

Match Report Humility Hill - May 18th and 19th, 2019

Our match director, Randy Ebersole, asked me to write the match report for him.

The weather outside was "fright-full" ... who cares about inside ☺ ... We worried about the predicted rainfall, but escaped the drops until the later part of the day during the pistol match. But the wind, (8 to 24mph), would not listen to our prayers... and kept gaining in power as the day moved on.... It gusted to the low 30s at times with horizontal rain during the pistol match. Not only was the wind furious, it was switching directions and not steady for very many seconds at a time.... Not our normal conditions for the middle of May in Southern Oregon. It was great to have the wood decks on every lane to shoot from, keeping us high above any mud and dry and level.

We ended up shooting two shots per target, since the wind was so bad. It was 52 shots on 13 lanes each day on the blue and yellow courses. The high rifle score over both days only reached 84%, and was shot by Jim Whittlesey in Open Class. Saturday's course had an average distance of 40.5 yards, a 1.43 kill zone and was 35.9T (Avg DF NoEnv), 42.96 (Avg DF All), (just under the legal limit), with 16 of the 26 targets past 40 yds and a standard deviation of 6.06. On Sunday, the course had an average distance of 38.27 yards, a 1.3" kill zone and was 33.09T (Avg DF NoEnv), 40.47 (Avg DF All), with 13 of the 26 targets past 40 yds and a standard deviation of 8.03

We had 17 competitors that shot on both days. Larry Durham, Jim Zigler, John Knapp, and Scott Hull came up from Southern CA. Riz and his son Vincent Marquez, Jessica and Cameron Kerndt, Jim Cyran, Chris Merritt, Jim Whittlesey, Darren Taylor, and Dana Wyse (his gun fell over and bent his scope on Saturday, so didn't shoot on Sunday), all journeyed from Northern CA... joining us locals, Bob Kidd (Bob moved to La Pine a couple hours NE of Ashland.. Welcome BoB!), Chris Lovitt, Randy Ebersole, Jacob Sumner and I.

The pistol match was contested Saturday afternoon after the rifle match, by eleven shooters; 5 in the Unlimited, and 6 in Hunter class. High score was shot by Cameron Kerndt (36/40) in Un-limited class, with Riz and Scott H. close behind with a 35/40. Randy E. won Hunter Class with a 33/40, I was 2nd with 29/40 and Jacob, LD, and Vincent only a point or two behind, on the 33.44 (Avg DF NoEnv), 41.04 (Avg DF All) troyer pistol course. LD created a new USFT pistol and he graciously allowed me to share it in the pistol match, he also switched scopes and air tanks with a higher reg. pressure, making it a 15fpe carbine rifle and also used it to compete in the rifle Hunter PCP class.

The switching and extreme wind conditions hurt the scores. Saturday's high score was shot by JW, in Open Class 43/52, with Riz in WFTF PCP only a point behind, and Randy two behind Riz. The scores were tight in Hunter PCP. John Knapp was in the lead with a 34/52... with, only 6 points separating the five contestants, and two points the top four in Hunter PCP. The high Piston score was shot in WFTF, by Cameron K., with a 33/52... matching the second high score in Hunter PCP!

Sunday saw a much needed break in the weather, with patchy SUNNY skies and very light winds, (to start the day at least). Everyone's spirit was high at the prospects of great shooting conditions. But, the lighter winds were still difficult to read, even with the easier course and lighter winds, the high score of

the day was still only a 44/52.... But it was shot by three competitors; JW, Scott Hull, and our very own Chris Lovitt. That good score on Sunday, bumped Chris to 1st in Hunter PCP with a 76/104, but only by one point, with LD and Jim C. tied for 2nd with a final score of 75/104. Scott's high score on Sunday, was not enough to make up for Saturday in Open Class, and JW's 87/104 was the high overall score and a solid first in Open PCP, giving Scott, a solid 2nd with 78/104 and Chris M. 3rd with 67/104. WFTF PCP was won by Riz with 82/104, and Randy close behind in 2nd with 80/104 and me lagging with a 77/104. Cameron shot a super piston score on Sunday of 37/52 to run away with WFTF Piston Class, with Jacob S. also shooting super piston on Sunday only a point behind with a 36/52 to take a combined piston 2nd place. Western Free Style Class didn't have any easier time with the conditions and the courses, and Jim Zigler won the class with a 62/104 and Darren Taylor took 2nd with a 41/104.

