



WENATCHEE RIFLE AND REVOLVER CLUB 2020 GLOBAL BENCHREST ASSOCIATION NATIONAL BENCHREST MATCH REPORT

The Wenatchee Rifle and Revolver club hosted the 2020 GBA National Benchrest Match on Saturday, September 19th and Sunday September 20th. Saturday's matches were for Heavy Varmint Guns and Sunday's matches were for Light Varmint or Factory Guns.

It was a great weekend to shoot. A total of 23 shooters attended the National Match. Saturday morning they were greeted by fair weather with a slight overcast sky. The temperture was darn near perfect. It started out at 58 degrees in the morning and peaked at 78 degrees in the afternoon. The wind wasn't horrible, just gusty enough to make shooting very intersting. It was normal Number Two Canyon wind, blowing up or down the canyon with cross winds changing directions on a regular basis. Suprisingly there were a few times when there was no wind at all. The mirage was manageable as it never got hot enough to blurr out the targets. Actually the mirage was helpful for those who know how to read it, also the flying dust from bullets impacting the burm was a reliable tell. This was the first day that the smoke from wildfires had lifted from the valley in two weeks, what a relief.

Saturday we shot 200 yards first and rotated to the forth bench to the right after each match. This makes it real interesting as the conditions change from different shooting lanes. Just when you think you have it figured out you do musical chairs and it's a whole new game.

There were some outstanding scores for the 100 yard matches, X counts really mattered here and when you got the X. Eight shooters had clean scores for five matches for 250 points. Of the eight, three shooters had the same X count, 250-19X and they were first, second, and third. The outcome was determined by who got an X first. There were no clean scores for the 200 yard matchs.

After Saturdays matches we had prize table drawings. There were very nice prizes ranging from WRRC hats, gift certificates, custom barrells, and action work. Thank you to our prize table sponsors, they made it a special event. The event prize sponsors were:

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Sunday we did the Light Varmint (Hunter) Guns and the Factory Class Guns at 100 and 200 yards. We started the 100 yard matches first. The conditions were a little more dicey then Saturday but fairly close. We started an hour earlier at 8:00 AM instead of 9:00 AM. The scores were lower due to the conditions and the 6X scope for Hunter Guns. Dropping points was easy to do.

There hasn't been a match like this in many years at WRRC and I believe that everybody had a great time, made some friends, and experienced some exceptional competition. Thanks to all of you shooters who traveled far and wide to attend this event and hats off to the local shooters, you all made this possible. Hopefully we attracted some new local shooters to this amazing sport. Most people don't know that there are many top rated national record holders in the Pacific Northwest and some of them are from Central Washington. We can compete with anyone in the nation or world. One thing that I really like about this sport is the willingness of other shooters you compete against to share valid information.

I'd like to thank the behind the scenes folks that worked so hard and did an outstanding job. Match Director Bill Small who also did the scoring and provided prize table items and made the trophies and so much more. Tom Peyton who is a great Range Master and kept us orginazed and safe. Ann Klapstein who ran the complicated scoring program seamlessly. The target crew; John and Becky Wagner and Ben Simms who collected the targets and kept them in the right order, dispite not ever have done this job before, and to all those others that helped in one way or the other. The scores of the 2020 Global Benchrest Association National Championship Match at Wenatchee Rifle and Revolver Club are listed below.

Heavy Varmint 100 Yard Results 9/19/20

1st Place – Walley Juneau – 250-19X 5th Place – Paul Weaver – 250-18X 2nd Place – Mark Burns – 250-19X 6th Place – Sam Small – 250-16X 3rd Place – Chris Wilder – 250-19X 7th Place – Harvey Uttinger – 250-16X

4th Place - Jeff Klapstein - 250-18X 8th Place - Mary Mattan - 250-16X

An honorable mention goes out to Jim Siedensticker who got a 234-2X shooting with his .222 light factory gun against the custom heavy varmint rifles.

