

Arizona Western Independent National Shoot
Match Bulletin & Course of Fire
Desert International Black Powder Long Range Championship
March 28-April 6, 2023
Ben Avery Shooting Facility, Phoenix, Arizona

Match open to Muzzle Loader Rifles and Black Powder Cartridge Rifles

All Target Rifle Matches may be shot from any position including bench for competitors unable to shoot from the prone Position. Shooters provide your own bench and bench sticks or rest, no rear bag.

All shooting each day from one firing point, no firing line changes.

Competitors shall pull targets. Pit change after each relay.

Muzzle Loaders and Cartridge Rifles, Black Powder and/or Pyrodex only. Competitors may use cross sticks, wrist rest and/or sling. Cast or swaged lead alloy bullets, no gas checks, no convertible sighters.

Shooters Meeting 7:45 AM each day at designated firing line

- March 30** .22 Long Rifle Chambered Rifles with .22 Long Rifle Ammunition Only.
- A.- All shooting from the 200 yard line firing points. 3x20=60 shot aggregate
 - B.- Standard Mid Range 200 yard target from 200 yards
 - C.- Reduced 300 yard target from 200 yards
 - D.- Reduced 600 yard target from 200 yards
 - E.- Two classes, .22 LR BPTR Rifle and .22 LR Open Rifle, iron or scope sights
 - F.- .22 BPTR Rifles Cross Sticks or Wrist Rest, .22 LR Open Class Sand Bags Only.
Please provide your own sand bags. Load either rifle one shot at a time.
 - G.- 20 shots for record each distance with 4 sighter shots each 20 shot string.
 - H.- 60 total minutes for two shooters to fire 4 sighters and 20 record shots each.
 - I.- Walk on shooters exempt the administration fee. Enter at the firing line day of
The match with exact change (\$35.00) in U.S. Currency to receive score cards.

48 Maximum number of shooters for this match. Ironman entries get priority squadding

THE IRONMAN MATCH CONSISTS OF AN AGGREGATE OF THE 500, 600, 800, 900 AND 1,000 YARD MATCHES, SEVEN CONSECUTIVE DAYS OF SHOOTING

DAY ONE OF THE DAN THEODORE COMMEMORATIVE IRONMAN MATCH

March 31-Apr 1st, 500 & 600 yard matches on designated mid range targets.

- A.- 2x15 record shots each distance each day for a 60 shot mid range aggregate.
- B.- One 3 minute preparation period plus 90 minutes for two shooters to complete firing of each 15 shot record string. Pair firing permitted/encouraged.
- C.- Limit 4 non convertible sighter shots Cartridge Rifles & Muzzle Loaders.
- D.- Pit Change after each pair fires their 15 record shots. Whomever fired first in the previous relay fires second in the next relay.
- E.- Since all firing will be from one yard line each day shooters may choose to leave their equipment on the firing point between relays. First relay to left of pin, Second relay to the right of the pin.

April 2nd – 3rd , 800 & 900 yards on Long Range Target.

- A.- Two 15 round strings for record each day, 90 minute relays for two shooters.
- B.- Unlimited sighters for Cartridge & ML rifles. (no convertible sighters)
- C.- Shooters must declare when going for score. Spotters/Coaches encouraged.
- D.- Muzzle loaders may snap caps during preparation period, apply final cap to loaded rifle after assuming firing position.

THE STEVE RHOADES MEMORIAL 1,000 YARD WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP IS AN AGGREGATE OF THE THREE DAYS OF 1,000 YARD SHOOTING WHICH IS FIRED THE LAST THREE DAYS OF THE IRONMAN MATCH

April 4th – 5th, Steve Rhoades Memorial World Championship from 1,000 yards.

- A.- Two consecutive days 2x15=30 record shots each day.
- B.- 90 minutes for two shooters after 3 minute preparation period.
- C.- Unlimited sighters with spotter/scorer. No convertible sighters.
- D.- Muzzle loaders may snap caps then load barrel during preparation period, apply final cap to loaded rifle after assuming firing position.

April 6th , Final day Steve Rhoades Memorial World Championship 1,000 yard match.

- A.- Two relays, 2x10=20 shots for score for an 80 shot three day championship long Range 1,000 yard aggregate.
- B.- No spotter, no coach, only a score keeper. Shooter is self spotter.
- C.- Shooter limited to 3 sighter shots, first shot to hit paper is sighter shot #1.
- D.- 3 minute preparation before 60 minutes for two shooters to fire sighters and ten record shots.
- E.- Pair firing is permitted. Muzzle Loaders may snap caps then load barrel during preparation period. Muzzle loaders may cap loaded rifle when in firing position.

The purpose of this match is to provide a meaningful high quality competitive experience that is fun for the shooters. Shooters not having fun and maintaining a positive attitude can expect to be ostracized heavily by their fellow competitors.

The Steve Rhoades Memorial World Championship 1,000 yard match is an 80 shot aggregate.

The Ironman Match consists of the aggregate of scores from 500, 600, 800, 900 & 1,000 yards.

Target assignments for Ironman Competitors will be assigned on March 31st. Don't forget to put the name of your shooting buddy on your entry form and he yours.

Competitors may elect to shoot the Rifleman discipline under modified Creedmoor rules. This is in keeping with our theme song of "Creedmoor in the 1800's." Shooting as a Rifleman all Black Powder Target Rifle Matches will be fired without the aid of a spotter. Three sighters, first sighter to hit paper is sighter number one. Pit crew shall spot by shot spotter and value marker each shot including misses. Riflemen are still competing against all other competitors. Individual matches and aggregate matches will be decided by high score. No Categories.

Awards and Banquet is scheduled for April 6th. **Completed Equipment Lists Required.**

Time and Place of Awards Banquet to be announced on April 6th. (Planned Pot luck April 2nd)

We are presently limited to 48 target shooters for .22 matches. First come first served. Entry priority goes to competitors entering all seven black powder target Ironman matches. Walk on .22 shooters exempt administration fee. Total match cost \$35.00 for walk on shooters.

Due to ongoing Covid restrictions in foreign countries and pending considerations in the United States do not mail your entry form to arrive at my mail box before November 1, 2022. If subsequent government imposed restrictions, domestic or foreign, prevent shooters from attending before February 24, 2023, we will not cash your check if you notify us before February 24, 2023. Refund requests received after February 24, 2023, improbable refund.

Entries by U.S. Mail Only to: Zack Taylor, POB 4012 Rio Rico, AZ 85648-4012
LLHEPBURN@outlook.com 520-281-7148 **(Entries close 02/24/2023.)**

Should you wish to donate funds or articles for the ladies raffle please enclose a separate check with your entry form. For donated articles please advise in your entry mailing what you plan to bring, the number and description of the articles.