

RENEGADE JOURNAL

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Jose Cuervo, you are a friend of mine. I like to drink you with a little salt and lime. Did I kiss all the cowboys, did I shoot out the lights, did I dance on the bar, did I start any fights? We had the 44th annual Red River Renegades *CHRISTMAS* party at Roger and Patty's. There, I said it! *CHRITMAS!* Not happy holiday party. Not winter break party. *CHRISTMAS* party. We **will not** be pulled into the world of political correctness and ineptness. Attendance was smaller than in the past. Marvin had a tank overflow on one of his leases. Danny and Angie had a grandson in football finals. Others had called ahead and took a rain check. When I pulled into the drive mine was the only vehicle. I thought maybe I had the wrong house or the wrong night. Several others said the same thing. However, if you were not there you missed a good time. And, alas, it was much tamer than in the early years. Ken Matlock relayed the story of when the party was at his house on McNeil and as Mike arrived with his group, someone's hat fell off and the other three shot it full of holes right there in his front yard. This year was not like that. We all conducted ourselves as well behaved, mature, *old* people. There was plenty of food at the beginning of the party and there was still plenty at the end. The highlight of the party was when Wayne drew for the door prize. He got a custom designed, rhinestone incrustated, New York City (*NEW YORK CITY?*), hand stitched, made in China man bag. Talk about the excitement! Wayne could hardly hold back the tears of joy. "Would you look at this. I can finally shoot out of the bag. It even has pockets on the inside and everything." Everyone knows how excited Wayne can get. We had some concerns, however, that he would be protested by PETA or investigated by the government. This bag was made from the hide of a nauga. As everyone knows the nauga is on the endangered species list. There has not been a nauga sighting in decades. That animal is more elusive than Big Foot or the Lock Ness. Not many can claim to have an authentic naugahide shooting bag. Maybe he should follow the example of the Congress of deny and lie.

As reported in the last newsletter there was no shotgun shoot scheduled in December. Folks, we *have to do something* about membership and attendance. Otherwise we will go down the same path as wheelwrights, candle stick makers, and steam engine mechanics. As it stands now there will still be a January Shotgun Sunday. If that changes Dean will call.

When I got up Sunday morning I looked at the readout of the fully electronic, digital, remote wireless, high tech weather recording device I had received last Christmas. It indicated twenty-seven degrees but

NO WIND! Zero! I said to myself, “Self, I don’t think we are in Texas anymore Toto.” North Texas and no wind? How weird is that? As the day went along the temperature moved up into the 40’s or 50’s. If you were not there you missed out on *the most* perfect shooting day of 2013. Good for us. Too bad for you. We had seven register to shoot. Linda scored targets, Mark came by to visit, and Dean was there before church. Angie was laid up at home with the awful flu bug going around. Also worth mentioning, Linda brought a really *really* good stew for lunch break. No left overs in that pot. Of note we had an anonymous gift card for the RRR. It is for \$100 redeemable at Academy. The only stipulation was it was to be given away to a name pulled from the membership and you had to present to win. So we pulled names. Sorry Dudley, you should have been there.

We did have a strange encounter of the third kind. If you have been to the range you know that we are in the flight path for small private planes. I heard one fly over and since it was such a common occurrence I did not bother to look up. A few minutes later Charlie came over and asked if I had seen it. “See what?” I asked. We were being buzzed by a drone. Now what possible reason could there be for a drone to fly over our range? And in the same air space that is frequented by private aircraft. It really makes one wonder, doesn’t it? If one were paranoid we might see shooting hats made from tin foil to block radio waves.

Last time I was at the ABC monthly shoot, the second annual Double Dog Dare match between RRR and ABC was discussed. The first match, as you remember, ended in a tie; right down to the Xs. They get to pick the targets and the rules this time. I hope this continues as this serves to bring different clubs and their members together. The shooting community certainly needs cohesiveness in these times of impending tyranny. Benjamin Franklin was quoted as saying, “We must hang together or surely we will hang separately.”

So here are the December 2013 Red River Renegades Hangover Shoot. Take a look at the smoothbore scores. This month just for fun there was a 75 yards smoothbore target. Wayne shot a 23. At 75 yards. With his smoothbore! I can just imagine Linda saying to Wayne at 2:00 in the morning. “I hear someone breaking in.....poor fool.”

	TARGET	FIRST	SECOND	THIRD
PERCUSSION				
25 yd	Maingy Coyote	Jeff Lathrop 27	Danny Cantrell 20	Charlie Coker 15X
50 yd	Muskrat	Charlie Coker 17	Jeff Lathrop 17	
75 yd	Wolf	Jeff Lathrop 23	Charlie Coker 17	
AGG	Jeff Lathrop 67			
MUSKET				
25 yd	Wolf	Roger Fowler 45X		
50 yd	Large Buffalo	Roger Fowler 32		
75 yd	Large Bull	Roger Fowler 31		
AGG	Roger Fowler 108X			
HANDGUN P- PISTOL R – REVOLVER MUST SHOOT P & R FOR AGG				
25 yd	25 (Revolver) 6 Bull	Dale Craighead 10		
50 yd	50 (Revolver) Large Bull	Dale Craighead 5		
AGG	none			

