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Newsletter of the **Valdosta Vigilance Committee**

July 2004

Dooley Kid wins the July Shootout

The July Shootout brought four new shooters to our range -- **Dooley Kid** who rode in from Fort Stewart (where he dons a uniform in service to the USA), **Sorgum**, who rode in from Ludowici, a local cowpuncher, **High Ransom Smith**, and young **P A Kid**, all the way from up nawth in Pennsylvania, the son of **Jimmy Sawbones**.

The posse of nine shooters was able to save the fireworks for the *Independence Day* celebration from the Redskins who wanted to put a stop to the celebration, and Puddleville Pete who wanted to rustle the fireworks for a celebration of his own. We were able to chase him into the woods and show him some real fireworks from our shootin' irons! showdown.

The **Dooley Kid** showed us how to shoot fast. Stage two was the only one to give him any trouble. *[he told me he was used to having the*

targets a little closer, but we couldn't tell that it made much difference - ed]

Sorgum showed us that consistence pays off -- he finished no scenario better than 3rd place, but placed second overall, just barely edging out **Ethan Sackett**, who was shooting gun fighter in spite of a broken bone in his left hand. On top of that, he came closest to a clean match with only **one** miss, while **Sorgum** had only **two**.

In his first cowboy shoot ever, **High Ransom Smith** showed that he is going to be competitive -- he beat us all on scenario 2, and with a little practice will be a cowboy to deal with!

Once again, **Cimmarron Star** was the top Ladies shooter, while the **P A Kid** was the best junior shooter.

Other shooters were **Dapper Dave**, **Jimmy Sawbones**, and **Big Boyd**.

In Memory

On July 6, 2004, **Tallokas Kid** (aka Jim Archer) passed away at home in Quitman after a long

illness. Tallokas Kid was one of the original members of the *Valdosta Vigilance Committee*, and loved to participate in our matches. We will certainly miss his smile and dry sense of humor.

Donation of Props

Jimmy Sawbones was able to procure some western store fronts that will add a lot to our range. We will need to have a work day soon to get these set up, painted, and usable for future matches. These fronts include a jail, a saloon, a bank, and a store front. **Jimmy**, the **P A Kid**, and **Dapper Dave**, with a little help from **Big Boyd** were able to get these moved to the range. Thanks Jimmy and the others!

August Monthly Match

The Valdosta Vigilance Committee will host a monthly Cowboy Action match the second Saturday of each month. The next match will be on **August 14, 2004** at the LRSA range. We will start the safety briefing at 9:00 am, so please come early. We would like to finish before it gets to hot. SASS™ rules will

apply. The plan is to shoot four or five scenarios, being finished in time for lunch. As usual, 50 rounds of pistol ammo, 50 rounds of rifle ammo, and a box of shotgun shells should be plenty.

Web site

The web site can be accessed at vvc.endoftheinternet.org

There are pictures from the April and June matches. We hope to get some from the July match posted soon, too.

Our club is now listed in the Cowboy Chronicle, and we are listed on the SASSnet web site We have had several contacts from these listings

Other Upcoming Matches

Valdosta Vigilance Committee -- August 14

Withlacoochee Renegades - last Saturday of the month (July 31 and August 28)

Little River centerfire steel plate Match - July 17

Little River 22 steel plate Match - August 21

Happy Trails!

Name	T 1	R 1	T 2	R 2	T 3	R 3	T 4	R 4	Time	Total
Dooley Kid	36.08	1	55.94	7	47.12	1	26.02	1	165.16	10
Sorgum	48.17	3	53.98	5	62.68	3	35.49	3	200.32	14
Ethan Sackett	50.36	5	54.07	6	49.98	2	35.09	2	189.50	15
High Ransom Smith	60.38	6	38.02	1	66.78	5	35.78	4	200.96	16
Dapper Dave	47.87	2	47.63	3	69.92	6	44.50	5	209.92	16
Big Boyd	48.93	4	49.18	4	63.36	4	44.81	6	206.28	18
Jimmy Sawbones	126.31	9	46.84	2	74.91	7	61.57	7	309.63	25
P A Kid	89.37	7	89.57	8	111.12	8	92.35	9	382.41	32
Cimmarron Star	110.12	8	94.02	9	111.84	9	71.13	8	387.11	34