The Long Riders, Inc. Presents

The Twenty-eighth Annual Three-Day Shoot

**July Jamboree** 

# FRONTIER TEXAS RANGERS



July 26 - 28, 2024



#### Howdy Pardner,

The Long Riders Cowboy Action Shooting club was founded in February 1995. Through the hard work of its dedicated members, The Long Riders grew to over 40 members in its first year. Today, The Long Riders has a good membership base that holds regular shoots the fourth Sunday of the month from April through October. SOME shoots may be rescheduled, so check the website schedule for EXACT dates. A special 3-Day Shoot is held the weekend of the fourth Sunday of July. The first 3 Day shoot was held in the 2nd year (1996).

#### *The Long Riders* are led by a Board of Directors known around these parts as: *"The Vile Bunch"*

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We are always looking for individuals willing to bring energy, enthusiasm & a little "know how" to these positions. Benefits include making new friends, Flexible Hours, Work from home (sometimes), earning the gratitude, respect and admiration of your peers. (how could anyone not want this fun adventure)!







# SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

# FRIDAY, JULY 26

- 8:00 AM CAMPGROUND OPENS TO CAMPERS, NO Hook-ups
- **9:00 AM** REGISTRATION OPENS *Shooters pick up their packets*
- **10:00 AM** SIDE MATCHES & PRECISION EVENTS

#### SIDE MATCHES FOR Friday only

- TWO PERSON REVOLVER TEAM MATCH (PIGEON BOARD)
- TWO PERSON RIFLE TEAM MATCH (STICKS)
- SPEED REVOLVER, RIFLE, SHOTGUN
- SPEED 1911
- PRECISION DERRINGER / POCKET PISTOL
- SPEED DERINGER / POCKET PISTOL
- 22 cal. ANNIE OAKLEY MATCH
- REPEATING RIFLE DIVISION
  - PISTOL CALIBER
  - ° RIFLE CALIBER
- SINGLE SHOT RIFLE DIVISION
  - PISTOL CALIBER RIFLE
  - RIFLE CALIBER RIFLE
- Cowboy Warm-up Scenario

**3:00 PM** RANGE CLOSED FOR SATURDAY SET-UP

ALL Cowpokes Check stage set-ups for Saturday's shoot and arrange & paint targets, reset props, etc. as needed. 3:30 PM Hang-out, jaw with yer pards, go home

### SATURDAY, JULY 27

- **7:30** AM ARRIVE AT SHORTSVILLE, JAW WITH YER FRIENDS
- 8:00 AM REGISTRATION Shooters <u>Must</u> Check In Pick up your packets if you did not get them Friday.
- **8:45** AM POSSE LEADER WALK THRU Stages 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6
- **9:00** AM MANDATORY SAFETY MEETING / SHOOTING STARTS
- 12:00 PM ish Lunch Hamburgers & Hots Raffles OPEN



- **12:45** PM **POSSE PICTURES**
- **1:00** PM SHOOTING CONTINUES FOR the LAST SATURDAY STAGES
- After Stages ALL COWPOKES !! Change over scenarios for Sunday's shoot

### SATURDAY EVENING EVENTS

#### **4:30** PM CATERED DINNER by "Wagon Ho" (Mrs. Monteque Kid)

(PAYABLE IN ADVANCE)

Soda & Water available to purchase from Shortsville Or <u>Bring your own lovely</u> <u>beverage(s)</u>



#### SUNDAY, JULY 28

- **7:30** AM ARRIVE AT SHORTSVILLE, JAW WITH YER FRIENDS
- 8:00 AM REGISTRATION all shooters must check in
- **8:45** AM POSSE LEADER WALK THROUGH (1, 2, 3, 4)
- **9:00** AM MANDATORY SAFETY MEETING / SHOOTING STARTS
- 12:00 PM ish Lunch Raffles / 50-50 Raffle / Gun Raffle / Door Prize
- 1:00 PM ish SHOOTING CONTINUES FOR SUNDAY STAGES
- After Stages: ALL Cowpokes Tear Down and CLEANUP or ELSE ...