The skies were turning darker as we finished up a great meal provided by my sister Laurie and her friend Kathy, but we got the awards given out and the competitors on their way home before any wetness spoiled a great grand prix match and day of shooting.

Here are the scores by class:

PISTOL – Limited:

Cameron Kerndt- Beeman AR2079A custom- Hawke 3-12x50 – AA 10.34 @700fps – 36/40

Scott Hull- Marauder custom- UTG 3-12x44 – AA 10.34 @ 720fps – 35/40

Riz Marquez – Rizzynator custom – Bushnell 3-12x42 – AA 8.44 @790– 35/40

Dana Wyse – Thomas Carbine - UTG 3-12x44 – JSB 8.44 @ 790fps – 27/40

Darren Taylor – 1720T - UTG 3-12x44 – AA 10.34 @ 700fps – 15/40

PISTOL – Hunter:

Randy Ebersole – 1720T - UTG 3-12x44 – AA 10.34 @ 700fps – 33/40

Wayne Burns – USFT Pistol Custom #1 – Hawke 3-12x50 - AA 8.44 @790– 29/40

Jacob Sumner - 1720T – UTG 3-12x44 - AA 8.44 @790– 28/40

Larry Durham – USFT Pistol Custom #1 – Hawke 3-12x50 - AA 8.44 @790– 26/40

Vincent Marquez – Rizzynator custom – Bushnell 3-12x42 – AA 8.44 @790– 25/40

John Knapp – 1720T – Hawke 3-12x50 – JSB 8.44 – 19/40

RIFLE WFTF PCP:

Riz Marquez- Thomas Carbine – March 10-60x52 – JSB 8.44 – 82/104

Randy Ebersole – USFT # 44 – Sightron 10-50x60 – AA 8.44 @790– 80/104

Wayne Burns – USFT # 1 – Sightron 10-50x60 – AA 8.44 @790– 77/104

RIFLE HUNTER PCP:

Chris Lovitt – Custom Marauder – Sightron 10-50x60 – JSB 13.4 – 76/104

Larry Durham – USFT Pistol/Carbine Custom #1 – Bushy 6500 4-16x50 - AA 8.44 @890– 75/104

Jim Cyran – Steyr LG100 – S&B 5- 25 x56 – .20 cal JSB 13.4 – 75/104

John Knapp- USFT hunter – Hawke 4-16x50 – JSB .20 cal 13.4 – 69/104

Vincent Marquez- Daystate - Sightron 10-50x60 – AA 10.34 @890– 56/104

OPEN Class:

Jim Whittlesey – Thomas Carbine – Nikko 10-50x60 – AA 10.34 – 87/104 * High Overall Score

Scott Hull – Diana – Monstrum 6-24x50 – H&N sniper medium – 78/104

Chris Merritt – USFT 27 – Nikko 10-50x60 – AA 10.34 – 67/104

Dana Wyse – Thomas Carbine - March– JSB 13.34 – Saturday only 17/52

FREE STYLE class:

Jim Zigler – USFT – Hawke 8-32 x56 – CPH 10.5 – 62/104

Darren Taylor – Marauder – Aeon 4-16 – AA 10.34 - - 41/104

COMBINED PISTON:

Cameron Kerndt- HW 97- Vortec 10-40 – H&N 8.65 @770fps – WFTF Piston – 70/104

Jacob Sumner – HW97 – Hawke 8-32x56 – AA 7.87 @ 810fps – Hunter Piston – 58/104

Jessica Kerndt- HW 97- Vortec 10-40 – H&N 8.65 @770fps – WFTF Piston – 49/104

Bob Kidd – HW 97 – Sightron S111 10-50x60 – H&N FT – WFTF Piston – 45/104

Randy asked me to thank you all for taking the time and treasure to travel here and join in our fun competing. Also, special thanks to my sister Laurie and her friend Kathy, for feeding us over the match days. I also personally, want to thank you all for coming to visit the ranch and new courses to test your shooting skills, do some trading, and share stories of shots made and missed. It was so great to see each and every one of you!

I'll see some of you in Battle Mt. Nevada real soon.

Blessings

Wayne Burns,

For Randy Ebersole

Match Director

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