

May 23, 2011

To All Competitors:

Thanks for coming out to this year's prone regional match. What a beautiful weekend to be outside. I thought the match ran well, albeit long days with two relays. Next year would anyone be opposed to a 120 shot day and 240 shot total if we have two relays? I think everyone was worn out by the 50 yard match on day two.

Great shooting everyone, it was a close match! Pete church lead the field after day one by dropping only 3 points for a 1597-111x in the metallic sight aggregate, followed by Mike O'Connor 1595-102x and Leo Cebula 1594-90x. Expert Gary Duda posted a respectful 1581-66x and junior sharpshooter (but not for long with these scores) Ethan Cook fired a 1584-73x in the sharpshooter/marksman combined class.

Sunday was much harder with the puffy, shifting winds although scores improved across the board. Mike O'Connor won the any sight aggregate with a 1595-127x followed by Bobbi Vitito's 1595-118x and sister Lenore Lemanski's 1595-110x. Gary Duda was high expert with 1583-73x and Ethan Cook shot a very nice 1577-88x for sharpshooter/marksman honors.

Overall, the regional winner was Mike O'Connor with a 3190-229x, the silver medal went to Pete Church with a 3189-226x and Leo Cebula took the bronze with a 3186-195x. Gary Duda was high expert with 3164-139x and Ethan Cook was high sharpshooter/marksman with 3161-161x.

We ended up with 25 competitors firing the metallic sight match and 20 competitors for the any sight match and the grand aggregate.

Special thanks to Debbi Pinkel, Chris Bean and Ron Cook for scoring and posting targets both days. Believe me, they didn't get any breaks. Every time they finished scoring a set of targets the next set was on the way to the scoring table. Thanks also to Clif Miller for running the line both days. Clif did an excellent job of keeping things moving and all of the competitors cooperated to get on the line quickly between relay changes.

Next prone match (nearby) is the Michigan City Regional June 11-12 run by Pete Swenson. I hope to see you there. The next MRPA match at Capitol City Rifle Club is June 25<sup>th</sup> for a 1 day 3P Regional. I will email programs for both matches to my email list later today.

Thanks again - Mike