

2017 HIGH POWER RIFLE XTC & MID-LONG RANGE PRONE MATCHES

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THE BUTTE GUN CLUB

DATES: July 22-23, 2017. Registration starts at about 7:15 AM and closes at 8:00 AM; firing starts at about 8:30 AM. each day.

LOCATION: Butte Gun Club's Rocker Range, located 1 mile south of Rocker, Mt. (about 4 miles west of Butte, Mt. south of I-90/I-15) Exit I-90/I-15 at the Rocker Exit, go South, then East through Rocker and south across Silver Bow Creek. At the intersection on the south side of the creek go straight up the hill and into the range. Registration will be in the white Schutzen House. The combination on the main gate is call .

RULES and CLASSIFICATION: Current NRA High Power rules will govern these matches.

*In the 800 Agg XTC match (Saturday): there will not be separate divisions for Match and Service. Competitors who wish to use Optics equipped rifles (scope or electronic sights), NRA rule 3.3.2 or 3.1(f), may do so and will be eligible for awards within their division. 4.5X scopes are allowed this year on service rifles(AR 15). All NRA rules governing equipment (other than sights), firing positions, alibis, scoring, safety, etc will be the same as for "metallic sight" competitors.

*In the Mid-LR matches (Sunday): Match Rifle, Service Rifle, F-Open, F-TR and F-Hunter will compete in separate divisions. Competitors will be classified based on their highest classification in either Mid-Range or Long Range. Unclassified competitors will compete in the Master Class. No Classes in F- Hunter.

ELIGIBILITY: Open to men and women who support the rights of citizens to keep and bear arms. NRA, Montana Rifle and Pistol Assn (MRPA), and Butte Gun Club memberships are encouraged. Membership forms will be available at registration.

ENTRY: Advance entries are encouraged. Individuals sending a note of their intent to compete will receive preference when squadding relays. Preference will be given on 1st come -1st served basis. Advance entry may be made by sending a note or e-mail of your intent (with your 1st & 2nd choice of relay) to:

Jake Taverna e-mail: JTaverna2010@hotmail.com
380 Roosevelt Dr. phone: 406-491-3679 cell
Butte, MT 59701

On the day of the match, post entries will be received in the white Schutzen House on the range. Advance entries not confirmed and paid by 8:00AM will be forfeit. Post entries will be accepted up to the capacity of the range which is 36 shooters.

FEES

Matches 1-5 (800 Agg) - Entry Fees (includes NRA Regis)	\$25.00
Matches 6-9 (Mid-Long Range)- Fees (if shooting both days)	\$15.00
Total Entry Package for both days	\$40.00
Entry for Mid-LR matches (Sunday only) No reduced Fees!	\$20.00
**Intermediate Junior or Senior Entry (both days)	\$35.00
** Sub Junior or Grand Seniors Entry (both days)	\$25.00
<i>Intermediate Juniors and Senior Entry – 800 Agg only</i>	<i>\$20.00</i>
<i>Sub Junior or Grand Senior Entry – 800 Agg only</i>	<i>\$10.00</i>

(Make checks payable to Jake Taverna)

*Sub Juniors are ≤14 yrs, Intermediate Juniors are 15-18 yrs, Seniors are 60-69 yrs and Grand Seniors are ≥70 yrs. Int Jrs, Seniors and Gr Seniors are age eligible on Jan 1 of their 15th, 60th or 70th birthday.** A Sub Junior, Intermediate Junior, Senior or Grand Senior Entry entitles them to compete in all Indiv. Matches and the Aggregate and to win awards in all matches. Fees for anyone firing the Sunday Mid-Long Range matches only will be \$20 – no reduced fees based on age.*

SAFETY: Use of an ECI – “Empty Chamber Indicator” is required in all matches. ECI’s may be purchased at registration. Eye and ear protection is required in the Pits and on the firing line and is encouraged for anyone in the vicinity of the firing line while firing is taking place

SQUADDING AND SCORING: Competitors will be squadded for firing and pit duty. Paid pit service maybe available or the shooter may supply his own Pit person (someone qualified to do the job).

CHALLENGES: A challenge fee of \$1.00 will be charged for each challenge lost.

TARGETS: Military type for Rifle Competition: 200yd - SR, 300yd - SR-3, 600yd - MR-1 For the LR matches 600 yd – MR-1 or MR-1FC, 800 yd – LR or LRFC

High Power Rifle 800 Aggregate -- Saturday July 22, 2017

RIFLE: NRA Match Rifle or Service Rifle; **Sights** – Metallic.

