

The Ten Horn Gazette

July 2016

Texas Ten Horns

Cowboy Action Shooting

Monthly Recap

Hairtrigger Hayes, President

Having just returned from End of Trail (EOT) The World Championship of Cowboy Action Shooting I've got to tell you, if you ain't been you gotta go! Lassiter was responsible for some really fun and fast and close stages. They offered some challenge with a couple even requiring down range movement but what a blast! I had the good fortune of being on the World Championship Posse as we absolutely BLEW away the competition on the team shoot. The posse I was on was marshalled by none other than the famous Slick McClade. I was lucky enough to shoot on this posse last year and have already cleared it with Slick to be on his posse again next year. And wouldn't ya know it, our posse number is 13!

Ten Horn Members and/or regular guests who competed were:

Sassy Boots – 13th Lady 49r

I've to expound on Sassy for just a minute. She only started shooting a few months ago. She came in 13th out of a group of 21 other Lady 49r competitors averaging 44 seconds per stage in her very first EOT. That is amazing!!! Congrats Sassy!

Calamity DiBar – 7th place Lady Gunfighter

Iron Tomahawk Kid – 13th place Duelist

Billy Boots – 2nd place Sr. Frontier Cartridge Duelist

Longhandle Slim – 6th place Duelist

Texas Jack Starr – 17th place Elder Statesman

Tennessee Star – 4th place Cattle Barron

Huckleberry Pace – 19th place 49r

Hairtrigger Hayes – 3rd place Duelist

Colorado Jackson – 12th place 49r

Non-stop – 2nd place Elder Statesman and 62nd overall out of more than 640 registered shooters making him our highest ranked shooter.

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TSRA North Central Regional Cowboy Action Shooting Match

The Texas State Rifle Association
and
The Texas Ten Horns
Host
The TSRA North Central
Regional Cowboy Match
Saturday July 30, 2016
At Leonard Texas

[TSRA Match Registration Form](#)



Huckleberry Pace and Hairtrigger Hayes at End of Trail

Special Announcement:

We've had several Ten Horns and Ten Horns wannabes ask us about shooting on the first weekend. Currently our last weekend conflicts regularly with the Commanche Valley Vigilantes. However, the only other CAS clubs that shoot first weekend are the Troublemakers over in Brownsboro and Plum creek way down in Lockhart.

In wanting to grow the club and bring in as many shooters regularly as we can we are going to have a test run of shoots on the First Sunday of the month starting August 7th and continuing thru the end of the year. If the turnout is good then we will switch to First Weekend Regular Matches starting in January 2107.

Texas Ten Horns Club Leadership

Hairtrigger Hayes	President
Huckleberry Pace	Vice President
Ruidoso	SASS
	Territorial
	Governor
Diablo Slim	Range Officer
Sopapilla Su	Secretary

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

The buckle series continues. After the June match here are the points leaders:

Men's	category:	Point
	s	
Hairtrigger		98
Ruidoso		93
Blind Bob		87
Deadeye Bob		81
Huckleberry Pace		81

Ladies Category:

Smokin' Limey	48
Sopapilla Su	42
Rowdy on the Red	30
Tejas Red	29
Daisy Dee	27

We are now up to 35 clean shooters competing for the "Clean Shooter" buckle to be awarded at the end of the year. Congratulations to Marshall Jack Bridges for entering into the race.

Current standings are updated every month. Remember, regular attendance is the key!!!

