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From the Editor:

Hi everyone,

As I write this, the wind chill here in Minnesota is in the -25 degree range, so you can bet we're not out knocking down targets. Thankfully, other clubs have weather that's a little nicer than ours, so we do have some match results to report. I don't know about that Michigan bunch—while I admire their dedication, I question their sanity! Anyway, they shot a match in January, and the results are printed within, along with an update on how their Nationals planning in progressing. We also have match results from MSTS, CASA, and the TBA/PEL Superbowl match.

Contact information at left has been updated to reflect AAFTA's changes in leadership.

Stay warm and enjoy the issue.

Jay

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2003 Match Schedule

January	February	March	April	May	June
11: CASA Prado 19: WWCCA 25-26: TBA/PEL FL Superbowl 26 CASA Angeles, EFTCC	8: CASA Prado 16: WWCCA 22: WFTA 23: CASA Angeles	8: CASA Prado 15:TRRFTC 16: WWCCA 23: CASA Angeles 29-30: ld Temecula FT match	12: CASA Prado 13:EFTCC 19: MAFTA, TRRFTC 27: WWCCA, CASA Angeles	10: BAGA, CASA Prado 17: MAFTA, TRRFTC 18: WWCCA 25: CASA Angeles, WFTA	1: EFTCC 7-8: Tennessee 'Good Ole Boy' 14: BAGA, CASA Prado 21: MAFTA, TRRFTC 22: WWCCA, CASA Angeles, WFTA
July 12: BAGA, CASA Prado 18-20: TRRFTC NW Regionals 19: MAFTA 20: WWCCA, WFTA 27: CASA Angeles	August 1-3: World Championships, Northern Ireland 9: BAGA, CASA Prado 9-10: EFTCC NE Regionals 10: DJMC 16: MAFTA, TRRFTC 16-17: WFTA Canadian Championships 17: WWCCA 22-23 BAGA Badgerland Regionals	September 13: BAGA, CASA Prado 14: DJMC, WFTA 19-21 AAFTA Nat'ls at WWCCA 20: TRRFTC 27: MAFTA MN State Championships 28: CASA Angeles	October 11: BAGA AZ Monster Match, CASA Prado, MAFTA 12: DJMC 18: TRRFTC 19: WWCCA, WFTA 26: CASA Angeles	November 8: CASA Prado 9: DJMC 16: EFTCC NY State Championships 23: CASA Angeles	December 13: CASA Prado 14: WFTA 28: CASA Angeles
	24: CASA Angeles				

Where to find it

FT Air Rifles		Publications		
Airgun Express(Mako/HW, TX200)	800-896-4867	AAFTA News		662-429-4663
Airguns Alaska	907-522-5900	and AAFTA "Club & Shooters Handbo	ook	002-427-4003
Airguns of Arizona (Daystate, Beeman)	480-461-1113	Airgun Digest 3rd Edition	0011	800-247-4876
Beeman Precision Airguns (Mako/HW77		Airgun Illustrated		000 217 1070
Benson Airgun Options	888-952-1231	U.S. Airgun Magazine		800-247-4876
Burroughs International (Career)	310-457-5932	Airgun Odyssey by Steve Hanson		860-645-8776
Ken's Airsports (TX200)	419-837-6459			
Mac-1 (Steyr)	310-327-3581	Regulators		
Storey "Custom Shop"	317-925-5544	The "A" Team		845-896-9792
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Airgun Accessories		Repair & Tuning		
Precision Airgun Ltd.	562-430-9138	Beeman Precision Airguns		800-227-2744
2		Dave Slade's Airgunwerks		714-724-6169
Ballistic Programs		Ken's Airsports		419-837-6459
The "A" Team	845-896-9792	Mac-1 (Crosman/Benjamin/Sheridan)		310-327-3581
Air Rifle Ballistics	813-634-6507	, (
Precision Airgun Ltd.	562-430-9183	Scopes		
		Airgun Express		800-896-4867
Chronograph		Beeman Precision Airguns		800-227-2744
Airgun Express	800-896-4867	č		
Storey "Custom Shop"	317-925-5544	Scope Knobs and/or Levels		
		The "A" Team		845-896-9792
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Airgun Express	800-896-4867	Airgun Express		800-896-4867
Airguns of Arizona	480-461-1113	Beeman Precision Airguns		800-227-2744
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		Silhouette Targets		
Lubricants		Precision Airgun Ltd.		562-430-9183
Airgun Express	800-896-4867			
Airguns of Arizona	480-461-1113	Stocks		
Beeman Precision Airguns	800-227-2744	Wade Sutherland		662-429-4663
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Airgun Express (Crosman Premier)	900-896-4867	Pellethead		800-213-2088
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BAC & BREC jointly host the 14th CAJUN SPRING NATIONALS

