

## **Cadillac XTC and 3x600 Report May 30, 31 2009**

We had a great turnout for the Saturday Across the course match, 28 competitors, and for the Midrange 3x600 yard match on Sunday we had 33 competitors. This past weekend was the largest turnout of shooters in the past 5 years at the Cadillac Club. Thank you for supporting the Cadillac Sportsman's Club High Power division.

It was really nice to see the family connections we had this past weekend. We had husband and wife, father and Sons, Father, Mother and Son, brothers and I think brothers in law and of course the no relation shooting buddies. It appeared everyone had a good time, even if relay 3 and 4 had a quick soaking at the end of the first string of rapid fire at the 300 yd. line. We had a 20 minute delay and then we were able to finish out the complete match with clear skies.

The XTC tournament winner was a first time to Cadillac shooter John Cerny with a 786-20X which included a 200-9X score on the rapid sitting stage. The second place winner of the tournament was Brian Nielsen with a score of 769-23X. Brian was also the high Service Rifle shooter, and took first place in the Master Class.

Bob Elka took second Master shooting a Match Rifle with a 765-18X. Bob also shot the highest Off Hand score of the day with a 194-4x.

Brian Gildea took first place in the Expert/Sharpshooter Class with a 747-17X score and he was also the high 600 yd Slow Fire shooter of the day with a score of 195-5X.

Steve Larson also a first time competitor to Cadillac, won the Marksman class with a score of 654-5X.

Everyone seemed to weather the new rapid fire rules and new scoring system with little to no problems.

We shot over 2,464 rounds of ammunition and consumed about 8 quarts of ice cream. Fudge Swirl seems to be the favored over Vanilla.

On Sunday for the Midrange Conventional and F class 3x600 yard match had clear skies, switchy winds and cool weather but no rain. We did not have our usual rain and sun canopies as they were blown down on Friday night. I think it was Karma, as I do believe with the amount of shooters we had on the line on Sunday the canopy poles would have been an impediment to all of us. We were missing a few of the usual shooters and a couple who said they were coming had a change of plans. Had all those shown up I do believe we would have hit 40 or possibly more shooters on Sunday.

The winner of the Conventional Sling shooters on Sunday was Dick Pardini with a score of 596-32X. Renzo Tormen came in second with a score of 592-30X which included a 198-9X in match 1 and a 200-12X in match 3.

First Master was Bob Elka with a score of 584-22 X shooting his Tikka match rifle.

Ken Orris won first Expert with a score of 583-16X shooting a bolt gun in .260 Remington caliber.

Junior Shooter Carl Wise beat his father and the rest of the adults in Marksman Class by shooting a score of 522-5X. Carl shot his iron sight AR for the complete match. Two of the three matches are Any/Any matches and the third match is an Iron sight match.

We had 19 conventional shooters.

In F class we had 14 shooters, 7 F open and 7 F tr.

Winner of the F open class was Mike Ross shooting a Gilkes Ross rifle, in 6br caliber with a score of 581-17X. He was followed closely by Roger Franklin shooting a Savage F class rifle again in 6br with

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a score of 581-13X. He was out X'ed by Mike. There was also a buddy vs buddy contest in the open class with shooting partners Darren Clous and Pete Yureska trying to best each other. Darren won the contest by 3x's 574-15X to 574-12X.

In F tr Class Chuck Wagner was the winner with a nice score of 574-12X shooting a .223 Savage action rifle and bipod he built up. I think he had the only .223 on the line.

Second in F tr was Sgt. Ted Dykstra from one of our local National Guard units with a score of 573-10X. Sgt Dykstra also had his son with him and they were having a bit of competition. Dad shot more points but son Ted shot more X's. This was their first time shooting in a NRA competition.

On Sunday we shot over 1,980 rounds of ammunition and ate 10 quarts of ice cream , 1 quart of sherbert and one container of chocolate syrup. Fudge Swirl again went first.

Again thanks for supporting our High Power program. The next match is June 13 and 14.

Now here is the part where I beg. John Wier, our squadding master will not be able to attend the June match, something about a 30th wedding anniversary. So if some one could come in by 7:30 on Saturday who would be willing to do the squadding, I sure could use the help. Perhaps Sunday too.

See you in a couple of weeks,

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