# **ELDORADO COWBOYS**



# ELDORADO CANYON GAZETTE



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Next Shoots
April 4, 2015
And
April 5, 2015
Main Match 9:00
Side Match 8:00



## SCORING WILL BE MANDATORY FOR ALL SHOOTERS

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# BEST SHOOT BY A DAM SITE UPDATE

We are within 37 days of the Ninth Annual Best Shoot by a Dam Site.

We are currently at 76 names registered and on Will Call. At this time last year we were at 73 registrations. We scored out 85 shooters in 2014. We have a little way to go. If you are planning on attending this year's Dam Site and have not let Charming know, please drop her an email at ECowboys02@aol.com and she will put you on the list pending the arrival of your registrations.

Click on Eldoradocowboys.com for the latest Who Is Coming List.

Thank you for letting us know as soon as possible. We have lunch guarantees, name badges and shooter books to print.

### ELDORADO 2015 UPDATE

The website is up and running. We are accepting registrations. Just go to the website and click on Eldorado 2015 and the Event Details to get a registration form.

We are accepting Will Call registrations. After Dam Site we will start working on the specifics such as posses and stages.

Just as a reminder, there are five major shoots in a row in this time frame. We know you probably have to choose. We hope that Eldorado will be one of your choices.

4 Corners Regional Legends Sept. 24 thru 26, 2015 Hurricane, UT

Nevada State Eldorado Oct. 1 thru 4, 2015 Boulder City, NV

Huntsman Senior Games Oct. 6 thru 10, 2015 Hurricane, UT

Western Divisional Gunfight Behind the Jersey Lilly Oct. 15 thru 18, 2015 Norco, CA

> Arizona State Bordertown Oct. 21 thru 25, 2015 Tombstone, AZ

## CLEAN SHOOT STANDINGS YTD 3/1/2015

Just Ace 4 Blazin' Betsy 2

Way to keep it in the family. Good luck to everyone on April 4 and 5, 2015.



# Off Target with Creeker Eldorado Canyon Gazette

This Month: New Car Shopping.

My truck is old. The desert sun has blistered and peeled the formerly red paint and clear coat from the hood and roof. And what paint is left is a mottled pink color. The exhaust rumbles from a driveway installed "Cherry Bomb" muffler that replaced the factory unit when it fell off on I-15 one morning. The drivers side rear wheel is missing a lug nut and the center caps vacated the wheels a long time ago. The grey cloth interior is worn and stained from a thousand drive through visits and an occasional spilled coke. And the air conditioning has not worked since George Bush was President (the first one). The odometer bears testament to this history reading 246 thousand and 918 miles. Yup, my truck is old.

#### So, I decided that I "need" a new car.

First stop - the Auto Mall. I exit my old truck and begin my walk across the lot. Ooooh, shiny pretty things. Bright red Ram Hemi pickups. Laguna blue Corvettes. Lifted Jeep Wranglers. Midnight black Mustangs. Every one of them sparkling in the sun like a vampire in a chick flick.

And then I see it. It draws me to it like a moth to a flame. A gorgeous hugger orange Camaro convertible. White rally stripes and polished aluminum wheels. Two tone leather seats and carbon fiber interior trim. I tell my heart to be still, but it is too late. I am already in love. My hand tremblingly caresses the deck lid spoiler, while "Steppenwolf - Born to be Wild" plays in my head. I begin to slowly circle, taking in her every line. The curve of her fenders, the softness of the cloth top, the tint of her windows all committed to loving memory. Her window sticker listing her glorious options; V8, BOSE Whoops, hang on just a second. What is this number here at the bottom? \$43,997? No, that cannot be right. Obviously, someone has made an error. I just wanted to purchase a car, not a small house in the Midwest. And as fast as I fell in love – I am over it. Love is fickle that way.

# I return to my faded truck – the realization coming over me that I simply cannot afford a "NEW" car. What now?

Well, there is always the used option. But after being heart broken by the Camaro, I am determined to shop elsewhere for my used choices.

There are plenty of reputable name brand dealers with used car selection on Sahara; I determine that is the direction for me.

Rainbow colorful pennants snapping in the wind and an inflatable King Kong with "Low Prices" printed across the giant gorillas chest encourage me that these vehicles may be a little closer to my ideal price point. I pull into the used lot to explore my choices. These seem nice enough. A gold Chrysler Sebring convertible. A green Toyota Celica. A burgundy Dodge Durango.

Hey, what's this? A 2006 BMW 325i; silver metallic with black pinstripes. Fancy wheels and new tires. Hey, this thing has leather seats? Very cool; Bavarian Motor Works - yeah I admit it, I'm mildly infatuated. I can see myself driving a German car. Still, I understand something classy and stylish is not going to be cheap. I reach through the window and turn the ignition. The engine idles with a muted exhaust note that invites my infatuation just a little more. The odometer lights up and shows 98, 472 miles. That's a lot of miles, but it's a German car, it should be good for a lot more. I imagine my hands on the wheel and I can hear the stereo blasting "Queen - Bohemian Rhapsody"

The salesman approaches me and I ask, "Whats the price on this one?" He consults his pocket cheat sheet and responds, "Nice choice, that one is one of the best deals on the lot. It is only \$11,999."

