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Sitting around the fire on January 30, 2010

## 5<sup>th</sup> SATURDAY MATCH, 1-30-10

Reported by Ernie Edmonston

This Match happens on the 200 meter range using cowboy type rifles chambered in a pistol caliber, .357, 44-40, etc. and only happens whenever we have 5 Saturdays in a month. This month, it fell just after a storm had moved through and only 6 shooters made it out, including Marty Tressell from Clovis. However, the wind wasn't blowing and if the wind isn't blowing, it's always a good day for shooting, no matter the temperature, snow, mud, etc.

I managed to turn in the high score of the day, 35 using a Marlin model 1894 Cowboy Carbine in .357 Magnum. I scored on all 10 chickens, 9 pigs, 8 turkeys, and 8 rams. My personal disappointment today was that I hit all 10 turkeys, which I rarely do, and only 8 fell. Oh well, that's what keeps us coming back. I used a Lyman 358156 bullet of about 158 gr. and 14.0 gr. of H-108.

Alan Bloomer scored 30, Marty scored 24, James Cravener scored 18, Scotty Davis scored 10, and Sonny Odell marked up 6.

## ELECTION RESULTS, 2-4-10

Reported by Ernie Edmonston

The club held its annual election on the evening of February 4<sup>th</sup>. There were 42 members who voted. As always, there was a lot of

close voting for the Board Member positions. There was one tie, the winner chosen by a show of hands and several near ties. After it was all over, the Club Officers and Board Members were:

President Carroll Hargrove  
Vice President Walt Kessler  
Secretary Ron Courts  
Treasurer Ernie Edmonston  
Range Officer Ernie Lewis



Board Members: Alan Bloomer, Scotty Davis, Bill Kennedy, Danny Moore, Janie Wostal, and John Wostal. The Chairman and Vice Chairman have yet to be decided upon.

## REGULAR LOW POWER MATCH

02-06-10

Reported by Scott Davis

Twenty-seven shooters signed up for this month's Low Power match. There were 19 scope sight shooters and 8 iron sight shooters. In the scope category Kenny Padilla top honors with a score of 35. Kenny used a Savage M-10 chambered for .221 Fireball a 50 grain bullet ahead of 11gr/4198. He downed 10 chickens, 10 pigs, 9 turkeys and 6 rams. Master class went to Charles Corn with a score of 33. AAA class winner was Alan Bloomer with a score of 34. 2<sup>nd</sup> AAA went to Erma Corn with a score of 31. This was after a 4-turkey shoot-off with Ernie Lewis. Dwayne Smith won AA class with a score of 33. This earned him a promotion to AAA class. Melody Smith won A-class with a score of 27 and this earned her a promotion to AA. There were two unclassified shooters, John and Paula Thosen, John shot 34 and Paula shot 24.

Ernie Edmonston won top honors in the Iron sight category with a score of 28. Ernie accomplished this by taking 7 chickens, 10 pigs, 5 turkeys, and 6 rams. Ernie's equipment consisted of a TC-Contender carbine chambered for .218-Bee. His load was a WW 55gr fmjbt bullet ahead of 14gr / AA-2200. Ronnie Gould won AAA with a score of 27. Janet Bloomer won AA with a score of 20. And Sonny Odell won A with a score of 21.

## COWBOY 22/COWBOY LOWPOWER 02/07/10

By James Cravener, Match Director

Today we had 9 shooters: not bad for a foggy cold morning. Bill Hamilton came up from Carlsbad and won Over-all in 22 with 9,

chickens, 7 pigs, 9 turkeys, and 4 rams totaling 29. AA went to Bob Beeson with a score of 20. A went to Janet Bloomer scoring 23, and B went to Marty Tressell from Clovis with a score of 21.

Over-all Low power went to Alan Bloomer after a shoot off with me. He scored on 9 chickens, 7 pigs, 8 turkeys, 6 rams total score of 30. Ernie Edmonston took AAA with 29 and I took AA with 30. B went to Marty Tressell with 20. Others out today were Scotty Davis and Mike Russo

## USPSA / IPSC Match 2-13-2010

By Bob Scribner

The number of shooters for this months match was down quite a bit with a total of 17. Of those ,14 were USPSA members, 9 were Roswell Gun Club members, and 7 were from out of town. The weather was not terrible but we could have done without the wind.

