



May 3 - 6, 2012



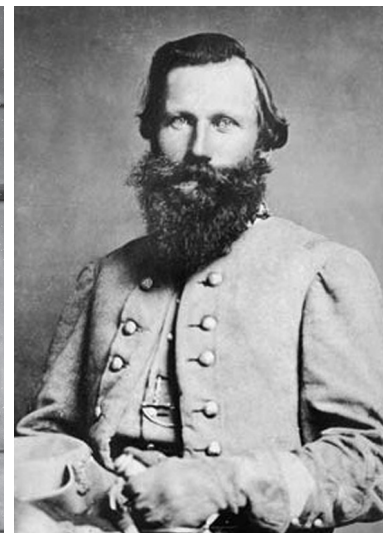
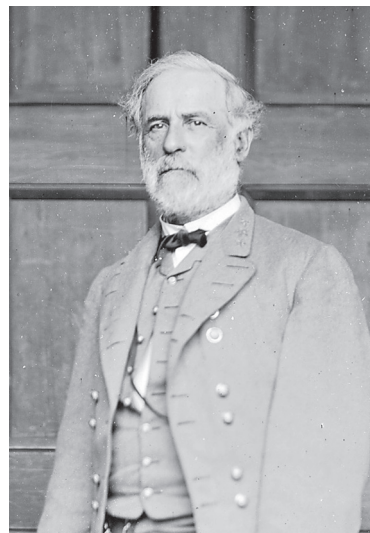
SHOOTOUT

AT 5 DOGS CREEK

★ SASS California State Championship ★



A Salute to the Generals of the Civil War



5 Dogs Shooting Range • Bakersfield, CA

from the trap line

Welcome to our semi-ghost town. It may look old and broken down but it has not been abandoned. We are constantly working on improvements to facilitate a better shooting environment and sincerely hope you enjoy your stay. However, some things are beyond our control.

Beware! There are many ghosts and spirits lurking around 5 Dogs Creek. These evil spirits practice their witchcraft and wizardry on a monthly basis and are known to be especially active during the California Championships. Unlike most evil spirits, these ghosts come out at sunup. They have been known to move targets, jam guns, confuse shooters and generally wreak mayhem when you least expect it.

Fortunately there is also one great and good spirit that keeps these other ghosts at bay and helps us fight through our shooting trials and tribulations. This spirit resides in all of us: the Cowboy Spirit. May this "force be with you" here at 5 Dogs Creek and travel with you wherever you go.

Our match this weekend is a "Salute to the Generals" of the Civil War.

Each stage represents a battle from the war and a general who fought. The flags that are flying around the range are not intended as a veneration or celebration of war. Nor are they meant to insult anyone. They are merely a reflection of a piece of American history from an era that gave birth to many weapons, customs, and dress that we use in our sport today.

Behind the facades stand the targets. In front of the facades stand the reason we are here: YOU. On behalf of everyone at 5 Dogs Creek, thanks for choosing to shoot with us. We sincerely hope you have a memorable time this weekend and will tell others about this match if you did. And remember our motto here at the range ...

STAY SAFE, SHOOT STRAIGHT, HAVE FUN!

Mad Trapper of Rat River (mayor)



• **SASS rules are in effect and shall be followed at all times.**

• Total time scoring will apply.

• Eye protection is mandatory at all times when in line-of-sight of the shooting area. Hearing protection is highly recommended.

• Shooters are assigned to a specific posse and posses have a designated start time. Any shooter not maintaining posse assignment will be classified as Did Not Finish for the match. To ensure a smooth match, please do not start before the designated time.

• A loading table officer is required at all times. This should NOT be someone who is in the process of loading or has already loaded.

• An unloading table officer is required at all times. You may not leave the bay until all guns have been verified as empty. Failure to follow loading/unloading rules is a stage DQ.

• On stages with berms, when someone setting targets says "down range" and proceeds down range, it is okay to continue loading and unloading at the designated tables. Firearms must be pointed into the berms.

• If you have to leave before the end of the match, please tell a range official.

• • • • • **RANGE RULES** • • • • •

• Stages do not always designate specific shooting orders or locations for staging guns. Determining the best order to shoot targets and best way to stage guns is up to you. Before you shoot, feel free to confirm your approach with the R.O. However, all safety issues must be considered and any unsafe handling will be penalized appropriately.

• Brass may be picked up after each shooter. However, this requires the entire posse to pitch-in throughout the match.

• Reshoots will only be allowed in the case of a stage malfunction. Shooter or firearm malfunctions do not warrant reshoots. When allowed a reshoot, the shooter starts over "clean" (except safeties).

