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SPRING ACTION WEEKEND

Bisley 21/22 March

You never know how many will risk the uncertain weather to attend the SAW, we have had sun, snow, wind and gales in the past. This year there were just four Team Derby members but competitors' numbers were up 8% and there were 14 first time competitors – all good signs for the sport.

Because Dave and Jim were working as RO's they arrived early and shot their "shorts" events on Friday. Pete and Paul shot the 200yard events on Saturday.

Results in the order they are issued were:

Timed & Precision 1 SB

Jim had been doing well in practice but because of a shaky part 2 scored 294 and he was placed 7th.

Timed & Precision 1 CF



Jim kept them all in the 10 but a poor X count placed him 9th in X class. Dave did his usual trick and put a nine on at 25m.

Timed & Precision 1 Classic

Dave seems to relax when he can't see his shots using iron sights and scored 300/17 getting him second place. Jim cleaned the first and last stages and threw some 9's at 15m – Again.

Timed & Precision 3 LBR

Two light strikes cost Jim dear but still finished second.

Multi-Target SB

Only a 112 for Jim – 7th in X class

Multi-Target CF

Jim was annoyed with a rushed last shot that scored a three giving him 117/7 for 4th place. Dave with the same score and 15x was 7th.

Multi-Target Classic

Again iron sights suited Dave because he shot a storm coming third with a miss! Beating Jim who made use of the entire target but at least they all scored.

1500 SB

Jim was pleased with a 1473 for his first full match of the year and it got him second place in X class.

Dave chickened out and did not shoot because his knee hurt – No moral fibre these days. Perhaps he should have listened to his physio.

1500 CF

Not so good here – Jim was a bit rusty with the speedy parts and was lucky to come 3rd with 1480.

Advancing Target CF

Jim was 4th in X class with 177 while Dave came bottom of the class with possibly the best excuse of the year – "I couldn't see the target clearly because of A TOTAL ECLIPSE OF THE SUN". At least he won't be able to use that for another 10 years or more.

Advancing Target Classic

To complete the set Dave again shot better with iron sights than with his scoped rifle, this time winning with 176 and Jim close behind on 174 for second place.

Speed Steel Challenge SB

With his total time just 1.5 seconds behind the winner Dave was second.

200yard Any Rifle

The course of fire is 10 shots prone in 5 minutes then 10 in one minutes, change to sitting and repeat. It is won or lost at the sitting stage.

Jim did better than last time and was 3rd with 169 ex 200. Dave 6th with 159, Paul was close behind in 7th with 148 then Peter with 145 in 9th.

200yard Gallery Rifle



Even though Peter cursed when he snatched five shots into the no scoring zone he had done enough to win comfortably.

McQueen sniping event



It took Peter four goes to get third place (this is one of the few events you can pay to re-enter and your score counts)

Pete's 50/5 and a tie-break of 50/1 place him third. Equal 5th was Jim with 50/3, and Paul had a 38. Dave's scorecard must have been lost? But he was seen to shoot it and claimed a 50/1 so still owes Jim a pint.

It was an encouraging start to the season with great company and good to see the ranges busy .

200yard Service Rifle A pre 1955



Paul Scored 56 for 7th place – this is much more difficult with open sights and all strings of 10 start loaded with 5 and a compulsory reload – usually with a stripper clip.

Gallery



Being well wrapped up was the order of the day

200yard Service Rifle B pre 1955



Paul did much better here with 79 for second place.



Getting ready to take another pint off Dave