

# The Sentinel

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## High Ransom wins the December Shootout

The eleventh shootout of 2005 was held on a cold, partly cloudy Saturday morning in South Georgia. After several days of rain during the week, totaling about 3 inches, the range had some standing water and some muddy spots, but we had a pleasant day of shooting anyway. We chased the greedy grimy Grinch, his evil elves, Elrod and Elroy, and their marauding reindeer, Randolph, through five exciting and challenging scenarios, finishing shortly after 1:00 pm.

It was good to see the return of **Jimmy Sawbones**, his son **TJ the Kid**, and **Dixie Outlaw** for this match after a long absence. It was also good to see **Papa Jake** shooting again this month, although his ammo and rifle seemed to be at odds with each other, so he was not able to finish the match. It was good to see him getting around without his trusty electronic horse this month.

**High Ransom** shot consistently faster than the rest of us, placing first in four of the five scenarios. **Maverick Wayne** was able to have the fastest time on scenario 3, and once again finished second overall. **Ethan Sackett**, our only gunfighter, finished a strong third overall. **Dapper Dave** took Top Traditional, **Big Boyd** took Top Modern, **Dynomite Don** took Top Senior, **Cimarron Star** took Top Female, and **TJ the Kid** took Top Junior honors.

Congratulations to **High Ransom** (third place Traditional), **Maverick Wayne** (second place Modern), and **Tumbleweed Tillie** (second place Ladies Senior traditional) for

their fine showing at the Annual Match at Jacksonville in November.

## January Annual Shootout

The shootout in January, 2006, will be held on January 14, 2006, with the safety meeting beginning at 9:00am. The fee for this shoot will be \$15, \$5 for juniors (to cover lunch). We are planning 5 or 6 scenarios. Side matches may include a team shoot (randomly picked teams of three), cowboy clays, and a 150 yard buffalo shoot. We will also award a few annual trophies.

## Recovering members

**Aucilla Fugitive** is recuperating at home after having a defibrillator implanted. Hopefully he'll be back better than ever soon.

## New and improved Props

Thanks to **Big Boyd** and **High Ransom**, we added a new small "barn-door" prop. It is light enough to be moved easily to about anywhere we wish to use it. **High Ransom** and **Papa Jake** spent most of the Saturday a week before the match improving the large props. The doors and windows were opened up to a size more accommodating to adults. Tables were built in a couple of the windows to facilitate the staging of weapons. They also built permanent table and bench areas under the shelter, which allowed for the cleaning up of a lot of debris that had accumulated there. Thanks to these fine cowboys for their hard work.

## Dates of Next Year's Matches

we will be holding our February 2006, match on the **first** Saturday of February, to allow several of us to attend the Annual Match at Fort White, Florida. The consensus among the cowboys in attendance at our shoot is to move our matches to the **First Saturday** of each month beginning with the February 2006, match. This will allow several cowboys who shoot at Fort White to shoot with us (and vice versa).

## Informal New Year's Eve Match

There seems to be interest in having an informal match on Saturday, December 31, 2005, to ring out the old year. We will shoot several scenarios (we'll try the ideas you bring) and probably cook some burgers for lunch. This will be a warmup for the Annual match.

## Dues are Due.

2006 Dues are now due. \$20 each or \$30 for the family. We'll have forms at the annual match.

## Other matches

- ☞ December 17, 2005, 9:00 – **22 steel plate match** – 5 steel plate stages \$10 fee (juniors \$5 or free with a paid adult)
- ☞ January 14, 2006 – Annual Match (\$15 fee to include lunch)
- ☞ February 11, 2006 – Fort White Annual match. Contact Delta Glen [deltaglen@alltel.net](mailto:deltaglen@alltel.net) for details [Link to Registration Form](#)