• All pre-beep actions and lines are expected to be performed in the "Spirit of the Game."

• Long guns must have actions open when being transported, unless they are cased.

• 5 Dogs Creek has just three club rules:
1. If you shoot a prop, in addition to all appropriate penalties, you must sign it for all to see. 2. On the last stage of the day, last shooter shoots clean or buys beverages for the posse. 3. If you "P" on a stage you wrote, your name will be added to the wall of shame.

• And last but not least ... **HAVE FUN!**

Keep in mind...this is a game. However, if you sincerely feel you have been subject to an unfair or incorrect call, calmly discuss the call with your posse leader. After an explanation about the call, if a resolution is not forthcoming you may then make a \$50 deposit and appeal to the Match Director. Disputes or appeals must be registered with the posse leader before the posse leaves the stage where the issue or incident occurred. Any disputes or protests after leaving a stage will NOT be entertained.

The final authority shall be the Match Director. The dispute shall be heard and processed as soon as practically possible. Deposit will be returned to the shooter if the outcome is in his/her favor.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Thursday - May 3

7 a.m. Registration

7 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Precision Single Action Rifle
LOCATION - on covered range south of Stage 1
(Must sign up at the stage by 10 a.m. to shoot)

9 a.m. - Noon Long Range Lever Rifle on Stage 6

9 a.m., 11 a.m., 1 p.m. WARM-UP STAGES - Meet on Stage 5
(Four stages: Sign up at registration office. Cost is \$20)
NOTE: Each warm-up session limited to 80 shooters. Sign up early!

11 a.m. - 2 p.m. Speed Pistol on Stage 3
Speed Rifle on Stage 4
Speed Shotgun on Stage 4
Shoot long range rifle and speed stages as many times as you like. Your best time will be the one that counts for bragging rights. First run is free and after that it's \$1 per run. All funds go to Bakersfield National Cemetery. Shoot your heart out, it's a good cause!

1 p.m. Plainsman meet on Stage 10 *(Three Stages)*

3:30 p.m. Posse leader walk through. Meet on Stage 1
(This is for Posse Leaders ONLY).

The Howling Wolf will open after the last shot is fired and the range is closed to all shooting. No guns permitted in the Wolf.

DUSK Movie night at the main stage.
Not another John Wayne movie ... oh, no. Tonight you can experience "The General", starring Buster Keaton. Filmed in 1926, this flick has been declared a masterpiece and is in keeping with our theme.
FREE PEANUTS AND SODAS

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday - May 4

7 a.m. Registration

8 a.m. Mandatory Shooter's Meeting
Cannon shot indicates main match can begin.

Order of stages:

Posse #1 - #2	1-2-3-4-5-6	Posse #13 - #14	7-8-9-10-11-12
Posse #3 - #4	2-3-4-5-6-1	Posse #15 - #16	8-9-10-11-12-7
Posse #5 - #6	3-4-5-6-1-2	Posse #17 - #18	9-10-11-12-7-8
Posse #7 - #8	4-5-6-1-2-3	Posse #19 - #20	10-11-12-7-8-9
Posse #9 - #10	5-6-1-2-3-4	Posse #21 - #22	11-12-7-8-9-10
Posse #11 #12	6-1-2-3-4-5	Posse #23 - #24	12-7-8-9-10-11

There is no scheduled lunch break so plan accordingly!

Cannon shot indicates shooting has ended. Range is now cold.

The Howling Wolf Saloon will open after cannon shot.
No guns permitted in the Wolf.

6 p.m. Dinner* followed by the flying fiddle fingers of the Mad Trapper of Rat River. He has performed at cowboy events from Alaska to Arizona as benefits for the Wounded Warriors. Under a different alias, the Mad Trapper has performed as a classical violinist throughout Canada, Europe, and the U.S.

** Please don't forget to bring your dinner tickets on Friday and Saturday. They are in your shooter's packet and you must present a ticket to be served.*



SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Saturday - May 5

8:30 a.m. Cannon shot indicates main match may continue.

Order of stages:

Posse #1 - #2	7-8-9-10-11-12	Posse #13 - #14	1-2-3-4-5-6
Posse #3 - #4	8-9-10-11-12-7	Posse #15 - #16	2-3-4-5-6-1
Posse #5 - #6	9-10-11-12-7-8	Posse #17 - #18	3-4-5-6-1-2
Posse #7 - #8	10-11-12-7-8-9	Posse #19 - #20	4-5-6-1-2-3
Posse #9 - #10	11-12-7-8-9-10	Posse #21 - #22	5-6-1-2-3-4
Posse #11 - #12	12-7-8-9-10-11	Posse #23 - #24	6-1-2-3-4-5

There is no scheduled lunch break so plan accordingly!

