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Howdy Texican Rangers



As they say on the movie sets, “that’s a wrap” at least for this calendar year! On Saturday the 9th we had our last competitive shoot of the calendar year with 43 enthusiastic cowboy and cowgirl shooters. The weather was perfect and the fellowship was first rate.

Picosa Kid led the field with a stage average of just a whisker over 20 seconds to take the honor of Top Overall Cowboy Shooter. Panhandle Cowgirl claimed the overall Top Lady Shooter for the day and second place overall with a stage average performance just 0.1 second slower than Picosa Kid. Heck you can’t blink as fast as that! Big Iron Patnode finished third overall for the day. The amazing fact is that the spread between first and third averaged well below a third of a second (29 hundredths) per stage.

Congrats to all the shooters who had a fantastic fun filled day of shooting. To see a complete listing of all the match scores and final standings visit our website.

A special thanks to all those members who stayed on after the match to help break down and organize the range for our winter hiatus. It’s that kind of involvement that makes this the premier shooting club in Texas.

For the next two months, we turn the ranch over to the deer hunters, so we have no match shooting scheduled. I encourage all of you during this time to take advantage of nearby clubs, who offer a wide variety of competitions and venues to not only maintain your shooting skills, but also strengthen the cowboy bonds of friendship throughout the remainder of the year.

The duly elected 2022 Texican Ranger Board, **President** - Alamo Andy, **Vice President** - Sheriff Robert Love, **Secretary** – Shooting Iron Miller, **Range Master** – Doc Holloman, and returning **Treasurer** A.D. will be guiding the club beginning in January. Check the website for the publication of the new calendar.

I look forward to making noise outta gunpowder with ya.

Asup Sleeve

President, Texican Rangers

Did Making the Wrong Movie Kill John Wayne? (By Request) **By Dutch Van Horn/Regulator 51153**



The Conqueror is a 1956 American CinemaScope epic film directed by Dick Powell and written by Oscar Millard. The movie stars John Wayne as the Mongol conqueror Genghis Khan and co-starred Susan Hayward, Agnes Moorehead, and Pedro Armendariz. It was produced by Howard Hughes. With all that going for it how could it go wrong?

Let's start with the fact that casting of John Wayne as Genghis Khan is generally considered one of the worst casting decisions of all time.

Add to that, the box-office failure of this movie was ultimately responsible for the demise of RKO Radio Pictures.

The final nail in the coffin, the film is sometimes called "An RKO Radioactive Picture." It was filmed near a nuclear test site, and the set was contaminated by nuclear fallout. Photographs exist of John Wayne holding a Geiger counter. After location shooting, contaminated soil was transported back to Hollywood to match interior shooting done there.

Of the 220 persons who worked on The Conqueror on location in Utah in 1955, 91 had contracted cancer as of the early 1980s and 46 died of it, including stars John Wayne, Susan Hayward, and Agnes Moorehead, and director Dick Powell. Experts say under ordinary circumstances only 30 people out of a group of that size should have gotten cancer. The cause? No one can say for sure, but many blame the cancers to radioactive fallout from U.S. atom bomb tests in nearby Nevada. The whole ghastly story is told in The Hollywood Hall of Shame by Harry and Michael Medved.

John Wayne saw the plot and script and he felt it would be his break out roll. That is why John Wayne lobbied so hard to get the part. It is a putative love story involving Genghis Khan's lust for the beautiful princess Bortai (Hayward). But it became a classic Hollywood big budget fiasco, one of many financed by would-be movie mogul Howard Hughes.

Originally director Powell wanted to get Marlon Brando for the lead, but unfortunately, this didn't happen. The Duke was great at playing the one character and basically, he played that one character in all his movies. You see a young John Wayne met the real Wyatt Earp in early Hollywood and it had a great effect on his acting career. Some people say that he tried to be Wyatt Earp in every roll he played. The script for The Conqueror was written in a cornball style that was made even more ludicrous by the Duke's wooden line readings.

