



Northeast Ohio Airgunners (N.O.A.) May 21, 2023 Match Report

(Match Report by Tyler Patner)

After having to cancel our April match due to weather, we were fortunate to break off the rust and start the 2023 Field Target season at NOA on a beautiful Sunday. The 21st of May was a sunny day, starting in the mid 50's and eventually warming up into the low 70s. The heavy canopy of our woods course kept shooters cool and shaded during the match. But as is typical, creates some interesting lighting situations, particularly for darker targets. Many shooters commented about the difficulty of ranging some of the targets, particularly those painted black, grey and brown.

We had 33 shooters join us for the day, with a few spectators that also came to check things out. The course was long, with 17 of 30 targets at or over 45 yards. Interestingly enough, there was actually a fair amount of wind coming through the woods, which is a bit abnormal, but definitely kept shooters on their toes. The troyer for the course was just a hair under 33T, without taking lighting and some of that tricky wind into account. I can tell you that the 12 FPE shooters (myself included) definitely had some challenges on their hands when it came to reading and shooting the breeze.

Shooters began to come off the course around 2:30 PM, making this a very long day. But there's no better way to spend an afternoon than on an FT course in my opinion, and I know many of our shooters agreed. Shooters were treated to a pizza lunch back in our clubhouse and we also had a visit from RX Target Systems, demonstrating their new speed silo target system. This system will be used at the 2023 Pyramyd Air Cup in August, and many shooters had a lot of fun speeding through the 1/10th scale silhouettes.

In Hunter PCP, we saw a number of shooters in the high 40s and low 50s, but two stood above the rest. Bill Rabbitt posted a 56/60 with his Thomas and Nightforce, but was edged out by just one shot as Justin Roberts turned in an impressive 57 to take the top spot. On the Piston side of Hunter, Al Duster came in with a 37/60 which was enough to earn first place.

In Unlimited, Rick Smelko dominated with a 56. Lucas Marusiak posted a solid 50 to come in second place in WFTF PCP with his new Thomas, after experiencing some scope issues just prior to starting the match. Tyler Patner took the top spot in WFTF PCP with a 57. In Open PCP, Ted Andro posted a 53, just a few shots behind Joe Edwards on 56. But Keith Walters ended up on top for the day, with an impressive 58. Great shooting Keith!

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Place	Name	Class	Rifle	Scope	Pellet	Score/60
1	Justin Roberts	Hunter PCP	Daystate Wolverine	Element Nexus	JSB 13.43	57
2	Bill Rabbitt	Hunter PCP	Thomas Carbine	NightForce NX8	JSB 13.43	56
3	Mike Gann	Hunter PCP	Daystate Wolverine	Sightron III 10-50X60	JSB 13.43	51
4	Erik Anderson	Hunter PCP	Brocock Sniper SR	Sightron SIII 10-50x60	JSB 13.43	50
5	Jeff Swartz	Hunter PCP	Mach1 USFT	Sightron SIII 10-50x60	JSB 13.43	50
6	Dale Prulhiere	Hunter PCP	Daystate Wolverine	Sightron SIII	JSB 13.4	49
7	Dan Putz	Hunter PCP	Daystate Redwolf	Athlon Midas TAC 6-24	JSB 10.34	48
8	Ryan Spanagel	Hunter PCP	Daystate Redwolf	Hawke Sidewinder 6-24	JSB 10.34	48
9	David Hitchcock	Hunter PCP	Thomas	Nightforce	JSB 10.34	46
10	Douglas Cunningha	Hunter PCP	Daystate Redwolf	Sightron FT 10x50x60	JSB 13.43 R.M.	46
11	Conrad Griffith	Hunter PCP	Daystate Wolverine	Athlon Midas TAC 6-24	H&N 10.65	44
12	Jamie Marusiak	Hunter PCP	Air Arms S500	Hawke Airmax 4-16x50	AA 10.34	41
13	John Loeffler	Hunter PCP	Daystate Pulsar	Kahles Field Target	AA 10.3	39
14	Paul Nickerson	Hunter PCP	Daystate Wolverine	Sightron SIII 10-50x60	FX 13.43	32
15	Dean Mommeyer	Hunter PCP	FX Impact M3 177	Sightron III 10-50X60	JSB 8.44	17
16	Jeffrey Richards	Hunter PCP	USFT	Nikko Sterling 10-50x60	JSB 10.34	15
1	Al Duster	Hunter Piston	Diana 56	Sightron 10x50 FT	JSB 10.34	37
2	Nick Lawrence	Hunter Piston	TX200	Hawke Airmax 4-16x50	JSB 10.34	35
1	Keith Walters	Open PCP	HM1000 20Cal	Leupold 35x	JSB 13.73	58
2	Joe Edwards	Open PCP	Thomas	March 10-60	JSB 13.4	56
3	Ted Andro	Open PCP	Raw	Falcon	JSB 13.43	53
4	Roger Barker	Open PCP	Air Arms ProTarget	Sightron III 10-50X60	Air Arms 10.34	47
5	Larry Justinus	Open PCP	Anschutz 8002	Leupold 35x	AA 10.3	22
1	Chris Oldfield	Open Piston	TX200	Sightron SIII 10-50x60	JSB 7.87	34
1	Tyler Patner	WFTF PCP	Thomas	Nightforce ATACR 7-35	AA 8.4	57
2	Lucas Marusiak	WFTF PCP	Thomas FT	Sightron SIII 10-50x60	JSB 8.4	50
3	Jeff Paddock	WFTF PCP	AA S400 MPRFT	Nikko Stirling 10-50x60	JSB 8.4	45
4	Briquelle March	WFTF PCP	AA S400 MPRFT	Nikko Stirling 10-50x60	JSB 8.4	37
5	Mark Evans	WFTF PCP	AA HFT500	Sightron III 10-50X60	CPL 7.9	34
1	Rick Smelko	Unlimited	Daystate Wolverine R	Athlon 6-24 Argos	JSB 13.43 R.M.	56
2	Bill Gardner	Unlimited	Daystate Wolverine	SWFA	JSB 13.43	44
3	David Kovach	Unlimited	Daystate Wolverine	Riton X5 Conquer 5-25x50	AA 10.3	39
4	Tim Baylor	Unlimited	Daystate Redwolf	Athlon	JSB 13.43	38
33 total						
						* Tie decided by coin toss R.M. = redesigned Monster

Thanks to everyone that helped set up the course and tear it down after the match and more importantly thank you to all of the shooters that came out and spent their Sunday with us. We hope you enjoyed the course and look forward to seeing you at our next match on June 18th.

Also, as a general note, the club has purchased a compressor for filling tanks. This is free to members and \$5 per fill for non-members, so if you are in need of air for your tank, bring it along to a match and we will get you filled up!

Until next time, stay safe and we will see you on the lanes.