

COMPETITION NEWS

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THE "X" FACTOR

Saturday 10th March saw Cheshunt RPC put on their first Open 1500 competition for many a long while. It was good to support them and an ideal warm-up match before Spring into Action two weeks later.



Rob, Dave and Jim made the journey south and competed in a variety of events.

1500 Centre-fire

All three were in A Class at the start, but after it was over Rob was promoted into X Class after shooting a personal best. He had been close a few times last year but 1490 won him A Class for the last time (and as many commented on the day – possibly the last thing he will win for a long time!) Jim's 50m stages let him down but managed Third,

Dave put a shot on his neighbours target costing him 10points and a medal.



Rob still looking for that lost case

1500 Small-bore

Lately in practice Jim has had a good run, beating Rob for the last month – and it continued. A very respectable 1470 won him A Class. Rob was just three points behind after screwing up 50m in Match 5, good enough for a Silver medal. Again Dave let us down by having a miss at 50m. It was surprising he remained so cheerful – apart from the two non-scoring shots he thought he had shot OK. (Dave is easily pleased)



Advancing Man Event

This was Cheshunt's version, where the shooter advanced from 25m towards the target at 20, 15 & 10m, reloading magazines during the "face" time. It was fast and furious shooting. Then it was repeated! A total of 80 shots, all in less than 4 minutes.

Jim witnessed Rob's faultless run with perfect timing he only dropped a few shots out of the 10 ring, winning the event. Jim's effort was not so good and when he has a jam during the second run it was all over for him.

European Police Pistol

Only Jim entered this and had not shot the course of fire before. 50 shots in five and a half minutes including reloading from loose rounds in your pocket. Shooting was done from 10 to 25m in all positions prone, sitting, kneeling L/H & R/H barricade and even single-handed – very interesting with a 44mag LBR! However it all went very well with no disasters and Jim finished Second.

Summary

It was a great result for the Club at the first competition of the season with Rob and Jim collecting three medals apiece. It was a shame Dave did not pull his weight. To rub it in, both Rob and Jim won useful prizes in the raffle.

We were so busy shooting, that we have had to rely on photos taken by BIG Andy Lowe, many thanks to him. Cheshunt Club said they will send more photos which will be put on the website gallery.

Keep an eye on the website diary for other events we are going to. If you are thinking of having a go – JUST DO IT!

GALLERY



Rob does a JR impersonation



The prizewinners



Sharron was not impressed with Jims new beard