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5th Saturday - April 30th - No Whiner's Match

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Registration 8:00 to 8:30. Shooter's Meeting
8:45 sharp. Shoot at 9:00. by Woody Duit
All reloads on the clock, no additional guns are necessary.

The *No Whiners Match* was originally started to include things we can't do in a *SASS* match such as moving with a loaded gun, shooting while moving, shooting from cover, shooting from various positions such as kneeling or prone or weak hand, etc.. It was designed to be more physically challenging than our regular match. We will be returning to this format.

If you cannot run, jump, kneel, lay on your belly, then this match is not for you. You are welcome to come out and watch, or use one of the stages not being used for the match to practice. But, if you participate in the *No Whiners Match* and cannot comply with the scenario you will receive a DQ for the stage. No exceptions. So, please, if you are not prepared to physically do the scenarios either spectate or get in some practice time on one of the stages not being used. Better yet, have we got a deal for you. We are also shooting a *Whiners Match* the same day, on five separate stages. This match is for those who feel not capable of participating in the *No Whiners Match*.

We will charge the normal fees of \$10 for members and \$15 for non-members, whether you participate in the match or spend your time practicing. There will be food available for \$5.

4th Sunday - April 24th - Texican Rangers Match

Registration 8:00 to 8:30. Shooter's Meeting 8:45. Shoot 9:00.
Semi-Open Range

2nd Saturday - May 14 - Texican Rangers Match

Registration 8:00 to 8:30. Shooter's Meeting 8:45. Shoot 9:00.
Surprise Match Theme – Wild Bunch Side Match

Reminder: Time Schedule for Monthly Texican Ranger Matches

The 4th SUNDAY in APRIL Match and **all of MAY** will go back to the regular 9:00 a.m. start time. **Registration 8:00 to 8:30. Shooter's Meeting 8:45 sharp. Shoot Starts at 9:00.**

JUNE thru OCTOBER our matches will begin even earlier to take advantage of cool mornings: **Registration 7:00 to 7:30. Shooter's Meeting 7:45 sharp. Shoot Starts at 8:00.**

Elections 2005 by Lassiter

Elections for Officers of the *Texican Rangers* will be held at the monthly match on **May 14, 2005**, the **2nd Saturday in May**. Elected positions are open to any member in good standing. More than one person may run for a position. If interested, please **submit your name and the position desired**. Mail notice to the *Texican Rangers* at 14080 Nacogdoches, #299 San Antonio Texas 78247-1944. The present Officers are again running for the same offices for 2005.

Texican Star by Pepper Jacq & Quintana

Distribution of newsletters via e-mail we believe is goin' well. With the swearin' in of new officers for the *Texican Rangers* for 2005, some tuther hombre with green eyeshades is gonna be puttin' these here newsletters together. This will be our last publication. Puttin' somethin' interestin' and informative in front of yur spectacles has been our goal. Hope ya enjoyed it. If nuthin' else, it gave ya back up, ifn the Sears catalog ran out.

Communiatin' is a two way flow of opinions, tales and lies. You wanta see it in print, ya dern well better let the new Editor know whatcha got ta say. Puttin' down the pen and pickin' up the pistol. Gonna spend more time ta spit and whittle. See ya on the range pard.

April 3, Bill Cody - Billy Dixon Buffalo Stampede Sharpshooter & Cowboy Action Match

Congratulations To 23 shooters blasted big bore rifles and regular CAS firearms.

The Bill Cody - Billy Dixon Match had 5 categories:

Cody Big Bore Lever, Pistol Duelist	Dixon Big Bore Single Shot, Pistol Duelist
Cody Big Bore Lever, Traditional Pistol	Dixon Big Bore Single Shot, Traditional Pistol
Ladies (anyway she wants to shoot it, Traditional, Duelist, Supported or Not)	

Thems that shot didn't knock no Kiowa or Comanche in the dirt at 1538 yards but, they sure put a dent in them buffalo out to 125 yards. Shooters used reglar *CAS* pistols and shotguns as normal but, they hauled out them big guns, you know, the "***big bore rifles***" to put down them buffs. Folks shot 6 stages with 6 big bore shots per stage, 10 pistol and 4 shotgun. Pistol targets were a spitin' distance farther out than normal. Misses cost 10 seconds each.

Thanks to *Dusty Chambers* for preparing all the ground work, set up and arranging for the awards for this fun match. *Jonah Stark* cut some new targets into buffalo shape since buffalos didn't come in squares in the real west.

