



Bear Bites

Southern California Golden Bears High Power Rifle Club

April 2018 Newsletter

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CMP, CRPA, and NRA Affiliated Club

Next Match May 20th

We'll be starting sign-ins at 0800 with first round down range at 0900. The plan is to run two relays with the non-shooting relay helping with traffic control, providing instruction, and serving as line officers. Finish will be around noon. If you know you'll be going, send us an email at matches@goldenbears.org. This will help us get organized. Cost is only \$15 for members and \$20 for non-members. **Juniors shoot for free when accompanied with an adult.**

Club Meeting 4/15/18

With such a small turnout we held an abbreviated club meeting. No new business was brought up, but we did discuss what we could do to attract new members to the club. Please feel free to make any suggestions at the next meeting. Nuran Degirmen won the Lucky X pot of \$45.

Electronic Targets – Coming Soon M. Bower



The electronic target landscape is changing with new target options coming available in the coming weeks. See end of article for e-target basics.

Silver Mountain Targets has announced their new Solo Target (picture to left). This is being marketed to the individual shooter with a cost of about \$980. Silver Mountain uses an open-microphone model, and this is based on their newest G-3 target which uses 8 microphones. You can learn more about the SMT targets by visiting the Silver Mountain website at <https://www.silvermountaintargets.com/>. You can also win one of these targets by signing up for their email mailing list.



The other new target is coming from Adam McDonald in Canada. Adam is the designer and manufacturer of the AutoTrickler and the Two-Box Chrono. Adam learned a great deal in the development of the two-box chrono and has applied this to e-targets. Adam has developed an 8-microphone model called the ShotMarker (picture to left) which will begin shipping in May. Cost is about \$800. A handful of early adopters will be getting their ShotMarker very soon with one of them being a local shooter. I'm hoping to check it out before my target arrives.

The Burbank Rifle and Revolver Club (BRRC) has formed a group to study the feasibility and cost of implementing e-targets. I'm part of the group, and I know that we'll be evaluating these new options. As e-targets eliminate the need for pits, we're hoping that a 1000 yard Long Range program can be implemented in addition to using them for XTC and Midrange.

Electronic Target Basics: There are two main classifications of e-targets: open-microphone and closed chamber. An open-microphone system detects the sonic crack of the rifle bullet, so supersonic bullet speeds are required at the target. The CMP uses a closed-chamber electronic target at the Talladega Marksmanship Park, and they were used at the 2017 Western Games. The microphones are housed inside of a closed chamber, so they're able to work with subsonic bullets. Closed-chamber targets are typically more accurate but are also costlier. Closed-chamber systems are also bulkier and require regular maintenance to replace the chamber membranes. Open-microphone accuracy is increased by using rigid and square target frames and then using appropriate calibration techniques.

State and Pac Fleet Match News – M. Bower

The California State Service Rifle Championships were held on April 7th, 2018 at Coalinga Rifle Club, and yes, the club is just outside Coalinga. Paul Schultz, club member, took second place in the Master's classification. Match winner Matt Early dropped only 9 points with a winning score of 791-26X. On Sunday the 8th, a CMP Excellence In Competition (EIC) match was held and club member Boris Batkin was high non-Distinguished shooter and won a "Gold" leg with a 479-13X. Matt Early was match winner with a 496-20X. Jared Perry was the only shooter to clean the Offhand stage. Something we all aspire to do and not uncommon for Jared.

The Navy's Pac Fleet matches just wrapped up and Boris Batkin won the EIC match. He didn't just beat the non-distinguished shooters but was the Match Winner. Rob Abelson had a great day and earned leg points as well. Final results are not yet official, so I don't have the actual scores. Congratulations on the great shooting and moving closer to your Distinguished Rifleman badge.

Results – Golden Bears Match 4/15/18 – D. Rosenbaum

We had beautiful weather for this month's match, but only four shooters in attendance. We ran one relay with an optional 50 or 80 round match. Rob Abelson had the high score for the third month in a row with a 787- 29X. Paul Schultz set a new club record Rapid Sitting with a Match Rifle with a 199-8X, beating Rob Coffey's record by one X.

Southern California Golden Bears – April 15, 2018 – XTC on reduced size targets							
	NRA Class	Rifle Type	OH	RS	RP	SP	Total
50 or 80 round course of fire							
Rob Abelson	MA	SR	190.04	199.11	198.04	200.10	787.29
Paul Shultz	MA	MR	187.03	199.08	198.06	197.10	781.27
Darren Rosenbaum	MA	SR	186.03	191.04	196.06	186.05	759.18
Nuran Degirmen	UNC	SR	166.00	156.03	173.00	170.01	665.04

