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Well, I'm back. Actually I never left. Things changed and I had to re think moving away. I won't go into any more details, but it looks like Kerrville will be home for awhile. I plan to pick right up where I left off and try to keep our club moving in the right direction with everyone's help.

Our last match for the year is coming up soon. Free shooting and eating for members. There will lots of food, be worth the trip just to eat and visit.

We had a work party and several folks showed up. We got some needy repairs done. There will not likely be any more work done this year. Thanks to all that came out and helped.

Comancheria Days is getting planned. Red Scott is the match director and he has got the wheels turning and moving along. We got a lot of help already from members and it looks like we will have some major sponsors. I will give some details when they are nailed down. We are trying to gather everything to make a flyer this month and get the word out. We got some folks traveling north and they will be talking us up and we are letting out a free shoot drawing at Fort Parker and at Comin At Cha. The stages and side matches are written, budget set, awards are ordered, we are moving right along. The dates will continue to be the second weekend of April.

The club will end the year with enough funds to launch the match and make any stage repairs, upgrades on the range, road rebuild or whatever comes up. We didn't get a chance this year to do repairs to the office and storage areas and we will be carrying those funds over for next year. We won't be able to put these repairs off next year along with stage repairs, including rebuilding of loading tables. There will lots of work in 08.

I will end the note quickly this month and would like to thank everyone for their support on my decisions to move or stay. It's really something special to be involved in our sport around the hill country and have so many friends.

See Ya on the range
Dusty Chambers

September 8, 2007

Overall Winners:

- 1) Lassiter 2) Reverend Trinity 3) Calvin N Hobbes 4) Barbary Coast
- 5) Pineywoods Jim 6) Alley 7) Picoso Kid 8) Jonah Stark
- 9) Dusty Leather 10) Hopalong

Class Winners:

Grand Dame - Stetson Hattie
Ladies 49er - Tombstone Mary
Ladies Gunfighter - Cat Caliber
Ladies Modern - Barbary Coast
Classic Cowboy - Wild Bill Munch
Men's Cody Dixon - Bad Hand
Men's "B" Western - Reverend Trinity
Men's 49er - Lassiter
Men's Frontier Cartridge - Gimpy James
Men's Frontier Cartridge Duelist - Yuma Jack
Men's Senior - Dusty Leather
Men's Super Senior - Pineywoods Jim
Men's Traditional - Picoso Kid
Men's Modern - Colonel Mack
Men's Duelist - Six Gun Jack
Men's Senior Duelist - Newt Ritter
Men's Gunfighter - Will Peso
Elder Statesman - Double Dare Kid

Speed Stage Winner:

Calvin N Hobbes

Clean Match:

Barbary Coast, Handsome Tom, Hopalong, Dirty Dog Dale, Pineywoods Jim, Alley

Only 1 Miss:

Double Dare Kid, Tombstone Mary, Calvin N Hobbes, Newt Ritter, Red Scott

September 23, 2007

Overall Winners:

- 1) Reverend Trinity
- 2) A D Texas
- 3) Ben Sliepen
- 4) Dusty Leather
- 5) Wild Bill Munch
- 6) Big Iron Patnode
- 7) Listo Kid
- 8) Scuririlous John
- 9) Lil Bingo
- 10) Grouchy Spike

Class Winners:

Grand Dame - Stetson Hattie
Ladies 49er - Abiquiu Sue
Ladies Traditional - Lil Bingo
Juniors - Lead Dodger
Men's Frontier Cartridge - Blue Thorn
Men's Frontier Cartridge Duelist - Pinata Kid
Classic Cowboy - Wild Bill Munch
Men's 49er - A D Texas
Men's B Western - Reverend Trinity
Men's Senior - Dusty Leather
Men's Senior Duelist - Buck Bradley
Men's Super Senior - Listo Kid
Men's Traditional - Big Iron Patnode
Men's Duelist - Two Shot Tex
Men's Gunfighter - Dangerous Don

Clean Match:

Pinata Kid, Sassy Hatter, A D Texas

Only One Miss:

Blue Thorn, Reverend Trinity, Dusty Leather, Lightfoot Louie, Dirty Dog Dale

FIGHT AT NUECES CANYON

by Quintana

In the dry and rocky portions of West Texas a raiding party of fifteen to twenty Comanche could go through the country without leaving a sign. A trailer was considered a very effective man. This faculty Texas Ranger Captain John C. "Jack" Hays had to a marked degree. He could ride along at a good pace and see the signs where other men could see nothing, hence his great tact in overhauling and finishing Indians.