# Reminders

- <u>FOOD</u>
  - NO FOOD available on Friday
  - NO BREAKFAST available on Friday, Saturday or Sunday
  - LUNCH will be available on Saturday and Sunday
- CLUB RESTROOMS AND PORTABLE JOHNS ON CAMPSITE AND RANGE.
- ALL REGISTERED SHOOTERS MUST BE IN PERIOD DRESS FOR ALL ACTIVITIES
- ONLY REGISTERED SHOOTERS MAY CARRY FIREARMS AT THIS EVENT.
- ALL ROUNDS MUST BE S.A.S.S. LEGAL, LEAD BULLETS and SHOT ONLY

### "BRING LOTS OF IT"

**ENJOY THE SPIRIT OF THE GAME AND MEET NEW FRIENDS!** 

#### Stage 1 - John B Armstrong (1850 – 1913)



A native of Tennessee, Armstrong clashed with Reconstruction-era authorities at home and ended up moving to Texas in 1872 at the age of 22. He joined the Austin militia unit known as the Travis Rifles before moving on to a company of Texas Rangers led by Captain Leander McNelly. Armstrong's most famous exploit as a Ranger by far was his capture of John Wesley Hardin in the spring of 1877.

Tracking Hardin to Florida, the Ranger enlisted the aid of local lawmen in Pensacola to assist them in the capture. When the train carrying Hardin came into the station, Armstrong entered the front of the coach. He drew his Colt .45 and confronted Hardin and four members of his gang. Harden attempted to draw a .44 Colt cap-and-ball pistol, but it got caught up in his suspenders. The officers knocked Hardin unconscious. They arrested two of his companions, and Ranger Armstrong killed a third, a man named Mann, who had taken a shot at him.

Targets:	3 Pistol, 3 Rifle, 2 shotgun
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Ammo: 5/10 Pistol, 10 Rifle, 4+ Shotgun

**Props:** Train Wall and Coal Car

Starting Position: Rifle in hand

Shooter Says: "You've gunned down your last man Hardin!"

ATB: Engage the rifle targets: Arkansas Shuffle (2-1-2) (shot count) either direction, Repeat

Engage the pistol targets: same as the rifle targets.

#### <u>Stage 2 - John B Jones (1834 – 1881)</u>



In 1874, Jones—a distinguished veteran of Texas forces in the Civil War—was chosen to head the Frontier Battalion, a newly created organization composed of six large Ranger companies and tasked with protecting the Texas frontier. Under his firm hand, the Rangers reached new levels as a state police force, helping preserve law and order in the chaotic period following Civil War and Reconstruction.

Train robber Sam Bass, one of the most notorious outlaws of the time, eluded capture until July 1878, when one of the members of his gang, Jim Murphy, turned informer. Lawmen sent a message to Murphy informing him that they had his father in custody, and that if Murphy did not agree to meet with them, they would continue to withhold medical treatment from his ill father. Knowing how sick his father was, Murphy agreed to the meeting. There, he reluctantly agreed to turn informant. John B. Jones was subsequently notified of Bass's movements and set up an ambush at Round Rock, Texas, where Bass and the gang planned to rob the Williamson County Bank. Rangers met the robbers there, and in the ensuing gunfight, Bass was fatally wounded. In 1879, Jones was given even greater responsibility as adjutant general of the state of Texas; he died in service in 1881.

 Targets:
 Plate Rack, 4 Pistol, 1 Rifle (dump target), 2 Shotgun

Ammo: 5/10 Pistol, 10 Rifle, 4+ Shotgun

Props: Knockdown Door & Window

Starting Position: Hands on hat

Shooter Says: "You picked the wrong friends Sam!"

ATB: Knockdown door (No kicking)

Engage the pistol targets: 1-2-3-4-Dump target (Targets Shot). Repeat

Move to the window. Engage the rifle targets: engage the plate rack until the plates are down. The remaining rounds go on the dump target.

Move to second window. Engage shotgun targets: either direction, no double taps

#### <u>. Stage 3 – Leander Harvey McNelly (1844 – 1877)</u>



McNelly learned that a gang of Mexican bandits had recently robbed a local Nueces County store and made off with eighteen rather expensive "Dick Heyes' saddles" adorned with silver conchos. A new shipment of decorated saddles was expected any day, but McNelly instructed the merchant not to sell any more. He then Provided his rangers with a description of the saddles and order you to empty any such saddles on sight. "Leave the men where you drop them and bring the saddles to camp." he said. A few nights later, several rustlers stumbled upon and some of the boys while enjoying some Whisky at the saloon. Several of those men had mounts adorned with some of those fancy saddles.

Targets:	4 Pistol, 4 Rifle, 2 shotgun
Ammo:	5/10 Pistol, 10 Rifle, 4+ Shotgun
Props:	Bar & Bartender
Starting Position:	Hands on bar

Shooter Says: "Stop Wabblin' Jaw and get those saddles!"

**ATB:** Engage the Pistol targets: Badger Sweep (1-2-3-4-1-2-3-1-2-1)(*Targets Shot*)

Engage the rifle targets: same as the pistol targets.

