



(Match report prepared by Jeff Swartz)

The 100-yard benchrest match at Fairfield Sportsmen's Association on Saturday, September 9 set a new attendance record of 17 shooters. The day was unusual in the way the conditions changed. Our range is usually very calm in the morning before the sun gets too high and then gradually ramps up the difficulty throughout the day as it gets hotter. This time our pleasant cool morning came with quite a bit of wind that also shifted direction frequently, and it frustrated many a shooter. Scores were much lower than the last couple matches, and the first round didn't have a single score in the 220's or above. In the first two rounds, anything over a 210 was a great score. On this day, the conditions improved with every round and the 3rd and final round saw the highest scores.

Two shooters were locked in a very tight battle in the first 3-card match. Jerry Kornfield and Jeff Swartz both shot 219 in the first round and 225 in the third round. It was the second round that decided the winner with Jeff shooting 221 to Jerry's 208. Jeff finished in first with 665 5X and Jerry was second with 652 7X. Rounding out the top 3 was Tom Cox who shot 3 solid scores for a 640 3X.

Even though we had to run 2 heats to complete the first match, we were moving at a fast pace. So, we decided to have a second 3-card match. Eight of the seventeen shooters were up for some more benchrest fun. We wanted to make the 2nd match focused on .22 caliber and we announced we would give a hat donated by Hawke Optics to the top .22 shooter. As it turned out, Jeff Swartz was the only one that shot a .22. Even though he posted three scores over 200 with a 3-card total of 624 6X, we decided to award the hat to our youngest shooter Kelsie Michaud. We also awarded a Hawke hat to the person with the top score among the other 7 shooters. Tom Cox had yet another solid match, shooting a 646 10X to take the top spot.

The day was full of notable events, and here are few. Tim Swan was one of only 2 shooters to use a .22 in the main event. He had 3 great scores, including the card with the highest X count of the day (7), and he finished 4th in the first match. Ron Francis also shot .22, but he was the bravest of all, shooting 18 grain pellets in those crazy winds and putting up 2 out of 3 scores over 200. Lynda Schnipke was talked into using her husband JR's gun and shot her first 100-yard match (that I'm aware of). She's a natural as she shot 3 scores over 200 to place 10th out of 17. It was also a day that saw the most .25 caliber shooters we've ever seen (6 of 17 in the first match and 4 of 8 in the second match. I also noticed that Paul Nickerson, who started out below 200 on his first card, kept improving nearly every card throughout the day. He shot a 224 5X on his 3rd card in the second match to vault himself up into 2nd place, tying Joe Polanco on score, but edging him out on X count.

Great shooting to everyone and please make sure you thank all our sponsors (Pyramyd Air, Baker Airguns and Hawke Optics) by considering them for all of your air gunning needs. Buy local and buy in Ohio.

Thank you to all who attended,

Jeff Swartz and Ryan Spanagel

ASA 3-Card (Match #1 / Main Event)

		Score		Score		Score		TOTAL		
Place Name	Caliber	#1	Х	#2	Х	#3	Х	SCORE	Х	
1 Jeff Swartz	0.30	219	2	221	1	225	2	665	5	1st
2 Jerry Kornfield	0.25	219	2	208	1	225	4	652	7	2nd
3 Tom Cox	0.30	211	1	214	0	215	2	640	3	3rd
4 Tim Swan	0.22	215	0	201	2	219	7	635	9	
5 Brandon Michaud	0.30	211	2	202	0	221	2	634	4	
6 JR Schnipke	0.25	212	1	205	2	211	2	628	5	
7 Ryan Spanagel	0.30	204	3	204	1	219	4	627	8	
8 Paul Nickerson	0.25	198	1	203	1	218	2	619	4	
9 Rob Moore	0.30	209	0	214	2	195	2	618	4	
10 Lynda Schnipke	0.25	201	0	208	0	205	2	614	2	
11 Garry Barnes	0.30	192	2	201	1	220	4	613	7	
12 Joe Polanco	0.25	195	1	201	2	213	0	609	3	
13 Sharon Moore	0.30	214	3	188	0	206	0	608	3	
14 Ron Francis	0.22	188	1	203	0	203	2	594	3	
15 Kelsie Michaud	0.25	186	1	185	4	211	2	582	7	
16 Keith Frye	0.30	184	1	191	1	194	1	569	3	
17 Ken Santo	0.30	168	0	196	0	201	2	565	2	
	Avg Max	201.5 219		202.6 221		211.8 225				

