

(Match report prepared by Jeff Swartz)

The 3rd 2021 100-Yard Airgun Benchrest match at Fairfield Sportsmen's Association was held on Sunday, August 1st. The shooting conditions were the best we've had so far at any of the 5 BR events held in 2020 and 2021. Usually, our range starts out calm in the morning, with the winds picking up progressively in the 2nd and 3rd

rounds and causing havoc as the sun heats things up and adds in a few mirages. This time we started with calm in the first round and moved towards mild but consistent winds in the second round. The third round added in a few very disruptive bursts of wind (as evidenced by the groans coming from up and down the line). I believe the conditions we experienced were the "calm before the storm" as the sky darkened and it absolutely poured rain about an hour after the last shots were taken.

We had 10 shooters show up to challenge each other. There were 5 shooting .30 caliber, 3 shooting .25 caliber and 2 shooting .22 caliber. We had outstanding scores from the top to the bottom, likely due to the favorable conditions. Here are the top finishers and some notable stats from the day:

- Jeff Swartz finished in the #1 position. He topped his personal best of 227 with back to back scores of 234 and 231 in the second and third rounds to lock up first place.
- Robert Steele finished #2 in only his second 100 Yard Airgun BR event at FSA. I learned that during his service to our country, he was selected for an elite pistol team due to his outstanding marksmanship with a .45.
 Obviously, those skills translate well to air rifles.
- Tim Swan finished #3, climbing way up the leader board compared to his previous finishes. His improvement may have been due to his self-designed harmonic tuner that he debuted at the event. Or, it could have been due to all of his shooting practice while testing it. Probably some of both. Tim had 11 total 10X's, which was the highest of the day.
- It was impressive to see all 10 shooters improve their first round score in round number two, with improvements ranging between 1 and 17 points.

• .30 caliber appeared to dominate this particular match, claiming the top 4 positions. The average .30 caliber card was more than 11 points higher than the .25 average.

Thank you to all who attended,

Jeff Swartz and Ryan Spanagel

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								TOTAL		
Name	Caliber	Score #1	Х	Score #2	Х	Score #3	Х	SCORE	Х	
Jeff Swartz	0.30	226	2	234	3	231	3	691	8	1st
Robert Steele	0.30	225	4	232	2	222	4	679	10	2nd
Tim Swan	0.30	223	6	227	4	216	1	666	11	3rd
Ryan Spanagel	0.30	218	2	223	1	211	4	652	7	
Chris Oldfield	0.22	212	2	224	2	215	4	651	8	
Donnie Reed	0.25	218	2	224	3	207	4	649	9	
Joe Polanco	0.25	213	1	218	1	218	1	649	3	
Bob Duncan	0.30	212	2	213	2	213	4	638	8	
Tom Cox	0.25	198	0	211	2	195	0	604	2	
Ted Andro	0.22	179	0	196	0	188	0	563	0	

Top Scores of the Day

	Big Bore (>.22)	Small Bore (<=.22)			
#1	234 3X Jeff Swartz	224 2X Chris Oldfield			
#2	232 2X Robert Steele	215 4X Chris Oldfield			
#3	231 3X Jeff Swartz	212 2X Chris Oldfield			

		Average of Score	Average of Score	Average of Score	Average of
Caliber 🖳	Shooters	#1	#2	#3	TOTAL SCORE
0.30	5	220.8	225.8	218.6	665.2
0.25	3	209.7	217.7	206.7	634.0
0.22	2	195.5	210.0	201.5	607.0
Grand Total	10	212.4	220.2	211.6	644.2