

**The Desert Sharpshooters Rifle Club presents
THE WESTERN WILDCATS RIFLE CLUB'S
52nd ANNUAL SMALLBORE PRONE 6400 CHAMPIONSHIP
NRA REGISTERED
March 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 2010
Wednesday through Sunday**

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RANGE LOCATION: Ben Avery Shooting Facility, 15 miles north of Phoenix, on the west side of I-17, Exit #223 (Carefree Highway). Construction at intersection complete!

ELIGIBILITY: NRA membership is no longer a required.

WILDCAT MEMBERSHIP: All competitors must be Wildcat members in good standing. The annual dues are \$5.00, which will be waived for all competitors. For new members there is an initiation fee of \$2.50. Membership requirements do not apply to non-US citizen entrants residing outside the USA. First time juniors, add the \$2.50 registration fee!

RULES: NRA Rules will govern. Rifle, Rule 3.2; Challenges, Rule 16.1 (fee is \$3.00 to challenge your own score, \$3.00 to challenge another competitor's score). The NRA Classification System will be used; additionally, the tournament sponsor provides for an "Open" (or High Master) class—see note below. Unclassified competitors will fire in the Master Class.

* * MASTER SHOOTERS * * Mark your entry card as HIGH MASTER if you are a Distinguished Smallbore Prone Rifleman, a supported athlete (e.g. USOTC or USAMU) or if you have fired five or more 1600s. These shooters will compete for Open awards only. All other Masters and those not indicating a classification will compete in the Master Class.

ADVANCE ENTRIES: Are requested. Entries should be accompanied by entry fees. Checks will be deposited as they are received.

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CANCELLATION: If, after paying an advance entry, a shooter cannot attend, both his entry and registration fees will be returned, minus \$5.00 for dues.

NO REFUNDS FOR DROPOUTS!

ENTRY LIMITS: 180 competitors. Entries to the Sat/Sun matches may be accepted up to the capacity of the range, provided they do not require an additional relay.

POST ENTRIES: Entries received after March 17 may be accepted, provided such entries do not require an additional relay.

TOURNAMENT RESULTS: This year's results will be posted on the Arizona Rifle

Shooting website located at: WWW.desertsharpshooters.com. This is being done to reduce postage costs. Competitors and range staff, who ask for complete paper result bulletins, will get them.

REGISTRATION & FEES: A package fee of \$150.00 will cover all fired matches, aggregates, Wildcat Sweatshirt Match, and all Registration fees. A package fee of \$85.00 will cover any two days' matches, aggregates, and Sweatshirt Match and Registration fees.

JUNIOR PACKAGE: Juniors may enter for a package fee of \$40.00 (\$42.50 for first-time juniors) for all 4 days or \$10.00 per day + \$2.50 for first-time entry in their assigned classification. Juniors will receive a Western Wildcats t-shirt. They will only be eligible for special non-monetary awards. Tyro juniors (Marksman, Sharpshooter or Unclassified), that is, a person entering their first match and shooting Iron Sights only may also enter for \$42.50. They will compete only within the Tyro group. Juniors wishing to be eligible for regular match awards may do so by paying the full entry fee. The highest scoring junior (in any class, category or group) in Match # 25 will be eligible to win a sweatshirt. For 2010, all juniors will receive 250 rounds of good quality match ammunition on each day they shoot. Ammo will be drawn each day at the center of the firing line. If they use their own ammo, we keep ours.

SENIOR PACKAGE: Competitors age 60 or over may shoot Any Sights for all 4 days, or any portion thereof. They will be in a separate class for the Irons Sights, Thur/Fri, Sat/Sun and Grand Aggregate matches, but will be combined with their regular classification for Any Sights matches.

MARK YOUR ENTRY CARD "SENIOR PACKAGE"

F-Class Competition

There is a F-class within the Western Wildcats 6400 Championships. F-class shooters may shoot from a rest on the ground. If there is a front rest and rear rest, they cannot be connected. There will be no classes and F-class shooters will use the same targets as all other competitors. Entry fees are the same as the regular competition. F-class will have its own award pool. All the competition will be any sights. Like the rest of the competition, only .22 caliber rimfire rifles are to be used. There may be a F-class meeting prior to the match for shooter input for any additional rules. See end of program for further descriptions of f-class.

TEAM MATCH FEES: \$10.00 per competitor per match.

TARGET CLIPS: Competitors must provide their own target clips.

TARGETS: Targets used will be: A-23, 50 yards; A-25, 100 yards & A-26, 50 meters.

