

COMPETITION NEWS

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FIRST VICTORIES OF THE SEASON

The first Open Competition of the new season at Cheshunt proved to be very popular, so much so that it was full a week before, and Dave was unable to get in. Cheshunt put on two 1500's a T&P s-b and a EPP revolver match. Rob, Jim and Errol were squadded for 10.30 so it was an early start.

1500 C-F

Rob was on the way to beating his personal best score until the very last stage where he dropped six nines! Unforgivable. If he kept them all tens he would have been second in X class, as it was he had to make do with 4th place scoring 1489.

Jim did much the same, dropping silly shots at the last 50m stage and 1478 was only good enough for 3rd in A class.

Errol had set himself the target of breaking 1400 in his first ever 1500. He only just failed to do so because of a stuck round cost him 5 shots.

1500 S-B

Rob and Jim had been doing well in practice but not so well on the day and were disappointed with their scores, but somehow Rob was 1st and Jim 2nd in A class.



Again Errol missed breaking 1400, very strange because he got all his shots away and all on target. That in itself is an achievement in your first match.

T&P1 S-B



Errol did not seem happy with his performance on the indoor range so it was a surprise when he learnt that he had won his Class by one "X".

Advancing Target

Instead of the target advancing, the competitor advances towards the four targets, which are independently facing for short periods. The competitor having to reload from loose rounds as he gets closer to the targets. It sounds complicated but it is frantic and fun.

Rob won this event last year and was keen to do well. It was close and Rob missed out, coming second on X count.

Jim who did not manage to complete the course last year showed a big improvement and came 3rd.

EPP Revolver Match

Cheshunt have revived this "European" match from pistol days and it has now



become one of the GRAW events. Fifty rounds in 5min30secs including reloading, and it is up to the shooter at what stage they use of the time, and all ammunition has to be carried loose in pockets.



Only Jim in this event, and Oh boy did it go well. Winning by more than 10 points.

Summary

Although some bits went well, improvement is needed overall.

It is a great start to the season, seven medals between them and to cap it all, five raffle prizes too. So get your entries in earlier next time.

Scores can be seen on www.galleryrifle.co.uk/

More photos on the website Gallery

