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5th SUNDAY 200 METER BENCH REST PISTOL MATCH, 9-29-13

By Carroll Hargrove, Match Director

We had 5 shooters show up today for this challenging match. The weather was nice, being a little cooler and no wind. This match is shot similar to a silhouette match (50, 100, 150, and 200 meters), but the targets are much smaller than the standard 200 meter silhouette targets.

Ernie Lewis won the match with just one miss at the 150 meter targets. Ernie Was using a T/C Contender in .223, a Rem. 55 gr. bullet and 23.4 gr. 322. Tom Hargrove was 1 runner-up with only 2 misses. Others out were Allen Bloomer, Ernie Edmonston, and me.

(Note: this report is somewhat late as Carroll's wife was in the hospital and he couldn't get it in on time.)



Light turn-out at the "Low Power" Match

"LOW POWER" MATCH, 10-6-13

By Alan Bloomer, Match Director

It was a little chilly this morning and I figure that's why we only had 11 shooters with us today. The fair weather shooters didn't make it. However, the fair and the balloon fiesta might have had something to do with it. We had 6 shooters using scopes and 5 using iron sights.

In Iron Sights, Susan Odell won A Class with 9, AA was won by Doug Mathis with 26, and Ernie Edmonston won Overall with 33, 8 chickens, all 10 pigs, 6 turkeys, and 9 rams. He used a T/C Carbine in .218 Bee, 14 gr. of AA 2200, and a W-W 55 gr. FMJBT bullet.

In Scope classes, Jerry Newman won A Class with 16, AA went to Roy Hayes with 24, and AAA went to James Cravener with 20. Randy Dana and I tied with 30 for Overall Winner and I got lucky in the shoot-off leaving Randy the Master Class winner. I used a Remington model 700 in .222 Remington, 12.0 gr. AA 2200 and Ernie Edmonston's cast 55 gr. GC bullets.

(Note: This is Alan's first time out as Match Director for this Match after taking it over from Scotty Davis. Scotty had ran it since it's conception on October 6, 1996, or almost exactly 18 years ago. We owe Scotty a great deal for that (and a lot of other things)).



OF LOW POWER, OCT- 2- 2013

By Ron young

15 shooters showed up today. A good day with no wind. In the scope class Melody Smith Won with a 36, 10 chicks 10 pigs 6 turks and 10 rams. That's good shooting! Tim Price won master with 31, AAA went to Jerry King with 31, AA went to Virdis Isler with 28 and a move to AAA. A went to Roy Hayes with a 32-good shooting.

In the iron sight Bob Elder won over all with 30. He took 8 chicks 9 pigs 5 turks and 8 rams. Master went to Ernie E with 29, AAA went to Doug M with 27, and AA went to Ron with 22. Fun Day.

BENCH REST CHICKEN SILHOUETTE MATCH, 10-12-13

By Bill Kennedy Match Director

We had great weather for this match with only some mild winds. We had a good turn out with 14 shooters. We had a tie for over all winner between Jim Byrd and Ernie Lewis. In the end it was Jim Byrd who one over all by hitting all 36 targets plus the tie breaker. Jim was using a Remington 700 chambered in 6mm BR shooting a 107 Sierra match 28.5 grains Varget. Master class was won by Ernie Lewis with 36. The AAA winner was Alan Bloomer with 29. The AA class winner was Doug Mathis with 33, the class written down on the sheet said he was master class but his card was marked AA. Ben Byrd was announced as the winner and paid as the winner until the over sight was found.

Thank you to all the people that shot the match and the guys who came out to watch. I also want to thank the new shoots that came out and the shooters that drove in just for this match.

“O. F.” 30-30 MATCH, 10-16-13

By Ernie Edmonston, Match Director

It was overcast, it was cold, and it was breezy today. Only 6 of us showed up, but we shot.

Jerry Newman won B Class and shot his first A Class score with his new Marlin 30-30. Sonny Odell won A Class with 20, Ron Young won AA Class with 24, Scotty Davis won AAA Class with 23, and Ernie Edmonston won Overall with 29. Ernie's equipment was a Browning model 1895 in 30-30, a Saeco 150 gr. bullet, and 22.0 gr. of AA 2200. It took 9 chickens, 8 pigs, 4 turkeys, and 8 rams.

Carroll Hargrove was alone in holding the empty bag, but he'll be back as we have all been there.

COLUMBUS DAY, OCT 14, 2013

CAST BULLET

ANY GUN, ANY SIGHT

By Bob Elder, Match Director

We had eight shooters participate in the Columbus Day Match which is pretty good since a lot of businesses are not closed for this Holiday.

