



# Gunsite Gazette

Mississippi River Rangers  
May 2010

## Clubs Calendar

### May

- 15 MSA WB  
MRR Work Party
- 22 MRR Work Party
- 27-30 MRR Smokin' Guns

### June

- 5 MSA Sunday Shoot
- 12 MSA Shoot
- 19 MRR Set Targets  
MSA WB
- 26 MRR

## Jered's Cowboy Journal

Howdy Pards,

I'll keep it brief this month. Support your local club.

If you haven't signed up to shoot Smokin' Guns at Rabbit Ridge, please do. If you haven't already made a commitment to come out and help with the side matches, please do. Be ready to support your club if asked to help. Whether it be running a posse, emptying trash cans, refilling water coolers or giving the bathrooms a quick cleaning. If you see something that needs to be done step up and do it or let us know it needs to be done. I can't tell you how many inquiries I have received over the last few months from out of town shooters saying what a great shoot we put on and asking about signing up. That's because of you. You make it happen and make it fun, clean and safe. So I'm thanking you in advance for your help.

Many of you have seen the pictures from the flood at MSA this past week. Our sister club is going to need help cleaning up and getting ready for their Annual Match, A Gunfight in Dixie, which is in September. At this time the full extent of damages and repairs needed are not fully known. But when the call does go out please be generous with your time and pitch in.

If you pick up a copy of the June issues of True West and American Cowboy magazines this month you might notice a familiar name. Buckaroo Hatters. Our own Mike Moore has an ad in one magazine and one of his custom hats featured in an article in the other. It's nice to know that Mike is being recognized for the great hats he makes at reasonable prices. I imagine that very shortly Mike's going to be up to his eyeballs in orders. Congratulations on the recognition Blackjack!! See you on the Range!

Vaya con Dios.

Jered



## TG Notes

### *It's a small world*

It was interesting to read a post on the TG wire regarding cowboy clubs loosing their shooting privileges at both public and private ranges. It reads as though they were just told to leave in favor of other shooting venues. In one case that included leaving their assets! As Tarantula Jack advised, moving cowboy clubs is not uncommon. The key is how we do it. The Mississippi River Rangers are not in a crisis situation, we have the time and a plan to perpetuate and improve our club.

Another posting entitled "What does your club do?" concerned who does what and how do you get members to participate. The old adage applies, 10% of the members do 100% of the work. Not everyone has the time or the inclination to get involved. Free shoots, reduced fees, etc aren't really the answer. Leadership by individuals giving freely of their time and talents makes a club successful. The Mississippi River Rangers have been blessed with members who have made MRR the success it is today and will be tomorrow.

### Safety

In spite of the rain April 24<sup>th</sup> several shooters came down and enjoyed some camaraderie under the car port. Four members participated in the RO1 class and received their RO1 pin; Moon Dance Kid, High Card Kay, Rattlesnake Rowan, & Sweetwater Sage. Special thanks to Tarantula Jack who sat in and participated in the discussion.

We still have a couple of members who have not taken RO1. All MRR members are expected to take the course. Based on current records any member who is not listed as having taken RO1 will be receiving a letter advising them of their obligation.



## WHO'S YOUR COWBOY ROLE MODEL

FIND OUT WHO TRULY IS YOUR ROLE MODEL. (DON'T PEEK) DO THE SIMPLE MATH BELOW, THEN LOOK ON PAGE 5 TO FIND YOUR HERO.

It's CRAZY how accurate this is!!! No peeking!!!

- 1) Pick your favorite number between 1-9
  - 2) Multiply by 3
  - 3) Add 3
  - 4) Multiply by 3, again
  - 5) You should now have a 2 or 3 digit number....
  - 6) Add the digits together
- Now look on page 5



## On the Trail with Capt. Augustus & Skip

Howdy Folks,

I hope everyone bobbed up to the top after that rain. It definitely was a gully washer. MSSA really went under and the cowboy range was repaired enough to host the normal monthly shoot. Speaking of that shoot. I got up bright and early, got my gear and ammo in the van, put my lunch and guns into the van and then got my cowboy clothes on. Headed out to the van and I noticed the van started very slowly, hmmm. So I shut it off and try again, no go this time.



I head back to the kitchen and pour another cup of coffee. After drinking it, back to the van. This time not even a click, the dormant alarm system, which hasn't worked for two years has come back to life and is killing the starter. At this point, I realized the morning was getting away from me, quickly.

Needless to say, I spent the rest of the morning finding out how to disconnect the alarm, which meant taking the dash apart, more fun. Anyhow, the van is running once again, and again I find that I am not in control of my destiny, and not a shot was fired.

I hoped all month some articles would show up, Prairie Gal sent us the pictures that are in this issue, still could use some words. Anything that caught my eye ended up in this issue.

I'm looking forward to the May Shoot, even though I will just be vendoring. A two day shoot wears me out nowadays, but at least I'll be around to see old friends, hope to see you there!

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**With that number, see who your ROLE MODEL is from the list below:**

- 1. Roy Rogers**
- 2. Gene Autry**
- 3. Charles Goodnight**
- 4. Jesse James**
- 5. Billy the Kid**
- 6. Annie Oakley**
- 7. Frank James**
- 8. Cole Younger**
- 9. Capt. Augustus**
- 10. John Wayne**

**I know, I know.....I just have that effect on people. One day, maybe you too can be like me.**

**Why are you laughing???**

**P.S. Stop picking different numbers!!!**

**I AM YOUR ROLE MODEL... JUST DEAL WITH IT!!!**

**I got this from my granddaughter, Nicole Escoffier.**

