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## High Ransom wins the January Shootout

The January 2006 Annual shootout was held on a blustery, sunny day in South Georgia. After the rain a week earlier and the fact that the range had been under water early in the week, it was surprising how dry it was. The wind was quite chilling, however. **High Ransom** (VVC#13) continued his winning ways, placing first in all 5 scenarios. **C R Hardin**, **Ethan Sackett** (VVC#24), and **Maverick Wayne** (VVC#11) duked it out in a tight race for second place, with less than four seconds separating these three.

**Bank Floyd** (VVC#18) continued to show his accuracy by shooting the match clean [The only clean match of the day]. **Dixie Outlaw** (VVC#9) was on his way to a clean shoot, but the fifth scenario presented him with his only two misses of the day [*That blasted rotation target!*]. Buckerette **Annie Oakley** (VVC#25) picked up a bonus on scenario 1 to the pleasure of all the spectators. She continues to improve every time she shoots.

Two new cowboy shooters rode into town – **Swiftly Bob** from Jennings, Fl, and **Sampala Slim** from Madison, Fl.

It was good to see some cowboys return to shoot with us. **Jersey John Horace** (VVC#21) was able to return after a long bout with a foot problem. **Bully Bill** and **Loreli Lee** showed up. They not only brought **Swiftly Bob** with them, but also several other spectators. **C R Hardin** made it from Illinois to visit with his brother-in-law **Maverick Wayne**, and outshoot him to boot! It was good to see **Aucilla Fugitive** (VVC#17) back from his medical procedure. It must have helped his shooting, placing 6<sup>th</sup> overall as an *Elder Statesman*.

**Shiloh Sharecropper** is recuperating from some foot surgery. He was able to come, watch, and have a little good fellowship with us. Here's hoping for a quick recovery!

## 2005 Annual Awards

**Aucilla Fugitive**– Clean Shooter  
**Pepper**– Clean Shooter  
**Chickasaw County Kid**– Clean Shooter  
**Sorgum**– Clean Shooter  
**Ethan Sackett**– Clean Shooter  
**Bank Floyd**– Clean Shooter

**Maverick Wayne** – Spirit of the Game  
**High Ransom** - Ramrod

## Lunch was Great

**Helen Distefano** and **Becky Boyd** (the better halves of **Dynomite Don** and **Big Boyd**, respectively) cooked up burgers and dogs while we shot the main match -- Thanks ladies! Thanks to **Tumbleweed Tillie** (VVC#12) who sent the potato salad! [Hope she gets over that bad old congestion soon.] Nobody went away hungry.

## Side Matches

The main match went so long that we had to forego the side matches. Several cowboys stayed around for a few informal rounds of Cowboy Clays. Rumor has it that **Maverick Wayne** and **C R Hardin** put on quite a show.

## 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

Please fill out a membership application (available on the website – <http://vvc.5u.com>). You may bring it with you to the February 2006 shootout, or mail it in.

## Monthly Shootouts

Beginning with the February 2006 shootout, the monthly shootouts will be 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 eating establishments. This will allow several shooters to shoot our match and one of the other nearby matches held on second Saturdays.

## February Shootout

The shootout in February will be held on February 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 will have two of the usual scenarios, some speed scenarios, a man-on-man shootoff, and possibly a buffalo shoot [pistol caliber and rifle caliber cowboy rifles] and/or cowboy silhouettes [pistol caliber cowboy rifles].

## Upgrades to the Range

Thanks to all those who helped in upgrading the props and shelter on the cowboy range – **High Ransom**, **Dynomite Don**, **Chickasaw County Kid**, **Ethan Sackett**, **Cimarron Star**, **River**, **Papa Jake** and **Big Boyd**. Rotten boards on the props were replaced; doors and windows raised and trimmed out, and permanent benches and table were installed under the shelter.