Club Records

Golden Bears Member Records		
2014 to present <small>review still in progress</small>		
800 Point Aggregate – Match Rifle	789-33X	Rob Coffey
Offhand – 20 Round	191-3X	Rob Coffey
Rapid Sitting – 20 Round	199-8X	Paul Schultz (2018)
Rapid Prone – 20 Round	200-12X	Rob Coffey
Slow Prone – 20 Round	200-13X	Rob Coffey (2013)
500 Point Aggregate – Service Rifle	495-14X	Paul Schultz (2017)
Offhand – 10 Round	98-2X	Darren Rosenbaum (2017)
Rapid Sitting – 10 Round	100-7X	Guilbert Baradas (2014)
Rapid Prone – 10 Round	100-2X	Boris Batkin (2018)
Slow Prone – 20 Round	199-13	Rob Abelson (2017)
800 Point Aggregate – Service Rifle	789-26X	Rob Abelson (2018)
Offhand – 20 Round	195-4X	Nelson Green (2018)
Rapid Sitting – 20 Round	200-4X	Nelson Green (2013)
Rapid Prone – 20 Round	200-9X	Kwang Kim (2015)
Slow Prone – 20 Round	200-13X	Mark Bower (2017), Rob Abelson (2018)

Upcoming Matches and Shoots

We've included additional matches within the local area. Shoot early and often. Ojai Valley Gun Club has expanded their program with extra matches for both Across the Course and Midrange. **Check the Ojai website before heading to the matches there. The Forest Service has opened the Forest, but changes are possible.**

2018

April 29 - Ojai Valley Gun Club – CMP Clinic – Garand & AR/Modern Service Rifle – www.ovgc.org

May 6 – Ojai Valley Gun Club – Midrange 3x600 – www.ovgc.org

May 12 – CMP Sanctioned Match – Americana 1800 Adventure Club - www.1800info.org

May 20 - Golden Bears Monthly Match at Fort Angeles in Angeles Range Complex

May 27 - California Condors – Fort Angeles – Tom Temple (tmtemple@pacbell.net)

June 3 - Ojai Valley Gun Club – XTC 500/800 – www.ovgc.org

June 9 – CMP Rimfire Sporter Match – Americana 1800 Adventure Club - www.1800info.org

June 17 - Golden Bears Monthly Match at Fort Angeles in Angeles Range Complex

June 23 - Ojai Valley Gun Club – 200 Yard Practice Match – www.ovgc.org

June 24 - California Condors – Fort Angeles – Tom Temple (tmtemple@pacbell.net)

June 30 - Ojai Valley Gun Club – CMP Clinic – Garand & AR/Modern Service Rifle – www.ovgc.org

July 1 – Ojai Valley Gun Club – Midrange 3x600 – www.ovgc.org

July 14 – CMP Sanctioned Match – Americana 1800 Adventure Club - www.1800info.org

July 15 - Golden Bears Monthly Match at Fort Angeles in Angeles Range Complex

July 22 - California Condors – Fort Angeles – Tom Temple (tmtemple@pacbell.net)

July 28 - Ojai Valley Gun Club – 200 Yard Practice Match – www.ovgc.org

Aug 5 - Ojai Valley Gun Club – XTC 500/800 – www.ovgc.org

August 19 - Golden Bears Monthly Match at Fort Angeles in Angeles Range Complex

Aug 25 - Ojai Valley Gun Club – 200 Yard Practice Match – www.ovgc.org

Aug 26 - California Condors – Fort Angeles – Tom Temple (tmtemple@pacbell.net)

Sept 2 – Ojai Valley Gun Club – Midrange 3x600 – www.ovgc.org

September 8 – CMP Sanctioned Match – Americana 1800 Adventure Club - www.1800info.org

Sep 16 - Golden Bears Monthly Match at Fort Angeles in Angeles Range Complex

Sep 22 - Ojai Valley Gun Club – 200 Yard Practice Match – www.ovgc.org

Sep 23 - California Condors – Fort Angeles – Tom Temple (tmtemple@pacbell.net)

Sep 30 - Ojai Valley Gun Club – CMP Clinic – Garand & AR/Modern Service Rifle – www.ovgc.org

Oct 7 - Ojai Valley Gun Club – XTC 500/800 – www.ovgc.org

Oct 16 to 22 – CMP Western Games and CMP Cup Matches, Phoenix, AZ - <http://thecmp.org/>

Oct 21 - Golden Bears Monthly Match at Fort Angeles in Angeles Range Complex

Oct 27 - Ojai Valley Gun Club – 200 Yard Practice Match – www.ovgc.org

Oct 28 - California Condors – Fort Angeles – Tom Temple (tmtemple@pacbell.net)

Nov 4 – Ojai Valley Gun Club – Midrange 3x600 – www.ovgc.org

Nov 10 – CMP Sanctioned Match – Americana 1800 Adventure Club - www.1800info.org

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

Nov 24 - Ojai Valley Gun Club – 200 Yard Practice Match – www.ovgc.org

Nov 25 - California Condors – Fort Angeles – Tom Temple (tmtemple@pacbell.net)

Dec 2 - Ojai Valley Gun Club – XTC 500/800 – www.ovgc.org

Dec 16 - Golden Bears Monthly Match at Fort Angeles in Angeles Range Complex

Dec 22 - Ojai Valley Gun Club – 200 Yard Practice Match – www.ovgc.org

Dec 23 - California Condors – Fort Angeles – Tom Temple (tmtemple@pacbell.net)

Dec 30 - Ojai Valley Gun Club – CMP Clinic – Garand & AR/Modern Service Rifle – www.ovgc.org

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Club Officers - 2018

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