Happy trails

Name	Cls	Time	M	P	Scr	R1	Time	M	Scr	R2	Time	M	Scr	R3	Time	M	P	Scr	R4	Time	M	B	Scr	R5	Time	Rank
High Ransom	T	30.65			<b>30.65</b>	1	21.85	1	<b>26.85</b>	1	21.50	3	<b>36.50</b>	2	27.88	3		<b>42.88</b>	1	26.12	1	1	<b>26.12</b>	1	163.00	<b>6</b>
Maverick Wayne	49	46.11			<b>46.11</b>	3	34.42	1	<b>39.42</b>	2	33.67		<b>33.67</b>	1	45.58	2		<b>55.58</b>	5	41.61			<b>41.61</b>	2	216.39	<b>13</b>
Ethan Sackett	GF	44.79			<b>44.79</b>	2	38.81	4	<b>58.81</b>	10	40.36		<b>40.36</b>	3	45.55			<b>45.55</b>	2	41.28	2	1	<b>46.28</b>	3	235.79	<b>20</b>
Dapper Dave	T	55.48	2		<b>65.48</b>	5	43.11	1	<b>48.11</b>	3	49.56		<b>49.56</b>	7	54.08			<b>54.08</b>	4	50.37	1	1	<b>50.37</b>	4	267.60	<b>23</b>
Big Boyd	M	70.92			<b>70.92</b>	6	46.62	1	<b>51.62</b>	6	48.97		<b>48.97</b>	5	55.92			<b>55.92</b>	6	56.13	1	1	<b>56.13</b>	6	283.56	<b>29</b>
Elwood the Kid	M	67.07	1		<b>72.07</b>	7	74.73	2	<b>84.73</b>	13	41.05		<b>41.05</b>	4	50.93			<b>50.93</b>	3	46.68	3		<b>61.68</b>	9	310.46	<b>36</b>
Dynomite Don	Sr	63.42			<b>63.42</b>	4	50.41		<b>50.41</b>	5	49.70		<b>49.70</b>	8	70.25			<b>70.25</b>	9	62.22	4		<b>82.22</b>	12	316.00	<b>38</b>
Jimmy Sawbones	T	67.33	1	1	<b>82.33</b>	10	51.98		<b>51.98</b>	7	44.37	1	<b>49.37</b>	6	58.45		1	<b>68.45</b>	8	59.56			<b>59.56</b>	8	311.69	<b>39</b>
Bank Floyd	T	80.39			<b>80.39</b>	8	61.52		<b>61.52</b>	11	59.26		<b>59.26</b>	11	75.45	1		<b>80.45</b>	10	59.23		1	<b>54.23</b>	5	335.85	<b>45</b>
Railman Rover	Sr	88.42			<b>88.42</b>	12	55.37		<b>55.37</b>	9	50.86		<b>50.86</b>	9	62.02	1		<b>67.02</b>	7	58.75	3	1	<b>68.75</b>	10	330.42	<b>47</b>
Cimarron Star	LT	77.21	2		<b>87.21</b>	11	55.08		<b>55.08</b>	8	52.96		<b>52.96</b>	10	79.29	5		<b>104.29</b>	13	64.31		1	<b>59.31</b>	7	358.85	<b>49</b>
Papa Jake	Sr	75.85	1		<b>80.85</b>	9	50.26		<b>50.26</b>	4	101.37	3	<b>116.37</b>	14	DNF			DNF	14	DNF			DNF	14	DNF	<b>55</b>
Dixie Outlaw	T	90.62			<b>90.62</b>	13	68.34		<b>68.34</b>	12	74.12	1	<b>79.12</b>	13	84.36			<b>84.36</b>	11	81.41	1	1	<b>81.41</b>	11	403.85	<b>60</b>
T J	Jr	95.13	1	1	<b>110.13</b>	14	59.81	7	<b>94.81</b>	14	56.25	3	<b>71.25</b>	12	69.37	4		<b>89.37</b>	12	85.59	9		<b>130.59</b>	13	496.15	<b>65</b>