CSAT

NOVEMBER 2007

INFORMATION LETTER/UPDATE:

Calendar Changes/Updates Law Enforcement 2007:

 November 5-9, 2007 	Shoot House Inst	OPEN	San Marcos, TX
 November 7, 2007 	Seminar	CLOSED	Austin, TX
• November 14-16, 2007	Tac Team Leader	OPEN	Indiana
• November 17-20, 2007	ITOA Conference	OPEN	Chicago, IL
• December 3-7, 2007	Adv Hostage Res	OPEN	Garland, TX
• December 12-14, 2007	Tac Team Leader	OPEN	Garland, TX

Calendar Changes/Updates Law Enforcement 2008:

•	January 13-18, 2008	Shoot House Inst	OPEN	Beaumont, TX
•	Jan 29-8 Feb, 2008	Shot Show	OPEN	Las Vegas, NV
•	February 18-22, 2008	Shoot House Inst	OPEN	Jacksonville, FL
•	March 4-9, 2008	Tac Pistol Inst	OPEN	Nacogdoches, TX
•	March 8-9, 2008	Tac Pistol I	OPEN	Nacogdoches, TX
•	March 17-21, 2008	Patrol Tactics Inst	OPEN	Nacogdoches, TX
•	April 7-11, 2008	Shoot House Inst	OPEN	Ft. Dix, NJ
•	April 14, 2008	Seminar	OPEN	Pittsburgh, PA
•	April 21-25, 2008	Urban Marksman	OPEN	Nacogdoches, TX
•	May 6-11, 2008	Tac Rifle Inst	OPEN	Nacogdoches, TX
•	May 10-11, 2008	Tac Rifle I	OPEN	Nacogdoches, TX
•	June 15-20, 2008	Tac Pistol Inst	OPEN	Elgin, IL
•	June 19-20, 2008	Tac Pistol I	OPEN	Elgin, IL
•	July 21-25, 2008	Special Skills	CLOSED	Midland, TX
•	August 11-15, 2008	Adv Hostage Res	OPEN	Lexington, KY
•	September 8-12, 2008	Advanced HR	OPEN	Lake County, IL
•	September 22-26, 2008	Patrol Tactics Ins	OPEN	Nacogdoches, TX
•	October 6-10, 2008	Urban Marksman	OPEN	Nacogdoches, TX
•	October 21-26, 2008	Tac Rifle Inst	OPEN	Nacogdoches, TX
•	October 25-26, 2008	Tac Rifle I	OPEN	Nacogdoches, TX
•	November 18-23, 2008	Tac Pistol Inst	OPEN	Nacogdoches, TX
•	November 22-23, 2008	Tac Pistol I	OPEN	Nacogdoches, TX
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December

OPEN

Civilian/Open 2008:

•	March 4-9, 2008	Tac Pistol Inst	OPEN	Nacogdoches, TX
•	March 8-9, 2008	Tac Pistol I	OPEN	Nacogdoches, TX
•	May 6-11, 2008	Tac Rifle Inst	OPEN	Nacogdoches, TX
•	May 10-11, 2008	Tac Rifle I	OPEN	Nacogdoches, TX
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•	November 22-23, 2008	Tac Pistol I	OPEN	Nacogdoches, TX

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IN GENERAL:

My calendar for 2008 is about full with LE courses and I have a few spots left in the November/December time frame.

My classroom project is on schedule and we will be doing some remodeling this month along with framing out the classroom, getting bunks built, etc. I am planning on doing a Basic Swat course in January.

TRAINING:

COURSE UPDATE(S):

None noted.

COURSE AAR'S

The Texas Tactical Police Officers Association (TTPOA) SWAT Competition went off without a hitch. The Nacogdoches and Lufkin Department's tactical teams developed and executed the 11 tactical events the 34 tactical teams participated in.

Dallas's Patrol SRT seized the top spot. Way to go guys....

After spending a few days to decompress, I want to add a few points. I was impressed by the all of the team's overall physical fitness levels. They made huge leaps from the year before and everyone looked strong. Shooting looked better, but I could not tell if irons or optics shot better. A quick note on optics, date when you put new batteries in your device somewhere on the side of the optic with a paint pen so it does not fail on you when you need it most....

The sniper events went well and pointed out a few areas to work on. I plan on keeping the same amount of sniper modules in the competition in the future.

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RANGE UPDATE:

I have about pushed out the sniper range to 500 yards and may get 600 shortly. The far silhouette is 500 and will move it a bit left so shots clear the trees.

I am also cleaning out the bottom area and reclaiming portions of it for future training areas. The fields of fire down there are often 270 degrees and rural live fire ops are not a problem. I will be able to also use it for unknown distance shots and ranging....



EQUIPMENT:

Broughton Custom Rifles:

I just purchased a precision rifle and scope for my Sniper/Urban Marksman classes. I am working on putting together realistic standards that replicate shots that snipers have had to make in real life and not just laying behind the gun on a mat at 100 yards, punching paper.



The specs on the rifle are as follows:

H-S Precision Stock, Broughton 5C canted land 1:11" twist barrel with a #7 Contour, Rem 700 action with a Badger Ordnance Tactical Bolt knob installed. The trigger is a Rem factory trigger that Bruce slicked up and adjusted to about 3.5 lbs. The rings and bases are Leupold. The scope is a Leupold 4.5 x 14 x 500 M1 Illuminated Mil Dot Matte Scope. I was trained using mil dots, so that is what I am going to stick with for now.

I was told that they will have three rifles built in the next few months with the McMillian A-5 that will be for sale.

The rifle was put together by Bruce Broughton from Coahoma, TX. His contact info is:

Bruce's contact info is as follows: Broughton Custom Rifles 10507 Old Colorado City Hwy. Big Spring, TX.

e-mail; weldonbroughton@hotmail.com

phone; 432-270-4997.

RLS-Rapid Light System

I have had the chance to play with this new light and it provides great light both inside and out. The light can be attached to your belt or kept in a jacket pocket and snapped on a Glock in 1-2 seconds. It takes 3 AAA batteries and has a momentary on off or constant on/off. It is great for home or carry.









Right Handed operation



Left Handed operation

The RLS can be purchased through any Safariland dealer.

Armed Forces Merchandise Outlet, Inc.:

Kirk at AFMO was a great sponsor at the TTPOA Swat Competition. I first met Kirk several years ago when I once bought a Marmot Mountain Works jacket from him. It is one of the finest purchases of gear to this date. It is light, compact, waterproof, warm and works great under Kevlar and stays in my truck year round. Kirk has exceptional products that are state of the art and tough.

From Kirk:

Please call us as your footwear, uniforms, duty gear or body armor requirements develop. We have established "CSAT" as the Combat Shooting and Tactics' discount code. Mr. Howe, please issue "CSAT" to your officers and they will receive discounts of up to 20% off of our list pricing when making individual purchases at (www.afmo.com). It was nice meeting you and I hope Armed Forces Merchandise Outlet, Inc. (www.afmo.com) can become one of your valuable supply sources.

HUNTING UPDATE:

Here is a one that is running loose as we speak...



READING/INFORMATION

None this month....

NOW ACCEPTING CREDIT CARDS

I can now process credit cards....

IN CLOSING

Books

With the Swat Competition and rehearsals done, I will be able to devote more time my next book on training. I have a rough outline finished and I will be shooting to various folks to ensure I have covered all the bases or answered any questions they might have. It will be a work in progress for some time. I will keep you posted on its progress and will probably go through Author House again for publishing.

www.authorhouse.com

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Take care and it is good to be back,

Paul R. Howe