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The beginning of the CFDA Shooting season is always such an exciting time! The excitement has built up over the winter and everyone is eager to see who will start emerging as the ones to beat for the Top Gun Points Race! We have a great line-up of titled matches from coast to coast so it will indeed be fun to watch! Aside from the titled events, there are also a number of annual competitions that clubs put on that have become known throughout CFDA as "musts" to attend. We have many of them listed on the CFDA website and also the events section on page 32. If your club has an annual event they would like listed on the CFDA website and in the Gazette's event page, please feel free to contact me with that information and I will gladly get it added. These annual club matches are also a great way for a newer shooter to "get their boots wet" and prepare for a larger titled match.

The Winter Issue of the Gazette is probably the most difficult issue to put together, as I typically do not receive as many articles as I do during the heat of competition season. Therefore the brunt of the content typically falls on my family (Quick Cal, Alotta Lead and myself) to provide. Luckily for me, my dad is NOT a man of few words and is always up to the challenge of providing some interesting content. I may be biased, but

DEADLINE

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EDITORIAL

I am extremely excited for his new column (which will eventually make up the contents of a book), based on the history of shooting sports and how it relates to Cowboy Fast Draw. Growing up and taking road trips to competitions with my family always turned into a bit of a history lesson between me and my dad. And not just history, but also stories about him growing up in shooting sports starting as a teenager and eventually turning his obsession and passion into his job. He has met some amazing people along the way and is truly part of the living history of Fast Draw. So be sure to check out his "History of Speed Shooting" article on page 19, with more to come! My daughter, Little Miss Sunshine, even got roped into writing me an article for this issue. Something she was actually quite excited to do! After reading her article about growing up in the CFDA and what it means to her, I would LOVE to hear from more of our Youth and Junior shooters. Even if it is a small little blurb, I feel it is so important for other potential youth shooters to hear about the experiences that our young CFDA members go through. You just never know how your experiences in the CFDA might influence and encourage others. So if you have a youth/junior shooter in your club, please encourage them to get involved! Plus it is super fun for them to tell their teachers that they have an article published in a magazine! I also love to receive articles about the history of the locations of shoots. This is a great way to encourage people to travel to your event and give them a little something extra to look forward to.

Thank you so much to those who sent in articles and photos for this issue, as always it is very much appreciated. I am always looking for articles of interest to include.... So send those articles my way!

Best wishes and safe travels along the CFDA Trail in 2023!

Hannah Calder

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INSIDE THE CFDA

By: Quick Cal, Executive Director

It's 2023! What another big season that lies ahead for CFDA! We already have over 25 CFDA Titled Championships scheduled as of this writing, plus there are possibly a few more in the making.

New Book

There's a book that has been on my mind to write for a number of years. The story to tell is based on my 55 years of being heavily involved in multiple shooting sports. Even though I've been involved in some long-gun sports, my main interest has always been action pistol speed shooting sports. It'll be mainly focused on my account of the history and people of these sports. There'll also be some documented accounts of perceptions that these sports and the people involved in them, not only by media, but from across other shooting sports as well. I've submitted an excerpt from part of this book to Hannah Calder for publishing in this issue of our Gunslinger's Gazette to give our members an advanced preview of a book even though it has yet to be titled. I hope you enjoy it.

New Rulebook

By now you have all received and read your new 12th Edition Gunslinger's Guidelines, right? We had hoped our stock of CFDA Gunslinger Guidelines, Rules, Regulations, and Hand Books would last another year. But, we've been signing up so many new members, plus clubs and members ordering extra copies, that we had to publish the 12th Edition, which you have probably received by now. With our new format we actually had a few more pages available. Back by popular demand, our "Youth Safety & Training Program", plus a new article, "Explaining NRA/CFDA Insurance Program", and an updated article of "How to Travel on Airlines to CFDA Events". You can access this information on Pages 31 – 34. We're hoping that this 12th Edition will last for 3 years, so Page 35 is for our member's use to post Notes & Addendums, when and if they occur, so we can all keep our rulebooks current.

In the 12th Edition there are just a few changes, most of them are highlighted using green-colored text, so that our members can find them easier. Since our season is upon us, let's cover the main ones:

1. **Page 7. General Exemption #3 – Special Medical Conditions** – Quite frankly, as some members age, except me since I never age ☺, we find that more and more of us are having trouble finding comfortable western-style footwear. Especially, if we have certain medical symptoms associated with diabetes, neuropathy, or other ailments. We had a lengthy discussion about General Exemption #3 at our 2022 Marshal's Muster and here are the notations that were approved by consensus by a large majority of our U.S. Marshals.

A. Remember there's a difference between a

temporary Match Director Exemption and a CFDA Approved Permanent Exemption for a chronic (long-term/permanent) medical condition.

- B. The member **does need to make an effort** to make the shoes look appropriate for a CFDA Approved Permanent Exemption.
- C. Check out moccasins with arch support or Brogan's Shoes (all leather, making shoes since the 1800s), and other options. (For the convenience of our members, we've added those examples and a few more in our rulebook.)
- D. **Leave the enforcement to Match Directors** – Please don't gossip about what someone is wearing since you won't know what their circumstances are. We should all respect the medical privacy of our fellow members. Only Match Directors should have direct conversations with CFDA members concerning either granting them a Temporary Exemption or requiring the member to produce a CFDA Permanent Exemption letter.

In other words, if you are concerned that someone's footwear may not be within our rules, it's appropriate to bring it to the attention of the Match Director, but please leave it right there.

Note: *This issue has long been too much of a gray area. Only while writing this column have I realized our rulebook does not exactly state as the U.S. Marshals agreed, that Match Directors will be in charge of enforcing this rule. Therefore, I will post a re-written General Exemption #3, in the form of a CFDA Official Addendum, by the time this Gunslinger Gazette has reached our members.*

- 2. **Page 23. #10 – Range is Hot, Clear to Handle Your Six-Guns** – Added in Green, "Please do not use this command after targets are greased or before **"Load and Make Ready Command"**. The reason is that too many Range Masters are using this command at inappropriate times.

- 3. **Page 24. Rule 17 Enforcement Policy**, has been re-written.

There was also a very important sentence that has been added that all Match Officials, should take note of, **not just for Rule 17. But for all CFDA Rules:** *"Just like any other rule enforcement, when acting as an official, if we see an infraction, we are obligated to call it. We must play our part to provide fair competition on behalf of ALL of our fellow competitors. If we do not clearly see an infraction, it is a NO CALL!"*

- 4. **Page 26. Standard Safety Violations - #4. Accidental Discharge of the Gun in the Holster, Shooting the Holster, a Bullet Impacting Behind the Firing Line, or Outside of a Shooter's Lane.** There are two changes to this rule both as a result of Muster Marshal's Agenda Item #8. Marshal's Musters are very important to CFDA, since a round table discussion includes many opinions from the leaders across our sport. Sometimes the results are surprising, even to me.

This discussion actually started about what happens when a shooter fires a shot and hits

the wrong target on purpose or by accident. It was originally based upon alleged unsportsmanlike conduct, however during the discussion it began to take on another dimension. Here are the three conditions that were agreed upon.

- A. A titled match is not the time or place for this type of play.
- B. If the RM determines that was done on purpose and in an unsportsmanlike manner then the RM should call an Unsportsmanlike Conduct Violation, especially in CFDA Titled Championships.
- C. If it is determined it was done by accident, the RM must consider the situation case-by-case and determine an appropriate call, i.e. ricochet, poor gun handling, etc. As a result, the word "Accidental" was inserted in the front of the rule, plus "or Outside of a Shooter's Lane" was added to the end of the rule.

We all know that none of us fire a shot in our holster, shoot our holster, or behind the firing line intentionally, therefore these are all examples accidental discharges. However, if a shooter is accidentally firing a shot outside or over their shooting lane, these are examples of uncontrolled and unsafe gun handling. Firing a shot within a lane and in front of the firing line according to our rules is nothing more than a premature trigger engagement or just a miss. It's not "losing control of your firearm", which is an entirely different situation and the very definition of unsafe gun handling in any shooting sport.

Therefore, if officials determine that unsafe gun handling has occurred, especially when involving an accidental discharge, a penalty should be applied.

- 5. **Page 26. Standard Safety Violations - #5.** *A Match Director has the authority to declare that any shot fired over a Backstop will result in a major Safety Violation (MSV).*

Penalty: Match DQ

Our rule for years has been, at a minimum, when a shot goes over a backstop it is a Loss of Round. That is unless the Match Director has declared that a natural or manmade backstop exists. **SEE Page 28. Backstops, Side Walls, and Shooting Lane Requirements - #3.** *"Some areas with natural or manmade barriers replace the need to build backstops as described below."* Some Match Directors will provide backstops as a convenience for shooters to spot their misses. **This is the only time a Match Director should ever declare that a shot over a backstop is not a Loss of Round Penalty.**

In Closing

Well, before Boothill Bryce starts playing that Darth Vader theme song again, like he did in Deadwood ☺, I had better hit the trail. Speaking of hitting the trail, I hope to see you all at CFDA contests across the nation this year. As Roy Roger's theme song says, "Happy Trails to You".

Hit'em Fast!
Quick Cal



NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

By: Alotta Lead, CFDA Operations, Clubs & Events Director

Hope everyone had a wonderful Holiday Season! We sure did! Always the best time ever! As of this writing we still have snow on the ground- I really think we had a record snow fall for December and January. Now it's sunny out, but below the freezing mark so nothing is going anywhere. We had enough snow to where Dead Eye Kid had to come over with his backhoe to clear our grounds off. Our big asphalt parking area here at CFDA headquarters had a snow pile big enough to where the grand kids could slide down it. Our pups, Rowdy and Quigley think it's the best. Running full blast then trying to stop is hilarious, it's not happening! There's so much ice under the snow that they just keep on going. Future forecast iscontinued cold with maybe a slight warm up in the near future! So as the winter chill begins to wear off, everyone starts to brush off their CFDA gear, and get back to honing their fast draw skills, and picking up a little speed and accuracy. Not to mention getting back and connecting with the CFDA Family which what we all look forward to!

We have a lot of members that *have* increased their speed and hitting with more accuracy because they purchased a CFDA Gunslinger Laser Target System, The "Mark IV". Not to sound like a commercial, but these really do work! They take up very little space and sit quietly in the corner of any room you choose. The 17" laser target is the same size as the championship targets that are commonly being used across the country and have helped tremendously! We have two set up in our downstairs for practice. The grandkids will play a little pool then switch over to a little laser competition..... then back to a game of pool! But the point is – it doesn't take much practice, just a few minutes a day to keep up the muscle memory and the mind set to play the game

of cowboy Fast Draw to the potential you're capable of.

CFDA is a fast growing sport with so many wonderful people committed to keeping the "Spirit of the Old West" alive. We have members that have been involved since the inception of the sport. They've brought in many new members as well who love the sport just as much and they do, which brings even more friends and family members. However, after a while, for some reason or another some wander off and go do other things in life. It's up to each and every club to make sure that during club matches and practices, strive to have the most fun we can possibly have. Heck we all love dressing up for a weekend of fun competition, and any spectators attending are amazed at the variety of costuming that makes the sport so much fun to watch. Let's keep it going! Please encourage your club members to dress up in the Old West costuming, or even the Victorian Steampunk look (which is a very cool look) Every time QC and I leave a match, we always comment on how great all the shooters looked. It's amazing!

Check out the new CFDA Clubs that have recently affiliated with CFDA! There's a write up else where in this Gazette that details a bit about them all. We're so excited to have them on board and all of us need to give them a big shout out and thank them for adding more fun to the sport of Cowboy Fast Draw in their

area!

A few things about memberships and renewals- we're always here to take phone calls or emails to help with your expiration date- help renew or find your CFDA member number. You can find the number on your badge and your CFDA membership card. Mis-placed them? No worries – give "Jackie Daniels" a call and she can help with a replacement card.

Also, check out the schedule for the 2023 Titled CFDA Championships! Holy cow, quite a list! QC and I will be heading to as many as we can. Here at CFDA Headquarters, we're gearing up for the 2023 Nevada State Championship in June held right here at our ranch, the weekend before our CFDA National Championship, just 3 hours away! We're also busy planning the 2023 Fastest Gun Alive- World Championship! It'll be here before you know it. More about that big and exciting event in the next Gazette!

In closing, I would like to thank everyone again for continuing to check in to see how I'm doing! In short.... I'm doing great. Still a way to go for full recovery but heck, all is good. Better each day.

Everyone have a safe and fun 2023 CFDA shooting season- See you down the trail somewhere soon!

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2022 CFDA CLUB OF THE YEAR!



CFDA Staff has selected the Association of Arizona Gunslingers our Club of the Year for 2022. We have so many great clubs in CFDA, it's one of the most challenging decisions we make each year. We chose this club because of their significant history and contributions to our sport. They are also one of our largest and strongest recruiting clubs. In 2022, they ran a very successful Arizona State Championship & tied for 1st Place in our Golden Spike Awards. They have also continuously conducted large Try Cowboy Fast Draw Events for over 12 years at the Ben Avery Range in conjunction with the SASS National Championship a.k.a. Winter Range and now End of Trail – World SASS Championship, which has introduced Cowboy Fast Draw to thousands of spectators.

The Association of Arizona Gunslingers was originally founded in 2008 by Noah Chance, with the help of Thirsty and several others as they began to build their club. The Club's members helped build what Noah Chance called a "Club in a Box", which they moved around Arizona and Southern California to help new clubs learn how to run contests, which contributed

to the formation several CFDA clubs.

