



DELTA RIFLE'S DISPATCH



June 2012

After Action Review: June 22nd - 24th, Brierfield, AL., Hosted by the 20th GA

The June event held last week in Brierfield hosted by the 20th GA should go down in the record books as one of the hottest events to date. The weekend temperatures reached triple digits influencing the host unit to call for optional uniforms in order to protect the shooters. Despite the extremely hot temperatures, the event had participants representing all of the units from the Deep South Region of the N-SSA. Also in attendance in this event were two units from the Carolina Region: the 24th Georgia and Tuckers Naval Brigade.

The shooters of the Delta Rifles fielded six participants: Commander, Bob Kelly, Jim Wood, Steve Shelton, Ron Harbin, Leighton Young, Mike McAlpin, and Mike Langston. With our In the team S/B competition, Mike Langston with his new reproduction US model 1842 joined Rod Harbin, Bob Kelley with his old reliable British 1842, and Steve Sheldon who shot the musket and ammo that Chuck Garvey had sent up after he had to back out at the last minute. Our team came together and demonstrated their tenacity and skills against a field of 7 teams to take home the Silver medal.

In individual shooting events, the Delta Rifles displayed a high level of shooting skill and proficiency by taking metals in all events. The Delta Rifles were well represented with team members participating in all individual events. These team members included Cmdr. Bob Kelly, Jim Wood, Ron Harbin, and Steve Shelton.

Individually, Cmdr. Bob Kelly won 2nd place iGrand aggregate, 3rd place in Revolver aggregate, and 3rd place in the Repeating Rifle Aggregate. Rod Harbin took 1st place in the 50 yard S/B with a score of 46 with his new H&P. He also took 1st place in S/B Aggregate which totaled 90, but lost the tie breaker for third place at the 25 yard line with a score of 44. Steve Shelton took 2nd place in 25 yard SB, 3rd place Carbine aggregate, 3rd place 100 yard Carbine

Kudos goes out to:

Jim - reserved the cabin at Brierfield. Jim reserved a large cabin - large enough to accommodate our team. Four shooters lodged in the cabin. The cabin was fully equipped with just about everything to promote relaxing after a long day of shooting on Saturday on an unseasonable hot June day. Having a cabin close by the range to rest and relax was priceless.

Mike - for displaying his culinary skills by cooking a large pot of chicken and sausage jambalaya. For those shooters that could not attend this event - you really missed out on a great meal. After a long hot day on the range - the jambalaya really hit the spot.

Trivia and Who said this?



1. *"If I thought this war was to abolish slavery, I would resign my commission, and offer my sword to the other side."*

2. Who were the Confederacy's "Bomb Brothers"?

3. What order did Union Maj. Gen. Winfield Scott Hancock give at Fredericksburg which was believed to save many lives?

Answers on the last page

Upcoming SKIRMISHES

There are no schedule shooting events scheduled for July. But, that doesn't mean the Delta Rifles are going to sit idle for the month. Stand by your emails for information about upcoming cannon practice at Leonard Draper's place in Cedartown, GA.

The Fall Nations will take place in October. According to Cmdr. Kelly, the Fall National Invitation has been received and the event will be held from October 3 thru the 7. Registration will need to be sent in prior to the end of July. Anyone interested in attending needs to let your team commander know ASAP so he can determine if there will be enough participation to warrant registration of any team events. The team treasury will pay registration expense for the team events of cannon and musket and any other events we will be able to field a team for. Individual events need to be signed up for in advance by the end of July. Each event is \$2 including aggregates. If any of you want to shoot any individual events let me know which ones and send me your money. Make check payable to Robert Kelley and address it to 163 Sweet Gum Dr., Chelsea, AL 35043.

Date	Location	Host
August 25 - 26	Brierfield, AL	3 rd GA
September 4 - 6	Smokey Bottoms, TN	4 th TN
October 3 - 7	Winchester, VA	Fall Nationals
November 2-4	Eva, TN	Forest Escort

SKIRMISH planning/Travel Tips

It is never too soon to start booking reservations for our upcoming skirmishes. With the September's and November's campaigns taking place in Tennessee, lodging accommodations maybe sparse unless of course you plan on camping out at the event location.

The Delta Rifles has members that have not participated in this region and are not as familiar with the best accommodations in the area. For our unit veterans that have participated in these areas, please pass on any local

lodging/camping recommendations. Any recommended lodge/camping locations would be greatly appreciated.

When reserving a room, reserve a room with 2 queen size beds. You may never know that we might have a shooter that might attend the event and will need a room. Sharing a room cost is a great way to reduce the expense of an outing.

Answer to Who Said This: 1. General Ulysses S. Grant, 2. George and Gabriel Rains, 3. "Stay off your horses!"