What? Perhaps my hearing is beginning to go. Did you say you wanted \$11,999 for a 9 year old car with nearly 100 thousand miles on it? And that is one of the "best" deals on the lot? My infatuation fades as I turn the key back off and begin walking back to my truck.

# Apparently I cannot afford a "USED" car from a name brand dealer. What now?

Super used? The discount car lots downtown and along Boulder highway? Are those even an option? I turn the wheel and head that way.

"Buy HERE – Pay HERE" "We FINANCE", the colorful signs shout to anyone interested. As I step out of my truck, the pavement is soft and sticky; years of leaked gasoline, oil, coolant and transmission fluid has taken its toll on the lot. Ritchie Valens "La Bamba" blares over the outdoor speaker system. No pristine lot queens here; these are vehicles with some history. But to be fair, these prices look pretty good. A 2003 Ford F150 is marked \$2499. Here's a 2005 Firebird convertible tagged \$3999.

Is that a Jaguar? Sure enough. That's a Jaguar XK8. Cool car. \$4999? Maybe a very cool car. I walk around the leaping cat and take a mental inventory. It could use new tires. No big deal, I've got a Discount tire credit card. Paint is a little faded, but I can always get it repainted next year; it is good enough for this summer.

No major dents or dings. \$4999. If this thing runs and drives okay, we might just have a winner. I can already picture the windows down and the radio cranked up, "Kenny Loggins - Footloose" playing way too loudly. I wave the sales guy over and tell him, "I like it. How much room do you have on the price? Is it negotiable?"

He looks back at me with a puzzled look on his face. I ask again, "I'm interested in the Jag, can you guys do any better on the price?" He laughs and points to the tag. Under the \$4999 price point. Under the "Made in China" label. In teensy, tiny little lettering is printed the single word "DOWN". That Ford F150? \$2499 down followed by three years of \$300 a month. That Pontiac Firebird convertible? \$3999 down followed by \$350 a month for three years. The Jaguar? \$4999 down followed by...Don't have a clue, because I didn't stick around to find out.

# So, I guess I cannot afford a "USED" car from the discount lots either. What now?

I did the only thing I could do...I walked to my truck and opened the faded red door; slid into my worn cloth seat and inhaled the familiar scent of old French fries. I turned the ignition to start and listened to the rumble of a loud muffler and the rattle of a quarter million mile engine. Reached to the radio, cranked it up and listened to "Lynyrd Skynyrd - Sweet Home Alabama" while I drove it home.

I guess I don't really "need" a new car. This one is fine.

Not cowboy - not my usual. Just something I felt like writing. Hope it is interesting

#### **BRPC MEMBERSHIP**

It has come to our attention that some BRPC members have been waiting for renewal notices from the Range Office. They do not send individual reminders. A note is put in the fall newsletter. If you have not yet renewed, all you have to do is make a check out for \$75 and return it along with a note to BRPC at the address shown on the web site. You only need to tell them of any changes to your profile - i.e. email address or phone number.

#### ELDORADO RAMBLINGS

### TWO MEMBERS OF THE CAS FAMILY HAVE PASSED ON

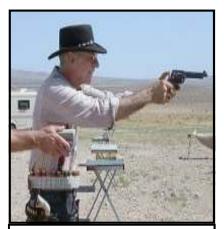
It is with great sorrow that we advise the Cowboy Action Shooting family of the passing of two long time SASS and Eldorado Cowboys in the month of March.

Please take a moment to remember these cowboys and their grieving families in your thoughts and prayers.

We will miss them.



YUKON JAKE
Jan U. A. Leysen
SASS # 8162
Eldorado Cowboy # 33



DICK WEST

Gary Define

SASS # 13525

Eldorado Cowboy # 3

CONGRATULATIONS - to the Nevada shooters for their showing at Winter Range, 2015. Good job everyone.

WINTER RANGE	2015	
CATEGORY	ALIAS	
B Western	Ace of Hearts	13th
Buckarette	Kota Khaos	3rd
Classic Cowboy	Willie Bentfoot	30th
Duelist	Pecos Nick	1st
Duelist	Philly Slim	5th
Elder Statesman	Tahoe Dave	59th
Forty Niner	Quickly Downunder	27th
Forty Niner	Renegade Rob	36th
Frontier Cartridge	Dutch Dalton	2nd
Frontier Cartridge	Dan Diamond	9th
Gunfighter Lady	Runamuck Kate	5th
Senior Lady	Nevada Blaze	14th
Senior Lady	Lady of Glitter Gulch	15th



### Links:

Eldorado Website: - www.eldoradocowboys.com

Nevada CAS Forums (Talk to your friends, buy and sell guns, learn about other Nevada clubs):

http://nevadacas.proboards51.com/

SASS Website: www.sassnet.com

Boulder Rifle and Pistol Club: www.brpc1.org

Stay safe and have a great time. See you on the range.

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