



The Delta Rifles Dispatch



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Fellow Musketeers,

On April 20-22 a Deep South Skirmish was held at beautiful Briarfield Park in Alabama hosted by the 14th Miss Inf. Attending were Ken Thornbury, Bruce Stevens, Rod Harbin and Jim Wood. Weather was the best I have seen for skirmishing. Clear, low humidity and cool nights and mornings.

A revolver match was first thing Saturday morning and the team of Jim, Ken and Bruce scored a 2ND place medal, falling only to the greatly feared Forest Escort. As Ken did not bring his carbine which is not sighted in yet, Jim and Bruce found a home with Forrest Escort "B" team and scored a 1ST place carbine team medal. We got Karen, from 20th Ga. as a pickup for musket and fielded a full team but did not do well as only Rod managed to hit 3 styerform cups, with the rest of us leaving the other 7 on the frame. We also left 9 pigeons on the board. We did not field a smoothbore team as only Bruce and Rod were there. Bruce found a pickup spot but no medal and Rod had to miss smoothbore team anyway due to a prior engagement.

In the individual matches Rod scored a 2nd place smoothbore medal, missing 1ST place by a string measure. I forget if it was for 25yd or 50yd. Meanwhile Ken (I HATE skirmishing) Thornbury took 2nd place 50 yard revolver AND 2nd place revolver agg using his Chuck Garvey certified Rodgers & Spencer for the first time. We are planning a Winchester trip so all of you who bought targets get your best loads ready. I think Jim, Ken and Josh plan to ride with Steve in the RV and Bruce will drive his F150.

Giles is planning a special skirmish for the end of June. No fees and no medals. Shoot all the free targets you want. It is billed as a recruiting skirmish with some NMLA shooters attending, so bring a friend or young person and lets get some new shooters in the N-SSA. He will be sending out information to the team commanders soon.

Hoping for good weather in Winchester,

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