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*Special Points of
Interest*

- Cray wins the Worlds
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- Team USA wins the Worlds
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- Lots of other good stuff too
- Loads of photos
- A few articles
- Match reports from all over
- Letters to the Editor oy vey
- Match Announcements for 08!

Paul Cray Wins the Worlds As well as the 2007 Nationals!



Another year of Field Target is behind us and we have good reason to rejoice here in the US. Paul Cray has won the US Nationals and the Worlds! In doing so he has shown us the true meaning of the word sportsmanship and marksmanship! His winning record is unmatched in US Field Target. He has done it and won it all! Congratulations my friend!

Lots of great FT reports and some neat articles to keep you from crumpling this up and using it to start the fire or one of the many other uses paper has. Thank you former Governors for your service to FT and welcome to the new Gov's!

Enjoy the issue, it got kicked back to me for a page error I made otherwise it would have made it before the years end. Totally my fault, you can flog me but I'm into that kinda stuff so you had better find something worse...lol

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2007 Match Schedule

March

3rd - BAC
 10th - KTAC, CASA-Prado
 10th - NMAC
 11th - WSC
 17th - TVA
 18th - AA, BGAC, YAC, DSA
 24th - KTAC, NMAC, CASA-Angeles

April

7th - DIFTA, CASA Prado
 8th - WLOPA Wimp Vermin FT
 14th - NMAC, MAFTA
14th & 15th - Cajun Spring Classic
(registration form)
 15th - YAC, BGAC, WSC
 21st - IAFTC, TVA, DIFTA
 22nd - CASA at Angeles
 28th - KTAC, NMAC
 29th - AA

May

5th - BAC
5 & 6th - Republic of Texas Field Target Roundup
(registration form)
 6th - EFTCC
 12th - NMAC, CASA at Prado, MAFTA
 13th - WLOPA Jurassic Park Field Target Match
 19th - DIFTA, TVA, IAFTC
 20th - YAC, BGAC, DSA, WSC
 22nd - BCSA
 26th - KTAC, NMAC
 27th - AA, CASA

June

2nd - BAC
 5th - BCSA
9th & 10th - National's Match *(registration form)* TN
 9th - NMAC, KTAC, CASA at Prado
 16th - IAFTC, MAFTA, DIFTA
 17th - YAC, BGAC, WLOPA Pot Luck FT
 19th - BCSA
 23rd - KTAC, NMAC
 24th - AA, CASA at Angeles. WSC
 29th - WLOPA Night FT

July

3rd - BCSA
7th - KTAC Desert Heat Field Target Match
(registration form)- Tx 7th - BAC
 8th - AA,
 13th - WLOPA Dump Hunt FT
 14th - MAFTA, NMAC, CASA at Prado
14th - MD State Championship Match - MD
 15th - YAC "Summer Sizzler" FT, WSC
 17th - BGAC, BCSA
 21st - IAFTC, TVA
 22nd - CASAAngeles
 28th - KTAC, NMAC
 31st - BCSA

August

4th - BAC
 5th - EFTCC Monster Match
 11th - KTAC, NMAC, CASA at Prado, MAFTA
12th - AA, 12th - WSC MA State Championships
 14th - BCSA
 18th - IAFTC, TVA, DIFTA
 19th - BGAC, YAC
 25th - KTAC, NMAC
 26th - CASA at Angeles
 28th - BCSA
 31st - WLOPA Night FT Match

September

1st - BAC
8th - MAFTA Minnesota State Championships - Mn
 8th - CASA at Prado, NMAC, KTAC, DIFTA,
8-9th - BGAC Blue Grass 100 Field Target Match - Ky
 9th - AA, WLOPA,
15th - IAFTC Northern Rockies Friendship Match, TVA
 16th - YAC, DSA, 16th - WSC
 22nd - NMAC
22-23rd - KTAC Field Target Extravaganza & Campout - Tx
 23rd - CASA at Angeles

October

6th - DIFTA, BAC, MAFTA, BCSA
12th-14th - World's Championship Match - *(registration form)* Tn
 13th - NMAC, KTAC, CASA at Prado, BCSA, DIFTA Fun FT
 14th - WSC
 20th - BCSA, IAFTC
 21st - BGAC, YAC
28th - WLOPA Charter Oak Challenge Match - Ct
 27th - KTAC, BCSA
27-28th - NMAC State Championship - Ms
 28th - CASA at Angeles

November

3rd - BAC, DIFTA
 10th - KTAC, CASA at Prado
12th - New York State Championships - NY
 17th - IAFTC
 18th - AA, DSA, BGAC, YAC, WSC
 24th - KTAC
 25th - CASA at Angeles

December

1st - BAC
 8th - KTAC, CASA at Prado
 9th - WSC
 16th - BGAC, AA
 22nd - KTAC
 23rd - CASA at Angeles

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Airguns of Arizona	907-522-5900	Regulators	
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Precision Airgun LTD.	562-430-9138	Precision Airgun Ltd.	562-430-9183
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Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

Are you kidding me or what? How the heck did you get this job? Do you know someone on the inside?

Signed,

Stupefied during Festivus

Dear Stupefied,

I dunno really, woke up one day and Cliff Smith is bombing me with emails. Don't know what else to tell ya....

The Ed

Dear Editor,

Oh my GAWD, Paul Cray is now the World Champion! I can hardly stand it!! Do you know him for real? Is he doing target signings or anything? Is he offering instructional videos or anything like that? I know he came out with a Yoga tape and of course I have it but I'm interested in anything else!

Signed

Lover of Leprechauns

Umm Dear LoL,

Your ability to creep me out knows no bounds. Please check out Pauls website and go see him at one of his shows and ask in person. I'm sure he would love to throw you, I mean introduce you to his audience as well as spend countless hours just talking and getting to know you better.

The Ed

Dear Editor,

I can't believe the holidays have come and gone and I didn't get one airgun related item!

Signed

Bummed in Bunny PJ's

Dear Bummed,

Bunny PJ's? Are you kidding me or what? Do you know LOL or is this come kind of joke? There will none of that here Mr as I am all business and serious is my middle name now hit the trail Peter Cottontail and hope for a Red Ryder next year.

The Ed

Dear Readers,

Keep the hate mail, love letters, photos, reports or questions coming in, I can hardly keep up with it all but I will try!

I actually did have someone ask me where they could get more info on the Level Grouse. You can find them at Cabelas and www.levelgrouse.com or contact alamofourstar.com

Then there is also the one Warren Williamson came up with. I hear it's the secret to his success! Tying for the World's is no small feat ya know! Warren is one heck of a good shooter.



The Ed

Also wanted to give credit for many of the great photos you have checked out in past issues to Jay Olsen-Goude especially the Nationals from this year. Thanks Jay!

Thanks to all those that attended the Worlds and allowed me to use your photos you're the bestest!

New AAFTA Webmaster

Due to the time constraints imposed by a new business venture, Robert Fischer has had to resign as AAFTA Webmaster. Robert stepped up to the plate for AAFTA fifteen months ago and has kept us informed of all things Field Target via the www.aafta.org site since then. The Governors on behalf of AAFTA thank Robert for a job well done. Joe McDaniel, who will be starting a term as governor in January, has volunteered to fill this most important function. Thank you Joe.

All calendar info including regional match registration forms can be sent to Joe for the web site, as well as to Billy Lo at medbill@hvc.rr.com for newsletter publication. (\$25 for the newsletter posting.) Joe can be reached via email at mcdanieljr@hughes.net

Waterloo Field Target Club - Results for Sunday September 9, 2007

The weather on the trip to Waterloo was not encouraging, as we drove in and out of heavy and light rain patches for the entire trip. As we neared the club, the rain became fairly heavy. After some debate and a walk through the wooded area by George and Dennis, it was decided that the ten lanes would be set up on the practice range and we would shoot from under the roof. Shooting is only allowed to take place from the benches on the practice range or from the offhand position, so we were limited to those positions. All eight people got to work and we had the 30 targets out there in no time. The T-44.7 average difficulty for the match compensated very well for the more stable shooting position. The wind on the practice range is completely unpredictable due to the burms on three sides and will often push pellets in the complete opposite direction even if the shots are taken seconds apart.

George assigned shooters to four groups of two and we started the match after a brief fifteen-minute sight-in. It didn't take long to start hearing the sound of very solid face hits on the targets. Nine of the thirty targets were beyond the 40-yard mark, allowing the wind to compound the difficulty. A half-inch kill zone at 45 yards in the wind is a bit of a tough shot. The small kill zones at long range certainly caused some disappointment, but also provided some great moments when the targets went down. It was great to see Bill take down the target with a quarter inch kill zone twice with his .22 cal. rifle.

Bill continued to shoot well and ended up with a 49/60 to top the piston division. George placed second and Len came third. Tom had a scope ring loosen on him at the beginning and was chasing his zero for the rest of the match.

After a slow start and forgetting to close the breach on one of the offhand shots, I was able to settle in and ended up with a 55/60 to take the top spot in the pcp division. Don, shooting with a very sore arm, came in second, followed by Dennis at third. Being out an entire rotation on a couple of lanes really pulled Dennis down and Ted shot his Solo for the first time in a match.

George Harde, Don Irvine, Chris Nicholson and Ted Gibson filled the four positions on the CAFTA Board of Governors. Congratulations and Dennis and I look forward to working with you to promote the sport of field target in Canada.

Although everyone would have preferred to shoot the regular forest course, shooting together under the roof makes for a very social and enjoyable day. Everyone helped pull the targets and get them packed away and then all eight of us headed over to Tim Horton's for a bite to eat and more conversation. It seemed very much like the eight of us were a team and shared equally the responsibility to make the match and the day a success. Thanks to George for being the Match Director and presenting the awards and to all in attendance that contributed to another great day of shooting airguns.

Tim MacSweyn

Shooter	Gun	Scope	Pellet	Score /60
T-Diff 44.7				
PCP Division				
1) Tim MacSweyn	Id/SS	Tasco 8-40	CPH	55
2) Don Irvine	Steyr FT	Deben 10-50	Baracuda M	52
3) Dennis Eden	Theoben MFR	Deben 10-50	CPH	44
4) Ted Gibson	Solo	Bushnell 8-32	Baracuda	29
Piston Division				
3) Bill Shikatani	Diana 54	Bushnell 6-24	JSB EX .22	49
2) George Harde	RWS TX200	Bushnell 8-32	JSBL	40
1) Len Joe	FWB300	Bushnell 8-32	JSBL	35
4) Tom Peretti	HW97K	Leapers 8-32	JSBL	07

Pellets are .177 unless stated otherwise.

