

WWCCA July 18, 2010 Field Target Match Report

We had another good turnout for the match with 15 shooters in attendance. The weather was hot and humid with a slight sprinkle of rain as the last group was completing their last lane. Our unofficial state bird, the mosquito, was not as bad as they usually are. The sun shone its face earlier but the clouds that were bringing the rain dominated the day, which helped make the temperature a bit more bearable.

I had a vacation day to use up, so my brother Joe, Karen my wife, Bill Dodt and I setup the course on Friday so we could attend Precision Airguns fun shoot on Saturday. Jim and Nancy Stanis have a beautiful home and air gun store on their property. I had attended last year and Karen went with me this year and had a wonderful time and Jim has everything you could ask for. If you are ever in need of anything, make sure you give Jim a call.

It has been six weeks since our last match, and we had our work cut out for us. We spent five and a half hours on the job and made major progress in the completion of the range plan. We cut trees, cleared branches, and moved all the wood and we still don't have our three lanes that the downed trees took out, but we are almost there. I wonder if we will ever really be completed, as every tree that falls changes our plans once again.

The course set up was more difficult this month as we shot on the walk through range instead of the covered practice range. The Troyer rating was 39.3 this month. We have placed some new target stands on the range, which are elevated to provide a more realistic field target scenario. We will continue to install new target stands, and I would appreciate any feedback you have.

Jeff Paddock was paired with his niece Briquelle who shared Jeff's gun and shot her first field target match. They both shot good scores on a difficult course, Briquelle shot five times better than I did in my first event, great job. Karen my wife was shooting with Wilfred Greaves and they seemed to struggle to knock down targets this month. Karen's gun wouldn't cock on her second to the last lane and she completed the event with Wilfred's gun. Thanks for letting her shoot your gun Wilfred. I was paired with Eric Tingey who made the trip over from Canada with his friend another first timer Dino Bortolin. Eric shot nearly as well as I did with my gun. After my first lane I thought wouldn't that be great if he posts a better score than me with my gun. Andy Wong shot with Ken Matson and they are continuing to post improving scores. Ken seems to be getting the system down at a rapid rate and his scores show it. Dino Bortolin was paired up with Eric Sanders who in spite of having his elevation tape slip on the turret posted the best PCP score of the day. Marty Carie was shooting with David Dowling who made his second attempt at field targets. Marty had the top score of the day and David was just behind my score for third place in the hunter class. The final pairing was James Sumpter, Bill Dodt and BB Gun Bob and they got a bit wet on the last lane of the day. James hasn't shot with us for several years and it was great to see him again. He posted the top score in piston class, so the layoff didn't seem to make any difference as the top PCP shooter only made one more shot.

Eric Sanders	LG100 ZM	BSA 10-50X60	.177	CPH	PCP	44
Jeff Paddock	Discovery	Bushnell 8-32X40	.177	CPL	Int'l PCP	41
Ken Matson	Daystate MK3	Nikko 10-50X60	.177	JSBH	PCP	39
Briquelle	Discovery	Bushnell 8-32X40	.177	CPL	Int'l PCP	30

Marty Carie	Marauder	Leapers 3-12	.177	Kodiak	Hunter	47
Tim Engelhardt	FX T-12 Whisper	Hawke 3-12X50	.177	CPH	Hunter	44
David Dowling	S400	Accushot 3-12	.22	JSB	Hunter	36
Bill Dodt	TX 200	Simmons 44 Mag	.177	JSB	Hunter	34
Eric Tingey	FX T-12 Whisper	Hawke 3-12X50	.177	CPH	Hunter	31
Dino Bortolin	Katana	Leapers 3-12	.22	CP	Hunter	18
Wilfred Greaves	Prosport	BSA	.177	Air Arms	Hunter	5

James Sumpter	TX 200SR	BSA 50X	.177	JSB	Piston	43
Andy Wong	TX 200	Osprey10-40X50	.177	CPL	Piston	24
Karen Engelhardt	HW-97K	Nikko 10-50X60	.177	CPL	Piston	16
BB Gun Bob	HW-97K	Leapers 3-12	.20	FTS	Piston	14

All the participants help to pick up the course and we then went to the club house for some lunch, conversation, and to cool off after sweating most of the day. It was a welcome relief from the heat we have been experiencing the past few weeks; after all it is the summer season. We want to thank everyone for coming out and helping to take the targets down and store them. We are hoping to see you all again on Sunday August 15th for our next field target event of the season.

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