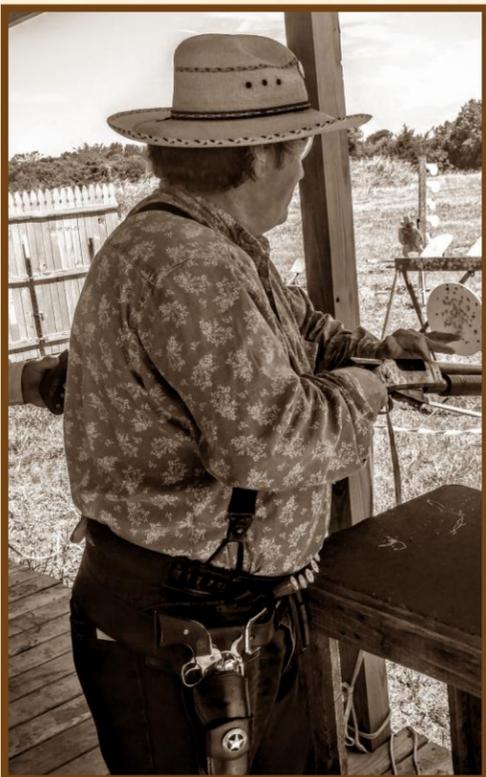
Historical Musings by Diablo Slim

In 1930 Stuart N Lake interviewed Wyatt Earp for an article in Saturday Evening Post. What he had to say struck me as good advice for cowboy action shooters of today. "I was a fair hand with pistol, rifle, or shotgun but I learned more about gun-fighting in the summer of 1871 from Tom Speer and his cronies. They took their gun play seriously putting in hours and hours of practice. Combining high speed and absolute accuracy contributed to their shooting skill. The most important lesson I learned was the man who took his time in a gunfight was usually the winner. When I say I learned to take my time in a gunfight, I do not want to be misunderstood. For the time to be taken was only that split fraction of a second that means the difference between deadly accuracy and a miss."

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Comin' Up!

Countdown to Back AT Cha –
 82 days, 6 hours and 34 minutes
 Local Calendar:
 1st Weekend **Texas**
Troublemakers,
 Brownsboro, TX
 2nd Weekend **Red River Valley**
Cowpokes – Albany, OK
Lone Star Frontier
Shooting Club – Ormsby
 Ranch, Cleburne, TX
Oakwood Outlaws
 3rd Weekend **Texas** **Ten**
Horns Workday
Badlands Bar 3 –
 English, TX
Old Fort Parker,
 Groesbeck, TX
 4th Weekend **Comanche Valley**
Vigilantes, Ormsby
 Ranch, Cleburne, TX
Texas Ten Horns Wild
Bunch & Cowboy
Practice July 23rd
 5th Weekend **Texas** **Ten**
Horns TSRA match
 Sat. July 30 regular
 cowboy match Sun. 31.



3X8 facing down the Longbranch Saloon

Work Day at the Range

We WILL be having a workday at the club on July 16th. Action items are:

- Moving targets around A LOT
- Mowing and weed eating
- **WANTED:** folks with construction expertise. Pastor Black has offered us the canopies along the road where the sporting clays machines were set up. These would make great shade for stages 5 & 6. But we need some help with come expertise in such things to help determine how much dismantling needs to take place in order to move them.
- Those same skills are needed to finish up the Longbranch Saloon.

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I've got to admit, before going to EOT I was intimidated. By the other shooters. By the altitude. By the dry climate. And by the sheer magnitude of shooting at the World Championship

But after going, not once but twice now, I've got to say I love each and every minute of it. True the magnitude of the whole thing is still a bit daunting and the dry climate plays hell with your nasal cavity but it's all worth it. I had an absolute awesome time. Not to mention the vendors. If it's about Cowboys or Cowboy Action Shooting you can likely find it at EOT. Heck, they even had things I didn't realize I needed until I got there and they convinced me otherwise! I strongly suggest you put this one on your bucket list!!!

As for local news. The Ten Horns hosted their regular last
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Tejas Red and LaMesa Kid prepping for the Longbranch Saloon

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He went on to say most of these gunmen altered their new guns in many ways. Cocking and fitting mechanisms were invariably altered for smooth effortless handling. In many cases guns were fired by thumbing the hammer of a triggerless gun...where the gun was held in one hand and thumbed with the other (sound familiar?).

Mr. Earp also said they only loaded 5 rounds for safety reasons due to the hairtrigger adjustments they made. The hammer rested on an empty chamber, practiced gun wielders had too much respect for their weapons to take unnecessary chances with them.

So there you are from the mouth of the most famous gunman ever...Wyatt Earp.

Vinegar Lemonade

Mix 1 to 2 tablespoons of apple cider vinegar into a 12 ounce glass of water.

Stir in 2 tablespoons of sugar to taste.

