

OCTOBER 2014 NEWSLETTER

Fall and October have both (finally) arrived! If you are a fan of college football – or even the professionals – you can immerse yourself almost endlessly in games, discussions about past and future games, and speculation on the off-field antics of the players that seem to draw as much, or even more, attention than the games. I like the hint of colder weather in the air; a welcome relief from the heat and sweat of Alabama summer.

October promises to be a busy and eventful month for our club. The final Bowling Pin Match of 2014 is scheduled for Sunday, October 19 at 2 PM. The cooler weather certainly makes for a more pleasant afternoon but has not cooled off the competition. I urge you to come participate. The following Sunday, October 26, again at 2 PM, the really dedicated shooters will break out their .22 rifles for another 200 yard golf ball match. The rules are in place, the preliminary shoot showed us what needed fixing, and now we are ready to roll. Entry fees are \$5 per rifle. Come out and shoot! I don't need to remind the shooters who helped develop this that we all got whupped by a mere woman...As an aside, if anybody sees Eddie Voss or Mack Clayton, please tell them about the match.

The annual dues for the club are payable now. Please remember, club dues must be either cash or check; no debit or credit cards. If you have been to the range lately, you have seen the new fence and gate. At a point in the near future, this gate is where our lock will be located. This is just the latest move towards securing our property for our members.

The Alabama Gun Collectors Association will hold its' fall show on October 11 and 12 at the Birmingham – Jefferson Civic Center Exhibition Hall. The theme of this show is the Civil War and they have secured some period correct exhibits specifically for the show. In addition, anyone that shows up in correct period dress or uniform is admitted free. I assure you there will be plenty of re-enactors taking advantage of this. If you are a history buff, as I am, these shows can be veritable fountains of information. Some of the exhibits are akin to a step back in time. The show opens to the public at 9 AM on Saturday and 10 AM on Sunday. I will be there as will our club president, Woody Baird.

I'm sure everyone reading this is aware that our Attorney General, Eric Holder, has resigned his position with the Obama cabinet. This has led to much speculation among the pundits on the news channels with no real indication of who Mr. Holder is going to grace with his presence next. With a little luck he will go to Chicago and assist his equally slimy buddy Rahm Emmanuel in some enterprise that will not be to the benefit of the citizens there. I see it as a tactical move on possibly two fronts. One, he and his buddy Barrack are doubling down that one of the Supreme Court Justices is going to retire before the 2016 election. At that time, President Obama appoints Mr. Holder to the Court for the rest of his natural life – or until he chooses to retire. That would be the Final Fickle Finger to the American people in no uncertain

terms. Or, quite possibly, Mr. Holder is getting out of Dodge ahead of the inevitable ****storm that is coming, the culmination of the acts of an administration that has chosen to ignore the Constitution completely. Remember, we are talking about the only sitting Attorney General of the United States that has ever been found in both Civil and Criminal Contempt of a Senate Investigatory Committee. The answer could be as simple as rats leaving a sinking ship. President Obama made a myriad of political appointments from a group of close supporters, campaign contributors, and friends. Nothing wrong with this; it is a long standing practice to reward those that helped you get elected. The problem with the current group became woefully evident fairly quickly. Just like the President, the majority of the appointees have never had real jobs, have always been in a position where discussion far outweighed doing. It should have come as no surprise when the ship of state foundered on the rocks. Add to this a leader with a super-ego, one who has no real world experience at *anything*, who will not accept or even deign to listen to a dissenting opinion, and the feces is guaranteed to hit the rotating atmospheric circulating device fairly quickly.

As always, the opinions expressed herein are mine. I take sole responsibility. See you at the range!

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