



# MERLIN MARAUDERS Cowboy Gazette

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## The Prez sez

Well I am approaching another milestone in Merlin Marauders. This will mark my fourth year being the President.

I had considered going for another term until I discovered someone else would be willing to lead the club. That person was nominated at the last general meeting and is **Bear Bone Smith**. I consider Rick as a very capable candidate and wish you would all support him.

Additionally, please review the other candidates and vote your choice.

**RO-2 Class – Har Trigger** will instruct a RO-2 class and to be held on **November 22nd**. See the **Club News** for details.

**PLEASE** sign up for this class soon. Otherwise, it may be cancelled for lack of interest

- **Rogue Rascal**



## Match Winners-October 2008

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|-----------------|------------------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | Purgatory Smith  |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Bear Bone Smith  |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | Rogue Rascal     |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> | Treacherous Jack |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> | Jed I. Knight    |

**NEXT GENERAL MEMBER MEETING**  
**Tuesday, November 11<sup>th</sup>**  
At the **Black Forest Restaurant, 820 E Street "NE", Grants Pass, at 6:30 PM.**  
Arrive at 5:45 PM if you intend to eat dinner first. Directions: (541) 474-5323

**NEXT MONTHLY MERLIN MARAUDERS COWBOY ACTION POSSE MATCH**  
**Saturday, November 1<sup>st</sup>**  
Arrive early to help set up stages @8:00 a.m. Sign-in is from 8:00 to 8:30 a.m. Shooter Meeting at 8:45 AM. Directions. JCSA Range, I-5 Exit 61 Merlin, Thence northbound on frontage road to Josephine County Sportsman Park

**RO-2 CLASS**  
10:00 AM on Saturday, November 22  
Contact Har Trigger  
Read the details in Club News, page 2

## CLUB NEWS

**Membership:** Merlin Marauders membership is at 69.  
No new members since last month

### RO-1 Class – Sweetwater Jack

Congratulations to the new RO-1s:

**Fairweather Kate**, aka **Kathy Stubbe**  
**Yellow Eyed Kate**, aka **Linda Dannen**

**Election Nominations** – New officers will be elected for 2009-2010. The term of office will be for two years.

Nominees for the offices are:

**President – Rick Smith**, aka **Bear Bone Smith**

**Secretary – Heike Arnold**, aka **Molly b'Dam**

**Match Director – Vince Williams**, aka **Johnny Dingus**

**Director 1 – Mike Klosterman**, aka **Treacherous Jack.**

-- **Frank Mooney**, aka **Two Tone**

**Director 2 – Chuck Pool**, aka **Imnaha Chuck**

### RO2 Class Har Trigger, Sweetwater Jack, J D Walker

There will be a RO2 Course at the JCSA Class Room at 10:00 am on **Saturday, November 22nd**. The course takes about 4 hours and 1+ hour range exercise. Cost for each student is a \$25.00 SASS and course materials. There is a RO-1 prerequisite for taking this course and you must be a SASS member with a SASS membership number. Limited to the first 25 who sign up. Bring your own lunch and beverages. **Contact Har Trigger** – Drop a note to [HarTrigger@gmail.com](mailto:HarTrigger@gmail.com) with your name and SASS number or call him at (541) 956-1496 and leave a message.

## PRACTICE MATCHES

We have scheduled practice matches for the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the month, at least during the summer months, at 9 a.m. For information call **Johnny Dingus**,

### JCSA NEWS - Imnaha Chuck

- “JCSA annual meeting will be on Nov. 8, 2008 at 2 p.m.
- A new range manager has been hired and will soon start.
- JCSA E-Board is working on a new Wavier & Release Agreement form that will be included on all sign-in sheets. This is required by their insurance carrier.

### Stage Setup for November 1st

- **Stage 1 – Johnny Dingus**
- **Stage 2 – Lonesome Rose**
- **Stage 3 – Kidd Krystin**
- **Stage 4 – ?**
- **Stage 5 (Shotgun) ?**