Desoto Airgunners Match Report 09-16-07

by Dick Otten

Eight stalwart souls braved the elements to shoot in the first "Fall" match of the De Soto airgunners schedule. I say "Fall" because we were all drenched with sweat and falling down from heat exhaustion by the time the match concluded. Can you say HOT AND HUMID? Heat index of 97 was the order of the day, and as usual, shade is rare at our venue. Gordon fared the worst and had to bail out before finishing his last lane. He looked like he had just finished the cross channel swim while fully clothed. I'm sure Ron was in his swimming pool 20 seconds after his feet crossed his home threshold, and my post match afternoon nap was most welcome.

We had several firsts and near firsts today. Ron introduced his new/used ZM Steyr, I shot my new 12 ft/lb EV2, (12 ft/lb with even a slight breeze = misses by Mr. Otten) Bill Frazee finally got to shoot in his first FT match, but with a gun/scope combo not quite formally introduced to each other, and I believe Harry West shot in only his 2nd or 3rd match. The match format was a bit different this time to give some expected, but absent, newcomers a bit more "match practice". I used 14 targets, and set the course a bit easier than normal, (TF 23.5) requiring 3 shots per target instead of the normal 2, for a total of 42 shots.

We did have some trouble with a "non standard" target. The large Gator on lane 5 with the 4" hole and the smaller disc for a target gave everyone trouble. Apparently the target was leaning a bit too far forward and the weight of the 12" target face was a bit too much for some pellets to overcome. Many good hits failed to take the target down. Of the 21 shots at the target, (Gordon passed on lane 5) only 3 took the target down. All 3 shots were from the 2 match winners, Ron and Fred.

After shooting in the heat and humidity of the match, the 74 degrees inside the CLOCK Restaurant felt like the inside of a refer box on a cross country pork delivery. Yummy.

Our next match is in November and it should be delightful weather, Oh yes..I have found another lane position, and will try to expand some of the matches to 8 lanes in the future. This could offer us a comfortable 48 shot match when it cools off a bit here in Southern Florida

MATCH RESULTS:

Piston Division-- 1st - Fred Poole 38/42, 2nd - Harry West 27/42, 3rd - Aubrey Miley 24/42

Precharged Division-- 1st - Ron Zeman 38/42, 2nd - Dick Otten 33/42, 3rd - Ed Escue 31/42, 4th - Gordon Hodson 28/42, 5th - Bill Frazee 18/42.

Hope to see you in Nov. Next match will be 30 shot Field Target followed by a 20 shot airpistol silhouette match.
Match date - Nov 18th.

2007 Idaho State Championship and Northern Rockies Friendship Match Pocatello Idaho, September 15, 2007

The 2007 combined Northern Rockies Friendship and Idaho State Championship Match was held in Pocatello, Idaho, on Saturday Sept. 15th. This tournament is a “major” tournament in the Pacific Northwest. Gorge Gardner said, “When you shoot air gun FT in Idaho, and (your) club consists of 4 average shooters, and once a year we hold our State championship, and we have shooters come all the way from Tacoma, WA (14 hours drive time) to eastern Idaho that is ... Major.... We try our very best to make it an 80 shot, one day, fun shoot for all (who) attend.”

Ron Gill said, “Everything we learned over the last 3 years of competition went into this match.” The club learned how to use its range to its fullest to make a challenging and enjoyable match. The firing points are laid out in a “V” shape pointing west as well as into the prevailing winds. The course has all possible variations of wind and light and the shooters move through it. The match was a 40 shot course that was shot twice, once in the A.M. and once in the P.M. The club provided a home cooked lunch between repetitions of the course. Is it the same course twice? Not really, the range is open to the west for 200 miles and the winds come up in the afternoon. The morning is markedly different then in the afternoon.

Scott Crace came down from Spokane, Washington, with the shiniest USFT you ever saw, and he shot a shiny score to go with it. He dropped 8 points over all, shooting 36 out of 40 in the morning and afternoon to win the Friendship PCP Championship.

Brent Saunders from Seattle, Washington, came with an equally shiny HW 97 and won the Piston Friendship championship with 66. Scott and Brent showed us all how to shoot on match day. Beyond that, they were both very gracious winners.

Jim Benson, who paints with a broad brush, wrote to us when he got back to Tacoma, “What a great match! It never ceases to amaze me just what a COOOOL course that they can set up in the scrub desert!!!”

The Idaho Airgun Field Target Club extends a big “Thank You” to this year’s sponsors Sportsman’s Warehouse and Pomona Airguns for their kind support.

Northern Rockies Friendship

Pre Charged Division			AM	PM			
Champion	Scott Crace	USFT	36	36	72		
Second	Ron Gill	AA S400	31	31	62	Idaho Champion	
Third	Ron Pride	Daystate	28	22	50		
	Ash Covey	Daystate	23	24	47	Idaho Second	
	Jim Benson	FWB P70	18	18	36		

Piston Division

Champion	Brent Saunders	HW-97	34	32	66		
Second	George Gardner	* Evolution	32	30	62	Idaho Champion	
Third	John Mickel	AA Pro Sport	19	16	35		
	Neal Christensen	R-9	09	5	14	Idaho Second	
	* = Theoben						

There were several shooters who did not come due to illness or job circumstances. Some folks who came were sick or hurting. We wish the best to all that came and to those who could not make it. They are a reminder of the fragility of our bodies and our lives. Take care.

Ron Gill

4th Annual Republic of Texas Field Target Roundup March 1st & 2nd, 2008

Date/Time: Sat., March 1st – Shooters meeting (9:00 a.m.) Match #1 (9:30 a.m.)

Sun., March 2nd – Shooters meeting (8:00 a.m.) Match #2 (8:30 a.m.)

Site: Yegua Airgun Club Range – Somerville, Texas

Directions: Map/additional information will be sent to all pre-registrants.

Rules: AAFTA rules will be enforced. Meeting precedes each match.

Safety: AAFTA safety rules will be enforced. Airguns must chronograph at **20 ft. lbs. or less. We will spot check guns at random.**

Range: Practice range open **Friday, February 29th – 8:00 a.m. to dark and 7:00 a.m. on match days.**

Course of fire: 120 shots on 2 courses, one match each day, consisting of 60 shots each. 2 targets per lane. **TIMERS** will be used on all lanes.

Divisions: PISTON / PCP / HUNTER / INTERNATIONAL

Awards: 1st – 5th place PCP and Piston; 1st – 3rd place Hunter;

1st – 3rd International, High Texan, High Junior (under 15); High Lady;

High Senior (65+); High 4 man team; 1st - 2nd place International Field

Target Pistol; 1st – 2nd place Night Spotlight shoot; 1st place in all other

Side/Fun Shoots.

Entry Fee: \$60 per shooter; limited to 90 shooters.

Meals: Lunch Provided Saturday and Sunday for competitors.

Guest meals are \$7/meal

Beverages: Provided with lunch. Water will be provided on range each day.

Lodging: Super 8 Motel – 18018 State Hwy. 36 South, Somerville, TX 77879, (979) 596-3884

REGISTRATION FORM

(Please PRINT clearly and include ALL information)

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ Email: _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____ **Age:** _____

Mobile Phone: _____ **NRA Member:** Yes / No

Air Rifle: _____ **Scope:** _____ **Pellet:** _____ **Weight:** _____

Division: PISTON / PCP / HUNTER / INTERNATIONAL

Individual Registration: \$60 (**\$70 if postmarked after February 15th**) \$ _____

Guest Meals: \$7 per meal Saturday _____ Sunday _____ \$ _____

Total enclosed: \$ _____

Make checks payable to: Yegua Airgun Club

Send entries to: Raschel York

PO Box 245

Somerville, TX 77879

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Side / Fun Shoots: Friday, February 29th

NRA Classic Air Rifle Silhouette

40 shot match (4:00 p.m. +/-)

Saturday Night Candle Shoot (After dark)

Side / Fun Shoots: Saturday, March 1st

3rd Annual Man-on-Man Double

Elimination Red Ryder BB Gun

Shootoff (after Saturday lunch)

Followed by

International Field Target Pistol Shoot.

20 ft/lb limit / 42 shots / 3 shots per target.

Followed by

NRA Classic Air Pistol Silhouette

40 shot match.

Followed by

Saturday Night Spotlight Shoot (After dark)

Any class or divisions require a minimum of 3 entrants for awards. The number of awards will be determined by the number of shooters in each class, with one award per every three entrants. I.E. – 6 shooters - 1st & 2nd; 9 shooters - 1st thru 3rd; 12 shooters - 1st thru 4th etc. All Junior shooters will receive participation awards.

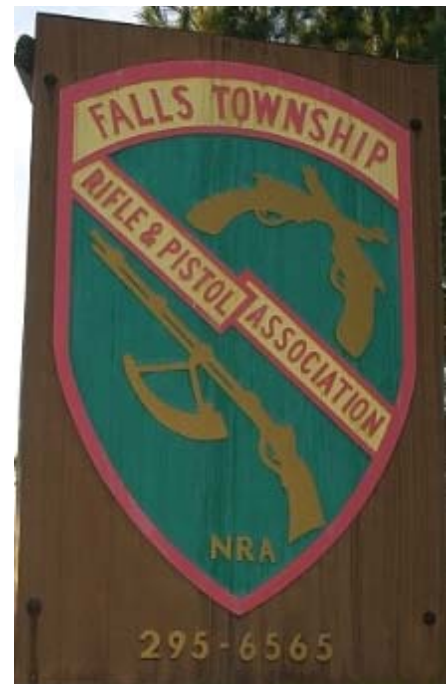
FTRPA FT Match 09-30-07

Dave and the boys set up a very challenging course for yesterday's shoot. As Dave and I strolled through the course his face lit up with glee and I heard a devilish laugh as he explained the target placement. There was the raccoon target on the hill above the raccoon den. And the rabbit target where he has seen rabbit tracks. Then there were the targets across the ravine. Coming from South Jersey I thought it was a ravine, but you would call it a depression. I imagine it was hard for the Hunter Class to estimate distance when there was only leaves and brush between you and the target. I liked the pig target that looked like it was standing on a log and then dropped out of sight when you hit it. I pulled the string off one target and Dave went to fix it. He slipped going down the bank and I thought he was going into the lake. It must have been all the briars that saved him.

