

TRAC match – October 7, 2025 – Anthony Turchetta, match director

Oh, my goodness, what a glorious day to shoot! The sky was cloudless, the sun was glaringly bright, there was a slight bit of haze, which we have found to be normal, and, once again, the weather report was wrong regarding the wind. The NWS called for 5 – 10 mph winds out of the northeast. That didn't happen. As a matter of fact, hardly anything happened with the wind. Zero to 3 mph for most of the match, with a noticeable increase toward the end of the match up to about 5 mph. Normally, this would be indicative of extremely high scores with the addition of one major factor.....

Tony, the tormentor, Torquemada (Turchetta) was the match director. Let that sink in.....

After Tony's warning, last week, about not shooting a springer (no idea why not), I noticed that Jesse had his PCP gun. He said he had his springer with him, but when he started to pull strings and saw the distances and KZ sizes, he put his springer away. Loren was brave enough to bring his springer, but switched to his PCP gun halfway through the match. As for me, I am not that smart, so my springer was all I brought with me today. Speaking of course set up.....

Tony had 4 targets positioned based on a Troyer difficulty factor of between 30 and 35. Four other targets were set between 35 and 40 Troyer, and the last 4 were set over 40 Troyer! Needless to say, this was a challenging course of fire, and would have been even harder if the wind were present more than it was. Regardless, we shot, we had fun. To make matters worse, Tony called a cold line halfway thru the match in order to move half the targets even farther away! Diabolical! And he loves the verbal abuse from the match reports! LOL! Oh, did I mention we had 14 shooters present today? Here are the scores.....

45/48 – Anthony Turchetta / FX Crown Bee / Hunter PCP
44/48 – Van Tucker / Air Ranger / Hunter PCP, and tied with...
44/48 – Carl Forrey / TM1000 / Hunter PCP, and tied with...
44/48 – Ed Brockway / Daystate Wolverine / Hunter PCP
43/48 – Bill Cole / Daystate Revere / Hunter PCP, and tied with...
43/48 – Jesse Avery / BRK Ghost / Hunter PCP
41/48 – Stanley Mountford / FX Dreamline / Hunter PCP

40/48 – Larry Percy / Daystate Tsar / Open PCP, and tied with...
40/48 – Paul Wilkerson / Daystate Wolverine / Hunter PCP, and tied with...
40/48 - Wayne Mauler / Thomas / Hunter PCP, and tied with...
40/48 – Barry Diehl / Daystate Revere / Hunter PCP
38/48 – Scott Hunt / BRK Sniper / Hunter PCP
33/48 – Mark Kauffman / AA TX200 / Open Piston, and tied with...
33/48 – Loren Braud / HW 97 & Wolverine / Hunter Piston & PCP hybrid

With the continuation of Celebrity quotes, and with Tony being match director today, here are a few notables. Who uttered these gems?

1. ***“Why do I do this to myself?”***
2. ***“Last lane. Don’t f*ck it up!”***
3. ***“FUN!”***

Next Tuesday we will NOT have a TRAC match. We will reconvene the following Tuesday, with Larry as match director.

We will NOT have an October monthly match. Next monthly match will be November 15 at Ben Avery.

So endeth our weekly mental health therapy session, complete with the above therapy session notes. You may now return to your regularly scheduled programing. Hopefully, that includes bourbon..... It works for me!

Respectfully (somewhat) submitted,
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P.S. A most apropos quote for the day....
*“The longer I live on this planet,
the more I understand
why roosters start the day screaming!”*
It is all Turchetta’s fault! LOL