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High Ransom wins the February Shootout

The February 2006 monthly shootout was held on a day in South Georgia that had a variety of weather. The range had many puddles from the rain of the preceding week, and the river seemed to be rising. The day started off cold and with a drizzle, and by noon, we had full sunshine, and it was actually warm in the sun. The gust of wind sometimes made the poppers fall on their own, and a couple of target failures made us have to go down range more than we wanted, but all twelve participants seemed to really enjoy the match. We had two *regular* scenarios (10 rifle, 10 pistol, and 4 shotgun rounds) and two *speed* scenarios – speed pistol (10 rounds) and speed rifle (10 rounds). Misses on these two *speed* scenarios wreaked havoc on some of us! These speed scenarios seemed to be fun for everybody. We will probably have some like these in future matches.

High Ransom (VVC#13) continued his winning ways, placing first in the two *regular* scenarios.

Papa Jake (VVC#4) placed first in the speed pistol with a time of 11.70 seconds, and **Ethan Sackett** (VVC#24) placed first in the speed rifle with 8.61 seconds.

Chickasaw County Kid (VVC#6) edged out **Aucilla Fugitive** (VVC#17) in a tight race for second place.

Dixie Outlaw (VVC#9) and **Cimarron Star** (VVC#23) shot their first clean matches. [The only clean matches of the day].

Buckeroette **Annie Oakley** (VVC#25) had a little trouble with her new Henry rifle, but persevered to the end, to the delight of all the other shooters.

It was good to see **No Lead Bob** (VVC#10) shooting again. His black powder loads smoked up the whole range – what a pleasure!

Shiloh Sharecropper is continuing to recuperate from his foot surgery. He was finally able to get his regular shoe back on that foot! He was able to come, watch, and have a little good fellowship with us. Here's hoping for a quick recovery!

Man-on-Man shootoff

Ten of the cowboys participated in the man-on-man shootoff. Each cowboy was presented with an array of five pistol targets, five rifle targets, and six shotgun targets. Misses on the pistol and rifle targets had to be picked up with the shotgun. The stop popper had to be the last target put down. Parings were determined by random drawings, and in the second and third rounds a *wild card* cowboy was chosen (somewhat randomly) to make three pairs in the second round and two pairs in the final round. As it turned out, **Chickasaw County Kid**, who was lost on a DQ in the second round, ended up shooting against **High Ransom** for Top Gun. (This was a rematch of last year's shootoff). **High Ransom** used that '97 to pull away for a win on the shotgun targets.

Annual Membership - Dues

It is time to pay dues for 2006. Thanks to all who have already paid. The dues schedule is as follows:

- ☞ Regular - \$20.00
- ☞ Junior - \$10.00
- ☞ Family - \$30.00

If you have not paid your dues, please fill out a membership application (available on the website – <http://vvc.5u.com>). You may bring it with you to the March 2006 shootout, or mail it in.

Monthly Shootouts

Beginning with the February 2006 shootout, the monthly shootouts are being held on the **first** Saturday of each month, starting at 9:00am. We will plan to shoot five scenarios, trying to finish in time to get lunch at one of the local eateries. This will allow several shooters to shoot our match and one of the other nearby matches held on second Saturdays.

March Shootout

The shootout in March will be held on March 4, 2006, 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 plan on five scenarios, including possibly some speed scenarios.

IPSC matches

Lee Ovaert, one of the Board members of the Little River Sportmen's Association (LRSA) is planning to run a modified IPSC match on our cowboy range on the 4th Saturday of each month, starting at 9:30am. The fee is \$15. He plans on five stages with a round count under 150 rounds (but not much less than 150). Get out that old 1911 or that old S&W revolver and come shoot another action-type match

Name	Cls	Time	M	P	B	Scr	R1	Time	M	P	Scr	R2	Time	M	Scr	R3	Time	M	Scr	R4	Time	Rank
High Ransom Smith	T	22.56	2		1	27.56	1	21.90	2		31.90	1	6.76	1	11.76	2	6.84	1	11.84	6	83.06	10
Chickasaw County Kid	T	37.27	1		1	37.27	2	35.47	1		40.47	2	9.04	2	19.04	6	11.29		11.29	4	108.07	14
Aucilla Fugitive	ES	44.48		1	1	49.48	5	41.10			41.10	3	12.74	1	17.74	4	10.75		10.75	2	119.07	14
Papa Jake	Sr	54.91			1	49.91	6	50.87	1		55.87	7	11.70		11.70	1	11.23		11.23	3	128.71	17
Ethan Sackett	T	38.81	1		1	38.81	3	35.01	2	1	55.01	6	9.87	2	19.87	8	8.61		8.61	1	122.30	18
Big Boyd	49	41.55	2		1	46.55	4	44.89			44.89	4	12.55	2	22.55	10	11.68		11.68	5	125.67	23
Dynamite Don	Sr	46.43	1			51.43	7	51.11			51.11	5	11.77		11.77	3	14.11	1	19.11	10	133.42	25
Railman Rover	Sr	60.69				60.69	8	49.43	2		59.43	8	12.97	1	17.97	5	15.39		15.39	7	153.48	28
Cimmarron Star	LT	73.24			1	68.24	9	59.72			59.72	10	19.5		19.50	7	16.46		16.46	8	163.92	34
Dixie Outlaw	T	73.59			1	68.59	10	59.58			59.58	9	20.76		20.76	9	16.92		16.92	9	165.85	37
No lead Bob	T	70.65	2		1	75.65	11	70.21	4	1	100.21	11	16.75	6	46.75	12	23.33	1	28.33	11	250.94	45
Abbie Oakley	Bk	133.04	2			143.04	12	189.46	1		194.46	12	30.30	1	35.30	11	47.97		47.97	12	420.77	47