

Nightly **Red** Chair Movie Report - *She got me.*

Spent way too long on YouTube looking at the shorts/reviews on the movie "Open Range" hoping to see enough of the clips to remind me whether or not I had seen it before. Somewhere in the background sounded the ominous retort "I have seen this already" but the scenes of Cowboys, Canada, Cattle, and Campfires did not manifest themselves for me to say for sure.

Bob had said this was a 'good un' and I was determined to make a judgment and score for him as the first time I saw it I was not that impressed with the theme, outcome, or Kevin Costner – it just had a lack of something. Well, I decided to go to my red chair and watch it anyway.

"Alexia, turn the TV on please."

"OK."

"Alexia, YouTube - Open Range."

"Here it is on **Philo.**"

I thought (well, I won't say what I thought) but I said:

"Alexia, YouTube - Open Range."

Same thing. Course, I am noticing the advertising (she is programmed to bring up) saying "**Try this FREE! Then you pay only \$6.95 a month.**"

I promptly and skillfully (getting damn good at some of this) went to YouTube, got the movie up, and ordered the showing at a cost of \$4.28, noting it will be commercial free for two hours and 13 minutes - or so. My kind of a deal! *Worth every dime to not have to see/hear/fool with 40 commercials...*[Next time I'll look at Netflix before I commit - will take back my previous "damn good at"]

Watching the movie the second time was much more gooder than the first and I mused the short reviews segmented for certain spots in the movie absolutely (for me) did not fit into the scheme or remind me in any way that I had seen it – like I said a second ago. Course, it didn't take long (maybe 39 minutes) before I recognized Mose, the fat kid, and then things began to come together.

My judgment and a score is about 6.3. Duval was pretty darn good. Annette played well. I thought Costner was just off with his lines – may have been his appendix acting up. His add-on cowboy beard and mustache was pitiful. The movie was 27 minutes too long. The Canadian scenery was a solid 10 – horses and cows very good. But having that dog shot really upset me. The dog's real name is I think "Barney" or something like that, he played his part very well...He is a good dog!

During one of the reviews, I almost decided to not watch the movie after seeing where Kevin was shooting his six shooter about 17 times without reloading - and one firing of TEN straight shots! As they say in the trade "Give me a break."

Well, when it was over, I was glad I saw it. I relaxed. Was watching the names of the cast/people/sponsors I thought and kinda sub-vocally (contently) said "Alexia, no thanks, to you."

"Thanks to you for watching the movie!

I hope you enjoyed your Monday night."