

At Oak Hills, our formal match is shot under the sanction of the American Rimfire Association.

For information on ARA, including rules, upcoming matches, past scores, competitors' national rankings, scoring procedures, etc. merely Google "American Rimfire Association".

If you want to see your standings among all ARA shooters nationally, click on the "Agg Line" button. But note that ARA shooters who have shot 40 or more targets and entered at least two tournaments are scored above all others.

So, if you haven't shot at least 40 targets, your "unofficial" ranking, based on your actual scores, may be higher than it appears on the official ARA website.

Our Informal match is conducted similar to the formal matches. We shoot under ARA time limits (20 minutes) and most ARA rules.

As those of you who receive my emails are aware, our Informal shooters shoot at 50 yards at our OHIT target.

(I know that the above information is repetitive for most of you, but I keep including it for the benefit of our new shooters.)

It was a dark and stormy night.....

OK, that's not true. It was a beautiful Iowa spring day with the temperature in the 70 degree range and light, variable winds.

As usual, Jim Schmidt and Jerry King were our scorers. Ms. Peggy handled registrations. Kevin Coss and Scott Albury, assisted by other shooters put up and took down our ten backstops.

Thanks to all of you who helped. Without you, I couldn't possibly run these matches. Be sure to thank all of our volunteers the next time you see them.

This year, we are shooting two relays of Informal shooters prior to the first relay of ARA shooters. Our registration starts at 0715 and the first Informal relay starts not later than 0815.

Today, after an 0755 shooters' meeting, the first relay of Informal shooters started at 0805.

ARA shooters drew for benches at 0850. The first relay of ARA shooters began about 0930. We needed all ten benches for ARA shooters, so there were only two relays of Informal shooters. But, that worked out OK because we only had 8 Informal shooters and they finished in two relays prior to the ARA match.

We had ten ARA shooters and eight Informal shooters. The informal shooters shot a total of 15 targets. That was an unusually large turnout of ARA shooters and an unusually light turnout of Informal shooters. Come on you Informal shooters, where are you?????. Hope more of you can make it to next month's match.

The formal ARA match consists of four targets. The winner is the shooter with the highest average of his four targets.

Scores for the ARA shooters are attached in the Excel spreadsheet. Standings were as follows:

1. Ron Elbe
2. Brian Voelker
3. Keith Johnson
4. Doc Peterson
5. Shane Anderson
6. Kevin Coss
7. Carl Dillon
8. Scott Albury
9. Chris Zajic
10. Lori Anderson

Scores for the ARA shooters were very close and very good. Eight of the ten shooters Agged over 2000. I predict this will be a close-run season.

Informal matches consist of only one target (but shooters can reenter as many times as they wish).

We have three classes of informal matches --- Semiauto, Sporter, and Vintage. Each shooter's highest score is used to determine his standing in his class.

Winners of the three informal classes were:

Semiauto

Brian Mace	2050
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Sporter:

Greg Couch	2300
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Vintage:

Dan Bredberg	2250
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The best score for each of the Informal shooters was:

Semiauto:

Brian Mace	2050
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Sporter:

Ron Kron	2275
Dick Brase	2000

Jim Granger	1975
Larry Fells	2025
Tim Tulon	1775
Greg Couch	2300

Vintage:

Dan Bredberg	2250
Greg Hansen	2125

Thanks to everyone who came out to shoot today.

As I've previously mentioned to you, Jim Schmidt will be your Match Director until my return. Please offer to assist he and the other volunteers whenever you can.

If you know anyone else who would enjoy getting these match reports, send me their name and email address and I'll add them to my addressees.

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