Battle Born Rangers Newsletter

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From our club president -Bordello Fellow



Greetings All,

Was able to get away for a few days, so went to Florence and shot the 4th of July match with the Siuslaw River Rangers. Always a fun match. The match is small enough that there is plenty of free time to explore old town and surrounding areas. Met up and had a couple of dinners with some of our friends from Diamond Dick's. We were all on the same posse together and had a great shoot. Enough of that, time to get to work.

Before I left on my mini vacation, I traded emails with our lawyer about the contents of a letter he had drafted to the owner and manager of the race track. I approved the content and it was suggested to add a time line for response. 14 days was the agreed amount of time to hear back. As usual on the 14th day we heard back from their lawyer and it basically said that they received our letter 10 days previous and had not had time to confer with their clients. Their response also stated that they were not ignoring our concerns. As I have stated in past news letters, my number one goal is getting our personal property back. So after a week of stewing

on the issues I emailed the lawyer to say this is typical of the owner. He continues to deflect, distract, and is disingenuous dealing with us. I asked if we could push this into court? I also asked how much would this cost the club. In addition, I asked if it would hurt us if members started filing complaints to Nevada Department of Environmental Protection. It was also suggested by club members to see if the News Stations would do a story about our issues with this developer. I have filled a complaint with NDEP. Should you feel compelled to add your voice to the complaint, the case number is #240722-02. If you need the phone number, send me a text or email. At this time, I have not heard back from our lawyer so do not know if these actions will hurt us in court or not. There has been a discussion about Wild Bunch and restarting a monthly shoot. There was also a WBRO training offered but only one shooter signed up. The training was canceled and we were asked if BBR Board would still support the training programs. The board decided that it was in the best interest of the club and for insurance purposes to continue to support all RO Training classes. As to Wild Bunch, "best practices" would getting everyone who holds a timer, writes stages, or match have current training. In the last year there have been a lot of rule changes that should be covered. Until we get everyone current, Wild Bunch matches are on hold. It is my understanding that Wylie has new dates scheduled. Please consider signing up for training. All fees for current BBR members in good standing are covered by the club. There was also a discussion on how do get more people to help with scoring. Seems counter productive to a match to have the only score keeper standing at the loading table and entering in scores just before shooting. So I will ask again, if we provide some training, include a lunch are there members who would be willing to spend a morning to learn how to operate scoring program? Let me know if you have an interest. It would help the monthly shoots go a bit faster if we had more then one or two score keepers. Just saying......

There was a board meeting on July 14th, 2024 between BBR and the SSS board to discuss a number of issues around sharing resources. Issues that were discussed included Shooting Schedule, Range Improvements, Equipment Sharing, and the Nevada State BP match. There was also a lively discussion on range safety, setup, teardown, match directors, insurance and stage writers. There were a lot of ideas and areas the need further follow up. I have a number of tasks to follow up on to help move this process forward. Both boards will have their internal discussions and follow up in a large meeting in the future. One thing that Silver State said was they were very interested in helping with the Nevada State BP shoot. They would help with setup, teardown, and holding the shoot in the gulch. We would provide stages, match director, and run the match and awards afterwards. I had a long talk with SASS and they said it would be okay to change dates, and locations, just let them know. We will have to decide when would be a good time to hold this match. I am thinking a one day, six stage match. It was also mentioned that there should be Tom Horn categories included. We already bought the buckles, and most of the awards are made. So what do you all think? Will be at the Western Regionals from 8/05 - 8/11/2024.

Hope to see you there, Bordello

Next Months Matches

Aug 11th Second Sunday
BBR's Cowboy Shoot
Aug 18th Third Sunday
SSS Cowboy Shoot

From our TG and R.O. Trainer – Wylie Fox Esquire RO Training



It was announced by Bordello Fellow, that anyone who plans to take part in Wild Bunch "management" for BBR WB matches, will need to have taken a WBRO course in 2024. This includes TO, Posse Marshal, Match Director, writing stages. I am suggesting the following two dates for the WBRO course, September 14 or 21. I have reserved the room in the Fernley Library for both dates. I know of two shooters who are interested as taking the course for the

first time. I would like to stress the important value of participation of the experienced shooters. It is the experience of those shooters that raises the value of the course. This is a Win-Win for all who attend. BBR will pay the course fees and provide lunch for any current BBR member who attends. Help pick a date by letting me know what date can work for you.

