

## **Service Rifle Match Overview**

Come on out and enjoy some friendly competition. We are all here to help each other to become better marksmen and women, with the opportunity to win some top quality medals as prizes.

We shoot military service rifles with iron sights at 100yards, in the prone, sitting, kneeling and standing positions.

Our sign up starts at 9:00am and shooting starts at 10:00am for the first relay, then we take a break for lunch and socializing. During the Covid situation we have been ordering personal pizzas or similar for lunch. After lunch we return to the firing line for another Relay. We then total our morning and afternoon scores and record them. At the end of the shooting season, we present Gold, Silver and Bronze medals for First, Second and Third place scores. The medals are awarded on a total aggregate score for the year, so the more matches you can attend, the better your chance of placing in the top three. The medals are first class that anyone would be proud to display.

There are shooters with lots of experience available to help a new shooter with their marksmanship skills as well as assist those that want to reload their own ammo by offering advice.

Check the Club's Calendar for dates of our 2021 Matches, and come out and have a good time!

Please note that Covid 19 Safety Protocols are in place, as required.

Any questions call Rex Vahovick @ 937-5502

## **Service Rifle Match Course of Fire**

A Match is comprised of two Rounds of 5 Relays. Each Round would be a minimum of a 50 shots fired.

The time allowed is one minute per each shot fired (10 minutes per each Relay).

Relays are:

- 10 rds Prone
- 10 rds Sitting
- 10 rds Kneeling
- 10 rds Standing
- 10 rds Min. Balloon Bust Standing

The Balloon Bust is a timed standing match @ 45 sec. for bolt action and 30 sec. for self loading rifles. There is no limit to the number of shots that can be fired. So, if you are fast enough, 15 or more rds can be fired. The target is then scored; read em' and weep.

A balloon is given to each shooter to blow up and a string is tied to the balloon. This balloon on a string is stapled below the target. When the shooters are on the firing line at the ready, the Range Officer blows the whistle and starts the clock. Now, all shooters start firing at the balloon on their target. When a shooter pops their balloon, he/she uses the rest of the time to put rds in the standing target. No shots are to be fired at this target until the balloon is broken first.

The rifles are to be service grade military design. No optics are allowed and stocks are to be original. Military style forearms that have been shortened are acceptable. Glass bedding will be allowed, as are after market peep sights, such as the Lyman 48 or 57 models. All detachable magazines must be limited to a 5-round capacity, with the exception of the M1 Garand (an 8-round Enbloc clip). This is to require a reload during every relay. A 5 lb trigger pull minimum is imposed. The spirit of the match is to have everyone on an even playing field using affordable rifles, and not trying to push the rules or to find a loop hole or exception for a piece of equipment. No bipods or other supports are allowed. Slings are permitted, though. Ammunition can be handloads, sporting, or ball. Shooting equipment should include a shooting mat or carpet, a kneeling roll, spotting scope or binoculars, ear and eye protection, a shooting box for your ammo, a cleaning kit and a stapler for targets.

A typical list of service rifles would include: Mausers, Enfields, Springfields, Mosin Nagents, M1 Garands, M1 Carbines, and SKSs.

Once again, we want to get out and have a good time, enjoy some good weather and some good company. As a reminder, we shoot two Rounds per Match. One is before lunch and one after lunch. So, bring a minimum of 50 rounds for each Round (100 for each Match). More is better.

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Any questions about your rifle or equipment and to sign up call Rex Vahovick @ 937-5502