Jim and Nancy Lambert made it down again bringing Damon Stanforth and another shooter with them. It was good to see them all here for this months match. We shot our normal 5 stages to include 1 classifier. Some, including myself, seemed to crash and burn on the classifier stage for some reason.

This month's side match was a rifle match with 8 shooters participating. All those not familiar with Jim's Firebird AR's got a look at an absolutely gorgeous example of the custom built competition guns that they are building. After a dismal showing on my part in the pistol match, I did all I could do to redeem myself in the side match but got beat out at the end by the last competitor. The end results for the rifle side match were Jason Hosaka taking 1<sup>st</sup> and myself taking 2<sup>nd</sup> place.

The overall winner for the pistol match was Damon Stanforth, master class-open. Stage winners were James Scordato taking stages 1,3 and 5. Damon Stanforth taking stages 2 and 4.

Overall match results are as follows:

February 2010

Match Date: 2/13/2010

Combined divisions - These are NOT official results.

Place	Name	Class	Division	Stg %
1	Stanforth, Damon	M	Open	100.00%
2	Scordato, James	M	Limited	90.40%
3	Hosaka, Jason	C	Limited	80.81%
4	Lambert, Nanci	C	Open	71.97%
5	Clark, Todd	B	Limited	63.24%
6	Lambert, Jim	C	Open	61.90%
7	Corn, Charles	C	Limited	56.68%
8	Linton, Archie	U	Limited	53.02%
9	Flores, Miguel	U	Limited	50.76%
10	Scribner, Bob	C	Limited	50.40%
11	Moore, Danny	C	Sing Stack	45.09%
12	Thoesen, John	C	Limited 10	43.69%
13	Dziamski, Mark	C	Limited	40.60%
14	Taber, Desmond	U	Limited 10	32.13%
15	Lairson, Tom	C	Limited	29.66%
16	Thoesen, Paula	D	Limited	27.79%
17	Jarry, David	U	Productn	25.83%

Combined divisions - These are NOT official results

**She was only a whisky maker, but he loved her still.**

## 200 Meter Cast Bullet Military Rifle Match

14 February 2010 by Juan Paco

The weather mild chill and match started we pick up and at the downright cold and



today started out with a almost no wind. As the had the wind start to half way point it was the breeze was strong

enough to make your eyes water. Still, we had 9 shooters on hand and several spectators. I had issues with both my primary and back-up rifles and decided not to play today. Overall winner was Alan Bloomer with a score of 24. Not bad considering the weather on hand. He shot 8 chickens, 8 pigs, 4 turkeys and 4 rams. He was using his Arisaka in 7.7 Jap, and Ernie's 200 gr GCRN and powered by 11.5 gr of Unique. Master class was taken by Ernie E. with 22. He had the only 5 in a row and it was on the chickens. AA was won by Randy Dana with a 21. He had a shoot off with John Thoesen for the win on the rams. Interesting note: during the match Randy hit none of the rams and his first shot on the shoot off (during hard winds) was a nice centered hit. Go figure. And we had an unclassified shooter, Jim Byrd, who shot a 14 which puts him in B class. Definitely the weather so I don't see him there very long. Thanks again to all who came out today and lets hope next month we have a very nice day.

## HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY



## "O. F." COWBOY 30-30 MATCH

Reported by Ernie Edmonston

Today, Wednesday, February 17<sup>th</sup> there were only 5 of us who braved the cold weather, but there was no wind to speak of, so it was actually a pretty nice day to shoot.

Once again, Alan Bloomer and I tied for high score, this time it being 34. Once again I lost the shoot off. Alan scored on all 10 chickens, all 10 pigs, 5 turkeys and 9 rams using a model 1894 Marlin carbine in .357 Magnum. He was using a 358156 bullet of about 158 gr. that I cast for him and 14 gr. H-108.

Scotty Davis scored 20, Carroll Hargrove scored 16, and Sonny Odell scored 14. Perhaps we will have a few more shooters out when it warms up a little.

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# SOUTHEASTERN NM HI POWER RIFLE LEAGUE, FEBRUARY 20, 2010

By Jerry King

When I arrived at the range at 6:50 A.M., it was a very chilly beautiful morning. Shooters started showing up after 7:00 A.M. We got the targets and everything set up and then I started signing everybody up.