After the match the archery club had lunch ready. It is great of them to share their range with us and do all the cooking. This time it was big chunks of beef and noodles in gravy. But looking at all the deer heads on the wall I had second thoughts about it being beef.

Thanks for a great shoot.

Ed R.



BRF&G Match Report December 29, 2007

Today we held our first match of the year not on club property but my own personal backyard! Ten targets were put out and the shooters fired at each target 3x. This is not where we will be having our regular matches. These will be held on club property which is a beautiful pheasant preserve. Some miscommunication between myself and the club as well as some personal family issues kept BRF&G from rocking and rolling this year. Next year we come out shooting, with a dedicated sight in course and shooting lanes.

We have had some rough weather this late fall and early winter with the snow and all and it had pretty much kept us from having a match but we set the targets out on a beautiful sunny day with temps flirting with 50 degrees and it was a fun couple of hours. I introduced field target to my neighbors and they were all responsive too it! I didn't shoot since I'm recovering from minor surgery to my arm and without the help of my brother Tom I wouldn't have been able to hold this short notice match. Sorry for those that couldn't make it as it was short notice depending on the weather conditions.

There were a few targets failures, no clue what the Troyer factor was because we just walked the targets out there and set them down and I wanted it to be easy and fun for everyone. No reducers were used on the Pounded Paddle targets but some of the targets were made by Brian Johnson with his own homemade target mechanism were kind small. The failures were related to the soft ground for the most part and overzealous target resetting so there were a few of the dreaded **COLD LINES!!!** Isn't that always the way?

Fun was had, lots of laughs and lots of interest.

Offhand Class	Score	Rifle	Scope	Pellet	Pellet Lube
Tom Lo	23/30	Air Arms S200	Bushnell 4200 6-24x	CPL	Slick 50
PCP Division					
John Adami	25/30	Steyr LG100ZM	Nikko Stirling 10-50x60		CPH
	Slick 50				
Tedi Lo	20/30	Air Arms S200	Bushnell 4200 6-24x	CPL	Slick 50

Neighbors attended, watched and fired a few shots but not for score. I hung over everyone's shoulders and gave bad advice and talking loudly doing my very best to mess them up but it didn't work. Fun was still had and targets still fell! There was no charge for the match and awards were slaps on the back and winners carried around the crown from Burger King and children throwing rose petals at their feet.

This went over so well I might be able to cut a few lanes in the woods behind my house and set up some shooting lanes for a private practice course. Glad it worked out this way. Our regular scheduled program will start once the pheasant season is over at the preserve and I can get a work party together to cut lanes and place target mounts and stands. Things are going well, we have the targets, the land now it just needs to get prepped.

NYS Champion's Match date for 2008 to be announced, stay tuned as this is going to be a great match and I am shooting for a two day event.

Billy Lo

Port Colborne Field Target Club – Match 5 – September 29, 2007

A made to order autumn day is what we enjoyed on Saturday. The temperature at match time was about 16° C and rose to about 18° C by the end. Winds were light and the sun was shining for most of the day. The match was tough, averaging out at T-45, but everyone enjoyed the challenge, especially those heading to the World match in a week and a half. We included four standing shots and four kneeling shots to get some match experience shooting from these positions.

After the first 30 shots of the match, everyone was down at least seven shots and the difficulty of the match became very obvious. Second half results were better for most as they became more accustomed to the increased difficulty.

In the pcp division, Dennis adapted the best to the difficulty and took the title of Top Gun with 49/60. The next three, Tim, Chris and Don were each separated by a single point. Ted, Magdy and Lanny rounded out the scoring in this division.

Len, continuing to shoot well, placed on top of the piston division with a 30/60. Bill ended up second followed by Doug. This was Bill's first event in Port Colborne and he even brought a couple dozen donuts for the guys. Thanks Bill and I hope we see you regularly in Port. Doug was back for his second field target match and has shown great improvement. Congratulations Doug.

A fun match was held on the practice range using Hans' creation that included a rotating wheel with seven pieces of chalk in holders. The ends of the chalk rise about a half inch above a wall and then disappear below it again. Each competitor was given five shots to dust the moving pieces of chalk from their FT shooting position, 20 yards away. Chris and Bill were a perfect five for five and there was a four way with three hits. Bill and Chris left the tie and chose from the three prizes available. We decided on a shootout for third. Don, Doug, Dennis and I sat down to sudden death rounds. It was finally decided on the fourth round when Don missed one and I dusted it to be the last man sitting. For a fun match, it sure was fun.

Those that had to be somewhere were off and Len, Chris, Doug, Dennis and I pulled the targets in short order and were off to Tim Horton's. Many thanks go out to all the guys who made it to the match and were responsible for contributing to a super day. Chris, assisted by Doug, set up two lanes for this match, which was greatly appreciated.

This was the last match on the schedule for this season, but we will be keeping our eye on the long range forecast in late October to see if we can get one more match in before the winter weather.

At the end of our third season, Dennis and I would like to thank everyone that participated in our matches. We have had great support and help to make this season very successful. We look forward to an even better season next year, which will include the Canadian Nationals on July 12th and 13th, 2008.

Tim M^{ac}Sweyn

Shooter	Gun	Scope	Pellet .177 unless stated	Score /60
T-Diff 45.0				
PCP Division				
1) Dennis Eden	TheobenMFR	Deben 10-50	CPH	49
2) Tim MacSweyn	USFT	Deben 10-50	CPH	47
3) Chris Nicholson	Steyr FT	Leup. Comp 40X	JSBH	46
4) Don Irvine	Steyr FT	Deben 10-50	Baracuda M	45
5) Ted Gibson	Logun Solo	Bushnell 8-32	Baracuda	39
6) Magdy Hassouna	Steyr FT	Deben 10-50	Baracuda	38
7) Lanny Hann	CR97 SE	Leupold 8-40	Baracuda	33
Piston Division				
1) Leonard Joe	FWB300	Bushnell 8-32	JSBL	44
2) Bill Shikatani	Diana 54	Bushnell 6-24	JSB .22	25
3) Doug Harvey	HW97	Simmon 44mag J	SBL	22

Port Colbourne Continued;



Back: Chris Nicholson, Doug Harvey, Len Joe, Magdy Hassouna, Dennis Eden, Tim Mac Sweyn
Front: Lanny Hann, Don Irvine, Bill Shikatani, Ted Gibson

Arizona State Field Target Championships September 29 & 30, 2007

Arizona State Field Target Championships – September 29 & 30, 2007

We had our largest group yet to contest the AZ Field target championships over 2 glorious days of shooting in Walnut Grove, AZ in PCP, SP, and HFT classes.

Saturday started out....shall we say, blustery? It was WINDY! Even Larry Durham noted the similarity to the wind at his place in CA, but we had 12 lanes on an earthen berm that separated and overlooked a pond on one side with a fairly steep hill above, and on the other side, a tree line thicket with holes in the vegetation to shoot through to a meadow below.

The wind was swirling with no particular direction from one minute to the next. The sky was partly cloudy, but with lots of sunshine and temperatures that were comfortably cool....for once. Out of 48 targets, Steve Montgomery was leading the field at the end of shooting on this first day, with a 42 in PCP class. Jim Russell was high man in SP with a 22, and Robert Buchanan shot a 37 in HFT.

After shooting, the B&B put on a lunch spread for us, after which the troops went back down to the sight in range to blast away at candy mints at long distance, thanks to Ric Grassmick.

Later in the afternoon, we held a raffle that featured 4 rifles and 2 tables full of goodies. The Daystate X2 was the last item to go and was the highlight of the raffle considering the excitement and exuberance of the recipient. Klayton Kidd was shooting his first ever FT shoot, and when his number was called, we thought he was going to launch himself to the top of the tree he was sitting under. He was shaking so hard he could not lift the gun to have his picture taken. The remainder of the prizes were distributed equitably with the rifles won by Robert Buchanan (FX), Larry Durham (Crosman), and Steve Montgomery (BSA).

One of the kindest acts of compassion followed later when Steve and Robin Montgomery gave the BSA Ultra rifle to Ric Grassmick. Ric was near tears and had a hard time keeping his composure, but accepted graciously. Anyone who knows Ric's family challenges will understand the rationale behind the gift. Ric maintains a very positive and enthusiastic attitude, and is a wonderful and caring father to his boys.

To compliment the winning of the Daystate X2, Klayton Kidd was given scope rings and pellets, won by others, but to get him started in PCP. Klayton is a good kid with a great attitude.

We are overwhelmingly grateful to Robert Buchanan, owner of Airguns of Arizona, and one of the founding members of Airgunners of Arizona, for obtaining all of the donated raffle prizes. Daystate and Airguns of Arizona teamed together to donate the X2, with AoA also donating pellets, books, sights, lube, scope mounts, bubble levels, pellet pouches, and various other goodies. FX Airguns donated the Typhoon. BSA Guns donated the Ultra. Crosman donated the TAC-77 combo, mugs, thermos, and other items. Top Gun Airguns donated JSB pellets. Airgunners of Arizona bought and donated pellets, and various other cleaning equipment.

THANK YOU ROBERT BUCHANAN and AIRGUNS OF ARIZONA FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

Sunday morning and day number 2 started surprisingly.....calm! Sunny and clear, and once again, comfortably cool. 32 targets on 8 shooting lanes were positioned in or across the dry Hassayampa River bed, amongst the undergrowth. I thought the teeny kill zones on Saturday were bad, but these were even smaller. That did not stop Larry Durham, who put on a shooting clinic by nailing all but 2. His 30 was high score for the day.