TOP 10 SHOOTERS OVERALL :

(1) Dusty Chambers (2) Woody Duitt (3) Jonah Stark (4) Lassiter (5) Doc Schofield (6) Nasty Jack (7) Gimpy James (8) Rusty Concho (9) L.W. Hannabass (10) Lone Star Hoss

CLASS WINNERS:

(L) Ladies..... Laramie Lorraine
(LD) Cody Big Bore Lever, Pistol Duelist..... Woody Duitt
(LT) Cody Big Bore Lever, Traditional Pistol..... Dusty Chambers
(SD) Dixon Big Bore Single Shot, Pistol Duelist..... Dangerous Don
(ST) Dixon Big Bore Single Shot, Traditional Pistol... Lassiter

NO CLEAN SHOOTERS however, *Woody Duitt* did right darn well with only 2 misses.

Comancheria Days 2005 “OPEN RANGE” by Lassiter

Howdy Folks, First off, I'd like to thank each of you for shooting with the *Texican Rangers* at *Comancheria Days*. The Lord blessed everyone with good weather to enjoy the Hill Country. We all had a chance to visit with old friends and make some new ones for the future.

The feedback I received proved folks enjoyed the match, liked the scenarios, had great posses to shoot with, and appreciated being finished early to be able to visit or shop or just relax. Lots of shooters commented on the target order – seems we all like challenging but simple sequences. Remembering only one sequence of fire is much more fun than always concentrating on a ‘Memory Contest’ or a ‘Procedural Minefield’.

The ‘Sit Down Banquet’ while being served by a professional wait staff is a cut above standing in line for a meal. Hope all of you really enjoyed that aspect.

Scores are available on the *Texican Rangers* web sight. Scores are listed by category and by overall winners. Congratulations to all the Category Winners – ya'll done good!!! But winning is only a portion of our Game. Mostly we shoot for fun and camaraderie – the “*Cowboy Way*”. This year the *Rangers* recognized 10 ‘*Spirit of the Game Winners*’ so each posse could reward the person they felt typified the true Cowboy attitude. To those ‘*Spirit of the Game*’ shooters...Thanks for helping make ‘*Comancheria Days 2005*’ such a success and boosting the atmosphere of the ‘*Cowboy Way*’.

We did have one glitch at the ‘Awards Ceremony’ that affected 4 shooters in the Men’s Senior and Men’s Senior Duelist Category. The scores were entered into the computer program, then the top 3 places were transferred to a ‘Winners Sheet’ to be announced at the Banquet. A mix-up occurred and was an honest mistake. We corrected the issue with each of the shooters and 3 of 4 were very gracious and showed the true Cowboy attitude.

In defense, if you’ve never had to post 10,000 individual entries in 2 afternoons while being interrupted constantly for information, and having to do 5,000 entries in less than 3 hours on a deadline, then you can’t understand the magnitude of the job. Also, in defense of the workers who helped transposing shooter results to the Winners Sheet, please take into account these folks worked 18hr days doing all types of chores to make the event go off smoothly. On behalf of the *Texican Rangers*, I’d like to apologize for any misunderstanding or hardship caused by this error. Everyone tried hard to put on a good event and provide a fun, entertaining event for all shooters and guests.

Thank you coming to *Comancheria Days* and helping to make the event a special Homecoming and a place to establish new friendships. Ya’ll are all invited to ‘*Shindig*’ on **October 8th & 9th**.

Come shoot with us whenever you can and we hope you’ll make plans for attending ‘*Comancheria Days 2006*. Ride hard, shoot straight, *Lassiter*

WHOOPIE!! by Jonah Stark

Those of you who missed *Comancheria Days 2005*, missed a grand ole time at the *Stieler Ranch*. We were blessed with outstanding weather on Thursday, Friday and Saturday. While Sunday was overcast, the weather cooperated and no rain fell. By Sunday noon, the sun had come out and we had another beautiful day.

The Saturday night banquet was great. The stages, scenarios, props, everything were outstanding. “*Open Range*”, the movie, was the setting and if you have seen the movie, you felt like you were part of it during the shoot.

The Posse Marshals that I talked too all said that their respective posses were great. I believe that Posse 6, mine of course, was the best posse that I have ever had the pleasure to work with. EVERYONE worked helping to run the posse and make the shoot fun for all shooters.