*** 2003 ***

Dates: April 5th, and 6th, 2003 Site: Jean Lafitte Airgun Range

Location: 17200 Airline Hwy., US HWY 61, (Old State Fairgrounds) Baton Rouge, La.

Directions to range: A map will be sent to all registrants

Rules: AAFTA Rules will be enforced (shoot, safety, classification)

NOTE: Timers will be used at the shooting lanes with adequate time limits allowed. Safety: AAFTA Safety rules will be enforced. Airguns must chronograph at 20 ft.lbs. or less Practice Range: Practice range open April 4th, from 8 AM to 5 PM and 7 AM on match days

Course of Fire: 100 shots (a shooter's meeting will precede each match)

Match #1 8:30 AM, April 5th---50 shots Match #2 8:30 AM, April 6th---50 shots

Classes: OPEN and PISTON GUN

Teams: Four-man Teams; 1st Place only (fees will be collected at registration)

Awards: OPEN-----1ST, thru 5TH, PISTON GUN----1ST thru 4TH HIGH JR., HIGH SR., HIGH WOMAN, and HIGH LA. SHOOTER

Entry Fee: \$50.00 (includes lunch both days) MATCH IS LIMITED TO THE FIRST 78 ENTRIES Entry Deadline: March 8, 2003

Meals: Lunch will be provided on Sat. and Sun.. Non-competitor meals are \$5.00 each Air Tanks: Tank rentals available from Underwater Adventures, 5555 Government St., B.R. Ph. 225-927-3483

Registration for the 2003 CAJUN SPRING NATIONALS April 5th, and 6th, 2003 in Baton Rouge, La.

Name	Phone	Age(on April 6th)
Address		
City	StateZip	Home Club
Air Rifle	Scope	Pellet
Class (Open, Piston)		
Total Remittance \$		nches @ \$5.00 each: \$ 8, 2003. Match Limited to 78 Entries ou Airgun Club
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5164 Universal Ave. Greenwell Springs, La. 70739

14th CAJUN SPRING NATIONALS Update April 5-6, 2003

Spring will soon be here, as will the Cajun Spring Nationals Competition in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Registrations have been steadily coming in and we anticipate a really good turn out.

Much time has been spent checking all targets for proper function, repainting, some hit zone modifications, and planning of the courses. After speaking with many shooters at the U.S. Nationals, it was brought to our attention that smaller hit zones are the kind of challenges that many look forward to. So, our aim is to try and please <u>everyone</u>. Now, <u>that is a challenge!</u>

Jack Kirkendoll will honor us by serving as Match Director at the match again this year. Thanks, Jack.

Both Lagniappe and Belle Terre courses should be green with new foliage and very beautiful come April. Our dedicated club members plan to have the courses and sight in range in top shape for your enjoyment. And speaking of enjoyment, you can expect to have good South Louisiana Cajun food each day.

We were able to get the same hotel, but at an even lower rate of only \$50. The Holiday Inn East is located I-10 @ Siegen Lane, Baton Rouge, La. Mention Cajun Spring Nationals Airgun Club for special rate <u>prior to March 13, 2003</u>. Ph. (225) 293-6880.

