

I recently heard concerns from a member regarding classes being held on Range B and will respond by stating that the Board is working to develop a training range to ensure existing facilities remain available to the general membership. In the meantime, I kindly request your patience and that you remain cooperative by allowing the instructors to carry out their classes.

Another note of interest: Texas currently enforces the "duty to retreat" – meaning, unless you are in your own home, you have an obligation to retreat before using deadly force. You may also face criminal charges and civil lawsuits from your attacker.

Senate Bill 378, the Texas version of the "Castle Doctrine," filed in early February of this year, would help in three ways:

It establishes that your attacker was there to do bodily harm and you may use deadly force against him, be that in your home, place of business, or vehicle.

It removes the "duty to retreat."

It provides a measure of protection from criminal prosecution and civil litigation for those who defend themselves against criminal attack.

Contact your State Senator to express your opinion on this issue.

I would also like to thank the members of the Club for choosing me ARC Volunteer of the Year. I am humbled and appreciate the confidence you've given me to lead the department this past year and will continue to uphold your interests. I am grateful to many of you for your continued advice and assistance and will depend on it for another stellar year.

Course Dates

Concealed Handgun Classes –Mar 18, 22, 31; Apr 14, 19 & 28; May 12, 20, 24

(students must register through www.chl-texas.com)

Hunter Education (Parts 1&2) – March 9&10

Intro to Pistol Shooting – March 17

Range Orientation – 3rd Saturday/month

Check the website for full class listings
<http://austinrifleclub.org>

Contact education@austinrifleclub.org for more information

~Sandy Rigg, Education Director

MEMBERSHIP: Effective February 15th, 2007, the Austin Rifle Club Board of Directors has defined the following membership categories as follows:

An ASSOCIATE MEMBER is defined as the spouse of a Full Member.

(As an exception, all Associate Members who do not currently meet the stated criteria will be allowed to remain as Associates through 12/31/07.)

A Junior Member is defined as the child of a Full Member or spouse, age 21 or less, and resides in the household of his parent(s).

Austin Rifle Club Rifle Silhouette Seminar Match Program

**Third Sunday of each Month through April
Range D**

9:00 Range open for Practice

9:30 Bandito Match (\$10:00/team, 3-man team shoot off at 100-m)

10:00 Guest Speaker:

March 18th: William Zander,
Shooter/Spotter Relationship

April 15th: Mark Pharr = The Mental
Game

Note: State Small-Bore Match April 21-22.

11:00 Practice with Instructor feedback

12:00 Lunch provided (\$2.00/person)

1:00 Match Begins: (\$5:00/gun, 3 relays)

NRA Standard Rifle

NRA Hunter Rifle

NRA Air Rifle (Single Category with new resetable targets)

Club Match (3/8 size animals with Iron sights or 4X)

RSVP: riflesilhouette@austinrifleclub.org

ARC ANNUAL BANQUET: The annual banquet was a definite success, especially in the food and the speaker. Dagar's put on a spread that's going to be hard to top next year, and Joe McBride passed on a lot of his observations over the years, along with taking questions from the members in the audience. On top of that, our own Norm Gelfand was master of ceremonies, and if you've never been to an event he's heading up, you don't know what you're missing.

One observation Joe made in particular stuck with me: the population he sees frequenting his place of business is getting older. This means we're not getting enough younger recruits to replace us. If you know of a youth ready to get involved in the firearm community, please

make use of the contact tables near the end of each newsletter to get them involved.

There were enough door prizes that almost everyone present won something.

Following are a few highlights of this year's banquet:



ARC president Greg Troxell presents Joe McBride with a token of the club's appreciation for his support of the shooting community.



Your club officers from left to right: Property officer Mark Northup, Education Officer Sandy Rigg, MAL Dick Polk, Secretary Charlie Pardonner, Member-at-Large Wayne Harlow, Vice President Norman Gelfand, and President Greg Troxell.



Norman Gelfand congratulates Frank Hunt, proud owner of a new Browning low-wall rifle. You can get a better view of the rifle and the other firearm prizes on the last page of the newsletter (outer page on the hardcopy).



Greg Troxell presents Sandy Rigg with the ARC Volunteer of the Year Award. Sandy has really moved the education department forward this year, bringing a lot of opportunity to the club membership. Topics have covered shooting basics, concealed carry license courses, safety, reloading, and more. The club membership has done a great job of supporting her efforts by showing up to take advantage of these classes. If there are any courses you would like to see offered, contact Sandy at 933-0473 or education@austinrifleclub.org.



