

Port Colborne Field Target Club Results for May 10, 2008

As the day of the match approached, more and more names were added to the list of shooters that said they would attend. It maxed out at 19 and that is the number that attended. It was the largest regular match I have attended in Canada. Only the Canadian Nationals have had more attend. I hope it is a sign of things to come for FT in Canada.

The weather for the day turned out to be great; I heard many comments to that effect. We had sunshine, 18°C and variable winds that played with the pellet path on occasion.

As the results chart shows, we had people in all three major divisions and in the two limited subdivisions as well. Eleven medals in all were awarded.

There was real excitement about the Hunter Division that drew eight shooters for this match. This Division was introduced this year and is starting to look like it will be a permanent part of our Canadian FT matches. Just as new shooters learn so does the Board of Governors of CAFTA. There are many things about the Hunter Division we like and a few things that need refining. It will be a process that I hope remains very positive.

In the Hunter Division, we had two, Powderkeg and Parker 101, which had shot the one match in Waterloo. The other six shooters were all out for the first time. There was a great variety of guns and scopes. I thought every shooter did very well with the rig they had. Parker 101 hit the podium again with a third place finish and Pumpmaster shot a great first match to take second in his first match. Mark was able to put his range estimating skills to good use and placed first in his first match. Powderkeg improved his score over last match and Stephanie shot well and always seemed to be smiling and enjoying herself. Dan threw a rig together on Friday evening and shot well with it the next morning; great job. Luke and Bradon were enthusiastic about shooting, listened very well to suggestions and both did remarkably well. Congratulations to all of the Hunter Division!

The population was down some in the Piston Division, but not competition. George broke out the Whiscombe for this one and shot an impressive score to take Top Gun in the division and first in Limited PCP. Len and Bill fought it out for the second place award in the division and actually needed a shootout to decide the winner. Bill ended up the winner after the shootout. Zach started out very strong, but some trigger issues plagued him in the second half of the match.

In the PCP Division the Top Gun award went down to the wire and was finally won by Don, just one point ahead of Chris. Tom, shooting PCP for the first time took second and Dennis received the third place award. Lanny was fourth in the PCP section. In the limited subclass of PCP, Chris was first with an outstanding score, followed by myself (Tim) and Ted.

After all the awards were handed out, many were still shooting some great reactive targets brought out by Bill. It was much appreciated Bill.

Thanks to Don, Chris and Dennis for using their targets on the course and setting them up as well. The course was a very good one, with a difficulty of 33.6T. Thanks to all that helped with set up and tear down. Thanks also to my co-match directors, Dennis and Chris.

No matter how good a course is, the people that attend make it a great match and an enjoyable time. I was very happy to make new friends and enjoyed the company of all present. Thank you all for making the match a great success.

I look forward to seeing everyone again on June 14th in Port Colborne. The course will be similar, but never the same and a few refinements we are working on will make things run even better. Keep practicing and setting up your rig and we'll meet again on the 14th.

Tim MacSweyn

Results Chart

Rifles are .177 unless designated otherwise.

Shooter	Score /60 Diff 33.6	Gun	Scope	Pellet
PCP Division				
1) Don Irvine*	58 TG	Steyr LG100FT	S&B FT	JSBH
2) Tom (pirellip)	49	Steyr LG100ZM	Nikko 10-50	CPH
3) Dennis Eden*	47	Theoben MFR	Deben 10-50	CPH
4) Lanny Hann	37	CR97E	Leupold 20-40	Baracuda
Limited PCP				
1) Chris Nicholson*	57	AA Pro Target	BSA 10-50	JSBH
2) Tim MacSweyn*	49	ld/SS	Deben 10-50	CPH
3) Ted Gibson	34	Logun Solo	Leapers 8-32	JSBL
Piston Division				
1) Bill (Windbag)	38**	AA Pro Sport	Bushnell 8-32	JSBL
2) Len Joe	38**	FWB 300S	Bushnell 8-32	JSBL
Limited Piston				
1) George Harde	47 TG	JW65	Nikko 10-50	JSBH
2) Zach Harde	30	TX200	Bushnell 8-32	JSBL
Hunter Division				
	Score /120			
1) Mark Meindersma	85 TG	AA MPR	Bushnell 8-32	JSBL
2) Tom (Pumpmaster)	79	QB78	Leapers 8-32	JSBH
3) Dennis (Parker101)	78	QB79	Leapers 8-32	JSBL
4) Stephanie Winger	69	Diana 46	Bushnell 3-9	CPL
5) Rob (Powderkeg)	67	QB78	Leapers	JSBL
6) Luke Meeboer	57 J	TF97	Bushnell 3-9	JSBL
7) Dan (Sniper)	55	QB78	Rex 3-9	Crow Mag
8) Bradon Meeboer	38 J	Hatson 33	Open sights	CPL

TG - Top Guns in their Division (PCP, Piston or Hunter)

* Set up lanes for the match

** Decided by shootout

J - Junior