

Benchrest Shoot #2 at Mission Rod and Gun Club: Easter Sunday, April 8, 2012

A marvellous spring day marked the second shoot for the MRGC Center fire Benchrest Group. Marred only by some very tricky winds that were strong enough at times to blow over my wind flags, it was a most pleasant morning shoot. We were soon to see why Chris Klumpp and Joe Mendham smiled wider and wider as the wind strength grew.

The same eight shooters from the initial shoot were joined by Art Harder. Art managed to tie Paul Koivukoski for first place in the factory class with very respectable score of 238 with his beautiful SAKO one of the first factory 6 ppc's. Mel McIntosh was knocked from the top of the factory class shooting his .260 Remington "deer rifle". Travis has bedding issues with his 6mm Remington that he hopes to have resolved by next match.

In the Benchrest Class (all 6 ppc's) the wind master was Chris Klumpp who shot a remarkable 260. Joe Mendham was close behind with 255 so those two reversed order from the last event. Bob Goehring brought out his beautiful Hart, tying Jim Latham for third with 249 each. Bob claimed it was the first time in years he fired the Hart and it took a number of shots to scour the spider webs from the bore.

The course of fire for this match again was five 100 yard Hunter score targets. This time we threw in a Racocon fun target to finish the day. Chris and Art tried a 200 yard target and shot them well but the wind really had an effect at 200. Perfect scores at 200 yards will be a real challenge at Mission.

Following the match and scoring everyone went to go the clubhouse for coffee, lunch and lies. It was good to see many folks using the Clubhouse food services and enjoying the camaraderie after the match.

We welcome newcomers and if more information is wanted please contact Jim Latham at lathamconsult@telus.net or phone me at 604-795-0618.

Next match is planned for Sunday May 27, meeting at the Rifle Range at 8:30, Match commencing at 9:00, completing at 11:30 with Coffee, Lunch and Lies to follow at the Clubhouse.

Name	Rifle Class	Calibre	Target 1	Target 2	Target 3	Target 4	Target 5	Aggregate	Position
Art Harder	factory	6ppc	52	48	46	44	48	238	1 tie
Paul Koivukoski	factory	6BR	47	50	49	48	44	238	1 tie
Mel McIntosh	factory	.260 Rem	47	38	42	38	41	203	3
Travis Kienas	factory	6mm Rem	36	40	31	27	33	167	4
Chris Klumpp	benchrest	6ppc	52	52	52	52	52	260	1
Joe Mendham	benchrest	6ppc	52	51	53	44	50	255	2
Bob Goehring	benchrest	6ppc	52	48	48	52	49	249	3 tie
Jim Latham	benchrest	6ppc	51	49	51	49	49	249	3 tie
Lowell Boyd	benchrest	6ppc	40	23	43	44	46	196	5

For those of you wondering about the scores over 50 per target, we score the pencil dot center as an 11 rather than counting as X rings. But touching that dot is no easy task. A couple of guys were thinking they should build a .338 ppc just to get a wider bullet!!