

NRA High Power Match August 28, 2021

We held our August NRA High Power match, on a hot, low wind day. Definitely one of those days you must ask yourself, "Do I really need this shooting coat, and sweatshirt?" Jokingly I said maybe we should hold practice matches in July and August and move the approved matches to cold weather. There was a rowdy bunch of noise agreeing to this! But High-Power competitors seem to like to challenge themselves with marksmanship under somewhat extreme conditions. Heat, cold, wind, rain, nearly anything except standing outside holding a rifle when there is lightning!

We had a conversation regarding a request to allow more sight in time. The consensus was to double the current sight in time from 5 minutes to 10 minutes, with up to 10 rounds. Competitors felt this would give time to check zero from more than one position. We all agreed no changes to matches until after our season of approved matches for this year.

At the safety briefing I announced our PHA process for handling a traumatic injury. Where the trauma kit is located, and processes for personnel to call 911, calling all areas of the range cold, manning the gate to assist emergency personnel to the injured persons location. Asking if a competitor has emergency medical training. Several competitors applauded this process.

We had 8 competitors, myself included. Our regular competitor Wendell Bowling kept his rifle in its case and stepped up to call our match. And did a great job. Safety and match procedures were all on target. We had the 50-round match on the books by 11:30 that morning.

Match Results

Spencer Strickland was our tournament Winner, firing a 490-11x.
Don Bonney was 1st Expert with a score of 454-8x, and third overall.

Thanks to Wendell for calling our match. Thanks to all competitors for setting up, breaking down targets, and a safe match.

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Spencer Strickland	MA	SR optic	96-0	99-4	99-0	196-7	490-11	Tournament Winner
Travis Rushing	HM	SR optic	93-1	100-3	97-1	192-6	482-11	
Don Bonney	EX	SR optic	91-1	85-0	91-1	187-6	454-8	1st Expert
Wayne Hemphill	MA	Match optic	85-0	96-2	95-0	177-4	453-6	
William Lane	EX	SR optic	87-1	93-2	93-1	178-2	451-6	
Stephen Tate	MA	Match optic	87-1	73-0	96-2	183-2	439-5	
Jeff Minder	EX	SR optic	88-1	97-3	62-0	191-3	438-7	
Randall Strickland	MK	SR optic	78-0	88-0	88-1	181-2	435-3	