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The club would like to thank all the volunteers who helped to make this year's Jailbreak the best ever. Many people put in many hours getting the range ready, and many helped to make the actual match come off so well. This has got to be the best one yet. I won't even try to name names because I know I will forget someone. Everyone knows who you were, so thanks.

Have you ever seen a match with so many "clean matches" shot? Credit for that goes to Boss Spearman and Gunslinger. They were the ones who wrote the stages, set the targets, and made sure that all the stages were finished at the same time. You can't imagine the hours spent sitting around the dining room table with Tx. Alline arranging the posies.

The side matches were really great too. And three places awarded to the winners. That was pretty neat. And lets not forget the awards for the first 5 places in each regular category. That was really appreciated by a lot of folks. And no minimum number of shooters needed to make a category.

Sunday side matches were the best attended of any large match I have ever been to. I think that the guys were hoping for a short morning so that they could get a little rest, but instead, it seemed as though everyone wanted to shoot some more. That's great, and you should have seen the smiles on everyone's face.

There were over 60 campers in the parking lot. Only 20 had electricity and everyone else had to run generators. No generators to interrupt your shopping pleasure in the vendor area, since they had access to electricity if they needed it. I hope that the generators did not affect anyone's sleep, but that is just the way it is at an event like this.

The Can Can contest, the Swim Suit competition, the Chile cook off, and the dance band on the porch of the Saloon as well as the free Margaritas made for some really fine entertainment at the range in the evening. Hope you all stayed for it.

Dinner music at the banquet was fantastic too. And how smooth the awards were given out (not to mention the give away guns). The food was good, the atmosphere was great, and the people in attendance were the best. The ceremony was over at a reasonable time so that everyone could get back to their motel room or camper for some additional socializing or just relaxing after a long day.

Special thanks go to Bad Gene Poole for coming up with the precision long range rifle side matches. A lot of people participated and they especially appreciated the time to sight in their rifles the day before the match, at the targets that were to be shot for score. I found out we will need more shooting tables before next year. Remember, you can sight in all year long.

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