Flacco, a Lipan Apache scout who rode with Hays was quoted, "***Me and Red Wing not afraid to go to hell together. Captain Jack heap brave; not afraid to go to hell by himself***".

About 1844, Kit Ackland, Noah Cherry, Mike Chevalier, Ed Gillespie, Creed Taylor, Sam Walker, an Irishman named Paddy, and others, under the leadership of the bold Jack Hays, made an expedition up the Nueces River in search of Indians. After traveling for a considerable distance, someone about noon of day discovered a bee tree, and the point of entrance of the bees was a considerable distance from the ground. Noah Cherry took a small axe and ascended the tree to get some honey; and his position gave him a vast perspective of the surrounding country. All of a gosh dern sudden, Ranger Noah Cherry sang out, "***Jerusalem! Captain, yonder comes a thousand Indians.***" The Comanche were coming at a rapid gait, However, the Rangers were ready for them. Each Ranger was armed with two Texas Colt five shooters, a rifle and a holstered single-shot pistol.

Captain Jack Hays has been credited with having never lost a single Indian battle, although he was almost invariably greatly outnumbered. Hays had fourteen men and here at the Nueces. They were charged by approximately two hundred Comanche warriors. The Indians, thinking that such a small number of whites would be easily routed, came charging and yelling like wild demons. Captain Hays cried out, "***Now, boys, don't shoot too quick; let them come closer; hit something when you shoot, and stand your ground. We can whip them.***" (*sounds like good advice for CAS*) When the Rangers fired, the Indians who were at close range, lost several of their number, and many of their horses were also wounded. Indeed, they were surprised that the few whites were still standing their ground, so the remaining Indians divided and were making an effort to strike them from each side.

Capt. Jack Hays instantly sprang into his saddle, and shouted, "***After them boys; give them no chance to turn on us; crowd them; powder burn them.***" The Indians fully expected the rangers to assume the defensive, and in a short time, cause them to exhaust their ammunition. Evidently, never before had this particular band of Indians encountered Rangers using the five shooters. Such weapons of war with which they had previously come in contact were single shooters. So, when Hays and his men boldly charged into their very midst, the Indians although outnumbering the Rangers nearly fifteen to one, became completely confused, demoralized, and being unable to rally their forces sought safety in flight. Some of them dropped their bows and shields, and other implements, while trying to dodge the flashing pistols. The rough and ready Rangers charged the Comanche for about three miles. In this mad rush for life, some of them prevented the Rangers from powder burning them, only by the force of their lances. Brave Kit Ackland followed the captain's orders closely, in trying to powder burn the Indians and he was lanced on three different occasions.

When the fight was over, and the Rangers rode back to their bee tree, the Irishman Paddy, said he saw a wounded Indian go into a thicket and that he was going in there after him. Capt. Hays exclaimed, "If there is a wounded Indian in there, you had better let him alone. If you go in where he is, he will kill you before you see him." Paddy persisted in going, and was pierced through the heart by the wounded warrior. Three or four of his companions cautiously advanced to his aid. When the first movement of the wounded Indian became discernible, each of them fired and upon examination, it was found that none of them had missed their mark. Poor Paddy, however, lay dead with an arrow through his heart, and he was buried nearby.

Many years afterwards, the Comanche chief who led his warriors on this occasion, asked a friendly Delaware who it was that made so brave a fight on this occasion. The Delaware replied, that it was Captain Jack Hays, and his Texas Rangers. The chief shook his head and said that he never wanted to fight him again, for his men had a shot for every finger on his hand, and that the Comanche lost half of their number. He also stated that the warriors died for a hundred miles back towards Devil's River.

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