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INFORMATION LETTER/UPDATE:

Calendar Changes/Updates Law Enforcement:

- **15-21 April 06 Tac Pistol Instructor Dallas, TX. Change**
- **20-21 April 06 Tac Pistol I Dallas, TX Change**
- **22-26 May 06 Shoot House Instructor San Marcos, TX Added**

Calendar Changes/Updates Civilian/Open:

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IN GENERAL:

Welcome to the New Year and I hope everyone had a great Christmas and holiday season.

TRAINING:

I have read and listened to much of the debate over the 50 yard vs. 100 yard zero for the AR weapon system. My initial special operations training centered around the 100 yard zero and I still use it to this day.

However, wishing to keep an open mind, I will run an evaluation of sorts during my next Tactical Rifle Instructor class in February. I will have the instructor portion of the class zero at 50 and shoot across the course from 7, 25, 50, 75, 100, 200 and finally 300 yards. I will then have them re-zero at 100 and do the same thing. Best score/most hits will dictate the more efficient zero. I will take pictures of the hits and post results in the following monthly information letter.

My goal is to look at the fastest progression of a new student while promoting confidence and keeping good first round hits. We can read ballistic charts all day, but they don't tell us what we need to know. How a student looks at a target and aligns his sights is just as important. I may use an IPSC with a shirt on it as the standard target and do one shot from each range. I will keep you posted....

COURSE UPDATE(S):

Tactical Medical Course:

I will be assisting in the instruction during a three-day Tactical Medical Course in the Dallas area taught by Dr. Alan Frankfurt. This is what I consider to be a “high speed” course and my main involvement will be on day three with the tactical medical scenarios and how to solve the security problems and then address the medical issues.

RANGE UPDATE:

I just finished the majority of my dozer work and the pond is full. I should be getting the pines planted over the next couple of months. In addition, I will be working on the obstacle course and shoot house shortly.

With winter approaching, the hogs are starting to venture a bit further out of the bottom. Here are a few that are walking the trail to my 400 yard line.



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EQUIPMENT:

Eagle Chest Pack Modification

I found an old Safariland 6004 holster made for the G21 w/light and was able to make the same modification to the Eagle Chest Pack as I noted last letter. I cut the bungee strap that is normally around the pouch. I drilled a hole in the bottom of the holster and ran a piece of 550 cord through it and then through the drain hole on the bottom of the pouch. I pulled the holster in tight and tied a knot to secure it.



IN CLOSING

Book

“Leadership and Training for the Fight” is doing well and I appreciate all the feedback. Again, feel free to shoot me any comments you have and I will keep them logged in a file for reference when I find time to edit the work.

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Take care and be safe.

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