

June 2014 President's Letter

EOT is over. It was a fun time if you like DUST, warm weather, and dry forest fire conditions. Aside from that and the fact that us lowlanders need more time to acclimate in our old age, it was a very good shoot. I didn't shoot personally, as I was the official gun cleaner, cart pusher, and loading block loader for our car. TX Alline and Cowboy Bandit shot and both were in the top ten of their class. Bandit finished sixth, which was very good since he was shooting against boys nearly 14 years old. For the door prize drawing, he won a 1873 Rifle. The story of the rifle is long and I won't go into it here, but suffice to say that is in the hands of the Briscoe Kit, and will be sent to Cody K. for an action job and short stroke kit then it will somehow make it to Texas to be presented to him. Everyone needs to make EOT at least once just to say that you have been there and done that. We also took Bandit to the museum and to ride the Tram to the top of Sandia Peak. He sure has a good grip, since he put a dent in the bar in the middle of the gondola car.

All the stages were well written and simple, but some folks tried to read too much into them as usual. There were not many penalties and a whole lot of folks who cleaned the match. Only shooting 4 stages a day left plenty of time to do other things.

The weather here at the range back on Oakwood has been nice and the grass and weeds are really growing. The lawn mower is broke, and the bush hog tractor has a dead battery. The well sprung a leak while we were gone and created a swamp around the pump house, but with God's help we will have the well fixed and the weeds and grass mowed in time for the shoot.

Not much more to say this time, so keep your powder dry and shoot straight.

See you in July.

Justa Hand, President