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*The **Premiere** Cowboy Action Shooting Club in Grimes County, Texas*

9/10 of a mile north of the Texas Renaissance Festival Main Entrance—look for the Red, White and Blue sign

Take a look at our match schedule—We're Back!

► **Match this Saturday: May 23, 2020:** match of **six** stages; registration cut off **8:30**

► **Match next Saturday: May 30, 2020:** match of **six** stages; registration cut off **8:30**

► **Match the following Saturday: June 6, 2020:** match of **six** stages; registration cut off **8:30**

Three straight Saturdays of cowboying coming your way

“Clean Matches, No Procedurals”

May 9

Wildcard Wayne
Cherokee Jones

Texas Rooster
Cowboy

Texas Scout
Judge Pete

May 9:

Wildcard Wayne
GW Ketchum
No Limit

Top Ten Shooters

Cherokee Jones
Texas Rooster
Tanner Wright
Manassas Jack

Doc O'Bay
Cowboy
Osage Mike

May 9th Match: it was great to get back to cowboy shooting! Twenty-five shooters from Magnolia to Florida were on hand to blast away at anything that moved and most of what didn't.



We had **Double Tap** and her husband **No Limit** from the Sunshine State with us, though they are full time RVers right now. Their goal is to shoot all 50 states and have already got Alaska and Hawaii under their belts. They fit right in with our mob which goes to show you how friendly all of us are nation-wide.

The weather was great but that might be the last time we see it till late in the Fall—time will tell but the shooting will continue.

We had a fair number wear masks for the match and want to encourage anyone to continue as they see fit. We want everyone to feel as safe as possible (all the while standing in the middle of a posse full of people with 'real' guns shooting 'real' bullets).

Election Results: as everyone probably knows by now **Crash** was elected by acclamation to the office of President. Almost as soon as that happened we learned a new word: Covid 19 and haven't seen much of him since then.

His job keeps him fully occupied during this pandemic and he is keeping people from dying so we'll cut him some slack.

Willie Cheatem is serving out the reminding term for vice-president as in a weak moment he volunteered to step up and fill the vacancy.

A list of the entire board is at the bottom of this newsletter.

People keep asking "is coronavirus really that serious?" Listen up! Casinos and churches are closed. When heaven and hell agree on the same thing, it's probably pretty serious!

Nile City Slick

Crash's Communication

Wow! Where to start.

This has been a whirlwind few months. Never in my wildest dreams would I have imagined a world we are in today. But here we are.



We will continue to get back to normal range activity. Please remember to take care of yourself. I know you are ready to get to some bangin and clangin, but if you feel bad, or even think you're not yourself, please stay home. We look forward to seeing you as soon as you're ready.

On to a lot better subject. I have almost worn the handle off of my Dillion. I bet your reloader has seen lots rounds ran through them too.

I was trying to design a set of training wheels for my 73. I really think they would come in handy. My times will be with a sundial I'm afraid.

During our off time, lots of repairs and upgrades have happened. A great Big Thank You for **Texas Jack Daniels** and the rest of the crew of hammer swingers.

I have really missed all of you. I'm looking forward to choking y'all with some good old fashion smoke, and a little fire thrown in.

Happy Trails to you, Until We Meet Again.

Crash

Never in my whole life would I imagine my hands would consume more alcohol than my mouth!

Nile City Slick

Good Fences Make Good Neighbors: TJD has been heading up the building of new splatter fences that run downrange in between the stage buildings. They are equal to any commercial ones if not better. They are designed and built to allow winds to pass through and not knock them down.

Out of a total of 6 we have built 3 and hope to finish before the full heat arrives. It takes about 3-4 hours to unload the materials, dig and set the 4x4s, install the horizontal 2x12s and finished up with the pickets.



At some point the old fencing will need to be added to the north end burn pile.

We send out periodic announcements about these work days and invite everyone to come out and spend some sweat-equity up-grading our club.



Water provided at Matches: the club provides cold water during our less-than-pleasant matches, which are most of them during the year. We have the bottles in the blue Igloo cooler located on Main Street. We sometimes will have two coolers and will spread them out.

As my SIL says, “Blink, Drink.” Once you are thirsty you are already behind the curve. Don’t hurt to hydrate the day before. Watch your fellow posse members as many times the dehydrated person is not aware they’re in trouble.

All we ask is you dispose of the bottles in the unloading table buckets or in the trash cans by the office.

Shout out to all the parents who never taught their kids respect and now they’re stuck at home with the little monsters!!!

Nile City Slick

Let's Talk Summer Dress: With summer just around the corner, if it isn't already here, a revisit of TRR's Summer Dress Code is in order. Its entire purpose is to allow the maximum number of cowboys to shoot in the hottest temperatures/highest humidity Good Ol' Mother Nature can throw at us. We want the same number of cowfolk walking off the range under their own power as walked on.

Now I know SASS frowns on not being in full cowboy dress and there will always be some of us that will heed that and show up with all the bells and whistles plus chaps, vest, overcoat, 10x beaver hat and Mexican spurs—the ones with 9" rowels. And we enjoy seeing them in full regalia and marvel at their constitution.

But for the rest of us there is summer dress. First and foremost you can't shoot naked—I know **Cherokee**



disagrees with this when it comes to the fairer sex but “rules is rules.”

Second, which should really be first: **NO BASEBALL CAPS!** From there pretty much anything goes: short-sleeved shirt, shorts, T-shirt, some kind of shoes even tennies.

An aside: back in the day one shooter wanted to shoot barefoot. It was decided then that he stood a good chance of stepping on a spent cartridge a punching a chunk of flesh/muscle/bone from the bottom of his foot. We still don't allow barefoot shooting or spectating for that matter.



▲ **Tennie Lamas**

Hawaiian shirts, muscle shirts (if you've got the body for one) and the like are fine; after all we don't have Clothes-Nazis in the club

The Thunder River Mercantile



Down South Leather, Custom Leather Goods for the Cowboy Life Style by **Rusty Reb** is proud to announce the opening of its Houston branch. Contact **Rusty** and discuss your needs and wants; he's only an email or phone call away: RustyReb49@Yahoo.com or 346-261-9620



Osage Mike's: I'm a one man shop building custom leather goods for cowboy action shooters. I build holsters, cartridge belts, shotgun belts and cowboy shooter accessories one at a time. TRR member **Osage Mike**, jayemgee@msn.com Phone: 281.785.2397

Cops these days will be like... come out with your hands washed!

Nile City Slick



Everyone has been noticing all the wonderful signs appearing around the range. We have **Suzie Q** and **GW Ketchum** to thank for them.



Their son commercially makes them up in Willis so if you're in the market for some custom made

ones of your own give them a call (936.827.2560) or catch them on FaceBook: [click on their name] [Fallow Fabrications](#)

Wooden Fully Adjustable Bench Top Shooting Sticks

Made in the U.S.A.

Solid Oak, wood sealed for long life, heavy duty construction, leather strips on uprights to protect rifle, pinned-easy height adjustment, fully adjustable to match shooting bench height and shooter, collapses for easy transportation.

If anyone is interested in owning one of these bench top shooting sticks built by one of your fellow TRR members

please contact Cartwright at gauth1965@gmail.com. Currently have 7 shooting sticks ready for delivery.



Cost - \$85 Thanks, **Cartwright**

John Powers, Gunsmith



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Shooting once a month not enough?

Oakwood Outlaws

2nd Sat. & Sun. every month and the Monday following the 2nd weekend.
www.oakwoodoutlaws.org/

Willow Hole Cowboys 3rd Weekend of the month

<http://www.willowholecowboys.com/>

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