The movie was shot in the canyon lands around the Utah town of St. George. Filming was chaotic. The actors suffered in 120-degree heat, a black panther attempted to take a bite out of Susan Hayward, and a flash flood at one point just missed wiping out everybody. But the worst didn't become apparent until long afterward. In 1953, the military had tested 11 atomic bombs at Yucca Flats, Nevada, which resulted in immense clouds of fallout floating downwind. Much of the deadly dust funneled into Snow Canyon, Utah, where a lot of The Conqueror was shot. The actors and crew were exposed to the stuff for 13 weeks, no doubt inhaling a fair amount of it in the process, and Hughes later shipped 60 tons of hot dirt back to Hollywood to use on a set for retakes, thus making things even worse.

Many people involved in the production knew about the radiation, but no one took the threat seriously at the time. Thirty years later, however, half the residents of St. George had contracted cancer, and veterans of the production began to realize they were in trouble.



Actor Pedro Armendariz developed cancer of the kidney only four years after the movie was completed, and later shot himself when he learned his condition was terminal.

Howard Hughes was said to have felt "guilty as hell" about the whole affair, although as far as I can tell it never occurred to anyone to sue him. For various reasons he withdrew The Conqueror from circulation, and for years thereafter the only person who saw it was Hughes himself, who screened it night after night during his paranoid last years.

In an interview with "People" Magazine, a scientist from the Pentagon's Defense Nuclear Agency reacted to the news of the movie deaths, and said, "Please, God, don't let us have killed John Wayne".

John Wayne regretted playing Temujin so much that he visibly shuddered whenever anyone mentioned the film's name. He once remarked that the moral of the film was "not to make an ass of yourself trying to play parts you're not suited for."

It would be difficult to be a fan of Westerns and not to have seen Noah Beery Jr. in at least one movie. He was a natural. He could ride and shoot and he always had this little smile on his face that made him a likable character.

Colt 1851 Navy, Ground Breaking Revolver By Dutch Van Horn/Regulator 51153



The 1861 Navy is often acclaimed as Colt's most handsome pistol. Colt worked to perfect his cap and ball revolver and it was the first revolver specifically designed to be carried in a belt holster.

The Model 1851 Navy was Colt's most popular percussion revolver. Nearly a quarter million of the iconic .36 caliber six-shot model were produced between 1850 and 1873. The term "Navy" refers to the caliber of the revolver, not necessarily the branch of service.

The designation "Colt 1851 Navy" was applied by collectors, though the popular name "Navy Revolver" is of early origin, as the gun was frequently called the "Colt Revolving Belt Pistol of Naval Caliber".

The cylinder of this revolver is engraved with a scene of the victory of the Second Texas Navy at the Battle of Campeche on May 16, 1843. The Texas Navy had purchased the earlier Colt Paterson Revolver, but this was Colt's first major success in the gun trade; the naval theme of the engraved cylinder of the Colt 1851 Navy

revolver was Colt's gesture of appreciation. Despite the "Navy" designation, the revolver was chiefly purchased by civilians and military land forces.

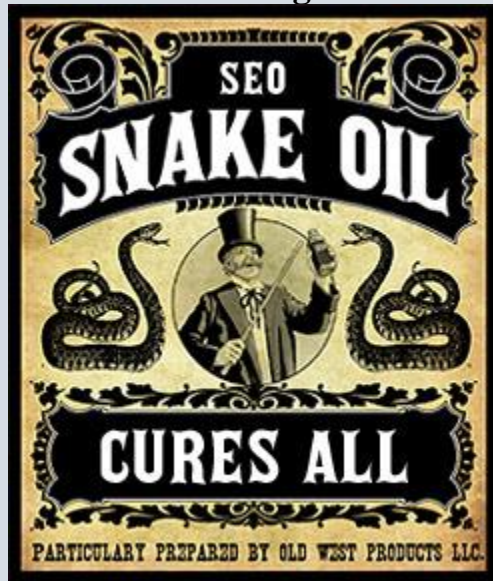
The .36 caliber Navy revolver was much lighter than the contemporary Third Model Dragoon revolvers developed from the .44 Walker Colt revolvers of 1847, which, given their size and weight, were generally carried in saddle holsters, hence the nickname "horse pistols". It is an enlarged version of the .31 caliber pocket revolvers that evolved from the earlier Baby Dragoon, and, like them, is a mechanically improved and simplified descendant of the 1836 Paterson revolver. As the factory designation implied, the Navy revolver was suitably sized for carrying in a belt holster. It became very popular in North America at the time of Western expansion. Colt's aggressive promotions distributed the Navy and his other revolvers across Europe, Asia, and Africa. As with many other Colt revolvers, it has a six round cylinder.