#### Stage 4 - George W. Baylor (1832 – 1916)



In September of 1879, Baylor was commissioned a lieutenant in the Texas Rangers and ordered to take over the command of a detachment of Rangers in El Paso. He was soon involved in protecting the region from attacks from the Apaches. One of Baylor's greatest successes as a Ranger came in January 1881. For several weeks the U. S. Tenth Cavalry and the Rangers were kept busy in pursuit the late Victorio's band of Apache.

A small band of Apache recently attacked a stagecoach in Quitman Canyon. Baylor and his Rangers tracked the Apache down the bank of the Rio Grande and into Mexico. The trail turned back into Texas, where they found a fresh camp site. Following the trail into the Eagle Mountains, the Rangers came across a camp that was only hours old. After more tracking, the Rangers finally came upon the Indian camp. A fight ensued on the morning of January 29.

The fight, though small, has come down through history as the last Indian battle in Texas. In 1882 Baylor was promoted to captain of Company A. He died on March 17, 1916 in San Antonio. He is buried in the Confederate Cemetery in San Antonio.

Targets:5 Pistol, 5 Rifle, 2 Shotgun

Ammo: 5/10 Pistol, 10 Rifle, 4+ Shotgun

Props: Wagon

Starting Position: Behind wagon, Hands on wagon

Shooter Says: "Your gonna pay for your crimes!"

**ATB:** Engage the pistol targets: Double tap sweep, either direction

Engage the Rifle targets: same as the pistol targets.

#### <u>Stage 5 – Southing the Soul</u>



Now every once and a while, even a Ranger needs to take a few minutes and sit a spell. Nothing soothes the soul like a little music at the local saloon. And nothing will anger this ranger more than a disrespectful drunkard preventing said enjoyment! Especially when he pulls his six shooters and starts firing away recklessly.

Targets:	5 Pistol, 5 Rifle, 3 Shotgun
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Ammo: 5/10 Pistol, 10 Rifle, 6+ Shotgun

Props: Piano and Ugly Ma Frickert

**Starting Position:** Standing at the piano

Shooter Says: "Try showing a little respect!"

**ATB:** Engage the rifle targets: Double B Sweep (1-2-3-2-1 & 5-4-3-4-5) also known as "Left and right Nevada's" (*Targets Shot*)

Engage the pistol targets: same as the rifle targets.



Texas Train Robbers



Brack Cornett was the outlaw co-leader of the Bill Whitley Gang, robbing banks and trains in southwest Texas in the late 1880s. The gang robbed a bank at Cisco, Texas, in February 1888, making off with some \$25,000. Several days later, they robbed the International-Great Northern Railroad, escaping with \$20,000. On June 18, 1888, Cornett, using the alias "Captain Dick," led the band that robbed the Southern Pacific near Schulenburg, Texas. This robbery was described by the New York Times as "the most daring train robbery that ever occurred in Texas."

However, when they planned to rob the Southern Pacific train out of Harwood, Texas, on September 22, 1888, they found a posse waiting for them. Somehow, U.S. Marshal John Rankin received advance notice of the robbers' plans, and he, along with Deputy Duval West and several Texas Rangers including Alfred Allee, were on board the train. The gang stopped the train just three miles outside of town and attempted to rob it but were driven off by the lawmen.

Targets:3 Pistol, 3 Rifle, 2 shotgun

Ammo: 5/10 Pistol, 10 Rifle, 4+ Shotgun

**Props:** Train Wall and Coal Car

Starting Position: Rifle in hand

Shooter Says: "Stop! Don't make me shoot!"

**ATB**: Engage the rifle targets: Brat Sweep (3-1-2-1-3), Repeat (*shot count*)

Engage the pistol targets: same as the rifle targets.

#### Stage 7 – Jesse Lee (Leigh) Hall



Jesse Lee Hall was born in Lexington, North Carolina on October 9, 1849. He first worked as a schoolteacher, but soon became a city marshal in Sherman, a deputy sheriff in Denison, and the sergeant of arms for the Texas Senate.

In August 1876, Hall became the second in command of Leander McNelly's Special Force of Texas Rangers. Serving in the Goliad region, Hall soon broke up a gang of vigilantes and gained the goodwill of the community. In October 1876, Hall became the acting commander of the Ranger company.

He moved the company to Cuero to suppress the Sutton-Taylor Feud. Hall was made 1st Lieutenant and company commander with John B. Armstrong serving as the 2nd Lieutenant. Hall used the company to help suppress cattle rustling, raids across the border fueled by the Diaz revolution in Mexico, and the raiding of John King Fisher and his men. In 1880 Hall retired from the Rangers, turning over command of the company to T. L. Oglesby. Lee Hall died on March 17, 1911 and was buried in the National Cemetery at San Antonio.

