

MDRGC Center Fire Benchrest VFS Match May 4, 2014

Well after some of the warmest spring days in history over the past week, come Match day it rained and the winds picked up all morning and became a real challenge. We had originally planned to make this our Championship event but fortunately we postponed that, due to the conflict with the big Kamloops Gun Show which affected several of our shooters. Despite that we still had nine shooters so we were not unhappy with the turnout.

Nor were we unhappy with the competition. It was probably the most competitive match we have had. When you look at the scores below you will see that several folks shared in the glory, winning individual targets or 100 or 200 aggregates.

There were a few real highlights. Wally McDonald trotted out his new rifle and it made a real difference to Wally's shooting. Joe Mendham now has his 30BR in tune and as I suspected would happen, he knocked me off my short stint of glory. We were both using James Eazors 116 grain FB bullets for the first time and we liked them! Mind you even if Joe was not there today, Frank Oblak did it to me too! Sonya Oblak joined us for the first time. Usually shooting F Class from prone it took her a bit of time to get used to an F Class on the bench but she also had some very good targets. Lowell progressed very well at getting his rifle going and was doing fine at 100, but something in the scope prevented him from matching that at 200. After a year's absence John de Best rejoined us and made real strides with his factory rifle. Art Harder was disappointed with his performance with the SAKO 6ppc but now that it has about 6500 rounds through that barrel it simply has to stop shooting well sometime. And we can always count on Sam Parrotta to provide some very good scores but today one of his shots disappeared; we are not sure where..... For everyone there were a few dropped shots; the winds were quite diabolical in the rapidity of their shifts in direction and velocity. Special congratulations to Frank Oblak who won the Washington F Class championship last weekend, winning by a single point. And Frank builds his guns himself- the whole thing, including his own barrels.

Nest match is Sunday June 1st and will follow our usual format- set up at 8:00 AM, Shooting at 9:00 and in the Clubhouse by 11:30 for coffee and lies.

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

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	Name		100 yds					200 yds					
bench		BR or	T1	T2	T3	T4	100 Agg.	T5	T6	200 Agg.	Grand	Place	
	possible	Factory	55	55	55	55	220	110	110	220	440		
4	Jim Latham	BR	52	52	53	49	206	98	99	197	403	3 BR	
5	Art Harder	Fact	48	45	49	49	191	97	96	193	384	1 Fact	
6	Wally McDonald	BR	48	54	51	51	204	100	97	197	401	4 BR	
7	Joe Mendham	BR	53	50	50	51	204	99	103	202	406	1 BR	
8	Lowell Boyd	BR	33	45	47	50	175	DNF	DNF	DNF	175	7 BR	
9	Sam Parrotta	BR	41	52	51	52	196	93	102	195	391	5 BR	
10	Frank Oblak	BR	50	52	51	53	206	98	100	198	404	2 BR	
11	Sonya Oblak	BR	47	51	49	44	191	96	99	195	386	6 BR	
12	John de Best	Fact	41	46	41	48	176	92	82	174	350	2 Fact	

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.....