Several years ago Noah was retiring and moving to Prescott Valley and didn't want to leave the members in the Northern Phoenix area without a club and made them an offer to take over the operation, which

they accepted. Worth noting, once Noah Chance got settled in Prescott Valley he founded another club, the Rented Mule Fast Draw Club, still in operation today.

The Association of Arizona Gunslingers now have a Board of Directors.



Oregon State Cowboy Fast Draw Championship

April 21, 22 and 23, 2023

Match fee \$125.00 Main Event

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Note Billy the Kid and Annie Oakley are free for the main event

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I called their leader Shady Mike to share the news of this great accomplish. He was quite surprised and extremely proud of his club! I asked him if he had some time for a short interview, and he agreed, since many of our CFDA Affiliated Clubs and their members are always interested in learning how to build a successful club.

QC: What Kind of Facilities Do You Shoot In?

SM: We are fortunate to have the Pioneer History Museum to hold our Monthly Matches. There are crowds coming through on weekends when we have our events that learn about Cowboy Fast Draw. We also practice at my home on Shady Mountain on every Wednesday and some Sundays. One of our newest Board Members, Yucca Kid, also has set up a range at his place that we are starting to use more and more.

QC: What Kind and How Many Events Do You Hold a Month?

SM: During Fall through Spring, we normally draw about 50 shooters at our Monthly Shoot, during the hot Phoenix Summers we draw about 20 – 30. During those Summer months we need to start and finish early as early as we can. Other than that, we really like to hold Try Cowboy Fast Draw events, especially at the SASS Championships at the Ben Avery Shooting Range. We've also held quite a few at various locations in the North Phoenix area at some churches and restaurants. Now that Covid has died down we hope to do more of them.



The Arizona Gunslingers Accepting the Golden Spike Award at the 2022 Fastest Gun Alive World Championship in Fallon, NV

We also hold regular practices at Shady Mountain and Yucca Kid's place.

QC: Do You Have Tips for Other Clubs?

SM: Just spread the word to your friends and family members about Cowboy Fast Draw, invite them to give it a try. Also, we like for our members to get business cards made with their name, club and CFDA logos on them and just pass them out. Try Cowboy Fast Draw's have worked well as a great recruiting tool for our club, that's exactly how I found out about CFDA.

QC: As a Club Leader, What Are You Most Proud Of?

SM: Number One is the great people that our sport seems to attract! I'm also very

proud that our club is stable and has built a solid treasury with the great support we get from our members and good management by our Board of Directors.

QC: What Are Your Club's Goals for 2023?


SM: We just have to get younger folks involved in our club. Most of our board members are getting up in years and we just can't do everything we did when we were younger. We need to train younger members to take over the club in the near future. We also love to teach kids and adults how to handle guns safely and to learn the joy and satisfaction of competing in the Spirit of the Old West in Cowboy Fast Draw.



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May 6th & 7th

3 out of 5 • 4X
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TOP GUN OF THE

2022 LADIES CHAMPION ~ DEAD EYE DAISY



2022 LADIES TOP GUN OF THE YEAR DEAD EYE DAISY (MI)

QC: Howdy Dead Eye Daisy, It's a CFDA Tradition to interview our Top Guns of the Year and publish the article in our Winter Issue of the Gunslinger's Gazette. 2022 was a great year for you! You really got your season going by competing in May at the MI State & Great Lakes Territorial Championship that was hosted by your home club, the Great Lakes Gunslingers, your family started. In spite of all the work you and your family put in that match you placed 3rd in MI State and 2nd in the Territorial. Then your next event was the Nationals in Deadwood, where it wasn't your best performance. But then, with 2/3rds of the CFDA Season over in August you went on a run, starting in Mitchell, SD with a 2nd Place in the SD State, and then finally your first win of the year, the High Plain Territorial! There was a tight race in Top Gun Points with at

least four other ladies, your daughter Flying Cowgirl, Lefty Lipscomb, Debbie Sioux, and Slowpoke in close contention. Then, you won GA State, 2nd in KY State, won Great Plains Territorial, and it all came down to the FGA. So how do you feel about winning CFDA's Ladies Top Gun of the Year?

DED: I am super honored! And, frankly a bit lucky.... The competition was fierce, right up to the end. You're right there were 5 of us, and winning the 70 points at FGA could have won Top Gun of the Year for any of us.

QC: How did you get started in Cowboy Fast Draw?

DED: My husband, John a.k.a. J.C. Dalton was recovering from a stroke. He's been an avid competitor in shooting sports and hunting for years, and has always loved the history of the Old West. One day he was watching the show about the FGA on Shooting USA's program on the Outdoor Channel and got very interested in Cowboy Fast Draw. Quick Cal, that was the very day he called you at CFDA Headquarters and after speaking with you he ordered everything we needed to get started. John saw it as a great way to share a fun sport together as a family. Then, after we got all the equipment, hooked it up and started practicing all three of us enjoyed it, and soon realized how much we loved doing it together. It wasn't long that we gained enough confidence to try traveling to some contests and it blossomed from there.

QC: What do you love most about Cowboy Fast Draw?

DED: The people and family aspect that it has. Everyone was so open and helpful in getting our family started. From the helpful advice you and Alotta Lead gave us from CFDA Headquarters, to the very first club contest that we drove 8 hours to shoot with the Black River Bandits. Fossilman, Lightnin and their entire club were so friendly and supportive. Everywhere we go we meet so many wonderful people!

QC: What inspired you to train to become a Champion?

DED: I loved competitive sports as a kid and played on our High School Basketball & Volleyball Teams. I also played some sports in college. As a family we competed in Archery and Trap Tournaments together. I have always loved to train at any sport to do the best that I can do. But, there is something unique about Cowboy Fast Draw, it has become a lifestyle of camaraderie. In all the other sports you tend to blend into a team or squad atmosphere, but in CFDA it's a "one on one" challenge for each and every round, and every round is different.

QC: How much and how do you practice?

DED: Not really much in the off-season, but we will start getting ready soon. I'm really lucky that I have J.C. Dalton and Flying Cowgirl to practice with. Many times all three of us practice together, we really have a lot of fun doing that! As the season approaches I practice at least 3 times a week. During the season as contests approach 5 times a week or more. Also, a lot with lasers, they're very convenient and helpful.

QC: Do you have any tips for our members?

DED: Have Fun! If you want to do your best, then you have to practice. I've learned to take the emotion and frustration out of practice. Just focus on building confidence in hitting the target with your best draw.

QC: What accomplishment are you most proud of?

DED: The FGA in Fallon was amazing for me. I'm honored to be the first Lady to win the Marshal's Cup, then went on to win Lady's 49'r, Ladies Tournament of Champions, shot a clean main match (No X's) to earn the Top Seed in the Magnificent 7, Won the FGA, and Ladies Top Gun of the Year, all in one weekend!

QC: What are your goals for 2023?

DED: Continue to keep my pace with accuracy as fast as I can, to keep my game at a competitive level. If I just do that, I'll have fun and winning will take care of itself.



YEAR CHAMPIONS!

2022 MENS CHAMPION ~ JOE B. WALES

2022 MEN'S TOP GUN OF THE YEAR **JOE B. WALES (LA)**

QC: Howdy Joe B. Wales, It's a CFDA Tradition to interview our Top Guns of the Year and publish the article in our Winter Issue of the Gunslinger's Gazette. You had a heck of a year in 2022! You started out by winning the Texas State Championship on about the 1-year anniversary of joining CFDA! If that wasn't amazing enough, you went on to win or place very high in almost every match you entered. You won TX State, LA State, Southern Territorial, High Plains Territorial, and capped off the year winning FGA! So how do you feel about winning Men's Top Gun of the Year?

JBW: It was a very emotional year! You're right, winning the Texas State after only shooting Cowboy Fast Draw for a year lifted my confidence to an almost unbelievable level where I began to realize that I had a chance to win against some of the best shooters in the world. All I could do is pray to God that I would do my best to control the adrenaline rush I was getting.

QC: How did you get started in Cowboy Fast Draw?

JBW: My wife Casey and I were on vacation in Colorado and got invited to Try Cowboy Fast Draw and I was hooked after 10 Shots. We went home and checked the CFDA Website and found the closest club to us was the Big Thicket Bushwackers in Silsbee, TX. What a friendly bunch of people, they loaned me a gun, holster and whatever else I needed and got me started right away. A month later I shot the Louisiana State!

QC: What do you love most about Cowboy Fast Draw?

JBW: Everyone I've met in CFDA are beautiful people! The friendships that Casey and I have made in what we all refer to as the CFDA Family is almost unbelievable, we are truly blessed.

QC: What inspired you to train to become

a Champion?

JBW: It's in my DNA. What I mean is that I have always loved to compete at a high level. I ran my first marathon when I was only 9 years old. I competed in Track & Field events as a teenager and Rodeo Bull Riding in my 20's. Whatever I do, I train to do it the best that I can. I really love the feeling of the adrenaline rush I get from competition! I had not had that feeling for almost 40 years, I thought I would never experience that feeling again. Cowboy Fast Draw has brought my competitive spirit back into my life!

QC: How much and how do you practice?

JBW: Especially when getting ready for the season, I try to practice at least 4 days a week. For me, the best time to practice is as soon as I get home from work, when I go directly out to my range. I structure and focus my practice on learning to hit my best shot at least 60%. I work on my concentration. Cowboy Fast Draw is really a skull game to shoot round after round against a wide variety of competitors. Making it through "The Gauntlet" just to make it to the Magnificent 7 Finals is what makes CFDA the most exciting game in Fast Draw!

QC: What accomplishment are you most proud of?

JBW: At first, I thought that winning the Texas State after only 1-year in the sport was my biggest accomplishment. But, after reflecting on the entire season, of course, nothing can match winning Fastest Gun Alive! Then, winning Top Gun of the Year is just the icing on the cake!

I also want to say something about what happened at FGA. I was both proud and nervous, as anyone would be, about making the Magnificent 7 at FGA. I must have dry-fired with my laser a thousand times in the hours leading up to the Shoot-off. About 5 minutes before I came to the line, I went over to dry-fire a few more snaps, and my main gun broke! A Ruger, that I had been using exclusively all summer long. I had to switch to my



back-up gun that had different grips and that I hadn't shot in months. It amplified my adrenaline to heights I've never experienced before. But somehow, somehow I held it together and shot through it. As just about everyone knows, I'm a pretty emotional guy after the shooting is done, but all I could do after cleared and holstered was to bow down, kneel on the firing line, and give praise to God.

QC: What are your goals for 2023?

JBW: CFDA had turned my life around. I feel God has led me into this sport, helping my personal life to be more rounded. I will continue to work to become faster and keep accuracy. The Lord only knows, but it's gonna be Fun!!!

MORE ON THE NEXT PAGE!

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE TOP 10 MEN & LADIES CFDA TOP GUN POINTS WINNERS!

Each year CFDA conducts a year-end points race to determine the CFDA Top Gun of the Year. Shooters can accumulate points by attending and doing well in all CFDA Titled Championships. Each shooter's best highest 6 point totals will be tallied at the end of the year. Competitor tally must include their 2 best finishes in State Championships and any 4 others to establish their point total for the year. CFDA Awards the Top 10 Men and Women with belt buckles at the conclusion of the World Championship. Tie-breakers are determined by overall placing at the World Championship, where the season concludes each year. Any contests held after that date will apply to the following season.



TOP 10 MEN

- 1st Joe B Wales - 305 pts
- 2nd Buzzard Cooper - 286pts
- 3rd Tank - 270pts
- 4th Quick Cal - 259pts
- 5th Crosswired -- 257pts
- 6th Tin Bender - 253pts
- 7th 2 Buck Chuck - 252pts
- 8th Dead Eye Kid - 238pts
- 9th Arizona Cactus Kid - 228pts
- 10th Short Keg - 225pts

TOP 10 LADIES

- 1st Dead Eye Daisy - 294pts
- 2nd Lefty Lipscomb - 291pts
- 3rd Debbie Sioux - 282pts
- 4th Flying Cowgirl - 268pts
- 5th Slowpoke - 265pts
- 6th Sierra Rose - 258pts
- 7th Kansas Belle - 251pts
- 8th Texas Rose - 239pts
- 9th Shady Lady - 231pts
- 10th Huckleberry Honey - 230pts



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- 1- package **flaked coconut** 8oz bag
- 1- Box **white cake mix** (18.25 oz size) you're favorite brand

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THE 2022 WESTERN TERRITORIAL CHAMPIONSHIP

Brought to you by The Sundowners!!

By Huckleberry Honey

Oroville, CA - The Sundowners started the weekend off on Friday by having an afternoon Pot Shoot for the early birds. Having nice weather is always a bonus, and we were super lucky with 73°-88° through the weekend. The weather gods were wanting to watch this gun fight in the sunshine because that following Monday, the weather took a turn and poured here in Oroville and hit the Idaho and Nevada crews with snow and bad road conditions delaying their journeys home. But happy

to report, they all made it home eventually and safely.

With 56 shooters gunning it out in Friday's Pot Shoot 3X – last man standing match, we awarded the top 3 of each, ladies and gentlemen. Ladies' 1st Prickly Pear, 2nd Lacy Gone Wild, and 3rd Sweet Fuse. Men's 1st Crosswired, 2nd Tin Bender, and 3rd Oregon Outlaw.

This year we added a couple on site activities that were absolute hits!! Friday after the Jackpot dust settled, Range B

was opened to The Stagecoach Shootout, brought to you by none other than a Sundowner's original, Frontier Bob!! This event ran for two evenings due to its popularity and fun level. We only awarded the TOP lady and man with nostalgic shotgun trophies. The winners had to hit two targets and have the fastest time. Ladies' Champion was Prickly Pear with a .660 and Men's Champion was Short Keg with a .512. The Stagecoach Shootout raised \$640 for Shoot For The Stars.

