

Feb. 23, 2019
Winter Range RG Meeting

Meeting Opened and Chaired by Blackjack Zak

1. **TG Summit:** Misty reported there was less than 50% response to email surveys sent to TGs. A large number weren't even opened. There was a low positive response to a Las Vegas meeting leaving the questions of where and when will issues be addressed. This item is addressed later in meeting as well as these minutes.
2. **Social Media:** ROC & SASS officials stated that Social Media (Facebook, etc.) not be considered an official SASS site. SASS Wire Forum is an official SASS site created for member discussion. The ONLY official place for OFFICIAL clarifications and WTCs is the SASS Wire Forum, and direct communications from SASS/ROC. Social Media is not "official" for anything.
3. **New ROC:** ROC now identified as Virgil Earp (Chairman), Blackjack Zak (Vice Chairman), Deuce Stevens, Pale Wolf, Red River Wrangler. The ROC was trimmed down to active shooting ROC members and is working better to achieve the aim of the ROC. The ROC does NOT make rules – this is the purview of the Territorial Governors. The ROC clarifies the existing rules according to original intent when written and recommends changes as necessary. There is an interest in bringing in EU representation on the ROC.
4. **SASS Rules:** A passing, verbal comment from an ROC member(s) is not official. Also, the SASS.net Forum is only used by Pale Wolf/ROC to make clarifications to current rules, not to change rules. (e.g.: Hammer back on rifle leaving LT still a SDQ – currently there is NO change to this rule – there has only been **discussion** at EOT). IF shooters/clubs have a desire to change/make rules then they need to bring this up to SASS through their TGs – there needs to be a ground swell. These and other like items for rulings should be emailed to Misty as agenda item(s). Emails sent to info@Sassnet.com will go to Misty.
5. **Member Safety Training:** On SASS home site there is a list of Black Pins with their email addresses available for member safety training (RO courses) to contact for RO classes for members. If a person is NOT on this list (on the SASS Website), they are NOT a qualified/current instructor.

6. **The ROI and ROII Classes** are one way to reach members to educate them. Communication with membership as TGs is key.

7. **Definition of “Fanning”** – is manipulating the hammer anytime TWO hands are not engaged or anchored to each other. The ROC has come up with a formal definition to be included in the SHB Glossary of Terms:

“FANNING: A handgun (revolver, pocket pistol, or derringer) shooting technique in which one hand controls the trigger and the other hits the hammer singularly or repeatedly without any part of the cocking hand remaining in contact with the handgun or the support hand.” (This technique is used extensively in fast draw exhibitions and is illegal in Cowboy Action Shooting.)

8. **TG Role:** Discussion on the role of a TG. How do we unite as TGs for rule changes if so many TGs don't even open emails? How do we stimulate TG participation and therefore member participation? Trickle-down theory TG-members/members-TG/SASS ROC. **Range Operations Management** was emailed and is available on the SASS website – it explains the roles of ROC, RO Instructor Program, RO Safety Court Program Modification Application Program, TG Program. TGs should review this information to be updated on current operations.

9. **TG Summit (revisited):** Discussion on necessity of Summit: A forum for face-to-face discussion/voting vs online forum for discussion/voting. **Options:** 1 or 2-day Summit independent of a major match like EOT or WR where there would be enough time for discussion. An “in-and-out” type of venue.....**Or**.....at a Major Match where a good number of TGs are already present? Specific agenda items with plenty of notice of date and venue are necessary. Most TGs present were in favor of a short but intense Summit. Summit tabled for time being.

Meeting Adjourned. Thank you, **Sassy Dancer** for taking the minutes!