The overall winner in the iron sight class was Alan Bloomer. Alan hit 8 chickens, 10 pigs, 4 turkeys and 7 rams for a total of 29. Other winners in the iron sight division were Ernie Edmonston with 26 for the Master class, Scott Davis with 22 for the AAA class, Ron Young with 28 for the AA class and Sonny Odell won A class.

In the scope category, Virdis Isler took overall with a 24. He shot 4 chickens, 7 pigs, 7 turkeys, and 6 rams. Jerry Newman won A.

Thanks to everyone who came out to the match.

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MID-RANGE F-CLASS OCTOBER 19, 2013

By Jerry King

We had a fair showing this morning with 13 adults shooters showing up. Thanks to all the shooters that showed up. I do know that if a few of the regular shooters would have been there, we would have had over 18 shooters.

The weather was fair for shooting as there was a 2 - 4 + plus mph breeze at the 300 yard line when we started, but it changed at the 500 and 600 yard line and it was very tricky at times. We had from 4 - 8 mph there at times.

This month we did have both classes and again next year in January let's try for both Classes: F- TR and FO. We will need a minimum of 5 shooters in class to have that class.

Remember that in January we will be starting at 10 A.M. and be there between 9:00 - 9:15 A. M., so that we can get all the paper work done. If we have over 22 shooters, then we have to go to 3 relays as we only have 11 - 600 yard targets. Start bringing your spotting scope or binoculars to score from the shooting line.

Also, we are using classification next year and if you are not classified, then you will shoot 3 matches and I will classify you.

Remember that in January we start at 10 A.M..

MATCH WINNERS

Kenny Padilla Match Winner 448 - 28x

FO CLASS

Ben Milam 442 - 21x

F-TR CLASS

Allen Tampkle 438 - 13x

MATCH SCORES

FO CLASS

1. Kenny Padilla 448 - 28x
2. Ben Milam 442 - 21x
3. Tom Baker 441 - 10x
4. Mike Florez 434 - 12x
5. Tony Scheidel 419 - 7x
6. Don Field 403 - 9x
7. Travis Field 397 - 3x

F-TR CLASS

1. Allen Tampkle 438 - 13x
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COWBOY 30-30 MATCH

10-20-13

By Ernie Edmonston, Match Director

The weather was very nice today, a little chilly to start with, but turned out an excellent day for a little silhouette shooting with your cowboy type rifle. We had 14 shooters on hand including 5 from Clovis.

One of our Clovis shooters, Sam Jenkins, won Overall with the score of 36, missing 1 pig, 1 turkey, and 2 rams. I don't know the make of rifle, but it was a lever gun in 30-30 with a cast bullet propelled by 11.5 gr. of Unique.

Ernie Edmonston won Master Class with 33, Alan Bloomer won 1st AAA Class with 32, Bob Elder won 2nd AAA with 27 following a shootoff with Don Upham, Bob Jenkins won AA Class with 24, Clint Tharp won A Class with 24, and our junior shooter, Cati Jensen, won B Class with 14 including a ram taken with her 32-20 Winchester.

Here's hoping that the weather this time next month will be every bit as agreeable as it was today.

DENNIS SULLIVAN .22 MATCH

10-26-13

By Ernie Edmonston, Match Director

The weather today was actually pretty nice. The biggest complaint was that it had rained during the night and the berms were wet. Coupled with the fact that the time hasn't changed yet, it was very hard for even the scope shooters to see the targets at match time. However, we shouldn't gripe as long as we got a little moisture and the temperature was agreeable. There were only 16 people out today for this generally popular match. Of the 16, 6 were using iron sighted rifles, 10 with rifles equipped with scopes.

In the Scope category, Jim Byrd won Overall with the score of 35, 9 chickens, 9 pigs, all 10 turkeys, and 7 rams. John Thoesen won Master Class with 33, James Cravener won AAA Class with 21, Paula Thoesen won AA Class with 25, and Jerry Newman won A Class with 17.

With iron sights, Ernie Edmonston was the high scorer with 31, 7 chickens, 8 pigs, 8 turkeys, and 7 rams. Master Class went to Alan Bloomer with 17, O. L. Adcock won AAA Class with 22, and Ron Young won AA Class with 28. We had one new shooter today, Glenn Davis, who won Unclassified with 9.

OF LOW POWER

OCT. 30, 2013

By Ron Young

We had 11 shooters show up for this match, 4 with scopes, and 7 with iron sights. In the scope class, Jerry King won over all with 32. He took down 7 chicks, 10 pigs, 6 turks, and 9 rams, using 22 mag. Virdis Isler took AAA with a 29, and Roy Hayes won AA with a 31.