Our second added event was the Sip N' Paint, which took place in Range A Friday evening. Brie with Sienna Joy instructed us. We took sips and had lots of delicious snacks too. It was a kick back activity and we all had beautiful art at the end!!

By Saturday morning we had 13 trailers/RVs making their residency on The Shelterwood Ranch premises. We were ready to get The Western Territorial Championship under way after Fowl Shot gave the opening "Welcoming" followed by Yosemite Sean's opening prayer. Then just like that our Master Score Keeper - Wild Shot drew the rounds and we disbursed to our ranges. Loaded with Spit Fire Wax and Rio primers, the load and make ready commands were shortly given.

After 8 rounds for the Ladies and 12 rounds for the Men, the Mag 7 finalists were determined. The Ladies seeding was as follows 1 thru 7; Prickly Pear, Jess, Lacy Gone Wild, Lefty Lipscomb, Alotta Lead, Sweet Fuse & Ricochet Rose. The Men's seeding was as follows 1 thru 7; Tin Bender, Ranger Reeves, Oregon Ranger, Buzzard Cooper, Dead Eye Kid, Crosswired & Gambler.

After a full day of shooting, everyone met back up at Shelterwood Ranch for a filling tri-tip dinner catered by a local favorite – Wagon Wheel Market. Awards were announced, one naming Diamondback Billy's sneaky little award



since he could not make it out this year. Unannounced before the championship started, Fig was surprised when he got \$100 for giving Ol Buck'r his 4th X and Quick Cal for giving Fowl Shot his 4th X.

Crystal J won a Benelli Shotgun, Heartbreaker & Tuscarora won a CFDA gun Certificate, Gunpowder Puff won the live auction on the beautiful quilt done by Boulders Babe, Tin Bender was the high bidder on the artwork of the legendary shooter named Lefty Lipscomb, and Gentleman Jim & Susie took home a couple shotguns too.

I cannot say THANK YOU enough to Holli Day who headhunts for those donations and to those who make the purchases. Without all the donations from the gracious shooters who had hand crafted, spend their time creating or putting something together to donate, we wouldn't have gotten the result we did of \$4,025 – all going to Shoot For The Stars. As we finished dinner and awards, The James Slack Band kicked it up a notch and Old Drifter set up the Poker Tournament. There was singing, dancing, a poker games and fun stories going on up in the saloon. Sunday morning Old Drifter handed Fowl Shot another \$780 to add to the Shoot For The Stars Fund. Thank you, Old Drifter! You travel far and spent so much of your own time after shoots playing poker raising money for the CFDA youth scholarship fund. You are a generous man, and you are very, very appreciated!! By the end of it all, The Sundowners turned in \$7,707 - WOW!!

Come 8:45 Sunday morning, we sent out to our ranges to begin Bracket Matches. Awarding the top 3 in each bracket. Congratulations shooters!!

Master Gunfighter (fastest time going out)

1st Oregon Ranger .325

2nd Tin Bender .367

3rd Quick Cal .379

Gunfighter

1st Crosswired .436

2nd Curley Calhoun .395

3rd Dead Eye Kid .449

Sheriff

1st Anytime Kid .509

2nd Alotta Lead .526

3rd Ladyhawk .517



Deputy

1st Das Turdley .596

2nd One Eye Sam .741

3rd Smokin Joe .763

Now we start the Grand Finale with two youth shooters. We have Six Gun Shelbs on lane 3 and Showdown on lane 4, front and center. These two kiddos took 12 shots to determine the top youth shooter but they both walked off the line as Champions, Billy the Kid and Annie Oakley.

The Top 7 seeded ladies stepped toward the line to start their shoot off. Ricochet Rose and Sweet Fuse shot off first. With 4 shots down range its determined Ricochet Rose will battle with the next opponent while Sweet Fuse waits for the next gunfighter. Alotta Lead comes up to take on Ricochet Rose but six shots later, its Ricochet Rose that will stand beside Sweet Fuse once again for 7th place. Alotta Lead takes on Lefty Lipscomb, but five shots later, its Alotta Lead that will take on Lacy Gone Wild. Six shots between Ricochet Rose and Sweet Fuse and Sweet Fuse becomes 7th place in the Western Territorial Championship. Alotta Lead and Lacy Gone Wild take six shots while Lefty Lipscomb and Ricochet Rose also take six. This determines Ricochet Rose as 6th place. Now this will put Alotta Lead against Jess, our 3rd seed and Lefty

Lipscomb against Lacy Gone Wild. Four shots between the two challenges, Jess wins her battle against Alotta Lead and Lefty Lipscomb wins hers giving Lacy Gone Wild 5th place in the Western Territorial Championship. Prickly Pear, our only Jr female shooter and first seed walks to the line to take on Jess. While Lefty Lipscomb and Alotta Lead shoot out to see who will take 4th place. Alotta Lead and Lefty Lipscomb finish their rounds first, leaving Lefty Lipscomb in 4th place. Prickly Pear takes the round from Jess, putting herself in the cat bird seat to wait and watch the outcome of Jess and Alotta Lead. This also becomes the shoot off for the Resident Champion. Jess from California and Alotta Lead from Nevada. This round had a lot of hits, and their times were so close, but Alotta Lead prevailed and won the Resident Champion spot while Jess took 3rd place in the Western Territorial Championship.

Prickly Pear now walks back to the line to take on the Western Territorial Resident Champion, Alotta Lead. It only took five shots for these ladies to secure the champion. Both hit three times but Prickly Pear was just faster each hit.

The Western Territorial Championship was Prickly Pears first winning Championship in the lady's division, and she did it as a Jr. This young lady carried herself as a true gunfighter this weekend.

Never giving up, always there to help and always respectful to all. I hope you always remember this Championship win and the tough ladies you had to shoot against to get there. Congratulations Prickly Pear!!

Then we bring up the Men. Up to the line for the first bout is Crosswired - 6th seed and Gambler - 7th seed. Four quick shots down range and Gambler will move on. Crosswired shakes Gamblers hand and waits his turn to see who he takes on next. Gambler will now take on Dead Eye Kid. This time its three shots, 1 2 3 and Gambler sends Dead Eye Kid down to shoot off with Crosswired for 7th place. Buzzard Cooper paces up to the line to take on Gambler. Buzzard Cooper takes the round between he and Gambler and after three shots its Crosswired who prevails while Dead Eye Kid takes 7th place. This will bring out our 3rd seed Oregon Ranger, to shoot off with Buzzard Cooper and Gambler with Crosswired to shoot off for a final round to determine 6th place as both men are wounded with one X. Both gunfights finished in five rounds. Oregon Ranger wins his battle against Buzzard Cooper and Gambler defeats Crosswired placing him in 6th place. Out comes our 2nd seed – Ranger Reeves to take on Oregon Ranger, as the two wounded battle each other a final time. Oregon Ranger won his round after taking it to two to one and Gambler defeated Buzzard Cooper leaving him in 5th place. Gambler will now take on Ranger Reeves for 4th place and Oregon Ranger will battle with the 1st seed, Tin Bender. A tough 1 2 3 and a handshake from Oregon Ranger, put himself in the cat bird seat while sending Tin Bender down to tend with Gambler after he defeated Ranger Reeves and

leaves him in 4th place. Now we watch as the 7th seed – Gambler, takes on 1st seed – Tin Bender for 3rd place. The winner of this bout takes on Oregon Ranger who is watching from the catbird seat with a feather already in his mouth. Within five shots and three hits apiece, only one shot separates these gunfighters. Tin Benders .375 places Gamblers .389 in 3rd place. Still great shooting from 7th seed to 3rd place. Oregon Ranger humbly walks back up to the line, shaking hands with Tin Bender and both men wishing each other good luck. These two men have been in this scenario, many times together. Oregon Ranger is clean while Tin Bender has one X. This time its Tin Bender who gives the tough 1 2 3 back to Oregon Ranger, as he did to him in their previous round. They switch lanes and this is it. Both men are now wounded with an X. Four shots down range, both hitting three times. Tin Bender takes 2nd place and Oregon Ranger claims the final gunfight of the Western Territorial Championship.

After watching the entertaining finals, we all gathered inside to acknowledge our award recipients.

Spirit of The Game

Etta Mae & Frontier Bob

Top Couple

Quick Cal & Alotta Lead (9th & 2nd)

Fastest Times

Holli Day .397 & Oregon Ranger .304

Top Ranch Hands Wild Shot, Lefty

Lipscomb, Fig, Holli Day, and Nia Sue

Western Territorial Resident Champions

Alotta Lead & Ranger Reeves (both from NV)

Gunned Down N' Out - (Just out of the \$)

Ladies 16th Place - Diablo Daisy

Men's 21st Place - Doc



*Showdown & Six Gun Shelbs
2022 Billy the Kid & Annie Oakley Champs*

Top Shootists

Gambler & Ladyhawk (Again.....)

Billy the Kid & Annie Oakley Champions

Showdown & Six Gun Shelbs

Jr Boy & Jr Girl Champions

Anytime Kid & Prickly Pear

We would like to thank all the gunfighters, family members or friends who traveled to California to participate in The Western Territorial Championship. We all cannot be winners, but we can all have fun trying!! No matter what your job is in real life, or what your real life consists of, we're all the same once we hit that firing line. A handshake and a friendly hug came out of each of our champion bouts, and that my friends is the Cowboy Way.

Thank you, Wild Shot and Lefty Lipscomb, for giving so much to this Championship. Without you both I might have ended up in a mental institute.

In 2023 we will be hosting The Western Territorial and U.S. National Championships!! Same place, more fun and more shooting packaged into a full weekend!! Please join us June 8th for a one day WTC and June 9th-11th for the US Nationals!!





Friday Pot Shoot Men
1st Crosswired,
2nd Tin Bender, and
3rd Oregon Outlaw



Friday Pot Shoot Ladies
1st Prickly Pear,
2nd Lacy Gone Wild,
3rd Sweet Fuse



Stagecoach Shootout
Ladies' Champion - Prickly Pear
Men's Champion - Short Keg



Top Ranch Hands ~
Wild Shot, Lefty Lipscomb, Fig,
Holli Day, and Nia Sue



Master Gunfighter
1st Oregon Ranger, 2nd Tin Bender
3rd Quick Cal



Gunfighter
1st Crosswired, 2nd Curley Calhoun
3rd Dead Eye Kid



Sheriff
1st Anytime Kid, 2nd Alotta Lead
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Deputy
1st Das Turdley, 2nd One Eye Sam
3rd Smokin Joe



Top 20 Men



**Jr Boy & Jr Girl
Champions**
Anytime Kid &
Prickly Pear



Resident Champions
Alotta Lead &
Ranger Reeves

Results

Ladies Top 15

1. Prickly Pear
2. Alotta Lead
3. Jess
4. Lefty Lipscomb
5. Lacy Gone Wild
6. Ricochet Rose
7. Sweet Fuse
8. Gunpowder Puff
9. Ladyhawk
10. Slowpoke
11. Huckleberry Honey
12. Honey Bucket
13. Miss Lily Belle
14. Holli Day
15. Cool Hand Suz

Men's Top 20

1. Oregon Ranger
2. Tin Bender
3. Gambler
4. Ranger Reeves
5. Buzzard Cooper
6. Crosswired
7. Dead Eye Kid
8. Wild Onion Willie
9. Quick Cal
10. JD
11. Big Bad John
12. Olden Fast
13. Fig
14. Rattlesnake Ron
15. Tuscarora
16. Rooster Cogburn
17. Short Keg
18. Heartbreaker
19. Oregon Cowboy
20. Oregon Outlaw



Top 15 Ladies



Fastest Times
Holli Day .397 &
Oregon Ranger .304



Top Couple
Quick Cal & Alotta Lead



Top Shootist
Gambler & Ladyhawk



2022 WESTERN TERRITORIAL

WESTERN TERRITORIAL CHAMPIONSHIP & U.S. NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP OF COWBOY FAST DRAW



Wednesday June 7th
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Thursday June 8th
Western Territorial Championship

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Exciting Things Happening in Georgia!

The 2nd Annual Georgia State Cowboy Fast Draw Championship is on April 14th - 16th at Cagle's Farm 362 Stringer Road, Holly Springs, Georgia!

The event is called "Gun Fight at Cagle's Corral." The farm was a working dairy until a few years ago when the city of Holly Springs bought it and made a city park for different venues such as a corn maze, petting zoo, and events like our Georgia Championship.

We are 5 miles from dozens of hotels, restaurants and shopping, and we will shoot under a roof covering two six lane ranges. There will be plenty of parking and real restrooms and a food truck on site. You may bring tents and chairs, but there is room under the pavilion if you only bring chairs. This will be a first class event.

Category matches will begin on Friday and will be a 3X last shooter-standing event. Saturday begins the Georgia State and will be a 4X event ending in a Magnificent 7 shootout on Sunday. The Resurrection match will also be on Sunday. The banquet will be Saturday Night with the category match awards, and awards to the best dressed, and best-dressed couple based on what is worn to the banquet. Raffle winners will also be announced.

Awards will be given to places 1st through 3rd for the Category matches.

The awards in the Georgia State will be 1st through 15th to the men, and 1st through 10th to the ladies. A certificate for two new guns will be awarded to the champions as well as belt buckles. The Magnificent seven finishers will receive money and plaques.

