TRAC match – April 11, 2023 – Wayne Mauler, match director

If you didn't like the weather last week, you would have loved it today! We went from winter to summer in one week, it seems. Whereas it was cold and windy last week, today, was warm with temps ranging from 79° up to 91°, clear blue skies, with no clouds anywhere, and mild breezes. There was some wind, but with what we have been experiencing, this felt like nothing. The first half of the match, the breeze was between 0 and 7 mph out of the NE. Then, in the second half, the wind shifted, and came at us from the South to SW between 6 and 10 mph with gusts at one point, of 17 mph, so says the NWS weather history for this time frame. Still, it didn't feel bad at all, nor was it abrupt. Just a gentle build up and let down. Absolutely delightful.

48/48 – Tony was top gun today shooting his FX Crown Bee. He has more guns than can shake a stick at, it seems. More on him in a bit.....

47/48 – Mike shot his Thomas and only missed one shot. At least it wasn't his last shot.

45/48 – Stan (where did this guy come from?) shot his FX Dreamline, and tied with ....

45/48 – Wayne, who shifted gears and shot his Thomas today.

43/48 – Scott shot his Brocock Sniper puffer gun.

42/48 – Mark shot his TX200 springer.

41/48 – Joe shot his Huntsman

39/48 - Todd shot his FX....something. Not sure which model.

New member Jimmy, shot his Avenger, but had a stuck bolt, did not finish, but still shot 75% of the targets he did shoot. He did join the club and will be a regular. Welcome aboard!

We had the usual 6 lane set up, thanks to the early arrivals, but at half time, two bagger Mike was up to his usual antics, seeing as he missed last week. He proceeded to start moving stuff around, trying to cross over lanes, and extending target distances and just making himself a regular nuisance. You know, just his normal self. Oh, well......

Focus back onto Tony.....

He had to leave immediately afterwards so he could open up his shop in Cave Creek. A comment was made, why didn't he just close the shop on Tuesdays? He said the shop is closed on Mondays. Why not just shift days? Because he plays GOLF on Mondays!!! GOLF????? Where the #%\$@ is your sense of priorities? Shooting with the guys is more important than #\$&\*@# GOLF any day of the week. It is cheaper, too....and more fun. Need to re-evaluate that line of thinking in a hurry. GOLF.....seriously?

This seemed to be the culmination of the second half joke fest, seeing that there were no weather issues for the troops to complain about. Doesn't matter, we were having fun anyway. And guess what, not only do we get to do it next Tuesday, but we get to do it this Saturday at our monthly match! How much better does it get than that?

Oh, the obligatory PSA.....

Next Tuesday, we will gather about 7:00 to 7:30 to set up the course and be ready to shoot by 8:00 according to our illustrious match director and a consensus of participants. With one warm match under their belts, now they want to beat the heat! Go figure.....

See you all on Saturday....

Respectfully (as much as possible) submitted,

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