We had a good turn out. We had 12 shooters, 11 adults and 1 junior, but it was better than I had hoped for, for this first match. We finished around 12:45 PM.

The weather was very chilly at first, but when we got started around 9 A. M. , it turned into a very nice morning for shooting and there was a breeze with about an 8 to 10 mph wind back at the 600 yard line.

## MATCH WINNERS

**Bill Rodolph Match Winner 772 - 18**  
**Gary Shaver Expert Class Winner 730 - 13**  
**Jamie Schuster Unclassified Winner 690 - 3**

## MATCH SCORES

1. Bill Rodolph	772 - 18
2. Walt Garfield	748 - 20
3. Gary Shaver	730 - 13
4. Bill Lamb	730 - 8
5. Dave Crider	729 - 10
6. Steve Jones	710 - 9
7. Jamie Schuster	690 - 3
8. Danny White	680 - 3
9. Jerry King	675 - 4
10. Scott Landry	673 - 10
11. Adam Henry	545 - 2
12. Jack Miller (Jr.)	345 - 0



## RGC Bowling Pin Match 2/20/2010

By Randy Dana

We had 8 shooters show up for the first match of the season and as usual we began with the Auto Pistol class. Everyone appeared to be a little rusty from the look of the scores but I managed to win with a disappointing total time of 27.8 seconds. Ernie Edmonston finished in second place with a total time of 40 seconds flat.

The Revolver class wasn't shaping up much better and Dave Farmer stepped up to kick our butts with a total time of 22.3 seconds. The closest anyone could get to him was Alan Bloomer with a total time of 58.4. If you have to reload in this match you're probably cooked and Dave proved it.

No surprise in the .22 class though as Paula Thoesen continues to whip all the boys like a rented mule. She came out smoking hot on her first round and didn't let up. Paula finished with an impressive total time of 20.8. It was Ladies Day because Janet Bloomer was a

close second with a total time of 30.5 seconds. Looks like the boys need to step it up if they want to compete with these gals!

The other shooters that came out today were John Thoesen, and Scott Davis.

We are adding a fourth class starting next month. We have agreed to break the .22 class into two separate classes, one for the semi-autos and now one for Revolvers. We will use the same stubby pins so, dust off your .22 revolvers and come and shoot this new match.

We'll be here every third Saturday with practice at 8 o'clock and the match at 9. I hope to see you then.

## COWBOY 30-30 MATCH, 2-21-10

By Ernie Edmonston, Match Director



Sunday, February 21, 2010 proved to be another really nice day, one you wouldn't really expect for the last part of February. There were 15 shooters out for the match including 6 from the Clovis area. Out of these 15, 7 were in AA Class, so both 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place picked up a little prize money. It just so happened that there was a shoot off for AA Class between Ronnie Gould and Don Upham, both having scored 30, so there wasn't much difference in the money. Ronnie did win it after a good many shots at the rams.

I managed to win the Match with a Browning model 1885 in 30-30 caliber and the score of 33, all 10 chickens, 8 pigs, 8 turkeys, and 7 rams. The load was Norm Purcella's 150 gr. cast bullet and 22.0 gr. of AA 2200. James Cravener won AAA Class with 31, Rick Jensen won A Class with 19, and Eldon Russ won B Class with 18.

Other shooters out today were Marty Tressell, Randy Dana, Clint Tharp, Mike Russo, Sam Garcia, Scotty Davis, Bob Beeson, Alan Bloomer, and Sonny Odell.

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## DENNIS SULLIVAN 22 MATCH 2-27-10

By Ernie Edmonston, Match Director

Everyone must have been getting cabin fever as there were 33 slots filled on the score sheet today including 3 unclassified shooters. It makes things a lot more fun when we get this many people out for one of the matches. The weather wasn't perfect, but better than a lot of days we've had lately. Of these 33 shooters, 19 were using scoped rifles, 14 with iron sights. We had several shooters from Carlsbad, Hobbs, and Clovis.

I turned in the high score among iron sight shooters with 37 consisting of 8 chickens, all 10 pigs, 9 turkeys, and 10 rams. I was using the same old BSA model 10/15 and CCI ammo. Master Class went to Bill Hamilton with 27, 1<sup>st</sup> AAA went to James Cravener with 28, 2<sup>nd</sup> AAA went to Ronnie Gould with 27, AA Class and a

promotion to AAA went to Bob Beeson with 28, A Class with to Bill Jones with 19, and Unclassified went to Marty Tressell with 13.

