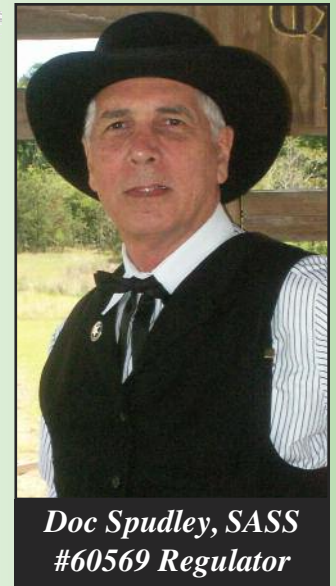


Annual Reports

Hot Lead in DEADWOOD

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Quick draw shooting with Yosemite Sam (© Warner Bros. Entertainment).

Hot Lead 2016 was a great success, considering the town of Deadwood was under three feet of water from the south Louisiana floods just two months before the match. Clean up, repairs, and painting was needed for all the stages. Thanks to the members, everything was ready in time for the big event. This year we were honored to have the founder of SASS, Judge Roy Bean (SASS #1) and Justice Lily Kate (SASS #1000) join us to cele-

brate our Hot Lead annual match. The event started Friday with side matches. Side matches included the Texas Star, speed pistol, fastest three-gun, pocket pistol/derringer, man-on-man, and a quick draw with Yosemite Sam. The Yosemite Sam quick draw has become one of our most popular competition challenges, where two shooters compete to see who is fastest on the draw. Blanks are used to shoot balloons held by a cutout of Yosemite Sam; the first balloon to break lights up one of

Sam's eyes. (Yosemite Sam is © Warner Bros. Entertainment.) Friday evening after the side matches, everyone enjoyed a fine meal and socializing at one of our local restaurants. Saturday morning, before the match started, a group picture was taken of all the participants, and there was a good group in attendance. Shooters came from Florida, Mississippi, Arkansas, Texas and Louisiana. The weather was perfect—cool mornings and mid 70s in



Texas Flower (SASS #43753) blazing away at the derringer side match.



Top Man and Lady shooters, Copenhagen Calhoun (SASS #95060) and Dixie Deadeye (SASS #88756).



Cajun Outlaw and Donna provided the match with delectable food.

days by Cajun Outlaw (SASS #95535) and his wife Donna. You can't beat good Cajun gumbo. If you can't shoot good, you will surely eat good.

Saturday afternoon following lunch, Duke City Deadeye (SASS #80657) held the Wild Bunch match, which consisted of two

stages with plenty of movement and a lot of action. Saturday evening, we all gathered at Mike Anderson's Restaurant in Gon-
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the afternoon. Saturday morning kicked off the main match with five stages and another five stages on Sunday. The five stages we shot each day went by quickly and all shooters were done shortly after noon. A great lunch was prepared both

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zales for a great banquet. Good food and lots of it. After everyone had their fill, the side match winners and best-dressed awards were presented. There was plenty of time to socialize and participate in the bucket raffle for the numerous guns that were to be given away.

Sunday afternoon, following the last five stages and

lunch, there was the presentation of awards. Custom Deadwood buckles were presented to the category winners and the top male and female shooters were presented a beautifully engraved trophy. A special trophy, the Golden Toilet, was awarded to the last place shooter, Squawty Bawdy (SASS #62932). All in all it was a great weekend, perfect weather,

good food, and a lot of fun.

Deadwood is a cowboy town in Sorrento, Louisiana, between New Orleans and Baton Rouge. Monthly matches are held on the first and third Saturdays of each month and the annual match is the fourth weekend in October. Please visit www.deadwoodmarshals.com for scores and for more information on the Deadwood Marshals. 🤠

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