PRACTICE: The range will be open for practice on Tuesday after range setup is complete and Wednesday, March 17, on available firing points after team matches are squaddled. **There will be a range fee of \$6.00 for practice.** Juniors practice free. If AZ Fish & Game raises this fee before match date, then the new fee will be used. The entire range fee is turned over to the Ben Avery management, Arizona Fish and Game. **NOTE—BEN AVERY SHOOTING FACILITY IS CLOSED ON MONDAY & TUESDAY. WILDCAT PARTICIPANTS MAY ENTER THE RANGE BY WAY OF THE LEFT HAND SIDE OF THE ENTRANCE.**

SQUADDING: Shooters will fire from one firing point through each day. You will move a designated number of firing points each day, thus covering the entire range during the course of the tournament.

COURSE OF FIRE: WEDNESDAY, MARCH 17—TWO PERSON TEAM MATCHES
Pickup teams are permitted. Team time will be used.

10:00 AM Match # 26: Dewar Course each competitor—Iron Sights
1:00 PM Match # 27: Dewar Course each competitor—Any Sights

9:00 AM THURSDAY, MARCH 18—IRON SIGHT

Match # 1: Dewar Course
2: 40 shots, 100 yards
3: 40 shots, 50 meters
4: 40 shots, 50 yards
5: Thursday Iron Sights Aggregate

9:00 AM FRIDAY, MARCH 19—ANY SIGHTS

Match # 6: Dewar Course
7: 40 shots, 100 yards
8: 40 shots, 50 meters
9: 40 shots, 50 yards
10: Friday Any Sights Aggregate
11: Thursday/Friday 3200 Aggregate

9:00 AM SATURDAY, MARCH 20—IRON SIGHTS

Match # 12: Dewar Course
13: 40 shots, 100 yards
14: 40 shots, 50 meters
15: 40 shots, 50 yards
16: Saturday Iron Sights Aggregate
17: Wildcat iron Sights 3200 Championship

8:00 AM SUNDAY, MARCH 21—ANY SIGHTS **Note early start!**

Match # 18: Dewar Course
19: 40 shots, 100 yards
20: 40 shots, 50 meters
21: 40 shots, 50 yards
22: Sunday Any Sights Aggregate
23: Saturday/Sunday 3200 Aggregate
24: Wildcat Any Sights 3200 Championship
25: WILDCAT 6400 CHAMPIONSHIP

SWEATSHIRT MATCH: Wildcat sweatshirts will be awarded as follows: (a) Winner and 1st in Class 1600, 3200 & 6400 aggregates; and (b) Anyone firing a 1600. Limit: one sweatshirt only per competitor.

AWARDS: Winners may choose cash or NRA Award Points. Juniors compete for non-monetary awards unless they pay adult entry fees. Mark your award preference on your entry card. If no preference is indicated, cash will be awarded. A shooter may win only one award per match. If he/she qualifies for more than one award, the larger award will be given and the lesser award will be passed down to the next eligible shooter. In the event of an unbreakable tie, the award(s) will be combined and divided equally among

the tied shooters. Additionally, there will be a prize table; the order of prize choosing will be posted at the beginning of the match. Competitors must be present to receive objects from the prize table!

COMBINING CLASSES: If there are fewer than 3 competitors in a class, that class will be combined with the next higher class.

SPECIAL AWARDS: High Woman, Match 25 \$15.00
 High Junior, Match 25 Wildcat Sweatshirt
 6400 Champion Henry Benson Memorial
 Trophy

TARGET CHANGING: Competitors will hang their unfired targets. They will NOT handle their fired targets at any time under penalty of disqualification. They will pull the fired targets to their right.

MISCELLANEOUS INFO: The Ben Avery Shooting Facility has lots of room for campers—from tents to motor homes. It is maintained by Arizona Game & Fish. Many of the spaces have water as well as electric hook-ups. There is a charge for these facilities. Call (623)582-8313 for reservations. IF YOU EXPECT TO ARRIVE AFTER RANGE HOURS, BE SURE TO CALL AHEAD FOR THE COMBINATION NUMBER TO OPEN THE ELECTRONIC GATE LOCK.

MOTELS: This is the tourist and baseball season in Arizona so reservations should be made SEVERAL WEEKS in advance. Check out Drury Inn deal below.

ANNUAL MEETING: The annual business meeting will be held at the range on Friday after the day's matches have been scored and posted.

