



Texican Star

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

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The Presidents Corner

Howdy members

Whew...what a relief that the State match was successful and behind us. It was a lot of planning, work and effort. It went very smooth and I am glad that it's done. Calvin N. Hobbes ran a Shooting class with tuition fees of \$900 going to the club. Thursday was a really busy day due to all the volunteer work needed to run the side matches. I wish to thank Calvin and all the side match marshals; they get a ticket into the workers drawing this Saturday.

Blue Thorn

Old Reed

Ima Gutshooter

Bad Hand

Sheriff Robert Love

Captain Gimp

Red Scott

Jonah Stark

Gimpy James

Doc Bradley

Dusty Lone Star

Bull Frog Ike

Handlebar Bob

Woody Duitt

And Whiskers helped Dirty Dog Dale on trail walk. Even a visitor was working the match!

Ya'll should be proud of our club, I am. We really showed them “fellers.”

Remember to vote this weekend for club officers. All the current officers are running for office again, and Marshal Willy is running for Range Master. An email can be sent in this week to Dusty or Handlebar Bob to vote if you cannot make the meeting, or call one of them with your vote. We'll use a ballot box at the shooter's meeting.

The board will meet this weekend with the elected officers to discuss doing the State match again next year. We will let the membership know when a decision has been made.

The workers drawing will be done during the shooters meeting this Saturday. We have a shotgun and a pistol to give away along with a most hours worked award. Every day that someone worked they got a ticket in the “bag.” Spike tracked the days, names and I made up the tickets.

I am ending this message for now, short and sweet this month. Hope to see ya'll on the range! Ride safe **Dusty Chambers**

ON THE TEXICAN RANGERS CALENDAR

Monthly Club Match – May 8th and 9th
Monthly Club Match – June 12th and 13th
Monthly Club Match – July 10th and 11th
Special Club Match – July 31st (?)

Monthly Club Match – August 14th and 15th
Monthly Club Match – September 11th and 12th
Shindig 2010 – October 9th

On the Trail with Handlebar Bob

Well, we did it! A very successful Texas State/Comancheria Days match. It is three days past, but I am STILL not rested. But, our 'exalted' editor says it is time for an article.

Not many cowboys and cowgirls were on the trail in April before Comancheria Days. However, **Phantom** made his way to Jail Break at Oakwood by way of New Boston to see T-Bone Dooley. Kind of an about way to get there from our area, but nevertheless, he made it to Jail Break. Not a bad trip to place second in Wrangler and seventh overall. Give him a job well done next time you see him.

Even though April was lean as far as shoots go, the next four months will be completely different. Here is a list of upcoming shoots:

Texas State Cowboy Lever Action Silhouette Championship May 15th -16th Haltom City and Coolidge, TX
Resurrection at Tin Star May 28-30

Roundup in Cleburne, Texas sponsored by the Lone Star Frontier Shooting Club May 29-30

Battle of Plum Creek in Lockhart June 4-6

End of Trail, Founders Ranch, New Mexico June 21-27

Christmas in July sponsored by the Butterfield Trail Regulators in Abilene July 23-25

Texas State Rifle Association shoot at Oakwood September 25-26

Pack up those saddlebags, hit the trail, and support other Cowboy Action clubs. We need to reciprocate and support other clubs since they supported us at the Texas State/Comancheria Days match.

I'll be on the trail to some of the above shoots and I hope to see you there. Pack your saddlebags and come join me and remember, never joke with mules or cooks as they have no sense of humor.

The Saddlebag by Grouchy Spike

I've been promoted to 'exalted' from 'tolerated' by Handlebar Bob! This is a great day!

While I wasn't shooting Comancheria Days 2010, I enjoyed renewing old acquaintances and making new ones. What an awesome bunch of cowboys and cowgirls in this match!

Dusty Chambers as Match Director and Handlebar Bob as Assistant Match Director organized this match and it worked smoothly, handling 334 shooters for the main match. Madam Ella Moon's administrative organizational skills for registration were beyond reproach. She and Fatal Star ran check-in as though they'd been doing it for years. The volunteers who worked the match, and the volunteers who worked on the range since we began construction of Ft Cimarron in September, were the foundation of this match. What an accomplishment!

I heard comments from visitors about the range being 'manicured'. And the range *does* look like something from a picture. The finishing touch was done by Marshal Willy who cut the grass just before the match, and by Handlebar Bob and Red Scott trimming around trees and stages. The new HQ building was the introduction to the range for our visitors.

And then who could miss Mean Maggie's and the Undertakers with new signs by Buck Bradley, Wild.Texas Rose, and Dusty Leather; and the interior of Mean Maggie's painted up with artwork

by Two Shot and Sassy Hatter. Real western looking!

Nichols Creek delivered water bottles for handout at CD 2010 check-in, compliments of the U.S. Army. Even the Marine veterans in the group were hanging on to them!

Quickdraw Jay volunteered to do odd jobs during the match, helping out wherever he was needed, and constructing the parking area signs. He 'mostly' avoided being distracted by a certain young cowgirl.