After all was said and done, we had a 2 way tie for 1st place in PCP, and a 3 way tie for 3rd place in PCP. The skill displayed in the shoot off was incredible! The participants shot, tied again, and moved back a few more yards, shot again, tied, moved back some more. Amazing feats of marksmanship, all with Mother Nature huffing and puffing from one direction, then another. It got to the point where the lanes were changed to something equally small to shoot at. Eventually the ties were broken and the results are as follows:

Position	Shooter	Sat	Sun	Total	Class	Airgun	Scope	Pellet
State Champion								
	Steve Montgomery	42	25	67	PCP	USFT	Bush 4200 8-32	JSB
1	Sandy Corcorran	39	28	67	PCP	AA Pro Target	Bush 4200 8-32	CPH 10.5
2	Bobby Corcorran	38	27	65	PCP	USFT	Bush 4200 8-32	CPH 10.5
3	Debbie Keiser	38	27	65	PCP	Daystate CRX	Burriss 8-32	CPH 10.5
4	High Visitor Vince Pacheco	39	26	65	PCP	USFT	BSA 10-50	CPH 10.5
5	Larry Piercy	38	25	63	PCP	Daystate CRX	Nightforce 8-40	VCP 14.3
6	Steve Rush	32	28	60	PCP	FX Tarantula	Bush 4200 8-32	JSB 10.3
7	Dale Keiser	32	25	57	PCP	Daystate CRX	Burriss 8-32	CPH 10.5
8	Larry Durham	22	30	52	PCP	USFT	Bushnell 6-24	CPH 10.5
9	Robin Montgomery	21	20	41	PCP	BSA Scorpion	Bush 4200 8-32	CPH 10.5
Piston Class								
1	Jim Russell	22	15	37	S/P	Beeman	Bushnell 15	JSB 8.44
2	Mark Kauffman	20	11	31	S/P	AA TX-200	Simmons 6.5-20	JSB 8.44
3	Ric Grassmick	12	8	20	S/P	Gamo Shadow	Centerpoint 16	FT 8.44
4	Klayton Kidd	13	7	20	S/P	HW 97 LK	Banner 6-24	CP 7.9
Hunter Class								
1	Robert Buchanan	37	24	61	HFT	Daystate MK3	MTC 3-12	JSB 10.3
2	Shane Jacobs	29	13	42	HFT	FX	MTC 10	JSB 10.3
	High Junior Dillon Buchanan	13	9	22	HFT	BSA Ultra	Bushnell 12	JSB 7.9
4	Chad Beltran	17	4	21	HFT	BSA Ultra	Bushnell 12	JSB 7.9
5	Jim Sterrenberg	22	DNF	DNF	HFT	FX	BSA 6-16	JSB 16 (.22)

The awards ceremony commenced directly after shooting, and the collecting of targets. Thanks to all the shooters for assisting in putting everything away until the next shoot.

A special thanks goes to Shane Jacobs, this years club president, for making all of the trophies. He did a great job of plasma cutting them from steel plate and welding the parts together to resemble actual field targets, and then donating the cost of making them to the club. Good job Shane! Thanks goes to Larry Durham, Vince Pacheco, and Steve Rush for making the trek from Southern California to shoot with us. We enjoyed your camaraderie immensely.

A Big thank you goes to Debbie Keiser and Sandy Corcorran for supplying and cooking the hot dogs and other goodies for lunch on Sunday. These 2 ladies are tireless workers, especially considering that they also helped set up the range on Friday along with Steve and Robin Montgomery, Bobby Corcorran, Ric Grassmick, and Larry Piercy Larry did a masterful job serving as range master for the weekend.

Some photos from the Arizona State Championships;



Squad Assignments



2007 State Champion Steve Montgomery



Sandy Cocorran 1st Place PCP Class



**Robert Buchanan 1st Place Hunter Class
&
Match Sponsor Airguns of Arizona
THANK YOU!**

Photos continued



Jim Russel 1st Place Piston Class



Mark Kauffman, Larry Piercy and Sandy Corcorran at reg ta-



Dillon Buchanan 1st Place Junior
Future National Champion, you read it hear first!



Sight in lane



TAMPA BAY AIRGUNNERS



Tampa Bay Airgunners
American Legion Post 147
Odessa, Florida

HOSTS the

2008 SUPER BOWL Field Target Match and the 2007 Florida State Match

Dates: February 2nd and 3rd, 2008

Venue: Both Saturday and Sunday matches will be held at Tampa Bay Airgunners' range at American Legion Post 147, 17413 Gunn H' way, Odessa, FL

Directions: Will be e-mailed or mailed to all pre-registrants.

Rules: AAFTA rules and guidelines will apply. 20 fpe maximum.

Course of fire: Each match, 12 lanes, 2 targets per lane, 2 shots per target for 48 shots/day

Saturday match: 11:30 AM shooters' meeting.

Sunday match: 9:00 AM shooters' meeting.

Divisions: Piston and Pre-charged

Awards: 1st through 5th in Piston; 1st through 6th in PCP.

High Florida shooter in each division takes the Florida State trophies.

Cost: \$30.00 includes Sunday BBQ lunch. After January 1, 2008 cost is \$35.00

Guest lunch is \$8.00

Note: Our venue has limited space. 12 lanes is a squeeze. 36 shooters is max for comfortable shooting. The match is limited to 36 entries.

Need more information? csmith57@tampabay.rr.com or (813)884-0507
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Registration Form for the 2008 SUPER BOWL Match February 2nd and 3rd, 2008

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Rifle _____ Scope _____ Pellet _____

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Make check payable to Cliff Smith for \$30.00 (\$35.00 after Jan. 1st, 2008)

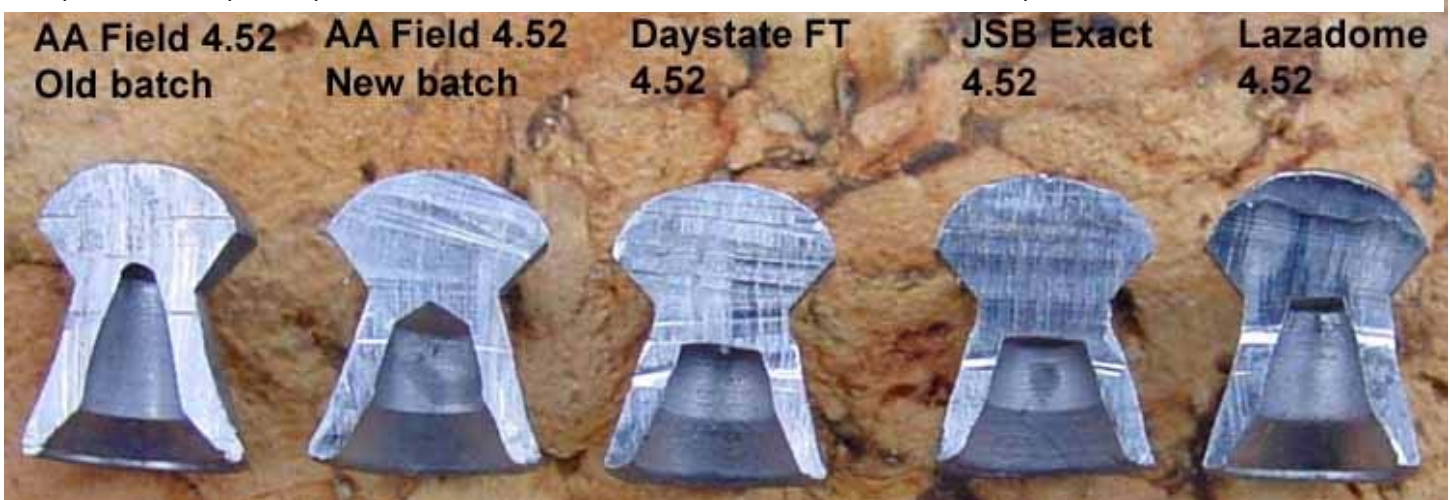
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Pellets made by JSB

There's a lot of confusion about the pellets made by JSB (JSB Exact, AA Field, Daystate FT, Webley Lazadomes). Are these pellets all the same or are they all different.

I've read numerous stories about this. At first sight, they all look the same. At second sight, they all look more or less the same. After a closer inspection, they look quite different ;-). Things started to become more clear to me when a guy at our Dutch-speaking airgun forum (www.luchtbuks.net) started to cut pellets in half after he noticed he had 2 different types of AA Fields. Since I have no life anyway (I'm so sad I even weigh my pellets :D), I decided to give it a try myself.

I had an old batch of AA Fields which I bought at Pax in London in 2002. After cutting them in half, it became clear they are different from my AA Fields (indicated as new batch on the picture) which I bought in 2004. The old one has a much deeper, rounded hole. I get significantly more flyers with the old type AA Field than with the new ones. The new ones actually shoot very accurately in my EV2 (and in the EV2 and S400's of some of my friends).



Next observation was that the Daystate FT and the JSB Exact looked very similar to each other but the hole in the pellet was different from the AA Fields and the Lazadomes. The JSB Exacts and the Daystate FT's shoot very similar in my guns so I assume they are identical. There were many deformed pellets in my JSB tins and no deformed ones in my Daystate tins but I've read stories where it was the other way around. So it looks to me that the presence of deformed pellets in a tin is caused by some rough transportation which is a pity because it ruins an excellent type of pellet. I use the Daystate FT's in my EV2.

The Webley Lazadomes again has a different hole and is different from all the others.

This simple test shows at least which pellets are not identical.

Now I'm off, looking for a life ;-).

April 8, 2005

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Thank you Mario!



2007 WFTF Championship
By Roz Sumpter

In addition to being the most prestigious field target airgun match we presently have to offer, this gathering was also like “The Fellowship of the Ring.” It brought together a ‘Ring’ of good people who expressed an attitude of “one for all and all for one,” and the only bad guys to contend with were a few difficult metal targets.

When attending a major match, my favorite day is always the one just prior to the start of competition. In the case of 2007 WFTF Championships held in Pulaski, Tn that would be Thursday, October 11th. It was the day to relax and unwind from the trip to the match venue. It was also the day of joyous reunion with old friends and new acquaintances; a pre-celebration of sorts.

Thursday evening of October 11th, found more than 100 match attendees assembled behind the Richland Inn. We were there for an outdoor dinner and country music performed live for our enjoyment. Also, on hand to welcome everyone were representatives from State of Tennessee Tourism, Giles County Tourism and City of Pulaski Senior Councilman. This was done to express appreciation to all for supporting the great state of Tennessee and our specific community of Pulaski. Generously picking up the tab for all of this was the City of Pulaski.

This region of the country has been under going a severe drought for several months. All of the local folk have been wishing and praying for a good drenching, frog-strangler downpour to provide some relief for our water deficit. Fortunately for our match weekend that petition to heaven was delayed in being answered.