## OREGON & Northern CALIFORNIA MONTHLY MATCHES

1 <sup>st</sup> Saturday	Grants Pass	Merlin Marauders	Rogue Rascal	[541] 472-8585	<a href="mailto:oregonjohn@oigp.net">oregonjohn@oigp.net</a>
1 <sup>st</sup> Saturday	Canby	Mollala River Rangers	Bart Starr	(503) 391-8917	<a href="mailto:bartstar5885@aol.com">bartstar5885@aol.com</a>
1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday	Medford	Table Rock Rangers	Jed I. Knight	(541) 944-2281	<a href="mailto:jed_i_knight@jeffersonstateregulators.com">jed_i_knight@jeffersonstateregulators.com</a>
1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday	Bend	Horse Ridge Pistoleros	Cowboss	(541) 548-7325	<a href="mailto:toevs@bendnet.com">toevs@bendnet.com</a>
1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday	Florence	Siuslaw River Rangers	Johnny Jingos	(541) 997-6313	<a href="mailto:johnnyjingos@yahoo.com">johnnyjingos@yahoo.com</a>
1 <sup>st</sup> Monday	Portland	Orygun Cowboys	Lode'n B Kwick		
2 <sup>nd</sup> Saturday	Medford	Table Rock Rangers	Jed I. Knight	(541) 944-2281	<a href="mailto:jed_i_knight@jeffersonstateregulators.com">jed_i_knight@jeffersonstateregulators.com</a>
2 <sup>nd</sup> Saturday	Burney	Shasta Regulators	Cayenne Pepper	(530) 275-3158	<a href="mailto:modocsass13826@sbcglobal.net">modocsass13826@sbcglobal.net</a>
2 <sup>nd</sup> Saturday	The Dalles	Fort Dalles Defenders	Mallard	(541) 993-3663	?
2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday	Klamath Falls	Klamath Cowboys	Ramblin' Dave	(541) 273-1055	<a href="mailto:rdroth@fireserve.net">rdroth@fireserve.net</a>
2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday	Portland	Orygun Cowboys	Bart Starr	(503) 391-8917	<a href="mailto:bartstar5885@aol.com">bartstar5885@aol.com</a>
3 <sup>rd</sup> Saturday	Ashland	Jefferson State Regulators	Jed I. Knight	(541) 944-2281	<a href="mailto:jed_i_knight@jeffersonstateregulators.com">jed_i_knight@jeffersonstateregulators.com</a>
3 <sup>rd</sup> Saturday	Redding	Shasta Regulators	Modoc	(530) 365-1839	<a href="mailto:modocsass13826@sbcglobal.net">modocsass13826@sbcglobal.net</a>
3 <sup>rd</sup> Saturday	Portland	Orygun Cowboys	Lode'n B Kwick		
3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday	Shedd (Albany)	Oregon Old West Shooters	Mid Valley Drifter	[541] 259-2774	<a href="mailto:MidValleyDrifter@outdrs.net">MidValleyDrifter@outdrs.net</a>
4 <sup>th</sup> Saturday	Klamath Falls	Klamath Cowboys	Ramblin' Dave	(541) 273-1055	<a href="mailto:rdroth@fireserve.net">rdroth@fireserve.net</a>
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4 <sup>th</sup> Saturday	Eureka/Arcata	Madd River Rangers	Kid Knee Stone	(707) 445-1981	<a href="mailto:clsnowden@aol.com">clsnowden@aol.com</a>
4 <sup>th</sup> Saturday	Yreka	Hawkinsville Claim Jumpers	Deacon Doug	(530) 926-5270	<a href="mailto:napa198@juno.com">napa198@juno.com</a>
4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday	The Dalles	Fort Dalles Defenders	Mallard	(541) 993-3663	?
4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday	Roseburg	Umpqua Regulators.	Big Lou	(541) 484-5900	<a href="mailto:dr97@qwest.net">dr97@qwest.net</a>

**"A well regulated Militia, being necessary to the security of a free State, the right of the people to keep and bear Arms, shall not be infringed."**

- The Constitution of the United States – Second Amendment

## MERLIN MARAUDERS MATCH FINAL OCTOBER 4, 2008

Match		STAGE	STAGE	STAGE	STAGE	STAGE	Total		Class	Total
Final	ALIAS	1	2	3	4	5	Time	Class	Final	Misses
1	Purgatory Smith	13.49	23.01	26.02	16.08	30.16	108.76	GF	1	0
2	Bear Bone Smith	31.75	27.38	31.26	30.00	32.42	152.81	T	1	1
3	Rogue Rascal	23.37	42.33	40.89	29.53	45.99	182.11	SS	1	2
4	Treacherous Jack	42.89	46.69	36.89	24.76	45.40	196.63	T	2	3
5	Jed I. Knight	31.12	36.70	52.29	39.56	38.40	198.07	FCG	1	3
6	Johnny Dingus	29.37	67.07	43.98	30.38	41.99	212.79	49	1	5
7	Kidd Krystin	42.77	46.37	53.17	39.31	79.30	260.92	SGF	1	5
8	Missouri Rogue	43.59	53.66	53.10	59.08	55.33	264.76	SS	2	1
9	Sweetwater Jack	41.95	84.54	55.19	31.87	51.75	265.30	CL	1	8
10	Rocky Retire	60.24	60.10	51.21	38.41	64.61	274.57	ES	1	4
11	Gaye Abandon	65.80	64.85	65.35	65.89	90.14	352.03	LSS	1	4

