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THE PRESIDENTS CORNER with Red Scott

On behalf of myself, Sheriff Love, Kool Hand Kel, Madam Ella Moon, and Fatal Star, a big thank you to the membership for having faith in our abilities. Grouchy Spike has agreed to stay on as publications director and ‘weather man’, thank you Spike.

We have all said it however another **THANK YOU is in order to Dusty Chambers and Handlebar Bob** for the leadership that they have given to our club. I for one am saddened to see them leave but I certainly understand their desire to take a much needed and well deserved break from the grind of keeping the Texican Rangers positioned as the premier shooting club in the State of Texas. I know their efforts were a labor of love for the sport and the Texican Rangers.

Comancheria Days 2011 is just around the corner. Once again the Texican Rangers are hosting the SASS Texas State Championship. It seems like just yesterday we had plenty of time and now suddenly it’s here. We have had several workdays preparing the Range for the shoot. This past weekend several members spent the weekend getting it in shape. Sunday about mid morning Grouchy made the comment, “The range is in as good a shape as it could be”. I couldn’t have said it better. On Saturday there had to be close to 25 Cowboys and Cowgirls working up quite a sweat, moving steel, painting targets and signs, and cleaning up. Dangerous Don and his crew dug a hole and moved the Range “open/closed” flagpole to a more visible location. Even old Tex the caricature of Red Dawg, was remodeled by Squawty Bawdy. Come Sunday a bunch returned to put the final touches on the range. I have to say **“It looks good”**. All we really need is a little rain to make it shine. A big thank you goes out to all who have helped with the workload. The Match Directors and Board of Officers decided several months ago to cut the shooters list at 300, and it looks like we are going to meet that and possibly have a waiting list.

If you are available and would like to assist the club with the shoot please get in touch with Sheriff Love. He can find a job for you! Grouchy sent out an email a few days ago which stated those who work the match as volunteers in scoring, parking, and stage marshals will have their names put into a drawing; First name drawn will win a NEB model 97, and the second name drawn will win a case of shotgun shells.

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Those working on the range to get it in shape will have a separate opportunity to win the identical prize, 1st place is a NEB 97, 2nd place is a case of shotgun shells.

The more Cowboys and Cowgirls we can get involved with making our shoots fun and exciting the stronger our club will be and continue on with sound footing.

Our next shoot after Comancheria Days will be in June. Look for more fun stages and the opportunity to send more lead down the range. Beginning in June we will return to 5 stages of shooting both Saturday and Sunday due to the South Texas heat.

Until next time Texicans,

Red Scott



ON THE TRAIL with Handlebar Bob

When I wrote my column in the May issue of the Texican Star, I signed off and rode merrily into the sunset. **I have been asked** by President Red Scott and Vice President Sheriff Robert Love to consider continuing the column.

I considered, for about two seconds, and have agreed to continue with "On the Trail with Handlebar Bob". Besides, after reviewing the contract they presented to me and all the perks that come with the position, well, I just could not refuse. And then there is the timely message of our dictatorial editor, Grouchy Spike, telling me at the end of the month, "hey, your column is late". You just gotta love it. So, HWGA.....here we go again!!!

April saw some of our members travelling to the north end of Fredericksburg to Tin Star Ranch for **Resurrection V and the State Black Powder Championship**. Once again our members did real well in their respective categories:

- Picosa Kid -----1st BP Senior and Overall Winner
- Phantom -----1st BP 49r
- Marshall Brooks-----2nd 49r
- Quintana-----2nd Silver Senior
- Pepper Jacq-----1st Ladies Senior
- Marshall Willy-----1st BP Frontier Cartridge Duelist
- Joe Darter-----1st BP Frontier Cartridge

Tin Star also held a Wild Bunch and Night Shoot match. Joe Darter took first in Wild Bunch and Picosa Kid was first in the Night Shoot.