Figure 1: Greg Troxell awards four of the club's junior shooters, Keaton Harlow, Kelsie Harlow, Forrest Freitag, Earl Wellborn accepting for son Lee Wellborn, and coach Wayne Harlow (also the rightfully proud father of Keaton and Kelsie). This group set six national junior team records and also a women's national record in Hunter Pistol Silhouette. Forrest also holds the state championship title in Smallbore Pistol Silhouette, beating his coach (Wayne) in a shootoff for that one.

TRADING POST: This space is available to ARC members to sell, swap, or buy stuff. E-mail your ad to newsletter@austinrifleclub.org or call the newsletter editor at the number listed in the Club Officers table below.

Lost: Black Leatherman multi-tool lost on January 5 on Range E. Need it for work. If found please call 512-918-0830.

Lost: Leather/wood rear rifle rest and Craftsman staple gun. Contact Bruce Allen: 507-4445

Wanted: 2003 NRA Christmas Ornament.

Contact: Preston Schultz

13011 Elm Grove Rd

Buda, TX 78610

512-376-4122

pandbschultz@aol.com

Complete reloading setup. This one had far too many items for the newsletter space; contact seller for details. Total package new was \$2925.21. Contact seller below for details and/or to make an offer.

- 1) Burris spotting scope with case and tripod 18-45 x 60 #300131 (new). Was \$461.61 new.
 - 2) Kirkpatrick leather The Marshall holsters with belt plain model 1862-2. Included is an empty case leather holder and 8 shell shotshell holder 12 gauge leather worn on belt. Was \$380.00 new.
 - 3) Missouri Mule gun cart, good condition, oak, holds 5 long guns – ammunition and storage boxes. Was \$450.00 new, will take \$200.00
- Make an offer on any or all if desired.

For details, contact: rogerway@hughes.net, or (512) 308-5533 (Bastrop)

MATCH RESULTS

Rifle Silhouette Matches

Match Director: David Hailes
Telephone # (H): 310-9973

Standard NRA Rifle Silhouette Match

.22 Rifle which complies with NRA Standard Rifle Rules
Fired at 1/5 scale animals at regulation distances

Number of Competitors:	6	1/21/2007
Award	Name	Score
High Overall	Mark Selby	25
1st AAA	David Hailes	23
1st A	Bowen Weems	9

Number of Competitors:	6	2/18/2007
Award	Name	Score
High Overall	Bill Motl	34
1st AAA	Keith Kolojaco	26
1st AA	Andy Schuler	16

Hunter NRA Rifle Silhouette Match

.22 Rifle which complies with NRA Standard Rifle Rules
Fired at 1/5 scale animals at regulation distances

Number of Competitors:	6	2/18/2007
Award	Name	Score
High Overall	Bill Motl	32
1st AAA	Keith Kolojaco	23
1st A	Bowen Weems	19
1st B	Tim Lee	12

ARC Club SB Rifle Silhouette Match

.22 Rifle which Complies to Club rules
Fired at 3/8 scale animals at regulation distances

Number of Competitors:	2	1/21/2007
Award	Name	Score
1st Iron Sites	Tim Lee	21
1st Sandbagger	Brad Caponigro	33

Number of Competitors:	2	2/18/2007
Award	Name	Score
1st Iron Sites	Tim Lee	16
2nd Iron Sites	Rick Caponigeo	1

100yd Hunter Benchrest Match

Number of Competitors: 12 2/1/2007

Match Hunter

1ST	Virgil Howarth	248	9X	30	HBR
2ND	Bob Meageon	248	6X	30/49	
3RD	Mike Braken	248	5X	30	HBR

Factory Varmint

1ST	Joe Hutchens	238	6X	22/250
2ND	Jon Aronson	237	5X	30/30
3RD	Art Bosco	234	5X	223

Clear weather @ 65 degrees with mild tail winds.

