



APRIL 2016 NEWSLETTER

Spring and fall are my two favorite seasons. The temperatures are pleasant, there are plenty of activities to keep even the most hyperactive entertained, and it just seems easier to get motivated to *do* stuff.

I hope everyone is sufficiently motivated – our Bowling Pin Matches start this month. The first scheduled match is April 17 at 2:00 PM. Entry fee remains the same at \$10.00 per gun. The entire schedule and general rules can be accessed on our website www.alexandercityshootingclub.com. By the way, if you have had trouble opening the schedule in the past, this has been corrected. Thank you, John Martin. The next golf ball match (aka Golf Ball Classic) is April 24 at 1:00 PM. This match is slowly but steadily growing a healthy following. Good shooters, nice equipment, lots of four letter words. Both matches are lots of fun. Come on out!

Last month I touched on the rules against using centerfire rifles on our club's steel handgun targets. Not only is it dangerous but DESTRUCTIVE. The steel plates that have been bought at the club's expense are rendered useless or either must be repaired before they can be safely used – again at the members' expense. Yes, the members. Where do you think the money comes from? Obviously the mention of rules infractions was not enough, so I would like to point out the possible penalties. Willful destruction of club property CAN and WILL lead to the permanent loss of your membership. You CAN and WILL be prosecuted for destruction of private property. If one of your guests is responsible for the damage, that responsibility falls squarely on your shoulders. Don't let one of your buddies cost you at the very least your membership. At this time, I am asking the membership at large to report anyone they see indulging in the wanton destruction of your property. We don't need a name. If

you can get a tag number, that would be great. Cell phone pictures are wonderful. Call me, call Woody, e-mail me, just let someone know. *This has got to stop!*

The annual meeting for the club has been scheduled for June 4. Daniel Champion has once again been gracious enough to offer the use of his pavilion on the old Coke Ranch Road. Those you who attended last year will remember what an excellent location this is. As soon as we have a concrete price per plate on the meal I will pass the information along and we will begin accepting names and money to guarantee a plate at the meeting. Following last year's format, elections for officers, annual report from our treasurer, a raffle for a quality firearm for which tickets will only be sold at the dinner, and a short autograph session in which I will sign items (for a nominal fee, of course).

The winner of the March Golf Ball Classic was one of our dedicated shooters – and club treasurer – Eb Spink. Great shooting, Eb, but beware...heavy is the head that wears the crown.

Once again Alabama has emerged as the political laughingstock of the country. At this point I would say it's a very good possibility the state could end up with two former governors in prison simultaneously and the Speaker of the House facing indictment as well. There was a time when one spoke of corrupt Southern politics, Louisiana came to mind. I don't think that's the case now. Hardly the stuff of a political thriller; more like a comedy of errors.

As always, any opinions expressed in this newsletter are mine and mine alone. There is no editorial oversight and the warden is currently out of sight. See you at the range!

Tim Courtney

Secretary ACSC



King of the Hill



The Golf Ball Bunch at the March Match

