

Texas Ten Horns

May 2016

Newsletter

Monthly Recap

Despite the fury of Mother Nature we were able to get in a BUNCH of shooting in the month of April. By a BUNCH I mean Wild Bunch of course. On the 23rd we shot a Wild Bunch match with 11 entrants. Sopapilla Su came in Top Female and winner of the lady's open category. Gun Wrangler won the men's open category; Diablo Slim was top modern shooter and Tommy Reb was the overall men's champion coming in first place shooting traditional! And let me tell you, that .45ACP packs a whole lot of wollup shooting it one handed!!!

That same day we threw in a little CAS practice for all the members who wanted to do a little fine tuning before the bigger matches coming up later this month and next month.

A week later we had our regular monthly match. Being that is was a 5th weekend we were expecting a pretty big turnout. But the day before we got hit with what I've heard my dad refer to as a "clearing up shower". About 2 inches worth! But, we still had 31 shooters brave the wet weather and the treacherous boardwalk (is was SLICK) to come out and get in 6 stages with us. We shot alternates on stages 1 and 3 so we wouldn't have to get off in the mud any more than absolutely necessary. On that day our friend – and mighty fine Lady Gunfighter – Calamity Dibar from the Red River Vally Cowpokes up in Oklahoma came and won the Top Lady spot. As for the men, and remember I mentioned it was slick, Nonstop slid into the Top Man spot sliding through each of the stages like a world class speed skater!

A day – and much sun and wind – later, we had 27 shooters venture out for day two. The boardwalk was dry and we even were able to shoot the Corral and Boot Hill. At the end of the day Smokin' Limey walked away with the Top Female spot, and I managed to edge Gunslinger out of Top Male by 2 rank points – and get this – 1/100th of a second!!! Closest match I've ever shot in my life!

For all the scores for all four matches please check out the "Results" heading on our web page, www.texas10horns.org.

And one more thing: We had significant problems with the shotgun targets on Stage 4 this weekend. They are brand new targets built for us by the Anna ISD Ag Dept. I gathered them all up late last week and carried them back over for some modifications. I am certain when we get them back they will be exceptional targets.

Texas Ten Horns "Ten Cup Belt Buckle Series" Standings!!!

The buckle series continues. After the April match here are the points leaders: (the practice match did not count towards the buckle series)

Men's category:	Points
Hairtrigger	78
Huckleberry	63

Ruidoso	60
Nonstop	57
Deadeye Bob	48
Ladies Category:	
Smokin' Limey	38
Sopapilla Su	24
Okie Fenokie	23
Honey B. Graceful	20
Daisy Dee	19

And in the Clean Match category we've added Cimarron Jack, Cbeaux and Pistol Packin' Pami. We now have 25 shooters vying for the clean match buckle at the end of the year. GOOD LUCK!!!

I've ordered the buckles and think I will have them as early as our May match. As soon as we get them I'll forward pictures and have them at the matches for everyone to look at so you can see what's up for grabs.

I'll update the current standings every month. Remember, regular attendance is the key!!!

Comin' Up!

142 days, 7 hours and 4 minutes 'til Back At Cha!!! WOOHOOO!!!!

Local Calendar:

- 1st Weekend Texas Troublemakers, Brownsboro, TX
Buck Creek – Nemo, TX
- 2nd Weekend Texas Ten Horns workday
Red River Valley Cowpokes – Albany, OK
Lone Star Frontier Shooting Club – Ormsby Ranch, Cleburne, TX
JAILBREAK 2016 Oakwood Outlaws – Oakwood, TX
- 3rd Weekend Badlands Bar 3 – English, TX
TEXAS STATE CHAMPIONSHIP Old Fort Parker, Groesbeck, TX
- 4th Weekend Buck Creek – Nemo, TX
Commanche Valley Vigilantes, Ormsby Ranch, Cleburne, TX
Texas Ten Horns May 28th and 29th.

Big Matches on the horizon:

EOT – June 18th thru the 25th.

Red River Valley Cowpokes are having their first ever annual match July 8th and 9th. Friday will be side matches and a Wild Bunch match; Saturday will be 7 stages (4 before lunch; 3 after) with awards to follow. Contact Calamity Dibar at dibartoma@me.com for more information.

DON'T FORGET –We've still got 3 more 5th weekend matches this year. They will be in July, October and December. Please check the website for more details www.texas10horns.org.

Mother's Day Month: Since we recognize mothers in May the May shoot will be dedicated to the Moms in our lives. All the lines will have to do with a "Mother-ism" like, "I'll give you something to cry about!" In addition, we'll be giving each lady who attends the match a voucher for one miss. The voucher will be turned in to the score keeper at the time they want the miss erased. Good Luck Ladies!!! Hope to see lots of you there!

PS: The Target Bathroom Rule does not apply regardless of what category you "Gender Identify" with.

Work Day

As mentioned in the email, we are postponing the May workday. Seems several of us will be down at Oakwood shooting Jailbreak 2016 that weekend. However, this means we'll REALLY have to hit it in June so make plans now to attend our June 11th workday. We've got a lot to do!

Parting Shot!

This past Sunday I had the honor of speaking at the funeral service of a friend I've known since 1979. He and I met as Freshmen at good ol' Anna High School and became friends very quickly. Through the years we've stayed in pretty close contact since our oldest two children are each only 5 days apart and all went to the same high school. In the last few years I haven't had as many opportunities to talk with him as I did. The kids graduated and he moved to East Texas. On the occasions I did get to visit with him our visits always ended with both of us laughing – usually to tears – and wondering why we don't talk more often. Last Friday he was electrocuted in a job related accident. He was 52 years old.

I am passing this story on to you, not looking for sympathy, but rather as an urging to get all of us off our rears and call those folks that mean so much to us. Over the years I've made many a good friend in Cowboy Action Shooting and luckily I get to see almost every one of you at a match on a monthly basis. As for the Old Friends that I don't get to see nearly as often, you can bet I'll be picking up that phone a lot more often nowadays.

Here's to pullin' corks and pullin' triggers,
Hairtrigger

PS: Quote of the month – "If you can be content right now then you can always be content, because it's always right now." – Willie Nelson.