Cannon shot indicates shooting has ended. Range is now cold.

The Howling Wolf Saloon will open after cannon shot. No guns permitted in the Wolf.

6 p.m. Dinner with entertainment and dancing to the Rudy Parris Band. During dinner the top 16 men and women will be invited to shoot the Mano & Womano Shoot Off on Sunday morning.

Sunday - May 6

7:30 a.m. Cowboy church in the Howling Wolf Saloon.

9 a.m. "BIG DOG" SHOOT OFF: Come and see the fastest 16 men and women shoot for the top spot at Stage 2. No carnival, just speed. Count is 10, 10, and 6+. Winner will shoot four times for the award. THEN for bragging rights the coup de grâce will be Mars vs. Venus.

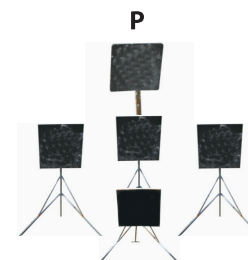
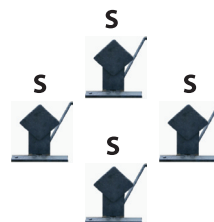
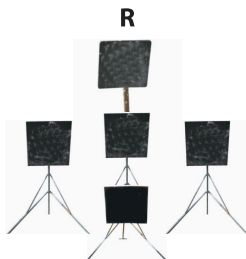
Noon Awards Ceremony

Mark your calendars for next year's Shootout at 5 Dogs Creek! May 2 - 5, 2012

STAGE 1

General BEAUREGARD

(1818 - 1893)



Pos. 1



Pos. 2

Shooter begins at shooting position 1 with both hands flat on table.
Rifle and shotgun staged safely. When ready say, "***This means war.***"

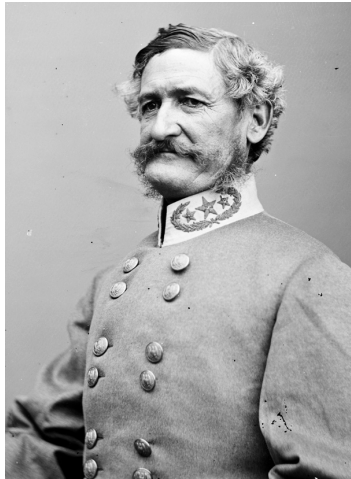
At the beep: Chorro Valley sweep the rifle targets.

(A Chorro Valley sweep is specified as a horizontal 5 shot Nevada sweep and a vertical 5 shot Nevada sweep. Shoot horizontal or vertical first, from either end.)

Knock down all shotgun targets, any order.

Move to position 2 and shoot a Chorro Valley sweep with both pistols.

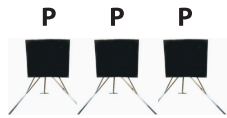
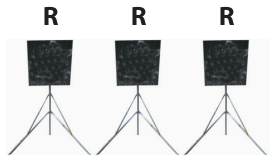
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STAGE 2

General SIBLEY

(1816 - 1886)



Pos. 1



Pos. 2



Pos. 3

Stage rifle and shotgun safely.

With hands on hips, when ready say, "***This is a long march.***"

At the beep: Start and finish with the gun of your choice .

With rifle engage target 2 (middle target) with double tap then sweep the 3 targets once.

Repeat instruction.

Pistols, same as rifle.

Shotgun, engage targets until all down.

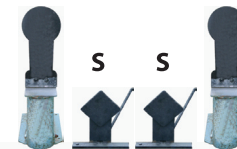
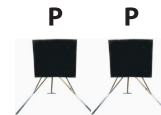
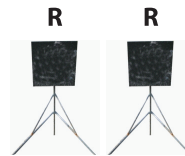
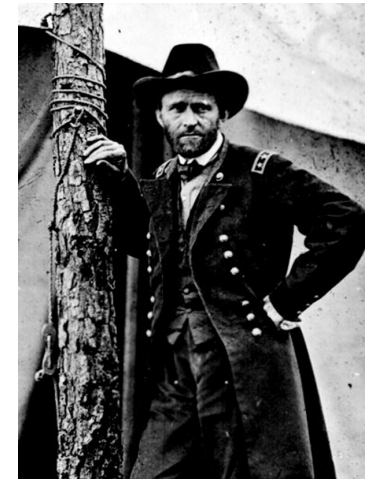
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SHOTGUN CHALLENGE

STAGE 3

General GRANT

(1822 - 1885)



Pos. 1

Pos. 2

Stage rifle at shooting position 1. Stage shotgun at shooting position 2.