As **Vice-President** of the **Texican Rangers** and, I believe that I can speak for all the officers, I would like to express my appreciation to all those club members who gave of their time and efforts to clean up the range, build props, set up targets, paint targets and all of the many other things required to put on a match like **Comancheria Days**. I would like to list each and every one of you, but if I even tried to do so, I'd inadvertently miss someone who deserved credit, so I'll just say thanks to each of you. YOU know who you are!

Several members who, for various reasons, were unable to come out and assist with the work donated cash to help offset some of the expenses. Wow, members like this are the reason that the **Texican Rangers** is the fantastic Cowboy Action Club that it has become.

Until I started coming to the "work parties", I can truly say that I had no idea of the amount of work required to put on a monthly match, much less a match like **Comancheria Days** or **Shindig**. Without the labors of those club members that give freely of their time and money, we would not have a **Cowboy Action Club**. Without the generosity of the land owner, we would not have a range. So always remember to honor and respect the property. If you see trash scattered around, pick it up and dispose of it properly.

Again, thank you to all those members who helped make **Comancheria Days** a success.

Comancheria Days "Real" Spirit of the Game by Two Shot Tex

This was my first time to serve as a match director of a large match and I have to say I was overwhelmed by all the generosity and helpfulness of our members. Everywhere I turned there was a cowboy or cowgirl just waiting and willing to help.

Lassiter spent several days writing and rewriting stages that were enjoyable, challenging, and fast. To be fun on top of all is the part we all see and enjoy, but there a lot of talent and work in creating stages that combine all of those attributes. If you want a real challenge, try writing the stages for just one match and you will be very surprised how long it takes to get it right. Then increase the number to ten stages and it is very, very hard to get right.

Our range setup crew was headed by **Woody Duitt**. **Woody, Lassiter, Jonah** and several other members spent another three or four afternoons setting up targets and props for stage-to-stage timing and balance so that each set would finish at about the same time. If you have never been through the process setting up the stages for a match, you wouldn't believe how much work they put in every month that most people never see.

Thankless chores like directing shooters where to park was handled by **Pinata Kid**. He gave up an entire day on Thursday and worked all by his lonesome to get everybody in the right place. By the way, for those of you who got a posse picture or a banquet picture this year, he also arranged for our photographer to be at the match. We had to change the date about four months before due to a scheduling conflict and **Pinata Kid** came through with flying colors. He went through five or six different companies over two weeks to find one that could do everything we wanted at a cowboy shoot.

Ima Gutshooter did the same thing with all of our vendors. She sent letters and made phone calls to all of our vendors this year and helped to get them sited, parked and find camping spaces for those who wanted to camp on the ranch. She also sent letters to every club in the state and included a personal invite and registration forms to the match. In large part, she is responsible for the wonderful turnout this year. We had hoped to get 125 shooters this year and we ended up with just under 140. Her job

required a lot of letter writing and working with a phone in her ear to coordinate all the details in getting locations and power requirements settled with vendors. It's tough working all by yourself and **Ima** did a great job.

Speaking of working of days by yourself and getting very little thanks, **Miss Karen** worked for weeks prior to the match helping to get the shooter booklet, registration and posse lists just right. It is so much work that it is culminated with a "stuffing party" with eight or ten people like **Miss Karen** (who heads up the group), **Lassiter, Quintana, Pepper Jacq, Doc Schofield, Sassy, Copperhead Schottie, Wild Bill Munch**, and even yours truly (I can be trained to stuff envelopes at least). Most of these good folks contributed their three to four hours after a full day's work and then have to get up and go to work the next day. Stuffing parties, of necessity, usually take place about two days before the match. Any earlier and the late registrations would be a real headache. If it weren't for **Miss Karen** keeping up with all of the hundreds of registration details, we would never be able to get it right.

This year we had a member volunteer to make all of the awards. Yep, **Lassiter Thunder** came up with the idea, and got **Doc Schofield** and **Woody Duit** to help him cut, stamp, glue, stain and assemble all the shooter bags for prizes. These awards are unique in that they can be hung on your gun cart and used. Not to mention bragged on (after all, we only win braggin' rights). It was a really great idea and every person who received one, was delighted.

