October 14th, 2006 STEEL PLATE SHOOT

I want to thank everybody who showed up for our last plate shoot for the year. The turnout wasn't very big as we only had nine shooters, but the enthusiasm was high. The weather might have been a factor for the low turnout since it was reported to morning rain, but it was dry the whole time and even the sun came out.

I want to apologize to those who everybody who was there for not having the El Presidente up and running. It was only Dennis and myself working the match, so we didn't have enough people to run it. Hopefully, next year, we'll have people on our committee who will show up and help out.

Due to the wet ground we couldn't have our regular type of match, so we had the zig-zag event again. Even though it's a simple concept, you do have to use your brain and think where the next shot goes. To make it even more aggravating we threw in a few hostages here and there. I was going to leave them out for this last shoot and make it easy for everybody, but Dennis convinced me to be cruel and throw them in. In spite of them we had some good scores. Ismael Gomez had two great runs to take first place. Great shooting Ismael. There were other good scores too. The only difference between second and third place was 1.13 seconds. I won't mention my score. Let's just say I haven't practiced much and let it go at that.

We will be starting up the plate shoots again in April. I will put a reminder in the newsletter in March to give people plenty of notice. Thanks to everybody who showed up this year to participate in the matches. I had a lot of fun doing them, and I hope you had a lot of fun shooting them. A special thanks to Dennis Nelson and those others who helped set up and tear down. Without your help we couldn't put these matches on. See you in April, and remember, keep that finger off the trigger until your sights are on the target.

Chris Hackett

Stage #1 - Main Event

Name	Practice	Round #1	Round #2	Final Score
Ismael Gomez	30.34	20.25	22.90	43.15
John Byers	39.20	27.05	24.69	51.74
Joe Lambert	39.44	27.16	25.71	52.87
Frank Simmerer	32.15	28.54	28.45	56.99
Chris Hackett	58.66	46.92	27.05	73.97
Tom Zandstra	41.76	61.78	45.53	107.31
Dennis Nelson	52.89	78.20	44.16	122.36
Gary Rollenhagen	35.22	DNF	27.02	DNF
James Cross	116.00	DNF	117.00	DNF

Stage #2

Name	Practice	Round #1	Round #2	Final Score