



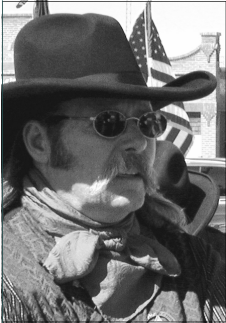
RATTLER TATTLER



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FROM THE MAYOR'S DESK:



Howdy Folks,
How lucky can we get here at Shaketail City. It be four Months running now that we do get to enjoy the elements of one kind or 'nother. We must be just plain lucky.

There are a whole lot of folks that showed up on Saturday for the meeting and to help set the match.

A thank you to each and every one of them.

We had one posse that did finish the whole match with out getting too wet— as for the rest of us we did have a soppin' good time.

Our work day this month was a real good one. Yukon Jann and St. Jim painted the jail and put a roof on her, she sure is lookin' good. Thanks folks.

Also Cody, Deek, Slim, Gus Spoon and K-K showed up

to work on the targets. We did get a lot done. Make note K-K came in on Sunday and worked on the Knock downs. Thanks to all of you for your time and effort.

We had a get together Saturday before setting up to discuss the annual match. All seems to be going as well as we can expect it to. So Long Till Next Month

Yaro

YARO IS THE NEW MAYOR OF SHAKETAILED CITY

the occasion, I could not have been had a "good old time".

Thank you,
The Mayor, Yaro

July Shoot:
Registration starts at 8:00 AM
July 6, 2003

FROM THE MAYORS DESK:

STRANGLED FROGS AND WASHED GULLIES

The last four months, the Shaketail cowpokes saw some interestin' weather — cold, colder, more cold, then a day with sun/rain/wind/snow/sun all together. Come June, everyone was sure hopin' for some good weather for a change. Well, it sure 'nuff started as a purty day. There was even a little rain for a coupla hours, which kept the dust down by turnin' it into fine mud. Right as the lead posse (#4, in case there's any doubt!) got to the farmhouse for afternoon grub, the rain got a mite heavier. The other posses, knowin' they was beat anyway,

used the spring shower as an excuse to head for the barn — or house, car, teepee or anywhere else they could escape the down-pour. Course, some folks didn't know enuff to get in outta the rain — or maybe they were countin' it as their monthly shower!

Anyhow, it was a shame for anyone who didn't get to try the out-house stage — thanks again Cody and Rick-a-Ree! Also, because the posses didn't finish different stages, the standings are incomplete this month. The scores are here so y'all can compare 'em if you want to—just figure out which

stage to drop for who. Keep your fingers crossed for better weather in July!



Real gents would turn away while a lady gets dressed!

SORTA LEGAL — OR SORTA NOT?

With the annual match fast approaching, it seems like a good time to gently remind folks of the “official” rules governing shooting equipment. While the Shaketail group is known far and wide for its fun-loving attitude, the Spirit of the Game still prevails. The rules might bend a bit at the monthly matches (as long as everyone is safe), but the annual match attracts shooters from clubs all over and is limited to experienced shooters. While this is not a SASS sanctioned match *per se*, SASS equipment rules will be enforced in order to insure that everyone is working from the same book. Anyway, let's go over some of the rules that tend to be “forgotten” more than others.

- Sights — Thanks to Marlin's buckhorn sights, this one is broken all the time.

“Colored sights and sight inserts are not allowed. Sight outlines or inserts must be blackened or removed.” You can file your sights to adjust point of aim, as long as the “sights appear to be period.”

- Holsters — “Must be located one on each side of the belly button and separated by at least the width of two fists. Holsters may not depart from the vertical by more than 30 degrees.”
- Ammo Belts, etc.— “Bandoleers, cartridge belts, and pouches must be of traditional design.” Shoulder bandoleers can't be secured to anything (like your pistol belt). While leather belt slides with loops are allowed, slides or bandoleers can't be mounted on any part of the firearm, the shooter's wrist

or shooter's forearm.

“Ammo belts must be worn around the waist.” (Your armpits are hopefully nowhere near your waist.)

“Shotgun ammo loops must conform to the shooter's contour”— in other words, they don't tilt out. How would a cowpoke ever ride across the plains like that?

- Grips — “Contemporary rubber grips, modern target grips, and grip tape are not allowed.”

Remember, this is not the complete list of equipment rules. These are just the ones that seem to get “stretched” most often. If you have any questions about what's legal or not, consult the SASS rule book, or ask the Mayor or Council Members. We don't want any DQs — we just want everyone to be safe and have fun!

**June
Match Results**

**Due to the
rain-shortened
June match,
there are no
category stand-
ings to report.**

**Keep your
fingers crossed
for good
weather in
July!**



Next Match

July 6, 2003

**Registration:
0800-0900**

**Safety Meeting:
0900-0930**

**Hostilities Begin:
0930**

**Potluck Lunch
Immediately
Following
the
Match**

Looking for folks
to design, create
and set-up stages.
See Yaro.

OTHER SHOOTS AROUND THE COLORADO TERRITORY

Colorado Shaketails Yaro	Ramah, CO 303-646-3777	1st Sunday
Cheyenne Regulators Slowpoke Wyoming	Cheyenne, WY 307-778-6636	1st Saturday slowpokewy@aol.com
Colorado Cowboys Randy Myers	Lake George, CO 719-748-3398	1st Saturday mlazyc@aol.com
San Juan Rangers San Juan	Montrose, CO 970-249-4227	1st Sunday sanjuan1@rmi.net
Coyote Gulch Cowboys Fred Walker Ron Peterson	Boulder, CO 303-494-5229 303-922-3241	2nd Saturday
Four Corners R&P Capt. Woodrow Kelso	Cortez, CO 970-565-8960	2nd Sunday
Montrose Marshalls Big Hat	Montrose, CO 970-249-7701	2nd Sunday
Rifle Creek Rangers Tim Kinion	Rifle, CO 970-625-3710	2nd Sunday
Pawnee Station Bob Reed	Ft Collins, CO 970-482-6165	3rd Saturday
Thunder Mountain Pinto Being	Whitewater, CO 970-464-7118	3rd Sat & Sun
Four Corners Gunslingers James Crawford	Durango, CO 970-385-5130	3rd Sunday
N.W. Colorado Rangers Wild Bill Hiccup	Craig, CO 970-824-3502	4th Saturday janstark@nwco.quik.com
Black Canyon Ghost Riders Davis Krill	Hotchkiss, CO 970-835-8871	4th Sunday
Sand Creek Raiders Sweetwater Bill	Aurora, CO 303-366-8827	4th Sunday

**UPCOMING EVENTS—MARK YOUR
CALENDAR NOW!**

July 5, 2003	Set up steel for the shoot. 1:00 PM at the Ranch House Contact: Yaro 303-646-3777
July 6, 2003	Monthly Shoot—Sign up Starts at 8:00 AM
August 1—3, 2003	Shaketail Annual 3-Day shoot
August 16, 2003	Ben Lomand Gun Club Open House

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Yaro, Mayor, Shaketail City
aka John Bartholomew, Shaketail Match Director