



News Letter June, no 16 - 2005

Summer Season opener

Well this Season is getting better every month, well done all and keep those scores coming in. This month there were **197 scores**, lets try and make it over **200**, I think this will be possible as one of our new Teams, the Czech Republic, are boosting their numbers for the June Matches. With luck our other new comer Spain will be able to use the equipment and also gain some more friends. Unfortunately our Spanish members are not allowed to use a Front Rest but are allowed to use a Folded Blanket, now to me that seems a bit pathetic.....but Range Officers are GOD and what they say goes !!!! Perhaps they will have better luck this month.

Please remember that the full list of scores can be seen on the Web Pages. The following are the main top scores and Team Results for May 2005.

UK 25 yards Sporter Class match was won by our top Junior Sporter shooter Jonathan Donnelly with a wonderful **RECORD** 242 / 9, second was Phil Swain with 239 / 4 with third going to a new member Darrell McLlreavie with a fine 235 / 3. Andrew Beaumont did it again with a first place score of 245 / 8 in the Hunter Class, second this month was Paul Wallis with a 243 / 10 and Mike Welsh third with 242 / 7, these two will be fighting it out all Summer I can see. The Hunter Class winning Team was Southern Region with a 730 / 25.

The 10.5lb Class was taken again by Mike Welsh with a 248 / 4, second was R Dobbie again with 241 / 3, third place went to Tony Jackson with a 244 / 6. The Class Team winner was Southern Region with 740 / 19. Top Lady being Kirsten Tullock with a **Ladies RECORD** of 247 / 9 and top Junior not far behind was Christine Stockham with 245 / 6. The Unlimited Class went to Phil Swain with a **RECORD** 250 / 21, Robb Harrison was second with a 250 / 18 from his Martini featured last month and Ken Stockham was third with another good 250 / 16 all very close. The top Unlimited Team was Team Staveley with a 749 / 48 closely followed by Team St Giles Yarner with a 749 / 40, these Clubs are going to fight to the last match I can see it.

The Air Rifle Division Sporter Class was won by Roger Kerry with a **RECORD** 241 / 3 with Chris Risebrook second with a 223 / 0. The Air rifle Hunter Class was taken over by the Cheshunt Boys with John Raby winning this month with a **RECORD** 245 / 1, second was Peter Cotton with a 239 / 3 and third Paul Shea with a 235 / 1, the Team scored a 719 / 5. Rounding off the Air rifles was Jim Mountford in the Unlimited Class with a 221 / 1.

The UK 50 M Sporter Class was won by Darrell McLlreavie with a 210 / 1, second was Tom Thomas with a 201 / 0 and third with 190 / 0 was C Proudlock all new members from Scotland, their team 'Team Galloway' scored 601 / 1. The Hunter Class was taken by Mike Welsh with a 235 / 3. Carl Boswell with a 247 / 8 took the 10.5lb Class with second and another new Member was Bryden Jones with a 239 / 7 third place was taken by our Junior Roman Boswell with a 235 / 3. The Southern Team scored a 721 / 18.

The Unlimited Class saw Ken Stockham come up with a good 247 / 5 with Alex Angell tying for second with a **Junior RECORD** of 247 / 5, third was last years Champion Rich Williams with a close 246 / 5. The top Team again was Central Region with a 734 / 15.

In the International Matches there was a lot of close fighting from the many countries taking part.

The 50m International Sporter Class was won by Roberto Iannacci with a 245 / 4 equal to the current RECORD with Carlo Caricato second with a 242 / 4 and third Manfredo Candia with a 241 / 5 all from Italy and the top Team was Pisa with 727 / 10. Top Lady was again Valeria Patriarca with 225 / 3 and top Junior Jacopo Mattone with a 220 / 2 both from Italy.

The 50m 10.5lb Class saw Janousz Musial (Italy) take the honours from last months winner Rod Collins (USA) with a 249 / 5, Rod was second with a 248 / 11 and Maurizio Cini (Italy) third with a close 248 / 9. The winning Team was Pisa with a

742 / 15. Top Lady was Valeria Patriarca (Italy) with a 242 / 1 and top Junior was a new member Gianluca Germani (Italy) with a 237 / 4 shooting for Team Pisa and Italy.

The 50m Unlimited Class was taken by Ireland with Peter Freeman's 248 / 8, Italy was second with Mario Bello (Italy) with a 247 / 9 followed in a tied third place by a new Member and new country the Czech Republic, Ladislav Ninger with a very close 247 / 8 and Patrick Tyrrell from Ireland with an equal score, fifth was from Al Hadfield with a close 247 / 6. Top Lady was again Penny Hadfield (USA) on a 246 / 10 and top Junior was Alex Angell with a **Junior RECORD** score of 247 / 5 shooting for the UK. Top Team was Ireland with a 739 / 22 tying with the USA Hole in the Wall Gang on 739 / 22, this could be interesting.