Name	Cls	Time	M	P	B	Scr	R1	Time	M	P	Scr	R2	Time	M	P	B	Scr	R3	Time	M	B	Scr	R4	Time	M	P	Scr	R5	Time	Rank
High Ransom Smith	T	27.06	1		1	<b>27.06</b>	<b>1</b>	30.79	1		<b>35.79</b>	<b>1</b>	25.99	1		1	<b>25.99</b>	<b>1</b>	33.50	2	1	<b>38.50</b>	<b>1</b>	46.06			<b>46.06</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>173.40</b>	<b>5</b>
C R Hardin	T	44.36			1	<b>39.36</b>	<b>2</b>	41.12			<b>41.12</b>	<b>2</b>	44.56	1			<b>49.56</b>	<b>4</b>	49.92	1		<b>54.92</b>	<b>6</b>	52.22	1		<b>57.22</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>242.18</b>	<b>16</b>
Ethan Sackett	Gf	48.64	2		1	<b>53.64</b>	<b>5</b>	46.64			<b>46.64</b>	<b>4</b>	44.48				<b>44.48</b>	<b>3</b>	48.92		1	<b>43.92</b>	<b>2</b>	55.11	1		<b>60.11</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>248.79</b>	<b>19</b>
Maverick Wayne	49	42.26	1		1	<b>42.26</b>	<b>3</b>	38.79	3		<b>53.79</b>	<b>7</b>	37.40	1		1	<b>37.40</b>	<b>2</b>	52.48			<b>52.48</b>	<b>5</b>	57.16	1		<b>62.16</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>248.09</b>	<b>25</b>
Chickasaw County Kid	T	48.19		1	1	<b>53.19</b>	<b>4</b>	36.51	1		<b>41.51</b>	<b>3</b>	42.17	4	1		<b>72.17</b>	<b>14</b>	45.38	1		<b>50.38</b>	<b>4</b>	57.87			<b>57.87</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>275.12</b>	<b>28</b>
Aucilla Fugitive	ES	51.84		1	1	<b>56.84</b>	<b>6</b>	50.47			<b>50.47</b>	<b>6</b>	50.33	2		1	<b>55.33</b>	<b>7</b>	49.42		1	<b>44.42</b>	<b>3</b>	65.03	1		<b>70.03</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>277.09</b>	<b>32</b>
Big Boyd	49	63.06			1	<b>58.06</b>	<b>7</b>	48.32			<b>48.32</b>	<b>5</b>	55.69	2		1	<b>60.69</b>	<b>9</b>	51.01	2		<b>61.01</b>	<b>7</b>	55.38	1		<b>60.38</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>288.46</b>	<b>35</b>
Dynamite Don	Sr	61.49	1		1	<b>61.49</b>	<b>8</b>	62.02			<b>62.02</b>	<b>8</b>	54.30	2		1	<b>59.30</b>	<b>8</b>	64.63	1		<b>69.63</b>	<b>9</b>	86.33		1	<b>96.33</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>348.77</b>	<b>45</b>
Swiftly Bob	T	76.12	3	1	1	<b>96.12</b>	<b>16</b>	57.88	1		<b>62.88</b>	<b>9</b>	49.53	1			<b>54.53</b>	<b>6</b>	79.00	2		<b>89.00</b>	<b>13</b>	53.68	1		<b>58.68</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>361.21</b>	<b>48</b>
Cimmarron Star	LT	85.43	1		1	<b>85.43</b>	<b>13</b>	61.01	1		<b>66.01</b>	<b>10</b>	61.06	1		1	<b>61.06</b>	<b>10</b>	66.32			<b>66.32</b>	<b>8</b>	77.03	1		<b>82.03</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>360.85</b>	<b>52</b>
Bank Floyd	T	77.98			1	<b>72.98</b>	<b>10</b>	74.27		1	<b>84.27</b>	<b>13</b>	63.63				<b>63.63</b>	<b>11</b>	82.93			<b>82.93</b>	<b>12</b>	60.23			<b>60.23</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>364.04</b>	<b>52</b>
Papa Jake	Sr	53.75	2	1		<b>73.75</b>	<b>11</b>	61.16	2		<b>71.16</b>	<b>11</b>	55.62	2			<b>65.62</b>	<b>12</b>	77.15			<b>77.15</b>	<b>10</b>	61.65	1		<b>66.65</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>354.33</b>	<b>53</b>
Pepper	T	66.98			1	<b>61.98</b>	<b>9</b>	61.54	9		<b>106.54</b>	<b>15</b>	56.23			1	<b>51.23</b>	<b>5</b>	DNF	2		<b>DNF</b>	<b>16</b>	DNF			<b>DNF</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>DNF</b>	<b>61</b>
Dixie Outlaw	T	83.12				<b>83.12</b>	<b>12</b>	80.80			<b>80.80</b>	<b>12</b>	68.57				<b>68.57</b>	<b>13</b>	83.53		1	<b>78.53</b>	<b>11</b>	112.59	2		<b>122.59</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>433.61</b>	<b>62</b>
Sampala Slim	Sr	84.80	1	1	1	<b>94.80</b>	<b>15</b>	82.75	1		<b>87.75</b>	<b>14</b>	78.24	1			<b>83.24</b>	<b>15</b>	DNF			<b>DNF</b>	<b>16</b>	DNF			<b>DNF</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>DNF</b>	<b>76</b>
Abbie Oakley	Bk	202.11	1		1	<b>202.11</b>	<b>19</b>	117.74	2		<b>127.74</b>	<b>18</b>	101.80	1			<b>106.80</b>	<b>16</b>	159.71	3		<b>174.71</b>	<b>15</b>	114.92			<b>114.92</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>726.28</b>	<b>81</b>
Bully Bill	T	83.78		1	1	<b>88.78</b>	<b>14</b>	103.07		1	<b>113.07</b>	<b>17</b>	DNF				<b>DNF</b>	<b>18</b>	DNF			<b>DNF</b>	<b>16</b>	DNF			<b>DNF</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>DNF</b>	<b>81</b>
Jersey John Horace	Sr	165.70		1	1	<b>170.70</b>	<b>18</b>	126.74	1		<b>131.74</b>	<b>19</b>	117.73	1			<b>122.73</b>	<b>17</b>	119.13	1	1	<b>119.13</b>	<b>14</b>	155.36			<b>155.36</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>699.66</b>	<b>83</b>
Loreli Lee	LT	116.01	1	1	1	<b>126.01</b>	<b>17</b>	100.37	2		<b>110.37</b>	<b>16</b>	DNF				<b>DNF</b>	<b>18</b>	DNF			<b>DNF</b>	<b>16</b>	DNF			<b>DNF</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>DNF</b>	<b>83</b>