

# CHOICES.....CHOICES.....CHOICES!!!!!!

March will soon be here and that means the Southwestern Regional Rendezvous or the Fritztown Free Trapper's Rendezvous. Hmm...let's see....it's 343 miles from Houston to Stringtown, OK or 179 to La Vernia. From Austin it's 302 miles versus 70 and from San Antonio it's 376 to Oklahoma or 23 to La Vernia!!!

So now that we have ALL decided that it would be much closer to go to the Fritztown Free Trapper's Rendezvous in La Vernia, let's get down to the info about it!

I have been elected as Booshway (actually in my case that's Booshway Bitch) for this event and I guarantee that we will have more fun than those attending SWRR! I really wanted to go back to Fredericksburg, but after talking with Iron Burner, we decided Mother Nature needs a little more time...but that's ok too, because the Wiseman Ranch in La Vernia is also a beautiful place for a rendezvous.

So mark your calendars now for **March 12-13-14, 2010** and plan on having a great time with some great people! As an added bonus, the owner is going to allow us to start early set up at NOON so plan to come out on Thursday if you can!

There are a number of you who I haven't seen in a long time and I would really like to see you in March so please try to come and support your club.

At our October rendezvous, I was talking to someone who was telling me about the way the events were run at a rendezvous he had attended. It sounded like a great way to do things so I am going to give it a try.....just wish I could remember who told me so I can give them the credit!

Events will start between 8:30 and 9:00 on both Friday and Saturday and will consist of archery and rifle shoot. Part of the group can do archery while the rest are at the rifle shoot. Once you finish one event, go to the other one. Hopefully both morning events will be finished by 11:00. From 1:00 to 3:00 will be the knife/hawk throw and the archery walk. Blind Hog, Grey Wolf and Iron Burner.....I hope ya'll are sitting down while reading this because I have already lined up my event captains so ya'll get to play this time!!!! It's been so long since we were able to have fire starting competition due to fire bans that I almost forgot about it - but Herb has agreed to handle this while cooking so fire starting will be at the cook's camp.

All competitors are asked to bring a prize for the prize blanket. These can be dropped off at my camp when you register.

On Saturday beginning at 3:00 there will be a "PISTOL POKER SHOOT" and a SKILLET TOSS (if enough ladies show up!) Neither of these events will count towards competition scoring.....they are strictly for fun!

Herb and Cold Bear have graciously agreed to cook for us again. The club is providing the main dish for our Saturday night dinner and everyone else is asked to bring a side dish or dessert.

As you know, we now have to provide liability insurance for all events. The membership fees and competition fees help to pay for this insurance. If you cannot attend this March rendezvous, please....please....pretty please.... support your club by mailing your membership fee. It's only \$10.00 and covers you for the entire year! Make your check out to Texas White Smoke Company of Buckskinners and mail it to: 16296 Bethel Rd., Montgomery, TX 77356.

Membership fee: \$10.00 per year

Competition fee: \$15.00 per competitor (includes camping fee).

Non-competitor camping fee is \$10.00 per lodge.

Modern camping in parking area. No facilities.

**Don't forget that this is a WORKING ranch with cattle - MAKE SURE YOU CLOSE THE GATE AFTER ENTERING!!!!**

**From San Antonio:** Take Hwy 87 to La Vernia. As you enter town, look for Loop 321 (Chihuahua St.) Make a left onto Loop 321 and head towards water tower. Turn left on CR 342 and proceed about a mile to gate on the left with Rendezvous sign. Once inside the gate, take the left fork in the road and follow the ribbons to camp.

**From Houston:** Take I-10 West. Take Exit 601 (FM 775) and stay on this until you come to the stop sign on Chihuahua (Loop 321) in La Vernia. Left at stop sign. Follow above directions.

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