You can save money if you get your entry forms in by March 14th, 2023, after that the entry fees go up.

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Explore the Beauty of the Big Thicket National Preserve During the 2023 Texas State Championship

The BIG THICKET (Bushwackers): The Biological Crossroads of North America and Bigfoot Sightings Established by Congress in October 1974 along with Big Cypress National Preserve, Big Thicket National Preserve was one of the first areas to be designated a national preserve.

Congress mandated that the preserve was to “assure the preservation, conservation, and protection of the natural, scenic, and recreational values of a significant portion of the Big Thicket area in the State of Texas.”

The original Big Thicket of Texas covered between 2 million and 3 million acres in what is now mapped as the Piney Woods and Coastal Marsh ecoregions of the state. People have called the Big Thicket an “American ark” and “the biological crossroads of North America,” as it has one of the most biologically diverse assemblages of species in the world. It is a transition zone where southeastern swamps, eastern deciduous forests, central plains, pine savannas, and dry sandhills meet. This diverse habitat allows an impressive array of species to coexist, including approximately 1,320 species of trees, shrubs, vines, and grasses (vascular plants), 60 mammal species, 86 reptile & amphibian species, 34 species of freshwater mussels, nearly 1,800 invertebrate species just in the Lepidoptera Family (butterflies, moths, skippers), 97 fish species, at least 300 bird species, and 660 species of mushrooms. Cactus and orchids, beech trees and bald cypress trees, azaleas and pine trees, roadrunners and alligators, and historically, bison, jaguars & red wolves, are all included in the array of species. Four of the five known types of carnivorous plants found in the U.S. are found in the Big Thicket. The abundant

rainfall and the long growing season, around 246 days, ensures that the vegetation and animal life thrive in this unique area of Texas.

It was also a perfect place to hide. Although criminals and scofflaws used the Thicket to escape local law enforcement throughout the region’s early history of Anglo settlement, the Thicket’s most renowned fugitives were Confederate deserters during the Civil War. Soldiers wanting to avoid the battle took to the woods, living off the land, often trading goods with locals while evading “authority” (never a popular entity in the Thicket). In order to flush out suspected deserters, the local Confederate Army would set fires to the Thicket in an attempt to drive them from their hiding places and out in the open, not an easy task considering the Thicket’s density and size.

Fugitives weren’t the only specters haunting the environs, however. Tales of swamp ghosts and spirits populate Big Thicket lore, including the mystery light of Bragg Road. The ghost light is said to appear along a dirt road running through the Thicket, swaying to and fro in the hands of a spirit railroad worker killed on the tracks. Advancing and receding according to whim, the light seems to approach almost close enough to decipher only to retreat or rise up and disappear in the night sky. But perhaps the biggest ghost is the Thicket itself. Small, remnant pockets now comprise the once contiguous environment, survivors of an ecosystem in sharp decline. The Big Thicket National Preserve is represented by twelve units distributed across the Forest Trail Region, a dismembered ghost of a former giant. By day, the Big Thicket looks like pretty much any other large, sprawling mass of forestland.

It’s after the sun has set, however, and darkness has fallen on the Big Thicket that things begin to change – and to a significant and creepy degree. Much of the high-strangeness of the Bigfoot variety is focused in the vicinity of

a six mile-long stretch of fairly primitive road that runs through the woods and which is called Bragg Road. While that’s the road’s official title, it also has an unofficial name, too: Ghost Light Road. It takes its curious name from the fact that, for centuries, people have reported seeing, strange, eerie floating balls of light flitting around the woods – balls of light that vary from the size of approximately a tennis ball to a soccer ball. And, it’s against this weird background that the Big Thicket Bigfoot dwells. Rumors began flying around Hardin County that a wild man, wearing no clothes, but covered with hair, had been seen in the northern part of the county in the dense bottom land forests along Village Creek. Data uncovered on encounters with huge, ape-like animals from the 1960s to the present day, as well as highly controversial- but deeply intriguing – accounts suggesting a connection between the wild men and the Big Thicket’s resident ghostly lights, and even stories of isolated pockets of Native Americans living deep in the most dense parts of the woods. When a notice was run in the paper calling for stories of unusual sightings in the woods, they were deluged with letters. A teenage girl claimed that a giant ape had chased her away from a cemetery. A couple in a car on Ghost Road – the local lovers’ lane – reported that Bigfoot jumped on their hood, forcing the man, who fortunately had his shotgun handy, to scare the creature away by firing at it through the front windshield. For sure, the Big Thicket is one of the strangest places on the planet. Sinister too! Come on down to the Big Thicket for the 2023 TEXAS STATE CHAMPIONSHIP, March 31, April Fool’s Day, and April 2, if you dare.



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The History of Speed Shooting & How it Eventually Relates to CFDA

By: *Quick Cal a.k.a. Cal Eilrich*

The following is an article that is really an excerpt from a book that I've been contemplating writing for a number of years, and have now started.

Why I write this book- I have a very unique view of action pistol speed shooting sports that perhaps no one else on this earth has ever had. I've had the honor to rise to top level as a competitor in four major timed action pistol sports. Fast Draw (WFDA), IPSC/USPSA, Cowboy Action Shooting (SASS), and Cowboy Fast Draw (CFDA). My life has been enriched in so many ways by my love of shooting sports, for which I feel I owe a huge debt.

When I was younger, I really didn't understand what kept driving me to dedicate such huge parts of my life to not only compete at a high level, but also to give back to those

sports. I've formed or founded clubs, built some very large indoor and outdoor shooting ranges, held elected or appointed offices in not only a number of clubs, but also some of the national organizations.

There was also a time in my life that I had contracts to create firearm training programs, one for Bally's Casino (Reno) for their security force of 180 armed officers. Plus, law enforcement firearm training program for the Pershing County (NV) Sheriff's Department, for which they deputized me.

This book is NOT about me, although you can read my biographies, both shooting and administrative, if you want to know more posted on the CFDA Website. But, rather my unique experiences over 55 years of "speed shooting" sports, not only as a competitor, but also as an administrator and match director of major competitions. I have had the distinct pleasure and honor to meet and speak with some of the most notable figures in the history of shooting sports, firearms and entertainment industry.

You may also learn from my biographies that I have transitioned from, to, from, and back to Fast Draw several times. Why? Because even though Fast Draw has always been my "First-Love" of shooting sports, at times things just got "politically stupid" and the negativity drove me elsewhere, instead of watching them continue to destroy themselves. The founding of CFDA restored my hope and I apply the lessons learned from all of my experiences into currently managing the

Cowboy Fast Draw Association.

Lately, I've become very interested in defining exactly why CFDA has become the largest Fast Draw organization to ever exist, so that others who may follow someday will understand what drives it and how to build Cowboy Fast Draw for future generations to enjoy. It really comes down to history! How else can we ever learn from our successes or failures without knowing our history?

I am dedicating these writings most of all to my family. Dinah, who has been my best friend, partner, and put up with my obsession with shooting sports throughout our 45 years together. To my son CJ, who has been at my side in both business and enjoyment in the shooting sports that we've shared together. To Erika, who has always been there with support in more ways than she can know, and for the countless hours of dedication as Editor-in-Chief of the Gunslinger's Gazette and managing our social media assets. Also, I can never forget the many thousands of wonderful people that I have met and made friends with across the shooting disciplines, the bond between fellow "gunfighters" is unbreakable.

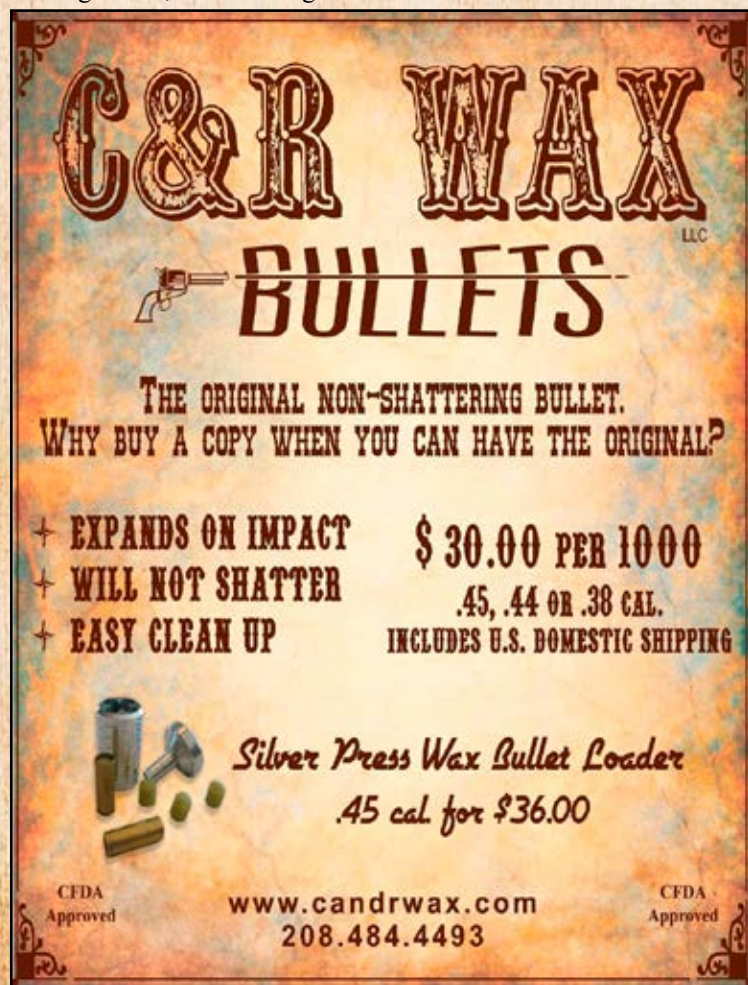
Part I – How I Got Involved

Like many youngsters that grew up in my generation (50's & 60's), and the generation before, we idolized the western heroes and characters that were based on the Romance & Legend of the Old West that was created by Hollywood. These were the "super-heroes" of our time, as they were as far back as the late 1800's as portrayed in countless "dime-novels". These dime-novels became the basis for script formulas for the many Hollywood movies that followed.

In 1967 my father, Elmer, discovered the sport of Fast Draw while vacationing in Tombstone, AZ where he encountered the Annual Helldorado Days Fast Draw Championship, that were held during that era. He began talking to Dick Plum who won the event and said, "They don't have this kind of thing where I'm from, I live near Chicago." To that, Dick answered, "Sure they do, that's where I'm from", he then invited him to come and visit the Chicago Colts Fast Draw Club. My Dad joined, and being a talented machinist, after seeing the highly customized guns they were using, he decided to build his own. Since I was a product of the above paragraph, like my father before me, I took an interest in what he was doing, Dad noticed and brought me to a club shoot. At age 15, in 1968, I became not only hooked but obsessed with the sport of Fast Draw, it has never worn off.

Part II - History (Old West Time Period)

This is a very condensed early version.



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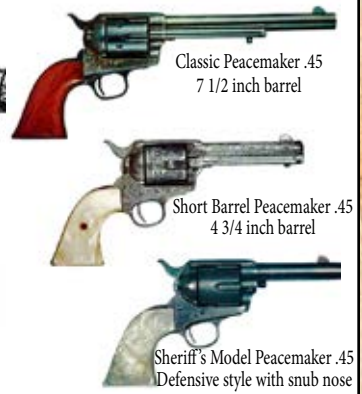
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After the Civil War ended in 1865, our nation was still deeply divided. Some soldiers went home, and some became drifters with many probably suffering from what we now know as Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD). Go West Young Man, Go West!" was the mantra of the middle 1800's period. Whether it be for mining, sod-busting, or cattle ranching, many towns and cities were created as railroads were crisscrossing across the nation and beginning to tie it all together. Attracted to all of this excitement were a mixture of ex-soldiers, settlers, entrepreneurs, cattle ranchers, railroaders, preachers, entertainers, gamblers, prostitutes, and others. Lawlessness also began to rage as the strong simply realized that they could just take what they wanted from the weak, that is, until the lawmen and U.S. Army outposts started to arrive. For the next 30 years or so became the period known as the American Old West or Wild West.

Holsters- Most holsters were made by saddle makers and evolved very slowly with many coming from Mexico. The California Pattern a.k.a. Slim Jim were the most common until Mexican Loop Holsters became more and more popular, these and their variations were pretty much what was available in the Old West. In that era, holsters were designed to protect pistols from the actual sometimes harsh elements such as dust, mud, and rain. Whereas, CFDA holsters are primarily based upon these

Evolution of Colt's Designs



same design patterns, but have alterations for lower front and side cuts that must still meet minimum competition standards.

Six-Guns- The six-guns were mainly the cap & ball percussion type. Although Rolin White patented the first cartridge that Smith & Wesson purchased to produce their Model 1, it was only a .22 and was under-powered and not very reliable in the rugged conditions of a battlefield.

Samuel Colt, inventor of the revolving pistol and assembly line, created a state-of-the-art factory that produced most of the guns used in the Civil War, among them the 1851 Navy (later the choice of Wild Bill Hickok), and the 1860 Army (Civil War). He made them affordable so the average person could own them. It was said, "God made men,

Sam Colt made them equal." Samuel Colt died in 1862 and in 1864 the Colt Factory was destroyed in a fire. Three years later after the factory was re-built, long-time Colt Engineer, Charles Richards, was charged with getting the company back into production. Richards realized that Colt Co. had storage buildings, that didn't burn down in the fire, filled with percussion pistol parts. With the S&W cartridge patent running out in 1869, he saw the timing opportunity to design what became known as the Richard's Conversion and began to produce conversion models out of most of the parts. Colt also marketed Richard Conversion Kits for

sale and also took in thousands of customer's guns to perform these conversions upon. These became the most popular, affordable, and common six-guns of the 1870's.