We also had two members who will not remain nameless volunteer to do ALL the food preparation this year. **Madame Ella Moon** and her faithful sidekick **Dirty Dog Dale** headed up the food crew and did a terrific job. They were helped by **Grayfire** and his wife **Frances, Captain Drake Kirk** and **Kissme Kady, John Golden** and his wife **Carol Ann, Grubby Hayes** and **Dangerous Don** and his wife **Louise**. We even got to eat chocolate chip cookies for two days courtesy of **Stetson Hattie** (they were great!) I ate very well at **Comancheria Days** this year (of course I usually manage to find too much to eat, as my shrinking gun belt attests to) and enjoyed every meal. The chili was especially good. All these folks got up an hour before we did to have our breakfast ready and waiting when we got to the range, and they did it with a smile. Even when they had to get up at 5:30 to start everything going. Between bring in all the food and grills; preparing the meals and then cleaning up, they put in an enormous amount of time for our club.

Then there is our outstanding banquet facility. If it weren't for **Dusty Chambers** and **Laramie Lorraine**, we wouldn't have had this amazing place for a banquet. **Dusty** made several visits to the Inn of the Hills to get our hall back after our booking somehow got lost. He also made provisions for the sound system and power point screen presentation media to be available. **Shelleen** did a terrific job as "Master of Ceremonies". Special thanks goes to our entertainment at the banquet provided by the **River Pickers**, a talented group noted for their 19th Century music and musical instruments, including the banjo and hammered dulcimer. Our own **Wagon Man** was one of the group. And lastly, there was the wonderful food we had again this year. I've been to **Mule Camp, the SASS Texas State Match, the Southwest Regional Match** and **Hell On Wheels** in the last few years, and our banquet beats them all hands down. We enjoyed a beautiful hall, good sound system, china and linen on the tables, waiters and waitresses to serve your meal (not a buffet line) and a chair with a real cushion instead of a metal folding chair. There isn't a better or fancier banquet anywhere.

Really special recognition to **Miss Karen, Doc Schofield, Ima Gutshooter, Kissme Kady, Captain Drake Kirk, Carleen, Jeffrie** and **Lassiter** for all the work in entering shooters' scores. Those who helped with the stretch raffle and worked with the door prize drawings included **Doc Scofield, Picoso Kid** and the ladies doing the stretch raffle **Fatal Star, Sassy Hatter, Irish Gypsy** and **Tamara Singley**. And the dress awards were ably attended to by **Madame Ella Moon** and **Kissme Kady**.

All our volunteers are just that, volunteers. They give their time and in many cases resources to help the rest of us have a great time. Volunteering is an *American tradition*, and a true cowboy way to show your "real" spirit of the game. I'm constantly amazed by the generosity of the **Texican Rangers**

members. Just when you think “Wow, what a great thing to do for the club”, another member comes up and does something just as nice. There were many, many more people who contributed in their own way to make the match a success, and each and every one of them deserve our thanks.

So the next time you come to a match, please take a minute and say a personal “thanks pard” to one of our great volunteer cowboys or cowgirls, because they’re worth it.

April 7 -10 Comancheria Days Main Match

Congratulations To 130 Rangers and guests. The weather was great.

Judgin’ from the *hootin’ and hollarin’*, folks had a down right fun shoot! TOP 15 SHOOTERS:

(1) *Lassiter* (2) *Picosa Kid* tied for (3) *Barbary Coast* and *Calvin N. Hobbes* (5) *I Reckon*
(6) *Alley* (7) *Jericho Walls* (8) *Dusty Chambers* (9) *Wu Ban See* (10) *Travelin Jones*
(11) *Three Lefts* (12) *Hondo Meade* (13) *Ace Hullum* (14) *Ed Sieker* (15) *Handlebar Bob*

COMANCHERIA DAYS TOP CLASS WINNERS:

Grand Dame:	<i>Candy Sweet Stuff</i>	Elder Statemen:	<i>Ed Sieker</i>
Ladies Senior:	<i>Cactus Kay</i>	Mens Senior:	<i>Alley</i>
Ladies 49r:	<i>Medicine Woman</i>	Mens 49r:	<i>Lassiter</i>
Ladies Tradnl:	<i>Kid Waco</i>	Mens Tradnl:	<i>Calvin N. Hobbes</i>
Ladies Modern:	<i>Barbary Coast</i>	Mens Modern:	<i>Picosa Kid</i>
Ladies Duelist:	<i>Starry Knight</i>	Mens Duelist:	<i>Handlebar Bob</i>
Frontiersman:	<i>Double Down Dan</i>	Mens Senior Duelist:	<i>Woody Duitt</i>
Frontier Crtrdg:	<i>Pinata Kid</i>	Front.Crtrdg. Duelist:	<i>Sombrero Negro</i>
Classic Cowboy:	<i>Eli Blue</i>	Junior Boy:	<i>The Nephew</i>
Gunfighter:	<i>Lars Christopherson</i>		