Note: The pioneers used vinegar for numerous reasons. One reason was to add vitamin C to their diet.

Top Ten Shooters Saturday May 28, 2016

1. Diablo Slim
2. Ruidoso
3. Texas Jack Diamondback
4. Marshall Jack Bridges
5. Monk Parker
6. Tombstone Tim
7. Deacon
8. Dallas Yankee
9. Wrangler Wilson
10. Clueless Bob

Top Ten Shooters Sunday May 29, 2016

1. Blind Bob
2. Marshall Jack Bridges
3. Deadeye Bob
4. Monk Parker
5. Diablo Slim
6. Cbeaux
7. Tejas Red
8. Tombstone Tim
9. Iceberg
10. Gun Wrangler

Parting Shot!

I already told you all these great things about EOT. But what I didn't tell you about was the Stage DQ I got on stage 5. It was the first stage of the second day and I holstered a pistol with the hammer on half cock. I saw where I made the mistake when looking at the video but have no recollection of what I did at the time I did it. But that's not the important part. The important part is twofold. They are:

1-What do you do when you get a stage DQ? Now compound that by getting a stage DQ at a big match? Now add to that believing you may have a legitimate shot at the golden globe in your category?

Let me tell you first hand...it sucks! But you've actually only got two choices. You can be a jackass, ruin your fun and the fun of the folks around you or you can pull up your Big Boy drawers and get back in the game! Remember nobody likes a bad sport and that golden globe ain't real gold.

2-This is the MOST important part. If you're a counter and you spot an issue you have GOT to call it. I thought is sucked to get the call but poor Tres Equis (who made the call) labored over it more than I did. But folks if we aren't willing to make the hard call, especially when it's on a friend, then the integrity of this game we love so much goes right out the window.

I'm not going to say I'm glad I got a stage DQ (even though I was able to relax and shoot a lot smoother once the pressure was off) but I am glad to know now how I'd react in that situation. Be considerate of the folks around you; be appreciative of the pards who had the grit to make the hard call; and most of all HAVE FUN!!! Last I heard they still ain't giving away new Cadillacs! Don't take yourself to seriously...it can steal all your fun!

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

Hairtrigger

Quote of the month was inspired

by my 13 year old Lab Woody the Wonderdog that I lost earlier this week. Anyone who thinks they had the greatest dog ever just never met Woody.



"If there are no dogs in heaven then when I die I want to go where they went." Will Rogers



Hairtrigger Hayes at EOT Awards



Nonstop at EOT Awards

Request

Please send prayers up for all of our cowboy pards that may be facing hard times, either in health or otherwise.

Please send an extra for Texas Slim. He's as fine a cowboy shooter as I've ever had the pleasure of knowing. One of the true champions, both in actions and deeds.

Here are a few of the terms cowboys used for various aspects of eating:

Airtights: Canned goods. Usually corn, peaches, tomatoes and milk.

Arbuckle's axle grease: Arbuckle brand of coffee was the one most used on the range. Axle grease referred to the strength of the coffee.

Cow Grease: Butter.

Hen Fruit: Eggs.

Padding Out His Belly: Someone who eats anything, anytime.

Swamp Seed: Rice. A staple on the trail.

Texas Butter: Gravy made from steak grease and flour. If available, milk was used.

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weekend shoot on the 25th and 26th of June. On Saturday 29 shooters came out including Peacemaker Mike who made his first venture out to shoot after fracturing his ankle. When the dust and smoke cleared Diablo Slim took top honors with his time of 166 seconds. Sopapilla Su was top woman shooting none other than Lady Gunfighter.

Sunday's match played host to 20 shooters with top honors going to Blind Bob and Tejas Red. For a detailed listing of scores please visit our website at www.texas10horns.org

Video Montage from May Shoot

[Click here to be redirected and see a YouTube video montage from the June shoot.](#)

Persons shown: Tombstone Tim, Cbeaux, Blind Bob, 3x8, Diablo Slim, Monk Parker, Manhunter, Bart Bittertrigger Finger, Gun Wrangler, Huckleberry Pace and Hairtrigger Hayes.



Ruidoso at work day.