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Headline: Missing Easter Eggs Found At April Shootout.....

The Easter Bunny didn't leave much for the kids at Mad Dog's Cabin or so they thought. But had the kids gone to the April Posse they would have seen their treats being put to good use. We were short of props at the match so Mad Dog volunteered the Easter Eggs for a couple of stages. Stage one involved three eggs per shooter and the State Farm Spittoon.

Prior to shooting any targets the competitor was required to spit three eggs at the spittoon. If any egg went in, he or she could quit spitt'n and start shoot'n. Having tried such stages before, the match director had the spittoon out of range for most all except the more experienced spitters. If my memory is correct, only Tom Two Feathers was able to put one in. Cowboy Lou of the Flatwoods Badlanders thought he put one in but it bounced out just as he started shooting. Cowgirl Slowhand refused to put the eggs in her mouth as she was witness to Sheriff Holliday dropping the eggs in the mud and was allowed to throw hers at the spittoon. Mad Dog must have been practicing with the eggs as he won the stage.

Headline: Indian Attack Interrrupts Church Easter Egg Hunt.....

The Reverend U. B. Goode had just finished hiding the Easter Eggs just outside the wall of the Regulator Fort when an arrow almost sent him to the promise land. If he'd been standing up instead of bending over to hide that last egg he would have been a gonner. Fair is fair but attacking in the middle of the first annual Easter Egg Hunt was more than the Reverend could stand. As we all know, the Reverend is always packing iron and this day was no exception. He sent five to the happy hunting ground from the south end of the fort and then ran to the north end of the fort and dispatched five more. He then went for his 30-30 and got the Chief and his son with some fancy long range shooting. When the smoke cleared from all the Reverends shooting the Easter Egg Hunt was held with no further incident.

As you can see from the above, the fun continues at the Buccaneer Regulators monthly cowboy match. We had 18 shooters at the April Posse and the scores were as follows. We had Cowboy hankerchiefs as prizes and just about everybody around at the final score time got one. We had one left and tried to give it to the Duplin Kid but the pink did not match his outfit so we may make it the first place prize next month.....

First Flight--Mad Dog, Col Case Hardin, Dick Holliday, Cowboy Lou, Deacon Dave
Secon Flight--Little Mix, Whispering Bill, Doc Brown, Duplin Kid
Seniors--Roberdel, Doc Clock, Idaho Spud, Black Smith, Carbine Kid, Tom Two Times,
Tom Two Feathers
Cowgirls--Slowpoke

Come to think of it we had 18 shooters but 17 were able to finish. It seems that

Slowhand was using some primers that he bought from Sheriff Holliday and the quality was suspect as evidenced by only about one in three going off. Sheriff Holliday was nowhere to be found when Slowhand went back for the moneyback guarantee that the Sheriff promised.

We need more cowgirls for the May Posse so girls please come and give Slowpoke some competition. Some Junior shooters are always needed because we all know what Ned says.....Take a kid shooting.....Ned Bluntline