

Rio Vaqueros Newsletter- December 07, 2011

Affiliated with Single Action Shooting Society (SASS) and the National Rifle Association
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SASS Marshal: Jim Anton aka Dusty Star



Events for Month of December 2011/January 2012

Saturday Fun Shoot December 10 – set up 9 am, shoot 10 am

Long Range Shoot January 2012 Set up

Sunday, December 20 Cowboy Shoot: Set up at 9 am, Shoot at 10 am (new time)

Note New Time---Regular Match Set up – 9 a.m., Shoot at 10 a.m.

December Meeting at Hodges: Tuesday, December 27, 6 pm

The Meeting Dates Are The 4th Tuesday Of Every Month at Hodges Corner Restaurant Hodges serves good eats, either buffet style or off the menu if you are interested in eating before the meeting. Ray Hodges is a member of our group, donates quite often and we like to keep him happy so we can keep the room. Meeting room reservations have been made through December, 2011.

ANNUAL DUES Now is a good time to think about paying your dues. The annual dues are \$15 per person. For those of you who haven't paid, or wish to join, please submit your payment now. Dues may be paid at the range, at the meetings or by mailing them in to P O Box 1935, Elephant Butte, NM, 87935. Those who would like to get their newsletters by email please contact Carol at 744-5411 or send a request to riovaqueros@gmail.com to be included in the email list. We prefer email over snail mail to save the cost of paper and stamps. Our year starts in January.

Check out our website on Google at www.riovaqueros.org

We are also listed on the Sierra County Events website

FROM THE PRESIDENT

- The long range shoot will continue at 9 am until further notice due to the wind, which has been quite common during our previous shoots. All other shoots have been changed to set up at 9 am and shoot at 10 am.
- Our next meeting will be the meeting when we elect our officers for next year. Nominations from the floor during the last meeting were by acclamation for the current officers to continue in their positions: Carl McCleskey President, Parry Larsen Vice President, Carol Anton Secretary, and Carl Harmon Treasurer. You must be present to vote. No proxy votes or absentee votes are allowed. Please try to make it for this meeting..
- The Fourth Saturday shoot was a bowling pin shoot and by all accounts, was great fun. Thanks goes to the Tyrrells for their input on the shoot.
- The club has decided to encourage new shooters by letting the donated fee be the same for all shooters, and be per competitive position: if one is shooting the fun shoot and wants to shoot a semi-auto and a revolver, the competitive position count would be 2; if one is shooting the cowboy match with the required weapons, the competitive position count is 1.
- The club is encouraging new shoots if they can show they are not money pits.

FROM THE SECRETARY – Just want to wish all of you a very Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year! May your travels be safe and your celebrations safer. I have enjoyed working with each and everyone one of you, and hope to continue working with you.

FUN SHOOT/FREE-STYLE ORGANIZERS – The fun shoots are now shooting a revolver category and a semi-auto category, so you can shoot either or both. We have almost half of our shooters that shoot both weapons. We are encouraging youngsters and new shooters to come out, shoot, have fun and maybe even join. Some new shoots have been suggested and we would like to try them in the coming year.

COWBOY SHOOT ORGANIZERS: For the new cowboy shooters, your SASS Territorial Governor is WW (Bill Wilkins) from Silver City. Your club representative is Dusty Star (Jim Anton). If you have concerns or need help, please contact Dusty Star at 744-5411. We would appreciate help setting up and taking down targets.

Directions to Range: From Date Street take Marie west to Kopra. Turn north (right) on Kopra and go under HWY overpass and immediately turn left onto Gun Cub Road and follow Gun Club Road to range.

Other Non-profit Clubs' Events

- Truth or Consequences Community Theatre presents "Sleeping Indoors" by Jim Holt and directed by Carol Anton. December 2, 3, 4, 9, 10, and 11. Senior tickets are \$8 for the show. There is also a Saturday dinner/show ticket available for \$15. They will serve a traditional Christmas dinner in keeping with the theme of the play. Call Carol for details. 744-5411. There is still time to get your tickets.
- The Women of the Moose Community Service Chairman, Carol Anton, is once again selling chances to win a turkey. The chances are \$1 per slice on a pie plate, 20 slices per plate. Then the plate is shot with a .22 caliber pistol to determine the winner. The winner will receive a 12 lb frozen turkey from Bullocks. Carol will have plates available at the meeting if you wish to purchase 1 slice or a whole plate (\$20). The project benefits the mammogram program at Sierra Vista Hospital and the local cancer foundation.
- The Elephant Butte Chamber of Commerce is hosting the Illuminaria Beach Walk again at the State Park from dusk to 10 p.m. on December 10. There is a fee at the park entrance but once you enter, everything else is free. There are Refreshments available at each of the campsites. It is a great evening and benefits Make-a-Wish Foundation.

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