

TRAC match – June 16, 2026 – Mark Kauffman, match director

Gorgeous day! National Weather Service called for 10 to 15 mph winds with gusts to 20 mph out of the west. Not sure how they keep their jobs, but we didn't get anywhere near that. We had winds ranging from 3 to 7 mph, mostly from the southeast to southwest, no gusting, just the usual swirly stuff that BASF is known for. Otherwise, the sky was partly cloudy, with bright sunshine, and it was warm! Temps at start of match (8:15) was 91° with humidity of 28% and at end of match (10:00) was 97° and 25% humidity. It felt....."sticky".

We had 7 shooters today, 6 PCP hunter class, and me. Yes, I shot my springer and today, I sucked. My misses were low right or low left, right on the edge. Aggravating. Need to practice with this gun a bit more. Everybody else shot great! Here are the scores....

47/48 – Bill Cole / Daystate Revere / Hunter PCP, and tied with...
47/48 – Anthony Turchetta / Daystate Bluwolf / Hunter PCP
46/48 – Wayne Mauler / Thomas Air / Hunter PCP
45/48 – Jesse Avery / BRK Ghost / Hunter PCP
44/48 – Stan Mountford / Daystate Revere / Hunter PCP, and tied with...
44/48 – Loren Braud / BRK Sniper / Hunter PCP
.....and then there was me....
37/48 – Mark Kauffman / AA TX200 / Open piston.....wasn't my day....!

We did get done in record time; 10:00 we were finished and the targets were all picked up. Upon leaving, the recorded temps in my car were over 100° and would only get warmer as the day progressed. It is currently 108°! With so few people here today, I can only guess that most looked at the weather report, or bailed out and headed to Mormon Lake early. It is going to be warm like this for the rest of the summer, and "summer" is still technically a week away. Might as well get used to it.

The Mormon Lake match is this coming weekend; the first of 5 monthly matches until it returns to BASF in November. IF my knees respond to treatment, I might even venture north to escape the heat. That is a big "IF".

That is all to report for now..... Larry, Wayne and I meet with BASF staff tomorrow to discuss the "possibility" of developing our own range. Yes, I will keep you posted on the outcome. We are hopeful.

Respectfully submitted,
Mark Kauffman
Secretary, Airgunners of Arizona

*If you don't have wrinkles, you haven't laughed enough...
...unless you shoot with us on Tuesdays... then you will laugh a LOT!*