In 1871, the U.S. Army wanted a new and stronger cartridge-based single action revolver. Both Smith & Wesson and Colt each produced their own version for consideration. The S&W Schofield (Break-top) and the Colt 1871 Open Top. The Army excepted and ordered a limited number of the S&W Schofields, however they rejected the Colt '71 Open Top. They wanted a stronger and more powerful cartridge with a top strap. Richards in a panic turned to his old friend and fellow engineer William Mason, and it was they who designed and submitted the 1873 Single Action Army. The Army loved it and ordered thousands of them, soon Colt introduced the 1873 Peacemaker, and the rest as they say is history...

The above is why you will find examples of many of the guns mentioned above as legal within CFDA rules, even some of the conversions. While no conversions were ever produced in the Old West era larger than .44, a number of companies now produce "faithful reproductions" of them, now chambered in .45 Colt. The 1871 Open Top submitted to the Army was the first cartridge revolver that Colt ever made, they did produce some for civilian use, known at the '72 Open Top, but soon dropped them in favor of the 1873 Peacemaker. They are kind of a "missing link" in the history of six-guns.

Part III - History (The Birth of the Romance & Legend of the Old West)

Dime Novels- Dime novels had been around since the mid 1850's, they were cheap paperbacks that sold for 5 cents and later a dime, hence the name. Some were factual information, but they mostly became popular fiction because authors soon learned "Pulp



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Fiction” sold better. They became very popular during the Civil War as authors described the action of war and the heroes that fought them.

Then, during the post-war period and into the 1870’s authors wrote about the violent brawls, gun and knife fights that occurred in various cow and mining towns. As the lawmen started to clean up the violence, sometimes by lethal means, the stories started making these lawmen famous, as well as their counterparts on the other side of the law, the Outlaws. Then, the authors began to glorify gunfights as if they were duels of the 18th Century carried out by the “Code of Honor”, soon the term “Code of the West” was born. The writers competed with each other to create many folk tales, like Gunfights at High Noon, etc. East Coast folks and Europeans seeking stories of adventure and danger just couldn’t get enough and wanted more!

Fun Fact- The term Quick Draw, was really created as a spin from an actual period term “Quick on the Draw”, which meant “hot-headed” in the sense that someone would just pull out a gun and shoot someone on the spur of the moment out of anger. The term “Deliberate” was often used as a sign of respect for real gunfighters who would keep a cool head but were very efficient and deliberate in producing a gun and firing an accurate kill shot.

Buffalo Bill’s Wild West Show-

Beginning in 1883 Buffalo Bill, who first gained national popularity in a Ned Buntline novel, started his Wild West Show. It became the biggest show on earth for decades, very popular in the Eastern U.S., becoming even more popular in Europe. Buffalo Bill’s Wild West Show dominated the events at the 1893 Chicago World’s Fair. But, what that really has to do with the history of CFDA is that Annie Oakley became known as the world’s first and most recognizable “Exhibition Shooter”!

Hollywood- It’s 1903, a decade after the movie camera and projector were invented, short films and clips were being created. The first movie ever made with a script and scenes was “The Great Train Robbery”. It was a movie based on a true story that happened just 18 months prior. On July 3rd, 1901, Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid robbed and looted the Great Northern Coast Flyer. Quote from the Evening News – Detroit, MI (July 4th, 1901), “After dividing the estimated take of \$65,000, the Wild Bunch split up forever, they all realized the outlaw way was dying.”

Was this the end of the Wild West? Maybe the real Wild West, but certainly not the Romance and Legend of it! Since this first Hollywood movie was what we now call a

Western, all they knew is that it really looked good to the audience, and they needed to make more. Hollywood needed ideas for scripts, and for this, they turned to an assortment of Dime Novels.

Part IV – History (Early Exhibition Shooters & Hollywood Gun Coaches)

Annie Oakley- A young girl, age 15, that was a crack shot with a variety of guns. Discovered by Buffalo Bill Cody, he began to star her in his Wild West Show in 1885. She rose to world-wide fame and became the highest paid performer in the show, except for Buffalo Bill himself.

Some shooting sports already existed at that time, but they were male dominated which added to Annie Oakley’s mystique. Her name is still Iconic in today’s world.

The Fabulous Topperweins- A husband and wife team that began touring in 1904 and captivated many thousands of fans for decades with their precision target shooting. Adolf and Elizabeth Topperwein also proved that shooting was a sport that couples could enjoy together. Elizabeth Topperwein competed in and won NRA Target Pistol events.



Ed McGivern- During the late 20’s and mainly in the 30’s Ed McGivern established himself as one of the greatest pistol shooters of all time. He performed in front of hundreds of audiences many feats of arial shots and shooting tight groups at 15’ at incredible speeds with a double-action revolver.

McGivern started writing books and filming some of his shows. His 1938 book, “Fast and Fancy Revolver Shooting” became one of the most highly regarded firearms books in history that detailed the instruction of how to shoot fast and accurately. His teaching and instructions became instrumental in developing enforcement training. He also became quite accomplished in developing long-range pistol shooting with his good friend Elmer Keith.

Statement: I hereby recognize, Ed McGivern as the Father of Speed Pistol Shooting...



Rod Redwing- Was many things, like a Western-Style Exhibition Shooter and performed many shows during the 1950’s that dazzled thousands of fans. He performed trick-shots that some people called magic, but left technical experts questioning how these shots could be possible, but without an explanation of how he did them.

But Rod Redwing was far more than an exhibition shooter. He was one of the first Hollywood Gun Coaches. He taught a long list of some of the biggest stars in Hollywood, Alan Ladd, Ronald Reagan, Burt Lancaster, Glenn Ford, Richard Widmark, Anthony Quinn, Charleton Heston, Dean Martin, and Hugh O’Brien just to name a few. He was also a stuntman and stand-in for many of the fast draw and gunspinning scenes you’ve perhaps seen in countless westerns. He also acted in many parts in a considerable array of major motion pictures. Rod was also an accomplished gunsmith and worked on many of the guns provided by Stenbridge, the

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company that outfitted most movies of the day with firearms, holsters, and blank cartridges. He was considered an invaluable all-around man, who could fill many needs on any movie set by a number of top Hollywood directors.

Arvo Ojala- Arvo Ojala was most famed for being the gun coach on the long-running western *Gunsmoke*. He was the guy on the other end of the street in the famous opening each week that Matt Dillon gunned down. But, he became even more famous as a holster maker. He patented the very first Fast Draw holster, which was a Buscadero Rig with steel lining to keep the holster shape firm and a little loose, which allowed the cylinder to begin rotation, while initiating a Fast Draw with the thumb first cocking the hammer, as the gun was being drawn. Arvo's holsters were in big demand to many movie stars and movie sets during the mid-1950's.

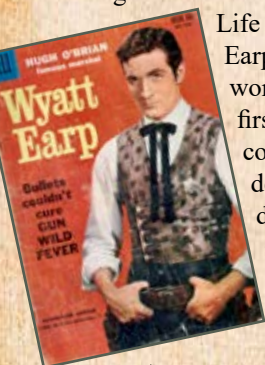


Hollywood's Leading Men (Blank Poppers) I firmly believe that Fast Draw began with Hollywood. First, as the movie scripts were being written based upon the Romance and Legend of the Old West, this made Hollywood Westerns very popular around the world. Next, as movie stars trained for their roles they were being taught by coaches like Rod Redwing, Arvo Ojala, Dave Sharp, George Ross, Charles Heard and others. It was their job to teach these Hollywood Stars to look good drawing and firing six-guns loaded with blanks. Some of them got very good at it. Some of them also learned fancy gun handling from their coaches and got very good at that too. I watched an amazing fancy gunhandling scene that James Gardner pulled off in the *Maverick* series that appears that it was done in one-take.

Hugh O'Brien- Hugh O'Brien was cast as the leading man of the weekly series called, *The*

Life and Times of Wyatt Earp, in 1954. Rod Redwing worked on the show in the first season, after being coached Hugh began to develop a very very fast draw. As a publicity stunt, he challenged any other leading man in Hollywood to first a \$500 bet, then raised it

to \$1,000, with no takers. I believe that it is possible that a "publicity stunt challenge" by Hugh O'Brien could have really spiked an interest in what soon became the Sport of Fast Draw



A Personal Note: I had the honor of personally meeting Hugh on several occasions. The first few times, we talked a lot about Fast Draw and I brought up his famous Hollywood challenge. He claimed it was actually \$5,000, but I learned to sometimes doubt what people in show business say.

In 2010, I was performing my Fast Draw show on stage, as part of a benefit show for the Reno Rodeo Foundation. I had mentioned Hugh O'Brien's Challenge during my act as one of the main influences that began the sport of Fast Draw. After the show I was approached by a Vietnam Veteran, who told me a story about Hugh when he was touring with the USO.

This Veteran told me that his unit was stuck on the front during the USO Show and they all had to miss it. The very next day, Hugh showed up on the "front line" in his full Wyatt Earp Costume complete with his double Buscadero Rig, with a Colt Peacemaker on his right side and his Colt Buntline on his left. Hugh risked his life to entertain and meet those men and actually performed the old hand-clap trick with many of them. The Veteran said, that it meant so much to all of the men there that day and that he would never forget it.

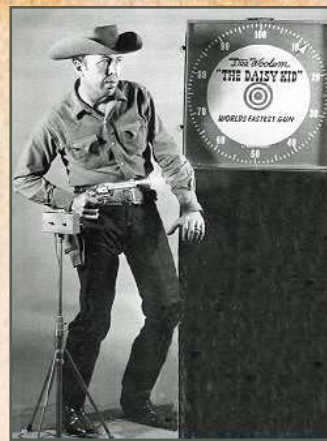
About 6 months later, I was performing my show at the Nevada State Fair and Hugh was there with a table set up signing autographed pictures. I sat down and talked to Hugh and shared that story with him. A smile grew wide on his face as he remembered back to that very day. From that day forward I never doubted him again.... That was the last time I saw Hugh O'Brien, he passed away in 2016. But, I'm sure glad I got to know him. By the way, there's an autographed photo of Hugh O'Brien hanging in our Bat Barn. He was really kind of sweet on Dinah and autographed it to her...

Part V. - History **(The Sport of Fast Draw is Born)**

Dee Woolem- Is acknowledged as "**The Father of Fast Draw**".

The year is 1955 and Dee was a Knott's Berry Farm reenactor/stuntman who had a gig staging the hold-up of the train circling the park. He had spare time between performances, so he started really practicing his draw and developed a new high-ride holster to provide for less movement to make his draw even quicker. Then, with the help of a park technician he developed the first-ever Fast Draw Timer. He convinced Knott's Berry Farm to promote the National Fast Draw Championship, which made national news. There were 12 only competitors, first place prize was a Knott's Berry Farm Chicken Dinner. It was the first timed Fast Draw contest known to be held,
The Sport of Fast Draw was born!

I also had the honor of meeting and talking with Dee at the 1995 WFDA National Championship in Tombstone, AZ which was hosted by Wes Flowers together with Pat & Charlene McMahon, they billed it as the 40th Anniversary of Fast Draw.



Dee went on to host 3 more National Championships, winning all 4 that he put on. He became quite a celebrity and toured the country performing exhibitions for Crossman Arms Co., promoting Fast Draw with their CO-2 powered pellet guns. He sold the rights to his Fast Draw Timer to Great Western Firearms, that distributed all of their Fast Draw Equipment through The Stoeger Arms Company.

Due to the interest in the new sport of Fast Draw, a number of Exhibition Shooters were spawned during the 50's. Rod Redwing was still performing, but he had to do it between Hollywood movies he worked on. Dee Woolem, made hundreds of appearances, as did Joe Bodrie. But, a new phenom shooting talent emerged as a teenage kid named by the name of Thell Reed, he won the 1958 Tombstone Walk n Draw Championship, at age 14!

But, Thell Reed was no "Blank Popper"!!!

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Making Memories and Growing Up Competing in the CFDA

By Little Miss Sunshine CFDA L#4508



I was recently asked what it is like being a junior shooter in the Cowboy Fast Draw Association and what I like the most about it. So I thought I would share what it is like from my perspective. Those in CFDA know me as Little Miss Sunshine. My home club is the Great Basin Gun Hawks based in Fernley, Nevada. I am 14 years old and a freshman in High School, and also the 2022 Fastest Gun Alive Junior Girls World Champion.

I started shooting competitively in CFDA in 2017 at the age of 8, but I did start learning about firearms safety long before that since my family hunts and my grandparents involvement in CFDA. For as long as I can remember I have always been around CFDA considering my grandparents are Quick Cal and Alotta Lead, my parents are Hannah Calder and Crossfire Calhoun, my Uncle is Dead Eye Kid, my aunt is Jackie Daniels, and my cousins are Rango and Six Gun Shelbs. So you can say it is definitely in my blood.

When I first started shooting competitively I didn't know many of the other youth shooters, just my older cousin, Sheriff Rango, now just Rango, that I would constantly follow around. I was also a very shy kid when I was younger so that didn't help but once I went to my first titled match I meet Prickly Pear, she was so kind and introduced me to the other youth/junior shooters and they were also very kind. Once I met them it made it easier for me to talk to new people and that's one of the things I really enjoy now is meeting new people.