The weather conditions for all three-match days just could not have been better for this event. Each day seemed to get progressively more pleasant as sunshine and temperatures topping out in the upper 70’s prevailed.

60 shots a day, over three consecutive days may have proved a bit fatiguing for some of the competitors at this match; especially those of advanced years. Funny thing, I never heard anyone complain of the marathon being run. One thing for sure, 180 shots in competition provided ample opportunity to sort out matters and see who really are world champion class shooters.

In order to provide some relief at the end of each day's competition, comforting distractions were scheduled. Friday evening found most competitors at the American Legion Hall for dinner, refreshments and, a birthday celebration for Ray Appalls. Ray's dad, Hans, was also recognized for his birthday that previous Monday. Good times and good memories for all. This affair was generously provided with sponsorship from Cardin Distribution (our local Budweiser folks).

For Saturday evening's diversion, all competitors were invited back to the American Legion Hall for dancing. Music was provided by the Black Rose Band, of which fellow competitor and member of the Good Ole Boys Club, Rick Thompson, plays. They were also offered leftovers from the previous night's dinner until consumed. As it turned out, most competitors elected to find dining experiences elsewhere; thus missing out on a 'jamming' good time.

For those of you familiar with my style of match reports, you've noticed that I chose not to emphasize the competitive shooting portion of the event. There are plenty of comments, opinions and pontification available for your edification on the Internet. My number-one concern is the opinion of and overall experience of the average attendee. –Did they leave the event feeling happy they came, with talk of returning?

As of this writing, it seems that the Good Ole Boys (G.O.B) Airgun Club was able to pull off another fun and rewarding event. With community participation from various volunteers, business entities and local government officials, enough resources were pooled to provide a high level of enjoyment to those who favored us with their presence. Of course there are always a few glitches that arise but we are determined to keep them at minimum.

There were indeed some mighty fine displays of shooting ability at this rifle match. The accuracy of our equipment and high level of skill behind the trigger never ceases to amaze me. Our congratulations go out to all of those competitors able to prevail in taking home a trophy.

To see the delight on the face of Rosie Smith after winning her shoot off with Vipha Miller, for High Woman, was priceless indeed. Just as watching the several other tie breaker nail-biters between: Andy Calpin and Robert Crocker; Seigfried Liebner and Hennie Breytenbach; and lets not leave out the biggest shoot-off to determine Master of the Universe, between Paul Cray and Warren Williamson. I'm also sure Jeff Paddock was very happy to cinch his Piston Class Championship with the drama of a shoot-off.

Of note, it is interesting to see that Bill Howarth, High Senior, was only one point ahead of Walker Landry, High Junior. Then we noticed that Andy Calpin, International Class winner, was shooting at approximately 8 ft/lb less than Robert Crocker. It is also no surprise that Team U.S.A. won by considerable margin over their competitors (most of which shot 12 ft/lb). Can't you just hear the ft/lb debate, picking up steam?

Congratulations again to all trophy winners, and we of the G.O.B. organizing committee consider each and every competitor in attendance a winner in our hearts.

Attached and in conjunction with this match write-up, please find a list of sponsors and contributors of material goods to be thanked for their generosity. And if someone has been advertently left out, please accept our humble apology for being feeble minded.

The Good Ole Boys were delighted to have you join us for this momentous event.

Please come back to see us again on the second weekend of June 2008!

We appreciate the assistance of the following F.T. Folks without whom this match would not have happened. David Slade, Brad Troyer, Clifford Smith, Don Hyfield, Robert Ray, Ken Hughes and his Airgunning Atlanta Cohorts.

The following Pulaski citizens were critical to the success of the smooth operation on match days. Lisa Davis and daughter, Catie, Cindy Payne, Diana Steelman and sons, Kelly and Bryan, Mike and Margaret Stone, and Anne Story. Special thanks go to Johnny Patel and Diana Steelman for 9 months of behind the scenes work.

A match is always enhanced, when we can pass out donated goodies to the competitors. The following companies and individuals donated items:

Air Arms – Apparel

Daystate – Apparel

Hawke Optics– Nighteye Scope, apparel and accessories

Mac-1 – Promise of a 12 fpe USFT for defense of the PCP title in 2008

Schmidt & Bender – Apparel

Scotty York – Accessories

Umarex USA – Many tins and boxes of RWS match pellets

Bob Winer – BKL scope rings

Bob Zimmerman – Daily top score awards and pellet boxes

McKay Small Engine – for the loan of a 4x4 utility vehicle

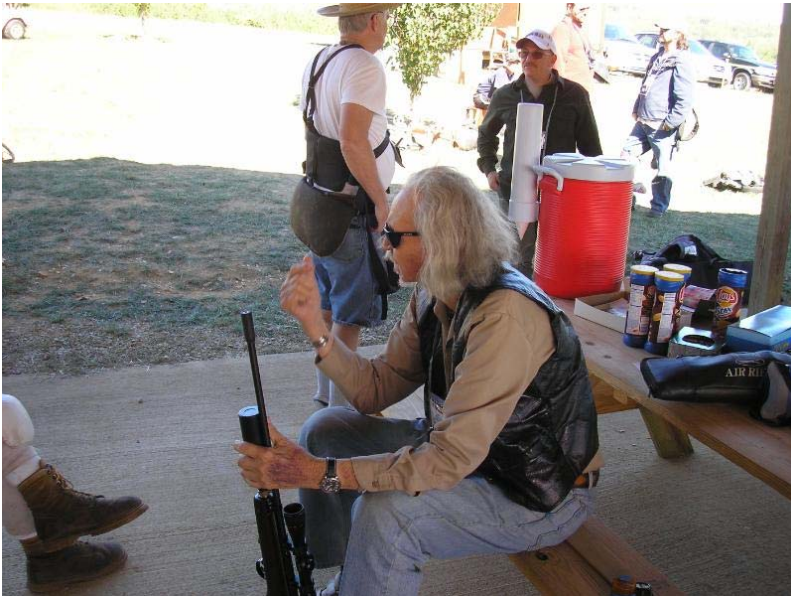
Dottie Berry – for the loan of a camper to use as our scoring office

May God Bless You!

Roz



Team USA 1st Place World Champion Team



PCP Division

#	Name	Red	White	Blue	Total	Gun	Scope	Pellet
1	Cray, Paul	58	57	53	168	USFT	Nikko Stirling 10-50x60	JSBH
2	Williamson, Warren	57	57	54	168	Steyr LG100ZM	Leupold 35x	CPH
3	Sauve, Greg	54	57	55	166	Steyr LG100ZM	BSA 10-50x60	JSBH
4	Crocker, Robert	47	57	59	163	CRX	Nightforce 36x	CPH
5	Calpin, Andy	54	59	50	163	EV2 MK2	Nikko Stirling 10-50x60	JSB
6	Slade, David	50	57	55	162	Theoben MRF	Bushnell 6-24x	CPH
7	Miller, Doug	53	57	49	162	FWB P70	Nikko Stirling 10-50-60	CPH
8	Omicin, Guy	53	53	52	158	FWB P70	Nikko Stirling 10-50-60	CPH
9	Sutherland, Wade	47	56	55	158	USFT	Leupold 35x	CPH
10	Cocorran, Bobby	54	54	48	156	USFT	Bushnell 4200 8x32 CPH	
11	Diaz, Abe	48	51	54	153	Steyr LG100ZM	Weaver 36x	JSBH
12	Miller, Mike	50	51	52	153	EV2 MK2	Nikko Stirling 10-50-60	JSBH
13	Smith, Gordon	50	53	49	152	Steyr LG100ZM	BSA 10-50x60	
14	Breytenbach, Hennie	44	53	44	151	Walther Dominator	Nikko Stirling 10-50-60	FX
15	Howarth, Bill	44	53	54	151	Steyr LG100ZM	Nightforce 36x	CPH
16	Liebner, Siegfried	46	51	54	151	Walther Dominator	Leupold 8.5-25x50 Daystate	
17	Schulz, Steve	48	52	51	151	USFT	Nightforce 36x	CPH
18	Bradley, Rod	48	47	55	150	Walther Dominator		
19	Landry, Walker	48	48	54	150	Daystate M3	Bushnell 8-32x	JSBH
20	Jenkinson, Nick	49	52	48	149	Air Arms MPR FT	Leupold 20-50x	AA ft 8.4
21	Allen, Kevin	50	48	48	146	Ripley AR5s	Leupold 35x	JSB
22	Carkhuff, Don	45	51	49	145	Anschutz 2002	Nightforce 36x	JSBH
23	Ray, Robert	47	50	48	145	USFT	Nikko Stirling 10-50x60	CPH
24	Thompson, Rick	47	49	49	145	Theoban Vanquish	Nikko Stirling 10-50-60	JSBH
25	Costello, John	43	50	51	144	Daystate Mk3	Leupold 35x	Daystate
26	McMurray, Tim	47	49	47	143	USFT		
27	Schilsky, Reinder	45	48	50	143	Steyr LG100ZM	Nikko Stirling 10-50-60	CPH
28	Korick, Joe	42	52	48	142	CRX	BSA 10-50X60	CPH
29	Smith, Rosie	46	46	50	142	Daystate Mk3	Nikko Stirling 10-50x60	JSBH
30	Miller, Vipha	44	49	49	142	FWB P70	Leupold 35x	CPH
31	Apelles, Hans	47	45	49	141	NJR100	Bushnell 8-32x	CPH
32	Eden, Dennis	40	50	51	141	Theoben MFR	Deben 10-50x	CPH
33	Itterly, Tom	42	48	51	141	Ripley AR4	Nightforce 36x	CPH
34	Youngren, Neil	45	46	50	141	Steyr LG100ZM	BSA 10-50X60	CPH
35	Breedt, Piet	45	49	46	140	Walther Dominator	Lynx 10-50x60	FX 4.52
36	Roller, Walt	38	49	52	139	AA Pro Target	Burriss 8-32x	CPH
37	Damien, Jackie	38	49	50	137	FWB P70	Bushnell 8-32x	CPH
38	Jordan, Quentin	39	48	49	136	Walther Dominator	Lynx 10-50x60	FX
39	Richter, Lukas	44	49	43	136	Walther Dominator	Lynx 10-50x60	JSB
40	York, Raschel	46	47	43	136	Steyr LG100ZM	BSA 10-50X60	CPH
41	McSweyn, Tim	44	43	48	135	USFT	Deben 10-50-60	CPH
42	Page, Steve	37	46	52	135	EV2 Mk2	Leupold 20-50x	AA
43	Reno, Chad	41	51	43	135	AA RN10-TI	Nightforce 8-40x	CPH
44	Vinson, Doug	42	47	46	135	Pro Target	Leupold 35x	CPH
45	Durham, Larry	37	46	51	134	USFT		
46	Nicholson, Chris	45	48	41	134	Air Arms ProTarget	BSA 10-50X60	JSB
47	Roberts, Ian	42	45	47	134	Mac 1 Hunter #16	Nikko Stirling 10-50-60	JSBH
48	Storey, Anthony	36	50	48	134	P70	Nikko Stirling 10-50x60	CPH
49	Jones, Thomas	40	48	45	133	P70	Nikko Stirling 10-50X60	JSBH
50	McDaniel, Joe	42	47	43	132	Steyr LG100ZM	Leupold 35x	JSBH
51	Otten, Dick	46	43	43	132	USFT		JSBH
52	Haddad, Joe	42	47	42	131	USFT	Nikko Stirling 10-50x60	CPH
53	Cocorran, Sandy	33	47	49	129			
54	Irvine, Don	42	43	43	128	Steyr LG100FT	Deben Hi Mag 10-50 Baracuda M	
55	Walker, John	42	39	47	128	AA Ev2	Leupold 18-40x	CPL
56	Rushton, Matthew	34	45	46	125	CRX	Bushnell 8-32x	JSBH
57	Winer, Robert	40	47	37	124	Steyr LG100ZM	Bushnell 8-32x	CPH
58	Itterly, Kevin	44	42	35	121	Theoben MFR	Bushnell 8-32x	JSBH
59	Falk, John	40	43	37	120	USFT	Leupold 35x	JSBH
60	Hyfield, Don	40	36	43	119	AA Pro Target	Tasco 10-40x	
61	Walker, Robert	48	30	41	119	EV2	Leupold 18-40x	CPL
62	Carlson, Ron	33	48	37	118	AA EV2	Nikko Stirling 10-50-60	JSB
63	Winslow, Scott	32	39	46	117	Pro Target	BSA 10-50x60	CPH
64	Lipsmire, Brian	44	49	22	115	Steyr LG100ZM	BSA 10-50X60	CPH
65	Riedel, Allan	37	38	40	115	AA Ev2	Lynx 10-50x60	AA 4.52
66	York, Scott	29	41	43	113	Steyr LG100ZM	Nikko Stirling 10-50x60	CPH
67	Saunders, Gary	33	44	34	111	Daystate CRX ST	Bushnell 8-32x	Daystate FT
68	Blair, Greg	27	43	36	106	Steyr LG100ZM	Nikko Stirling 10-50x60	JSBH
69	Reno, Brett	34	33	39	106	Ripley AR4	BSA 10-50X60	CPH
70	Wicha, Werner	31	33	37	101	LG300	BSA 10-50x60	JSBH
71	Mathisen, Donald	35	33	29	97	S200	Elite 4200 8-32	JSB
72	Daste, Barry	32	30	34	96	Theoben MFR	Bushnell 8-32x	JSBH
73	Conover, Paul	23	33	38	94	EV2	Tasco	JSB
74	Berry, Dottie	32	26	32	90	Beeman Mako	Bushnell 6-24x	CPH
75	Zimmerman, Bob	34	07	43	84	NJR100	Leupold 35x	JSBH
76	Rushton, Elizabeth	12	18	14	44	AA300	Bushnell 8-32x	CPH
77	Reinheimer, Edward	—	35	36	DNF	USFT	Nikko Stirling 10-50x50	CPH
78	Shimizu, Richard	—	29	37	DNF	CR94	Nightforce 8-40x	CPH
79	Otsuka, Alan	33	—	20	DNF	GC-2	Leupold 18-40x	JSBH
80	Jiracek, John	38	—	02	DNF	Steyr LG100ZM	Nikko Stirling 10-50x60	CPH
81	Sloat, Newton	09	—	—	DNF	FWB P70	Nikko Stirling 10-50x60	