Equipment

ace Name	Rifle	Scope	Ammo
1 Jeff Swartz	FX Impact M3	Sightron 45X	JSB .30 / 44.75gr
2 Jerry Kornfield	Skout Epoch	Vector	JSB .25 / 33.95gr
3 Tom Cox	FX Impact M3	Hawke Sidewinder II	JSB .30 / 44.75gr
4 Tim Swan	Skout Epoch	Sightron	JSB .22 / 25.39gr
5 Brandon Michaud	FX Crown MKII	Vector Minotaur	JTS .30 / 45.06gr
6 JR Schnipke	FX Impact M3	Vortex	JSB .25 / 33.95gr
7 Ryan Spanagel	FX Impact MKII	Hawke Sidewinder	FX .30 / 44.75gr
8 Paul Nickerson	FX Impact M3	Vector	JSB .25 / 33.95gr
9 Rob Moore	FX Crown	Sightron	JSB .30 / 44.75gr
10 Lynda Schnipke	FX Impact M3	Vortex	JSB .25 / 33.95gr
11 Garry Barnes	FX Impact M3	Hawke Sidewinder	FX .30 / 44.75gr
12 Joe Polanco	Skout Epoch	Vector	JTS .25 / 29.63gr
13 Sharon Moore	FX Crown	Sightron	JSB .30 / 44.75gr
14 Ron Francis	FX Panthera	Hawke	JSB .22 / 18.13gr
15 Kelsie Michaud	AV Avenge X	Vector Sentinal	JSB .25 / 33.95gr
16 Keith Frye	DS Red Wolf Safari	Sightron 10-50	JSB .30 / 44.75gr
17 Ken Santo	FX Impact M3	Sightron	JSB .30 / 44.75gr

ASA 3-Card (Match #2 / .22 Caliber Focused)

Place Name	Caliber	Score #1	х	Score #2	х	Score #3	х	TOTAL SCORE	x	
1 Jeff Swartz	0.22	211	3	209	1	204	2	624	6	1st
1 Tom Cox	0.30	203	2	225	6	218	2	646	10	1st
2 Paul Nickerson	0.25	214	2	207	2	224	5	645	9	
3 Joe Polanco	0.25	215	1	214	0	216	1	645	2	
4 Ryan Spanagel	0.30	211	3	218	4	215	4	644	11	
5 Jerry Kornfield	0.25	216	2	212	4	213	1	641	7	
6 Kelsie Michaud	0.30	204	3	202	0	211	3	617	6	
7 Brandon Michaud	0.25	189	0	209	2	203	0	601	2	
	Avg	207.9		212.0		213.0				
	Max	216		225		224				

Equipment

Place	Name	Rifle	Scope	Ammo		
1	Jeff Swartz	FX Impact MKII	Hawke Frontier 34mm	FX .22 / 25.39gr		
1	Tom Cox	FX Impact M3	Hawke Sidewinder II	JSB .30 / 44.75gr		
2	Paul Nickerson	FX Impact M3	Vector	JSB .25 / 33.95gr		
3	Joe Polanco	Skout Epoch	Vector	JTS .25 / 29.63gr		
4	Ryan Spanagel	FX Crown MKII	Hawke Sidewinder	JTS .30 / 45.06gr		
5	Jerry Kornfield	Skout Epoch	Vector	JSB .25 / 33.95gr		
6	Kelsie Michaud	FX Crown MKII	Vector Minotaur	JTS .30 / 45.06gr		
7	Brandon Michaud	AV Avenge X	Vector Sentinal	JSB .25 / 33.95gr		