I became a level 4 junior shooter at the age of 12. It took a lot of work to get there. I was probably practicing every day for a several weeks straight, on top of attending clubs matches. I was more than happy to start shooting with the women since I have looked up to them my whole life, which also made me a little nervous at first. The first titled match I shot with the ladies as a junior was in 2020 at the Great Northwest Territorial Championship in Idaho. It was an unforgettable

experience and at that first shoot I made it into the magnificent 7 finals as being a level 4 junior girl! One of the things I remember the most is how encouraging the other women were, it really meant a lot to me and is something I will always remember.

It can be a bit of a challenge to find time to practice sometimes with now being involved with High School sports and activities, as I am also on the high school girls Golf Team, Track Team, and FFA. I try to dry fire as much as I can at home and I also use a Laser Target. When time allows, I normally practice with my grandpa Quick Cal, my sister Miss Em, and cousin Rango. They all are the ones that have helped to get me to where I am today.

Not only do you get to meet great people, but you also get to travel to some fun places that I probably would have never had the chance to go to otherwise. Two of my favorite places I have been for competitions so far are probably Deadwood, South Dakota and Colorado mainly because of the people I have met there and it's just beautiful! Getting to travel with my family is probably one of the best parts of being involved with CFDA, and being able to spend that extra time being with my grandparents is something I will remember forever.

And like many have said, once you arrive at any CFDA competition, it is like a big family reunion and you just kind of pick up where you left off with seeing people last time. It has been nice over the last few years with more youth and junior shooters joining CFDA. It has given me the opportunity to make some great friends with people from all over the country, which I think is a very neat thing. As a Junior shooter, I love helping the Youth Shooters feel welcome and it is fun seeing how they improve over time.

The day I won the 2022 Junior Girls World Championship it was unbelievable because to say the least I wasn't expecting it because the past few days my accuracy wasn't the best. I didn't know how it was going to work out but I just focused and kept calm. It was an amazing experience though being able to shoot against the other junior girls. It was awesome because we were all talking and having fun, which just added to the experience and made it all that more fun. I did get



Prickly Pear and Little Miss Sunshine at the 2017 FGA World Championship



Traveling to Nationals in Deadwood with my grandparents, sister, and cousin

nervous when we were shooting because of all the people watching and it was the world championship, so yeah, a little nerve wracking. But it did mean a lot to me winning, because I had put in a lot of practice going into the World Championship. I just tried to focus on myself and ignore everyone watching. It really was a great experience getting to compete with juniors who I now consider friends and we all tried to help each other by having fun with each other and blocking out the spectators. Once the finals were over for the juniors, I went back to focusing on the main match. I had also qualified for the Ladies Magnificent 7 and would be competing in the finals the next day. Not only did I get to compete along side some of CFDA's biggest lady champions and tough competitors, but I ended up coming in 4th place overall! To say I was beyond excited and proud with where I finished is an understatement considering there were 88 women who competed. So 4th place overall is more than I ever hoped for at the World Championships!

My goals for the future in this sport is to work on my accuracy and speed. I also hope to make it into more Magnificent 7 finals in the future, and to one day win an overall titled championship. I also look forward to traveling to some different places, meeting new people, and of course making more memories along the way.



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With More to Come...

WELCOME TO THE NEWEST CFDA AFFILIATED CLUBS!

Time to time, I'll post the announcement of the newest CFDA Clubs in the Facebook Society page or on the CFDA Telegraph. From now on I'll be updating any new clubs that come on board in each issue of the Gazette as needed. Check out and go visit the CFDA Club nearest you and have a great time!

Alabama Gang Gunslingers- this club is going to be a blast! Headed up by "Alabama" this new up and coming CFDA club is located in Oneonta, Alabama. Getting together on the first Saturday of each month, this is just the start to many fun times. More shooting days could be added at a later date so make sure you check out the listing for the info and give them a call.

Mud Creek Gunslingers - Oh boy, are you in for a fun time or what! This club just came on board and we're so glad they did! Headed up by non other than "Turd Herder" and "Honey Bucket" two of the most fun people you'll ever met! If you were at the 2022 FGA, they were keeping the evening events "Long Branch Saloon" flowing with booze and fun! This club is located in Chico, California, right in the heart of the state. They have some great shooting times to offer and have a coolest CFDA range to hang out in. Give them a call- if you're in the area, check it out! 2nd Saturday & every Wednesday of each month.

Butte County Rangers- The best and one of the most beautiful locations for a CFDA range, this one is headed up by CFDA's own "Ol' Buck'r". Located in the hills of Oroville, California, this picturesque area is a show stopper and when you get the chance to visit this range- do-, you'll have the best time. Long time CFDA member "Ol' Buck'r" knows how to have fun and that's exactly what you'll have when you join them for a practice session or club match-Shooting days are every 2nd Sunday of each month but give him a shout out to find out more information on the times.

Old Dominion Fast Draw- They're back! It's with such pleasure that we can say that "Ringo" has lite the fire once again and brought back this long time CFDA affiliated club. Located in Salem, Virginia, "Ringo" knows so much about the sport, and his passion and enthusiasm for CFDA is contagious! You'll have a fantastic time getting back into the swing of thing at their new shooting range. Days to attend are the third Sunday of each month, call for time. You'll have the best time ever!

Cut N' Shoot Marshals- This will seriously be one of Texas's finest CFDA clubs! Headed up by CFDA's long time member, "Marshal's Daughter", this fantastic club just came on board recently, and is located in Conroe, Texas. Knowing a lot about the sport, they'll

show you a great time while visiting their range and hanging out with the family! Yep, the whole family shoots and there's a bunch of them that will show you the most fun you've had in a long time! Check out the list of CFDA affiliated clubs in this Gazette and call them for more info on the days and times to attend. Everything is bigger in Texas and so is the fun!

Aces High Fast Draw- This up-and-coming CFDA club is headed up by one of CFDA's nicest young men, "Crosswired", who has become one of the top competitors in the sport. Knowing the in's and out's of Cowboy Fast Draw, Crosswired started his club up recently which is located in beautiful Redmond, Oregon. Practice and shooting times are every 2nd & 4th Thursday of each month. If you're in this beautiful part of the country, give him a call and stop by for some good ol' CFDA Fun!

More new Club announcements in the next issue of the Gunslinger's Gazette!

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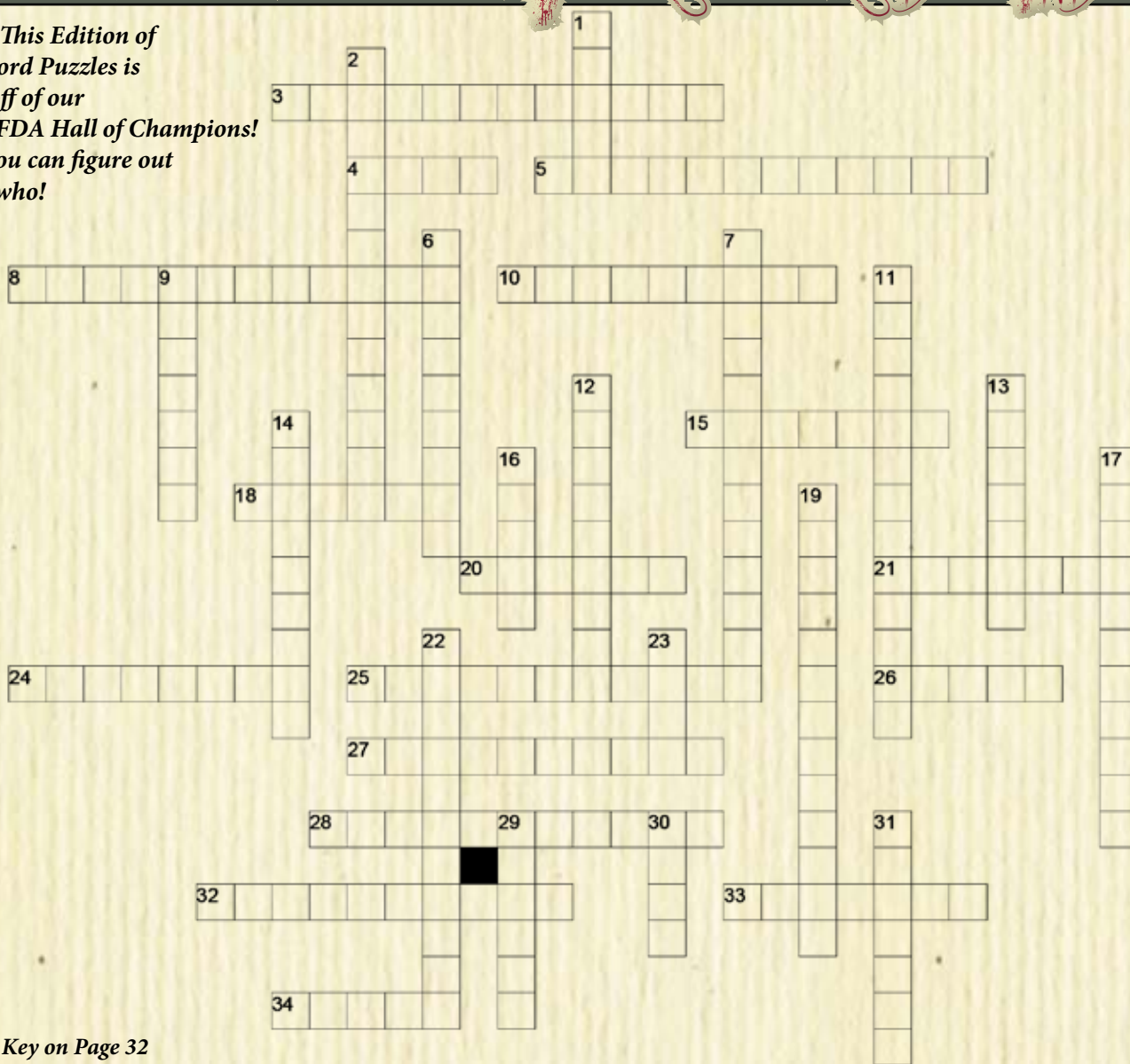
All CFDA Rules Apply. Must be a Member in good standing to participate.

Online Registration & More Info Available Soon at cowboyfastdraw.com



COWBOY CROSSWORD - HALL OF CHAMPIONS EDITION

***Hint! This Edition of Crossword Puzzles is based off of our 2022 CFDA Hall of Champions! See if you can figure out who is who!**



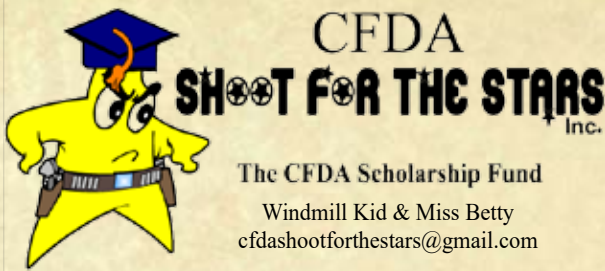
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Across

3. He won his first CFDA World Championship at age 14, and went on to win a record total of 6 World Championships (so far).
4. This former Junior Champion is a force to be reckoned with, as evident by his overall wins at GNTC and WA State.
5. This Nebraska State Champion is one "flashy" dresser
8. She came out on TOP after winning 4 titled championships and being the Ladies Fastest Gun Alive
10. Men's runner up at the 2022 Fastest Gun Alive, and is the Georgia State Champion, "2 _____"
15. This _____ Cactus Kid was the men's overall champion in South Dakota.
18. "Sioux" Sisters part 1 (not really sisters). This lady gunfighter hails from the West, and took top honors in Arizona.
20. "Sioux" Sisters part 2 (seriously, not related). This lovely lady is feared on the East Coast for her top finishes including the Virginia State.
21. This witty shooter locked in 3 titled championship in 2022
24. Good thing this National Champion's shooting speed does not match her Alias
25. 2022 Ladies WTC Champion. Also the name of a cactus known for its bright fruit.
26. Wherefore art thou _____ Romeo? Probably teaching a shooting school, that's where.
27. This sassy lady was the 2022 Florida State Champion.
28. This "belle of the ball" is a former World Champion who won the 2022 Colorado State.
32. He forged his way through fire to become the 2022 Kentucky State Champion
33. This Texas gal is the 2018 Ladies World Champion and 2022 Louisiana St Champion
34. It was a jolly "_____ Day", when this lady gunslinger won the 2022 Kansas State.

Down

1. "There's a new Law in Town" for this Colorado State Champion, "Sheriff _____"
2. This lady gunfighter has been a World Champion, National Champion, and Top Gun Point Champion.
6. He won his first titled championship at the 2022 Virginia State.
7. This gunfighter has been buzzing around getting top finishes for over a decade. He was the 2010 CFDA World Champion and won 2 titled championships in 2022.
9. This junior girl was on fire in Idaho and came out on top.
11. This shooter has been flying straight to the top since she was 12 years old
12. Nothing questionable about this lady from Kansas placing in the top
13. He won BIG in Michigan
14. Men's 2022 World Champion and Top Gun Champion scoring 305 points
16. This former Top Gun Ladies Champion took the Southern Territory by storm in 2022.
17. Don't doubt this ladies champion, she'll "Be Your _____ Honey".
19. This Texas lady won big in Oklahoma
22. This _____ Kid (who is actually from Virginia) took home the Eastern Territorial Title (again)
23. "Who's That Girl? It's _____!" The 2022 California State Ladies Champion!
29. This _____ Rose is no shrinking violet, proven by her 4 Corners Territorial win.
30. The 2022 Florida State Champion, "Sprayin' _____ Ned"
31. Likes when the Stakes are High, and is a Champion from Idaho.