Piston Division

#	Name	Red	White	Blue	Total	Gun	Scope	Pellet
1	Paddock, Jeff	45	43	39	127	TX200SR	Leupold 35x	CPL
2	Rushton, Harold	40	44	38	122	JW65	Bushnell 8-32x	JSB
3	Troyer, Brad	36	48	35	119	HW97	Bushnell 6-24x	CPL
4	Apelles, Ray	42	32	41	115	TX200SR	Nightforce 36x	JSB
5	Sumpter, James	30	42	39	111	TX200SR	BSA 10-50x60	JSB
6	Zeman, Ron	40	36	35	111	TX200SR	Burris 8-32x	FTS
7	Smith, Cliff	32	43	35	110	TX200	Bushnell 6-24x	JSB
8	Landry, Warren	34	33	42	109	JW70	Bushnell 8-32x	JSBH
9	Kays, Andrew	29	38	39	106	TX200	Tasco 8-32x	JSB
10	Harde, George	31	42	31	104			
11	Bishop, Paul	32	36	35	103	TX200	Bushnell 8-32x	JSB
12	Hughes, Ken	37	25	36	98	TX200	Leapers 8-32x	JSB
13	Jonnson, Carl	29	35	34	98			
14	Liles, Bill	32	35	31	98	TX200	Hakko 10-50x	CPL
15	Otter, Al	26	38	32	96	TX200SR	Leupold 6.5-20x	FTS
16	Engelhart, Timothy	28	28	33	89	ProSport	Nikko Stirling 10-50x60	JSB
17	Lightfoot, Tony	26	22	40	88	TX200	Bushnell 8-32x	JSB
18	Yee, Kevin	24	29	35	88	TX200	Tasco 8-40x	FTS
19	Garner, Greg	33	21	28	82	JW60	Leupold 35x	JSB
20	Flickman, Mike	25	23	29	77	TX200	Nikko Stirling 10-50x60	JSBH
21	Lykins, Tom	20	27	20	67	JW70	Nikko Stirling 10-50x60	JSB
22	Geddes, Jim	15	29	20	64	TX200	Swift 6-24x	JSB
23	Cox, Steve	21	13	24	58	HW77	Bushnell 6-24	CPL
24	Lipinski, Stan	09	23	23	55	TX200SR	Bushnell 8-33x	FTS
25	Frederick, Robert	22	15	15	52	TX200	Weaver 24x	JSB
26	Vines, Steve	—	—	11	DNF			
27	Sumpter, Roz (pcp Sun)	42	36	33	111	JW50	Bushnell 8-32x	JSB

2007 World FT Championship Results Teams

Team Score

USA 814

England 724

South Africa 714

High Junior

Walker Landry 150

High Lady

Rosie Smith 142

High Senior

Bill Howarth 151



This is what's on the world champ's mind daily!
He loves...the chicken?



This photo makes me think of the song Ebony and Ivory
By Stevie Wonder and Paul McCartney
Great photo of the Champs



The shoot-off heard round the world!



Airgunning Atlanta Oct 2007 article

by Ken Hughes

The 2007 World Championships have had a very positive effect on the members of Airgunning Atlanta (AA). Many have had their passion for Field Target (FT) shooting revived and some have decided to give the international style FT a try. AA has also been lucky enough to have had several new members join us this year who have been very active on the local scene and are going to do some traveling to out of state matches next year. From what I've seen lately, I believe 2008 will be a great year for FT shooting in Atlanta.

This past Sunday (Oct. 28th) several of the AA guys got together for an impromptu FT shoot. Some of us had new "toys" to test and others were trying out different ways of shooting FT.

Jon has had a major equipment upgrade and is now shooting a fully loaded ZM2002, it's a good looking rig. Greg brought out his newest acquisition, an EV2 at 12ftlbs, and it's a good shooter even if Greg isn't <G> (Greg, we love you man!). I got reacquainted with an old friend, a RN10 that I shot well at one time and hopefully will again.

Jon and I where both using the Price harness for the first time in a match. I am amazed at how much more steady a hold I had and I could shoot all day without getting tired. I liked this new experience; I just might have to give this strap thing a serious try.

It was a little cool when we arrived out at the range but the sun took care of the chill and we had a perfect day for shooting FT. The course was fresh to all shooters and around a 35 TDF. The wind was playing its usual games and causing misses from misreads.

Doug, Jon, and I shot high power PCP. Kevin and Greg fought it out in international style. While David Kirby and David enjoyed the day shooting their springers hunter style in piston class. Everyone knows that mind games are a part of the FT game and there was plenty of "smack" talking to go around. There is nothing like some friendly banter and heckling to liven up the match.

When the match was over several of us went out for lunch at the local country club restaurant and continued the fellowship with good friends. Thank you to all who came out and made for a great day of shooting with friends. Our next club match is November 18th (Sunday), please come out and join in on the fun. Till then....

Stats:

Ken Hughes	RN10	NF36X	38/44
Kevin Allen	Ripley	Leupold 35x	36/44
Doug Vinson	Protarget	Leupold 35x	35/44
Greg Garner	EV2	Leupold 35x	32/44
Jon Oswald	ZM2002	BSA 10-50x	22/44
David Kirby	TX200HC	Leapers 3-12x	13/44
David	Prosport	Swift 6-24x	08/44

DIFTA November 3 Match

By Joe McDaniel

Our LMOTY (Last Match of the Year) was a bit different than our usual matches. The course included three lanes with British Rules (1 min/target, 1 shot/target) with one lane each being offhand, kneeling, and prone. One additional lane was "rapid fire" -- this lane had a silhouette-style practice target with five flippers and one (Long Tom) normal field target at a different distance. A total of 3 minutes were allowed for this lane. There was some trepidation when announcing this new format but, at the end of the match, it was declared a success.

The weather was excellent albeit a bit cool with temperatures in the 40s and low 50s and a good breeze blowing the entire match. The DIFTA lanes are usually very well shaded from both the sun and wind but the first and last matches of the year offer an opportunity for some serious wind "doping" when the leaves are mostly off the trees.

It is hard to estimate the course difficulty because of the wind as well as timing and format changes -- the nominal difficulty was 28T but this does not include wind or timing. The only change in the course design might be to increase the difficulty of the prone lane as several people chose to shoot it kneeling or standing with (too good?) success. Possibly, the silhouette flipper target might be put out a bit further or something more "chicken" size chosen. The total number of shots was 60.

