

January 2003

Happy New Year!!

Our next meeting is

Tuesday, January 21st at 7:30 pm.

The Meeting

We had six new members join in December.

Our treasurer says we are still solvent.

Jack Reid gave a run down on how the Gun Show is progressing. The ad is going out and 115 notices were sent to businesses that might be interested. We had 51 tables still to sell. (We have a lot less now.) And Jack still needs volunteers to work the show. It will be held February 1&2. If you can work just one 3-hour slot on either day it would be greatly appreciated. (You also get in for free.)

Baseball caps and sweatshirts are still on sale. These are heavy weight sweatshirts with the Barbary Sheep logo on them. Contact Richard Moore at the meeting to purchase one.

A discussion of the proposed bylaws took less than an hour to complete. We started on page one and went through to the end. All concerns and

proposed changes have been included in the final copy, which will be voted on at the January 21st meeting. Please come and vote.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Gun Show February 1 & 2

Any shooting discipline that shoots at the Federation range can get a table at the gun show for free to promote their shooting sport. If you would like to rent a table at the gun show February 1 & 2 call Leah Ray at 632-7104.

If you haven't signed up to work at the show yet, call Jack Reid and volunteer. (This is another free-bee. You won't have to pay to see the gun show if you work it.) If you can't work it, at least see it!

Elections and Bylaws

We are still in need of a Vice-President and Indoor Range Officer for next year. Elections are going to be held at the January 21st meeting. We are also going to be voting on a new set of Bylaws which will govern how the club is run. Don't let the Board of Directors and Officers have all of the fun. Please be there and vote.

What is a Target?

I know you are getting bored. The cold weather makes it so you can't shoot straight. But don't pull that trigger if you don't know what you are shooting at. The pistol ranges have some improvements that are not targets. If you can't figure out which is which, maybe you'd better put away your pistol till it warms up.

Conservation Pledge

There will be a discussion at the January meeting about revising the Conservation Pledge that is said at the beginning of each meeting. The current pledge was written in 1946 and a more updated pledge has been proposed. The new pledge reads: "I pledge to protect and conserve the natural resources of America. I promise to educate future generations so they may become caretakers of our water, air, land and wildlife."

If you have an opinion about this, come to the January 21st meeting and voice it.

Presentation on Hunting in Africa

Simon Rood, An African professional hunter and outfitter, will make a presentation about hunting in Africa at the San Juan Wildlife Federation clubhouse at 7:00 p.m. on Saturday, February 22, 2003. After the presentation, Mr. Rood will be available to answer any questions you may have.

Admission is free and refreshments will be provided.

Board Meetings

The Board of Directors and Executive Officers meet every 2nd Monday of the month at 7pm. (Same day as the newsletter has to be in.) The members at large are welcome to attend.

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RANGE SCHEDULE

2003 Range Schedules are printed and have been distributed around the county. If you would like to have your own personal copy come up the meeting and pick up one from the Secretary's desk.

Cowboy Action

(Don't quote me but I think there is suppose to be a shoot on January 25th.) Any questions, please call Ken Cline at 325-8261.

.22 Rifle Indoor is held every Tuesday. Contact Charles Phelan at 327-2029

Indoor Bullseye is held every Thursday at 7:00pm. Contact Frank Blackmer at 598-5400

Small Bore .22 Hunter Pistol is held every Wednesday night on the indoor range. Contact Jack Reid at 632-8819.

All activities must be cleared with the Executive Range

Officer and

written on the Range Calendar.

MATCH RESULTS

Cowboy Action

We canceled our November Club Shoot as several of us decided to participate in the Cortez-Windy Gap Regulators Cowboy Acton Turkey Shoot that weekend. Our own Long Step, aka Gary Bacon, was top Gun. Bison Butt, aka Paul McDonald was first Black Powder Cartridge shooter. Twenty-two cowboys and cowgirls vied for honors. At the Saturday evening get together, yours truly, O Bar Freddie, aka Mike Reitz was given the Best Dressed award.

The biggest social event of the year was the first SASS Convention and Wild West Christmas held in Las Vegas, NV December 5-8. Over 600 attended this gala event. The PRCA convention was also being held in the same place, the Riviera Hotel. Cowboy attire was the norm. Since we were in "period" costumes, we became roving ambassadors for the shooting sports. We repeatedly were stopped and asked about our sport. There were 26,000 square feet of space for vendors, three days of seminars and the Yesteryear Ball. The costumes at the Ball were so eloquent as to be hard to describe. Hollywood would have been envious. Prior to the Ball, Victorian dance lessons were given. At the Ball we got to dance some of the period dances to the tunes of a small orchestra, in period enlisted men's uniforms, playing the proper music and NO BOOM BOXES! Five guns were given away that evening. SASS badge no. 50,000 was auctioned off and brought \$2400. SASS member clubs were invited to submit a unique Christmas tree ornament to hang on the Convention tree. Ours is one of those featured in the Convention booklet. Twenty-five dollars is being

donated by SASS to the SASS Scholarship Foundation in Tres Rios Bandidos name. This years Convention will be December 4-7 at the Riviera and is expected to have over twice as many attend. I plan to be there.

We again canceled our December Club shoot due to the cold and snow.

The SASS National Championship, Winter Range, is being held at the Ben Avery Range January 29-Feb 2. Over 600 shooters are expected.

What a Blast

If you planned to rob someone, would YOU pick a car with an NRA sticker??

Swap Shop

For Sale Remington 870 w/ 18" and 26" barrels, sling and bandolier \$300. Marlin 30/30 w/camo stock, like new, \$300. Call 402-1369 after 4PM.

Found on the Bench Rest Range: An insert for an aperture front sight. Call 632-9750.

Found Three rifle magazines. Come to the January 25th meeting to claim.

Internet Web Site: www.sjwf.org

**CHECK YOUR MAILING LABEL FOR YOUR DUES
RENEWAL DATE!**

Dues are \$45 per year. You will not receive a separate notice.

If you move, tell the Secretary!

We need to keep up on changes of address, phone number and especially NRA membership. We don't need to know your NRA number, just if you are a member or not.

**Please clip the "Membership Application" on
the back page and send it in with your renewal
check.**