

High Power Rifle Matches



Do you have an old (or new) military rifle? Do you already shoot trap or skeet, and are looking for more ways to enjoy your favorite outdoor pastime?

If you ever had an interest in shooting the rifle you, your father, your grandfather, or your great-grandfather carried in battle, check out one of the league matches. These matches will allow you to compete against yourself, and will allow you to see how you stack up against others shooting similar equipment.

There is a group of like-minded shooter that hold fun shoots throughout the warmer months here in CNY. This group is always looking for new shooters to try it once, or to stick around for the whole season. Like the old commercial used to say "Try it, you'll like it!" Distances range from 100 to 200 yards. You don't need to shoot the "league", you can shoot one of the relays for fun.

WHAT: Any past or present military rifle, or you can shoot your favorite woodchuck/deer rifle, provided it is able to function safely. Max caliber is 35. Eye and ear protection are a must. Scopes or not, it's up to you! In addition, .22 rimfire rifles may be used.

HOW MUCH: \$10 per relay (except M1 Clinics) with cost reductions for junior shooters

HOW MANY: Each relay may be 30, 50 or 80 rounds (supplied by the shooter for his/her rifle), plus sighters.

HOW DO I LEARN MORE?: There are 2 clinics scheduled in late March to cover the basics of high power matches, often called Three Position Matches. These positions are prone, seated and standing (off-hand). Or, you can check out the rule books for the NRA or CMP matches, at each respective organization's website.

AMMUNITION: Ammo is the responsibility of the competitor; any safe ammo may be used, however, AP, API, or tracer ammo is not allowed.

OTHER EQUIPMENT: A shooting mat is helpful, as are a spotting scope/binoculars, quality sling, shooting glove and shooting jacket. These items are not necessary, but will help make your experience more enjoyable.

For more information, contact Dale Soos of the McGraw Sportsmen's Club at dsoos@twcny.rr.com or by phone at +1 607 591 9734.

WHERE: Because this is a traveling league, it will be shot at several local ranges. These are:

BCSA - Broome County Sportsmen's Assoc.,
Kirkwood NY

SDS - Square Deal Sportsmen Inc., Maine NY

TCSA - Tioga County Sportsmen's Assoc., Owego NY

MSC - McGraw Sportsmen's Club, McGraw NY

RCKD - Rockdale Rod and Gun Club, Mt. Upton NY



The schedule for 2021 is as follows:

Mar 20 – SDS – M1 Garand Clinic with a match on
Mar 21
Mar 27 – SDS – M1 Garand Clinic with a match on
Mar 28
Apr 18 – SDS
May 1 – TSCA
May 8 – RCKD
May 15 – BCSA
May 22 – MSC
May 29 – SDS
Jun 5 – MSC
Jun 12 – RCKD
Jun 19 – TSC

Jun 20 – SDS
Jun 26 – BCSA
Jul 10 – MSC
Jul 17 – SDS
Jul 31 – BCSA
Aug 14 – BCSA
Aug 21 – MSC
Aug 28 – RCKD
Sep 4 – SDS
Sep 11 – TSC
Sep 25 – BCSA
Oct 9 – TSC
Oct 31 – SDS