



July News Letter

Well our second annual **BIG GUN DOWN, LIL JOHN MEMORIAL CHARITY SHOOT**, has come and gone. It was, as last year, a huge success, although we don't have an official count yet, it looks as though we have collected somewhere around \$800.00 in cash plus two large boxes of food items. This was made possible thanks to the generosity of all our cowboy friends and shooters. This will be donated to food banks in Clinton and Ross counties.

We had a total of 44 shooters turn out for this months match at Desperadoville with top honors going to Lassiter with a score of 135.01, congratulations Tom.

Wilmington Rough Riders had 46 shooters turn out for their event on Sat. with top honors going to Two Bit Drifter with a score of 121.06. Congratulations to you Two Bit.

We had 25 shooters attend both events and top honors for both days going to Two Bit Drifter with a combined score of 263.37. Well done, and congratulations again.

We had nine clean shooters at Desperadoville, Col. Cord McNalley, Gray Hare, Harold Doc Adams, Pickaway Tracker, Ranch Hand Ron, Sidewinder Jer, Smokin Iron, Teton Tomahawk and Wilbur Rexroat. Congratulations for doing everything right!

Wilmington had three clean shooters on Sat. Harold Doc Adams (two days in a row, wow), Kit Colleen and Tiny Zimm. Congratulations!

Desperadoville & Wilmington scores are now posted on our website www.sciotodesperados.com If you would like to check them out.

It was hot and humid (*steamy*) for both days of shooting, but with the opportunity to enjoy stages originally written by Lil John at Wilmington and excellent scenarios provided courtesy of Smokin Iron at Chillicothe, plus the pleasure of the company of our friends and fellow shooters it was well worth the discomfort.

As always, without exception, safety is always our no. #1 concern at all of our shooting events. Unfortunately, we had two shooters miss the mandatory safety meeting and were not eligible to shoot in Chillicothe. We are sorry you missed the shoot and hope you will return. Please keep in mind the safety meeting is a mandatory requirement for shooting at Desperadoville.

We had a former member of The Scioto Territory Desperado's join us yesterday, Poppa Bull, who now resides in Arizona, joined us for Sundays match. It was great to see you again Poppa. We hope you will come and join us again real soon.

Thank you, where to begin, there are so many.

Thank you to Slim Zimm for donating the beautiful hand made pens for both days. What a great gift for having a miss, I bet it made that one little miss all worthwhile.

Thank you to Goldsmith for donating the middle of the pack award. A beautiful sterling silver pin with room for your SASS alias and no. Designed and donated by Goldsmith, and his offer to engrave the LIL JOHN MEMORIAL knife with this years winners alias, Stone Creek Drifter.

Thank you to Col. Cord McNalley for donating the beautiful gold and silver engraved cap and ball revolver, of which, I am now the very proud owner.

Thank you to our sister clubs, Ohio Valley Vigilantes, Central Ohio Cowboys and Wilmington Rough Riders for donating free shoot certificates.

Thank you to everyone volunteering to help with registration and scoring, Josie Marcus, Miss Lizzy Schrum, Kit Coleen, Stage Coach Hannah, Gray Hare, Long Shot Ace (for combined scores) and Honey B. Quick.

Thanks to Harold Doc Adams (Appalachian Bullets) for providing cold drinks and snacks on the range for both events.

Thanks to Osa Hunter, Sidewinder Jer, Paragon Pete and Smokin Iron for helping set the stages for our shoot and to everyone that helped tear down afterwards.

Thank you to Susan Mauritz, Mrs. Paragon Pete, for volunteering to help with the raffle.

Thank you to everyone for donating items for our raffle. But most importantly thank you to all our cowboy friends and shooters for your generosity by purchasing tickets and your most generous donations.

I sincerely hope I didn't forget anyone, please forgive me if I did. It took a lot of help and work from a lot of people to make this years BIG GUN DOWN a huge success.

Upcoming shoots this month, OVV Sat. July 24th. And Central Ohio Cowboys on Sun. July 25th. Hope to see you there.

I have received an email from the Montezuma Kid, he is scheduled for major surgery, please keep him in your thoughts and prayers.

Happy Trails Till next time
Pickaway Tracker