Among those using scopes, Bill Hamilton won over all with 34, 8 chickens, 9 pigs, 8 turkeys, and 9 rams. I didn't catch what equipment Bill was using, but it's been here before several times. Master Class went Kenny Padilla with 32, 1<sup>st</sup> AAA went to Ernie Lewis with 33, 2<sup>nd</sup> AAA Class went to John Thoesen with 27 after besting Jerry Andrus in a shoot off, 1<sup>st</sup> AA went to Ben Byrd with 26, 2<sup>nd</sup> AA went to Janet Bloomer with 24, A Class and a promotion went to Paula Thoesen with 21 and beating Jim Montgomery in another shoot off, and Unclassified went to Tim Brewer of Carlsbad with 32

Here's hoping that we can keep this kind of attendance up.

## Cast Bullet Any Gun

2-28-10

By Bill Kennedy, Match Director

We shot with a steady wind and dark clouds all around us, but the weather held off. We had 17 shooters come out for the match. We had an almost even split on the count for scope and iron. Over all winner for Iron sight shooter was Ernie Edmonston after beating John Thoesen in a shoot off. Ernie was shooting an 1896 US Krag Rifle loaded with a Cramer #49A 160-grain bullet and 13 grains of Unique. He shot 10 chickens, 9 pigs, 4 turkeys and 10 rams for a final score of 33. Alan Bloomer won AAA class with 9 chickens, 9 pigs, 7 turkeys, and 7 rams giving him a 32. John Thoesen took AA with a 33 and almost the match. He took 10 chickens, 9 pigs, 7 turkeys, and 7 rams.

The scope class was close and it came down to one animal difference with the win going to Bill Hamilton. Bill was using his Remington 700 chambered in 308 shooting a Lyman 311291 (180 grain) bullet with 25 grains of AA 2230C. This combination took down all but two rams for an incredible 38. Master class winner was Tom Hargrove with a 35 having dropped 10 chickens, 10 pigs, 7 turkeys, and 8 rams. Next came Ernie Lewis with 37 having only missed 2 turkeys and 1 ram. Randy Dana won AA with 9 chickens, 9 pigs, 5 turkeys, and 6 rams totaling 29. Paula Thoesen took unclassified with 8 chickens, 7 pigs, 4 turkeys, and 6 rams scoring an excellent 25 and AA classification. Thank you to all the people that shot the match. Please come out and join us next time.

## O.F Low Power 3-3-10

Reported by Scott Davis

Seventeen shooters signed in for this match, which is a goodly number. There were 8 scope and 9 iron sight shooters; of these we had 4 first time shooters. Ernie Lewis won Overall scope with a score of 33. He downed 10 chickens, 10 pigs, 6 turkeys and 7 rams. Ernie's equipment and load consisted of; a Remington 700 chambered for .221 Fireball, a 55gr Dogtown bullet ahead of 12.9 gr. H-4198 Other winners in scope category were; Tom Hargrove -master with a score of 31, Carroll Hargrove- AAA with a score of 28, Jim Montgomery-A with a score of 23. And John Thoeson took unclassified with a score of 27.

The iron sight category Overall winner was Jim Pruett with a score of 33. Jim shot 8 chickens, 10 pigs, 8 turkeys and 7 rams. Jim used a savage barreled for .221 Fireball with a 55gr win fmj bullet ahead of 11gr/AA-1680. Other winners were Doug Mathis- master with a score of 32, Mike Russo- AAA with a score of 24, Sonny

Odell- AA with a score of 14. Unclassified was won by Virdis Isler with a score of 13.

## Annual RGC Banquet

Saturday 03-06-10



Saturday evening was our annual RGC Banquet and all I can say is if you missed it you missed the best food and the comraderie of

many of your fellow gun club members. There were over eighty people in attendance this year, led by our fearless leader, Carroll Hargrove. We met our new board members and got reacquainted with some old ones, and unlike our Federal and State Governments, we are in really good financial shape and hope to begin making improvements to the range soon.

As usual there were lots good door prizes given out and even a raffle at the end of the evening. We want to thank everyone who donated door prizes.

If you didn't get to come this year we hope to see you at our next annual banquet. They get better each year.

