

ORSA RIFLE AND PISTOL CLUB

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SURVEY RESULTS SPRING CLINICS

By Tracey Johnson

We had two clinics this past spring on 04-MAR and 01-APR. The following questions were sent to each of the clinic participants along with the breakdown of responses.

1. The safety and familiarization presentation at the Indoor Range gave too much detail, too little detail or about the right amount of detail?
94.12% said "just about right amount"
2. The Clinic was well-organized, and I had the impression that the event was operated in a relaxed, yet disciplined manner which provided me with a safe and effective learning environment.
64.71% Strongly agree
29.41% Agree
3. My coach was friendly, very knowledgeable, and could convey the principles of safety and marksmanship to me in the time allotted.
76.47% Strongly agree
23.52% Agree
4. Scoring instruction in the pits was clear and comprehensive such that I could confidently score targets.
64.71% Strongly agree
35.29% Agree
5. What can we do to encourage you to return as a competitor?
Rank each of the 4 items in order of importance where 1 is "Most Important".

PERRY PRACTICE

Jun 17

Rattle Battle practice: 3 strings of 15 shots in 20 sec. at 600 yd. in 3 man teams' w/coach. 3 strings of 15 shots in 20 sec. at 300 yd. in 3 man teams' w/coach.

Rapid Fire Concentration: 3 strings of 10 shots per shooter w/coach at 300 yd. 3 strings of 10 shots per shooter w/coach at 200 yd.

Jul 1 or 2 (Depending on weather)

Rattle Battle practice: 3 strings of 15 shots in 20 sec. at 600 yd. in 3 man teams' w/coach. 3 strings of 15 shots in 20 sec. at 300 yd. in 3 man teams' w/coach.

Standing Concentration: 3 strings of 10 shots per shooter shot in 2 man team style.

July 8 th

Rattle Battle practice: 3 strings of 15 shots in 20 sec. at 600 yd. in 3 man teams' w/coach. 3 strings of 15 shots in 20 sec. at 300 yd. in 3 man teams' w/coach.

50 shot across the course match in 2 man teams' w/coach.

Final team planning meeting. Select team shooters and team coach, score keepers, etc.

	1	2	3	4
Offer Precision Rifle Reloading 101	12.50% 2	6.25% 1	50.00% 8	31.25% 5
Offer on-line training modules for Competitive High Power Rifle Marksmanship 101 as a follow-on to the clinic	18.75% 3	18.75% 3	18.75% 3	43.75% 7
Provide an opportunity to practice with the ORSA rifle team	50.00% 8	18.75% 3	12.50% 2	18.75% 3
Provide you with a mentor(s) to assist you in all aspects of competitive high power rifle shooting	17.65% 3	52.94% 9	17.65% 3	11.76% 2

KUDOS

A big kudos goes out this month to Randy Booker, Alan Strachn, John Fry and Michael Tjon for lawn/maintenance of the high power range. Alan and Michael tagged team cutting the grass at each yard line either before practices or matches. Randy cut back all the berms in the pits, so we can continue to see without obstruction. John worked to cut and move the fallen tree out of the way, so we could access the pits. Thanks guys!!!

6. Is there anything you would like to add regarding your experience as a participant at the 2017 Clinics that will help us improve clinics for future shooters, or is there anything you would like to particularly highlight that we should continue to do?

- “Had a good time”
- “This event was well organized and fun. Please keep the same format and keep me advised of any upcoming opportunities to exercise my 2nd Amendment privileges.”
- “I greatly enjoyed the clinic. I am certainly interested in pursuing service rifle/high-power marksmanship to whatever extent I can. I think the mentoring idea is great, and I need to understand a bit better how/when the opportunities are available to me. I suppose that I should simply jump in, and join ORSA, and pursue it from there. Thanks again for the clinic, it was great.”
- “Networking with other shooters to get to other ranges for competitions/training. I.E., SAFS at Camp Perry”
- “Thank you for the hard work and the opportunity to learn the basics of rifle competition.”
- “Being new, I found the positions stretched some muscles that could have benefitted from a warm up and stretching exercise. This was really great, thank you for putting this event on.”
- “Having a video available before hand, one from another clinic perhaps, would help first time participants better understand with what will occur at their clinic. Thank you very much for hosting this clinic. It was the first time that I had ever shot with iron sights on a rifle, and really had no idea as to the possibilities.”
- “Had a great coach ("Tennessee" Spickard)”
- “Give suggestions on the best type of rifle and sight.”
- “I thought the course was well organized. I would like to take it again the next time it is offered.”

