

JUNE COWBOY MATCH: (Ray Campbell)
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The Gazette will be sort of short this month due to one of the following....Idaho Spuds mule ate the match results sheet or the results sheet blew away while the six cowboys that stayed for the Quigley Bucket Match were not paying attention..... Either way, we did have a cowboy match in June and as best i can remember it was attended by ten or so cowboys and one cowgirl. The only score that is for sure is that Slowpoke was the cowgirl winner. She got an extra round of applause as she came by herself as her worse half (Slowhand) did not attend due to a previous shooting engagement down in the Badlands of Sampson County. We shot five stages as best I can remember and it was one of those days you'd just as soon forget as most everybody had every sort of malfunction known to man. Some were equipment related and some were brain related.....

HeadLine: Quigley Bucket Will No Longer Hold Water

At the conclusion of the June match six cowboys settled in to do battle with the 400 yard Quigley Bucket. The bucket was suspended from a chain in front of the 400 yard berm. Idaho Spud and Wild Bill Storks were the first two competitors. Both choose to shoot 45-70's in Winchester high wall actions. Each had five shots, and the shooter with the most hits on the bucket was the winner. Each sent their five rounds down range and when the bullets finally got to the bucket, (It takes a while for a 500+ grain bullet to go that far), each had two hits. The next two shooters was Dick Holliday and Roberdel. Roberdel was shooting his 45-70 Sharps and Dick was shooting a high wall 45-70. The Match was delayed when Dick's first round shot the chain in two. After re-engineering the bucket support system Dick was given credit for three hits. Dick wanted to get credit for shooting the chain in two but his protest fell on deaf ears. As the smoke cleared, most shooters had two hits on the bucket and Dick was declared the winner with three hits and his prize was a bunch of 45-70 empties that were his to start with. Shooting the match was Idaho Spud, Wild Bill Storks, Dick Holliday, Mad Dog, Colonel Case Hardin, and Roberdel.....Spud has welded a bigger chain on the bucket that he guarantees will repel Dicks bullets so next month we think we'll shoot it at 300 yards but we'll be shooting from shooting stickets rather than the bench. So bring your long range rifle next month and we'll do it again.....As always, if you want to play and don't have a rifle then we'll have one for you.....

So until we see you next month....Take a kid shooting.....Respectfully submitted....Ned Bluntline