Shoot For the Stars
February 3,2023

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Ricochet Ribon
-1,000.00 Mitchell Tech. Institute, Lil Country Trader
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cfdashootforthestars@gmail.com

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Good Luck to All

Windmill Kid & Miss Betty

Introducing our Range Master General Ken Slack a.k.a. "Cut No Slack" L6346

By: Quick Cal

It's my honor to introduce Cut No Slack as my Appointment to the position of Range Master General. Although he is fairly new to Cowboy Fast Draw, I have personally known Ken for over 40 years. He was highly active in IPSC/USPSA when I met him in the early 80's during my decade of dedication to IPSC/USPSA and the Action Pistol Circuit. We served together as officers in the Sierra Nevada Pistol League, which we built to over 125 members, and as Match Director & Chief Range Master in numerous tournaments.

Cut No Slack has been a firearms enthusiast since age 10 beginning with a Junior Rifle Club and since that time has loved all flavors of shooting. Including Muzzleloading, Trap, Skeet, Sporting Clays, IPSC, Steel Challenge, and PPC.

Ken has been an NRA Certified Pistol & Rifle Instructor since 1981, Charter Life Member of United States Practical Shooting Association (USPSA), and is a Certified Instructor of the United States Concealed Carry Association (USCCA). He served as Section Coordinator for International Practical Shooting Confederation (IPSC) for Nevada 1983-1988, and was elected to the USPSA Board of Directors for Area 1 from 1986-1990. He was a USPSA Range Master Instructor and served as Chief Range Master for the USPSA National Championship for 5 years. He has personally trained over 2,000 IPSC Range Officers and Chief Range Officer students and supervised them at various matches across the country.

Ken is a US Navy/Vietnam Veteran and additionally served in the Nevada Air National Guard for 7 years as Rank of Tech. Sergeant in the capacity of Law Enforcement, Asst. Flight Chief and Training NCO. After a career in Radiology in the medical industry, he retired and moved to Fernley, NV and is currently a CCW Instructor.

Cut No Slack discovered his love for Cowboy Fast Draw just a few years ago and currently serves as Treasurer for the Great Basin Gun Hawks in Fernley, NV and served as a Posse Marshal at the 2022 FGA. He is looking forward to help advance the sport of Cowboy Fast Draw and is committed to Safety First, Fun Second and Competition Third!

I have every confidence that Cut No Slack will make a great Administrator of our CFDA Range Master Program and will work with our CFDA Regulator Posse in carrying out their duties of training CFDA Range Officers and Range Masters.

Since Cut No Slack resides in Fernley, NV where CFDA is Headquartered, please send all New Range Master and Renewal Forms to:

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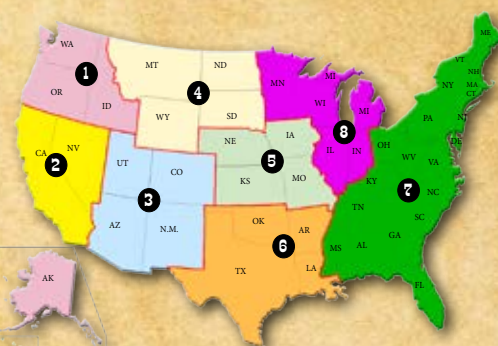
Cut No Slack – Range Master General

P.O. Box 5

Fernley, NV 89408



★ REGULATOR'S & TERRITORIES ★



Regulators at Large (not assigned to a territory)

Jesse James (TX) - Appointed 2017
760-646-0765 / texasjessejames@aol.com

Qualified Range Master Instructors

Dangerous Dave (ID) - dangerousdave65@live.com
Cowboy Up (CA) - deputiescfda@aol.com

International

Honcho - Switzerland - Appointed 2016
honcho@gunfighters-lakevalley.ch
Ueli Bracher (real name)

Territory #1 – Great Northwest

Curly Calhoun & Cool Hand Suz (ID)

Appointed Originals (2008)

quickcurley@gmail.com or 208-860-1615

P.G. Taylor (ID) - Appointed Original (2008)

pgtaylor@q.com or 208-732-6123

Wild Shot (ID) - Appointed 2013

rcomb@yahoo.com or 209-675-2760

Territory #2 – Western

No Daisy (CA) - Appointed 2016

nodaisy66@gmail.com or 209-262-7643

Fowl Shot & Huckleberry Honey (CA) Appointed 2020

530-321-1492 bgrilli@bceus.com or kelliearm@aol.com

Territory #3 – Four Corners

Muletrain & Southwest KC (AZ) - Appointed 2019

480-710-3593 bcarr1954@msn.com or kmcarr57@msn.com

Thirsty (AZ) - ReAppointed 2019

602-300-1325 / azthirsty@hotmail.com

Slowpoke (UT) - Appointed 2019

540-314-5413 / brendell0112@yahoo.com

Yucca Kid (AZ) - Appointed 2022

605-743-4725 / peno525@yahoo.com

Territory #4 – High Plains

Boulder Vaquero & Boulder's Babe (SD)

Appointed Originals (2008)

bonniebollock@hotmail.com or 605-770-2442

Boothill Bryce & Miss Christy (SD) - Appointed 2009

bcnorwick@yahoo.com or 605-770-4696

Territory #5 – Great Plains

Kansas Belle (KS) - Appointed 2017

dkhadley1@yahoo.com

785-302-1463 (text only on weekdays until 4pm)

Territory #6 – Southern

Windmill Kid & Miss Betty (TX) - Appointed 2012

windmillkid1748@gmail.com or 432-664-1913

Gentleman George & Texas Rose (TX) - Appointed 2014

gkdez@campwaluta.com or 409-385-6367

Boss (TX) - Appointed 2021

dperry@pbpfab.com or 432-553-7687

Territory #7 – Eastern

Ringo (VA) - Appointed 2011

rabidringo@yahoo.com or 540-819-1697

Von Zipper (FL) - Appointed 2016

Vonzipper_jax@yahoo.com or 904-626-6520

Spanky (VA) - Appointed 2019

804-986-6255 / spanky0290@hotmail.com

Green River (KY)(Range Master General)

& Wildfire - Appointed 2021

270-256-0675 /

maidennick@yahoo.com / pamela3446@live.com

Territory #8 – Great Lakes

Fossilman & Lighntnin' (MN) - Appointed 2016

mrstadin@frontiernet.net - 218-496-5715

The Rossiman (IL) - Appointed 2019

217-691-2224 / therossiman45@gmail.com



WELCOME

NEW CFDA MEMBERS!



WE ARE HAPPY TO ANNOUNCE OUR NEWEST MEMBERS AND THE CFDA CLUB THEY'RE AFFILIATED WITH (IF LISTED).
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****PLEASE NOTE: LIFE MEMBERS AND NEW CFDA MEMBERS THAT MISSED THE DEADLINE FOR THIS ISSUE
WILL BE LISTED IN THE NEXT ISSUE OF THE GUNSLINGER'S GAZETTE.**

****ONLY ALIASES, STATE, AND CFDA AFFILIATED CLUB WILL BE SHOWN GOING FORWARD.**

****NCL = NO CLUB LISTED ON MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION OR GIVEN BY MEMBER.**

LIFE MEMBERS:

1. "Ricky Revolver" – Life# L6067 – Sioux City, IA
2. "Shotglass Shari" – Life# L2046 – Salem, VA
3. "Diesel Dave" – Life# L5806 – Parkston, SD
4. "Ol' Buck'r" – Life# L4091 – Orville, CA
5. "Texas Rowdy" – Life# L6917 – Midland, TX
6. "Carbine Kate" – Life# L6978

NEW MEMBERS:

1. "Big Lightning" – Bunnell, FL – Cracker Cowboys
2. "Calamity Sue" – St. Petersburg, FL – NCL
3. "Ol' Red" – Modesto, CA – The Cowboys
4. "High Pockets" – Muskegon, MI – NCL
5. "Scotty 2 Hottie" – Council Bluffs, IA – River City Gunslingers
6. "Black Jack Shellac" – Lecanto, FL – NCL
7. "Wild Wes" – Cushing, OK – NCL
8. "Dusty Dandy" – Oakland, CA – The Sundowners
9. "B Ryan" – Clearlake Oaks, CA – Mud Creek Gunslingers
10. "Hot Sauce" – Tucson, AZ – Old Pueblo Gunfighters
11. "Montana Rod" – The Villages, FL – .45 Sidekicks
12. "Calamity Grammy" – Buckley, MI – Great lakes Gunslingers
13. "Wild Wes" – Cushing, OK – NCL
14. "Dandy Don" – Tucson, AZ – Old Pueblo Gunfighters
15. "Sycan Dan" – Lakeside, OR – Crooked River Rangers
16. "Lady Ace" – Lakeside, OR – Crooked River Rangers
17. "Anarchy" – Radford, VA – Virginia Peacemakers
18. "Buffalo Rising" – Modesto, CA – The Cowboys
19. "Littlefoot 12" – Rebersburg, PA – NCL
20. "Teach" – Kennshaw, GA – Hickory Flats Shootist Society
21. "Blazin' Bill" – Saratoga Springs, UT – NCL
22. "Bull Dog Dave" – Apache Junction, AZ – NCL
23. "Tom Tom" – Chico, CA – Mud Creek Gunslingers
24. "City Slicker" – Kuna, ID – Sawtooth Shootist Society
25. "JR" – Yuma, AZ – 3:10 to Yuma Gunslingers
26. "Josey Quick" – Hollandale, MN – NCL
27. "The Kalamazoo Kid" – Portage, MI – NCL
28. "Badfinger" – Ardmore, TN – NCL
29. "Dakota Clint" – Clint, SD – NCL
30. "Silver Eagle" – Lakeside, OR – Crooked River Rangers
31. "Bobby Brown Eyes" – Lincoln, CA – Gold Country Outriders
32. "Black Death" – Arrow, OK – Route 66 SmOKin' Guns"
33. "Why Not" – Empire, AL – NCL
34. "Tuff Luck Charlie" – Sioux City, IA – NCL
35. "Nightlinger" – Las Vegas, NV – Red Rock Regulators
36. "Billy Rocks" – Independence, MO – NCL
37. "Pawnee Bill" – Decatur, IL – Prairie State Posse
38. "Iron Bison" – Oneonta, AL – NCL
39. "Durango" – Bullhead City, AZ – NCL
40. "Wesley Strickland" – Olanta, SC – Dixie Rangers
41. "The Lynches River Kid" – Olanta, SC – Dixie Rangers
42. "Carbine Kate" – Canton, GA – Single Action Savants

43. ""Bad Bob" – Oconomowoc, WI – Prairieville Desperados
44. "Tony G" – Oconomowoc, WI – Prairieville Desperados
45. "Duke" – Parker, AZ – NCL
46. "Jack Bond" – Citrus Heights, CA – Gold Country Outriders
47. "Sparky" – Twin Falls, ID – NCL
48. "Kit Callaway" – Richmond, TX – NCL
49. "Huckleberry Earl" – Crewe, VA – Virginia peacemakers
50. "Sheriff Seth Bullock" – Amenia, NY – NCL
51. "Cash Kid" – Orangevale, CA – Gold Country Outriders
52. "Wild Wyatt West" – Twin Falls, ID – Snake River Gunslingers.
53. "Free Spirit" – Logan, KS – Deer Creek Regulators
54. "Manvel Marshal" – Manvel, TX – Lonestar Gunslingers
55. "Turkish Delight" – PJ Goesseringer – San Jose, CA
56. "Marshal Riggs" – Sparks, NV – Great Basin Gun Hawks
57. "Wyatt Z" – Yucca Valley, CA – NCL
58. "Dalton James" – Blanchard, OK – NCL
59. "Firefly" – Blanchard, OK – NCL
60. "Rail Rider Rich" – New Berlin – Prairieville Desperados



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***NOTE for 2023 Awards it will go from Sep. 15th 2022 through August 31st 2023. This ensures we have enough time to tally scores and get awards.
New Member Applications received by August 31st, that have a Club Referral Qualify. Clubs can also send applications on behalf of new members to insure credit. CFDA Staff cannot backtrack applications, once they are processed they are discarded.
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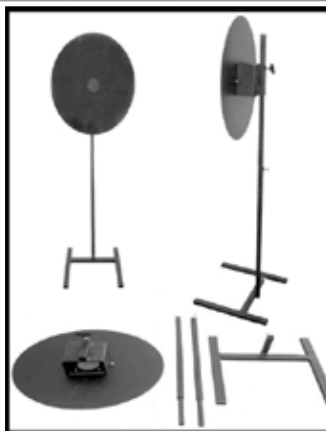
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CFDA AFFILIATED CLUBS AND CLUBS IN THE WORKS

