



ALAMO MUZZLE LOADING GUN CLUB SMOKE SIGNAL NEWSLETTER

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The 2024 annual general membership meeting, at which we will give awards and elect half the board of directors (and collect dues) will be held on Saturday, January 6th 2024. Location and time will be announced in December. We are considering an indoor location because a wet winter is predicted.

November 5th club shoot winners. We had 14 Rifle, and 9 Pistol shooters

		50YD Cut up Buffalo	50YD 5 Bull Buffalo	100YD 1 Bull Buffalo	100YD 2 Bull Buffalo
Class A:	1	Dennis Rich 46	Dennis Rich 41X	Bill Knipscher 41	Alex Michlberger 32
	2	Alex Michlberger 46	Alex Michlberger 36	Alex Michlberger 40	Dennis Rich 32
	3	Clif Denny 44	Rich Beardsley 28	Dennis Rich 37	Rich Beardsley 32
Class B:	1	Terry Williams 41	John Burke Sr. 22	Johnny Lambaria 36	Terry Williams 24
	2	Johnny Lambaria 36	Terry Williams 17	Gary Quandt 14	Johnny Lambaria 18
	3	John Burke Sr. 31	Johnny Lambaria 13	Terry Williams 11	John Burke Sr. 18
Aggregates			1st	2nd	3rd
Class A Rifle Agg:			Dennis Rich 156X	Alex Michlberger 154	Rich Beardsley 132
Class B Rifle Agg:			Johnny Lambaria 103	Terry Williams 93	John Burke Sr. 76
Class A Pistol:			Clif Denny 83	Alan Pinel 51	Greg Delk 39
Class B Pistol:			Alex Michlberger 77 X	Terry Williams 57	John Burke Sr. 52

Note that our December shoot is this coming Sunday! Set a reminder for it now!

Dennis



Johnny



Clif



Alex



November 11th Skirmish:

The rifled musket skirmish was shot by two teams of five. Alan's team was ahead til relay 4, flower pots. Then we couldn't hit, and Bill's team pulled ahead. (remember shorter times are better.)

After lunch, the smoothbore skirmish had two teams of three. It was called on account of rain after the second relay, but not before it was plain that team 'A' (the guys who were on the 2nd place team at NSSA nationals) was eating Team 'B's' lunch.

Nevertheless smoothbore is FUN.



TEXAS SKIRMISH ASSOCIATION MATCH SCORE SHEET

TEAM	RELAY 1	RELAY 2	RELAY 3	RELAY 4	RELAY 5	TOTAL
	Pigeon Bonds	4" Tins	Hanging Clays	POTS	Shootrock	
Alan	300 + 101487 150 450	255 + 4	300 + 90	300	41 = 1346	2 ND
Bill	300 + 12447 150 480	300 + 2447 360 840	292	160 - 0	1292	1 ST

Another picture from behind the skirmish line →



More about our club members at the North South Skirmish Association Fall national shoot last month:

Four AMLGC members competed at the North-South Skirmish Association (N-SSA) fall Nationals in Winchester, Virginia the week of October 4th through 8th. Bill Knipscher, Greg Delk, Wendy Pinel and Alan Pinel are all members of the 8th Texas Cavalry known as "Terry's Texas Rangers." The N-SSA holds both individual and team competitions in revolver, single shot pistol, musket, carbine, and smoothbores. Our AMLGC members had a very good competition with all receiving medals and awards as follows:

Bill Knipscher – 50 Yard Musket – 1st Place; 50 Yard Smoothbore – 4th Place; Smoothbore Aggregate – 2nd Place; Team Smoothbore – 2nd Place & Team Carbine – 6th Place

Greg Delk: Team Carbine – 6th Place

Wendy Pinel: Team Carbine – 6th Place

Alan Pinel: 50 Yard Carbine – 4th Place; 100 Yard Carbine – 4th Place; Carbine Aggregate – 3rd Place; Team Smoothbore – 2nd Place & Team Carbine – 6th Place

Congratulations to all on an excellent competition!. For more information on the North-South Skirmish Association check out their website for more information <http://www.n-ssa.org>.

Other news;

● **Berm work: Range committee chair Gary Quandt** has gotten calls about the berm work, and it's time to clarify: The range is open now. We will email you if it is going to be closed, as long as we have your correct email. The 25 yard berm upgrade was delayed in November both by rain (no one wants to recover a bogged or rolled dozer) and by illness. Currently work will be done between dawn and 8AM, when the range is closed anyway. Depending on how wet this coming weekend is, we may have an announcement about next week.

● The club's next **fun silhouette shoot** will be on **December 17th**. Pistol matches have been added to the 3rd-Sunday fun silhouette shoots.

● Range committee chair Gary Quandt is still looking for a volunteer or volunteers to build more shooting benches. The club will buy the materials. To volunteer please call Gary at (210) 248-8182.

● Gary Quandt would also like some members who change their own oil to dispose of your used oil by pouring it on the railroad ties on the target lines. This will preserve the wood, both keeping it from cracking and making it inedible to termites. To volunteer please call Gary at (210) 248-8182.

● **Lunch volunteer reminders:** (for the first-Sunday club matches.)

December—Dave Carlson & Deirdre McDonald

● Remember that the 200-300 yard and 385 meter lines are closed. Raising the 200 and 300 yard berms will be considered by the board in January.

● **The White Smoke Brigade is having a "mountain man" style shoot Saturday December 2nd,**

Shooting begins around 10:00 AM. Paper targets along with metal silhouettes. Smoothbores, percussion, and flintlock rifles & pistols are welcome; however, please no modern muzzleloaders. For those of you that might not know, the match is \$5; exact change is appreciated. We have a quarters shoot for cold bore. Dues are payable for a calendar year and are only \$15.00. Dues not only go towards WSB, but for Texas Free Trappers too. \$15.00 for both!

Bring your own water and snacks. There are no toilet facilities on the property.

If you have any questions, please call. Jack Simons 210-846-6375

Directions – North of Canyon Lake At "T" intersection of Highways 306 and 3424 turn north on 3424; cross Highway 32; 3424 becomes Mail Route Road; at about 100 yards cross a creek; then turn right at a driveway with an old yellow Jeep full of cactus; take caution when going through the automatic gate staying right and drive to back of living area going past stop sign on tree, when you come to a green & yellow railroad storage container turn left, at the gate enter and close it behind you; there are horses onsite.

Approximate map coordinates: 29.943840,-98.209012.

Upcoming AMLGC and other Events through-December:

AMLGC 2023 Match Schedule					
			Josh Keller (Castroville and Rio Medina 4H)	Henderson (Bexar)	Lightell (La Coste)
December	2				4H (8-12N)
	3	Holiday Shoot, knife shoot, round bull targets (25 & 50 yds.), 25 yd pistol shoot			
	9			4H (2:30pm)	4H (8-12N)
	16				4H (8-12N)
	17	Silhouette Fun Shoot. \$5 entry, 20 shot match. 25 Yd Pistol match.			
	23				4H (8-12N)
	30				4H (8-12N)

Note, LaCoste 4H shoots at 8AM-noon every Saturday when no club events are scheduled.

Last,
 At the skirmish shoot there was a spectator; A young black dog, evidently dumped,.
 Very skinny, so we fed him. Not afraid of gunfire. Very friendly, not feral. no collar.
 Nicknamed "Happy" by us.
 Can someone give him a home if he is still there?
 As Wendy Pinel said, "There is a special place in hell for people who dump dogs." That's my editorial, too.



Now that cool weather is here, it is time to cast bullets!

Until next month –

Ian Straus

