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The Presidents Corner

Howdy members!

The news is out but I wanted to announce again. We have been selected again for the **2011 SASS Texas State Championships**. I'm proud of the match this year and all the work that made it happen. Now we are rewarded with the opportunity to do it again. Dusty Lone Star and Sheriff Robert Love will be the directors with the support of the Officers and again counting on the members to help them make this match another great event. The dates will be May 12-15, 2011; the second weekend of May.

Now with this scheduling we will need to have club Officer elections on the second Saturday of April 2011. We will talk more about that at the first of next year, just wanted to throw that out there for ya'll to think about.

I have started **Shindig 2010** plans (October 9th) and have already written the stages. I made'em fun. I hope...There will be fresh pecan smoked brisket and sausage along with beans, potato salad, bread, pickles, sliced onions, bbq sauce, chocolate and cherry chip cake plus prizes for the members. There will be no need to potluck, just plan to shoot and enjoy. We will announce annual rank standings after we eat and hand out awards for that rank. Shindig 2010 will be no cost for the members to shoot and eat. This year has the largest spending budget ever planned, using money made from the state match. Lots of food and the largest prize amount ever handed out at Shindig. There will be no practice after the match, when the last posse finishes the range will be closed and we will need to put up the targets on those 5 stages. We will need lots of help so that it will only take 30 minutes or so, then party!

The September match has a **Chili Cook-off** planned. The chili winner will receive a free entry to State 2011 and the 2nd, 3rd places will receive cash! There will be 3 Judges rating the chili on color, taste and texture on a scale from 1-10. Please send me a note or call if you are going to enter the contest. Let's get them entries in and get ready for something different and fun on a monthly match. There will be a \$5 fee for eating to pay for chuck wagon setups, condiments and drinks. After receiving all the entries I will decide if there will be enough for all. If it looks short, the club will step up with a pot to ensure everyone has enough chili to eat.

I want to thank everyone for their support in making Handlebar Bob and I **SASS Regulators**. It's a great honor and I appreciate that everyone feels that I deserve the recognition. Thank you.

I will be in Arkansas on vacation during the match in July, so I will see ya'll in August!

Ride safe

Dusty Chambers

On the Trail with Handlebar Bob

Yee ha! Boy, have the Texican Rangers been on the trail. Let me wipe this dust off and get a cool one.....I'm gonna be typing awhile.

I hate it when there are two shoots you want to go to on the same weekend. Lone Star Frontier Shooting Club and Tin Star Ranch had Roundup and Resurrection respectfully. I elected to stay close to home, but three of the Texicans went up the trail to Roundup. All three made a very respectable showing.

Phantom continues his winning ways by placing first in Wrangler and first Overall. Gunstock Smith placed seventh in Men's Senior and his sweetie, Miss Cubbie, was first Lady's Frontier Cartridge.

A lot more Texican Rangers did what I did.....we stayed closer to home and went to the **Texas State Black Powder Championship**. However, this was not just for black powder shooters. There were plenty of smokeless shooters. You could tell who was shooting smokeless. They were parting after the day's shooting and the Smut Lords were cleaning guns.

I also had a first at this shoot. I was on Posse 4, which had sixteen shooters. All sixteen placed in their respective categories and three won guns. Here is how we did:

Marshall Willy	3rd BP Frontier Cartridge Duelist
Big Iron Patnode	1st BP B-Western
Waterloo	1st BP Cowboy
Picosa	1st BP Senior
Hopalong Herbert	1st BP Silver Senior
Pepper Jacq	1st Lady's Senior
Quintana	5th Senior
Texas Tony	7th Senior
Handlebar Bob	1st Men's Senior Duelist
Newt Ritter	3rd Men's Senior Duelist
Squawty Bawdy	2nd Classic Cowgirl

Quickdraw Jay	4th Duelist
Sassy Hatter	5th Ladies 49'r
San Gabriel	5th Men's 49'r
Marshall Brooks	8th Men's 49'r
Two Shot Tex	9th Men's 49'r
Eaton Crowe	16th Men's 49'r
Gypsy Soul	5th Lady's Wrangler
Chasen Aces	4th Wrangler

But the Texicans were not through.....I told you we had been riding hard. Some of the Texicans headed east to Plum Creek and shot the **Grand Muster**. And here are their results:

Phantom	1st Wrangler and 1st Overall
Dragon Hill Dave	1st Classic Cowboy
Kickshot	1st 49'r
Dutch Van Horn	2nd 49'r
Jake Jones	1st Men's Duelist
Six Going South	2nd Lady's 49'r
Scooter	2nd GAFR
Texas Sarge	3rd GAFR

And still on the trail literally, as the Texican Rangers headed to **End of Trail** at Founders Ranch in New Mexico. It was a small posse, but nevertheless, they represented us well at the World Championship of Cowboy Action Shooting:

Dragon Hill Dave	3 rd Classic Cowboy
Squawty Bawdy	6 th Classic Cowgirl
Phantom	6 th Wrangler
Captain Gimp	25 th Silver Senior

Four shoots and about 30 different shooters from the Texican Rangers all throwing lead on the trail. Give them a big congratulations next time you see them. Hey, why don't you saddle up and join them. The Butterfield Regulators in Abilene have their Christmas in July 23-25th. I hope to see you there. Remember, don't try to teach a pig to sing. It annoys the pig and is a waste of your time. Handlebar Bob

I recently received word from our Territorial Governor, Dusty Lone Star, that Dusty Chambers and I were appointed SASS Regulators. Boy, was I surprised! I had made a comment to Dusty Lone Star last year that in the history of the Texican Rangers, a Regulator had never been appointed. Not that we did not have qualified people for the position, but that we had never thought about nominating someone. He was surprised no one had ever been nominated and said that was about to change. He asked if I had any suggestions as to who we could nominate. Without any hesitation I said Dusty Chambers. Dusty Lone Star wrote the appropriate nomination letter and he secretly went around getting shooters signatures. I was expecting to help Dusty Lone Star announce at the July meeting that Dusty Chambers had been appointed a Regulator. Boy, you guys are sneaky. Thank you from the bottom of my heart. I am very humbled to think that you would consider me worthy of this honor.

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(On the Trail continued)

Two of our friends are not doing well these days. Mary Lou Harvey, wife of Mike Harvey of Cimarron Firearms, is in the battle of her life. Mary Lou has been diagnosed with pancreatic cancer. And Singin Zeke, president of the Green Mountain Regulators, has been diagnosed with lung cancer. Please pray for them and pray real hard.

On a personal note, my son and Texican Ranger member, Doc Smiley, aka Randy DeHay, has been the Operation Manager at Thunder Ranch Inc. for the last year. Recently he was appointed as a Field Editor for American Handgunner. His first article will appear in the August/September issue that comes out in July.

The Saddlebag by Grouchy Spike

Thanks to Long Juan (John Soule) for his contribution of \$45 to the club – the proceeds from sale of unneeded shooting equipment. And there's some more equipment to sell that he left at the HQ.

Also Long Juan left some books at the HQ for

Texicans to read, then return for someone else to enjoy.

Thanks to Charlie Saringo and Lady Goodnight (David and Cherry Hulsey) for their donation of two LazyBoy recliners for the Headquarters.

Handlebar Bob can now have his beauty rests after lunch!

ON THE TEXICAN RANGERS CALENDAR	
Monthly Club Match – July 10 th and 11 th	Monthly Club Match – September 11 th and 12 th
Monthly Club Match – August 14 th and 15 th	Shindig 2010 – October 9th

THE BANDERA TRAGEDY TREE

The tragedy referred to in the tree's name was a multiple hanging. A Confederate patrol stationed at [Camp Verde](#) during the Civil War intercepted a group of eight well-mounted and well-equipped Williamson County men about 10 miles South of [Hondo](#).

Thinking they had nothing to fear, they surrendered their weapons and rode with the soldiers toward Camp Verde to clear things up with the authorities there.

As civilians, they were, of course, free to travel. They were relieved of the cash they carried which collectively amounted to nearly \$1,000. This considerable sum may have had something to do with the events that followed.

While they were camped near this tree on the trip back to [Camp Verde](#), one or more of the Confederates suggested that the men should be hanged for "evading Confederate service" (please see [letter below](#)).

This pretext might have been accepted by the other soldiers or it is possible that some of them thought it was just a prank. Horsehair nooses were made and, if it was a scare, the Commanding Officer, one Major Anderson, turned a blind eye and did nothing to stop the "prank" once it turned serious.

The men were lynched one at a time while the other victims watched and waited their turn. One man asked to be shot rather than be slowly strangled and one of the killers complied. The ramrod was left in the musket and it pierced the man's body - pinning it to the ground.

When the bodies were found the next morning the ramrod was at first mistaken for an arrow and the killings were thought to be the work of Indians. A boy accompanying the men managed to escape, but was never heard from.

After the war, the atrocity was remembered and referred to a tribunal. But the soldiers had all left Texas and none, including Major Anderson, could be located for trial.

<http://www.texasescapes.com/TexasHistory/TexasHistoricTrees/Bandera/BanderaTragedyTree.htm>

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See the sight information here:

<http://www.cascity.com/forumhall/index.php/topic,25091.0.html>

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Grouchy Spike 830-459-3150 or spikes@ktc.com

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	158	SWC	61
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.38-55	245	RNFP	88*
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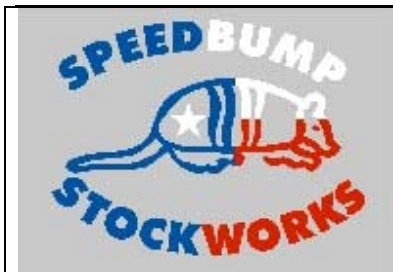
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