TRAC match – October 27, 2026 – ~~Larry Piercy~~ Mark Kauffman, match director

The days just keep getting better and better. With the threat of rain again this past weekend, the temps dropped once more. Today was glorious! Not a cloud in the clear blue sky and sunny. The temps were nice and cool; 66° up to 73° and humidity averaging in the low 40% range. The breezes played games with us. Pick a compass point, that is where it came from, jumping around the entire match. Fortunately, it was not overly bothersome. Between zero and 5 mph, and gradually building up, then dying down. Just enough to question misses; "Now, how the #&%% did that happen?" No clean scores today, but the possibility was certainly there. We had a good time….even with Tony's outbursts. He wants to shoot and get out of there….even with the match finishing in just over 2 hours. Sheesh…!

Today was pistol / piston day, and although we started out with 9 shooters, only 8 shot. Jesse was having a dickens of a time trying to load pellets in his gun with a cast on his wrist and forearm. That doesn't work very well. We had a good mix of targets, too. The ones that got us were close, small KZ, and in between yardages. Yes, we certainly had a good time.

One puffergun today….
47/48 – Wayne Mauler / Daystate Wolverine / Hunter PCP

Four shooters with pistols…
43/48 – Anthony Turchetta / RAW TM1000 pistol / Hunter pistol
39/48 – Erick Ajax / BRK Atomic / Hunter pistol
36/48 – Hubert Serreyn / Marauder .22 / Hunter pistol
29/48 – Loren Braud / BRK Atomic / Hunter pistol

Three piston shooters…
45/48 – Mark Kauffman / AA TX200 / Open Piston
44/48 – Bill Cole / HW77 / Hunter Piston
40/48 – Stan Mountford / AA TX200 / Hunter Piston

Starting with this week, we are moving back to our winter hours; 7:30 meet and set up / 8:30 match start. Yeah, it is dark when we leave home and only starts to get lighter as we get near the range. It will get darker as the days go on. It is gonna get cooler, too.

This past weekend was AAFTA nationals with 9 shooters attending from AZ. Six of those shooters medaled, a few multiple times. Four of them were club members with Tony Pellegrino and Carl Forrey taking 2nd and 3rd in Hunter Piston! You think that maybe our 4th Tuesday pistol / piston matches are worthwhile? Not sure where everyone placed. Barb probably has more info on that. Look for her reporting in the current events section of the website. Arizona shooters are a force to be reckoned with!

That's it for now. Next Tuesday is the first Tuesday in November already, and Election Day. At some point, Larry is going to run out of excuses for not attending, so if anyone wants to get in touch and ~~bad mouth~~….er, wish him well, please do so. I am sure he will welcome your comments.

Respectfully submitted,
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If you can't be kind, at least be vague!