Club Name	City	State	Contact	Phone / Email	Club Shoot
3:10 to Yuma Gunslingers	Yuma	Arizona	George Wagner "Saddle Horn"	(719)660-9466 / gwagner@rmi.net	3rd Sunday
Alabama Gang	Oneonta	AL	Thomaa Winslett "Alabama"	(205)706-3118 / alabamaganggunslingers@outlok.com	1st Saturday
Assoc. of Arizona Gunslingers	Phoenix	Arizona	Mike Holzer "Shady Mike"	(602)770-1430 / m_holzer@yahoo.com	4th Saturday
Old Pueblo Gunfighters	Marana	Arizona	Eric Casteel "Hankerin Hank"	(520)307-4677 / hankerinhank1@gmail.com	1st & 3rd Saturday
Rented Mule Fast Draw Club	Prescott Valley	Arizona	"Noah Chance"	(928)772-0173 / noahchance@me.com	3rd Saturday
Rio Salado Vaqueros	Mesa	Arizona	Bart Call "Mule Train"	(480)710-3593 / muletrain2010@msn.com	2nd Saturday/4th Wed
Randolph County Rangers	Pocahontas	Arkansas	"Jackass Jiles"	(870)926-4571 / acropdustr@yahoo.com	2nd Saturday
Bar T Gunfighters	Vista	California	"Risky Dame"	(760)518-7474 / jlongrez@att.net	2nd Sunday
Butte County Rangers	Oroville	California	"Ol Buck'r"	(530)521-1941 / kellya@saber.net	2nd Sunday
California Rangers	Pomona	California	Chris Feedback "Colt McCoy"	(909)618-4958 / bubbas67@msn.com	
Gold Country Out Riders	Newcastle	California	Johnnie Jones "Rooster Cogburn"	(916)663-4786 / oldracer53@yahoo.com	Every Wednesday/1st Saturday
Mud Creek Gunslingers	Chico	California	Robert Perkins "Turd Herder"	(530)624-2742 / TurdHerder3118@gmail.com	2nd Saturday & Every Wednesday @ 5 p.m.
Sundowners	Vacaville	California	George Narasaki "Sundowner"	(510)323-3407 / nnarrow@earthlink.net	3rd Saturday
The Cowboys	Oakdale	California	"No Daisy"	(209)262-7643 / nodaisy66@gmail.com	2nd Saturday
The Deputies	Rancho Cucamonga	California	Mike Karsten "Cowboy Up"	(909)527-5225 / deputiescfda@aol.com	3rd Sunday
Dirty Face Gang	Ellicott	Colorado	Rick Driver "Dirty Rotten"	(719)661-9524 / DirtyRotten33@gmail.com	3rd Saturday
San Juan Shootists	Pagosa Springs	Colorado	Dave Miller "Mongo"	(970)731-9140 / sanjuanshootists@hotmail.com	3rd Saturday
.45 Sidekicks	Summerfield	Florida	Lee Wonders "Doc Lee"	(352)673-5838 / lwonders@live.com	
Cracker Cowboys	Bunnell	Florida	Martin Brabham "Smokin Gun"	(386)931-5613 / crackercowboys@gmail.com	2nd Sunday
Single Action Savants	Jacksonville	Florida	John Heltzel "Von Zipper"	(904)626-6520 / vonzipper_jax@yahoo.com	1st Sunday
Sunshine State Shootist	Jacksonville	Florida	Cl Kirby "Outlaw Ike"	(904)502-0571 / kirbyike4@gmail.com	3rd Sunday
The Open Range Regulators	Ocala	Florida	Clark Vandevander "IB Nobody"	(863)528-0490 / openrangeregulators@gmail.com	4th & 5th Weendend
Hickory Flats Shootists Society	Canton	Georgia	"Pale Rider"	(770)318-7775 / sbursmith@gmail.com	3rd Saturday
Eagle Rock Outlaws	Idaho Falls	Idaho	"Dangerous Dave"	(208)420-3887 / eaglerockoutlaws@hotmail.com	1st Saturday
Sawtooth Shootist Society	Boise	Idaho	Larry Lansdowne "Curley Calhoun"	(208)860-1615 / quickcurley@aol.com	Every Wednesday/ 3rd Saturday
Snake River Gunslingers	Twin Falls	Idaho	"P.G. Taylor"	(208)732-6123 / pgtaylor@q.com	2nd Saturday
Treasure Valley Gunfighters	Caldwell	Idaho	"Legally Loaded"	(208)697-0282 / paintlady@aol.com	4th Saturday each month
Treaty Rock Freedom Fighters	Spirit Lake	Idaho	Andrew Parker "Selkirk Rambler"	(208)755-3107 / andyparker49@roadrunner.com	1st Saturday
Prairie State Posse	Chatham	Illinois	Gary Stevens "The Rossiman"	(217)691-2224 / therossiman45@gmail.com	3rd Sunday
Cross Road Gunfighters	Albion	Indiana	Hoosier Daddy	(517)515-0635 / john.smithson@magnunrad.com	1st Saturday
Deercreek Regulators	Smith Center	Kansas	Dennis Willis "Crazy Eagle"	(785)282-4298 / crazyeagle_51@icloud.com	Call for info
Bluegrass Fast Draw	Beaver Dam	Kentucky	Josh Hanks "Chops"	(270)922-6119 / josh.hanks76@gmail.com	Practice 3rd Saturday/ Match 4th Saturday
Cross Branded Peacemakers	Libuse	Louisiana	James Dezendorf "Major D"	(318)451-3043 / ddezendorf@yahoo.com	2nd Saturday (practice)
Great Lakes Gunslingers	Harbor Springs	Michigan	"Dead Eye Daisy"	(231)753-8359 / glgunslingers@gmail.com	Call for info
North Star Bandits	Claremont	Minnesota	Mark Burnham "Snake Shooter"	(507)456-4552 / snake-shooter53@hotmail.com	Thursday & Sunday
River City Gunslingers	Bennington	Nebraska	Dave Williams "The Deuce"	(402)660-3800 / rivercitygunslingers@gmail.com	2nd & 4th Wednesday 6-8
Sandhill Outlaws and Angels	Alliance	Nebraska	"Dixie Starr"	(307)365-1587 / tdubs_21@live.com	2nd Sunday every month
Sparks Nebraska Spurs	Valentine	Nebraska	Beaver Creek Kid	(605)557-3337 / boxsranch@yahoo.com	Every Thursday 7pm
Great Basin Gun Hawks	Fernley	Nevada	Gary Fried "Nevada Smith"	(775)297-5229 / nevadasmith643@hotmail.com	Practice Every Monday & Shoot 3rd Saturday
Buccaneer Spurs	Leland	N. Carolina	Uncle Jeffro	(910)330-7179 / jefro.holland@gmail.com	Last Saturday
Honey Creek Cowboy Fast Draw	Davis	Oklahoma	Ken Russell "El Paso"	(580)768-0884 / keruss45@hotmail.com	1st & 3rd Saturday
Route 66 smOkin Guns	Mannford	Oklahoma	Lisa Jenkins "Diamond Girl"	(918)760-8179 / ljenkins@cimtel.net	3rd Saturday
Aces High Fast Draw	Redmond	Oregon	Crosswired	(541)279-3546 / aceshighfastdraw@yahoo.com	2nd & 4th Thursday
Crooked River Rangers	Terrebonne	Oregon	"Scrub Brush"	(458)899-4491 / scrubbrushcrr@gmail.com	2nd & 4th Saturday
Keystone Gunslingers	Jackson Center	Pennsylvania	"Buffalo Joe"	(412)780-8446 / buffalojoe6@gmail.com	1st Sunday & 3rd Saturday
Dixie Rangers	Hartsville	S. Carolina	William Walkup "Willie B. Fast"	(843)229-0008 / thedixierangers@gmail.com	3rd Saturday
Cheyenne River Regulators	Edgemont	S. Dakota	"Johnny Three Toes"	(605)622-7332 / janetkoller15@gmail.com	2nd & 4th Sunday each Month
Powder Horn Ranch Regulators	Mitchell	S. Dakota	Troy Bollock "Boulder Vaquero"	(605)770-2442 / bonniebollock@hotmail.com	1st Sunday
Snake Creek Boys	Redfield	S. Dakota	Darrell Ronnfeldt "Dead Eye Darrell"	(605)472-2122 / ronnfeldtd@gmail.com	Every Wednesday
Big Thicket Bushwackers	Silsbee	Texas	George Dezendorf "Gentleman George"	(214)507-0346 / gkdez@campwaluta.com	2nd Sunday
Comanche Moon Renegades	Odessa	Texas	David Perry "Boss"	(432)553-7687 / dperry@pbbfab.com	Tuesdays (practice) 1st & 3rd Saturday (match)
Cut 'n' Shoot Marshals	Conroe	Texas	Ginger Horn "Marshal's Daughter"	(214)497-9906 / ginger.melms@sbcglobal.net	Call for Schedule
Hill Country Fast Draw	Burnet	Texas	Scott Severance "Slick Sixguns"	(559)836-9209 / slicksixguns@gmail.com	2nd Saturday
Lone Star Gunslingers	Rosenburg	Texas	"Ringo Kid"	(832)598-8580 / ringokidsg@gmail.com	2nd Saturday
Texas Gun Club Regulators	Stafford	Texas	Scott Van Note "Revelator"	(832)539-7235 / fastdraw@texasgunclub.com	2nd Tues. / 3rd Sunday
West Texas Rangers	Odessa	Texas	Randy Smith "Windmill Kid"	(432)664-1913 / windmillkid1748@gmail.com	2nd & 4th Sunday
Promontory Point Posse	Tremonton	Utah	"Debbie Sioux "	(208)403-4725 / deb_sioux79@yahoo.com	4th Saturday
Grandview Gunslingers	Bedford	Virginia	Ken Hurt "Shenandoah"	(540)816-3891 / kenlinhurt@yahoo.com	2nd Sunday
Old Dominion Fast Draw	Salem	Virginia	Jeff Duncan "Ringo"	(540)819-1697 / rabidingo@yahoo.com	3rd Sunday
Virginia Peacemakers	Amelia	Virginia	Tim Duncan "Spanky"	(804)986-6255 / spanky0290@hotmail.com	1st Sunday
Black River Bandits	Superior	Wisconsin	Debbie Stadin "Lightnin"	(218)496-5715 / mrstadin@frontiernet.net	Every Sunday 1:30pm
Prairieville Desperados	Waukesha	Wisconsin	Jeanne Vincze	(262)510-6745 / jeanne.vincze@yahoo.com	Call for info
Wisconsin Peace Keepers	Big Falls	Wisconsin	Ron Nyhouse "Mule Skinner"	(715)754-2469 / nyhouse@frontiernet.net	2nd & 4th Saturday
Yellow River Bandits	Siren	Wisconsin	Jon Paulzine "Dreamweaver"	(715)431-0762 / yellowriverbandits@yahoo.com	

International Clubs

Lake Valley Argovia Gunfighters	Alte Bernstrasse 31 Ch-5603 Staufen AG, Switzerland	Ueli Bracher "Honcho"	078-775-5869 / honcho@gunfighters-lakevalley.ch
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CFDA "Clubs in the Works"

Red Rock Regulators	Las Vegas NV	Sin City Kid	702-232-7104/redrockregulators@gmail.com	Call For Information
The Bounty Hunters	West Leechburg PA	David Schaeffer "Pennsylvania Cowboy"	cowboydippin66@yahoo.com	Contact for Info
Tennessee Gunslingers	Memphis TN	Gary Pritchard "Dead Eye Diablo"	901-336-0204 / pritchardg@yahoo.com	To Be Determined

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We are committed to building the foundation of CFDA through Affiliated Clubs. The existing clubs can always rely on CFDA for a helping hand in dealing with any issues that need to be resolved. Alotta Lead is the Membership Director, Quick Cal is always available to work with existing clubs or "club in the works". If you are new or existing member of CFDA and want to get a club started in your area give Alotta Lead a call and he can get you posted on the "Club in the Works" section. The Regulator Posse can also be a great resource for new clubs. To update information, please send information to info@cowboyfastdraw.com.



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THE HOLSTERS & GUN BELTS

1800's-style Mexican Loop, Slim Jim, and California Pattern holsters or leather rawhide construction. The over the belt-style holster will be worn on the side of the leg only. No cross-draw, shoulder, buscadero, contemporary Hollywood or steel lined holsters are allowed.

AMMUNITION

95% of ammunition used in Cowboy Fast Draw is .45 colt casings that are specially modified to accept 209 shotgun primers and no gun powder. Velocities reach about 650 fps. Only in major competitions Cowboy Fast Draw Cartridges are used, they must be loaded by CFDA approved reloaders.

TARGETS (THREE STANDARD TARGETS)

17-3/16" Round Plate - 47" Center Height (Start Light in Center)
24" Round Plate - 50" Center Height (Start Light in Center)
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White lithium grease is applied to target plates, to track all wax bullet hits.

COMPETITION TIMERS

Digital timers must time to the thousandth of a second. Sanctioned contests must use target with impact sensors.

SHOOTING STYLE

Most folks use a thumb-cocking method, but fanning is allowed. Trigger finger must be out of the trigger guard. If used to cock the hammer the off-hand must not be placed in front of the body before the start light comes on.

CONTESTS

Contests are shot elimination style, best 2 out of 3, or 3 out of 5 shots per round. The standard contest is luck of the draw man vs. man elimination.

Target Distances (Set to Balance Speed and Accuracy)

Championship Distances

17-3/16" Target @ 15' (OR) 24" Target @ 21'

Exhibition Distance

17-3/16" Target @ 11' (OR) 24" Target @ 15'

There are Men's, Ladies and Youth Divisions in Championship Matches

CLOTHING

1800's period clothing is strongly recommended. Western cowboy, including working cowboy clothing is acceptable. Western boots or moccasins are acceptable footwear. Western-style blue and black jeans are acceptable. Victorian Steampunk is also allowed.

SAFETY

One of our primary goals is to educate as many people as possible in the safe and proper use of firearms. Even though we use wax bullet ammunition, we treat them as they were live ammunition and observe all established range safety rules.

SOME OF OUR GOALS

To keep our clothing & equipment such as guns and holsters true to form of the time period that we represent (1873-1899). 1873 is the year that the Colt Peacemaker was introduced.

To promote a positive public image of our sport and gun sports in general, since Cowboy Fast Draw is commonly held in public venues. To promote spirit of the American Old West and the Cowboy Way.

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-Dependents (17 & under)	\$35	\$95	\$40	\$110

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