In the iron sights Ernie E won over all with a 34. Ernie took down 8 chicks, 9 pigs for the 500th time, 8 turks, and 9 rams. He was shooting a tc contender 218 bee with w-w 55gr fmbt and 14.0 gr AA2200. Jim Pruett took AAA with a 29, and Bob Elder won AA with 27.

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O.F. CAST BULLET MATCH

10/23/13

Reported by Scott Davis

Seven shooters signed up for the competition today, 2 scope and 5 iron sight users. In the scope category Virdis Isler took top honors with a score of 30. Virdis knocked down 9 chickens, 8 pigs, 4 turkeys and 9 rams. He used a Savage Axes chambered for the 308-win; his load was 170-grain cast bullet ahead of 22 grains/IMR-4198. The only other scope shooter was Scott Davis, who turned in a score of 22 to win AAA.

In the iron sight category John Thosen took 6 chickens, 8 pigs, 9 turkeys and 6 rams for a score of 29. He used a Remington 1903-A3 with a 150-grain cast bullet ahead of 25 grains/H-4198. This score promoted him to AA class. Other winners were: Ernie Edmonston-Master-score 28, Ron Young-AA-score 15, and Roy Hayes-A-score 23. Sonny Odell was the only other shooter.



Bob Elder pig hunting at the Low Power Match

LOW POWER MATCH, 11-2-13

By Alan Bloomer, Match Director

We had real good weather for this match.

In the Scope Match we had 10 rifle shooters & 1 pistol shooter. Overall went to Ernie Lewis with 10 chickens, 10 pigs, 8 turkeys & 9 rams for a total of 37. Good Shooting Ernie! Master Class went to Bob Elder with 7 chickens, 10 pigs, 7 turkeys & 7 rams for a 31. AAA went to Bill Hamilton with 8 chickens, 10 pigs, 7 turkeys & 9 rams for a total of 34. AA went to Marty Tressel with 6 chickens, 9 pigs, 6 turkeys & 8 rams for a 29. A class went to Jerry Newman with 6 chickens, 5 pigs, 3 turkeys & 5 rams for a score of 19.

Our Lone Pistol Shooter came down from Clovis with Marty. His name is Roy Creiglow.

We had 7 Iron sight shooters. Ernie Edmonston won overall with 8 chickens, 10 pigs, 9 turkeys & 5 rams for a 32. AAA went to Mike Russo with 9 chickens, 9 pigs, 7 turkeys & 4 rams for a 29. AA went to Roy Young with 3 chickens, 9 pigs, 4 turkeys & 6 rams for a 22. A class went to Harry Telesco with 2 chickens, 2 pigs, 0 turkeys, & 3 rams for a score of 7. Thanks for coming out and shooting with us.

Big thanks to Marty for bringing the donuts down from Clovis.

BENCH REST CHICKEN SILHOUETTE MATCH

11-9-13

By Bill Kennedy
Jim Pruett Match Director

The weather conditions turned out good for the 12 shooters at the match. In the end Kenny Padilla won over all with a 39; he used a rifle that is not on file so I used the info from his other rifle. It was a 107SMK action chambered in 243 Using 48 grains of H-1000 CCB2. Master class winner was Ernie Lewis with 38. The AAA winner was Rick Bargas with 38. Second AAA went to Alan Bloomer with 36. The AA class winner was Curtis Boyd with 33. We had a great match and just remember that the second Saturday of next month will be this match.

Thank you to all the people that shot the match and the guys who came out to watch. I also want to thank the new shoots that came out and the shooters that drove in just for this match.

"O. F." COWBOY 30-30 MATCH, 11-13-13

By Ernie Edmonston, Match Director

With hunting season and all the other things going on at this time of year, only 5 of us were on hand for this morning's match. The weather wasn't as nice as it had been the last couple of days with about a 5 mph wind, but we went ahead and shot as though there were 20 of us.

Ernie Edmonston shot the high score of 34 using a Browning model 1885 in 38-55, a Lyman 265 gr. Bullet, and 10 gr. Unique to score on all 10 chickens, 9 pigs, 7 turkeys, and 8 rams.

Ron Young scored 27, Mike Russo scored 25, Sonny Odell scored 23, and Scotty Davis scored 14.



Clint Tharp and Don Upham sighting in at the Cowboy 30-30 Match

COWBOY 30-30 MATCH, 11-17-13

By Ernie Edmonston, Match Director

Most of our matches have had a pretty low attendance this month, but things picked up a little today, especially with the help of 5 Clovis shooters. The weather started out nice enough, but got to be pretty breezy before it was over. Nobody earned a 10-in-a-row pin nor did anybody break 30.

Ernie Edmonston won Overall with the score of 28 using a Browning model 1885 in 38-55, a Lyman 245 gr. Bullet, and 10.0 gr. Of Unique. He took 7 chickens, 9 pigs, 6 turkeys, and 6 rams.