Optics equipped rifles division (NRA Rule 3.1(f) or 3.3.2) - **Sights** – Scope or electronic

SCHEDULE: Saturday, July 22

Match 1 -- Indiv. match, Standing Slow Fire, 2 sighters and 20 shots for record, time -- 22 min. 200 yds. **(Competitors will remain on the line to fire Match 2)**

Match 2 -- Indiv. match, Sitting or Kneeling Rapid Fire, 2 sighters and 20 shots for record, time – 60 sec per 10 shot string, 200 yds

Match 3 -- Indiv. match, Prone Rapid Fire, 2 sighters and 20 shots for record, time -- 70 sec Per 10 shot string, 300 yds.

Match 4 -- Indiv. match, Prone Slow Fire, 2 sighters and 20 shots for record, time --22 min., 600 yds.

Match 5 -- Aggregate match, an aggregate of scores from matches 1 through 4.

AWARDS: Winners will have their choice of NRA award points or cash equivalent.

Match/Service Rifle awards by NRA class. Classes will be combined if fewer than 3 individuals are registered in a class. Masters will not be combined with the High Master Class. If fewer than 3 High Masters are entered they will compete for Match Winner Awards only.

Awards for Optics equipped rifles competitors will be separate and not be combined with Match and Service Rifle. NRA classes will not be set up for “any-sight” competitors unless there are sufficient entries to warrant a class break down. Awards are based on total entry.

Award Schedule for HP XTC matches

Matches	1-2 total entries	3-5 entries/class	6-10 entries/class	≥11 entries
Indiv & Agg	HM’s=MW only	Winner & 1 st	2 nd	3 rd

Classes with <3 entrants will be combined with a higher or lower class for awards.

800 Agg XTC matches: Optic Division: Scores for shooters in Optics Division will be ranked from high to low. This division will need at least 2 competitors to justify an award and 10 to justify a class breakdown. If classes are broken down the award schedule above will be used.

Optic Division (Tactical Rifle): Award Schedule

Matches	1 entry	2-3 entries	4-6 entries	7-11 entries	≥12 entries
Indiv & Agg	No Awd	1 awd	Winner & 1 st	2 nd	3 rd

MID-LONG RANGE MATCHES

DATE: Sunday, July 23, 2017. Squadding of pre-registered competitors or registration of new competitors starts at about 7:15AM; Registration closes at 8:00AM and firing starts at about 8:30 AM.

RULES and CLASSIFICATION: Current NRA High Power Rifle rules and F-Class rules.

RIFLE: Divisions will be: **Service Rifle; Match Rifle, Any-Sight, F-Open, F-TR and F-Hunter.** Classes will be recognized within a Division or category (except F-Hunter) if there are sufficient entries.

All competitors are encouraged to check the current NRA High Power and F-Class rules on-line at:

<http://www.nrahq.org/compete/RuleBooks/HPR/hpr-index.pdf>

SERVICE RIFLE – competitor competes with metallic or 4.5X scope sighted Service Rifle. NRA rule 3.1 a-e. 4.5X scope max for service rifle is new for 2016.

MATCH RIFLE – competitor competes with “Any-Sight” NRA Match Rifle, Palma Rifle or scoped Service Rifle rule 3.1(f). Rules and equipment for this class are the same as in any high power tournament.

F-Open – use any-sight rifle of <.35 cal, and weighing less than 10 Kg (approx 22lbs) may use bipod or mechanical front rest and sandbag rear rest. Target will be the MR-1FC at 600 yds and LRFC at 800 yds.

F-TR – use any-sight rifle in .223 or .308 caliber and weighing less than 8.25 Kg (approx 18.18lbs). If using a bipod it must be rigidly attached to the rifle’s fore-end and **is** included in the rifle’s weight. Shooter may use a sandbag or hand under the butt stock. Mechanical rests are not allowed. Target will be the MR-1FC at 600 yds and LRFC at 800 yds.

F-Hunter – this is not an official NRA F-class and scores will not be reported. This Division is intended for the Novice competitor. Competitors with match experience should consider entry in Match, Service, F-O or F-TR. The goal of this category is for the shooter to use hunting or varmint rifles with field style rests and equipment in competition. Competitors use a scoped or metallic sight rifle (scopes limited to max of 16X) in <.35 cal; rifle weight (w/scope and bipod) **not more than 14 lbs**; no muzzle brakes. The rifle will be shot from the prone position. For support the shooter may use: sling/hand, “Harris” style folding bipod, sand bag, crossed-sticks or field pack under the fore-end and a sandbag or hand under the butt stock. Target will be the MR-1 at 600 yds and LR at 800 yds. If using a Harris style folding bipod it will be attached and included in the rifle weight limit.