The .36 caliber (.375–.380 inch) round lead ball weighs 80 grains and, at a velocity of 1,000 feet per second, is comparable to the modern .380 pistol cartridge in power. Loads consist of loose powder and ball or bullet, metallic foil cartridges (early), and combustible paper cartridges (Civil War era), all combinations being ignited by a fulminate percussion cap applied to the nipples at the rear of the chamber. Sighting consists of a bead front sight with a notch in the top of the hammer, as with most Colt percussion revolvers. In spite of the relative crudity of the sighting arrangement, these revolvers and their modern replicas generally are quite accurate.

Famous "Navy" users included Wild Bill Hickok, John Henry "Doc" Holliday, Richard Francis Burton, Ned Kelly, Bully Hayes, Richard H. Barter, Robert E. Lee, Nathan B. Forrest, John O'Neill, Frank Gardiner, Quantrill's Raiders, John Coffee "Jack" Hays, "Bigfoot" Wallace, Ben McCulloch, Addison Gillespie, John Ford, "Sul" Ross and most Texas Rangers prior to the Civil War and (fictionally) Rooster Cogburn. Usage continued long after more modern cartridge revolvers were introduced.

All you have to do is hold one in your hands and feel the balance to understand why the Colt 1851 was such a popular and desirable pistol.

Beware Powder & Primers & Gun Scam Sites By Dutch Van Horn/Regulator 51153



Scammers are targeting Cowboy Action Shooters. It was bound to happen. It's a supply and demand thing. Whenever there's heightened demand for a product — any product — and a limited supply, the scammers swoop in.

Because of the ammunition shortage, conmen are now targeting unsuspecting gun owners via Facebook Messenger and other social media platforms. They're offering fantastic deals, such as \$35 for a brick of 1,000 small rifle primers, and \$467 for a case of 55gr Remington 5.56.

Man, if only it were true. They'll take your money via PayPal, Apple Pay, Google Pay and Zelle. Which leaves little to no recourse to recover your money.

The only problem is the ammo and primers don't exist. Fortunately, not every gun owner is falling for their shenanigans.

Fake websites pop up every month. They have names like NC Hillbilly and offer guns or shooting products that can't be found like primers and ammunition. They generally last about a month. The conservative estimate is the site will take in approximately \$1,000,000 and then they move one to another name and supposed location.

Surprisingly, they don't make the majority of their money from large purchases. It is from the shooter that thinks they are not on the up and up and just order a couple thousand primers to test the site. At about \$100.00

a pop you can see it takes a lot of people to do this for the scammer to make such large profits. Beware, it is not like counting misses. If you think it is a scam, it is. Here are some things to watch:

1. Ammo or reloading components in stock at Trump-era ("salad days") pricing. If the pricing is too good to be true it probably is.
2. A Google Maps search for the physical location turns up nothing or a business not gun-related.
3. A phone number with an area code not matching the claimed physical address.
4. The site only accepts "alternative" forms of payment such as bitcoin.
5. The site does not have the typical shopping cart checkout payment but requests that you send your CC info via an email address.
6. Poor syntax/grammar/usage throughout the website.
7. Website claims they have access to merchandise that no one else can get.
8. Basically if they ask for some form of immediate payment such as, debit cards thru Google Pay or something like Zell/PP friends and family, don't do business with them.
9. They charge no hazmat fee.
10. They have no order limit.

