



# Bear Bites

Southern California Golden Bears High Power Rifle Club

November 2016 Newsletter

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## Next Match December 18<sup>th</sup>

Next month's match will be on Sunday **December 18th, 2016**. Sign-ins start at 0730 and first shot goes downrange about 0815. The match is completed by about 1015. For each match, we award the match winner \$10 and an NRA Class winner (chosen by random) \$7.

Cost is only \$12 for members and \$17 for non-members. **Juniors shoot for free when shooting with an adult.**

## Lucky X – Another Rollover .... M. Bower

With a light turnout, the odds were slim for pulling a winner and Lady Luck didn't smile this month, so we'll have over a \$100 at the December match. Now that the maximum number of X's is only 25, the likelihood of getting a winner is greater. For Lucky X, a number is drawn at random at the end of the match. If your X count matches the number drawn, you win the pot. If there isn't a match, then the pot rolls over to the next match. Perhaps Santa Claus will come early.

## Meeting Notes – 11/20/2016

**Treasurer's Report** – We're still in good financial condition with over \$2,000 in the bank, and we will be in good shape to pay next year's insurance which is our single largest expense.

**Elections** – We'll have elections for Officers at the next match. If you're interested in serving, contact one of the current officers or volunteer at the meeting.

**2017 Match Dates** – We have our 2017 dates reserved.

## CMP Service Rifle and Garand Clinic – After Action Report - M. Bower



Southern California weather forecasters have it easy, but they didn't get it right for our Clinic on October 30th. The rain was supposed to come through in the early hours of the night and then stop and come back in the afternoon.

Well, there were light sprinkles throughout the classroom portion of the clinic. It then turned into a good rain just in time for the match portion. Shooters made the best of the situation, and we shot underneath our shade covers. We shortened the match due to the conditions, but everybody still

had a great time in spite of the conditions.

We had ten students with both Garands and AR's present in about equal numbers. I was most impressed with offhand portion and coached several students with two X's and a few 10's. Great shooting under some tough conditions. Special thanks to Darren Rosenbaum, Joe Riordan, and Gil Vargas for coaching and to Nelson Green who taught, coached, and served as Range Safety Officer.

For those of you that missed out, we'll be having at least one clinic in 2017. Watch for more information in upcoming newsletters and emails.

## After Action Report – Golden Bears Match 11/20/2016– M. Bower



The weather was spitting when the targets were being set up, but the weather forecast was for clearing by 0800. We slipped on our rain coats and waited for the clouds to clear out. We got our targets posted just after 8:00 and put up all four so we could finish quickly should the clouds come back. It also gave us extra time for our turkey shoot. Boris Batkin was match winner and Kwang Kim was High Expert. Boris took home \$10 and Kwang won \$7.

For our turkey shoot, each shooter got a Tactical Turkey target and was given two offhand shots to get closest to the center. Tony Samaniego showed that shooting a .308 pays off when he tied Boris for closest to the center. A flip of a coin and Tony got to choose between \$20 and a turkey. He took the cash. We then pulled a number from the Lucky X bucket and checked to see who had the matching number. Gil Vargas' number came up, and he took the turkey home. It saved him a stop on the way home as he now had the bird in hand. As his specialty is deep fried turkey, it was the perfect size to slip into his fryer pot. He got it cooked without burning down his garage. As you can see from the pictures, it must have tasted as good as it looked.

### Southern California Golden Bears – November 20,2016 – XTC on reduced size targets

	NRA Class	Rifle Type	OH	RS	RP	SP	Total
<b>50 or 80 round course of fire</b>							
Blake Aaron	M	SR	172.03	198.04	195.07	196.07	761.21
Kwang Kim	EX	SR	181.00	195.04	189.01	185.01	750.06
Darren Rosenbaum	EX	SR	176.03	192.02	183.03	190.04	741.12
Mark Bower	EX	SR	91.00	91.01	92.01	198.07	472.09
Boris Batkin	UNC	SR	189.05	191.06	192.08	195.06	767.25
Tony Samaniego	UNC	SR	174.01	184.02	182.02	160.00	700.05
Gil Vargas	UNC	SR	84.00	92.01	69.01	149.00	394.02

**BEFORE**



**AFTER**



You know it was good!

## Creedmoor Cup Report – M. Bower.



Last month's newsletter had the report, but I found this great picture of Chief RSO Tom Temple watching the line. He ran three relays at the Cup and finished between 2:00 and 3:00 every day. Mark your calendars as next year's Cup and Western Games will be a week later. The CMP Games will be October 13-17, 2017, and the Creedmoor Cup October 18-22, 2017. As it will be a week later, it will be a bit cooler. Camping will be even more comfortable.

## Upcoming Matches and Shoots

**We've included additional matches within the local area. Shoot early and often.**

**December 18 - Golden Bears Monthly Match at Fort Angeles in Angeles Range Complex**

December 24 – Lopez Canyon Match – 200 yards Space is limited ([tmtemple@pacbell.net](mailto:tmtemple@pacbell.net))

December 25 – Special Practice Match at Fort Angeles in Angeles Ranges Complex

Contact Tom Temple ([tmtemple@pacbell.net](mailto:tmtemple@pacbell.net))

## 2017

We've received all of our dates for 2017, so mark your calendars for the third Sundays of next year.

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### Club Officers - 2016

President	Joe Riordan
Vice-President	Darren Rosenbaum
Executive Officer	Tom Temple
Treasurer	Blake Aaron