Registrations are coming in daily. We're anxious to see our many old friends, some recent acquaintances, and we hope to meet many new shooters. We look forward to welcoming you to the Jean Lafitte Airgun Range in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

For more information contact Ron Juneau, by e-mail at, juneaur@bellsouth.net

NOTE: Please remember to send in your registration by the entry deadline of **March 8, 2003.** Make check payable to: Bayou Airgun Club

and mail to: Linda Juneau 5164 Universal Ave. Greenwell Springs, La. 70739

Sincerely, Ron and Linda Juneau

Tennessee Good Ole Boy 3rd Annual Championship FT Match

Dates: June 7th & 8th, 2003
Site: Roz's "Hollow," Pulaski, Tn.
Directions: Will be sent to all pre-registrants.

Rules: AAFTA rules apply to scoring, safety, equipment and power limitations (20ft/lbs).

NOTE: Timers on every lane.

Practice Range: Available from sunup to sundown, 6/5-6/8

Course of fire: 2 days, 120 shot match Match #1: 12 noon start, 60 shots Match #2: 08:30 am start, 60 shots

Classes: Piston and Pre-charged (no equipment restrictions)

Awards: Match winner, Champion and 2-5 in each classification, 1st Place team and High Junior

Need more information? contact Roz at: 931-424-5314 or Cliff at: cliffsmith79@netscape.net

Registration for the Tennessee Good Ole Boy Match

	June 7th and 8th, 2003	
Name	Phon	e
Address		
City	State	Zip Code
Air Rifle	Scope	Pellet
Class (Piston or PCP))	
Information on a	accomodations, maps, etc. will be sent u Match is limited to 60 entries	
Competitor: \$	645.00(includes Sunday's lunch), g	guest lunch is \$7.00 each
	Rental for weekend: \$16.00	
	Make check payable to: Roz Sun	ıpter
	and mail to:	
	Roz Sumpter	
	377 Hardy Road	

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Pulaski, TN. 38478

2003 Nationals Update

An update on how the planning is going. The committee consisting of Rick Stoutenburg, Ken Reeves, Steve Sibal, John Lykins and myself met at my home on Saturday afternoon for the first meeting of the Planning Committee.

Actually, we accomplished quite a bit even though a committee isn't suppose to. We all came to the meeting with ideas and knowledge of things that needed doing and how to go about doing those things, we prioritized and categorized and came up with a basic plan to start with.

Rick Stoutenberg will continue working on the building and grounds to get them in top shape for the event. He will also be in touch with the club to arrange the food and menus. He will line up the the scoreboard material and create a design for it. In addition he will investigate the possibility of having an on-site vendor for the sale of T-shirts, sweat shirts, hats and the like. This was a big success at the Worlds in '93 & '95. Besides having a larger selection of those things for sale we are not saddled with an inventory of things that must be sold at the end of the match or we eat them!

Ken Reeves will be in charge of the courses and design the layout of both. All the club volunteer rangers will report to him for special training as most non air gunners are not familiar with how the game is played.

Steve Sibal will contact the dive shop that was in Plymouth but has since moved to Novi for scuba tanks and delivery of same to us each day so we can establish a price for each competitor for air. Steve will also design a scorecard and most importantly, a registration form that needs to be ready by the end of April for promulgation in early May.

John Lykins will be putting the informational kit together for each competitor as he/she registers on the 1st day of the match. He will make a survey of the local motels for price and availability of a block of rooms for the visitors during the match. He will look into upscale, medium price and budget priced rooms. He needs to have this done so that info can be included in the registration form.

As for myself I will tend to publicize the event and be a gopher for those with the important jobs to do.

We will need some help manning a registration desk and compiling scores during the event. If any of you could ask your wives (who aren't shooting) to help in this area we would be appreciative.

This is how we visualize how the event will go down. This is subject to change and almost certainly will!

Sept 19 Sight In & Practice Day

Ranges open 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Bonfire at Campgrounds at dusk (probably about 8:30 PM)

Sept 20 Ranges open 8:30 AM to 11:00 AM

Shooters Meeting 11:15 AM

Match Start 12:00

Match over 4:00 PM

Hospitality 4:00 PM

Swap Meet

AAFTA Auction

Steak Dinner

Sept 21 Ranges open 8:30 AM

Shooters Mtg 9:30 AM

Match 10:00 AM

Match Over 2:00 PM

Dinner 2:00 PM

Awards Ceremony

Timers will be used: 5 minutes for 4 shots. Non shooting member of squad to start timer as soon as the shooter has sat down. Cost of match is \$75.00 if received by September 1st or \$90.00 later. Non competitor dinners are \$7.50 each. Volunteer workers will not be charged a dinner fee. AAFTA rules and WWCCA safety rules will be in effect. Plan on wearing safety glasses at this one as usual.

