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GALLERY RIFLE NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

23/24 August

More commonly known as “The Nationals”, five Team Derby members completed with varying degrees of success, but they all came home with a medal of some colour.

Timed & Precision 1 SB

Jim shot this during the International match and the state of affairs showed in his score – more later.

Timed & Precision 1 CF

Dave did well with 300/23 but only good enough for 6th in X class, while Jim slipped up with a 9 at 25m – game over.

Bryan shot a 297 in A class but it only placed him 7th.

Timed & Precision 1 Classic

Jim was pleased with 3rd place shooting a 300/19, but Dave was way down the list after a nightmare.

Timed & Precision 1 LBP

Bryan came 8th in A class

Timed & Precision 1 SGSA

Bob P shot a reasonable 288 for 10th place – no classes in this event.

Timed & Precision 3 LBR

Jim shook the cobwebs out of his 44mag revolver and was pleased he did, coming 2nd.

Multi-Target SB

Scores were low and a 113 placed Jim 8th

Multi-Target CF

Both Dave and Jim shot badly.

Multi-Target Classic

They did a lot better here – Jim 3rd with 114 and Dave 4th with 113.

Multi-Target LBP

After leading with a 99 Bryan was pushed into 2nd place on the last afternoon – dam!

1500 SB

Jim should have done better. He shot 1468 with a stupid miss at 50m otherwise it could have been a PB. Dave shot a reasonable 1457 for 6th.

1500CF

Jim and Dave were both placed well down – after shooting for four days were they claimed to be tired – MAN UP.



Peter shot his first 1500 for about three or four years because of his back/knee/neck problems, but he failed to complete the match. (They shoot horses in that condition?)

1500 LBP



Bob shot an OK 1419 for 7th place.

Bianchi LBR

Bob won A class comfortably with 1805.

Advancing Target CF

Both Dave and Jim had a miss cutting the target, spoiling what would have been good scores. Bryan who is now X class, did well and was placed 11th.

Advancing Target Classic

Shooting shoulder to shoulder put the pressure on and Dave conquered with 177, Jim 176. Only to find out that no one would beat them. First and 2nd, marvelous.

Advancing Target LBP



Bryan getting into the zone before he shot. It worked, and he came 3rd.

Speed Steel Challenge

Dave was placed 5th.

200yds GRCF



Pete won this event by one point. Quite remarkable considering he had to load single rounds in the rapid stages – make shorter ammo next time.

200yds Any Rifle.

There was fierce competition here with some very high scores. Dave was our best shooter coming 3rd with 166 (that would have won a year ago) Jim 5th with 158 and Pete 8th on 148.

McQueen

Jim was happy with 50/5 and it placed him 3rd, Pete was 9th on 50/3.



Dave must have gone to sleep on his bean bag as he returned to his “forever 49” status

Home Countries Match

There was an England v Wales v Scotland Match on Saturday afternoon and Jim was shooting in the small-bore team. Unfortunately his trigger unit had broken the week before; however Bryan generously loaned his as he was not shooting SB that weekend. The much heavier trigger pull scuppered any chances of a good score then there was the fiasco of the targetry. The frames were shaking about and breaking, and the turners themselves failed during the match and with the reshoots it took 65 minutes to complete a T&P1 match. All the shooters were getting cheesed off and the scores showed. Never mind, it was the same for all and England won.



Summary

Three Gold Medals for Club members and many silver and bronze made for a good weekend, well done.

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