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From The President

Feel That Chill in the Air? Me, Neither.

I'm So Conflicted.

We debated whether or not to shoot on the 5th, since it was still kind of warm, not to mention that it was Labor Day weekend, and the Parade of 1,000 Flags. But nine people said, "If you build it, we will come," and sure enough, nine of the RRV's best and brightest... well, best, anyway...turned out for the match. I wanted to put us into double figures, but I had a pre-planned RV trip.

Bad Bascomb and Venomous Doc put together a fun match that was enjoyed by all. There were lots of shooter choices with regard to gun staging and gun shooting order. Bad Bascomb smoked the field by darn near a minute. The rest of the top 5 were Venomous Doc, M.C. Ryder, Ozark Lawdog, and Cowboy Earl. Top lady Goode Bascomb finished 6th. Good shooting, everybody.

On the 19th we had our annual conflict with Randsburg Old West Days, which is always held on the third Saturday in September. It's a fun event, but you can't be in two places at once, and on the third Saturday, the RRV is at the range.

We had highs in the 80's the prior week, but Mother Nature kicked it up a notch for Saturday, to the tune of about 10 degrees hotter. Even so, 11 shooters came out to try their hand, and they enjoyed a bit of a "blast from the past" on a stage with 10 + shotgun, and some more shooter's choice situations.

Venomous Doc shot his way to the top of the pile, and earned bragging rights for this match. Good shooting, Doc! Bad Bascomb, Cowboy Earl, Wrangler Red, and Goode Bascomb rounded out the top five. Congrats to one and all. All of the scores are listed elsewhere on this web site.

At the meeting before the match, we decided we aren't going to shoot on October 3, as most of the Week One stalwarts will be out of town. But we will be out there on the 17th, maybe not with bells on, but boots and hats, for sure.

Upcoming Special Matches at RRV Range

By Nasty Newt, SASS # 7365

If you look at this month's masthead, you'll see a Remington derringer and a Mosin-Nagant battle rifle. They're an odd couple, but what they have in common is that they are fun guns to shoot, and a lot of us have one or both, but with *Defend the Roost* in hiatus, we don't get a lot of use out of them. I believe we should see if we can do something about that.

The derringer will have its day in the sun on **Side Match Day, Saturday November 14**. This is the second Saturday, and there is no cowboy match. It will be all side matches, just like we used to do on Thursday at *DTR*. Bays will be set up for long range (single shot, lever action pistol caliber, lever action rifle caliber, military bolt action, revolver), 22s, pocket pistol and derringer, semi-auto and double action pistol, speed rifle, speed pistol, speed shotgun, and post cutting. We will also shoot a 2 or 3-stage Plainsman match (cap and ball revolvers, single shot rifle, SxS or single barrel shotgun, all black powder ammo). The Plainsman event will be scheduled (TBA). All other events will be catch-as-catch-can.

That old Russian bolt action rifle, along with its counterparts from the USA, Britain, Germany, Austria, France, Switzerland, and you name it, will get shot 5 times on Side Match Day, but it will get a real workout at the six stage **Bolt Action Military Match (BAMM) on Saturday December 12**. For that one you will need about 75 rounds of low to medium velocity ammunition. Lead bullets only will be allowed. Gas checks are OK, but if you keep the velocity down you won't need them. General BAMM guidelines are here: <http://www.robbersroostvigilantes.com/RRV%20BAMM%20Match.pdf>

More details on both shoots will be forthcoming, but in the meantime, if you have any questions, I'm easy to find. ☺

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In October we will be shooting only on the 17th. We're switching to **Winter Hours**, so we'll start sign ups at 8:00, have the meeting at 8:45, and the new shooter class will be at 7:30. 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

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.

Q: Many of the cartridges used in this game, such as .44-40, .44 Special, and .44 Russian, take a .43 caliber bullet, but we call them .44s. Why is that?

A: Because "Ridin' the range once more, totin' my old .43" doesn't rhyme.

Monte Boydston Passes

Monte Boydston, owner of Boydston Construction and other local businesses over the years, has died.


He was instrumental in the construction and maintenance of the Ridgecrest Gun Range, making available heavy equipment including bulldozers for range use free of charge, as well as doing work himself.

His generous support of the range is a favor IJV shooters could never repay. Thanks, Monte, and so long. R.I.P.



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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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October 17, 2015

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Safety Meeting ~ 8:45.

New Shooter Class ~ 7:30.



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