At shooting position 1, with hands at low surrender, say, "**Load faster.**"

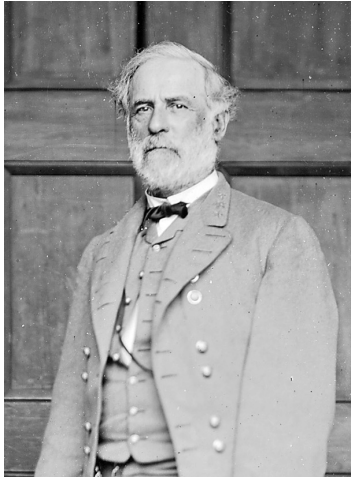
At the beep: With pistols, double tap alternate continuous sweep the two pistol targets.

With rifle, same as pistols.

Move to position 2 and knock down all shotgun targets and birds in any order.

A miss on a bird is a miss.

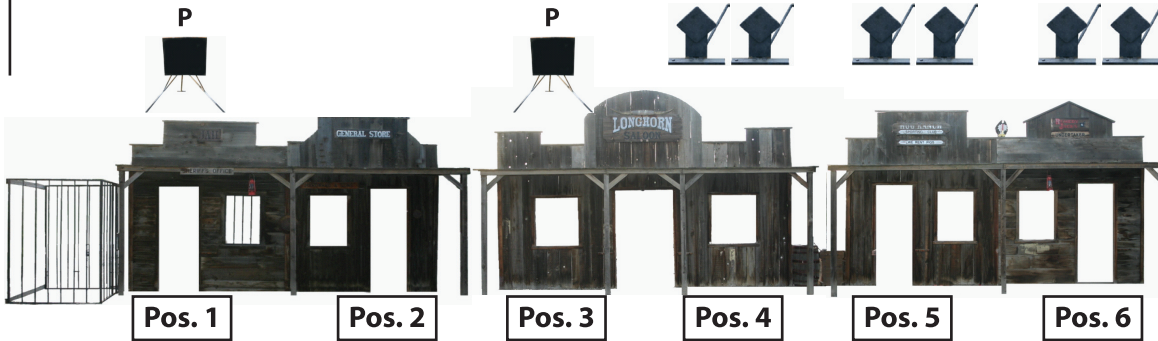
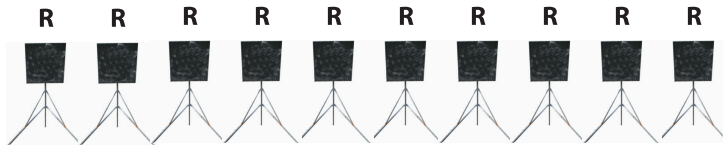
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STAGE 4

General LEE

(1807 - 1870)



Stage rifle at shooting position 2. Stage shotgun at shooting position 4.
At shooting position 1, with hands on hat, when ready say, "**Fire at will!**"

At the beep: With pistol, shoot 5 on pistol target.

Move to position 2 and put one shot on each rifle target.

Move to position 3 and with pistol put 5 on pistol target.

Move to position 4, pick up shotgun and knock down 2 shotgun targets.

Move to position 5 and knock down two shotgun targets.

Move to position 6 and knock down two shotgun targets.

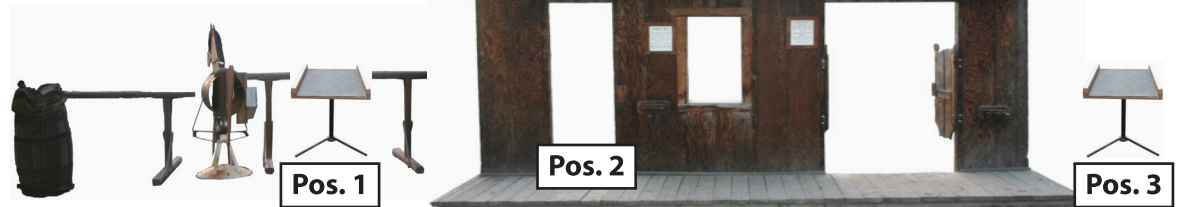
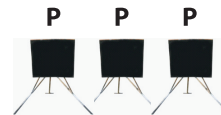
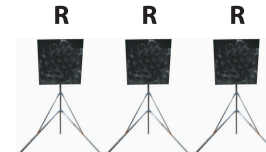
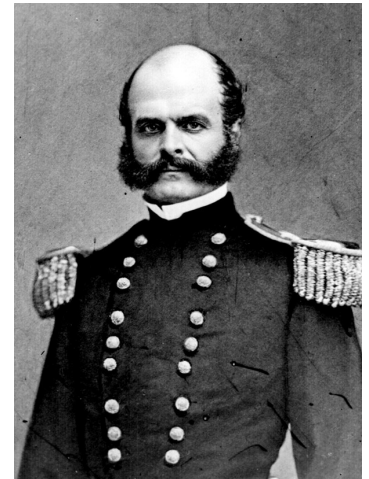
Lefties may start at shooting position 6.