Alamo Annie Jett, Captain Gimp, and Mal Viejo ran the water cart to supply shooters with much needed water. Mal Viejo's better half Donna made a water delivery from San Antonio to resupply water and ice. What a team effort!

Captain Gimp and Gimpy James supplied tractors to pull Dusty Lone Star's and Dirty Dog Dale's utility trailers to taxi people between parking and the range. Dangerous Don directed campers and shooters to parking places.

Pinata Kid, Shooting Iron Miller, Fatal Star, Madam Ella Moon, and Red Scott scored the match. Woody Duit and Dirty Dog Dale ran score sheets from the stages to the HQ.. Laramie Lorraine did welcome duty. Stetson Hattie and her husband John raised \$1100 for Breast Cancer Research selling raffle tickets. And the entire match continued with people stepping in to help at the right time. There is an easy 105 volunteer workdays and 840 hours during the match, plus 197 volunteer days and 1182 hours into range work this year. 302 volunteer days and 2120 hours total!

Memorial Day MILITARY BLOOD DRIVE - for Fredericksburg area and community, May 26th, Wednesday and May 27th, Thursday, both days 10 AM – 7 PM at the Fredericksburg Post Office, 1150 N US Hwy 87 at the “Y”. We will also be supporting our own local National Guard Unit (E Co., 536th Brigade Support Battalion) who are currently deployed to Iraq. Did you know that if the military runs short of blood, they have to purchase it at retail rates? We are once again joining hands with our community to Support Our Troops with *The Ultimate Care Package, life saving blood*. Walk-ins are welcomed but if you want to schedule a specific time to donate, please go to: www.militarydonor.com and search by zip code 78624. Remember one donation can save up to 3 lives. Homemade cookies are served here, plus receive a great military blood donor T-shirt. You must be at least 17 with parental consent, or older. For more information, contact Bobby Sagebiel at bsagebiel@austin.rr.com or 830-990-6986.

SAN ANTONIO AND ARANSAS PASS RAILWAY.

The San Antonio and Aransas Pass Railway Company was chartered on August 28, 1884, to connect San Antonio with Aransas Bay, a distance of 135 miles. The capital stock was \$1,000,000, and the principal office was in San Antonio. Members of the first board of directors were [Augustus Belknap](#), William H. Maverick, Edward Stevenson, Edward Katula, Daniel Sullivan, A. J. Lockwood, [George H. Kalteyer](#), William Henermann, and J. C. Howard, all of San Antonio. [Uriah Lott](#) was the principal promoter of the line, and [Mifflin Kenedy](#) was contractor for virtually all of the mileage built before 1900. Kenedy received his payment in stocks, bonds, and in the bonuses given the SA&AP, which included \$102,950 from the citizens of Corpus Christi and \$52,660 from the citizens of Bee County. **Between 1885 and 1887 the railroad built 222 miles of track** between San Antonio and Corpus Christi and **between San Antonio and Kerrville (1887)**. During the years 1887 and 1888 the SA&AP constructed 176 miles between Kenedy and Houston. An additional 172 miles were completed from Yoakum to Waco between 1887 and 1891. Three branch lines, Gregory to Rockport, twenty-one miles; Skidmore to Alice, forty-three miles; and Shiner to Lockhart, fifty-four miles, were also built in 1888 and 1889. By the end of 1891 the SA&AP was operating 688 miles of main track. On July 14, 1890, the railroad went into receivership with [Benjamin F. Yoakum](#) and J. S. McNamara named receivers. A financial reorganization was effected by the SA&AP without any sale of the property, and the receivership was lifted on June 16, 1892. The SA&AP was a competitor in many areas with various Southern Pacific lines and was acquired by the SP in 1892. In that year the SA&AP owned fifty locomotives and 1,388 cars and reported passenger earnings of \$401,000 and freight earnings of \$1,318,000. The [Railroad Commission](#) brought suit in 1903 for forfeiture of the SA&AP charter in order to compel the SP to divest itself of ownership because of violation of the law which prohibited common ownership by parallel and competing lines. As a result of the suit the SP sold its stock in the company, but was required to continue to guarantee the bonds of the SA&AP. In 1904 the railroad began an extension to the lower Rio Grande valley. However, it only built thirty-six miles of track between Alice and Falfurrias, where the SA&AP terminated for the next twenty years. By 1916 it owned eighty-six locomotives and 2,810 cars. In that year the company reported passenger earnings of \$1,228,000 and freight earnings of \$2,851,000. The Interstate Commerce Commission authorized the SP to regain control of the SA&AP in 1925, and the company was leased to the Galveston, Harrisburg and San Antonio Railway Company for operation. Under SP auspices, the SA&AP built 135 miles of track between Falfurrias and McAllen and between Edinburg Junction and Brownsville, which opened in 1927. With the completion of the lines into the lower Rio Grande valley, the SA&AP owned 859 miles of main track. In 1933 the company abandoned forty miles between Shiner and Luling, and in 1934 the remaining 819 miles of track was merged into the Texas and New Orleans Railroad Company. With the changes in transportation requirements, much of the former SA&AP has been abandoned. In 1994 remaining portions included the track between Giddings and Cuero, San Antonio and Gregory, San Antonio and Camp Stanley, Houston and Eagle Lake, and Brownsville and McAllen.