## REGULAR LOW POWER MATCH

03-06-10

Reported by Scott Davis

Twenty-four shooters signed up for this month's match. There were 15 scope shooters and 9 iron sight shooters. Charles Corn was able to cinch overall with a score of 39. He missed just one ram. Charles' equipment consisted of a BSA Martini .22LR with American eagle ammo. Other winners were; Meg Corn and Tom Hargrove tied for Master Class, Tom won after a 4-turkey shoot-off. Alan Bloomer won first AAA with a score of 34. Ernie Lewis won second AAA with a score of 32. Janet Bloomer won AA with a score of 26. And Dara Dana won A with a score of 11. OL Adcock won unclassified with a score of 23.

In the Iron sight category Jim Pruett won overall with a score of 32. Jim used a Savage chambered for the .221 Fire-ball shooting a 55gr fmj bullet ahead of 9gr/AA1680. Scott Davis won Master with a score of 30. Mike Russo won AAA with a score of 26. Ronnie Gould won second AAA with a score of 22. And Dara Dana won A with a score of 13.

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**Light travels faster than sound. Is that why some people appear intelligent until you hear them speak?**

**Last night I played a blank tape at full blast. The mime next door went nuts.**



## Cowboy Low Power, Cowboy 22, and Hunter Pistol Matches of 3-7-10

By James Cravener, Match Director

Today turned out overcast, but warm and fairly still. We had 13 shooters on hand, 2 with pistols and 11 with rifles. Russ Gould came down from Clovis to shoot hunter pistol and Sam Morley joined in from here. Russ shot both big bore and small bore and matched himself on both sides with the score of 32. Sam took AA Class with 18.



The Cowboy Low Power Rifle went to Ernie Edmonston, 7 chickens, 10 pigs, 6 turkeys, and 9 rams for a total of 32. AAA Class went to Bill Hamilton with 29, AA Class was won by Mike Russo with 29, and A Class went to Marty Tressell.

In the Cowboy 22 Match, Over All went to Bill Hamilton, 8 chickens, 9 pigs, 8 turkeys, and 10 rams for a total of 35. Bob Beeson won AA class with 28, and A Class went to Sonny Odell with 14. Marty Tressell won B Class and a promotion to A Class with 26.

Others who were out today were Scotty Davis, Keith and Susan Odell, and naturally, me.

## "O.F." Match

3-10-10

Foiled again by Mother Nature.



## A NOTE FROM THE TREASURER ON MAILING KEYS AND CARDS

By Ernie Edmonston, Club Treasurer

First of all, I would like to thank all of you who mailed in your dues with the membership renewal notice early. To process the nearly 400 renewals we got is a time consuming project and I'm glad to get it over and done with so I can concentrate more on my shooting.

One problem we do have now, and thanks to USPS in their infinite wisdom to save money, if something is mailed here in Roswell on Friday, Saturday, or Sunday, you or I don't get it until Tuesday. I don't know how much money the USPS saves by hauling all the weekend Roswell mail to Lubbock, Texas to process and bring it back to Roswell to be sorted again and delivered on Tuesday, but it must be considerable. To save them more money, I would not mail keys on the weekends and saved them a long trip. One could mail a letter on Monday and it would arrive the next day, or at the same time as the articles mailed on Friday. I talked to several members who told me that their dues had been mailed on weekends, but our box was as bare as the proverbial cupboard on Monday. Early Tuesday morning it would still be bare, but by around noon on Tuesday, it would be full. I used to pride myself in getting keys to members within a day or two of the time I received the dues, but if yours was a few days late, that is most likely the reason.

As I write this, the USPS is threatening to stop Saturday deliveries and jack up the price of postage again. I think I could sit here at home and figure out some better ways for them to save a little money.

## High Power Rifle Silhouette Match 3-13-10

By Bill Kennedy, Match Director

We have had some strange weather this month, but I would not have predicted that we would have had great weather for the match on Saturday. In the end Alan Bloomer out shot us all to win the match. He used a Ruger M77 chambered in 308 loaded with a 150 BTSP and 40 grains of 4064 to a final score of 12. He took 1 chicken, 5 pigs, 4 turkeys, and 2 rams, all with iron sights. The A class winner was Carroll Hargrove with 2 chickens, 1 pig, 1 turkey and 2 rams. Randy Dana won B Class with 5 chickens, 3 pigs, and 1 turkey for a total of 9. James Cravener was in the running with iron and trying out his new scope savage. I was bringing up the rear and I would have done a lot worse if Scotty Davis was not spotting. Hopefully some more brave shooters will come out and try this humbling match next time. Thank you to all the people that shot the match and the guys who came out to watch.

