TRAC match – November 5, 2024 – Wayne Mauler, match director

The match days just keep getting better; clear, cool, sunny, with quite a bit of wind as we were setting the course this morning. Temps were in the low 50's and only warmed to the low 60's by the end of the match with the humidity right around 30%. Not too bad, but again, sweatshirt weather. The wind, during the match, was consistent, coming from the north to northeast through the saddle in the hillside, but instead of swirling, it came right at us. It was as low as 3 mph, but up to 8 mph, with gusting that reached 11 mph at times. Still enough to make life interesting and enough to make pellets go places where they were not intended. The sky was a pale blue and cloudless. Because of the rain from a few days ago, the distant haze, normally present, was no where to be found. Darn near crystal clear, and as it warmed up, became quite pleasant.

We had 14 shooters today, but because it was "SO COLD" Barbara was not in attendance today. Scott Hunt countered that by bringing along his wife, Tammi, and she didn't seem to have any problems with the temperature, as you will see later....

We had our usual 6 lanes / 2 targets per / 2 shots at each / twice through / blah, blah, blah / 48-shot match, with 4 classes being contested. Curiously enough, with the World Championships next week, not a single WFTF shoot in attendance today. Hmmm.....

As with the NFL, on any given Sunday, anything can happen. Here are the scores;

In Open PCP class....

46/48 – Larry Piercy / Daystate Grand Prix

In Open Piston class....

38/48 – Mark Kauffman / TX200 TL1 springer

In Hunter Piston class....

39/48 – Tony Pellegrino / TX200

In Hunter PCP class....

47/48 – Bill Cole / Daystate Revere, and tied with....

47/48 – Stanley Mountford / Daystate Revere

- 46/48 Anthony Turchetta / Steyr LG110
- 45/48 Van Tucker / Daystate Air Ranger
- 44/48 Loren Braud / Daystate Wolverine, and tied with....
- 44/48 Wayne Mauler / Thomas

43/48 – Barry Diehl / Daystate Revere

42/48 – Jesse Avery / Daystate Red Wolf

.....and here is where it gets fun!.....

41/48 – Tammi Hunt / Daystate Revere, tied with but outscoring due to first miss...

41/48 – Scott Hunt / BRK Ghost, and doomed to washing dishes for the next week!

30/48 – Joe Pruzinsky / Daystate Revere

.....and there you have it. On any given day, anything can, and will happen. Fortunately, it is all in fun, and we DO have more than our share of fun at our weekly mental health therapy session and metallic critter safari.

Also, check the website under current news. The results from the AAFTA national championships and the AAFTA Grand Prix series are official and posted. Club members did very well in representing Airgunners of Arizona on the national stage.

One last item of business had club president Larry Piercy award Tony Pellegrino the 2nd place medal in Hunter pistol from this past state championship. Somehow the addle-brained, poor excuse of a club secretary forgot to order pistol medals for that event causing undue stress and embarrassment to both presenter and presentee's. It would be appropriate to take him behind the woodshed and flog him with a wet noodle for his mis-givings......sorta. (heh. heh. heh.... FAFO...LOL!) Next week, we will have a multitude of world shooters converge on our weekly assemblage to shoot with us and practice for worlds the following days at Rio Salado. We will set up a full course on the west side of the range and a full sight in area on the east side of the course for their use all day. We will likely run our usual morning match for members and an afternoon match for those shooters wishing to participate. A number of us will be on hand all day to take care of whatever needs to be taken care of to accommodate these folks. If you would like to assist us during the day, you are more than welcome to join us. Yeah, it may be a bit of work, but should be a lot of fun.

It is also Election Day! Hope all of you voted...for the end of political commercials!

Respectfully submitted and guilty as charged,

Mark Kauffman

Poor excuse for a club secretary, Airgunners of Arizona, Inc.