



# Texican Star

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An Authentic Cowboy Action Shooting Club  
that Treasures & Respects the Cowboy Tradition

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## Presidents Corner

Howdy All

The first issue I want to talk about is our workers at the Texican Rangers. We have been hard at it, range repair and upgrades since January. We accomplished a heck of a lot for Comancheria Days and then folks jumped in after that event and kept right on helping. Now the Fort is complete except for 2 braces and maybe some cosmetic stuff as time goes by. Long Range is moved with covered shooting and we have more targets coming to the range. I want to say thanks to all the workers, thanks again for helping to build and maintain your club.

We are not planning any work parties in the near future because of summer heat and time spent on the range already this year. Stage 13 is going to build, might be at the end of the year or the first quarter of next year. This is the old Blacksmiths shop and outhouse area. We are planning a new outhouse there with more plans to come on that stage design.

We are hosting the Texas State Championships in 2010. There is a committee formed to plan/run the match. Those folks are; Handlebar Bob, Sheriff Robert Love, Grouchy Spike, Woody Duit, Fatal Star and myself. If you want to give some input, these are the folks to contact. We are already working on this event, planning awards, targets, badges, stages, food, banquet, etc. Our goal is to stand out and host an event that will have folks coming back to our range and making positive comments on our efforts. Members are already sending in emails asking to help but it will take us another 2 months to fully organize and then we will look at worker needs.

Let's talk about new shooters a moment. If you recognize a shooter on the range that is new to the sport, please take a moment to speak to them and make them feel welcome. The same courtesy goes for a new shooter from another club. Let's make folks feel welcomed at our range at all times. We could use some volunteers to help and coach new shooters on their posse. The volunteers could give advice on weapons and ammo, keep them safe, instruct them in our shooting and show them our “Cowboy Spirit.” If you would like to help, be sure and let one of the officers know.

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Well, for last. We'll be famous soon. Dead Last and Shooting Iron got their chance at stardom working with Evil Roy and Tupelo Flash for the tv show "Cowboys." We were out at Tin Star for a couple of days filming for the show. Dead Last and Shooting Iron got some great instruction and dressed up real good for TV. I hear they both shaved 10 seconds off their stage times by the second day. We also did some cowboy fast draw, setup by a club in North Texas. The fast draw folks tried to recruit us for the sport at first, but after they saw us shooting they were afraid of getting beat by us "Newbie's." The filming crew said that the fast draw show will be another date from the instructional one. They also said they would be back and that they plan to film more show segments in our area.

That's enough for now; see ya soon on the range

Dusty Chambers

**On the Trail with the Vice President**

Several of our club members were on the trail during the month of May. The State Match was held at the Oakwood Outlaws in Oakwood, Texas the first weekend in May and The Resurrection was held at Tin Star in Fredericksburg the last weekend of May. The Resurrection was also the State Black Powder Championships. The results of the matches for our club members are as follows:

**Texas State Match @ Oakwood Outlaws:**

- Hopalong Herbert -----4th Men's Senior
- Big Iron Patnode ----- 3rd Men's B-Western
- Blue Thorn ----- 4th Senior FC
- Listo Kid -----5th Senior FC
- Handlebar Bob ----- 3rd Senior Duelist
- Grouch Spike ----- 5th Senior Duelist
- Cat Caliber -----3rd Lady Gunfighter
- Picosa Kid -----3rd Modern
- Phantom -----1st Wrangler

Clean match: Hopalong Herbert  
Dutch Van Horn

**Resurrection 2009 @ Tin Star Ranch:**

- Big Iron Patnode ----- 1st Men's B-Western FC
- Phantom ----- 1st Cowboy BP
- Yuma Jack ----- 1st Classic Cowboy BP
- Pepper Jacq ----- 3rd Lady's Senior

Resurrection 2009 (continued)

- Dirty Dog Dale ----- 5th Men's 49'r
- Wild Bill Munch ----- 2nd Men's Classic  
Cowboy
- Quintana ----- 5th Men's Senior
- Handlebar Bob ----- 1st Men's Senior Duelist
- Grouchy Spike ----- 5th Men's Senior Duelist
- Buck Bradley ----- 7th Men's Senior Duelist
- Blue Thorn ----- 2nd Men's Senior FC
- Alley -----1st Men's Silver Senior

Congratulations to all! It is rewarding to see our club members going out on the road and supporting other clubs. You are representing the Texican Rangers very well. My apologies to anyone that I left off the list. If I missed your name, please let me know and I will include it in the next newsletter.

Next out of town shoot in Texas is Christmas in July sponsored by the Butterfield Trail Regulators in Abilene. The shoot will be held July 24 -26. It might be a little warm, but you shoot overlooking a lake that provides a good breeze during the day. They will also be hosting the Texas State Rifle Association Championship September 26-27. Here is your opportunity to go to their range and get acclimated for the TSRA.

Shoot straight and drive safe.

Handlebar Bob  
Vice President

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# **SENORA'S DEATH ROW** contributed by Quintana

Lyrics are by Kevin "Blackie" Farrell. Song recorded by Robert Earl Keen, also, by Michael Martin Murphey on his CD "Cowboy Songs III Rymes of The Renegades".

Me and the boy's we cinched up our saddles and rode to Sonora last night  
Gun's hanging proud, darin' out loud for any one lookin' to fight  
Card cheats and rustlers would run for their holes when the boys from the ole Broken O  
Rode up and reined on the street that they named Sonora's Death Row

Mescal is free at Amanda's saloon for the boy's from the ole Broken O  
Saturday nights in the town of Sonora are the best in all Mexico  
They've got guitars and trumpets and sweet señoritas who won't want to let you go  
You'd never believe such a gay happy time on the street called Sonora's Death Row

Inside Amanda's we was a dancin' with all of Amanda's gals  
I won some silver at seven card stud so I was out doin' my pals  
But the whiskey and mescal, peso cigars drove me outside for some air  
Somebody whispered "Your life or your money", I reached but my gun wasn't there

I woke up face down in Amanda's back alley aware of the fool that I had been  
I rushed to my pony, grabbed my Winchester! and entered Amanda's again  
There I saw my partners twirlin' my pistols and throwin' my money around  
Blinded by anger, I jacked the lever! and one of them fell to the ground  
Amanda's got silent like night in the desert, my friends stared in pure disbelief

Amanda was kneeling beside the dead cowboy plainly expressing her grief  
As I bowed my head a tremble shot through me, my six-gun was still at my side  
I felt my pockets, there was my money, I fell to my knees and I cried  
A nightmare of mescal is all that it was for no one had robbed me at all  
I wish I was dreaming the sound of the gallows they're testing just outside  
The wall

The mescal's still free at Amanda's saloon for the boy's from the ole Broken O  
I'd give a ransom to drink there today and be free of Sonora's Death Row  
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Clark "Bullfrog Ike" Fritze,  
Captain Former Texas Ranger Foundation  
Former Texas Ranger Association

**One Riot.....One Ranger**

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## Cowboy Tradin' Post

*"We don't rent pigs." just good folks doin' business the cowboy way:*

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*"If we ain't got it, we'll get it. If we can't get it, you probably didn't need it anyways."*