on a beautiful, if somewhat humid, day.

I'm going to shoot the Plainsman match on Side Match Day, Nov 14, using Cowboy Earl's cap and ball pistols. He thought I should practice with them, so I shot two stages with them. It was a barrel of fun, but I don't think the other Plainsmen have anything to worry about from me. Speaking of the three stage Plainsman match on the 14th, that is the only event of the day that is scheduled, and it is on for 9:00 at the Saloon. Obviously all of the shooters need to be in the same place at the same time for that one, but the rest are done the way we've always done it: get somebody to run the timer for you, and shoot it!

But back to the H8ful Eight. M.C. Ryder came out on top. Cowboy Earl, Duelin' Tom, Buckhorn Bud, and Zig Mar rounded out the top five. Fast Legs, Silver Badger, and Yours Truly earned "participant" ribbons.

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The SASS Western Divisional Match

By Bad Bascomb, SASS # 47494

Goode Bascomb and I try to attend the Norco Cowboys' *Gunfight Behind the Jersey Lilly* every year, and this year it was also the first ever *Western Divisional Championship*. New club president Mattell Sackett brought the divisional to Norco, and Smokestack and Bull Shooter designed stages that were fast, mostly big and close, and shooter friendly.

There were 215 shooters, from as far away as Germany. It was hot and very humid, with lots of small black flies. But the Krauts brought their pool, as usual, adding to the festive mood. It came in handy, especially on Saturday after the shooting was over, with many sitting chest deep in water with cowboy hats on and one hand out of water holding their drink of choice. Misty Moonshine and two of her office girls (new shooters) were on our posse, and represented SASS well, being genuinely interested in input and comments. Misty also has progressed markedly as a shooter, and is not just a pretty face anymore. Hipshot (SASS #7) was also there, overseeing what SASS considers a watershed event.

Our daughter Bandit Bascomb and her husband, Big Bascomb, flew into LA and made their way to Norco through hellacious weather-related traffic. They were at the range Friday afternoon, and for all of Saturday's shooting time. She was so impressed with what went on at the 5 Dogs state match that she wanted her husband to experience a big SASS match. He was suitably impressed.

We camped with Ozark Law Dog, Conejo Kid and Darlin' Dakota Jo, and Preacher Man John and Saucy Sadie. John and Sadie are from British Columbia, and were on their way to Bordertown in Tucson following the Divisional. I watched John shoot and was amazed at how fast he was, as I tried unsuccessfully to follow his lead. *Continued on page 3*

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In November we will be shooting our regular SASS matches on the 7th and the 21st, plus Side Match Day on the 14th. We're now on **Winter Hours**, so we'll start sign ups at 8:00, have the meeting at 8:45, and the new shooter class would be at 7:30. We are not offering a new shooter class on the 14th.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

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.

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

El Dorado Cowboys, Boulder City, NV, shoot the 1st weekend (Sat & Sun). They host the SASS Nevada State Championship, *El Dorado*, October 1 – 4. Contact Creeker at 702-328-4867. www.eldoradocowboys.com.

Chorro Valley Regulators shoot the 2nd Sunday and most 5th Sundays at Morro Bay. www.chorrovalleyregulators.org.

A Divisional Note from Goode Bascomb

“There were NINE women shooting on our posse. I don't think I have ever seen and certainly never have been on a posse with as many women as there were men. And they were all pretty good shooters, too! It was a fun posse!” Goode


Range Improvements

Our new Range Officer, Cowboy Earl, is trying to out-do himself. And that isn't easy, because he has always been more than willing to give of his time and talent to help out the club. The Hotel, Saloon, Pueblo, and Depot are his handiwork, as is the floor in Rose's Cantina. He will be the first to tell you lots of people worked on those projects, and that is definitely the case. But the concepts were his, and he built the facades in sections in his home workshop.

More recently he made three shooting tables for the “vacant lot” between the Pueblo and the Graveyard, put new carpet on gun staging shelves on several sets, and repaired the boardwalk at the Depot. The boardwalk at the Graveyard couldn't be saved, so he took it out and started over with all new material. Last week Cowboy Earl and Silver Badger, with a minor assist from your humble editor, spent parts of two days building a new boardwalk, and it is solid as a rock.

I was out of gas at that point, but Cowboy Earl and Silver Badger moved on to the jail. They cut a new window and added a shelf on the left (south) side of the room, and removed part of the interior dividing wall, which will make it easier for posse members to move around and do their work.

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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 877-411-SASS. SASS membership information can be found here:

<http://www.sassnet.com/Membership-Main-001A.php>

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:

November 7, 2015

November 14, 2015: Side Match Day

November 21, 2015

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

Western Divisional continued from page 1 I later learned he is ranked #5 overall in Canada, so I felt better after that.

There were great vendors, and we spent a bunch, but it was good. I found some more fur pelts to make shooter's pouches. Since I was B-Western I needed a cooler shirt. Doc found a good source and we both indulged. Dillon was there, offering a 5% discount on orders from the event. (Ozark went big there ☺) I got upgrades for my 550 and 650. A bullet maker was there with epoxy coated lead, which has some advantages, and it was 10% off, with no tax. A side benefit is that there is no lead contamination from handling while reloading. Ozark got 4th Silver Sr. Duelist
 Goode got 4th Grande Dame
 Doc got 6th B Western, I got 3rd, missing 2nd very narrowly.