

**Center Fire Benchrest Match – Remembrance Day Weekend, November 19, 2013 at Mission District Rod and Gun Club:**

It was BC Cold (5 degrees C.) and Cloudy, but without the rain we were expected to get, but like usual we had the gentle but subtly changing winds that so often is the condition at MDRGC. A number of our regular folks could not make this event but the seven of us who were there had a really good time. John De Best could not shoot but came out to assist which was very helpful. And stalwart supporter Sue Parrotta did the same. In fact everyone was as usual incredibly helpful with target setting, target changes, flag setting, stripping the targets and assisting with scoring and recording, as well as helping one another out when something went wrong as it usually does and finally cleaning up the range at the end of the morning. It makes for a very pleasant day for all and surely makes my organizational job an easy one. Many thanks all.

Now to the shooting. For some reason the sighting was very difficult all day and most of us spent a lot of time blinking, resting our eyes, or sleeping, trying to minimize the fuzzies and get clear sight pictures. Joe thought it was the fact that it was much darker than usual with very little reflection off the targets. Michael said he had mirage all the time; everyone complained. I simply thought I was getting older, and I did not like it.

What it did overall was create a situation completely the reverse of last month where we were all very closely bunched, to spreading us all over the map. Frank and Sam tied for third in the grand Aggregate, but their scores in 100 and 200 were quite different. At the longer range Frank's F Class background really shows. But again Sam was no slouch and at 100 he got his first 55. Congratulations Sam! While Lowell struggled a bit at times when he was able to get things set and could see the target, he cracked off a 50 as well. Joe dropped a couple of shots with the rifle he chose for the day which still needs a bit of development, leaving me to claim first place. I think my secret was the new set of Rick Graham flags that I picked up from Rick last week. They pick up the nuances of this range; my homemade ones did not. It is easy to see why Graham flags are appreciated around the world. Did you know that the Russian Team uses Rick's flags too?

Our format this time was to shoot four 5 shot 100 yard targets two at a time and then two 200 yard targets which we shot two bullets per bull for a total of 40 score shots. We all used a lot of sighters.

**Final Club Match of 2013 will be on Sunday December 8, 2013. Registration 8:30 AM. Match at 9:00-12:00, \$5 target fee. We decided that for the final match of the year we will shoot 20 rounds at each of 100, 200 and 15 at 300 yards (55 score shots) We will go to Lunch/Brunch at the Mission Springs Brewery following to celebrate the year that was.....Newcomers are always welcome. Contact me at 604-795-0618 or at [lathamconsult@telus.net](mailto:lathamconsult@telus.net)**

**MDRGC Center Fire VFS  
Match**

10-Nov-13												
Name		Cal	100 yds				100 Agg	200 yds		200 AGG	Grand Agg	Overall
			T1	T2	T3	T4		T1/T2	T3/T4			
Jim Latham	Benchrest	30 BR	53	53	53	53	212	101	101	202	414	1
Joe Mendham	Benchrest	6 ppc	50	50	52	48	200	101	99	200	400	2
Sam Parrotta	Benchrest	6 ppc	50	55	50	50	205	95	95	190	395	3 Tie
Frank Oblak	Benchrest	6 BR	53	49	50	49	201	99	95	194	395	3Tie
Lowell Boyd	Benchrest	6 ppc	31	36	50	43	160	78	10	88	248	5
Art Harder	Factory	6ppc	45	47	45	48	185	94	91	185	370	1
Michael Boyce	Factory	308	41	44	50	47	182	96	90	186	368	2