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Newsletter of the **Valdosta Vigilance Committee**

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High Ransom wins the October Shootout

The ninth shootout of 2005 was held on a cloudy Saturday morning in South Georgia, with the ground somewhat soggy from the rainstorms on Friday night.

Fourteen shooters rode into town. We shot five scenarios, finishing at about 1:00 pm. Afterwards, a few of us headed to the local Barbecue house for a little early-afternoon repast of ribs and such!

Two new cowboys rode in for this shoot, **Rev Johnny Pounder** from up in northern Georgia (Jonesboro) and **Rio Drifter** from Steinhatchee, FL. These new pards were a delight for all of us, and seemed to fit right in with the rest of the *Vigilance Committee*.

Our TG, **High Seas Cowboy** was able to come by for a little while to discuss some of the items the Territorial Governors will be discussing at the annual meeting. He demonstrated some marginal to light blackpowder loads.

High Ransom shot consistently faster than the rest of us, placing first in all five scenarios. **Maverick Wayne** was consistently near the top on 4 of the 5 scenarios, allowing him to finish second. **Chickasaw County Kid** continues to improve, finishing a strong third.

Congratulations to **Aucilla Fugitive** and **Pepper** for shooting clean matches

Thanks to a couple of our non-shooting pards this month for their contributions – **Papa Jake** is recovering from surgery, but kept score all day. **R P Gallagher** has provided us with several good photos of the match, as his shooting was restricted to his camera.

Thanks to all the folks who stopped by on Friday afternoon to set up, and all those who pitched in after the match to help pick up. This made the setup and pickup much easier for all of us. Thanks also to our own little Buckerette, **Abbie Oakley**, who picked up brass almost all day long. This was her first time to shoot five scenarios at a match. She seems to be getting better with those cowboy guns.

Thanks to **Maverick Wayne**, **Cimmarron Star**, and **Ethan Sackett** who stepped up to get some experience RO-ing at this match. It is a big help to have such a good group of certified RO's in our club.

November Shootout

The shootout in November will be held on November 12, 2005, with the safety meeting beginning at 9:00am. The fee for this shoot will be \$10, \$5 for juniors (free with a paid adult). We will have the usual 4 to 5 scenarios.

Georgia State Match

Five of our club members participated in the Georgia State match run by Doc Holliday's Immortals in Griffin Georgia – **High Ransom**, **Ethan Sackett**, **Cimmarron Star**, **Aucilla Fugitive** and **Papa Jake**. Each of placed respectably in their respective categories. Congratulations!

Recovering members

Jersey John is recuperating at home after being released from the hospital in early October.

Papa Jake is recovering from recent surgery. He has aquired a sporty motorized horse to ride around our range.

Dynomite Don is recuperating from knee surgery, and seems to be getting better every week.

High Seas Cowboy is suffering from a torn quadriceps muscle.

Let's keep all these in our thoughts and prayers.

Other matches

- ☞ October 15, 2005, 9:00 – **22 steel plate match** –5 steel plate stages \$10 fee (juniors \$5 or free with a paid adult)
- ☞ November 5, 2005, 9:00 CDT – Annual Cowboy match at Grand Ridge, Florida, with the Big River Rangers. Contact Nimrod Long for details

Happy trails

Name	Cls	Time	M	Scr	R1	Time	M	P	B	Scr	R2	Time	M	Scr	R3	Time	M	P	Scr	R4	Time	M	Scr	R5	Time	Rank
High Ransom Smith	T	22.89		22.89	1	24.39	1		1	24.39	1	27.56	2	37.56	1	27.50	1		32.50	1	43.32	1	48.32	1	165.66	5
Maverick Wayne	49	33.66	1	38.66	6	34.95			1	29.95	2	38.19	1	43.19	2	35.74			35.74	2	51.72	1	56.72	3	204.26	15
Chickasaw County Kid	T	38.09		38.09	5	37.78			1	32.78	3	42.24	1	47.24	5	42.59			42.59	3	60.04		60.04	5	220.74	21
Ethan Sackett	Gf	32.97		32.97	2	51.73	1		1	51.73	11	37.31	2	47.31	6	42.21	1		47.21	5	52.81		52.81	2	232.03	26
Rio Drifter	CC	35.74		35.74	3	40.01				40.01	4	35.31	2	45.31	4	42.13	2		52.13	6	56.63	5	81.63	11	254.82	28
Shiloh Sharecropper	M	36.65		36.65	4	42.47	1		1	42.47	5	41.31	3	56.31	9	42.99		1	52.99	8	57.41		57.41	4	245.83	30
Aucilla Fugitive	Sr	42.33		42.33	7	44.72				44.72	7	44.72		44.72	3	52.61			52.61	7	65.53		65.53	8	249.91	32
G B Smokey	T	43.24		43.24	8	45.14				45.14	8	49.49	1	54.49	8	46.51			46.51	4	65.04		65.04	7	254.42	35
Pepper	T	46.89		46.89	12	49.02			1	44.02	6	58.07		58.07	10	60.09			60.09	9	74.04		74.04	9	283.11	46
(Rev) Johnny Pounder	T	39.92	1	44.92	11	52.68	2		1	57.68	12	47.67	3	62.67	12	58.59	2		68.59	11	57.25	1	62.25	6	296.11	52
Dynamite Don	Sr	43.30		43.30	9	47.81	1		1	47.81	10	58.10	1	63.10	13	56.11	2		66.11	10	80.48	1	85.48	12	305.80	54
Big Boyd	M	39.67	1	44.67	10	45.44				45.44	9	47.88		47.88	7	DNF			0.00	14	DNF		0.00	14	DNF	54
Cimmarron Star	LT	46.97		46.97	13	40.79	3	1		65.79	13	56.57	1	61.57	11	59.01	2		69.01	12	73.66	1	78.66	10	322.00	59
Abbie Oakley	Bk	141.10	1	146.10	14	131.25	4			151.25	14	103.06	8	143.06	14	163.92	1		168.92	13	187.74	5	212.74	13	822.07	68