

Canadian National Field Target Championship August 14th & 15th, 2004

Another Canadian field target championship is in the books. The weatherman came through for us, calling for low seventies, light winds and sunshine, and delivering just that for both days. It was about as close to ideal as possible. We set up sixty targets on twenty lanes and shot the odd number lanes which made up the Red course on Saturday and the white course consisting of the even number lanes on Sunday. The Troyer difficulty on the red course was 29 and on the White course it was 31. There were a lot of small holes on the white course shot Sunday and two standing lanes. I was very pleased that the targets functioned flawlessly and not one cold line was needed.

Saturday's scores were quite good, with over half of the shooters scoring 50+ and Dennis leading the field at 59/60. Don Irvine and I were close on his heels with 58 and George Hamilton next with 55. We had a fun match on the 100 yard range, shooting at a wildcat, paper target placed at 65 yards. We had five shots to place as close together as possible in the ten ring (one inch), which we had to remember from seeing the Plexiglas scoring template. George Hamilton placed all five shots in the ten ring, I'm sure in less than a minute, to win a fun prize made up by Hans. We then ate our fill of pizza and sat around catching up on what everyone had been doing. We even broke out a few new guns on the 100M range and had a blast putting a lot of lead downrange.

On Sunday we started a little earlier and were wrapped up by about three in the afternoon. Dennis and Don flipped scores with Dennis winning by one on Saturday and Don winning by one Sunday. They had 114/120 each, which equaled a SHOOTOUT! Finally on the third shot, Don missed one and Dennis took the target down to claim the title of Canadian Champion. George Hamilton shot a great score of 57 on Sunday to take third and scored 112 for the match. I followed George, back one point and Mike rounded out the top five with 106 for the match. Noel, looking through a Nightforce scope on an NJR100 lent to him by George Hamilton, had an impressive score on Sunday.

At the awards, everyone received at least one prize and most ended up with two. George Hamilton was also presented with the Top Senior award. After some group pictures we did the tear down, shot the breeze for a while and slowly people started heading for home. We enjoyed a lot of good shooting and some laughs as well. Some of our regular participants were unfortunately unable to make it this year and we missed them. We hope to see them at next year's championship.

Special thanks to all who set up their targets or helped with setup and teardown. This great cooperation makes this match easier and more enjoyable for everyone. For most of our shooters, I'll see you next month, for others, I'll see you next year. Take care and keep spreading the word about field target.

By Tim MacSweyn

	Name	Rifle	Scope	Pellet	Red /60	White /60	Total /120
1	Dennis Eden**	Ld/SS #5	Deben 10-50	CPH	59	55	114*
2	Don Irvine**	Steyr FT	Deben 10-50	Baracuda M	58	56	114*
3	George Hamilton	Ripley	Hakko 8-40	CPH	55	57	112
4	Tim MacSweyn**	Ld/SS #4	Deben 10-50	CPH	58	53	111
5	Mike Ferrara**	NJR100	Leup 18-40	Baracuda M	52	54	106
6	Bert Habitcher	AA300	Simm 6.5-20	Baracuda M	54	48	102
7	Danny Reginato	AA300	Bushnell8-32	Air Arms	47	45	92
8	George Harde**	HW-97	Deben 6.5-26	FTS	47	43	90
9	Hans Bormann**	AA410	Leup 18-40	Baracuda M	35	40	75
10	Doug Diver	Walther Dom.	Leup14.4-35	Baracuda M	39	35	74
11	Noel Sedman	NJR100	NightforceFT	CPH	DNS	46	46
12	Magdy Hassouna	Steyr FT	Deben 10-50	BaracudaM	45	DNS	45

*Settled by shootoff

**Set up lanes with their own targets