<http://www.tshaonline.org/handbook/online/articles/SS/eqs6.html>

Texican Rangers Baseball Caps

Baseball Caps for Sale – \$15 – by Special Order Only

These sales are a fund-raiser for the club!

Send a check for \$15 for each cap to the Texican Rangers, PO Box 294713, Kerrville TX 78029

Other Colors are becoming available - One Size Fits All

Pick them up at the Texican Rangers match on January 9, 2010

Shipping & Handling is extra if you want it mailed - \$6 per order (not per cap) via USPS

There is a Minimum Order Quantity of 24 for the club – we order when we have orders for 24

There's another order about to be submitted, so send your check to Madam Ella Moon!

Note: The color shading is distorted in this picture as the file size is reduced to include it in the newsletter



Classifieds

(deadline last Monday of the month to Grouchy Spike spikes@ktc.com)



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website: www.texasjacks.com

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For information and membership application contact "Bullfrog Ike at the match or at CFRITZE@stx.rr.com

Clark "Bullfrog Ike" Fritze,

Major, The Former Texas Ranger Foundation

Life Member, The Former Texas Ranger Association

One Riot...One Ranger

Advanced/Tactical Course and Concealed Handgun Permit Course

The **Advanced/Tactical Course** will be held on Saturday, May the 15th in San Antonio, TEXAS. This course will run from 8:30am until 5pm on Sat. Each student will need:

-Eye & ear protection

-A good, quality handgun & holster, that function both dependably & safely (A backup handgun, magazine, eye & ear protection is always a good idea)

-At least **3 magazines** that properly fit your handgun & a quality magazine holder.

-A collared shirt, long sleeves recommended, cap/hat, closed toe shoes or boots with good traction Rain gear recommended

-Plenty to drink (water/sports drinks) & whatever snacks you prefer (We will break for lunch)

-A small camp stool to sit on;

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-We will shoot from the ground, bring ground cover if you need/want it
-At least 300 rounds of FACTORY ammo. All calibers from .22 - .45 welcome

The tuition for this course is \$200. If you bring four friends your tuition is only \$100.

We will shoot from unorthodoxed, yet common, everyday positions. You will learn a lot about yourself, your weapon of choice & tactics that just might save your life.

If you have ANY Questions, please email me at specialagent344@yahoo.com or call me at 210-380-3205. I look forward to seeing you on the range SOON.

The Range that we will use is A Place to Shoot. It's on the South side of town. You may want to stay a little North of that area:

A Place to Shoot, Inc.
13250 Pleasanton Road
San Antonio, Texas 78221
Phone: (210) 628-1888
Fax: (210) 628-6005

Also, our Next **CHL** Course is Sat., May 29th.. Call or email for details.

THANKS for Your Interest, KTF (Keep The Faith)
BOBBY WILLIAMS
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TCLEOSE & NRA Certified Firearms Instructor
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.38	100	RNFP	52
	105	FP	53
	105	WC	53
	125	RNFP	56
	125	FP	56
	130	RNFP	57
	158	RNFP	61
	158	FP	61
	158	SWC	61
.380	100	RNFP	52
.38-55	245	RNFP	88*
.41	215	SWC	74
.44	180	RNFP	64
	240	SWC	78
.44-40	200	RNFP	67
.45 COLT	160	RNFP	70*
	180	RNFP	64
	200	RNFP	67
	250	RNFP	79
9MM	124	RN	56
	125	CN	56
40 S&W	180	FP	64
.45 ACP	200	SWC	67
	230	RN	75
45-70	405	FPT	180*

* Pricing reflects the requirement for these bullets to be hand loaded to size and lube.

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Cimarron .38 Lightnings PAIR 5 ½” checkered grips. \$450 each

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Genuine Colt New Frontier .22 cal. 5 ½” \$425

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Browning 1885 Winchester High Wall .40-65 cal dark satin finish w/dies \$1800

Cimarron 1873 .45 cal. 30” Delux/pistol grip, dark satin wood finish \$950

Cimarron 1866 .45 factory engraved, plum brown, high grade wood, B Taylor action \$1800

Norinco Winchester 1897 12 gauge Trench Gun slick action with 16” bayonet \$475

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Browning High-Grade Winchester 1886 .45-70, factory engraved with gold inlay \$2200

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Pietta 1851 Navys PAIR.44 cal. factory engraved and nickel plated \$300 each

1851 Navy .36 cal. no markings / no import stamps – highly polished.... \$225

Uberti Dragoon .44 cal. 2nd Model \$325

Uberti Dragoon .44 cal. 3rd Model \$325

Uberti 1858 Remington .44 cal. PAIR 5 ½” antiqued w/Kurst .45 conversion cylinders \$450 each

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RIFLES

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Winchester Model 70 High Grade 30-06 cal. mfg 1985, Monte Carlo Stock, with

6-20 x 44 mag Simmons Scope \$675

Ruger V-77 .308 Sniper bull barrel, Hogue soft rubber stock, 6-20 x 44 mag Simmons Scope \$1500

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Cowboy Tradin' Post

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