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LOADING PROCEDURE: Matches 6, 7 & 8 are fired slow fire. Rifles will be loaded with only one round at a time. Rifles with a detachable magazine may have the magazine inserted but it will be empty. Targets will be pulled and marked after each shot.

SCHEDULE: Sunday, July 23

Match 6* – Individual Match, Prone Slow Fire, unlimited sighting shots and 20 shots for record, time -- 22 min, 600 yds. (*Once the firer “goes for record” the scorer is not allowed to coach or assist the firer.*)

Matches 7 & 8*-- Individual Matches, Prone Slow Fire, unlimited sighting shots and 20 shots for record, time 25 min., 800 yds. (*Once the firer “goes for record” the scorer is not allowed to coach or assist the firer.*)

Match 9 – Aggregate of matches 6, 7 & 8

**When the firer is ready to go for record he/she will notify their scorer. The scorer will respond “Your next shot will be for record”. Firers will be aware of their use of time as no additional time will be*

allowed unless there is a mechanical fault with the rifle or target. Scorers should record the value of all sighting shots in the event that there is a misunderstanding as to when the firer went for record.

For Targets scored in the Pits: If a target is being scored in the pits the firer notifies the Range Officer of his intention to “go for record” who then transmits this to the pits. The Firer will wait until a response comes from the pits acknowledging that the scorer knows next shot fired will be for record. Also, if the target goes down and the firer did not fire the firer will immediately notify the RO who will transmit this to the pit. The Scorer will be instructed to disregard the last shot on target _”X”_ as it was a cross-fire.

AWARDS:

Awards by Division: Match Rifle, Service Rifle and F-Open, F-TR, F-Hunter

Match and Service Rifle Divisions: Divisions will not be combined. Classes will be combined if fewer than 3 individuals are entered in a class. Masters will not be combined with the High Master Class. If fewer than 3 High Masters are entered they will compete for Match Winner Awards only.

F-Open and F-TR: Classes will be set up in F-Open and F-TR if there are sufficient entries. Unclassified competitors will compete in the Master class. A Temporary or Assigned classification may be used in lieu of an NRA Classification card.

Match, Service, F-Open, F-TR: Award Schedule for Mid-Long Range matches

Matches	1-2 total entries	3-5 entries/class	6-10 entries/class	≥11 entries/class
Indiv & Agg	HM’s=MW only	Winner & 1 st	2 nd	3 rd

Classes with <3 entrants (except for HM) will be combined with a higher or lower class for awards..

F-Hunter: Scores for shooters in F-Hunter will be ranked from high to low. This division will need at least 2 competitors to justify an award

F-Hunter: Award Schedule for Mid-Long Range Matches

Matches	1 entry	2-3 entries	4-6 entries	7-11 entries	≥12 entries
Indiv & Agg	No Awd	1 awd	Winner & 1 st	2 nd	3 rd

NOTES:

Note: Match and Service Rifle Competitors may voluntarily change rifles between matches 6, 7 and 8, but doing so will make them ineligible to win the Aggregate award – Match 9 (Rule 9.1.1). Competitors are not allowed to change between F-class and Match/Service or vice versa. Any rifle changes will be noted on the competitors score card. *Review NRA rules for exchanging a disabled rifle.* **F-Class competitors are** allowed to voluntarily change rifles between matches and still place in the Aggregate. F-Class Rule 9.1

Note: It is expected that competitors will have done their homework prior to the match and either established 600 and 800 yd zeros or calculated a sight setting to get their sighting shots on paper at 600 and 800 yds. There are ballistic programs that you can buy or free on-line that will give accurate sight settings for various ranges.

Additionally, you should be aware that 1” diameter scopes may need a scope base or ring set with up to 20 min of drop angle built in to be effective at distances of 800 yds and beyond. Generally, 30mm scopes have enough elevation adjustment to allow the shooter a center hold at 800yds and beyond. Even then, consider a scope base with 15 to 20 min of angle built in to keep your vertical adjustment centered.

No lunch service is available at the range and the match will not stop for lunch. Competitors may camp at the range while attending these matches. Set up tents and trailers in the vicinity of the log cabin. Water and sanitary facilities are limited. The Rocker Inn and Motel 6 are located at the Rocker, MT exit of I-90/I-15. Truck Stop cafes are at the interchange. (approx 1 mi).