Targets:Plate Rack, 4 Pistol, 1 Rifle (dump target), 2 Shotgun

Ammo: 5/10 Pistol, 10 Rifle, 4+ Shotgun

Props: Knockdown Door & Window

Starting Position: Standing at window, hands on sill

Shooter Says: "Suttons! Taylors! This feud ends now!"

**ATB**: Engage the rifle targets: Engage plate rack until all the plates are down. Remaining rounds go on the dump target.

Engage shotgun targets: Either direction, no double taps.

Engage the pistol targets: Knock down door (No kicking) 2-2-2-4 (Shot count)



Now you didn't think you would get through the day without a mention of the legendary Gus McCrea dis ya'll? Wait, not a real Ranger you say! Only a character! Hogwash! I bet you heard about the time he schooled that surly bartender for disrespecting him and Woodrow. But I doubt you ever heard about the scuffle that occurred just shortly after. That bartender didn't take to kindly to being roughhoused in his own place. He and some Pards caught up with Gus in an alley and jumped him from behind! Oh, was that a big mistake!

Targets:	4 Pistol, 4 Rifle, 2 shotgun	
Ammo:	5/10 Pistol, 10 Rifle, 4+ Shotgun	
Props:	Bar & Bartender	
Starting Position:	Standing next to bar	

Shooter Says: "I have a Walker with all your names on it!"

ATB: Engage the pistol targets: Continuous Navada Sweep (1-2-3-4-3-2-1-2-3-4) (Targets Shot)

Engage the rifle targets: same as the pistol targets.

#### Stage 9 - Leander Harvey McNelly (1844 – 1877)



To Hell and Back - The Las Cuevas War

It is November 1875 and Captain McNelly rather rashly led you and the other rangers into Mexico to recover stolen cattle. Faced with an army of 800 Mexican soldiers, you were all forced to retreat but refused to leave Mexico altogether without victory. This region (*Las Cuevas -Tamaulipas, Mexico*) belonged to "General" Juan Flores Salinas, and he quickly gathered up a large force of bandits to drive you off. About two dozen men appeared, led by Salinas himself. On the other side of the Rio Grande is the U.S. cavalry, who have been ordered not to interfere. McNelly ordered you and the other rangers to line the river's south bank and carve out firing positions. "Come on, boys!" McNelly called out. "Open up on them as fast as you can."

Targets:5 Pistol, 5 Rifle, 2 shotgun

Ammo: 5/10 Pistol, 10 Rifle, 4+ Shotgun

Props: Wagon

**Starting Position:** Standing behind the wagon

Shooter Says: "Come on rangers! feed them some hot lead!"

**ATB:** Engage the rifle targets: 2-1-4-1-2 from either direction (*Shot count*)

Engage the pistol targets: same as the rifle targets.

#### Stage 10 – The Gunfight at the Jenkins Saloon



Enjoying a few shots of whisky is a right well deserved by hard working cowboys and you were not going to pass that up! Unbeknownst to you however, things were about to get sticky in the Jenkins saloon. Ya see Pat Garret had come to the Texas Panhandle as newly appointed captain of a new Texas Ranger Division, locally known as the LS Rangers, to prevent the same type of trouble that occurred in Lincoln just a few years back. In the spring of 1885, the rangers were disbanded and Garrett returned to New Mexico. The rest of Garrett's men continued to work for the LS Ranch as rangers, but since they were no longer officially Texas Rangers, their hard-drinking and arrogant ways began to stir local resentment. Ed King was particularly troublesome, as he was known to be especially arrogant, quarrelsome when drunk and quick to draw his gun at any excuse. That is until he was shot in the face by a man hiding in the dark while entering Jenkins' saloon with his pards.

In the aftermath, at least 4 men lay dead. The gunfight at the Jenkins saloon in Tascosa TX is not well known today, but at the time it was more famous than the gunfight at the O.K. Corral.

5 Pistol, 5 Rifle, 3 Shotgun
5/10 Pistol, 10 Rifle, 6+ Shotgun
Piano and Ugly Ma Frickert
Standing at the piano

Shooter Says: "Boys, they've killed Ed!"

**ATB:** Engage the rifle targets: Ozark Sweep/Outside in (1-5-2-4-3 or 5-1-4-2-3) (*Targets Shot*) in either direction, Repeat.

Engage the pistol targets: same as the rifle targets.

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See all y'all next year!!

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