

2016 Northwest (Montana) Regional

BPCR Silhouette Championship Information

Program Details

Location:

Deep Creek Range near Missoula, MT. Sponsored by Hellgate Civilian Shooters organization.

Dates:

Thursday, June 16th:

Range open for practice.

Friday, June 17th:

60 Shot Scope Match

Format will be to shoot 1st bank of 5 animals, wait 60 seconds, shoot 2nd bank of 5 animals, then reset 1 bank of animals for 3rd bank of animals.

Saturday and Sunday, June 18th and 19th:

Two 40 shot matches with an 80 shot two day Aggregate Iron Sight Match

Saturday Potluck Meal: There will be a no-charge Potluck dinner Saturday evening at the range with the Hellgate Civilian Shooters Club supplying the hamburger and hot dogs. Everyone else can bring what they wish. Everyone is invited including spouses, children, and traveling companions.

AWARDS: There will be awards in the form of plaques and/or prizes in the form of merchandise depending on the donations received by the match date. Awards for each match will be presented at the end of each day as follows:

Friday Scope Match: 1st, 2nd, and 3rd for Overall, Master, AAA, AA, A, and B classes.

Special awards: High Super Senior, High Senior, High Woman, and High Junior if applicable.

Saturday Iron Sight Match: 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Overall only.

Sunday Iron Sight Match: 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Overall only.

Sunday Iron Sight Aggregate Match: 1st, 2nd, and 3rd for Overall, Master, AAA, AA, A, and B classes.

Special awards: High Super Senior, High Senior, High Woman, and High Junior if applicable.

RULES: NRA Silhouette rules will apply, except as augmented herein, or as modified by the Match Director as noted within this document. It is the competitor's responsibility to be familiar with the rules, this program, and any Match Director prerogatives contained within. PLEASE NOTE: THESE ARE REGULATIONS THAT APPLY ONLY TO THESE MATCHES SHOT AT THE DEEP CREEK RIFLE RANGE. By filling out the application for entry you will be agreeing to the regulations as written in this document for this competition.

ELIGIBILITY: Participation in this championship is open to all citizens and non-citizens whom are members of their respective national shooting federations or associations. American shooters must have current NRA Silhouette score book.

ENTRY INFORMATION: ADVANCED ENTRY IS REQUIRED. Entries limited to 64 shooters for each event. Please sign up on time as places are not being saved for anyone. Only paid in full entries as defined below will be accepted. You may sign up on-line by accessing my registration page by clicking on this link: <http://www.mtbpcr.com/NWRegional/enter.php> or by printing out the attached registration form and mailing this in to my address found below. If you shot last year, some of your information may already be entered and all you need to do is create a simple, easy to remember password, make corrections and additions as required, and save it. Remember your password as it will allow you to make changes if required such as a spotter or squadding requests, etc..

A. Each entry will include a \$10 nonrefundable entry fee. The fee to shoot Scope or Iron is \$70 for each event (\$80 to shoot one event, \$150 to shoot both events).

B. ALL ENTRANCE FEES MUST BE PAID IN FULL BY JUNE 1ST OF THAT YEAR. ANY UNPAID ENTRIES ON JUNE 1ST WILL RESULT IN YOUR RESERVED SPACE BEING MADE AVAILABLE FOR POST ENTRIES AND THE FORFEITURE OF YOUR NONREFUNDABLE \$10 ENTRY FEE.

C. ANY CANCELLATIONS AFTER JUNE 1ST OF EACH YEAR WILL FORFIT THEIR ENTIRE ENTRANCE FEE. Adherence to this rule is at the discretion of the Match Director.

D.ENTRIES OPEN: January 1st.

E. ENTRIES CLOSE: Entries must be received by June 1st. This means I must have them in my hands on June 1st. Post Dates are not accepted. Entries arriving after that date will be considered Post Entries.

F. POST ENTRIES: Post Entries will be accepted up to the day prior to the first match. Post entries will be accepted to fill available vacancies only. These vacancies will be filled on a first come, first served basis. Additional relays will not be added to accommodate post entries. Post Entries must be accompanied by full payment to be considered. Squadding for last minute entries may not be configurable.

G. ENTRY FEES: Entry fees include individual entry fees, NRA registration fees, and range-use fees for each match and includes the cost for the Saturday meal.

Make checks payable to:
Hellgate Civilian Shooters

and mail to:
Del Niemeyer
201 Lakeshore Drive
Lakeside, MT 59922

CLASSIFICATIONS: The NRA Silhouette classification system will be used. Individuals who do not have a classification in the Championship in which they plan to compete, will set their classification at the end of their first match. Classification Score Record Booklets must be presented when registering at the range and will be checked off on the Master Score Sheet. Classifications may change between the time of registration to the match and when it is held, so please insure that your Classification Booklet is up to date.

RECLASSIFICATION DURING THE MATCH: In accordance with Rule 19.17 of the 2014 NRA Silhouette Rules, if a competitor fires a score two or more classes above his current class in any of the fired matches comprising the Championship Aggregate, he or she will be reclassified to one class below the class in which that high score falls for that fired match, any subsequent fired matches, and for the Championship Aggregate. The competitor will retain any awards received in his or her previous lower classification.