The International 25 yards International Sporter Class was won by Ettore Marco Nobili (Italy) with a 246 / 8, second was Carlo Caricato (Italy) with 245 / 7 and a close third was Andrew Beaumont (UK) with his 245 / 4. The Southern Team won the top Team with a 730 / 25. The 10.5lb Class saw Carlo Caricato first with a **RECORD** 250 / 17 followed by Mauro Santerini with a 250 / 15 and third Flavio Battistini with a 250 / 10 all from Italy. Top Lady being Kirsten Tullock with a **Ladies RECORD** of 247 / 9 and top Junior not far behind was Christine Stockham with 245 / 6. both from the UK. Top Team was Pisa with a 749 / 42.

The Unlimited Class comes back to the UK with Phil Swain and his **RECORD** 250 / 21, Robb Harrison second with a 250 / 18 and Ken Stockham third with his 250 / 16. Top Italian member was Carlo Caricato with a close 250 / 13 coming fifth after Walter Griffin (UK) with a 250 / 14 fourth place, all very close. Top Junior was Richard Edwards (UK) a new Member with 248 / 6. The top Unlimited Team was Team Staveley with a 749 / 48 closely followed by Team St Giles Yarnier with a 749 / 40, these Clubs are going to fight to the last match I can see it both the Team Martini International, the Team Southern and Pisa are not far behind.

The International Air Rifle section is still building with more and more Members joining in. The International Sporter Class was taken over by the Cheshunt Boys with John Raby winning with a **RECORD** 245 / 1, second was Peter Cotton with a 239 / 3 and third Paul Shea with a 235 / 1, the Team scored a 719 / 5, they also took the Team award. Rounding off the Air rifles in the Unlimited Class was Franco Germani (Italy) with a **RECORD** 244 / 0, second was Carlo Caricato (Italy) with a 242 / 2 and third Jim Mountford (UK) with a 221 / 1. These Air rifle scores are getting better each month and some nearly equal the Rimfire scores.

Web Page

Our Web Site is continually being updated so have a look.....there are so many new countries looking perhaps some day they will venture further and join in the fun !!

The new **Violent Crime Bill** has been added to our pages so if any one wants to look at it or go to the Petition Link please do so.

Thank you one and all for your continued support.....

Interesting Puzzle for you to work out

This did not get the response expected but there was a winner. Rich Williams came up with the answer and here it is -

Puzzle from last month - *I was told a story, true, by a friend who had come back from Bisley last Summer after shooting out to 1000 yards. Apparently a friend of his had problems.....see if you can work out what went wrong.*

His friend was shooting at 1000 yards and all his shots, although hitting the target, were low. So he adjusted his sights in the usual way, correctly (that's not the answer). Yes he put his sights up but the problem was the hits were even lower. He tried again but this time they were in the mantle. In frustration he adjusted his sights to shoot lower and suddenly his hits were high. He did this again and then he went over the top. With another adjustment he eventually was on target but no where near any sight mark he had used before. His shots were not accurate enough for a good group but at least they were hitting the targets roughly where he wanted.

Question - What was he doing wrong.....answers - The bullets were hitting the ground short and because of the hot Summer the ground was very hard, the bullets were bouncing up through the target therefore as he raised or lowered his sights the point of impact was opposite to what it should have been.....think about it ????

Joke of the Month

This again was sent in by Walter Griffin.....

Men strike back!!!!!!

*How many men does it take to open a beer?
None. It should be opened when she brings it.*

*Why is a Laundromat a really bad place to pick up a woman?
Because a woman who can't even afford a washing machine will probably never be able to support you.*

*Why do women have smaller feet than men?
It's one of those "evolutionary things" that allows them to stand closer to the kitchen sink.*

*How do you know when a woman is about to say something smart?
When she starts a sentence with "A man once told me..."*

*How do you fix a woman's watch?
You don't. There is a clock on the oven.*

*Why do men fart more than women?
Because women can't shut up long enough to build up the required pressure.*

*If your dog is barking at the back door and your wife is yelling at the front door, who do you let in first?
The dog, of course. He'll shut up once you let him in.*

*What's worse than a Male Chauvinist Pig?
A woman who won't do what she's told.*

I married a Miss Right. I just didn't know her first name was Always.

Scientists have discovered a food that diminishes a woman's sex drive by 90%. It's called a Wedding Cake.

*Why do men die before their wives?
They want to.*

*Women will never be equal to men until they can walk down the street with a bald head and a beer gut, and still think they are sexy.
In the beginning, God created the earth and rested.
Then God created Man and rested.
Then God created Woman.
Since then, neither God nor Man has rested.*

Send this to a few good men who need a laugh and to the select few women who can handle the truth !

AMEN

Reminder of Summer Season Fun Shoot

The Summer Season Fun shoot will be a Group Match at both 25 yards and 50M, the badges for best Groups will be as below, designed by Carl. More details later and when it will take place and how to down load the targets.



Badges now made.....ready and waiting

Email

Please note those Members who still use the - benchrest22@btopenworld.com - email, BT will be closing this down in the very near future due to lack of use. Please now use the - Ukbenchrest22@phelpsfamily.wanadoo.co.uk - email from now on.

Well that's all the news so far.....don't forget any questions, problems or information required please Email me.
Best wishes,

Pat

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