Red Flags all, buyer beware. To modify the quote from the Jessie James movie; "These scammers need to be taken out and shot down, like a dog."

Tombstone Mary, Secretary Regulator/Life #19524



I want to take this opportunity to say thank you to everyone who supported me and help out through the years during my term as Secretary. I have gotten to know many of you and will continue to help the Texican Rangers any way I can.

Shooting Iron Miller will take over on January 1, 2022 and I know she will do a great job.

I will be sending out your January 1, 2022 waiver and dues renewal. You can mail your dues and waiver to the following post office box:

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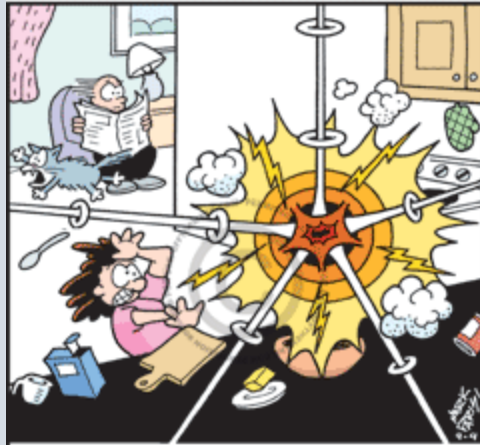
Comancheria Days will be April 7-9, 2022. We are hoping to get the applications out as soon as possible. Please consider supporting our club and joining us for this fun match.

If I can help answer any questions please don't hesitate to email me at:

Texicanrangers@yahoo.com.

Tombstone Mary
Texican Rangers Secretary





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RESULTING IN PROTEIN ANTI-MATTER

I TRIED GOING VEGAN,
BUT YOU CAN'T SQUEEZE
BLOOD FROM A TURNIP...



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Caliber	Weight	Config.	Price/500	Price/1000
.38	100	RNFP	42	83
	105	FP	43	85
	125	RNFP	47	94
	125	FP	47	94
	130	RNFP	49	97
	158	RNFP	54	106
	158	FP	54	106
	158	SWC	54	106
.380	100	RNFP	42	83
.38-55	245	RNFP	82	162
.41	215	SWC	70	139
.44	180	RNFP	58	115
	240	SWC	75	149
.44-40	200	RNFP	64	127
.45 COLT	160	RNFP	61	121
	180	RNFP	58	115
	200	RNFP	64	127
	250	RNFP	76	152
9MM	124	RN	47	94
	125	CN	47	94
40 S&W	180	FP	58	115
.45ACP	200	SWC	64	127
	200	RN	64	127
	230	RN	73	144
45-70	405	FPT	75 (250)	300 (1K)
			150 (500)	

Parting Shots Halloween Edition

1. For Halloween we dressed up as almonds. Everyone could tell we were nuts.
2. What's a nice ghoulish like you doing in a crypt like this?
3. The lesson of Halloween is that pretending to be something you're not will lead to a sweet reward.
4. What do sea monsters eat for lunch? Fish and ships.
5. I want to be something really scary for Halloween this year so I'm dressing up as a phone battery at 2%.
6. I remember when Halloween was the scariest night of the year. Now, it's Election night.
7. What do ghosts serve for dessert? I Scream.
8. My daughter wants to be really scary this Halloween so instead of a costume, she is going to carry a school fundraising packet to every door.
9. I have won first place in this Halloween costume contest 16 years in a row. This year I am dressed as a hotdog. I'm on a roll.
10. What does a skeleton order at a restaurant? Spare ribs.
11. Jehovah's Witnesses don't celebrate Halloween. I guess they don't appreciate random people coming up to their door.
12. Being in a nudist colony probably takes all the fun out of Halloween.
13. What does a panda ghost eat? Bam-BOO!
14. Q: Why didn't the skeleton dance at the Halloween party?
A: It had no body to dance with!
15. Q: Why do manly ghosts have so much trouble dating?
A: Women can see right through them!
16. What is a vampire's favorite type of ship? A blood vessel.
17. What do witches put on their hair? Scare spray!
18. How come you're responsible if you do your taxes in March, but I'm crazy when I do my trick-or-treating in September?
19. What is Dracula's favorite fruit? A nectarine.
20. Why are teachers happy at Halloween parties? Because there is lots of school spirit!
21. What kind of key opens a casket? A skeleton key.
22. In San Francisco, Halloween is redundant.
23. What kind of tie does a ghost wear to a formal party? A boo-tie.
24. My roommate says our house is haunted. I've been living here for 300 years and I haven't noticed anything.
25. Friend: What are you gonna be for Halloween? Me: Drunk!
26. The Zombie said, "Pardon me for drooling, but without my jaw, I can't help myself."
27. Please, Lady, come home with me. You never know what I'll turn into, at midnight!