## MILITARY RIFLE/CAST BULLET MATCH

By James Cravener filling in for John "Paco" Wostal

March 14, 2010, and the weather wasn't real bad, a little cool, overcast, and breezy. Eleven people made it out on this first day of daylight savings time. Slowly, but surely, this match gets a little more popular all the time.

Ernie Edmonston was the overall winner with the score of 33, all 10 chickens, 9 pigs, 6 turkeys, and 8 rams. He used a 1909 Argentine Mauser in 7.65X53 caliber, a Lyman 314299 bullet of about 200 gr. and 20.0 gr. of 2400.

Alan Bloomer won AAA Class with the score of 29 and 1<sup>st</sup> AA Class went to John Thoesen with the score of 28. Randy Dana won 2<sup>nd</sup> AA after besting Scotty Davis in a shoot off, both scoring 25.

Others out today were Bill Hamilton who came up from Carlsbad to celebrate his 72<sup>nd</sup> birthday with us, Bob Beeson, Carroll Hargrove, Jim Pruett, and myself. John Hudson was also out today after a long absence due to knee replacement.

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## USPSA / IPSC Match 3-13-2010

by Bob Scribner

There were 13 shooters out for this month's match, of which 6 were USPSA members. It was a beautiful spring day with no wind. Apparently there were only 4 stages for this match, rather than the normal 5. The scheduled Shotgun side match was canceled due to lack of shooters. Next month will go back to a Rifle side match.

Overall Match winner was Coy Speer. Stage winners were: Charlie Corn taking stage 1, Coy Speer taking stage 2 and Tod Clark taking stages 3 and 4. Overall match results are as follows.

March 2010

Match Date: 3/13/2010

Combined divisions - These are NOT official results.

<u>PLACE</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>CLASS</u>	<u>DIVISION</u>	<u>STG%</u>
1	Speer, Coy	D	Limited	100.00%
2	Corn, Charles	C	Limited	90.70
3	Clark, Todd	B	Limited	80.63
4	Dziamski, Mark	C	Limited	77.66
5	Herert, Gary	U	Sin Stk	73.05
6	Gazdik, Terry	C	Limited	71.08
7	Gazdik, Jeff	C	Limited	69.29
8	Sanchez, Jacob	U	Limited	68.61
9	Thoesen, John	C	Limit 10	65.89
10	Baker, Doyle	U	Limit 10	58.05
11	Thoesen, Paula	D	Limited	40.49
12	Jarry, David	U	Product	35.27
13	Beagles, Amanda	U	Limited	31.90

Combined divisions - These are NOT official results.

## O.F. 30-30 Match 03-17-10

Reported by Scott Davis

### HAPPY ST PATTY'S DAY



Ten shooters signed up to compete in this month's match. We couldn't have asked for a nicer day for a match. No wind and bright and sunny. Ernie Edmonston won overall with a score of 31. He used a 100-year-old Winchester model 1894 carbine in caliber .25-35. He took 9 chickens, 9 pigs, 7 turkeys and 6 rams with a 117gr R-P JRN bullet ahead of 28.5 gr. WW 760 powder.

Other winners were; Scott Davis AAA- score 24, James Cravener AA-score 25 (this is after a shoot-off with Carroll Hargrove), Lee Jensen A- score 18, Manuel Lucero B-score 18. Alan Bloomer, Jim Pruett, Sonny Odell, and Roy Vargas were the other competitors.

## COWBOY 30-30 MATCH, 3-21-10

By Ernie Edmonston, Match Director

The weather today was a 100% improvement over yesterday when all scheduled events were cancelled due to snow, wind, and cold. It was on the cool side today, but the sun was shining bright and no wind to speak of. We had 15 slots filled including the two Bill Hamilton had for both rifle and pistol. Since bill was the only pistol shooter, he won hands down, but shot a rifle score of 32. We had 6 shooters down from Clovis which was about half of our shooters.