CLEAN SHOOTERS – COMANCHERIA DAYS - Listed by rank:

Jericho Walls (7) *Double Down Dan* (28) *Just Hal* (40) *Kit Dalton* (69)

One Miss Shooters: Listed by rank: *Wau Ban See* (9) *Cactus Kay* (36)
Handsom Tom (74) *Country Girl* (93) *Noxious Nan* (94) *Snake Bit Pitts* (126)

Center Point Texas Welcomes New Rangers

The village of *Center Point* welcomes new resident *Texican Rangers*. *Shotgun Professor* and *Odessa Star* recently made their new home in this fair burg. Least these folks got there in time to enjoy the beautiful country there bouts. Believe there’s bout 32 Texas Rangers residing in the cemetery in Center Point. Probably the most “*Ranger*” populated place in the state of Texas, other than when *Texican Rangers* come together for a shootin’ match.

Chuck Box Fixins by Quintana

These *Rangers* just keep on comin’. Steppin’ forward dauntlessly with a spoon in hand and a smile on their face, seems like every match they are always there to support the troops. These folks give of their time and energies to provide the vittles for all. Please give a hardy thank you to *Dirty Dog Dale*, *Madam Ella Moon*, *Kissme Kady*, *Grey Fire*.

Special thanks to *Shotgun Professor* and *Odessa Star* for donatin’ 120 pounds of elk and white tail venison to the *Rangers* for upcoming meal time delights.

Fredericksburg Texas - Saturday May 14 - Founders' Day & Intertribal Pow-Wow

Founders' Day festivities in Fredericksburg will include the 7th *Annual Intertribal Pow-Wow*. The ceremonial gathering and dance festival is held at *Fort Martin Scott*, on Hwy 290 on the eastern edge of Fredericksburg. (Previously the date was incorrectly reported to be March 12.)

The Pow-Wow is on the afternoon of the 2nd Saturday *Texican Ranger Match on May 14th*. This would be a great way to spend the evening after the match. Be there to witness the spectacular ceremonial dance and tribute to Native American culture.

Native drums provide the tempo by resounding the heart beat and create a body rhythm that is alluring and magnetic. Dance activities and Native American arts, hand crafts, silver and jewelry, leather goods, buffalo shoulder mounts and collectables will be open to all mid afternoon on.

At 6 PM, the dancers take a break for dinner. Food and refreshments are available on the grounds. Historians make presentations in accurately detailed Indian living quarters displaying the daily implements of Native Americans. This can be a great experience for the kids.

At 7PM the Grand Entry begins with a great deal of pomp and showmanship. This is a must see when ALL the native participants enter the ceremonial circle together. The finest native dress, body and face paint, and spectacular headdresses are worn at this time. Many of the participants are decorated military veterans and a great deal of pride and presentation is dedicated to their courage and military contributions as Americans.

Various classes of competition dancing will go on to midnight. The later the evening, the more intense and dramatic the dance becomes. (Bring a sweater or light jacket. Early May evenings in Fredericksburg can be cool.) The competitive dance includes various mens' dance and womens' dance. The mens' dance can get very intense and athletic. The womens' dance takes significant athletic endurance and display authentic and elaborate dress. The various womens' dance classifications include the shawl dance, jingle dance (bell like ornaments attached to dress that originated from tobacco tins formed into cones), gourd dance, fancy dance and cloth dance. **Spectators are invited to participate in the occasional non-competitive ceremonial dances.** With the aroma of smoke from the tribal fires and the beat of the drums, it is easy to get caught up in an evening of excitement.

Manna From Heaven by Candy Swæz Stuff

Looking forward to the *SASS Texas State Championship*, *Candy* was anxious to defend her title. Unfortunately, one week before the match, she could no longer lift her long guns due to shoulder problems. What to do? Forego the match? Shoot pistols only? On site, match officials approved a pistols only shoot, accepting penalty misses for shots not fired. There goes the title. But on main match day one ... Manna from heaven. When she joined up with her posse, *Lassiter* greeted her, "I have something for you from *Two Shot. Sassy Hatter*, whose long guns are shorter and lighter than *Candy's*, had learned of *Candy's* predicament. "I can't win this match" said *Sassy*, "but my guns can." *Sassy* dispatched her guns to *Candy* via *Texican Ranger* pony express. *Lassiter* had more for *Candy* - lighter pistol rounds, precision loaded and carefully selected to be match grade. *Cyanide* and *Lonestar Hoss* carried and staged *Candy's* long guns. Other posse members facilitated gun caddying by taking on more posse chores.