SQUADDING: These are squadded events. A shooter and a spotter make up one squad. Requests for special squadding of competitors sharing equipment, etc., will be accommodated if possible, on a first come, first served basis. These requests must be made IN WRITING, and entries for all competitors involved must be included with the request. Special squadding requests cannot be considered for post entries. Target assignments will be made by the Match Director for the first match. For subsequent matches, competitors will be shifted according to formula (2-2-2 for relay, bank, and animal).

CERTIFICATION OF ARMS AND EQUIPMENT: Rifles MAY be weighed and certified for configuration before the match. All rifles and equipment requiring certification may be re-inspected at random by the Official Protest Committee at any time.

EMPTY CHAMBER INDICATOR: An ECI is required to indicate the action is open and the chamber is empty. The Indicator must keep the action open, be inserted into the chamber, and extend from the firearm's receiver. A blow tube will suffice.

EYE AND EAR PROTECTION: Eye and ear protection is required for all persons on the firing line.

SAFETY

All rules for safety will be strictly enforced. Failure to conform will be basis for disqualification.

- A.** There will be absolutely no handling of firearms on the firing line while target setting is in progress. In the event where target setters are required to return to reset targets due to blow-overs, competitors will be required to remove their firearms from the firing line with the actions open, empty chambers, and ECIs inserted. Any maintenance of black powder cartridge rifles on the firing line must be done during the 30 second "READY" period or during the sighting/record shot period.
- B.** Rifle actions will be open at all times except on the firing line after the command "READY" has been given. At the command "CEASE FIRE", all firearms will be opened IMMEDIATELY and unloaded. ECIs will be inserted in the action of all firearms after the command "CEASE FIRE" has been given. They will remain in place, both on and off the firing line and will not be removed until the command "READY" is given or the firearm is being cleaned.
- C.** "Dry firing" or aiming firearms behind the firing line is prohibited. "Dry Firing" or aiming of firearms may only take place in the Dry Firing area immediately adjacent to the north edge of the firing line and can only be accomplished while observing firing line commands.
- D.** When not on the firing line, firearms will be placed in racks, in cases, or other safe places.
- E.** A shot fired before "READY" will result in disqualification for the day's match. A shot fired after "READY" but before "FIRE" will count as a lost animal. Two such violations in any one match will result in disqualification for the day's match.
- F.** The competitor/spotter may not go forward of the firing line to adjust cross sticks or for any other reason after the READY command has been given.
- G.** NO rifles may be pointed down range when any personnel, including target setters, are visible in front of the firing line.
- H.** The Match Director has the authority to ban any competitor, firearm, or ammunition at any time for reasons of safety.
- I.** Consumption of any alcohol or controlled substance, either on the range or in the spectator areas adjacent to the range while the match is in progress, is prohibited.
- J.** As a courtesy to other competitors, smoking on the firing line is prohibited while the range is in use.

OTHER ISSUES OF NOTE

As I come across items that need mentioning, I will post them here.

A. Please refrain from shooting extra shots after you have shot for score. While this is normally overlooked at club or fun matches, at a Registered Match this is not acceptable. This action is covered in NRA Rule 9.25:

9.25 Cross Fire: Excessive Shots - *No competitor will deliberately fire on the wrong target nor fire more than the required number of shots, including hits and misses on some other competitor's targets.*

B. The shooter may bring ammunition boxes to the line and when sighting shots are completed the ammunition box must be closed and only five rounds may be available while shooting for score.

C. The rifle may be handled to aid in adjusting cross sticks, setting sights, etc., provided that an Empty Chamber Indicator remains in the chamber until the "ready" command is given.

D. Hits out of sequence are scored as misses; for example, the second shot hitting the third silhouette is a miss. When a silhouette is down before a shot, a shooter will fire on the remaining ones in order, then return to the left-most target remaining in the bank and fire any unfired rounds at the remaining silhouette or silhouettes as required. If the shooter still has shots unfired and no targets remain standing on that shooter's bank, the remaining shots will be made at the sighting target (swinger) and will be witnessed by another convenient competitor in the spectator area.

E. All Shots Count - All shots fired by a competitor after taking position at the firing point will be counted in the competitor's score even if the rifle may be accidentally discharged.

F. Ricochets - Ricochet hits fired in sequence at properly designated targets count as hits.

G. All ties in all matches will be broken by shootoffs immediately following the match except when the competitors involved agree on a different method. If a shootoff occurs, the following method will be used:

(a) Master and AAA shooters will shoot five shots at a designated chicken, but, if ties remain, will proceed to fire additional shots at chickens until all ties are resolved (sudden-death). AA shooters will shootoff on turkeys, A shooters on rams and B shooters on pigs. The shooter will be given a 30-second "Ready" period and 60 seconds firing time for each shot.

(b) Alternate methods of tie-breaking may be used. If agreed to by the shooters involved, the following method of using previously shot animals will be used:

In the order defined below, for a daily match tie-breaker, that day's previously shot animals will be used. For the aggregate two day score, both day's animals will be summed and, as defined below, will be used to break the aggregate tie.

1. Most Chickens shot.
2. Most Turkeys Shot.
3. Most Rams Shot.
4. Most Pigs Shot.
5. Any remaining ties will be decided by coin toss.