



DRPC



NEWS

27 & 28 October

AUTUMN ACTION WEEKEND

Only four Team Derby members ventured to the National Shooting Centre for the last shoot of the season, Dave, Jim, Pete L. and Simon B. The total entry was well down on previous years and there were many spaces on the firing line. While Jim and Dave were acting as Range Officers on the two days prior conditions were wet, cool and dull but then on the Saturday there was some snow early on, and the temperature didn't get above 5°C. Not pleasant shooting conditions.

Timed & Precision 1 SB



In X class Jim had a reasonable shoot coming 4th with 297. Simon was very near to the bottom of A class

Timed & Precision 1 CF

For once Jim didn't throw one into the 9 and much to his surprise with an X count of 23 he won X class. This has become a bogey match for Dave and only managed a 297. Pete shot the same with slightly fewer X's to come 8th in A class. 294 placed Simon 6th in B class.

Timed & Precision 1 LBP



Shooting next to Pete, a steady 274 gave Simon 2nd in B class.

Multi-Target SB

Jim was rubbish and Simon was 9 points off his best.

Multi-Target CF

Scores were well down and 115 placed Jim 4th in X. Dave had another aberration and shot 110. Simon's 108 was just one point off his PB and put him half way up in A class.

1500 SB

Jim had a great start and was heading for a PB but a wild shot at 50m missed the scoring rings and he had to make do with 1468 – 6th in X class.

Dave was having problems at 50m too with his shots all going to the right – he made a recovery but too late.

1500 CF

Jim's first 50m was poor and 1484 placed him 8th.



Dave had settled down and came 4th in A class.

Advancing Target SB

Simon came 5th in his class.

Advancing Target CF

Peter was our highest scorer with 174, Jim had a jam and lost a shot. And Dave's cunning plan fell apart when the targets turned away as he fired his last shot – on FOUR runs!!

Speed Steel Challenge SB

Dave did better, coming 2nd for change instead of 3rd.

200yard Any Rifle

Dave, Jim and Peter were running this event as usual and it was the worst weather of the weekend with a cold wind and some heavy showers. They were able to fit their shooting in-between working and had some success.



Jim shot first and was pleased with the kneeling stages and went on to score 164 to win. Dave was not so happy with two misses and came 4th.



Pete was one of the few to get maximum score in the prone stages and for a change managed to shoot the kneeling to complete the match.

200yard Gallery Rifle

Jim had run out of his usual bullets and used an untried load – and came last. Lesson to be learned here?

Mc Queen's

Jim had difficulty sighting in and blamed his scope (even though he used it later to win Any Rifle)



Pete was really puzzled to why his groups were so spread out, shooting his worst scores for a long time. But Dave was cock-a-hoop with delight with his 50/5 and 50/4 on his reshoot for a tie-break which meant he won the event and more importantly... **I BEAT YOU SMITHY**



Summary

It was a pity there were not more shooters and members there but it has been a long season and perhaps interest was declining or wallets empty. It was pleasing that Team Derby came away with three first places and some PB's and as always it is great to meet up with like minded shooters and to have an occasional half of shandy. Here's to next year... hic.

Gallery



Dave needed a bean bag to help him win the McQueen



Simon having his T&P1 CF scored



Trying to keep warm before the start of T&P1

[More photos on the website gallery](#)