Today was a special day for me, for several reasons. Winning the Match was a plus, but other things mattered to me as well. On my very first shot, I turned a turkey 90 degrees and he failed to fall. I missed one other target for a total of 38. Had the turkey fallen, I would have tied the Match Record of 39 set by Scottie Davis back on 1-16-2000. Second, the in-a-row pin I earned for the remaining 9 turkeys would have been the 2000<sup>th</sup> pin I would have had had I elected to accept them. Third, I was promoted to Master Class after having scored my first Master Class about 8 years ago. Fourth, and probably best of all, I just had a ball doing this. I used the same 100 year old Winchester model 94 in 25-35 that I used last Wednesday.

Bill Hamilton was hot on my trail to win AAA Class with 35, Alan Bloomer won 1<sup>st</sup> AA Class and a promotion to AAA Class with 32, and Don Upham of Clovis won 2<sup>nd</sup> AA Class with 31. The remaining Class Winners were all from Clovis with Rick Jensen taking A Class

with 24, Michael Braun won Junior A Class with 16, Garrett Ford taking B Class with 7.

Other shooters not mentioned above were Marty Tressell and Ethan Baldock from Clovis, Randy Dana, Scotty Davis, Sonny Odell, James Cravener, and John Hudson.

## 22 Bench Rest 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Fridays By Jim Pruett

This is an attempt to bring match results up to date. I failed to get them in on time. Apologies to the Relay Winners; their scores continue to climb.

The weather caused some cancellations this winter. For 2010/2011 the group has decided to suspend competitions for December 2010, January 2011, and February 2011, starting up again in March, 2011. Weather is improving so come join us. All you need is a good 22 rifle and scope, front and rear rest, and match 22 ammunition is recommended but not required. Wolf Brand match target and match extra are a good choice. Any questions call Jim Pruett at 622-0222

<u>DATE</u>	<u>RELAY</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>SCORE</u>	<u>"X"</u>
03-08-09	1	Alan Hueber	243	9
08-21-09	1	Jim Pruett	248	11
	2	Alan Hueber	245	6
09-04-09	1	Don Froehle	247	8
	2	Don Froehle	243	4
09-18-09	1	Don Froehle	248	9
	2	Jim Pruett	247	9
10-02-09	1	Don Froehle	245	6
	2	Gail Bennett	245	5
10-16-09	1	Norm Purcella	246	4
	2	Norm Purcella	246	7
11-06-09	1	Jim Pruett	246	9
	2	Jim Pruett	250	13
11-20-09	1	Jim Pruett	247	9
12-18-09	1	Jim Pruett	241	2
02-19-10	1	Don Froehle	240	5
03-05-10	1	Don Froehle	236	9
03-19-10	2	Don Froehle	247	8
	2	Jim Pruett	245	6

## LOST AND FOUND

Between March 17<sup>th</sup> and March 21<sup>st</sup>, someone used an AR-15 to damage some silhouette targets on range 3. As soon as they turn in their key, the 30 round magazines that were left on one of the turkey stands will be returned.

## O F Match 03-24-10

It seems like the wind blows every Wednesday and today was no exception. Sorry Guys-we'll try again next Wednesday.

## DENNIS SULLIVAN .22 MATCH, 3-27-03

By Ernie Edmonston, Match Director

This morning, following winds up to 55 mph in Roswell, I went to the Range with the intention of putting a match cancellation on the gate as it was still windy. However, when I got there, the gate was open and I found Scotty Davis and Alan Bloomer there. We stood around awhile and other shooters started drifting in, so we eventually shot the match. There were 13 of us, but I didn't charge match fees as between Scope and Iron Sights along with all the different classes, there wouldn't have been much point in it. Nine of the shooters were using scope mounted rifles while only four were using iron sights.

Lee Jensen won the Scope Match with the score of 29, 9 chickens, 8 pigs, 6 turkeys, and 6 rams. Jim Byrd bested Alan Bloomer in a shoot off for AAA class, both having scored 26. Bill Kennedy also scored 26 to win AA class and Tyson Price won Unclassified with 9.

I won the Iron Sight side with the score of 28, 7 chickens, 9 pigs, 5 turkeys, and 7 rams. Scotty Davis won AAA class with 23, Sonny Odell won AA Class with 15, and Bill Bruggeman won B class with 11.

Others out today not mentioned above were Tim Price, Bob Beeson, Randy Dana, and O. L. Adcock.

