

TRAC match – September 30, 2025 – Mark Kauffman for Joe Pruzinsky, match director. (*Joe not available due to doctors' appointments*)

This was our first “cool” day of the season, so far. Cool is a relative term, but Loren WAS wearing a windbreaker! Temps today ranged from 73° up to 82° with humidity averaging in the upper 40% bracket. It was beautifully clear with no clouds, distant haze, and bright sunshine. Prior to the start of the match, the “breeze” was out of the north at 5 – 6 mph, but stopped as soon as the match started. During the match the wind was near non-existent, but only blew to about 6mph, when it did appear. What we experienced was a swirling effect down range that was only slightly felt at the firing line. This seems to be one of those phenomena that occurs frequently at BASF.....

....or it could be that because yesterday would have been Mike Smith's 73rd birthday and he is still looking down on us and playing games. Either way, we shot and had a great time. Yes, we still miss you, buddy!

Only 7 shooters today with 6 PCP's and only one piston. No, not me. That would be Jesse. I was reworking a puffer gun that needed some attention.

47/48 – Anthony Turchetta / Daystate Griffin / Hunter PCP
45/48 - Wayne Mauler / Thomas / Hunter PCP, and tied with...
45/48 – Stanley Mountford / Daystate Revere / Hunter PCP
44/48 – Mark Kauffman / RAW TM1000 / Open PCP, and tied with...
44/48 – Bill Cole / Daystate Revere / Hunter PCP
35/48 – Loren Braud / Daystate Wolverine / Hunter PCP
32/48 – Jesse Avery / AA Prosport / Hunter Piston

Today's course differed from what Joe specified. He wanted just 3/8" and 1/2" targets set between 40 and 50 yards. I told him we did not have that many targets with those sized killzones, so we set two of each size targets in their mid, if not longish distances. It would have been a challenging course with the way the wind was blowing when we set it up, but then the wind stopped! Abruptly! So, we shot!

Next week, Anthony arranged to swap with Wayne as match director, so he could inflict his brand of torture on us.....again. With that Cheshire cat smile, he stated, “Don't bring your springer!” Jesse mentioned that he always does the opposite of what he is TOLD, and I may bring my springer

to keep him company. The switch was made because Anthony normally directs the second Tuesday TRAC match. For the month of October (which starts tomorrow!), we will not have a TRAC match on the second Tuesday due to range usage by someone else.

And speaking of not having a match.....

We will **NOT** have an October Monthly match at Mormon Lake due to unavailability of set up people / hunters (it is hunting season), and because the national forest "may" be shut down. We also could not get an available range at BASF for that 3rd Saturday due to other groups using those ranges at that same time. That being said, and in speaking with Larry (still on the road), he made an executive decision to cancel the October match. Our next monthly match following this will be November, at BASF. We will have to revisit the October Mormon Lake match date when planning our schedule for next year.

So, with nothing more to report on, I will sign off.....

Respectfully submitted,
Mark Kauffman, Secretary
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P.S. Hormel Foods made their first batch of SPAM in 1937.
They have announced they will be making their second batch later this week.

Just thought you might want to know.....