

# DIVA-WOW/DPMS

## 4th Annual Ladies ONLY AR-15 Clinic

Women note that men have an intrigue for THE Little Black Dress...Outdoor women have the same intrigue for THE Little Black Gun. With this in prospective, DIVA... Women Outdoors Worldwide and DPMS Panther Arms hosted their fourth Ladies ONLY clinic introducing women



to the AR-15. DPMS Panther Arms, the largest AR manufacturing company, was once again title sponsor of this year's event. We are proud to boast our partnership with Quail Creek Shooting Range in Argyle, Texas is the first range to hold an AR-15 clinic nationwide, we have partnered with them every year for this event.

With online registration complete, sponsors support, vendors assigned booths, party favors added to goodie bags, custom designed tees, ROs, volunteers and logistics set...let the clinic begin.

Our clinic began welcoming sponsors, guests and attendees. Doug Deaton, Plano, Texas gave an in-depth safety briefing and history of AR-15 Rifle. One could hear a pin drop as he addressed frequently asked questions from women in past years when signing up for our AR-15 Clinic. "What is an AR Rifle" and "How is an AR Rifle different from everyday Rifles"? Women require facts and truths. AR does not stand for Assault Rifle as the media would like you to believe...AR stands for the original company that manufactures it, ArmaLite. "How is an AR different from other rifles I own or that my father, spouse or significant other shoots?" When explaining, there are only four noticeable differences: 1) lighter 2) fits most with ease of stock adjustments 3) shorter barrels 4) little recoil.

After announcements and the briefing, ladies were excited to go to the range and begin their course

of fire. Attendees were divided into four groups of 20-25, inclusive of all levels of shooting. Each participant was given 150 rounds throughout the day of .223 and .22 loaded in magazines at each station during their assigned session. Shortage of ammo was our biggest concern...Oklahoma

City Gun Club's generous donation and hoarding proved to be a good plan...the ladies enjoyed a full day of shooting.

There were four rotations throughout the day, each session began at a prescribed time with Range Officers and/or Safety Range Officers (NRA Certified) guiding participants on schedule through each station.

## COURSE OF FIRE:

### 100 Yard Range-Introductions to AR Shooting

6 Lanes featuring DPMS .223s equipped with Nikon Scopes and MGM Steel Targets

### 50 Yard Range- Challenging Targets

2 Lanes featuring DPMS .22s equipped with Nikon Scopes and MGM Popper Targets

### Fun Shoot-Moving & Stationary Targets

5 Stations featuring moving and stationary targets hosted by Pro-Active Defense facilities located within the shooting range. What a rush for the competitive juices within us all.



## Advanced Tactical Shooting –

hosted by Chris Rainey of Pro-Active Defense - Advanced shooters and prior DIVA clinic attendees chose between Chris' defense shooting techniques or arcade style shooting.

## 3 Gun-3

Different Guns (handgun, rifle & shotgun) at 3 different stations...Demonstrations and Instruction to 3 Gun Competitive Shooting, Deb Cheek, Danville, Indiana, DPMS Pro-Staffer and 3 -Gun National and World Champion was featured instructor with Jeremy Weatherman, her son and competitive partner. Suzi Rouse, President of Oklahoma City Gun Club instructed shotguns. The ladies used .22 Ruger Handguns, .22 Remington Rifles, and 12 gauge Remington Versa Max Shotguns.

The handguns and rifles course of fire was at stationary targets while the shotguns targets were at moving plates at 50 yards.

## An Added Value to our event...

Tactiko Arms, Sherman, Texas sponsored 2 Lanes on the 100 Yard Range and provided 2 AR-15's equipped with barrels and receivers manufactured by Tactiko Arms including 1,000 rounds of .223s generously donation for ladies to shoot.

This was Chris Reynolds and Greg Wallace, owners of Tactiko Arms first DIVA WOW clinic. Congratulations they endured the entire day!

Otis Technology representative Chuck Mande offered classroom instruction for cleaning and maintaining ARs. This was another great hands-on moment for attendees.

Celebrating the success at the end of the day's events and Bragging Rights of First Timers and

Advanced Shooters, all participants gathered in our Circus-like Tent for a DIVA-like atmosphere to share the joys of learning and accomplishments made on the range while shooting AR-15s. Noticing all the smiles and pride gave the DIVAs organizing committee and DPMS a sense of accomplishment introducing women to ARs. It was hard to settle down from the most glorious September day on the range! As we visited with our sponsors, vendors, guests and accomplished shooters time was nigh to draw for .308 DPMS AR, (100% donation). Holding breaths and waiting for Aaron Glass, DPMS representative, to draw their name...all we heard was "Mike M.", spouse of DIVA Life Member. What? How could that be? Darn! Rats! Not every participant owns a DPMS AR, but I heard them exclaim as they drove out of sight...I'll own one before day light!

Thank you DPMS, SlideFire, MGM Targets, Long Straw Ranch, Tactiko and Texas State Rifle Association for your generous support.

## DIVA MISSION!

We Introduce Women to the Outdoors.  
Women Helping Woman-Woman Teaching Woman-Woman Supporting...mission accomplished!

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