

Good Ole Boys Match Report June 14-15

Notes from the 2008 GOOD OLE BOY Match

by Roz Sumpter

Prayer does indeed work! Considering that the weather forecast was for rain Friday evening during our scheduled outdoor concert. NOT! A prediction of scattered showers all day Saturday. NOT! It pays to have friends in high places.

For those who arrived on Friday, all were delighted to experience relatively calm wind and overall good sight-in conditions at the range. That evening we continued our traditional pre-match day dinner at Lili's Chinese Buffet, then convened afterward to an area behind the Richland Inn. There Rick Thompson and his Black Rose Band treated all present to more than two hours of enjoyable Pop and Country music. During which, Doug and Vipha Miller tripped both light and heavy fantastic around the dance floor. Additionally, Elizabeth Rushton graced us all with a soulful song solo. It was a good time had by all.

On Saturday, due to the number of competitors not exceeding thirty, we were able to accommodate all on the 'Red' course. This is the course that utilizes a creek and high embankment on the far side. It is also whispered by some to be the Troyer torture course. And I believe it lived up to its reputation this time around as well.

After the match on Saturday, most of us took our evening meal at Legend's Steak House, while a few others stayed at the range to prepare their own steaks on our new propane grill. And for those who were not eager to end the day, a bonfire and 'happy hour' was at their disposal in the sight-in area. It was a proper end to another great day.

Sunday morning dawned with promise of a beautiful sky and light wind. All competitors quickly completed their warm-up shots and appeared eager to engage the 'White' course. This being the suspected feel good, wimpy course prepared by Roz. Surprise, surprise! A moderate number of long shots with smaller than average kill zones will snap you into focus every time.

Our congratulations go out to Kevin Allen for his win in the PCP division. Kevin was especially impressive with his performance on Saturday's Red course. And I couldn't help but notice that Robert Ray continually encouraged Kevin to consume more 'hair of the dog' at Saturday night's happy hour. Make them stronger next time Robert.

With no surprise, Harold Rushton continues to dominate in Piston division. But, Bill Greene's tie score on Saturday had Harold looking over his shoulder on Sunday. Good shooting guys.

As for our Hunter division, the father/son team of Scott and Nikolai Thome was a solid one-two combination. It's always uplifting for our sport when we can have family members participate together. It tends to strengthen the family bond. Especially when the remainder of the family is present to cheer them on as was the case with the Thome family. Keep up the good work.

Speaking of family team work: the A-Team of Hans and Ray Apelles were on hand to compete with their Field Target versions of the Crosman Discovery PCP air rifle. I might add that they drew lots of attention as we were not only allowed to salivate on, but shoot them as well; which caused more salivation. Expect to hear more in near future regarding the Apelles modified Discovery rifle.

As always, it was bitter/sweet to see this year's version of the Good Ole Boys' Championship Match come to an end. We very much appreciate those of you who were able to attend and hope that more are able to do so next year –God willing-. In the interim, we still have the Nationals to look forward to in September. I hope to see

you there in Kentucky. I guess it's time to put pen on table and console myself with some of that left over Bar-B-Que ribs and chicken. Mmm, mmm good!

Thanks as always to my conscripted labor force of ; Cliff Smith, Brad Troyer, David Slade, Robert Ray and Don Hyfield. The G.O.B. Championships would not appear as smooth and effortless without them. I couldn't have hoped for a better group of helpers and friends.

Roz

In addition to Roz's report, here is a [video](#) provided by Ray Apelles.

Finally, here are the scores:

2008 GOOD OLE' BOY CHAMPIONSHIP COMPETITOR STATS						
PCP Div.	Red	White	Total	Rifle	Scope	Pellet
Kevin Allen	57	54	111	USFT	Leu Comp 35x	JSB 10.2
Robert Ray	55	54	109	USFT	Nikko 10-50	Cr Pr 10.5
Rick Thompson	54	54	108	Theoben Van	Nikko 10-50	JSB 10.2
Ken Hughes	53	55	108	AA Pro-Tgt	NF 36x	JSB 10.2
David Slade	53	53	106	Theoben MFR	Bush 6-24	Kodiak
Roz Sumpter	52	52	104	Theoben MFR	Nikko 10-50	JSB 10.2
Tommy Garland	48	55	103	P-70	Burriss 8-32	Cr Pr 10.5
Walt Roller	52	51	103	AA Pro-Tgt	Burriss 8-32	Cr Pr 10.5
Rod Bradley	49	54	103	Walther Dom	Nikko 10-50	JSB 7.9
Doug Vinson	49	53	102	AA Pro-Tgt	NF 36x	Cr Pr 10.5
Doug Miller	52	48	100	Steyr	Nikko 10-50	Cr Pr 10.5
Jon Oswald	41	55	96	DS CRX	MTC viper 8-32	Cr Pr 10.5
Ray Apelles	47	48	95	Cros Discovery	Bush 8-32	Cr Pr 7.9
Vipha Miller	44	49	93	P-70	Leu Comp 35x	Cr Pr 10.5
Brad Troyer	47	45	92	NJR 100	Leup 36x	JSB 7.9
Hans Apelles	45	43	88	Cros Discovery	Bush 8-32	Cr Pr 7.9
Kevin Itterly	33	44	77	Theoben MFR	Bush 8-32	Cr Pr 10.5
Tom Itterly	36	40	76	Steyr	Nikko 10-50	Cr Pr 10.5
Don Hyfield	37	39	76	AA Pro-Tgt	Bush 8-32	Cr Pr 10.5
Richard Nowak	22	28	50	NJR 100	NF 36x	Barracuda
Dottie Berry	27	dns	dnf	DayState	Bush 8-32	Kodiak
PISTON Div.						
Harold Rushton	43	49	92	JW-65	Bush 8-32x40	JSB 7.9
Bill Greene	43	43	86	TX-200	Bush 8-32x40	Cr Pr 7.9
Cliff Smith	28	29	57	TX-200	Bush 8-32x40	JSB 8.4
Jim Sarnacki	29	27	56	TX-200 SR	Leup 6.5-20	Cr Pr 7.9
Steve Vines	13	20	33	TX-200		JSB 8.4
HUNTER Div.						
Scott Thome	47	44	91	AA-400	MTC Viper 6-24	JSB 10.2

Nikolai Thome	35	31	66	AA-200	MTC Viper 6-24	JSB 10.2
John Blount	25	27	52	AA-410		JSB 10.2
Pat O'Brien	19	27	46	AA-400	Nikko 10-50	Cr Pr 10.5

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