

# CSAT

FEBRUARY 2008

## INFORMATION LETTER/UPDATE:

### Calendar Changes/Updates Law Enforcement 2008:



• January 6-11, 2008	Basic Swat	OPEN	Nacogdoches, TX
• January 21-15, 2008	Special Skills	CLOSED	Nacogdoches, TX
• Jan 29-8 Feb, 2008	Shot Show	OPEN	Las Vegas, NV
• February 20-22, 2008	Shotgun Breach Ins	OPEN	Nacogdoches, TX
• February 22, 2008	Shotgun Breach Op	OPEN	Nacogdoches, TX
• February 27-29, 2008	Tactical Team Ldr	OPEN	Nacogdoches, TX
• 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
• March 31-4 April, 2008	Special Skills	CLOSED	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
• April 28 – May 02, 2008	Adv Hostage Res	CLOSED	Chicago, IL
• May 6-11, 2008	Tac Rifle Inst	OPEN	Nacogdoches, TX
• May 10-11, 2008	Tac Rifle I	OPEN	Nacogdoches, TX
• May 18-23, 2008	Advanced SWAT	OPEN	Nacogdoches, TX
• May 26-30, 2008	Urban Marksman	OPEN	Midland, TX
• June 9-13, 2008	Shoot House Inst.	OPEN	N. Chicago, IL
• June 15-20, 2008	Tac Pistol Inst	OPEN	Elgin, IL
• June 19-20, 2008	Tac Pistol I	OPEN	Elgin, IL
• June 23 – 27, 2008	High Risk Warrant	OPEN	Bartlett, IL
• July 21-25, 2008	Special Skills	CLOSED	Midland, TX
• August 4 – 8, 2008	Basic SWAT	OPEN	Rensselaer, IN
• August 11-15, 2008	Adv Hostage Res	OPEN	Lexington, KY
• August 18 – 22, 2008	Patrol Tactics Inst	CLOSED	Houston, TX
• September 8-12, 2008	Adv Hostage Res	OPEN	Lake County, IL
• September 22-26, 2008	Patrol Tactics Ins	OPEN	Nacogdoches, TX
• October 6-10, 2008	Adv Hostage Res	CLOSED	Mason City, IA
• October 21-26, 2008	Tac Rifle Inst	OPEN	Nacogdoches, TX

- **October 25-26, 2008** Tac Rifle I OPEN Nacogdoches, TX
- **November 10-14, 2008** NVG Instructor OPEN **Garland, TX**
- **November 18-23, 2008** Tac Pistol Inst OPEN Nacogdoches, TX
- **November 22-23, 2008** Tac Pistol I OPEN Nacogdoches, TX
- **December 1 – 5, 2008** Advanced SWAT **CLOSED** **Lafayette, LA**
- **December 8-12, 2008** Adv Hostage Res OPEN Abilene, TX

### 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
- **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

**\*\*Yellow Indicates Change**

**\*\*Grey Indicates Completed**

### IN GENERAL:

First, thanks for the great year of 2007 and to all those I had a pleasure to work with. Both LE and civilian classes were great with individuals and teams training to higher levels.

### CSAT STRATEGIC ALLIANCE, NEW EMPLOYEES, AND FACILITY IMPROVEMENTS

As I have mentioned in past updates I have been considering making a change at CSAT which would allow me to continue to get courses to everyone who wants them by way of a CSAT instructor cadre while also allowing CSAT to grow physically and into other markets including overseas. Recently this change has come to fruition and as you read this CSAT is already expanding.

I have joined into an agreement and new alliance with a group of very serious people which will allow us to take CSAT to the next level that will include additional land for the training facility as well as capital improvements to the current property. These improvements will include a new shoot house, remote target locations and eventually a new lodge and driving track.

With the new alliance I have the best of both worlds which will allow me to retain ownership in the company as well as be more surgical selecting projects which I will personally be involved with. Officially I will continue to run CSAT as the President

and CEO. I will continue to be personally involved in projects but eventually I will not be on the road as much as in the past.

New CSAT employees have already been hired to include Matt McNamara and Steve Claggett. Officially Matt is CSAT's Chief Operating Office and Steve is the new CSAT Director of Training. Their past experiences in law enforcement and the private sector will be crucial towards helping me take CSAT to the next level. By the time you read this letter we should also have another employee hired who will be brought on board not only to instruct but also to manage the facility full-time.

We already have an excellent cadre of instructors who I have personally trained, selected, and certified to teach the CSAT courses at the level I demand and that you have come to expect over the last several years. As needed more instructors will be vetted, trained, and certified in order to fulfill your entire training request. Their past tactical experiences along with their ability to teach to the level and quality I demand will be the key to their ability to represent CSAT.

In short the quality of training you receive from CSAT will be at the same level as has always been. With the new business alliance I will be able to take CSAT to a new level that will allow me to serve all of you better. Our main goal is what it always has been which is to deliver proven tactical skills, combat mindset, and leadership.

### **TRAINING:**

#### **COURSE UPDATE(S):**

February is very busy with a couple of open courses as well as some closed courses taking us through to the end of the month. We are currently in the process of expanding our course curriculum as we did with the Basic and Advanced SWAT and Urban Marksman courses.

#### **COURSE AAR'S**

I ran CSAT's first Basic SWAT School in January and based on the critiques as well as in person comments the course was a great success. My goal was to set a new standard for Basic SWAT schools and I believe that was achieved. The six-day school was long and instruction went into the night. Attending students left with the ability to return to their teams with not only skill sets but the thought process needed to successfully handle most situations they will be presented with.

#### **RANGE UPDATE:**

As discussed above, we are in the process of planning for many range improvements to include an excellent live-fire shoot house as well as acquiring neighboring land for range expansion. More on this as the months continue.

**CLASSROOM/LODGE:**

Lodging at my building is \$20 per night per student. Local hotels run from \$50-70 a night. If you want to stay in my lodge, make sure that you let me know when you register for the class. It will be first come, first serve basis.

We also worked the bugs out of the lodge during January classes. Instructors also built an overhead cover/picnic area on the rear of the building. The weapons cleaning area is now hardwired with electricity along with motion and general areas lights.

On the inside, we are putting together a multi-station workout area for students and instructors to use at night and during class breaks. These include kettle-bells, push-up rings, pull-up rings, free weights, rope climb, etc. In short, the lodge is shaping up.



**Top photo: Rings and part of workout area**

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Finally, if you are law enforcement or have company T shirt, feel free to put it on the wall. I am putting patches on the wall behind the breakfast bar and lounge area.



**Above: Small picnic area. Grill will be there in a few days....**

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**EQUIPMENT:**

The CSAT Combat Rifle Sight will be produced by XS Sights out of Ft. Worth and should be ready for sale any day now.

<http://www.xssights.com>

**HUNTING UPDATE:**

Nothing noted...

**READING/INFORMATION**

None this month....

**NOW ACCEPTING CREDIT CARDS**

I can now process credit cards....

**IN CLOSING**

It is going to be a very busy year with the new business alliance and full-time employees. We look forward to seeing you all soon.

Paul R. Howe