

PRESIDENT'S CORNER



Happy New Year!! As we head into 2023, I want to thank everyone who attended our matches in 2022. Your continued support of ACSA is very much appreciated.

We have a great match planned for February! We have been working diligently the last several months to enhance this event with sophisticated and fun props. We believe you will be pleasantly surprised by what we have in store!

We are looking forward to a fun and successful 2023 with you! Please always feel free to reach out to us at any time with questions, concerns or just general feedback. We value our members and their contributions.

*What did the cowboy do when he counted his cows and found there were 97 of them instead of 100?
He simply rounded them up!*

Match News

Due to the extreme heat and limited member participation, the board has decided that the June and July matches in 2023 will be cancelled.

**ACSA ANNUAL MATCH
FEBRUARY 10-12, 2023**

There are still a few spots available for the Blackout at Bloody Basin and the Road Runner Dust-up in February. For applications, visit our website at www.acsainc.com or pick them up at our next match.

We will be providing a match booklet with all of the stages included for each shooter.



Arizona State Black Powder Championships

Road Runner Dust-up



Arizona Annual Matches

Territorial Prison Breakout – Yuma
1/13/23-1/15/23
Mexican Rob mexicanrob9@aol.com

Gathering of the Posses – Casa Grande
1/27/2023 – 1/29/2023
Squibber dustybunch@yahoo.com

SASS AZ State Wild Bunch Championships – Phoenix
2/18/23-2/19/23
Zona/Barbwire snow.g@att.net

Fire & Ice – Phoenix
2/25/23 – 2/26/23
Zona/Barbwire snow.g@att.net

EOT Warm-up at Tombstone Livery
2/25/23 – 2/26/23
Johnny Meadows johnnymeadows55@yahoo.com

SASS End of Trail World Championships – Phoenix
2/27/23 – 3/5/23
Sunshine Kay kbrand@cox.net

Shootout at Aubrey Hills – Lake Havasu City
3/11/23 – 3/12/23
Mike L. Phikzit mikelphikzit@gmail.com

Bordertown (SASS AZ State Championships) – Tombstone
October, 2023
Quicksand pikecoyle@msn.com

Shootout at Usery Pass – Mesa
November 2023
Colt Laredo renew8029@msn.com

Shootout in the Saguaros – Phoenix
December 2023
Zona/Barbwire snow.g@att.net

Blackout at Bloody Basin and Road Runner Dust-up News

We will be having a raffle for a complete Mernickle rig at our annual match in February. The prize will include 2 holsters, a gun belt, a shotgun belt, a loading strip and a SASS badge holder, valued at \$700. Everything you need for Cowboy Action shooting!



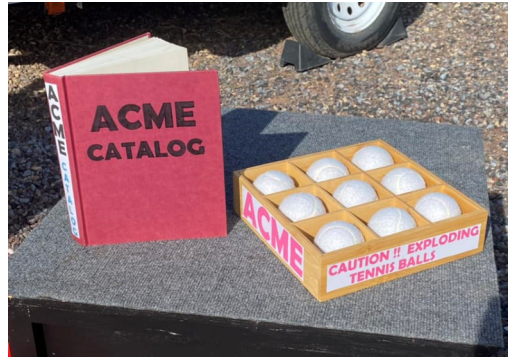
Mernickle Custom Holsters
"Helping to Create World Champions Since 1975."

High Performance System
SASS Badge Holder
Shotgun Belt: Double or Single
Loading Strip
Everything you need for Cowboy Action Shooting

\$699.95

Cowboy Action Complete Package

The ACSA board and several volunteers have been working hard to come up with some fun new props for our Annual Match. We hope you enjoy!



Our door prize raffle pool has been building up. We look forward to giving away these nice prizes plus many more:

- Bullets by Scarlett
- Wild West Mercantile gift certificates
- Starline Brass
- Black Hills Ammunition 45 ACP bullets
- 12 ga shotgun ammo
- ProTimer BTs from Competition Electronics

You must be present to win! Don't miss out.

A cowboy rides into town in the Wild West and shoots an artist. The sheriff asks him, "Why did you do that?" The cowboy says, "I thought he was going to draw."



BORDERTOWN 2023 APPS WILL BE AVAILABLE ON THE BORDERTOWN WEBSITE BY NOON ON 3/19/23. GET YOURS IN QUICK!

SASS RO1 COURSE

WHEN: SATURDAY 2/4/2023 (pre-register by 2/1/2023)

START TIME: 8:30 AM (will run 4-6 hours)

LOCATION: Ben Avery (Practical Pistol classroom in front of bays B&C); this is the ACSA stat house near the Saloon.

PRE-REGISTRATION/Directions:

coltsixshooter@gmail.com

Instructors: Rustler & Shamrock Sadie

Prerequisites:

- There are no educational or experience prerequisites to attending a RO-I Course
- RO-I Courses are open to SASS members only

COURSE FEE (paid at course):

- 1st Time students: \$25
- Refresher students: \$10

WHAT TO BRING: bring your lunch

PROVIDED: RO1 Course Manual, Pen/Pencil, and Water

Note: Bribes are accepted...

Territorial Governors Notes



There were two items presented and discussed among the Territorial Governors in 2022. The Rules Committee (ROC) has asked for a vote on these items from the general membership through their clubs' TG's no later than January 30th.

As your TG, Frank Stilwell will cast that vote for ACSA. Frank will be taking a vote at the Jan 14th ACSA match. If you will not be at the match and would like to cast your vote, please contact Frank via these methods:

(602) 686-1797 (Voice or text)

thelgc@msn.com (email)

Below are the items that were discussed at the last TG meeting.

VOTING ITEMS - INFORMATION

ITEM #1 - Allowing competitors to shoot Gunfighter style in the Junior Category.

OPTION 1: (VOTE NO) - No change. Under current Gunfighter category rules, Gunfighter is an open category. (No age restrictions). A Junior could shoot in the Gunfighter category.

SHB p. 10: Above the "Base Categories" listed in this handbook, the local club monthly match and club annual match level, all SASS recognized shooting categories may be offered by subdividing by all factors, including age, gender, shooting style, and propellant.

**Shooting categories offered at any match are ultimately at the discretion of the Match Officials to ensure the success and viability of each match individually.*

OPTION 2: (VOTE YES) Allow Gunfighter-style in the Junior category as follows:

SHB p.5:

AGE BASED CATEGORIES

Age based categories are offered to allow all participants to compete amongst their peers.

Age based categories carry the following guidelines:

- May use any main match revolver.

- Revolvers may be shot in any SASS legal shooting style – EXCEPT Gunfighter.

*** Junior category shooters may shoot Gunfighter-style under close supervision.**

NOTE: This does NOT add additional categories. (ie: Junior Gunfighter) - this simply allows Juniors to shoot gunfighter style IN the Junior category.

ITEM #2 – Revised BP Standard (VOTE YES OR NO)

A majority "NO" vote would result in NO CHANGE. A majority "YES" vote on this item will result in the Shooters Handbook being edited to read as follows:

SHB p. 25

Power Factor / Black powder Smoke – Testing

... Testing of Black powder rounds for the production of adequate smoke will also be conducted in a similar manner as described above. Rounds should be obtained from the shooter's loaded firearms while at the loading table. The rounds should be fired in comparison to test rounds made using the following load data:

.38 Special with 125 gr to 158 gr bullet weights and 1 cc of any common BP substitute.

Notes/Additional information on Item #2:

Real Black powder is not included in the test loads. Considering the rarity of BP challenges over the years, this fulfills the intent of revising the standard rounds to be used for any such testing using more readily available components.