Jim

WESTERN WAYNE COUNTY CONSERVATION ASSOCIATION AIRGUN E MAIL NEWSLETTER

January 19, 2003 Jim Everett

The first shoot of this new year was held today...well sort of. Rick Stoutenburg met 4 other crazies and in ten above temperatures with a pretty good wind howling thru the airgun range creating a very cold and uncomfortable environment for the rifles and scopes to say nothing about the human being swaddled in layers of the warmest clothing they own.

Fritz Sanders brought along a new shooter by the name of Dan Lauring. Dan is a newcomer to us but is a veteran airgunner. Eric Sanders and Rick Stewart were the other two shooters. Five lanes of spinners were set up though an actual match wasn't held they all did shoot for a while on a plinking basis.

Apparently all the guns as well as the various scopes were affected by the wind chill and low temperatures. Eric said that his pcp was running about 100 fps slower than normal and there were various scope problems that will be cured by a more normal environment than today.

A match, in January, in the north, is an "iffy" thing to start with. My hat is off to those that showed up. February, as we all know is also an "iffy" thing but I've seen many a match take place in February of years past. So we look forward to next month's match. And in the meantime stay warm.

Jim

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MSTS December results

The Mid-South Tri/State Airgunners Association held its final match of 2002 on December 7th in Atoka, TN, just north of Millington, TN off Highway 51. Our turnout was less than expected, but several other matches and local events were taking place on that same weekend. Those that did compete had a great time, stopping from time to time to eat pizza, drink soda, and visit with friends. The weather conditions were clear but cold, with the morning temperature in the upper 30's. By match time, it had warmed up to the lower 50's. I'm glad the temp warmed up, since my son Kevin was shooting his OB-77 CO2 rifle.

We did have a dozen or so cub scouts and leaders show up before match time, but they were unable to stay for the whole match due to their participation in our local Christmas parade. The cub scouts brought their BB guns and did get the opportunity to shoot and qualify for new scout badges. Club member Jackie Damien took the boys and leaders to see the field target course, and gave them the opportunity to do some shooting with one of our QB-77 rifles. The boys and leaders were all hooked! This year we expect to be signing up new members in record numbers, as more and more folks in this area find out about the great sport of field target shooting.

Oh, for those that don't know yet, the MSTS Club has moved from our old site in Hernando, MS. Hernando was a great site, as many can attest to, but after 12 years of working and maintaining the sight and the long distance I had to travel each time, it finally got to be too much. It takes a lot of time and effort to keep a club going and I want to thank those that helped me so much over the years. Many thanks to Wade Sutherland, Stylie Edwards, Fred Caldwell, Ulysses Payne, and others. To my wife, Susan Itterly, I send a special thanks for being there for me over the past 28 years helping me through our first few years when it was just us and a few others. The work can be difficult at times, but all the wonderful folks we have met and the fun we have when we host a match, makes it all worthwhile. For those of you thinking of starting up a club, don't hesitate, it truly is a rewarding experience.

Our new temporary club site is in Atoka, TN on Jackie Damien's property. Oh yes, let me be the first to congratulate Jackie on becoming the 2002 U. S. Nationals Lady Champion. She set history as the first novice to enter the U. S. Nationals and win. That was her first time ever shooting in a field target airgun match (and she was using a borrowed gun)! This lady has real talent, just ask Joe Korick. We look forward to a great year ahead. Let's all remember to work hard to bring this incredible sport to everyone. I know I will do my best.