Hopefully, next month we can get our regular crowd back, but April has also been known to produce some pretty windy days.

## Cast Bullet Any Gun 3-28-10

By Bill Kennedy, Match Director

The weather was nice for March. With only a slight cold breeze showing up as we got under way. I thought that we might have a low turn out after the all the wind on Saturday, but in the end we had 17 shooters. There were 9 iron sight shooters and 6 scope shooters.

Ernie Edmonston took the Iron sight Overall win using a 1949 Turkish 8mm Mauser shooting a Saeco #81 190-grain bullet and 25 grains of 2200. Ernie shot 10 chickens, 8 pigs, 8 turkeys and 6 rams for a final score of 32. James Cravener got AAA with 8 chickens, 10 pigs, 4 turkeys and 8 rams totaling 30, beating Alan Bloomer who I mistakenly said won the AAA class. Sorry for the confusion. AA class winner was Bob Beeson with a 26 having taken 5 chickens, 6 pigs, 7 turkeys, and 8 rams. Marty Tressell Came joined us this month and blazed his way to a 31 taking 10 chickens, 10 pigs, 8 turkeys, and 3 rams. Marty also received a promotion following his great score to AA. Jim Byrd shot unclassified winning his class and moving right into the AA class with a 27. Jim took 8 chickens, 8 pigs, 5 turkeys and 6 rams, Great Job!

We had six scope shooters Tom Hargrove was the Over All Winner. Tom won using a Remington 700 chambered in 308 shooting a 150-grain bullet with 22 grains of 4198. This combination took down 9 chickens, 8 pigs, 8 turkeys and 9 rams for a score of 34. Master class winner was Bill Hamilton with a 26 have taken down 8 chickens, 10 pigs, 6 turkeys, and 2 rams. Next came Ernie Lewis winning AAA with a 32 having taken 10 chickens, 10 pigs, 4 turkeys, and 8 rams. Randy Dana won AA with 7 chickens, 9 pigs, 5 turkeys, and 9 rams totaling 30. Janie Wostal was the A class winner with 9 chickens, 3 pigs, 3 turkeys, and 4 rams for a 19. The rest of us did our best, but just fell a little short. Better luck next time. Thank you to all the people that shot the match. Please come out and join us next time.

## O.F Low Power 3-31-10 Reported by Scott Davis

Eighteen competitors signed up for this month's match; eight scope and 10 iron sight shooters. Alan Bloomer won iron sight overall (after a shoot-off with Scott Davis) with a score of 24. Alan used a Marlin .357 Magnum with a 158 grain Lyman 358311 bullet ahead of 6.0 gr. Winchester Super Field powder. He took 6 chickens, 8 pigs, 4 turkeys and 6 rams. Ernie Edmonston won Master with a score of 19. Scott Davis won AAA with a score of 24. Tony Nunez won AA with a score of 15. Bill Jones won A with a score of 9. Virdis Isler won B with a score of 16.

Tom Hargrove won Overall in the scope category with a score 31 (after a shoot-off with Ernie Lewis). Tom took 8 chickens, 10 pigs, 7 turkeys, and 6 rams. Tom used a Rem. 700 chambered for .221 Fireball, a 50 grain Varmint Express bullet ahead of 13.54198. Ernie Lewis won AAA with a score of 31. Bob Elder won AA with a score of 23. Jim Montgomery won A with a score of 17. And Jim Byrd won unclassified with a score of 24. This puts him in AA class.

## LAND COMMISSIONER PAT LYONS ATTENDS CLUB MEETING

Mr. Pat Lyons, the State Land Commissioner dropped by the Gun Club Meeting on 4-1-10. Mr. Lyons is running for a seat on the State Regulation Commission and asking for our support.

In order not to make enemies and respect for our members with different political views, we have tried to keep this Newsletter somewhat politically neutral. However, we would like to point out that had it not been for the actions of Mr. Lyons in his role as Land Commissioner, there is a very good chance that the Range would now be shut down, the Club disbanded, and there would be no newsletter. Mr. Lyons was very sympathetic to our cause and very helpful. This is something we might want to keep in mind while at the polls.

To give equal time, Senator Tim Jennings, a democrat, was also most helpful in our endeavors to obtain ownership of the range. Mr. Jennings and Mr. Lyons are not running for the same positions.