Texican Rangers Regulators

Tombstone Mary	2003
A.D.	2004
Dusty Lone Star	2008
Handlebar Bob	2010
Dusty Chambers	2010
Sheriff Robert Love	2012
Grouchy Spike	2013
Agarita Annie	2016
Joe Darter	2016
Nueces Slim	2016
Skinny	2016
Dirty Dog Dale	2017
Dutch Van Horn	2017
Shooting Iron Miller	2017



October Birthdays

Kettleman	10/4
Captain George Baylor	10/5
Culebra Blaze	10/6
Crazy Clyde	10/8
Dusty Leather	10/10
Marshal Jamison	10/13
Maid Jalaff	10/17
Jasper	10/21



November Birthdays

Beans Ahgin	11/6
Brazos Belle	11/17
Firefly Judd	11/19
Grouchy Spike	11/20
Hoolihan	11/21
Blind Man Maclean	11/22
Alamo Andy	11/23
Lady Graves	11/24
Dusty Chambers	11/28



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www.sassnet.com
www.texicanrangers.org
www.greenmountainregulators.org
www.pccss.org
www.stxpistolaros.com
www.tejascaballeros.org
www.trpistoleros.com
www.texasjacks.com
www.cimarron-firearms.com
www.tsra.com
www.wildwestmercantile.com

TEXICAN RANGERS

2021

January 9	Monthly Match
January 10	Monthly Match
February 13	Monthly Match
February 14	Monthly Match
March 13	Monthly Match
March 14	Monthly Match
April 8 – 10	Comancheria Days
May 8	Monthly Match
May 9	Monthly Match
May 29	Wild Bunch/BAMM
June 12	Monthly Match
June 13	Monthly Match
July 10	Monthly Match
July 11	Monthly Match
July 31	Wild Bunch/BAMM
August 14	Monthly Match
August 15	Monthly Match
September 3-5	TX State Wild Bunch Championship
September 11	Monthly Match (Shindig)
September 12	Monthly Match
October 9	Monthly Match & Final Tear Down
November/December	Range Closed

CENTRAL TEXAS MONTHLY CLUB SHOOTING SCHEDULES

1st Saturday	Plum Creek (Lockhart)
1st Saturday	South Texas Pistoleros (San Antonio)
2nd Saturday	Texas Riviera Pistoleros (George West)
2nd Sunday	Rio Grande Valley Vaqueros (Pharr)
2nd Weekend	Texican Rangers (Comfort)
3rd Saturday	Tejas Caballeros (TX Republic Ranch)
4th Saturday (Cowboy) and 4th Sunday (Long Range)	Green Mountain Regulators (Marble Falls)

2021

Canceled

Mar 25-28

April 8-10

April 21-24

June 17-27

Sep 2-5

Sep 22-25

Oct 15-17

Oct 23-24

Nov 5-7

Dec 10-12

Winter Range

SASS Texas State Championship

Comancheria Days

SASS Southwest Regional Land Run

End of Trail

SASS Texas State Wild Bunch

Championship

Comin' At Cha

Whoopin' Ass (Tejas Caballeros)

SASS Texas State Black Powder

Championship

Battle of Plum Creek (Plum Creek Shooting

Society)

Gunfight at the Gulch (Tejas Riviera

Pistoleros)

Photo Album