Match Results:

Open Class-				
Shooter	<u>Gun</u>	Scope	<u>Pellet</u>	Score/40
1. Tom Itterly	Ripley Custom TI	Nightforce 36x	10.5 CP	39
Top Lady				
 Jackie Damien 	Ripley Custom TI	Nightforce 36x	10.5 CP	30
Piston Class-				
1. Spencer Curtis	HW - 80	open sights	7.9 CPL	6
High Junior				
1. Kevin Itterly	QB-77 Co2	Bushnell 6-24	7.9 CP	12

CASA Angeles Field Target Match

Dec 29th 2002

The last match of the 2002 was as perfect as any one could believe. The temperature was 40 degrees at 8:00 AM and by finish time (1:30 PM) the temperature was 59. It had rained the night before and the sun came up on a blue sky and white clouds. In short a perfect 10. Sixteen shooters came to challenge Joe's handy work. And let it be said Joe's 52 shot course was a site to be hold. The top honors in Piston gun class went to Joe Hadad with a 38, And in Pre-charge Leo Hwong with a 47, Very good shooting guys & and let us remember the Lady among us Vipa Miller. Special note this month was that Don Walker of Beeman came Play and shot very well. Don, come again when your busy schedule allows.

New this month as a test, I have excluded the scope and pellets used in the newsletters. If the club feels this is important information it can be added in future newsletters.

Results as follows:

Piston Class Total of 52 possible

 Joe Hadad 	38	Hw 97 Venom
2. Bill Nada	36	HW 97
3. Vince Pacheco	35	TX 200
4. Ron Jobbes	31	HW77
5. George Gardner	28	TX200 .22

Precharge Class

Frecharge Class	
1. Leo Hwong	47
2. Bob Winer	46
3. Doug Miller	44
4. Tim MacMurry	43
Robert Mijares	42
6. Don Walker	40
7. Ron Marco	39
8. John Spencer	36
Richard Shimizu	34
10. Tom Oliver	34
11. Vipa Miller	25

CASA Prado Field Target Match Dec 14th 2002

Match Winner				
Doug Miller*	30/32	CRX	Bushnell 8-32	Premier 10.5
Open Class				
David Slade*	30/32	CRX-ST	Bushnell 8-32	Premier 10.5
Leo Hwong	29/32	CRX-ST	Bushnell 8-32	Premier 10.5
Robert Mijares	* 27/32	Walther	Tasco 8-40	Kodiak match
Kevin Hasegawa	* 27/32	Steyr	Burris 8-32	FTS
Tim Mc Murray	25/32	Steyr	Bushnell 8-32	Premier 10.5
Ron Marco	24/32	Mako	BSA 8-32	Premier 10.5
Jennifer Valadez	23/32	Mako FT	B&L 6-24	Kodiak Match
Larry Durham	23/32	LD SS	Hakko 10-60	Premier 10.5
Richard Shimizu	22/32	NJR100	Nightforce 8-40	Premier 10.5
Christopher Albers	19/32	FX Tarantula	BSA 6-24	JSB .22
Piston Class				
Joe Haddad	25/32	HW97 Venom	B&L 6-24	Premier 7.9
Mike Wannawekon	*24/32	HW97K Venom	Bushnell 6-18	Premier 7.9
Bill Nada	*24/32	Marksman 61	Bushnell 6-24	FTS
Vince Pacheco	**24/32	JW50	Simmons	FTS
George Gardner	23/32	SLR98	Leupold	Trophy .22
Bob Winer	19/32	JW60 FB	Leupold	Premier 7.9
Ron Jobbes	17/32	HW77 Sporter	Tasco 5-20	JSB
Ed Curry	14/32	RX-1	Bushnell 6-24	Kodiak Match
*After shoot-off *	* declined shoot-off			

^{*}After shoot-off ** declined shoot-off

Phil Lindberg 31/32 Air Arms S300 B&L 6-24 .22 Premier

A high turn out for our Christmas shoot, one of the highest for Prado for some time I think? The shoot-offs were using the same target, a thirty five yard reduced kill, which in the case of myself and Doug ended when Doug took it down in the kneeling position, after we both hit it sitting, way to go Doug!