In conclusion, results of this survey indicated that for the April 1 Clinic, we met the expectations and that are changes were in a positive direction for future clinics. In particular, respondents said that it was most important to provide opportunities to practice with the ORSA team shooters and to have a mentor. That's good news for us, because we have well established and active Wednesday Night and Saturday Camp Perry practices. (See the inset in this newsletter for the Camp Perry Practice Schedule). You are most welcome to come out, observe, ask questions, and even participate. We think it's important for you to take part as well if you wish to become a competitor. We will be pleased to help you get started with us. Contact me if you have any questions!

CAMP PERRY HIGHPOWER WIND SPEED CHART

By Cecil Baldwin

0-1 MPH: Calm-TOO CALM! People get edgy-smoke from cigar smoker next to you goes straight up. You can smell yourself. Target pits are running slow. Second Relay shooters are frantic to get to the line. Fourth Relay shooters are certain the fix is in. This is not a common occurrence at Camp Perry.

2-3 MPH: Light air. Leaves on trees don't move. Cigar smoke rises at a slight angle. Pits are still slow. You can still smell yourself.

4-7 MPH: Light breeze. Leaves on trees move. You can smell the guy next to you, not just his cigar.

8-12 MPH: Gentle breeze Everyone can smell everyone. P.A. system is overwhelmed by wind noise as usual. Target pits pick up speed erratically. Rain gear makes flipping noise.

13-18 MPH: Moderate breeze. Wind flags make flipping noise. Shooting mats start to blow off the line. Score boards begin gyrating, scaring the hell out of experienced pit crew.

19-24 MPH: Fresh breeze. Block Officers make flipping noise. Mats blow all over. Your brass hits guy two positions over and he yells at you, but you claim you can't hear him because of all the flipping noise.

25-31 MPH: Strong breeze Difficult to walk. Drunks from previous night's trip to Nick's Road House are blown over. Pages in your score book disappear. Cigar smoke is blowing horizontally, right into your eyes.

32-38 MPH: Moderate gale. Trees move moderately. Elderly Block Officer asks, "Windy enough for you?". Cheeks flap when he speaks. Shooting stools and scopes are on the move.

39-46 MPH: Fresh gale. Block Officers are blown over. Falling down drunks from previous night's trip to Cisco & Charlie's are held upright. Targets blown out of holders. Experienced pit crew bales out. Embers from cigar ignite your mat, flame blows horizontally.

47-54 MPH: Strong gale. Trees move slowly---across the range. Elderly Block Officer says, "This is nothing!!!! I remember the Nationals back in '54...!!!" Your shooting hat blows off.

55-64 MPH: Whole gale. Your shooting coat blows off. Range Control Tower blows past. You can no longer hear Marines arguing with Block Officers.

64-75 MPH: Storm. You regret not using Porta-Johns before they blew away. Elderly Block Officer claims, "I've shot in worse!", and is carried away by wind. Your underwear blows off.

OVER 75 MPH: Hurricane. Your underwear blows off, even if you managed to make it indoors. People from base housing blow past Mess Hall. Your nose hairs whistle even when you aren't breathing. You can't close your eyes, even if you want to.

SPECIAL RANGE RULES IN THE EVENT OF TORNADO AT PERRY

By Cecil Baldwin

Due to the frequency of these weather events, and to speed the progress of the matches, the Match Director has issued these special rules to Competitors.

TIP OF THE MONTH

Establish a routine of counting your elevation to the bottom, and windage to center after each stage. Then put the settings in your data book. That way you immediately have the settings you just used directly following your performance, and you have the ero for the next stage on your rifle.