10 Rifle ★ 10 Pistol ★ 4+ Shotgun

STAGE 5

General BURNSIDE

(1824 - 1881)



Stage rifle and shotgun safely.

With hands behind back, when ready say, "**Keep your head down.**"

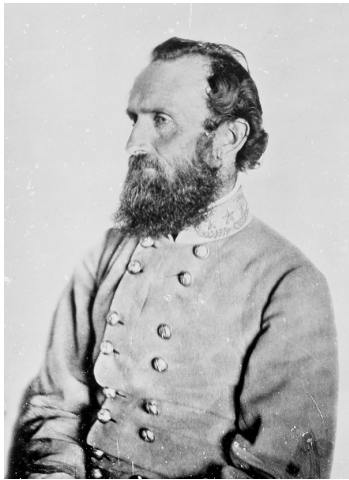
At the beep: Start and finish with the guns of your choice.

Engage the 3 pistol targets 3,4,3 in any order.

Engage the 3 rifle targets 3,4,3 in any order.

Knock down all shogun targets.

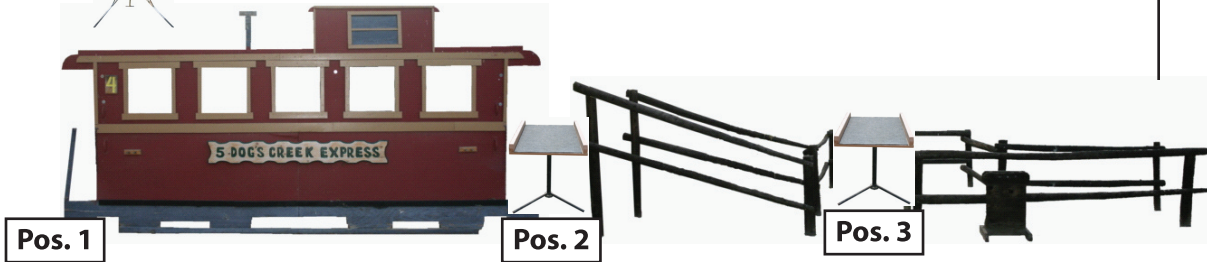
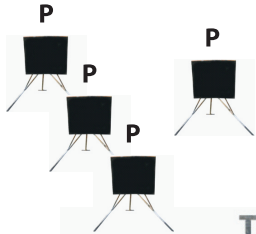
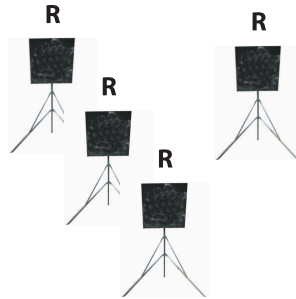
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STAGE 6

General JACKSON

(1824 - 1863)



Shotgun staged at shooting position 3. Rifle staged at shooting position 2.

Start at shooting position 1. When ready, say, "**Line up here and shoot.**"

At the beep: With pistols, put 10 shots on 4 pistol targets, each target must be engaged at least once.

Move to position 2, with rifle, same as pistols.

Move to position 3, with shotgun, all must go down.

