

## Center Fire Benchrest Match – August 11, 2013 at Mission Rod and Gun Club:

After the driest July in BC history the good weather kept right on coming in August, until last night and this morning when we had rain and a brief thunderstorm. Upon arrival at Mission Rod and Gun early this morning it was raining, a rain we really needed, but not what we wanted for the match. It did clear quickly however, and in the second relay it was over and we ended up with very good conditions, a bit cooler but with the usual light but tricky winds that seem to switch and swirl, often several times in a minute or two. Watching flags really matters at Mission; at least there was minimal mirage. We had seven shooters but considering all the folks taking holidays and some big events like the Abbotsford Airshow this weekend we were not disappointed. A pair of notable stalwarts missing this one were Joe Mendham and his father in law Lowell Boyd who made the trek to the Supershoot in Calgary last weekend, the results for which are on Benchrest.ca. Congratulations to Joe who had a good match there winning some of the Heavy Varmint hardware.

Actually if I really tell the truth, I really did not mind Joe being away; that allowed me to win the first match of my life, so if he wants to stay away a few more times I won't complain, because if he is here we are all fighting for second place! My improvement came from finally getting the load more or less right in the 30BR. I found it really needs a lot of powder. I am now up to 33.7 grains of 4198 which I have to tap down to seat the 112 BIB's I am using (and I like!)

We were pleased to have Michael Boyce join us again; we had not seen him since the Fraser Valley Championship in May. Frank Oblak was also back from holidays and after the match having coffee and lunch we were entertained by the gunsmithing discussion he and Bill Crosby were having. These chaps have done almost all their own work for years.

Sam Parrotta used his Remington 700 this time and it could not quite match the scores he has been getting with his BAT. Paul Koivukoski does not quite have his 6ppc ready yet so shot his factory Savage 6BR. He is looking forward to getting the 6 ppc ready for the next shoot in October. The two month gap before our next match should give him time to tune it up nicely.

Bob Goehring just made the match fighting his way through Airshow traffic and cobbled together some rounds. He is waiting for Nobby Uno to finish a 30 BR for him. I think I am glad Nobby has been fishing a lot instead of working on Bob's gun because I know what will happen when Bob gets that gun together. Some of you may know he is almost unbeatable in 50 BR competitions. When he gets the 30 BR done, and if Joe, Chris Klumpp, and Aubrey White all come to the October match it will be a clash of titans for sure. I will be fighting for 5<sup>th</sup> I think!

We are continuing to be more efficient and we may well be able to finish off the season with full matches of 5 targets at both 100 and 200 yards as we did in the Fraser Valley championship in May. Please feel free to pass this summary on to anyone you think may be interested.

**Next Club Match will be on Sunday October 13, 2014.** Registration 8:30 AM. Match at 9:00-12:00, \$5 fee for members; \$20 for Guests. During the rest of August and September the MRGC hosts its annual weekend fundraiser- AKA Non member Hunting Rifle Sight in.

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Name	Class	100 yds					200 yds					Grand Ag	Place
		T1	T2	T3	T4	T5	100 Agg.	T1	T2	200 Ag			
Jim Latham	Benchrest	53	51	51	51	52	258	49	49	98	356	1 BR	
Bob Goehring	Benchrest	50	48	51	54	47	250	47	48	95	345	2 BR	
Frank Oblak	Benchrest	50	50	47	50	52	249	46	49	95	344	3 BR	
Sam Parrotta	Benchrest	45	49	49	48	47	238	47	51	98	336	4 BR	
Bill Crosby	Bench/Fclass	41	48	47	44	47	227	49	48	97	324	5 BR	
Michael Boyce	Factory	47	46	48	37	49	227	47	47	94	321	1 Fact	
Paul Koivukoski	Factory	42	46	44	47	44	223	38	43	81	304	2 Fact	