Alan Bloomer won 1st AAA with 24, Sam Jenkins won 2nd AAA with 23, Bob Jenkins won AA with 22, Clint Tharp won A class with 15, and our Junior Shooter, Cati Jensen, won B class with 14 using her Grandpa's 32-20 Winchester model 92. Cati also won her first 5-in-a-row pen (pigs).

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O.F. CAST BULLET MATCH

11/20/13

Reported by Scott Davis

It was a perfect day for shooting and nine persons signed-up to shoot this month's O.F. Cast Bullet Match. There were 6 iron sight shooters and 3 scope shooters.

Ernie Edmonston won over-all in the iron sight category with a Ruger #1 chambered for the 7mm Rem BR. Ernie used an RCBS 168- grain bullet ahead of 20.0/H-4198 to take 9 chickens, 10 pigs, 7 turkeys and 8 ½ rams for a score of 34. Other winners were: Ron Young-AA-score 28 and Roy Hayes-A-score 26.

In the scope category Jim Byrd won over-all with a score of 29. Jim used a Remington M-78 chambered for the .30-06 with a 150- grain Bill K. bullet ahead of 25.0/RL-7 to take 9 chickens, 9 pigs, 6 turkeys and 5 rams. Other winners were Scott Davis-AAA-score 19 and Eddie Phillips-A-score 15.



Warming up before the match

DENNIS SULLIVAN 22 MATCH

11-23-13

By Ernie Edmonston, Match Director

This morning brought the first snowfall of the year and it kept most of our shooters home from this popular match. It was cold and we had a little breeze, but it actually wasn't all that bad for shooting.

There would have been higher scores, but the heavy rams were pretty well frozen to the stands and a lot of hits didn't count. In all, only 8 of us showed up, but we shot anyway.

I didn't take any match fees as we were pretty well split up and just about everyone would have got their money back anyway, especially being split between iron sight and scope users.

I turned in the high score of 32, Scotty Davis scored 29, Alan Bloomer turned in 28, Bart Goetz and O. L. Adcock scored 25, James Cravener turned in 23 and Harry Telesco and Jerry Newman turned in 10 each. Like I said, these aren't really representative of the scores as the rams took a lot of hits without falling. Had there been more people present, we would have dug-out the light ones.

5TH WEDNESDAY MATCH

11-27-13

By Ernie Edmonston

Not having a regularly scheduled match for a 5th Wednesday, we decided to have another Cast Bullet Only Match on the 200 meter range. Being the day before Thanksgiving, I really thought we would have more shooters, but only 7 of us made it out. 6 of the 7 were shooting rifles equipped with iron sights, and 1 scoped rifle shooter. The weather was beautiful, especially after the last few days of snow, etc.

Ernie Edmonston turned in the high score of 29 using a 113 year old Swedish Mauser in 6.5X55, a Lyman 150 gr. Bullet, and 24.0 gr. Of Rx7 to take all 10 chickens, all 10 pigs, 6 turkeys, and 3 rams. Mike Russo won AAA Class with 23, Jim Byrd won AA Class with 24, and Eddie Phillips won A Class with 24.

Scotty Davis won the Scope side as he was the only one in it, but that wasn't his fault. He scored 24 using his Remington 700 SPS-Tactical 300 Blackout, an RCBS 165 gr. Bullet, and 12.3 Gr. WW680. He took 8 chickens, 8 pigs, 4 turkeys, and 4 rams.

HAPPY THANKSGIVING



5TH SATURDAY MATCH

11-30-13

By Ernie Edmonston, Match Director

Attendance is still down some, but weather was really nice for the end of November. Seven shooters were out and we had a pretty good time. Alan Bloomer won the Match with the score of 32 while the rest of us struggled with our old Cowboy Type rifles, probably from being too full of Thanksgiving turkey. This was a Cowboy Pistol Caliber Rifle Silhouette Match on the 200 meter range.

Alan Scored on 9 chickens, 9 pigs, 6 turkeys, and 8 rams. I didn't get the load, but it was a Marlin model 94 in .357 magnum.

I was the only Master Class shooter and scored 24, James Cravener won AAA Class with 17, Ron Young won AA Class with 24, and Keith Odell won A Class with 10. Others out were Scotty Davis and Sonny Odell.

MISCELLANEOUS

For any of you who are not familiar with the goings on of the different Matches we have, you need to check with the Match Schedule. It is posted on Roswellgunclub.com or a copy can be obtained from the Club Secretary. We have several matches that do not show up in the Newsletter as reports are never received for one reason or another.

The next newsletter will come out about the 1st of February. In it should be your membership renewal form, notice of election, and probably some information on the Club's Annual Banquet.