



HOWDY ALL,

Our 22<sup>nd</sup> Roop County days are in the books and as far as I'm concerned it was the best one ever!! Thanks to all that gave their time and hard earned money to make it such a success!! The weather was kind to us this year with temps in the low 90's. We had guests helping us set up and tear down. We had some of the Possum Hollow guy's help Dutch and I clean up the Conex's and that was a nasty job!!! You all not only gave us your time and cash you helped us put on the best match to date!!

Unfortunately we couldn't use long range this year because of construction on the property and some of the long-range shooters shot wild bunch instead for the first time

We also had a large group of shooters from our southern part of the state and it was good to see Kougarok George once more although I didn't recognize him until he said something to me. He had lost forty pounds was very tan and had long hair!! We had two herds of dachshunds with our Ogallala having four of the little guys and Kougarok having the same amount. Cardiac Kate had Honey Boy and if Jackpot Jerry could have made it with Logan we would have had ten of the little cuties on the property!!!

Ogallala did a fine job on the stages once more with the wonderful theme of cartoons!! The stages were fast, fun and a few of them you had to do a little

thinking as well. I really liked the stages on bay 3 with the bird thrower although we black powder shooters couldn't see the second bird after the first shot but we tried anyway!! We had thirteen shooters shoot clean and that's two more than last year!! We also had less "P's" than last year. Good job buddy!!!!

The raffle was a huge success with over \$1800.00 made from your generous raffle contributions and the money the same folks spent on raffle tickets. We had an unprecedented 102 raffle prizes. Cowboy shooters are the best!!

A special thanks goes out to the Possum Hollow gang who ran posse #3 when I had to run off to do this and that. Speaking of Possum Hollow, they were playing music many of the nights to the glee of the folks who came down to listen.

I'm sure you noticed that all the bay fronts had a fresh coat of paint with one that had a complete make over. Wylie Fox and Nevada Star did an outstanding job building a marshals office. Although we didn't use it the chapel has a new look thanks to JJ and crew. We had a thirty yard dumpster delivered for Roop county days that we almost filled up with "stuff" we have accumulated over the years.

It was a pleasure being your match director with all the help from our members, friends and guests gave us. Someone was always asking me what needed to be done or if I needed any help. All good things must come to an end and its some one else's turn to take the reins as match director. I've had a ball over the last few years being your match director, but its now time for someone else to step up and take over the job I've been doing.

Thanks to all that made our annual match such a great success and we'll see you next year for our 23<sup>rd</sup> annual Roop County Days,

Jasper