LADIES HANDGUN		PISTOL OR REVOLVER		
25 yd	25 6 Bull			
50 yd	50 Large Bull	Jessie Craighead 0		
AGG	none			
SMOOTHBORE				
25 yd	25 Wolf	Wayne Lollis 37		
50 yd	50 Large Buffalo	Wayne Lollis 24		
75 yd	75 Large Bull	Wayne Lollis 23		
AGG	Wayne Lollis 84			
GRAYBEARD				
25 yd	Squirrel	Jeff Lathrop 18	Charlie Coker 2	
50 yd	Indian	Jeff Lathrop 30	Charlie Coker 25	
AGG	Jeff Lathrop 48			
NOVELTY				
25 yd	25 Renegade X	Charlie Coker 3	Danny Cantrell 3	Jeff Lathrop 3
AGG	Charlie, Danny, & Jeff <i>*listed in alphabetical order so not to show favoritism *</i>	Match Chairman ruling – T Ball rules prevail. No losers and all participants win first place and get a blue bead. Everyone sang Koom-By-Ya. We ended with a group hug.		



ABE AND ESTERS 50th ANIVERSERY VACATION CRUSE

Abe and Ester decided to celebrate their 50th anniversary by going on a cruse. Six days out the captain made an announcement that the ship lost power, the rudder fell off, and all communication and navigation devices were dead. The next day the captain announced they were drifting toward an uncharted island and they would crash and spend the rest of their lives there. After the ship hit the sand Abe asked Ester, "Did we update our wills?" Ester replied, "Yes, just before we left." "Good. Did we board the dogs with the vet?" "Yes." "Good. Did we stop the mail?" "Yes." "Did we set the temperature in the house?" "Yes." "Good. Did we mail our check to the IRS?" Ester thinks a minute, pulls an envelope from her purse, and replies, "Oh my stars. We were in such a rush to get to the ship I forgot." Abe takes her in his arms and gives her the biggest kiss since their honeymoon and says, "That is wonderful! I love you." "WHAT? WHY?" Abe says "That means they will find us!"

WORTHLESS (or not) TRIVIA

You can flip a toaster on its side and grill a cheese sandwich in it.

THE DIFFERENCE OF HOW A YANKEE AND A TEXAN TELLS A BEDTIME STORY

A Yankee starts a bedtime story like this, “  Once upon a time.....  ”

A Texan starts a bedtime story like this, “Bubba, you just ain’t gonna believe what I just heard.....”

There are three things a Texas will not tolerate:

- A street thug pulling a knife
- A gang banger pulling a gun
- A Yankee pulling a U-Haul

THE UNITES STATES IS THIRD IN MURDERS THROUGHT THE WORLD

However, if you take out Chicago (home or our president), Detroit (bankrupt), Washington DC (corrupt), and New Orleans (you pick) out of the picture, the Unites States drops to third from the bottom on a list of 216 countries worldwide. These cities have the toughest gun control laws in the United States. Even Helen Keller could see gun control laws do not work.

LOCAL CLUB SHOOT DATES

Auroa Blackpowder Club, Aurora, TX. Shoots the third Sunday of the month. Contact Beaver at 817-822-3481 or 682-730-1921

Beaver Creek Freetrappers, Sterling OK Shoots third Saturday. Contact Iron Jaw at 405-933-3181.

Red River Renegades shoots rifle/pistol the last Sunday and shotgun the second Sunday. Contact a club officer for directions.

My Job

It's not my job to drive the train,
The whistle I cannot blow.
It's not my job to say how far
The train's allowed to go.
It's not my job to blow the horn,
Nor even clang the bell.
But let the damn thing jump the track
And see who catches hell.

Sometimes you just have to improvise.



MATCH SCHEDULE FOR JANUARY, 2014					
Match	Yards	Target	Sights	Pos	Shots
Bench					
1	50	Fat Turkey	Any	Bench	5
2	75	Rabbit	Any	Bench	5
3	100	6 Bull	Any	Bench	5
Percussion					
4	25	Rabbit	AM	OH	5
5	50	Turkey	AM	OH	5
6	100	Large Bull	AM	OH	5
Flint Lock					
7	25	Fat Turkey	Open	OH	5
8	50	Medium Buffalo	Open	OH	5
9	100	Large Bandit	Open	OH	5
MUSKET					
10	25	Indian	Issue	OH	5
11	50	Bear	Issue	OH	5
12	75	Large Buffalo	Issue	OH	5
HANDGUN					
13	25	(Pistol) 6 Bull	Open	OH	5
14	50	(Pistol) Large Bull	Open	OH	5
15	25	(Revolver) 6 Bull	Open	OH	5
16	50	(Revolver) Large Bull	Open	OH	5
LADIES RIFLE					
17	25	Small Buffalo	AM	OH	5
18	50	Medium Buffalo	AM	OH	5
19	75	Large Buffalo	AM	OH	5
LADIES HANDGUN (Pistol or Revolver)					
20	25	6 Bull	Open	OH	5
21	50	Large Bull	Open	OH	5
SUB-JUNIOR (11 years and under)					
22	25	Antelope	AM	OH	5
23	50	Large Bandit	AM	OH	5
JUNIOR (12 TO 16 years)					
24	25	Antelope	AM	OH	5
25	50	Large Bandit	AM	OH	5
SMOOTHBORE					
26	25	Muskrat	AM	OH	5
27	50	Indian	AM	OH	5
GRAYBEARD (60 years and older)					
28	25	Large Turkey Neck	AM	OH	5
29	50	Bear	AM	OH	5
NOVELTY					
30	25	Tic-Tac-Toe	AM	OH	3