**CLEAN MATCH: Purgatory Smith**

### MERLIN MARAUDER MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION AND MATCH FEES:

#### MEMBERSHIP

Individual Membership	\$25
Family* Membership	\$35
<i>*Family is defined as all living under one roof</i>	

#### SHOOTING FEES

Individual MM Member	\$10
Additional MM Family Adults	\$5 each
Individual Non-MM Member	\$13
Additional Non-MM Family Adult	\$5 each

For membership issues and information call: Molly b'Dam @(541) 479-2928

Complete new/renewal application and mail to: Merlin Marauders, P.O. Box 202, Grants Pass Oregon 97528

**Monthly match stage design and setup gets a \$5 discount**

## FOR SALE

### Rifle - Shotgun Case

SKB ATA 50" x 9-1/2" x 6" hard case, weather-resistant O-ring seal, lockable, fully padded. Will hold four cowboy long guns up to 48" in length or a mix of long guns and pistols. Case used less than a dozen times and is in new condition. Price new from Midway is \$174.99

**Kidd Krystin, (541) 479-6104** or e-mail: [edreajr@yahoo.com](mailto:edreajr@yahoo.com)

**FOR SALE** Items are listed free for club members. Items must be submitted prior to the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month and **MUST** be in electronic form, e.g. e-mail or attached files. (No handwritten submissions)

#### Merlin Marauder Badges

We have club badges for sale. They are high quality polished brass badges made by the Lindholm Brothers, Whiney Henry and Wimpy Hank Yoho, and are available from Molly b'Dam or Rogue Rascal for \$25.

#### Merlin Marauder Website

The Webmaster is Library Babbage

[www.merlinmarauders.com](http://www.merlinmarauders.com)

Send any photos or information to Library Babbage at the website e-mail address or to: [leevern\\_beck@hotmail.com](mailto:leevern_beck@hotmail.com)

### Dispatches from the Territorial Governor by Sweetwater Jack

ALL Merlin Marauder Members please look it over and we'll discuss these items BRIEFLY at the November member meeting at the Black Forest on November 11th. In the meantime, (and after the meeting also, up until the 1st of December, when Gaye Abandon and I will crank up the old truck and head for Las Vegas and the Summit to present YOUR views on these items.) please e-mail me with YOUR feelings, yea or nay, on these items. Remember: [sweetwater@uci.net](mailto:sweetwater@uci.net)

#### TERRITORIAL GOVERNOR SUMMIT AGENDA

- 1. Should we combine the Traditional and Modern categories and then split this combination into two age-based categories, with the age breaks being at 17 and up / 36 and up? This would give us age-based categories for all ages. All age-based categories would allow the use of all SASS legal firearms, propellants and shooting styles except Gunfighter.
- 2. Should we allow the use of the Gunfighter shooting style in all age-based categories except the Buckaroo and Junior categories?
- 3. Should we replace the line - "Outlawed - Clothing displaying manufacturer's or sponsor's Logos" with "The displaying of sponsor's or team logos on apparel or equipment is prohibited. Manufacturer's labels on such apparel or equipment are acceptable."?
- 4. Stage Conventions Item #3 requires all long guns staged horizontally shall be staged lying flat where at least the rear of the trigger guard is on the staging area. Should this also be applied to handguns?
- 5. Should we clarify the costuming requirements as follows? "ALL Clothing MUST BE worn Appropriately, how it was intended and how it would have been worn in the OLD WEST or as Seen on B-Western movies and Television. Clothing that is clearly NOT in the spirit of the "Old West" or in good taste is NOT allowed."
- 6. Should we allow a shooter to retrieve a dropped round? The current rule actually assumes that a safety rule could potentially occur when retrieving dropped rounds. We have rules in place that address safety issues when they occur.
- 7. Should we change the verbiage about de-cocking a firearm from - De-cocking a revolver, Rifle, or external hammer shotgun may not be done with a live round under the hammer. Decocking may not be done to avoid a penalty if cocked at the wrong time or position to - NO gun may be de-cocked on the firing line except by pointing it down-range and pulling the trigger or while under the direct supervision of a stage officer.
- 8. Should we change the rule regarding empties left on the carrier or in the chamber of a long gun? A live round in the chamber would continue to carry a Stage Disqualification penalty and a live round on the carrier a 10-second minor safety. This change would eliminate all penalties for empty rounds in the chamber or on the carrier of long guns only.
- 9. Should we allow gunfighters to carry revolvers in the butt forward manner? We have rules in place that address safety issues when they occur.
- 10. Should we allow ejectors on single shot shotguns?
- 11. Should we add the following verbiage to address aerial shotgun targets for Buckaroos and Buckarettes? "Buckaroos and Buckarettes must shoot at (engage) all aerial shotgun targets unless alternate targets are provided. Aerial targets will be scored as "hit" if fired at before the target impacts the ground. Targets that hit the ground before being fired at will be scored as a "miss".