The schedule for 2008 has been picked. The dates are: April 12 (Fun Match), April 19, May 3, June 21, July 26 (Maryland State Championship), August 16, September 20, October 4 (Fun Shoot), October 18, and November 1.

Apologies for the results being limited to just names and scores -- the registration cards were left at the range.

PCP Division Results:

Name	Score
Joe McDaniel	59
Steve Schulz	58
JC Brown	52*
Werner Wicha	52
Dennis Verhagen	52
Ed Reinheimer	51

* Tie decided by shootoff

Hunter Division Results:

Name	Score
Henry Canoles	53
Phil Dean	46
Ed Canoles	45
Tim Avera	34
Paolo Amedeo	30
Bill Gazdik	22

Piston Division Results:

Name	Score
Al Otter	50
Rex Gori	45
Karl Krchma	37
Dale Benson offhand	25
Singson Tiu	16
Jacobi Beck	13
Mark Couillard	09
Josh Christiani	07

Junior Division Results:

Scoring: 2 for a "kill", 1 for a face hit

Name	Score
Hanna Brown	59

Airgunning Atlanta November Match Report

Airgunning Atlanta members got together today for our November match. We had an excellent turn out on an absolutely beautiful day. The temperature topped out in the low 70's and it was a relatively windless day. Almost all of the active members participated and certainly showed up ready to battle it out for first place. In my short time as a member this was easily one of the most competitive matches I've taken part in. There was a buzz of enthusiasm and competitiveness that really made just watching it and being part of it very enjoyable.

Ken Hughes has been putting some time in to make our course more challenging and he definitely accomplished that well. As I witnessed the course challenged both the veteran and the novice shooters, especially me LOL. There were a few targets placed that exceeded 50 on the Troyer scale and one that I believe was over 70. The addition of a kneeling lane gave the course a nice change of pace, hopefully it will help in training for next year's Nationals. I am not exactly sure of the course's overall Troyer rating but I think it was somewhere in the 34-35 range (it seemed harder to me, LOL). Tommy Garland and Ken Hughes tied for top honors today at 49 hits a piece out of a possible 52 shots. Kevin Allen was hot on their heels with 48 hits for 2nd place. Walt Roller cussed and swore his way into 46 hits for 3rd place. Greg Garner and Doug Vinson also had a very good showing for a 4th place tie. Jon Oswald (me) stumbled, tripped, and other wise lucked into a 5th place finish with a 29. And last but certainly not least David Kirby got a 25, David was the only springer shooter for today.

As a side note, and my personal experience of today's match: I have to say these are a great bunch of guys to learn from, I got a ton of shooting technique, and equipment advice that is really priceless information to me. There is no place else that you can learn this much about field target shooting that I have come across, I personally have gained a lot from shooting some of the most seasoned field target shooters out there, Thanks guys I really appreciate it! And thanks Greg for the coaching, CLOSE YOUR BREECH!

Come on out and enjoy a match with us, it's really a great time. Check out the www.airgunningatlanta.com website for club info, match information, and directions to the club site.

Open PCP Class

Place	Score	Shooter	Rifle	Optics	Pellet
1st tie	49	Ken Hughes	Air Arms RN10	Nightforce 36X	JSBH 10.2
1st tie	49	Tommy Garland	Air Arms Pro Target	Nightforce 36X	CPH 10.5
2nd	46	Walt Roller	Air Arms Pro Target	Burris 8-32X	CPH 10.5
3rd	45	Doug Vinson	Air Arms Pro Target	Leupold Comp 35X	CPH 10.5
4th	29	Jon Oswald	Anschutz ZM2002	Hakko 8-34X	CPH 10.5

International Class

Place	Score	Shooter	Rifle	Optics	Pellet
1st	48	Kevin Allen	Ripley AR5s	Leupold Comp 35X	JSB 8.4
2nd	45	Greg Garner	Air Arms EV2 MKIII	Leupold Comp 35X	JSB 7.9

International Piston

Place	Score	Shooter	Rifle	Optics	Pellet
1st	25	David Kirby	Air Arms TX200 HC	Bushnell Banner 6-24X	JSB 8.4

Overall	Score	Shooter	Rifle	Optics	Pellet
1st tie	49	Ken Hughes	Air Arms RN10	Nightforce 36X	JSBH 10.2
1st tie	49	Tommy Garland	Air Arms Pro Target	Nightforce 36X	CPH 10.5
2nd	48	Kevin Allen	Ripley AR5s	Leupold Comp 35X	JSB 8.4
3rd	46	Walt Roller	Air Arms Pro Target	Burris 8-32X	CPH 10.5
4th tie	45	Doug Vinson	Air Arms Pro Target	Leupold Comp 35X	CPH 10.5
4th tie	45	Greg Garner	Air Arms EV2 MKIII	Leupold Comp 35X	JSB 7.9
5th	29	Jon Oswald	Anschutz ZM2002		

2007 Louisiana State Championships

We had a good turnout for our match despite the fact that I-10 was shut down due to a gas well explosion. Chad Reno left Houston at 3 a. m., and arrived at 9:15. Best feat award goes to Chad, because he did not even take one practice shot and still shot a 53x60. Way to go Chad! We were very fortunate that the rain held up until just after the award ceremony and Bret Guidry's delicious wild game gumbo. Once the rain started it continued through Sunday without stopping. With almost no wind, and everyone bringing their A game, we had impressive scores by all, in all classes. The beautiful course set in Belle Terre sported a couple of very difficult + 50 yard shots and a half dozen standers. Special thanks go to Ron and Joe for having all targets visible and with kill zones easily discernible even for the color blind shooters. Way to go guys!

Roz Sumpter and our own Bubbie Smith blistered the course to a 56 point tie for first place in PCP. Roz won in a tough shoot off, to take first in PCP, and Bubbie as the 2007 State PCP Champion. Bret Guidry shot an amazing 51 in HFT with his third generation hand me down camo covered FX Tarantula. I should have never given up that old synthetic stocked FX that I bought in Roanoke years ago. Benny Lopoo thinks the same thing, especially after his first ever effort at spray painting it fire engine red! Warren Landry continued his prowess in the Piston Class, with Tony Lightfoot nipping at his heels the whole day. You'll get him yet Tony-great effort. And now the rest of the gang:

PCP CLASS

PCP State Champion Bubbie Smith

1.	56	Bubbie Smith	AZ Steyr	BSA 10-50	CPH	Slik 50
2.	56	Roz Sumpter	Theoben MFR	Bushnell 8-32	JSBH	
3.	55	Barry Daste	AA Pro Target	Bushnell 8-32	JSBH	Slik 50
4.	54	Rosie Smith	AZ Steyr	Nikko 10-50		Slik 50
5.	53	Chad Reno	AA RN-10	Nightforce 40x	CPH	
6.	52	Greg Blair	AZ Steyr	Nikko 10-50		Slik 50
7.	49	Walker Landry	Daystate MK 3	Bushnell 8-32	JSBH	
8.	46	Jim McCormick	FX Typhoon	Nikko 10-50	JSBH	Krytec
9.	39	Valerie Guidry	Walther Dom8er	Centerpoint 8-32	JSBH	

PISTON CLASS

Piston State Champion Warren Landry

1.	49	Warren Landry	JW 70 Whiscombe	Bushnell 8-32	JSBH
2.	48	Tony Lightfoot	AA TX 200		JSBL
3.	33	Matt Tibbetts	AA TX 200	Nikko 2-7	JSBL
4.	24	David Luecke	AA TX 200		JSBL
5.	22	Ron Lambe	AA TX 200	Bushnell 8-32	JSBL

HFT CLASS

HFT State Champion Bret Guidry

1.	51	Bret Guidry	FX Tarantula	Leapers @ 12x	JSBL
2.	46	Joe DuBoulay	Daystate MK 111	Bushnell 8-32	JSBH
3.	43	Ken Green	BSA Hornet	Leapers @ 12x	JSBL
4.	40	Daniel Archibald	AA S400 ERB	BSA @ 12x	JSBL
5.	33	Jack Kirkendoll	Daystate Harrier	Bushnell @ 12x	JSBL

High Junior Walker Landry

High Woman Valerie Guidry

Thank you everyone who helped to make our match a big success. Thanks Valerie and Bret for the delicious lunch and dessert. Finally, my special thanks go to my good friend Bubbie Smith, who coached me through the standers.

Our next match will be a regular field target match on December first. Following that, we will have a mini-match on December 15th.

I wish you all a Happy Thanksgiving. Ain't it great to be an American!

Bear



MAFTA September 8, 2007 Match Report

ConditionsTemp: 60-70F, Precipitation: None, Wind: 4-6 mph Score 64X possible

PCP Division

John Jiracek	Steyr ZM 100	N-S 10-50	Premier 10.5	64
Neil Younggren	Steyr ZM 100	BSA 10-50	Premier 10.5	62
Dan Owen	Steyr ZM 100	BSA 10-50	Premier 10.5	57
Karen Skogen	AA NJR-100	Burris 8-32	Premier 10.5	53
Jay Olson-Goude	FWB OM P70FT	Burris 8-32	Premier 10.5	52
Rod Schoenfelder	Walther Domin8r	ZOS 10-40	Premier 10.5	34

International Class

Mark Catlin	Steyr LG 100	BSA 10-50	JSB 8.4	57
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Piston Division

Rod Skogen	Air Arms TX-200	Leupold 6.5-20	JSB 8.4	55
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Hunter Class

Pete Adams	Beeman R-9	Premier 7.9	33
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A beautiful day for the 2007 Minnesota State Field Target Championships. I brought over some extra targets and mixed things up a bit and added an additional lane to give us a total of 64 shots. After the match, we had pizza at the range. Congratulations to 2007 State Champions John Jiracek and Rodney Skogen, and to International and Hunter Class winners Mark Catlin and Pete Adams.

Blue Balls Field Target Match Planning Report Match still set for Feb 03, 2008

Market analysts met with Raul Hernandez, chief operating officer of Blue Balls Inc for the quarterly financial results of that company. Based on a positive outlook for 100% quota achievement on ball production by Feb 3, 2008, BBI soared on the Wolcott Stock Exchange closing at a 52 week high of \$0.03 in heavy trading.

