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MOTHER NATURE WINS ONE!

Willy Fire / Tim Metcalf

Well we all knew it was bound to happen eventually! The Vigilantes took a beating by Mother Nature at our October shoot and had to call our match off due to rain. It was obvious that the rain was not going to let up and the tough decision had to be made it was too steady of a rain to get our cowboy toys out. A few folks braved the weather and went to the covered stages and shot some. We had some folks (12 I think) come back on Sunday and shoot. Since Christmas Kid and Christmas Eve were gone out of town; a vote was taken and they will not be allowed to miss any other Vigilantes events. Due to them not being there the rain out got blamed on them. October 4, 2008 ----- it is official ----- not a single person that showed up at Cowtown had a miss ----- everybody was clean (well, since we didn't keep score sheets I guess you can say no official misses).

It was decided when standing around in the rain that after our November 1 shoot we will have a potluck dinner and possibly a campfire. So everybody remember to bring your favorite potluck dish for our Saturday evening meal. Lie- N-Dog is really excited about the possibility of a return of the Hot Buns contest!

Des Arc showed up with a really neat contraption. I am not exactly sure what he is calling it but it is a battery powered scooter / gun cart. Wouldn't old John Wayne look funny on this thing?



Range Work ---- The next time you see Gentleman G please be sure and thank him. He and his wife showed up on a non scheduled work day and spent Saturday and most of the day Sunday digging out the creek with his mini excavator. He also donated and installed a new culvert up by the wagons to help with the drainage issue. We still have creek work and road work to be done but we certainly appreciate all the back breaking work that Gentleman G saved us. Thank you!

We do not have any official work days planned at this time BUT if you have some free time we are declaring an

open season on leaves! All the trees that provide us with much welcome shade during the summer create quite a mess in the fall. If you plan to go to the range for practice, feel free to take your leaf blower and rake to do a little leaf removal when you are there!

The club really appreciates the effort of all those that sacrifice time to make our place better. Thank you to everyone that has sacrificed time and energy for Cowtown!

If you read this in time – don't forget our next general meeting for MVSA members is Thursday October 16 at the Elks Club in Hot Springs @ 6:30 pm. It is a great time. A drawing will be held for a free membership for 2009 as long as you are a current member in good standing. YOU MUST BE PRESENT TO WIN!

We had quite a few Mtn. Valley Vigilantes attend state championship shoots in Alabama and Tennessee. It will be interesting to see what kind of new ideas they may come back with.

That's it for this abbreviated edition. Our next shoot is November 1 – lunch will be provided as usual but bring a dish for potluck dinner. It will be a blast! And please – pray for sunshine!

**SEE YOU
NOVEMBER 1!**