At the April **Jail Break** with the Oakwood Outlaws three Texicans participated:

- Waterloo-----2nd Overall and 2nd Cowboy
- San Gabriel -----22nd Overall and 7th 49er
- Paisano Paul -----106th Overall and 6th Cowboy

Waterloo also claimed some awards from the side matches: 1st in Fastest Pistol, 1st in Fastest Rifle, and 1st in Fastest Deringer. Is it any wonder that we have trouble counting shots and spotting for Waterloo?

I told you our members did good! Next time you see these shooters, congratulate them and thank them for representing the Texican Rangers so well.

I had the opportunity this past weekend to visit with some of the board members from the Old West Shootist Association (OWSA). This is a challenging shoot held at the NRA's Whittington Center outside of Raton, NM. Thirty two stages shot in four and a half days. They celebrated their 25th anniversary last year and several of our members and other members from surrounding clubs participated.

The board had to make a difficult decision this year. The shoot, scheduled June 21-24, had to be cancelled due to lack of interest. It does fall a week before End of Trail, but I think the economy, especially the cost of gas/diesel, has a lot to do with the low interest in the shoot. They are regrouping and will make a decision later in the year regarding the 2012 shoot. I really hope they will keep the shoot going.

Handlebar Bob



FROM THE SADDLEBAG by Grouchy Spike

This issue of the **Texican Star** is running a few days late because we concentrated on range workdays. Texicans, my hat is off to you for your **volunteer service** during the range workdays we've called this year, and for the upcoming volunteer service to which many of you committed for Comancheria Days 2011. This is truly an outstanding effort!

Thirty-six volunteers amassed 122 range workdays this year, 732 hours; drove 11015 miles, used an 734 gallons of fuel. Counting the value of volunteer time at \$10 per hour and transportation costs at \$0.45 per mile, volunteers made a contribution of \$12,277 to the club. Awesome! Thanks again!

Agarita Annie and Nueces Slim teamed up to drive the most miles at 1,840 during their service, and Captain Kirk had the longest round trip at 360 miles. Thank y'all for your persistence and dedication!

The drawing for the Range Workdays will be held at the monthly match in June. The drawing for the Comancheria Day workdays will be held during Comancheria Days, either at the Pot Luck on Friday night or the Banquet on Saturday night.

And if you were wondering, the officers did NOT submit an application to SASS to host the **2012 State Match**. We'll make do with our annual Comancheria Days club match next year.

Soon after Comancheria Days 2011, we'll begin to use the new **Gallows** constructed by Dusty Lone Star and Sheriff Robert Love. The **swinger** pistol target and the **bell** rifle targets were moved to this stage. The only prop missing now is the hanging noose! Several of you are ready to hang those bells, the rest are ready to hang the swinger. Or maybe hang the stage designer and the scenario writer?

Future plans call for the replacement of the **Jersey Lilly** with a new Jersey Lilly, and the **Train's engine** will need some overdue repairs, maybe major reconstruction with exterior plywood.

A committee has been formed to review the club's **by-laws** and make them current. Sometime this year you should see the proposed changes.

It's great that **Handlebar Bob's** column will continue to be published in the Texican Star, and that we will enjoy more of his colorful humor and wisdom.

Thank you for the applause at last month's match when Red Scott announced that I'd continue as **Director of Publications**. I didn't realize that you liked the weather graphs so much! That warms my heart.

Actually I can't delay gratification on the match results, so I have an incentive to perform this service.



Grouchy Spike



#160 - 1865 Spencer Carbine, .56-50

ON THE TEXICAN RANGERS CALENDAR

Comancheria Days 2011, the SASS Texas

State Match – May 12th – 15th

Monthly Club Match – June 11th & 12th

Monthly Club Match – July 9th & 10th

Monthly Club Match – August 13th & 14th

Monthly Club Match – September 10th & 11th

Shindig – October 8th – the Member’s annual
shootout, club awards



ANNUAL OR SPECIAL CLUB MATCHES

Battle of Plum Creek - Plum Creek – June 4th – 5th

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	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
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.44-40	200	RNFP	67
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