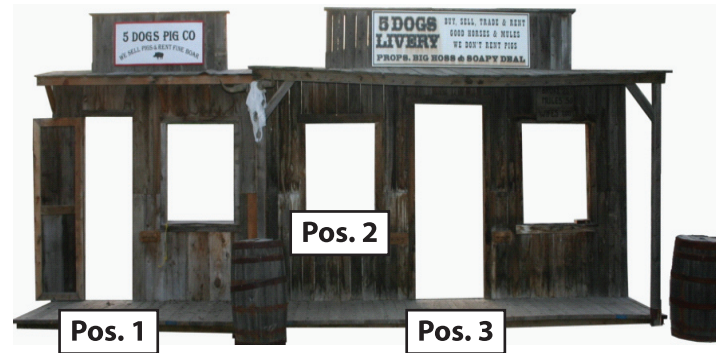
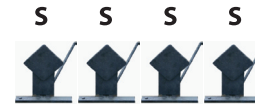
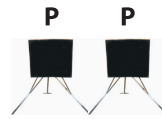
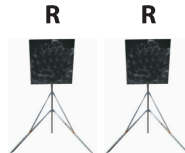
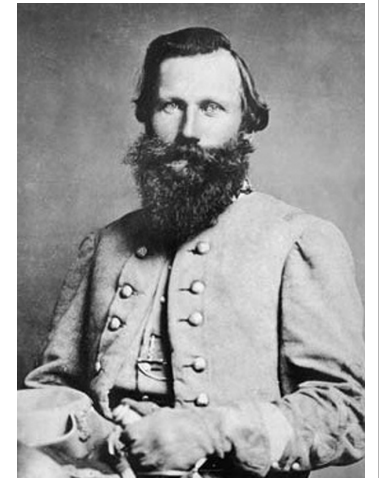
Lefties may start at position 3.

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STAGE 7

General PEMBERTON

(1814 - 1881)



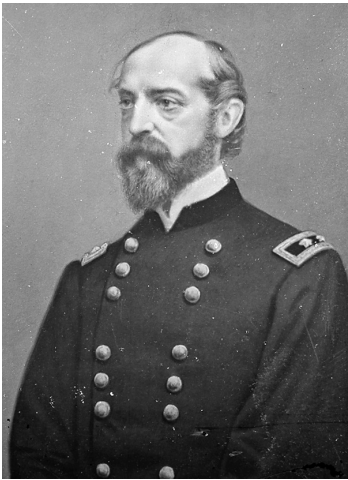
Shotgun staged at shooting position 3. Rifle at port arms at shooting position 1.
When ready say, "**Move out.**"

At the beep: With rifle shoot 1 on rifle target 1 and 2 on rifle target 2. Repeat for 10 rounds.
Start at left or right.

Move to position 2 and with pistols shoot 1 on pistol target 1 and 2 on pistol target 2.
Start at left or right.

Move to position 3 and shoot shotgun targets until all down.

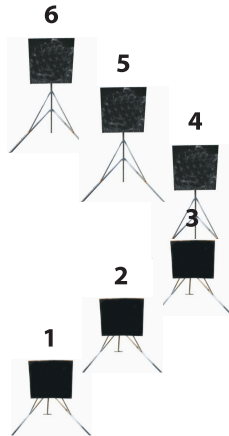
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STAGE 8

General MEADE

(1815 - 1872)



Stage shotgun at shooting position 1. Stage rifle at shooting position 2.

With hands crossed on chest, when ready say, "**See you on Little Round Top.**"

At the beep: With rifle and pistol shoot targets 1 on 1, 2 on 2, 3 on 3, 4 on 4, 5 on 5, and 6 on 6.

Reload to complete series at any time after the beep. Any order on shooting and loading.

Shoot all shotgun targets until down. May start and finish with gun of your choice.

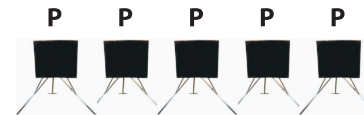
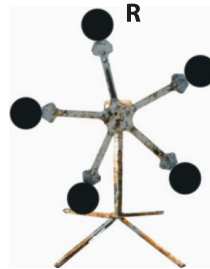
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RIFLE CHALLENGE

STAGE 9

General SHERIDAN

(1831 - 1888)



Rifle and shotgun staged safely.

Sitting in the outhouse, when ready say, "**My canteen has a hole in it.**"

At the beep: Move to shooting position 1, pick up rifle and engage Texas star until all targets fall off.
With any remaining rounds engage the mine shaft target.
A miss on the mine shaft target is not a miss but a hit is a 2 second bonus.

Move to position 2 and with pistols sweep the pistol targets twice.

Pick up shotgun and knock down all shotgun targets.

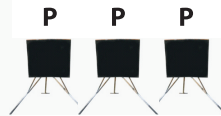
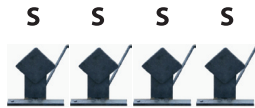
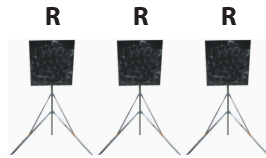
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STAGE 10

General CROOK

(1828 - 1890)



Pos. 1



Rifle and shotgun staged safely.

