# Independence Day Shoot - Saturday July 7, 2018

#### **Generals of the American Revolution**

## Stage 1

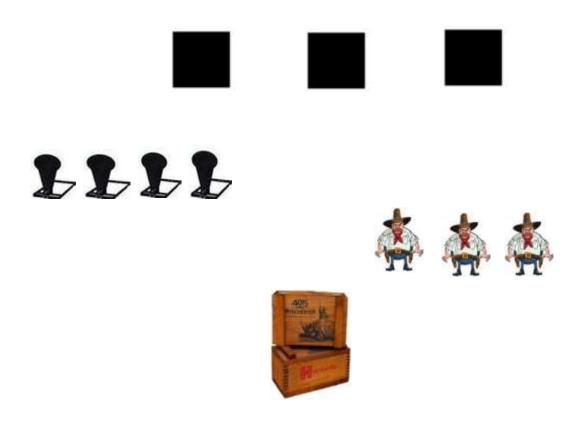
#### George Washington, Nathaniel Greene

George Washington, of course is at the top of the list. Early defeats at war's outset. The loss of New York, struggles at Valley Forge, victory at Trenton on Christmas and then the ultimate victory. Quite a tumultuous ride but Washington persevered.

Nathaniel Greene was Washington's most trusted Lieutenant. He had his pitfalls in New York as did most everyone. He survived and was involved in Trenton, Princeton, Brandywine, Germantown, and Monmouth. He also led a successful southern campaign. Washington's first choice to succeed him should that become necessary.

- 2 Pistols 5 rounds each holstered
- 1 Rifle 10 rounds staged on Ammo Boxes
- 1 Shotgun at least 4 rounds staged on Ammo Boxes

Shooter starts standing behind ammo boxes, arms spread. To start the clock the shooter repeats a quote By Samuel Adams to John Hancock at the Battle of Lexington, Apr 19, 1775 - **"What a glorious morning this is!**" ATB with rifle engage the center target with 3 rds. then each outside target with 1 rd. With second 5 rds. engage targets with 1 rd. on each outside target (no double taps) Then 3 rds. back on the center target. Restage. Move past the right side cactus and repeat the rifle instructions with the pistols. Holster pistols. Move past opposite cactus and with shotgun engage poppers. PMF.



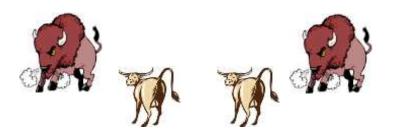
#### **Benedict Arnold, Horatio Gates**

Benedict Arnold, before committing treason, was in fact, considered a top-notch combat commander. Fearless and aggressive. He had his disagreements with Gates.

Horatio Gates led the colonials to victory at Saratoga. He felt he should have been appointed to Washington's post. Some say his ambition for Washington's job made Washington a better commander.

- 2 Pistols 5 round each holstered
- 1 Rifle 10 rounds staged on table
- 1 Shotgun 4 plus rounds staged on the table

Shooter starts behind the table holding a feather. To start the clock stick the feather in the hat and call it "**Macaroni!**" At the beep with rifle, shoot the 2 end buffalos 3 times each then the 2 bulls butts 2 times each. Restage safely. Move to the left outside the cactus and with the pistols shoot the 2 outside cowboys 3 times each then the 2 Indians 2 times each. Move to the outside of the right cactus and with the shotgun knock down the 4 poppers. PMF









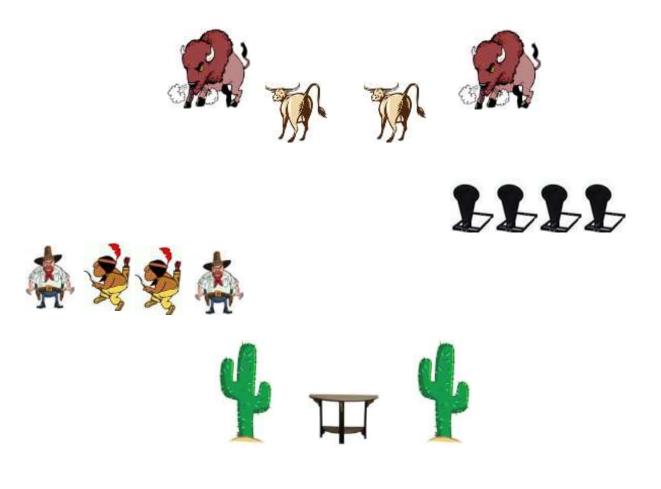
#### Marque de Lafayette, Henry Knox

Marque de Lafayette grew from an inexperienced youth to a rather fine strategist. He was instrumental in the Virginia Campaign and his efforts got the French to support the colonists.

Henry Knox commanded the capture of Fort Ticonderoga, with its valued artillery. This artillery helped with victories at Trenton and Yorktown. It also showed well at the Battles of Princeton and Monmouth. Even in the losses at Brandywine and Germantown the artillery showed its might. Many think Knox is #3 behind Washington and Greene on a top 10 list of Revolutionary generals.

