TRAC match – October 3, 2023 – Mark Kauffman, match director

I cannot believe it is October already. Where did September go? Doesn't matter at this point, the weather has gotten beautiful! The drive in this morning was delightfully cool, albeit there was a strong odor of smoke in the air and the sky, although clear and cloudless, was a bit hazy. The sun was bright and the hot air balloons were hanging in the sky and enjoying the sunrise.

Temps for the match ranged from 72° up to 75° with the humidity in the low 30% bracket. Winds floated around, but came at us primarily out of the NNW between 0 and 10 mph, but without a lot of buffeting. Just a gentle build up and let down. Very nice shooting conditions, for sure.

12 shooters today, which is a good turnout, along with our usual 6 lane / twice thru set up. Just had to make one minor target adjustment at halftime for a loose target paddle. Otherwise, smooth sailing, as the scores were to reflect.

47/48 – Joe Pruzinsky – shot his vintage Daystate Huntsman to very quietly lay claim to top gun today. Who woke him up? Great shooting.

46/48 - Stanley Mountford - shot his FX Dreamline, and was tied with....

46/48 - Larry Piercy - shot his Daystate Tsar, and was tied with....

46/48 – Ed Brockway – shot his Daystate Wolverine, and was tied with....

46/48 – Barry Diehl – shot his Daystate Revere. Barry also brought brownies that were supposedly baked by him. No idea what was in them, but there were a lot of great scores being shot, regardless....hmmm, secret recipe maybe?

45/48 – Jesse Avery – shot his Daystate Redwolf

44/48 – Van Tucker – shot his Daystate Air Ranger, and was tied with....

44/48 – Bill Cole – shot his Daystate Revere

39/48 - Mark Kauffman - shot his AA TX-200 springer

33/48 – Pat Hayes – new shooter with his Daystate Revere

32/48 – Jake Moser – shot Mark's Brocock Sniper (he is interested in it)

31/48 – Loren Braud – shot his Daystate Revere. Another one to watch out for as he quietly is climbing the score ladder.

Busy upcoming next couple of weeks. EBR is this coming weekend, followed by the AAFTA national championships the following weekend back in Ohio. The AZ state championships are coming up the 3<sup>rd</sup> weekend in November, as well. With the weather finally cooperating, everyone is getting back outside, which is a good thing. Summer hibernation is over, it seems.

With everyone behaving themselves today, there is nothing otherwise "noteworthy" to report, so have a great week and we will see you next Tuesday.

Respectfully submitted,

Mark Kauffman

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PS; almost forgot...... Let me know your thoughts and choices on the AAFTA BOG candidates and dues question. Gotta collate those results and get them back to AAFTA before the championships and the annual meeting. Only 16 of our 45 members have gotten back to me on this issue. Thx, MK