WED NIGHT HP PRACTICE

Between now and Camp Perry, Wednesdays will be focused on preparing the teams for pair fire and rattle battle. Make sure to keep up on Slack for details each week for practice.

1. Shooters will be released from the line only when a Category 3 funnel cloud or larger is sighted and confirmed by Beach Tower.
2. An alibi will be issued ONLY to those shooters struck by lightning that actually requires resuscitation.
3. Holes in target caused by hailstones are NOT to be scored, under HP Rule 14.1., holes in shooters / scorers caused by hail are not sufficient cause for an alibi or additional time.
4. Shooters in danger of drowning in the prone position due to torrential rains CAN assume a lesser position (sitting/kneeling), but must do so prior to the start of the match and only with the permission of the Range Officer. Assuming a lesser position after the start of the match is a disqualification, per HP Rule 7.1 and 9.9. Drowning is NOT an excuse!
5. Debris blowing across range is NOT sufficient cause for an alibi or additional time.
6. A rifle damaged by lightning can be replaced ONLY if it meets the criteria for a "Disabled Rifle" (see HP Rule 9.5). A barrel bent by the lightning is NOT considered "Disabled" (see HP Rule 9.5).

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UPCOMING EVENTS

June-2017

- 01-03-Jun -> Charlie Smart Memorial NRA Regional HP Rifle Championship; Mike Glasman, orsatime@gmail.com
03-Jun -> Air Rifle Sniper League ID 10 AM; Dave Arney, bigarney@gmail.com
04-Jun -> EIC Rifle Match CH & 600 yds line 8 AM; Mike Glasman, orsatime@gmail.com
09-11-Jun -> NRA Regional LR Championship, 8 AM CH; Larry Sparks, larrysparks@chartertn.net
10-Jun -> ARBA Auto Rimfire Benchrest 10 AM; James Carroll, danaaudio@comcast.net
11-Jun -> ARA Unlimited Rimfire Benchrest 10 AM; James Carroll, danaaudio@comcast.net
17-Jun -> Camp Perry practice 8 AM; Cecil Baldwin, cabaldwin@mindspring.com
18-Jun -> CMP Vintage Sniper Team HP 600 & CH 8 AM; Kyle Kirschenman kkmann64@gmail.com
18-Jun -> Bullseye Pistol Match; ID 9 AM – 2 PM; Robert Carden, cardenre@aol.com
24-Jun -> CMP GSM Games HP 200 & CH 8 AM; Kyle Kirschenman kkmann64@gmail.com
24-Jun -> Air Rifle Sniper League ID 10 AM; Dave Arney, bigarney@gmail.com
25-Jun -> M1A Match HP 300 & CH 9 AM; Mike Glasman, orsatime@gmail.com

July-2017

- 01-Jul -> Camp Perry Practice 8 AM HP 600 yards; Cecil Baldwin, cabaldwin@mindspring.com
01-Jul -> Air Rifle Sniper League ID 10 AM; Dave Arney, bigarney@gmail.com
02-Jul -> Camp Perry Practice 8 AM HP 600 yards; Cecil Baldwin, cabaldwin@mindspring.com
08-Jul -> Camp Perry Practice 8 AM HP 600 yards; Cecil Baldwin, cabaldwin@mindspring.com
15-Jul -> ARBA Rimfire Benchrest 8 AM; James Carroll, danaaudio@comcast.net
16-Jul -> ARA Rimfire Benchrest 8 AM; James Carroll, danaaudio@comcast.net
22-Jul -> Air Rifle Sniper League ID 10 AM; Dave Arney, bigarney@gmail.com

August-2017

- 05-Aug -> Air Rifle Sniper League ID 10 AM; Dave Arney, bigarney@gmail.com
20-Aug -> Bullseye Pistol Match; ID 9 AM – 2 PM; Robert Carden, cardenre@aol.com
26-Aug -> Air Rifle Sniper League ID 10 AM; Dave Arney, bigarney@gmail.com

PICTURE CHALLENGE

WHAT HAPPENED?

Submit your guess to Tracey and we will publish the result in next month's newsletter.

