

The theme for this year's Shootout Under the Midnight Sun, Alaska State Cowboy Action shooting championship is "Women of the West".

A chili cook off will be held Friday afternoon following the side matches. All participants, conventioners and guests, are welcome to enter a chili. The crowd favorite winning chili will earn the chef a chef's hat, apron and medallion. Dinner will consist of the chili and fixings.

Side matches will be held Friday afternoon. Competitions will include a variety of speed and accuracy events with main match rifles, pistols and shotguns. Some guns and ammo will be available for derringer and big bore events so that everyone can participate. All competitors get one free entry for each side match event. "Do over" rounds will cost \$5 a try with the proceeds going to the club charity fund.

The banquet is Saturday night starting at 5:00 p.m. at the Valley Church of Christ, 1125 E. Majestic View Circle, Wasilla; about a 15 minute drive from the range. A costume contest will be held for the best banquet costume. Judging will take place during the banquet with judges determining the best-dressed cowboy and cowgirl. Considerations will include appearance, adherence to the theme, and backstories about your costume. No special entry is required to be judged, just come dressed in your finest! Rooms for freshening up and changing are available in the church building.

Trophies will be awarded Sunday afternoon at the conclusion of the shooting once both ranges have been struck. While awaiting scores, drawings will be held for various prizes. No special entry is required for the prizes.

Some table space will be available for a sale table the entire weekend. All items must be clearly marked with your name and the asking price. Please only bring items that are related to Cowboy Action Shooting or Wild Bunch.

Accommodations: There are several hotels and campgrounds in the Palmer-Wasilla area. A select few rooms may be available at a discounted price for a local historic hotel. Contact Flaco Joe at 907-982-5097 for more information.

Some Local Hotels:

Valley Hotel, Palmer, (907) 745-3330, about 3.5 miles from the range

Pioneer Motel, Palmer, (907)745-3425 about 4 miles from the range

Grandview Inn & Suits, Wasilla, (907) 352-1700 about 7.5 miles from the range

Some Local RV Parks:

Big Bear, Wasilla, (907)745-7445 about 6 miles from the range

Fox Run, Palmer, (907)745-6120 about 1 mile from the range

Round count for the match:

120 Rifle 120 Pistol 56 shotgun Plus ammo for the side matches.

If you need assistance or have questions, contact Flaco Joe at 907-982-5097.