



PACKING IRON



Cowboy Action Shooting. It's a lifestyle.

CAS Section News by R Finlayson a.k.a. Tuscon

EOT

J.E.B. Stuart was our one and only competitor at the World Champs in New Mexico this year. And being the only Kiwi there, he got the job of standard-bearer, carrying the New Zealand flag during the opening ceremony. JEB was shooting well and hoping for a clean match until 'Murphy' turned up with light primer strikes on Winchester primers.

North Island Champs; Hawkes Bay

Entry Form is on the PNZ website

By the time you read this you should have already sent your application away as all entries in before 20th August are discounted and go into a prize draw. The Deadwood County Rangers of Napier have done lot of work and preparation for this shoot.

Thurs 18th Sept – Long Range events.

Fri 19th – main match & side events.

Sat 20th – main match & side events then Banquet.

Sun 21st – Speed event & prize giving.

High Noon - NZ Nationals & NZ SASS Regional; Cowboy Paradise

Entry form is on the PNZ website.

Time to start organizing your ammo and accommodation for this event.

Wed 5th Nov - Six-S Shooting School & practice day.

Thurs 6th - Warm-up stages and side events and Long Range.

Fri 7th - 6 stages of Main Match.

Sat 8th – 6 stages Main Match & Banquet.

Sun 9th - Grand Showdown and prize giving.

RO2 course.

We are looking for numbers for an RO2 course to be held at High Noon. If you are interested please email me.

Top Rookie Award.

And don't forget to bring along a cowboy shooter who hasn't shot a CAS Nationals before.

Six-S Shooting School.

This shooting school is being run for the CAS Section by three of this country's best cowboy action shooters who also have a wealth of international experience, Payden Kash, Miss Ruby and Trinity. Shooters at any level of the game will benefit from their instruction. Whether it be slicker shotgun loading, shooting stance, transitions, or tips on guns and gear, it will all add up to showing you how to shoot smoother, easier and faster. As numbers are limited to 15, please email me ASAP to ensure a spot.

'The Duel Down Under'

Little River, Vic, Australia 6th – 9th March 2009.

It's a good time to start planning your trip to Little River (near Melbourne) for the Duel Down Under with airfares still reasonable. With the price of fuel going the way it is I don't think these prices will last. Tony Diablo wants as many Kiwi shooters over there as possible and has offered free accommodation on range on a first come, first served basis. He has offered to load ammo for us as well as try to organize transport to and from the airport. With organization and hospitality like that how can you not go?

Tony Diablo can be reached at dioblot6@bigpond.com or ring 0397478280 or 0419187980 or fax 0397478727.

Entry form is on the PNZ website.

Is the Wild Bunch Match for you?

At EOT this year, SASS introduced the 'Wild Bunch' side match. Costuming and guns reflect the 1969 movie The Wild Bunch.

Sass legal lever action rifles over 40cal and pump action shotguns are used as well as Mil-spec .45cal 1911 pistols with a barrel at least 5" long (with no porting). The power factor for rifle/pistol is 150.



Categories were Traditional, Ladies Traditional, Modern and Ladies Modern.

In traditional category the pistol is to be shot one handed. Being Mil-spec the pistol has standard spur hammer, trigger, mag release, thumb safety, slide release, grip safety, grips, sights, etc.

In Modern category the shooter may shoot any style, and pistols may have adjustable sights, coloured sight inserts, beavertail grip safety, extended mag release, extended and ambidextrous thumb safety, extended slide release, lowered and flared ejection port and full checkering.

Holsters are to be made of leather or canvas and no shoulder holsters or cross-draws. Mag pouches are to worn vertically on opposite side of the body.

The mags are loaded with 5 rounds and two extra mags (over what is needed to shoot the stage) may be carried. Changing mags on the move is OK but the slide must be locked open until shooter is stationary. At the end of the stage the pistol is cleared on the line.

Shotguns may be loaded up with the correct number of rounds for the stage.

Shooters who are interested in having a go at this fun side match are reminded they will need an Action Holster Qualification.

I'm sure some of you have something in the safe that can be dusted off and brought back into service. It sounds like fun!