



Autumn Action Weekend, Bisley 29-30 October 2011

Event report

With the Autumn Action Weekend being as late as it possibly could, this may have put some shooters off. But the weather was good, reasonably mild, dry and little wind – unless you had the chili for lunch. Some from DRPC had been to Bisley the weekend before for The Trafalgar meeting so it was a bit much to do both. However six members took the chance to shoot in the last event of the calendar. Dave, Jim and Pete were there for three days with Simon B, Tim and Keith M just there for the Saturday.

The results show there had been a considerable amount of practice by Team Derby with members winning five Gold, three Silver and one Bronze medal in addition, several personal best scores were achieved.

TIMED & PRECISION 1 SB

Tim and Jim were below par and just managed to be in the top half of X class.

Simon B was halfway up B class.

TIMED & PRECISION 1 CF



Dave and Jim both cocked-up and dropped a point – pushing them way down the list in X class. Keith M wants to forget about his score.

Fifth place was an improvement for Simon B in B class.

TIMED & PRECISION 2 CF

Tim did well in this – probably because it involves faster shooting and comfortably winning A class but just missing promotion – phew!



Same course of fire again for Tim, but with his long barreled pistol. He managed to win B class even after putting six shots on his neighbours target!

MULTI-TARGET SB

Jim shot OK but a jam cost him dear, losing five points but still finished 5th in X class.

Simon B equaled his personal best score to win B class.

MULTI-TARGET CF

In X class Jim was annoyed with dropping two points at the first stage as he went on to clean the rest and came second. Dave went to pieces and threw shots all over – nothing new there then!

1500 SB

Jim came bottom in X class – again. A light strike made him rush in one stage and loose four points but no excuse for the other stages.

Dave was shooting next to Jim and was also suffering from jams and light strikes that cost him 20 points. After giving his action a clean it all started to improve and knowing he had lost a pint to Jim he chanced his luck and offered double or quit on match 5. Another pint for Jim!

1500 CF

Jim won A class by equaling his PB score 1488 for the fourth time this year and all because a duff round made scored 8 at 25m. X class eluding him again.

Dave was OK except for poor 50m stages placing him 5th. While Pete started very well he was tiring by the time he got to stage 5 and was disappointed with his score.

ADVANCING TARGET SB

This was Keith's only moment of glory when he came 4th beating Tim into 5th place in A class.

In a B class of 19 competitors, Simon set a new personal best score to finish 5th.

ADVANCING TARGET FB

Jim was delighted to win X class with a maximum 180/28x. Dave was a pint behind in 5th place on 178.

Keith and Simon were a bit below average

SPEED STEEL CHALLENGE SB

Normally in the top five, Dave could only manage 5th place this time.

SPEED STEEL CHALLENGE CF

Tim was going well setting times near to three seconds and came second.

Pete was a fair bit slower but was 7th.

SPEED STEEL CHALLENGE LBP

More fast shooting for Tim and this time 3rd place.

200m ANY RIFLE

Dave made sure his position was stable by gathering the gravel around him and jamming his bipod behind a sandbag it was not surprising Dave did very well in the prone stages but his kneeling was poor.

Jim was not happy with his sighting shots and was still making adjustments during the prone stage. His slow fire kneeling went well then during the rapid stage a round jammed in the magazine causing him to rush the last shots. He was pleased to find he had pipped Dave by just two points and was placed 3rd.

Pete was the only competitor to clean both prone stages 50/50. Unfortunately his kneeling let him down big time and was eventually placed 7th.

McQUEEN

The talking point on the firing line was how quick the butt markers were when presenting the target on the castle – many times after reloading and acquiring a sight picture the target was already up. But it was the same for all.



Pete went first and was very disappointed and puzzled with 50/1 then on his second run had a miss. Jim scored 50/1 on both his runs.

Then Dave made it look easy scoring 50/6 to tie for first place. A poor second run dropped him to second. But Dave was delighted to have scored a PB and "crushed" Smithy.



Keith was disappointed to have shot nowhere near his best – back to the drawing board.

SUMMARY

A great finish to the season, it was a good medal tally with many PB scores and no waterproofs needed.

GREAT BEER CHALLENGE

Although Dave claims to have crushed Smithy, after viewing the scores it appears that for the weekend it was Dave 1, Jim 6 plus another for the double or quits makes Jim 6 pints up – Hardy a crushing would you say?