Phil's score looks really good on paper, however he was practicing his hunting and used a bipod through the entire match, including the off-hand, he disqualified himself, but had fun none the less.

CASA Prado Field Target Match

January 11, 2003

OPEN CLASS

John Spencer	31/32	ZM 2002	Burris 8-32	Premier 10.5
David Slade	30/32	Daystate CRX-ST	Bushnell 8-32	Premier 10.5
Leo Hwong	28/32	Daystate CRX-ST	Bushnell 8-32	Premier 10.5
Bob Winer	26/32	NJR 100	Bushnell 8-32	Premier 10.5
Pete Maxfield	24/32	Pro Target	Burris 8-32	Beeman FTS
Richard Shimizu	24/32	NJR 100	Hakko8-40	Premier 10.5
Tom Olivieri	19/32	P70 FT	Bushnell 8-32	Kodiak Match
Christopher Albers	16/32	Tarantula	Hakko 8-40	FTS .22
Rob Wild	14/32	Viper	Bushnell 6-18	FTS .22

PISTON CLASS

Vince Pacheco	25/32	TX200 MkI	Bushnell 8-32	Lazadome
George Gardner	23/32	SLR 98	Leupold 30-50	FTS .22
Mike Wannawekon	22/32	R9	4x?	Premier 7.9
Ed Curry	19/32	RX-1	Bushnell 6-18	Kodiak Match
Ron Jobbes	18/32	HW77	Tasco 5-20	JSB
Dan Sapien	12/32	HW97	Bushnell 6-18	Beeman FTS
Bill Brown	3/32	R9	4x?	Premier 7.9

We had a wonderful turnout for the January match at Prado. There were 16 shooters, including new shooter Bill Brown, who came with Mike Wannawekon. It was also great to see Rob Wild come out for the first time in some months, even if he did cross over to the dark side (i.e., shooting a PCP). The weather was perfect. We didn't even have much of the infamous Prado wind until very late in the match. John Spencer won the open class with a nearly perfect 31 out of 32. David Slade finished second, only one shot behind. Switch hitter (or switch shooter?) Vince Pacheco brought a springer this month and won the class with a score of 25. George Gardner, shooting his .22 caliber SLR 98 in continued defiance of conventional wisdom, finished second with 23. And speaking of handicaps, Mike "who needs a range finder" Wannawekon finished third in the class with a 4 power scope mounted on his R9. Special thanks to Ron Jobbes for acting as Range officer for the day. -Ed Curry

SIDE SHOOT

At the request of club members, based on the Questionnaire, we had a special side shoot. Two targets were place at a distance of 50 and 53 yards as it turned out. The 50 yd full size kill zone target was for piston guns. The 53 yd 1 " target was for the guys with the high dollar gas guns. The rules went like this. Fill out a slip of paper, place you money (\$3.00) in the box, set down, focus and take five shoots. Have a fellow shooter Record the total number of hits.

After the dust cleared the winner of the piston gun Class was Vince Pacheco with a perfect 5 for 5. Second was George G. with 4 of 5. The Pre-charge (OPEN) class went to Dr. Bob Winer with 2 of 5 and second went John Spencer with 1 of 5. The 4 shooters walked away with a few dollars in the pocket. Amount each won will be kept secret to prevent the IRS from filing a tax lean. Special note & thanks, Vince P. donated his winnings money to the Club.

If the club would like to do this again please let me know. I will schedule it for Angeles in March. --George Gardner

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On the last weekend of January,2003, the professional brigands, the Raiders and the Buccaneers, went through the ritual of girding their loins with customized athletic supporters to bolster their efforts for the coming big money fray on Sunday night. However, while all this adjusting was taking place, an intrepid band of gentleman and lady bandits kicked off the 2003 Field Target season with the real Super Bowl at Dade City and Tampa. The Pelitcan boys and the Tampa Bay Airgunners, steered respectively by Don Vandewerker and Cliff Smith, put on a most enjoyable two day 86 shot match. It should be noted that these two Match Directors, being thorough gentlemen, restrained their prowess to second and third place to afford first place trophies to Mel Bomke (PCP) and Rod Bradley (Piston). By the way Rod defeated two National Champions to garner his trophy.