Heavy Varmint 200 Yard Results 9/19/20

1st Place – Chris Wilder – 249-4X

5th Place - Glen Sampson - 248-5X

2nd Place - Mark Burns - 249-3X

6th Place - Paul Gylling - 248-4X

3rd Place - Gary Vanlier - 249-3X

7th Place – Harvey Uttinger – 246-8X

4th Place - Paul Weaver - 248-6X

8th Place - Jeff Klapstein - 246-2X

Heavy Varmint 100-200 Yard Aggregate Results 9/19/20

1st Place - Chris Wilder - 499-23X

5th Place - Glen Sampson - 497-18X

2nd Place - Mark Burns - 499-22X

6th Place - Gary Vanlier - 497-12X

3rd Place – Paul Weaver – 498-24X

7th Place – Harvey Uttinger – 496-24X

4th Place - Paul Gylling - 497-18X

8th Place - Jeff Klapstein - 496-20X

Hunter Benchrest 100 Yard Results 9/20/20

1st Place - Harvy Uttinger - 250-17X

6th Place - Paul Henstridge - 248-15X

2nd Place – Chris Wilder – 250-14X

7th Place – Wally Juneau – 248-12X

3rd Place - Paul Gylling - 250-9X

8th Place - Rick Degroate - 247-13X

4th Place - Glen Sampson - 249-8X

9th Place - Ted Rea - 247-10X

5th Place - Sam Small - 249-5X

Hunter Benchrest 200 Yard Results 9/20/20

1st Place - Sam Small - 247-3X

5th Place - Glen Sampson - 241-4X

2nd Place - Chris Wilder - 242-5X

6th Place – Paul Gylling – 240-5X

3rd Place - Harvey Uttinger - 242-3X

7th Place – Randy Huge – 239-2X

4th Place - Paul Henstridge - 242-0X

8th Place - Larry Bryant - 238-4X

Hunter Benchrest 100-200 Yard Aggregate Results 9/20/20

1st Place - Sam Small - 496-8X

5th Place - Paul Gylling - 490-14X

2nd Place - Harvey Uttinger - 492-20X

6th Place - Glen Sampson - 490-12X

3rd Place - Chris Wilder - 492-19X

7th Place - Randy Huge - 485-8X

4th Place – Paul Henstridge – 490-15X

8th Place - Larry Bryant - 484-13X

Factory Rifle 100 Yard Results 9/20/20

1st Place – Jim McConnell – 247-13X

4th Place - Paul Weaver - 214-1X

2nd Place - Jim Siedensticker - 239-6X

5th Place - Scot Siedensticker - 189-0X

3rd Place - Mark Burns - 238-2X

Factory Rifle 200 Yard Results 9/20/20

1st Place - Mark Burns - 235-3X

4th Place - Scot Siedensticker - 190-0X

2nd Place – Jim McConnell – 231-2X

5th Place - Paul Weaver - 116-1X

3rd Place - Jim Siedensticker - 220-0X

Factory Rifle 100-200 Yard Aggregate Results 9/20/20

1st Place – Jim McConnell – 478-15X

4th Place - Scot Siedensticker - 379-0X

2nd Place - Mark Burns - 473-5X

5th Place - Paul Weaver - 330-2X

3rd Place – Jim Siedensticker – 459-6X

Two Day 2 Gun Aggregate 100+200 Varmint for Score and Hunter Benchrest Top Ten 9/20/20

1st Place - Chris Wilder- 991-42X

6th Place - Paul Henstridge - 979-37X

2nd Place - Sam Small - 989-28X

7th Place - Wally Juneau - 973-38X

3rd Place – Harvey Uttinger – 988-44X

8th Place - Rick Degroate - 972-29X

4th Place – Paul Gylling – 987-32X

9th Place – Jim Dennis – 970-23X

5th Place – Glen Sampson – 987-30X

10th Place - Ted Rea - 968-30X

High X Count for the Two Day Aggregate

Harvey Uttinger - 44X

Chris Wilder - Assitant Director