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### From The President

#### April Fools, April Love

#### But, I Repeat Myself

Fools continue to rush in, for lots of good reasons, and always will. I mean, who could resist Shirley Jones? Not Pat Boone, for sure. And although I was only about 10 years old when "April Love" came out, I couldn't blame him.

We shot an April Fool's Day match on the 2<sup>nd</sup>. Ten fully qualified participants showed up, and they fooled around and enjoyed the Tomfoolery. The stages weren't quite fool proof, though, and there were a couple of procedural errors earned during the match. As usual, we had about as many categories as shooters. Ozark Lawdog and I faced off in Senior Duelist, but everybody else had their categories to themselves.

Maggie Thom came over with Rum Runner. It was good to see her. They came over on Friday afternoon and camped on the range.

When the smoke cleared Bad Bascomb was on top of the pile. The rest of the top 5 were Yours Truly (thanks for not showing up, Doc), Cowboy Earl, Ozark Lawdog, and Rum Runner. Goode Bascomb was top lady.

We knew going in that the match on the 16<sup>th</sup> would be sparsely attended, because at least seven regulars were known to be otherwise engaged. M.C. Ryder said he would set them up and see what happened. What happened is six shooters turned out, so they loaded up and went at it. Kalroy's wife came along for the ride, and she graciously kept score. One extra set of hands makes a big difference when you only have a six-man posse.

At the end of the day, M.C. Ryder took top honors, followed by Zig Mar, Wrangler Red, Gravedigger, Silver Badger, and Kalroy.

Nobody shot either match clean.

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### Powder Pains

By

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Everybody that reloads, and that's most of us, knows that gunpowder, in particular powders that are good for pistol ammo, can be a bit of a problem to locate. Lucky for me, a couple of years ago when Just George was reluctantly backing away from Cowboy Shooting, he sent out an all-RRV email offering some powder and primers and reloading dies for sale. I bought some primers and dies, but for me the big score was his stock of Trail Boss powder. I have enough Trail Boss to get me quite a ways into the foreseeable future, which is a good thing, because I haven't seen any on any shelf anywhere for a long time. Yes, I know other powders work for CAS, and I've used most of them over the years, but I like Trail Boss.

This month I spent a couple of weeks in Colorado Springs, CO. There is a Sportsman's Warehouse three miles from the kids' house. I went there three times over the course of about a week. I found some rifle powder I need for non-Cowboy stuff, but never saw any Trail Boss, Clays, Unique, AA#2, or Bullseye. Before we headed home my son-in-law took us all out on the I-25 to Bass Pro Shops. The grandkids loved the big fish tank and the mounted trophies, and I found some Unique and Bullseye, so everybody was happy.

I know the big chains get in powder, and I suspect it goes to employees, friends, and relatives, and the general public gets what's left over. Not much you can do about that. On-line giants like Midway, Cabela's, and Brownell's will notify you when they receive what you want. But without fail, in my case, it is get the notice, log in, and it's all gone.

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In May, we will shoot on the 7<sup>th</sup> and the 21<sup>st</sup>. And we are switching to **Summer Hours**, so you'll have to get up a little earlier. We'll start sign ups around 7:00, have the meeting at 7:45, and the new shooter class would be at 6:30. Let us know if a new shooter is coming so we can be prepared to take care of them.

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

**The Cajon Cowboys** shoot on the: 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday at the Gem Ranch in the Cajon Pass on old route 66. Contact Luke Warmwater at (909) 987-7017. [www.cajoncowboys.com](http://www.cajoncowboys.com).

**Five Dogs Creek Cowboys** in Bakersfield shoot on the 1<sup>st</sup> weekend of each month. Call Utah Blaine, (661) 203-4238. [www.5dogscreek.com](http://www.5dogscreek.com)

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**Double R Bar Regulators**, Lucerne Valley, shoot the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday. [www.rbar.com](http://www.rbar.com). Contact Little Jersey Jo, 1-760-247-5012, [joed56676@gmail.com](mailto:joed56676@gmail.com).

**El Dorado Cowboys**, Boulder City, NV, shoot the 1<sup>st</sup> weekend (Sat & Sun). Contact Creeker at 702-328-4867. [www.eldoradocowboys.com](http://www.eldoradocowboys.com).

**Chorro Valley Regulators** shoot the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday and most 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays at Morro Bay. [www.chorrovalleyregulators.org](http://www.chorrovalleyregulators.org).

**Link To Crap Shoot Videos.**

<https://youtu.be/tqTd9PptX0g?t=301>


## RRBAR Crapshoot By Cowboy Earl, SASS # 61595

This was a good shoot –a bit close--but a good shoot. Even with the targets close there were still a lot of misses. Some thought the shotgun targets were too far, but I'm sure it was to prevent splatter. Their steel is like a lot of clubs' steel, shot to hell. We had a few new sweeps that I have never shot before. They were fun, and we will have to try them here. The stages were written by a number of people so you had a good mix. I shot with mostly RRBAR people so I felt right at home and had a lot of fun, even though I got my a\*\* handed to me by Big Dave in Frontiersman.

The Lions Club did breakfast and lunch all three days, and man, the biscuits and gravy were the best! I ate my fill all three days. You couldn't go wrong for 5 bucks. They wound up with 126 shooters, which I thought that was pretty good compared to last year.

Next stop, End of Trail, but I'm going to Arkansas next week. I'm thinking I can get back in time for the third weekend shoot to get in some shooting before the big one [EOT]. If they do like they did last year, the targets there will be close too, but it seems like that's where it going.

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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](http://www.robbersroostvigilantes.com).

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### Schedule of Monthly Matches RRV Match Dates:

May 7, 2016

May 21, 2016

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

### Powder Pains *continued from page 1*

When Duelin' Tom at GUNS4US receives powder, he sends out an email and gives everybody a shot at it. I realize big city chains can't do that, but I'm glad he does it.

And don't get me started on 22 ammo. I'm not a conspiracy buff, so I don't think Obama is buying it up. I suspect instead that my fellow shooters are hoarding it. After all, a 22 will cap a zombie just fine, and you can carry a lot of it without being weighed down. Our local Walmart has several spots on the shelves for 22s, and although they assure me they do get some, they never have any. What's annoying about 22 ammo is that even when it becomes readily available again, the price will never go back down to where it was. Funny how that works.