SATURDAY COOKOUT: For 2010, the event will be catered, there will be more information during the match. Sweatshirts through Saturday's matches will be presented. Door prizes for cookout attendees will be awarded. Bring your door prizes to donate to the pool of prizes—shooting related or not.

JOIN THIS ANNUAL FUN GET TOGETHER

LUNCHESES: Are usually NOT available at the range Wed-Fri. Soft drinks are available.

NOTICE! Glass containers are PROHIBITED within the grounds of Ben Avery Shooting Facility. This is mandated by the range management. Please bring your beverages in cans or plastic.

HOTEL DEAL FROM DRURY INN-New hotel one block East of I-17 on Pinnacle Peak (South side of Road). We have reserved a block of rooms, call 623-879-8800 and mention Western Wildcats Rifle Club. The cost is \$90 per room or \$45 per person, hot breakfast, free long distance & internet, and pet friendly. Rates will be honored if room available and block is sold out. Rates will be honored to those checking in for 3200 match also. Don't wait until last minute because this is also baseball season for us. This a great deal!

What is F-class? From Rick Curtis

Below is a little background on how F class came to be. The actual definition of F class would be defined simply as this.

A shooter who employs a rifle with any sighting system supported by a front rest or bipod and a rear sandbag. The front and the rear supports cannot be attached in any way. No return-to-battery type or "Railguns" can be used.

F-Class is the fastest growing long-range shooting sport in the world, and it is sure to continue growing as more and more people become familiar with its unique advantages and challenges.

F-Class was started in Canada. It was started as a fun class. In the beginning, it was mostly old time shooters, who put a scope and bipod on their rifle and shot along with the rest of the TR shooters. Mr. Farquharson came up with the idea of F-Class to enable the older long-range shooters to continue shooting along side of the people they had been competing with for most of their lives. Farquharson was a Canadian who shot what in most of the world is known as Fullbore Rifle. Fullbore (known as long-range or Palma shooting here in the States) is shot prone with a sling and iron sights, using a .308 Winchester and a bullet weight of no more than 156 grains.

Farquharson figured, that older shooters would be able to continue long-range shooting longer if their eyesight and bodies could be augmented by allowing them to use a scope and a rest to shoot. He convinced the Canadian NRA (the DCRA) to approve his idea and F-Class was named after him. F-Class migrated to the rest of the British Commonwealth and also to Germany, France, the Netherlands and the USA.

Rimfire F class is, as of yet, not officially recognized with a classification system. Although there may be a classification system in 2010,

From Allen Elliott:

Let me tell you what little I know;

- a) anyone including a junior could shoot F class if they wanted to.
- b) at the moment, F class is F class, there are no experts, marksman, sharpshooters etc.
- c) shoot offs, at the present time, are only at the nationals in HP
- d) there are weight limits but are only enforced when stated in the program and that is usually at national or world championships.
- e) as far as rests go, the front must be separate from the rear, (may not use a one piece rest), and bi-pods are permitted.
- f) there is/are F class targets just for them with smaller scoring rings in HP

**ENTRY TO THE 2010 WESTERN WILDCAT CHAMPIONSHIPS
PLEASE PRINT**

Name _____ NRA# _____
NRA Membership NOT required

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone# _____ Date of Birth _____

E-mail Address-**PLEASE PRINT!** _____

Class-Circle one: **High Master** Master **Expert** Sharpshooter **Marksman** F-class
High Masters are distinguished or have fired five or more 1600 scores
There will be no classes or categories in F-class

Category-Circle all that apply- Woman Junior Senior (Age 60 & above 2009)

Do you wish to fire the Senior Aggregate-any sight 6400 for those 60 and over? _____

FEES

Total Package.....\$150
Two Day Package..... 85 Thur. Fri. Sat. Sun.
Circle two days competing

Junior Total Package..... 40
Junior Two Day Package.....20 Thur. Fri. Sat. Sun.
Circle two days competing

Tyro Package..... 42.50
See program for conditions
Two Day Tyro Package.....22.50 Thur. Fri. Sat. Sun.
Includes initiation fee

All first-time WWC competitors pay this fee and are recognized at the cookout. If it is not paid, we will not always know who are the first time shooters.
\$2.50 initiation fee..... 2.50

Those NOT competing wishing to
Extend their Western Wildcats Rifle Club
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Team fees will be collected at range

Practice fee \$6 per day will be collected at range
100% of practice fee is turned over to AZ Fish & Game. The match program is prepared in 2009, if AZ Fish & Game raises the daily fee, so will we.

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