Start at shooting position 1 with hands on pistols. When ready say, "**Cold Harbor sure is cold.**"

At the beep: With pistols, shoot pistol targets in a continuous double tap Nevada sweep.

With rifle, same as pistols.

With shotgun, knock down all shotgun targets.

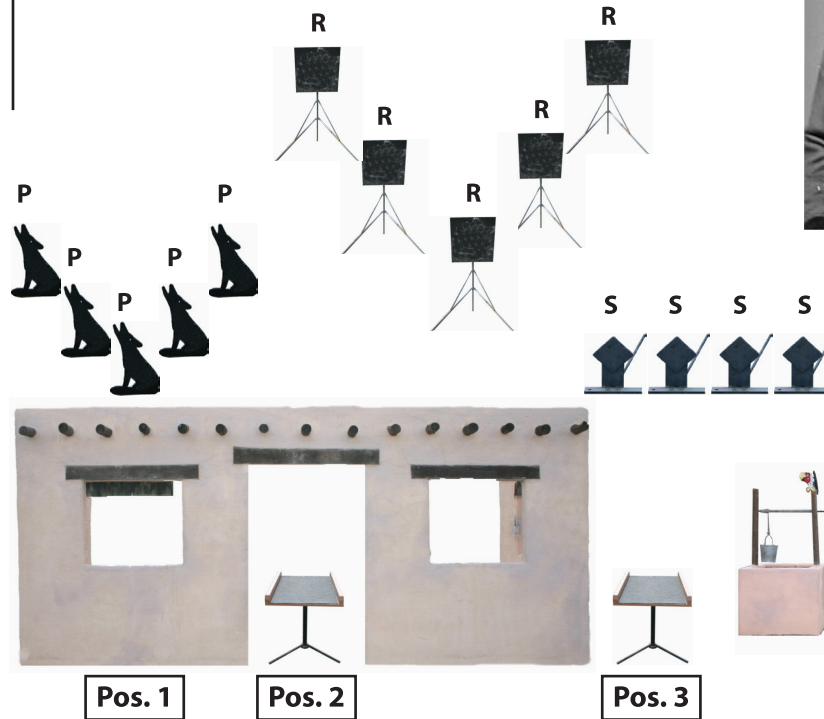
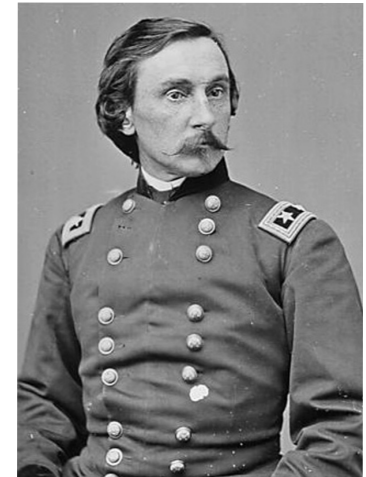
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PISTOL CHALLENGE

STAGE 11

General WARREN

(1830-1882)



Rifle and shotgun staged safely.

With hands at low surrender, when ready say, "**Forward march.**"

At the beep: May start and finish with the gun of your choice. Must use at least 2 shooting positions.

With pistols, engage each dog twice for ten rounds.

With rifle, engage each rifle target twice for 10 rounds.

With shotgun, shoot all shotgun targets until down.

10 Rifle ★ 10 Pistol ★ 4+ Shotgun

HEADQUARTERS, ARMIES OF THE U. S.
 5 P. m., April 7th, 1865
 GENERAL R. E. LEE, Commanding C. S. A.:

April 7th, 1865
 LIEUTENANT-GENERAL U. S. GRANT,
 Commanding Armies of the U. S.

The results of the last week must convince you of the hopelessness of further resistance on the part of the Army of Northern Virginia in this struggle. I feel that it is so, and regard it as my duty to shift from myself the responsibility of any further effusion of blood by asking of you the surrender of that portion of the Confederate States army known as the Army of Northern Virginia.

GENERAL: I have received your note of this date. Though not entertaining the opinion you express of the hopelessness of further resistance on the part of the Army of Northern Virginia, I reciprocate your desire to avoid useless effusion of blood, and therefore, before considering your proposition, ask the terms you will offer on condition of its surrender.