As part of the June ROII course we wrote stages that were used in the next match. I felt that this was a good experience. I would like to encourage everyone who has taken the ROII course this year or last year to write the stages for a BBR match and be a posse leader. There are plenty of stages available on our web page. You could use them as written and or edit them as desired. I would be happy to assist in all the aspects. FYI, this does require being present during setup to ensure the targets are placed correctly. Please let me know.

WTC (What's the Call)

On 6/29/2024 at 6:02 PM, mean gun mark said:

stage description was rifle 10+1......first shooter on posse shoots stage with only 10 rounds. not one person yelled one more, including the TO. Shooter was called clean and proceeded to unload table, cleared his guns and went to his cart. Meanwhile the second shooter of the posse shoots the stage, again with only 10 rounds from the rifle, spotters and TO called him clean. he begins to walk to unload table, at this point someone points out that its 10+1 for the rifle. Shooter two was awarded a p and a miss......the TO also awarded a p and a miss to the first shooter also....My opinion was that even though the first shooter deserved the p and miss, it was to late to give them to him.....that at that point he was lucky dog......Was I correct?

PWB: NO.

Another WTC, this is worth reading and thinking about how you might call it. CTRL-click below to follow the link

Posted July 8

A fast shooter shot the 10-10-4 stage then showed up at the unloading table with an unfired round in one revolver, not under the hammer. My initial reaction was that he must have shot a different order round count than the stage instructions called for, I was counting but did not notice the 9-round engagement. I wanted to call a procedural violation but went to the miss flow chart and shooters handbook and found this:

Leaving unfired rounds in a revolver is a Miss penalty. However, if a live round is under the hammer, a Stage Disqualification penalty is assessed.

Double Jeopardy applies- a miss cannot cause a procedural. To help understand this concept, please reference the Miss Flow Chart in Section 7 of this handbook.

The miss flow charts say, "Were the targets hit in the correct order except for misses?" If "yes " "No further call"

So, since an unfired round is a Miss penalty it must be a miss and no further call, but then I read:

Procedural (P) infractions include: - Failure to attempt to fire a firearm, engage a prop, or perform a stage maneuver.

An unfired round can be considered as a "Failure to attempt to fire a firearm," for the tenth round so now I am back to my original feeling to call a procedural.

No procedural was called on the shooters score.

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COWBOY & Wild Bunch Issues

I will be attending the TG meetings for both Cowboy and Wild Bunch at the Western Regionals in August. Please think about what if any changes or clarifications would like to see. I am anxious to discuss whatever may be on your mind.

I have had NO input. This would say that everyone is happy with ALL the current rules for both Cowboy and WB.

From Your Secretary - Jasper Agate

Howdy all,

It was great to finally have a Battle Born Rangers match. It was a lot of work for all involved and we owe a great deal of gratitude to our hosts for the match. With out their help we wouldn't even have a match. Remember we don't have any steel to set up a match!! Make sure you all thank them for their generosity and help!!

We need your help now more than ever. Everything we do to try and get our club property returned to us cost money up front. Hopefully

we can get restitution from the property owner Dan Shores when this thing winds up in court. Our attorney's firm charges big bucks to represent us but we have a very good chance of getting a settlement with attorney costs included! That being said your annual dues goes a long way towards paying for the new costs we've been saddled with and we still have to pay insurance, fees to SASS and other sundries necessary to keep our club solvent. So if you haven't paid your annual dues please try to do so as soon as possible. If you would like to mail them you can mail them to me. Let me know if you need my address!!

Jackpot Jerry has the stages posted for our Aug shoot. I'll be ram roding the set up for the match so come early and stay late because I need all the help I can get!! It's a bit more work setting up in the Gulch but at least we have a place to burn some powder! We'll put out a reminder before the match asking for your help. So come one, come all and we'll have a rip snorting good time!!

See you on the range,

Jasper

