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## RAPID FIRE RIFLE COMPETITION

22 February

The Rapid Fire Rifle is based along the lines of the America Match but shot at shorter ranges.

To counter that we used targets at 25 yards that were meant for 20 yards! Not by design but it was all we had! The course of fire was:

Position: Standing unsupported.

Practice 1. 5 rounds in 150 seconds. Then repeat

Practice 2. 5 rounds in 30 seconds. Then repeat.

Practice 3. 5 rounds in 10 seconds. Then repeat.

The Competition is a mix of precision shooting and rapid fire so the target tends to look like it's been hit by a shotgun!

There were four targets set out on the turners but we ended up with only three shooters on each detail. The spare target baffled some with two shooters using a target in the wrong lane. The deputy under assistant competition officer was feeling generous so he didn't disqualify them, mainly because his score was so poor he wasn't going to win even if their scores were thrown out!

There was a tie for first place between Jim and Tim. Jim would have won had he managed to get his last shot in the one ring instead of trying to cut the target in half by shooting as the target turned away. He must be slowing up in his old age.

The next competition is for the smelly Black Powder pistol guys (the powder not the shooters) on the 8 March.

Looking at the programme that's the only competition in March so maybe the Competition Officer will slot something else in, probably when the Spring Into Action is on at Bisley so it keeps Jim out of the winners list.

Watch this space.

## RESULTS

|          | score |
|----------|-------|
| Tim M    | 234   |
| Jim S    | 234   |
| Phil W   | 230   |
| Nigel W  | 225   |
| Bob P    | 218   |
| Andrew W | 192   |
| Keith M  | 189   |
| Gavin H  | 182   |
| Martin A | 155   |
| John J   | 127   |
| Tara B   | 116   |

Congratulations to the joint winners