- 2 Pistols 5 round each holstered
- 1 Rifle 10 rounds staged on table
- 1 Shotgun 4 plus rounds staged on the table

Shooter stars to the left of the Cactus hands on hat. To start the clock quote from John Adams in a letter to Abigail Adams Jul 17, 1775 – **"Liberty, once lost, is lost forever**" At the beep with first pistol shoot the 2 inside Indians 3-2. With the second pistol shoot the 2 outside cowboys 3-2 in the same direction as you shot the first Indians. Move to table and retrieve rifle. Repeat the pistol sequence starting with the bulls' butts then the buffalos. Restage rifle safely. Retrieve the shotgun and move to the right side of the cactus and knock down the 4 poppers. PMF



#### Friedrich Wilhelm Von Stuben, Daniel Morgan

Von Stuben even in defeat schooled the colonists in the art of being a professional army. His work at training and discipline as well as his leadership on the field contributed to the colonists' final victory.

Daniel Morgan was at Cowpens, where many say he was brilliant, and played major roles at Quebec, Saratoga and after Monmouth. He understood the manner in which the militia could best be used.

- 2 Pistols 5 round each holstered
- 1 Rifle 10 rounds staged on rock table
- 1 Shotgun 6 plus rounds staged on the rock table

Shooter starts left of the Rock Table rifle at cowboy port arms. To start the clock quote Benjamin Franklin, From Poor Richard's Almanac 1753 **"Haste Makes Waste!"** At the beep shoot Sam, the 4 circles twice (single taps) and then Sam. Move to the rock table and stage the rifle safely. Pic up shotgun and engage the 4 poppers furthest away. Restage shotgun. Move to right of table and with the pistols engage the targets by alternate double tapping the outside cowboys for 8 rounds and double tapping the center target for the last 2 rounds. Move back to Rock table and knock down remaining 2 poppers. NOTE: Shooter may reengage any poppers left standing on the first shotgun pass on the second one. PMF

#### John Sullivan, Louis Duportail, Lord Stirling

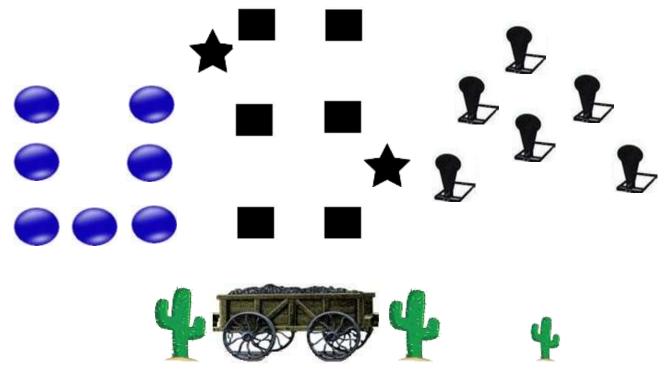
John Sullivan was not a real force as a general but participated in many campaigns. Canada, Long Island, Trenton, Princeton, and Philadelphia. His participation level gets him on the top 10 list.

Louis Duportail was the chief engineer of the Continental Army. Washington valued his services and advice. He made large contributions to the Philadelphia Campaign, winter quarters, in the Highlands, at Savannah, and Yorktown. He did tell Washington not to engage at Philadelphia and New York. He is the father of the engineer corps.

Lord Stirling was the commander of the rear guard that helped Washington's Army escape New York. He was at Trenton, the Philadelphia Campaign, Monmouth, and the Highlands. He commanded the army on the few occasions of Washington's absence. He was very loyal and supportive of Washington.

- 2 Pistols 5 round each staged on the Coal Car
- 1 Rifle 10 rounds staged on the Coal Car
- 1 Shotgun 6 plus rounds staged on the Coal Car

Shooter starts to the left of the coal car to the left of the cactus, one hand above head, fist clenched the other hand at side. To start the clock quote Patrick Henry Mar 23,1775 - "**Give me liberty or give me death!**" ATB, with pistols engage the "U" starting on the top left as one would write a "U". Engage the top two vertical targets with single taps, then across the bottom with double taps, then going up the other side engage the vertical targets with one round each. Holster pistols. Move to coal car. With rifle engage the "S" as you would write it, starting on the top right target, single tapping the squares and double tapping the stars as you engage. Restage. With safe shotgun move past right side cactus and engage the "A" as you would write it, starting on the bottom left. Move up the left side, down the right, with the last round on the middle. PMF.



Steel – 3 large squares 3 Cowboys 3 blue uprights 3 red uprights

- 4 poppers
- 9 bases

## Stages 2 and 3

Steel – 2 buffalo 2 bulls butts 2 cowboys 2 Indians 4 poppers 2 blue uprights 2 white uprights 4 red uprights 10 bases

## Stage 4

Steel – 1 circle Sam rack 3 large squares 4 large circles 3 red uprights 6 poppers

3 bases

# Stage 5

Steel – 4 black double stack uprights 5 short red uprights 1 red upright 1 blue upright 1 white upright 7 large circles 6 large squares 2 stars 6 poppers 12 bases Props – 1 small ammo box 1 large ammo box 2 large cactus 1 small cactus

Props – 1 half moon table 2 large cacti 1 3-cornered hat Feathers

Props – 2 standup cowboys 1 rock table

Props – 1 coal car

- 2 large cacti
- 1 small cactus
- 2 wooden platforms