Hernandez reported that Ball production currently stands at 48% of quota, which although slightly behind schedule, has been offset by declining per ball production costs which is attributed to increased ball fluid production in OBPC (organization of ball producing countries) nations and the use of Hernandez' Mexican cousins to produce balls.

Although BBI has an optimistic outlook for 2008 and beyond, ongoing production challenges could result in a lag in BBI profits beyond Q1 2008. Hernandez described difficulties in management of certain female employees who have been sucking firm, hard balls which resulted in a higher than anticipated quality control rejection rate. In spite of this issue, ball production remains at high levels with a ball rejection rate averaging less than 2%, well above the international ball rejection average. Hernandez also reported that the switch to ball fluid derived from the Scandinavian fluid fields has resulted in less ball sag than was seen in previous production cycles from fluid derived from Ukrainian sources. Ball sag is a significant issue in blue ball production as the only way to detect sag prior to customer delivery is to grasp the balls and squeeze them firmly and this unfortunately results in the production of ball fluid, shrinkage, and leakage.

When asked about the effect of the holidays on blue ball production, Hernandez indicated that he has many cousins, and if needed, ball production can be outsourced to Mexico where each relative can contribute at least two balls (with the exception of Ignatius the eunuch who has never had the balls to do anything).

Upon hearing of Hernandez' comments, Blue Balls CEO, David Day, released a comment that all Mexican workers involved in ball handling were legal migrant workers and that no laws were being violated by BBI. He further indicated that since the balls were produced in America, it adds to the nation's economy, and given that American workers are reluctant to handle a lot of balls, let alone touch ball fluid, the use of relatively inexpensive Mexican labor was perfectly reasonable. He also pointed out that Mexicans tend to keep their balls cleaner than those derived from southeast Asian sources and this helps to keep hair from growing on frozen balls due to seed spillage on the ball surface.

Additionally, technology advisor, Peter Morris reported that the new sacs being used to contain the balls should result in less ball transit damage because of the special supports used in the sac construction. Upon release of this announcement, shares of Hanes underwear spiked on the Wolcott exchange as Hanes owns patent rights to the new sac support device.

Market analysts rated BBI as a STRONG BUY as a result of the analysts meeting and caution consumers to avoid balls from countries known to use lead shields in their sac containers to prevent balls from X-Ray damage as a consequence of new homeland security importation and ball inspection requirements.

“Nobody will take my precious from me!” Billy Lo, Blue Balls 2006 Champion

Good Old Boys Match November 10th, 2007

For our final airgun match of the year 2007, we here at the G.O.B. Club decided on sixty shots of field target. No surprise there. Field target is our very foundation.

The White course that was used for this year's WFTF Championship Match had not been completely taken down afterward. Ten of the lanes used last month were left in tact and good to go for another round. The difference this time was that we did three (3) shots per target rather than the customary two (2). There were five lanes with two targets each on the uphill side and an equal number of lanes and targets on the downhill slope.

After the match was over, I perused the score cards, in search of any anomaly. Sure enough, though the difficulty level for the lanes facing the opposite directions was virtually the same, the ratio of hits on the kill zones were significantly unbalanced.

All but one (1) competitor shooting this course got a greater number of kill zone hits on the downhill lanes. In fact, most showed an approximate 40% performance improvement shooting downhill rather than uphill. Even after factoring out the standing and kneeling lanes, which were both uphill, the conclusive analogy remains the same:-Folks are not comfortable shooting uphill!

As for the weather conditions, the temperature started off around 45° F at 8:00a.m. It gradually worked its way up to approximately 55° F by the time the match got underway, at 10:30a.m. When we had finished competition, around 1:00p.m., we were at the 60° F mark.

Though it was somewhat breezy on the practice range, there was very little wind to contend with on the course itself. In fact, discussion afterward did not disclose that anyone adjusted their shots for wind drift. This really aided those whose power plants were producing close to the 12Ft/Lb mark. Things tend to go better if trajectory is your only variable.

All things considered, this match proved to be a satisfactory way to wrap-up the airgunning season here at the G.O.B. Club. With Subway sandwiches and munchies to refresh us, we concluded our day of activity by shooting some silhouette and various fun targets as casual enjoyment. This helped to appease the feelings of those who may have been unhappy with their field target performance.

Congratulations are due to David Slade, shooting PCP, and Rod Bradley, shooting Piston, for their respective wins. And much thanks to Brad Troyer for setting-up the silhouette and fun targets. Brad arrived too late to compete with us but helped where he could.

We at the G.O.B Airgun Club wish each and every one of you a safe and happy holiday season. God willing, we look forward to enjoying your fellowship at the various field target venues this coming 2008 season. May your spirit be joyful and at peace!

Roz

G.O.B. Match November 10, 2007 60 Shot F/T

<u>PCP</u>	<u>Score</u>	<u>Rifle</u>	<u>Scope</u>	<u>Pellet</u>
David Slade	55	MFR	Bushnell 8x32	Crosman 10.5
Roz Sumpter	54	MFR	Nikko 10x50	JSB 10.2
Rick Thompson	49	Vanquish	Nikko 10x50	JSB 10.2
Dottie Berry	35	Mako	Bushnell 6x24	JSB 8.4
John Blount	22	S 410 E	Simmons 6x20	JSB 8.4

Piston

Rod Bradley	44	JW-70	Bushnell 6x24	JSB 8.4
Harold Rushton	43	JW-70	Bushnell 8x32	JSB 8.4
Wade Sutherland	38	TX-200	Bushnell 8x32	Crosman 7.9
Matthew Rushton	37	TX-200	Bushnell 8x32	JSB 8.4
Steve Vines	25	TX-200	Marksman 4x12	JSB 8.4
Anden Hoben	13	TX-200	Bushnell 8x32	Crosman 7.9

Georgia State Championship Match Report

Airgunning Atlanta

By Scott Thome

GA State Match – December 16, 2007

What a wonderful day in Georgia for our last official match of the 2007 season. Temperatures hovered in the low 40's and the wind blew from 20mph to gusts of 35. Although the weather was not the best, it wasn't raining or snowing and we were knocking down targets. Any day that the targets fall is better than not shooting at all.

We had the most of the usual members show up ready to go. It took a little longer than usual to get started. Everyone had to dig out their winter shooting attire and make sure they could still shoulder their air rifle. Some had to adjust their Length of Pull due to the amount of clothing they had on. Low 40's is cold for us in the Southeast. Listen to me, I lived in Minneapolis for seventeen years until I move to Georgia four years ago. Blood turns thin fast.

Ken Hughes was Match Director and divided us into shooting squads to get things started. After reviewing them, there was a definite theme to two of the teams. There was Team EV2 starting on lane #1 and Team USFT starting on lane #2. The smack talk started up before we even got a hot line! I felt sorry for Greg Garner because he has an EV2, the same as mine, so he ended up shooting with me. I would like to state up front, Greg and I were both shooting 12fpe International Class and Team USFT, Jon Oswald and Kevin Allen, were both shooting full power although Kevin wasn't wearing straps.

As is the norm when friends get together for some good competition, many "constructive comments" were "shared" throughout the day between all of the competitors. In the beginning the competition was fierce but as time went on it backed off just a little. When you hear from the 20fpe guys that they had to aim off the face plate and it wasn't far enough, the wind must have been blowing pretty good. Either that, or they were trying to put the fear into the other groups, mainly us EV2 guys. I have a feeling it was the later. Looking at their scores, I'd say the wind didn't hurt them too much.

We had one brave piston shooter present. Our new GA State Piston Division Champion, David Kirby, had a great day showing us how to shoot low power in the wind. I think he's been practicing more than he's let on. He's tricky like that! Then there was Tim Rorabaugh, he "said" he hadn't shot over 30 yards in the past couple of years. Yeah, right! The weather did appear to take a victim early on when Doug Vinson checked his velocity during sight-in and found his rifle was shooting 50fps slower than normal. The tools came out and a tweak and a head scratch later and he was ready to go. Looking at his score, I don't think his rifle was performing the way it usually does. Doug is always scrapping at the top of the pile with the best.

Jon Oswald, with his new USFT, was on the hunt. I know, because he made sure Greg and I knew how "Team USFT" was doing after every lane. Jon probably felt a little pressure. It is really tough when your lane partner only misses two all day long on a windy day. Kevin Allen was giving us all a little lesson dealing with wind while on his way to securing the title of GA State PCP Division Champion. His score card was easy to fill in, xxxxxxxxxxxx. I can even handle that.

Then there was "Steady Ken". He ended up in second and we never heard a peep out of him all day. Actually, it's difficult to determine how he's doing because his score is like low drag double-ninja top secret. I think he was paying his squad mate, Tim, not to tell us any details until it was all over.

We all had a great time and ended up at the golf course club house for a casual lunch. If you haven't shot in Atlanta before, you must stop by. We benefit from the mild Southern winters and shoot all year round. Some of us are really good and enjoy the game and some of us just like being there as my score shows. Oh well, there's always next time!

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Here is a link to the match photos.

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Piston Division

Name	Rifle	Scope	Pellet	Score (56)
David Kirby	Air Arms TX-200 HC	Bushnell 6-24x	JSB 8.4	38

PCP Division

Name	Rifle	Scope	Pellet	Score (56)
Kevin Allen	USFT	Leupold Comp 35x	JSBH II 10.2	54
Ken Hughes	Air Arms RN10	NightForce FT 36x	JSBH II 10.2	50
Doug Vinson	Air Arms ProTarget	Leupold Comp 35x	Premier 10.5	47
Jon Oswald	USFT	Nikko 10-50x	Premier 10.5	46
Greg Garner	Air Arms EV2 Mk2	Leupold Comp 35x	JSB 7.9	45
Tim Rorabaugh	Daystate Mk3	Burris 8-32x	Premier 10.5	39
Scott Thome	Air Arms EV2 Mk2	Bushnell 8-32x	JSB 8.4	37

International Division

Name	Rifle	Scope	Pellet	Score (56)
Greg Garner	Air Arms EV2 Mk2	Leupold Comp 35x	JSB 7.9	45
David Kirby	Air Arms TX-200 HC	Bushnell 6-24x	JSB 8.4	38
Scott Thome	Air Arms EV2 Mk2	Bushnell 8-32x	JSB 8.4	37

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