The venues were 99.9% perfect with layouts that were just right, not too easy and not too tough. I personally tested the "equalness" of degree of difficulty of the two courses. Please refer to my scores for the answer. The weather consisted of a cold snap with record breaking lows of 55 & 65 degrees, lots of sunshine and kind breezes. There were several notes of interest: (1) 34.615% of the shooters were weekend refugees from out of state, (2) a sudden death shoot off was a classic and (3) the ladies were quite remarkable. The shoot off was between Bob Winer and Kevin Allen for third place and the target with a raggedy 3/8 inch hole for a kill zone was placed at 23 yards. Strange erratic breezes exacerbated the difficulty. Both shooters displayed uncanny accuracy shot after shot. The onlookers were awed into silence and held their breath. After an exchange of a dozen shots or so the Big Shooter In the Sky smiled upon Kevin for the last hit. On another note, the lady from Ohio, Jill Clelland, with a borrowed gun, a no frills Harrier out of the box, made monkeys out of a bunch of men (including me) with a score of 71. The unique football motif trophies were designed and handcrafted by Terry Shults and the barbecue repast for the gluttons was handcrafted by Jim Smith and the ladies affiliated with the American Legion. I must say that this match was topnotch fun and from now on should be named as The Super Duper Bowl. Methuselah Rodney Boyce

Notes of appreciation:

Roz thanks Bob Winer for donating a pair of scope rings which Roz won in the raffle. The match directors thank all who traveled in for this match, and thank all who helped break down the courses in record time. Thanks to Doug and Vipha Miller for assisting Don in setting up the Dade City course in temperatures (low 40's) well below those they left in SoCal.

TAMPA BAY FIELD TARGET SUPERBOWL 2003 MATCH

NAME	State	GUN	SCOPE	PELLET	SAT	SUN	TOT	Place	e %
PISTON CLASS					x42	x44	x86		
Rod Bradley	AL	JW70	B&L 6-24	d/s 8.4	39	33	72	1	84%
Mike Cooper		TX200	B&L 8-32		18	25	43		50%
Bill Liles		TX200	B&L 8-32	FTS	29	33	62	4	72%
Dick Otten		TX200	Hako 8-32		21	27	48		56%
Cliff Smith		TX200	B&L 6-24		30	35	65	3	76%
Roz Sumpter	TN	TXSR	B&L 6-24	EXACT	32	39	71	2	83%
Ron Zeman		TXSR	Burris 8-32	FTS	25	26	51		59%
OPEN CLASS									
Kevin Allen	GA	NJRSA	Leu Cmp 35	JSB	35	40	75	3	87%
Jim Baumann		Huntsman	Burris 8-32		39				
Mel Bomke		Titan	BSA 10-50		37	40	77	1	90%
Rodney Boyce		Harrier	BSA 10-50		35	35	70		81%
Jill Clelland	PA	Harrier	Swift 8-32		34	37	71		83%
Bob Duncan	OH	AA ProTgt	NF FT 36		26	20	46		53%
Ed Escue		CR 94	Leup 18-40		25	29	54		63%
Ike Gatwood		CR 94	Burris 8-32		29	36	65		76%
Nelson Guidry		CR 94	NF 36		38	32	70		81%
George Hamilton		NJR 100	NF 36		34	38	72	6	84%
Ken Hughes	GA	Harrier SE	LeuComp35	JSB	38	35	73	5	85%
Bill Isaac		CR 97	Burris 8-32		34	35	69		80%
Doug Miller	CA	CRX	B&L 8-32		33	38	71		83%
Vipha Miller	CA	Steyr LG100	LeuComp35		23	28	51		59%
Terry Shults		CRX	Burris 8-32		32	31	63		73%
Joey Tucker		AA 300	Tasco 36		5	15	20		23%
Don Vandewerker	•	CRX	NF 36		39	37	76	2	88%
Roger Vallecorse		BSA Super10	BSA10-400.22	Cr	29	23	52		60%
Bob Winer	CA	ZM LG100	B&L 8-32		39	36	75	4	87%

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