

PACKING IRON

Cowboy Action Shooting, it's a lifestyle.

PNZ CAS NATIONALS & SASS REGIONAL

By the time this edition of the Bullshooter is distributed the CAS Nationals at Trailblazers will be long over but as the match was on the same weekend as the closing date for this publication a full report will be in the February edition. A total of 75 shooters made the trip and enjoyed 12 stages of the best cowboy shooting available. The weather wasn't the best but I can quote Trooper who said he only got wet feet thanks to the excellent covered areas that allowed the shooting to continue. If you check out the Pistol New Zealand website you will find detailed match results and some photos from the match.

UBERTI PUMP ACTION RIFLE

I recently saw one of the new Uberti Lightening Pump Action Rifles and I was impressed. The quality of finish from Uberti is of their usual high standard, excellent bluing, wood to metal fit was good and the overall appearance is of a well made rifle. Operating the pump will take some getting use to; it's a lot different to a lever action. This is another excellent product from Uberti for cowboy action shooter or for shooters who want a piece of recreated history.

SECTION BADGES

These are now back in stock and if you want one of the pin on Section badges with your CAS number engraved on it here's how to go about it. Send a cheque to Pistol NZ, (address on inside cover of Bullshooter) for \$15 made payable to NZ Pistol Assn. Write on the back 'CAS SECTION BADGE', your name, address, alias and CAS number. The badge will be engraved and dispatched to you. It shouldn't take longer than three weeks as I will be getting them engraved in batches.

DUEL DOWN UNDER 2007

The entry form for this event is on the PNZ website and now is the time to start organising yourselves. April 27, 28, 29 2007 are the dates to circle on your calendars but don't leave it too late to start your paper for taken your guns. Australian hospitality will be at its best with the crew at Newtec, just ask anyone who's been there. They'll tell you about the great time they had there.

RO1 and RO2 COURSE

The PNZ RO1 Course will be rolled out shortly for all the sections and at this time it would prudent to clarify a point with regard to the CAS RO1 exam. Prior to the introduction of the new PNZ RO1 we were using the full SASS RO1 question paper. In order to conform to the multi-section format of the exam this has been reduced to 20 questions. With this modification done the RO1 Course is now a Pistol NZ specific test and only applies locally. For those of you that are members of SASS and wish to have the RO1 exam acknowledge by SASS you will need to complete the full SASS paper and pay their required fee for registration. Club Training Officers can contact me to arrange this.

The CAS Section will still run our RO2 Courses at each Island match and the Nationals. We will continue to use the full SASS RO2 paper. Just a reminder that you must have the RO1 qualification before sitting the RO2 exam.

SASS SUMMIT & CONVENTION

The 5th Annual "Wild West Christmas" Convention is in Las Vegas in early December and I am attending as the Territorial Governor representing Pistol New Zealand. There are a number of items to be voted on and I will give a full report in the February Bullshooter.

SEASON GREETINGS

May the holiday season be a safe and happy one for you and your families. We look forward to seeing you on a range sometime next year. Compliments of the Season to you all.