A.R.C. CALENDAR: March 2007

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				<u>1</u>	<u>2</u> • 12:00 pm -11:59 pm : <u>2007 March Madness Setup (Ranges Closed)</u>	<u>3</u> • <u>2007 March Madness (Ranges Closed)</u> • 9:00 am -12:00 pm : <u>Range Workday - Range Closed</u>
<u>4</u> • 9:00 am -3:00 pm : <u>Range C - High Power Rifle Match</u> • 3:00 pm -5:30 pm : <u>Range A - Junior Muzzleloading Practice</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>8</u> • 7:00 pm -9:00 pm : <u>Board Meeting - China Star</u>	<u>9</u> • 7:00 pm -10:00 pm : <u>Hunter Education Part 1</u>	<u>10</u> • 8:30 am -3:30 pm : <u>Hunter Ed Part II</u> • 9:00 am -11:00 am : <u>Range A - Junior Pistol Practice</u> • 2:00 pm -3:30 pm : <u>Range B Hunter Ed Live Fire</u>
<u>11</u> • 9:00 am -3:00 pm : <u>Range D/E - Pistol Silhouette Match</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>15</u> • 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm : <u>General Meeting - Educ Bldg</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>17</u> • 9:00 am -11:00 am : <u>Range D/E - Junior Sporter Rifle Practice</u> • 9:00 am -2:00 pm : <u>Introduction to Pistol Shooting</u> • 3:00 pm -5:00 pm : <u>Range Orientation</u>
<u>18</u> • 9:00 am -3:00 pm : <u>Range A - 2700 Conventional Pistol Match</u> • 9:00 am -1:00 pm : <u>Range D-E Rifle Silhouette Seminar</u> • 11:15 am -1:00 pm : <u>Range B - CHL Class</u> • 1:00 pm -4:00 pm : <u>Range D/E - Smallbore Rifle Silhouette Match</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>20</u> • 6:30 pm -9:00 pm : <u>Indoor Air Range - Air Pistol/Rifle Practice</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>22</u> • 3:30 pm - 4:30 pm : <u>Range B - CHL Class</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>24</u> • 9:00 am -1:00 pm : <u>Range D/E - NRA Smallbore Rifle Match</u>
<u>25</u> • 10:00 am -12:00 pm : <u>Range C - Varmint Benchrest Match</u> • 1:00 pm -5:00 pm : <u>Range D/E - Blackpower Rifle Match</u> • 1:00 pm -3:00 pm : <u>Range C - Hunter Benchrest Match</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>27</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>29</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>31</u> • 11:15 am -1:00 pm : <u>Range B - CHL Class</u>

A.R.C. CALENDAR: April 2007

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>1 • 9:00 am -3:00 pm : <u>Range C - High Power Rifle Match</u></p> <p>• 3:00 pm -5:30 pm : <u>Range A - Junior Muzzleloading Practice</u></p>	2	3	4	5	6	<p>7 • 9:00 am -12:00 pm : <u>Range Workday - Range Closed</u></p>
<p>8 • 9:00 am -3:00 pm : <u>Range D/E - Pistol Silhouette Match</u></p>	9	10	11	<p>12 • 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm : <u>Board Meeting - China Star</u></p>	13	<p>14 • 8:00 am -8:00 pm : <u>Educ Bldg - CHL Class</u></p> <p>• 9:00 am -11:00 am : <u>Range A - Junior Pistol Practice</u></p> <p>• 11:15 am -1:00 pm : <u>Range B - CHL Class</u></p>
<p>15 • 8:00 am -6:00 pm : <u>NRA: RSO class</u></p> <p>• 9:00 am -3:00 pm : <u>Range A - 2700 Conventional Pistol Match</u></p> <p>• 9:00 am -1:00 pm : <u>Range D-E Rifle Silhouette Seminar</u></p> <p>• 1:00 pm -4:00 pm : <u>Range D/E - Smallbore Rifle Silhouette Match</u></p>	16	<p>17 • 6:30 pm -9:00 pm : <u>Indoor Air Range - Air Pistol/Rifle Practice</u></p>	18	<p>19 • 3:30 pm - 4:30 pm : <u>Range B - CHL Class</u></p> <p>• 7:00 pm -8:30 pm : <u>General Meeting - Educ Bldg</u></p>	20	<p>21 • <u>Range D/E - Texas State Smallbore Rifle Match</u></p> <p>• 9:00 am -11:00 am : <u>Range D/E - Junior Sporter Rifle Practice</u></p> <p>• 3:00 pm -5:00 pm : <u>Range Orientation</u></p>
<p>22 • <u>Range D/E - Texas State Smallbore Rifle Match</u></p> <p>• <u>Blackpower Match moved to next Sunday</u></p> <p>• 1:00 pm -5:00 pm : <u>Range D/E - Blackpower Rifle Match</u></p>	23	24	25	26	27	<p>28 • 9:00 am -1:00 pm : <u>Range D/E - NRA Smallbore Rifle Match</u></p> <p>• 11:15 am -1:00 pm : <u>Range B - CHL Class</u></p>
<p>29 • 10:00 am -12:00 pm : <u>Range C - Varmint Benchrest Match</u></p> <p>• 1:00 pm -3:00 pm : <u>Range C - Hunter Benchrest Match</u></p> <p>• 1:00 pm -5:00 pm : <u>Range D/E - Blackpower Rifle Match</u></p>	30					

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