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Newsletter of the **Valdosta Vigilance Committee**

May 2005

High Ransom wins the May Shootout

The fourth shootout of 2005 was held on another beautiful Saturday in South Georgia. There were 21 shooters, again, the largest group ever at our monthly match! It was good to see some of our old friends ride into town again:

Tumbleweed Tillie from Moultrie and **Jimmy Sawbones**.

Both of these folks have been busy with family and business responsibilities. We had several new (to us, anyway) cowboys show up for this shootout, **J**

Smoke N Gunn and **Nimrod Long** from Grand Ridge, FL, and **Wild Bill Acord** from Savannah.

Big Iron showed up for his second shoot with a new alias. We had several spectators, too. It was good to see **Bully Bill** come by with a couple of potential cowboy shooters. They seemed to like what they saw. **High Ransom** ran roughshod over the rest of us with some fine shooting, sorting his brand new Vaquero – he made a special trip to Moultrie on Friday afternoon to get it in time for this match! **J. Smoke N. Gunn** followed tight behind in close pursuit. **Ethan Sackett** came in third. It was fun to see **Nimrod Long**, from the dark side, shooting his black powder weapons (cap and ball pistols) He made a lot of smoke, which really was fun to see in the jungle bay. We were able to have quite a variety of targets, giving different challenges to different folks. Some hated the pigeon-throwing poppers [*really hate those pigeons! – ed*], some were baffled by the whirligig with its spinning array of knock-downs, and several were caught by the one procedural trap on Scenario 2 [*including the scenario writer! – ed*]. We again ran two simultaneous posses of 10 and 11

shooters each, which helped us finish five scenarios by about 1:00 pm. Each member of each posse helped with timing, scoring, spotting and watching loading and unloading tables. Thanks to everyone who made this shootout a success.

Once again, everybody seemed to have a good time, and there were no major injuries, which we think makes a good match. We did discover that we may need a larger cooler of drinks in these hotter months! This was the first time we ran out of drinks at a match

Gun Racks

Thanks to **Sorgum** who provided us with two more long-gun staging racks, that keep the muzzle down range when staging and restaging these weapons.

RO-I and RO-II courses

Our Territorial Governor, **Hi Seas Cowboy** is still trying to line up **Deadwood Jake** from Jacksonville to teach the **RO I** and **RO II** courses for us here in Valdosta. We will probably have to schedule on the first Saturday of the month. We'll let you know when we get the date worked out. The cost will be \$10 for the RO-I course and \$20 for the RO-II course. To take the RO-II course you must have completed the RO-I course and been an active SASS member for at least 6 months. Watch your email and the web site for more info.

Badges

We plan to get the badge order out this week. We have twenty orders at this time. We are told that delivery time is about 6 to 8 weeks.

April Shootout Flooded Out

The range was under about four feet of water during the first half of April, so we were not able to hold any matches during April, with

exception of the Bullseye match on April 23. We hope that will be our one flood of 2005.

June Shootout

The shootout in June will be held on June 11 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.

Other matches

- ☞ May 21, 2005, 9:00 – **22 Silhouette match** – 4 rifle classes – sporter, unlimited, squirrel (4x scope, no adjustment, on pistol targets), cowboy (any repeater except bolt action, open sights, pistol targets); 3 pistol classes – unlimited, sporter, hunter (open sights) \$10 fee (juniors \$5 or free with a paid adult)
- ☞ May 28, 2005, 9:00 – Cowboy shoot at Pinetta Florida with the Withlacoochee Renegades

Happy trails!

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Name	CI	T 1	R 1	T 2	R 2	T 3	R 3	T 4	R 4	T 5	R 5	Time	Total
High Ransom	T	38.16	1	45.33	2	44.77	1	48.93	4	31.59	3	208.78	11
J Smoke N Gunn	T	45.94	4	37.15	1	46.13	2	45.94	2	42.93	8	218.09	17
Ethan Sackett	G	53.40	9	46.01	3	67.33	7	47.29	3	27.98	1	242.01	23
Sorgum	T	42.60	2	67.94	13	60.46	3	45.53	1	37.05	6	253.58	25
Big Boyd	49	45.93	3	69.72	14	73.56	10	59.45	10	30.79	2	279.45	39
Elwood the Kid	M	48.62	6	88.36	18	65.32	6	57.90	7	32.43	4	292.63	41
Aucilla Fugitive	SD	46.18	5	55.08	5	67.49	8	64.18	12	69.00	13	301.93	43
Double D	T	59.97	12	64.28	9	91.68	15	58.33	8	32.93	5	307.19	49
Maverick Wayne	T	49.75	8	55.33	6	84.39	13	56.90	6	130.96	19	377.33	52
Chickasaw County Kid	T	70.20	18	66.37	11	73.96	11	51.69	5	50.87	9	313.09	54
Nimrod Long	F	59.66	11	62.77	7	81.59	12	68.44	13	55.74	11	328.20	54
Tumbleweed Tillie	LT	64.79	15	48.01	4	64.27	5	69.66	14	82.16	16	328.89	54
Pepper	T	60.40	13	63.55	8	72.15	9	100.65	17	67.89	12	364.64	59
Wild Bill Acord	S	48.98	7	89.39	19	62.93	4	60.84	11	127.86	18	390.00	59
Bank Floyd	T	66.17	16	66.83	12	96.79	17	79.57	16	41.79	7	351.15	68
Papa Jake	S	68.41	17	65.71	10	97.83	18	59.05	9	80.97	15	371.97	69
Wild William Blake	T	54.01	10	84.01	17	183.01	21	71.71	15	74.51	14	467.25	77
Cimarron Star	LT	78.71	19	79.73	16	92.85	16	117.25	19	54.10	10	422.64	80
Jimmy Sawbones	T	62.73	14	72.73	15	85.50	14	150.00	20	150.00	20	520.96	83
Jersey John Horace	S	108.36	20	126.78	20	138.10	19	104.21	18	99.96	17	577.41	94
Big Iron	S	123.64	21	127.85	21	146.98	20	150.00	20	150.00	20	698.47	102