

## MDRGC Center Fire Benchrest VFS Match June 1, 2014: Report by Jim Latham

Sun, wind and mirage. If I had my choice I know which of these I would pick, but we had no choice. We got all three. It was a gorgeous spring day about 20 degrees but the winds were constantly changing in direction and velocity and the mirage was wicked. None of this was any problem at 100 yards but got progressively worse at 200 and diabolical at 300 where it was extremely difficult for most of us, except one guy who keeps saying, "The wind is my friend!" So now Joe Mendham has his 30 BR dialled in and combined with his wind and mirage reading ability he left the rest of us picking sand out of our eyes from the dust cloud as he shot into the distance. The scores showed by far the largest gap we have had between first place and next. And it is all my fault; I encouraged Joe to build a 30BR and even traded him a barrel so he could. As the ad say, "What was I thinking?!"

Keeping chase and returning after a long absence was Chris Klump who shot one excellent 54 at 100 with his 6mm short. That is a very interesting caliber. Wally McDonald shot his best scores, now really getting into his new 6 ppc. Sam was trying a new barrel on his backup practice rifle in 6 ppc, a Remington stainless action with a hunter class stock he acquired from me some time ago- he is saving his killer rifle for the big one coming up. Art was all alone in Sporter with his 6ppc SAKO but was in the middle of the pack; at 100 that rifle is still right in the mix. Frank and Sonya Oblak, Lowell and I had some good targets but various challenges at times.

We shot one shot per bull at 100 and two per bull at 200 and 300 to reduce target costs. Even the 2 shots per bull did not help me much!

Anyway with a day so good, and out shooting, and the story time in Clubhouse afterwards, what could be better, even if we did not all set records.....or even come close.....

**A reminder to all to plan for our big match of the year, The Second Annual Fraser Valley VFS Championship which will be held on Sunday July 6th. Last year we had 23 shooters from the Valley, Campbell River and our American neighbours. We will have lots of prizes again and a full day of shooting. Full details are on Benchrest. Ca and we hope you may be able to join us. Please Register ASAP**

### MDRGC VFS Match Results June 1. 2014

	Distance	100	100	200	200	300		BR	SPORTER
Bench		T1	T2	T3	T4	T5	<b>AGG</b>	O/A	O/A
	Max points	55	55	110	110	110	<b>440</b>		
4	Jim Latham	51	52	91	101	93	<b>388</b>	3	
5	Wally McDonald	52	53	95	90	95	<b>385</b>	4	
6	Chris Klump	51	54	99	96	93	<b>393</b>	2	
7	Art Harder	50	48	93	91	89	<b>371</b>		1
8	Joe Mendham	53	51	103	100	100	<b>407</b>	1	
9	Lowell Boyd	49	43	49	44	77	<b>262</b>	8	
10	Frank Oblak	50	48	94	94	93	<b>379</b>	5	
11	Sonya Oblak	42	41	82	80	93	<b>338</b>	7	
12	Sam Parrotta	47	49	94	98	87	<b>375</b>	6	

**For those of you looking at this for the first time, we use the 11 point system- an 11 is the same as an X, but if you drop your first shot to a 9 you are still not out of the money, as they say.....**