Candy was able to shoot the match and retained her title, sweeter because of competition. "All this help and attention made me feel like a princess." *Cyanide's* reality check: "You're not a princess, you are a *Grande Dame, the best in Texas.*" *Sassy*, you are more of a winner than your guns! This title is truly a club victory. Thanks. *Candy*

Recoil Matters by Cyanide Kwicken Lethal

Many cowboy shooters favor authenticity. Period attire, black powder and 45 caliber bullets are their trappings. Such historical correctness could either exclude or punish many who now enjoy cowboy action shooting. Age, both young and old, and a number of musculoskeletal disorders do poorly with heavy loads. For those shooters, finding a compatible load can change masochism into pure fun.

Lassiter, forever in search of a better mousetrap, came up with lighter pistol loads for *Candy* to try. Arthritis is slowly progressive and interferes with grip and recoil acceptance. *Candy* shoots 38 special ammunition. She began with 158 gr. 800 foot per second bullets. Next were 125 gr. 725 foot per second bullets. *Lassiter* suggested 125 gr. 600 foot per second bullets. *Lassiter's* last innovation consisted of 100 gr. bullets loaded with 3.0 and 2.7 gr. of powder and magnum primers.

To better assess the different loads, *Candy* and I devised a study for our practice range. The objective was to concentrate on recoil and its effects. To this end, salvos of 5 shots were fired on the clock. Eight salvos of each load were fired. Initially, all shots were to be placed on a single target representative of a 16 inch cowboy target at 32 feet. Later, Nevada sweeps were incorporated. While one of us shot, the other served as observer and timer. A record of each salvo was kept indicating ammunition, shooter, scenario, total time, time to first shot, muzzle flip, perceived recoil and hits. Time to first shot was subtracted from total time to eliminate the time required to draw the pistol. The remaining time represents recoil acceptance and target acquisition.

As expected, muzzle flip and perceived recoil were directly proportional to the load in the hands of both shooters. With the first decrement, speed improved 14 percent for *Cyanide* then remained consistent with the 4 lighter loads. Accuracy was consistent throughout. *Candy* saw improvement in both speed and accuracy. Accuracy improved with the first decrement and remained consistently excellent through the 4 lesser loads. Speed improved significantly with the first decrement, minimally with the middle three loads, and significantly again with the lightest load. Overall speed improved by 40 percent.

What lessons were learned? Timers are helpful in evaluation of ammunition and techniques. An independent observer adds much information that would otherwise be overlooked. Recoil diminished with each of the lighter loads. With less recoil, there was greater comfort and faster target acquisition. For some shooters, *Lassiter's* lightest load can substantially enhance comfort, speed, accuracy and enjoyment. Other shooters (*Cyanide*) just need more practice.

Spirit of the Game by Jonah Stark

Spirit of the game. Just what is it? Oh, I know what the SASS Handbook says, but is that all there is to it? I don't think so!

So, what does make up the spirit of the game? Is it your actions while shooting, how you treat others, or what? Here are some of my ideas. You probably have your own thoughts on this also.

Do you criticize things or do you suggest a better way to do something? There is a difference! If you don't like how things are done, do you volunteer to help out or do you just bad mouth the way it is done?

Do you help out the posse in anything that needs done, or do you sit on the bench and let everyone else do the work? Some things you may not be able to do, but do you do the things that you can do?

If another shooter is having gun or ammo trouble do you offer to lend them your gun or ammo or do you just think to yourself, tough luck?

Do you offer to help the new shooter, or do you just let him/her flounder along the best they can? On the long range, do you tell the shooter where his shot is going when he misses the target or do you think to yourself, good he's missing, I can probably win if I don't tell him?

Do you ever come to a work party and help out? Or, do you show up just in time to shoot and leave as soon as the shooting is over? You paid your shoot fee! You don't get paid for doing any of the work it takes to put on the shoot, do you?

Do you help return the stage props after the shoot or move targets before the shoot or do you just think that it is someone else's job?

Do you pick up that piece of trash laying on the ground as you walk by, or do you just play like you don't see it?

Did you leave the gate the way you found it? If it's open, leave it open, if it's closed, close it. The first time a horse or cow goes out on the highway and gets hit by a car, we can wave our range goodbye.

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