STAGE 12

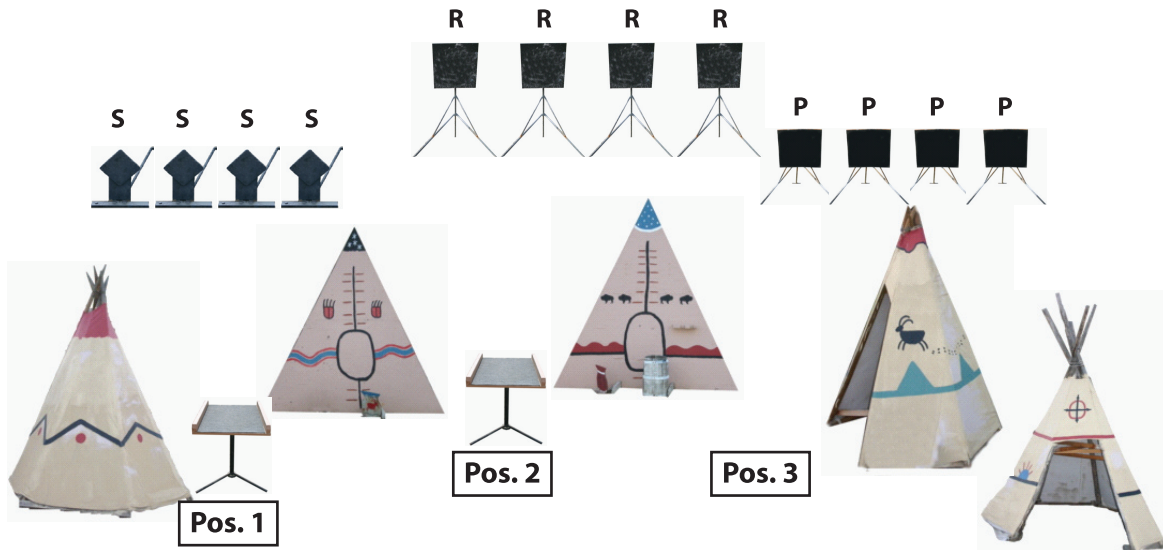
Generals GRANT & LEE

Surrender Letters



R.E. LEE,
 General

U. S. Grant, Lieutenant-General



Shotgun staged safely at shooting position 1, rifle staged safely at shooting position 2.

Shooter starts at Tepee with one hand touching Tepee. When ready say, "**The war is over.**"

At the beep: Move to shooting position 1 and knock down all the shotgun targets.

Move to position 2 and engage the rifle targets from either end in a Badger sweep 1,2,3,4,1,2,3,1,2,1

Move to position 3 and engage the pistol targets from either end in a Badger sweep 1,2,3,4,1,2,3,1,2,1

10 Rifle ★ 10 Pistol ★ 4+ Shotgun

The Angel of Fredericksburg

The date was December 13, 1862, the locale the Stone Wall at the base of Marye's Heights near Fredericksburg, Virginia. It was here, during the Battle of Fredericksburg, that a young Confederate soldier by the name of **Richard Rowland Kirkland**, performed acts of such courage and heroism that he will forever be inshrined by soldiers past, present and future.

Union soldiers were attacking the wall only to be repelled and at great cost. Dawn on the 14th revealed a field of 8,000 dead and suffering Federal soldiers. Kirkland could not bear to listen to the cries for water and medical aid. He went to General Joseph Kershaw and requested permission to aid the enemy soldiers. Kershaw refused at first but later relented when Kirkland said he would like to try in spite of certain death. With the general's blessing, he gathered all the canteens he could carry, filled them with water and jumped over the wall. The hail of bullets that greeted him did not find their mark. Not a single bullet touched him as he went about his mission of mercy. Once the Union soldiers realized what Kirkland was up to they ceased fire.

For the next hour and a half, both sides, overwhelmed by his courage, watched at first in silence and then applauded as this young soldier eased the suffering of the enemy. Kirkland was killed at Chickamauga about ten months later. His final words: "Tell Pa I died right."

In 1965 the bronze sculpture pictured here was unveiled by the Stone Wall. The artist was Felix de Weldon who is best known for his sculpture of the flag raising at Iwo Jima.



Bakersfield National Cemetery

Charity for the 2012 Shootout at 5 Dogs Creek

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is a final resting place for the men and women
who have dedicated themselves
to preserving the freedom of the United States of America.*

*The cemetery is situated on 500 acres of oak studded rolling hills
donated by Tejon Ranch Company.*

*It is a solemn place of quiet solitude
deserving only to those who have served this great country.
A place where family, friends and comrades come to reflect
and remember their heroes.*

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