



# Bear Bites

Southern California Golden Bears High Power Rifle Club

September 2019 Newsletter

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CMP, CRPA, and NRA Affiliated Club

## Next Match: 10/20/19

Our next match will be on October 20, 2019. Please arrive by 7:00 a.m. to sign in, as we will try to start the match at 8:00 a.m. If you can show up a few minutes early or stay a little afterwards, we'll appreciate your help in setting up and breaking down the range. The cost is \$15 for members and \$20 for non-members. **Juniors shoot for free when accompanied with an adult.**

## Club Meeting Minutes: 9/15/19 – M. Kosla

**Alan Harker Match / Turkey Shoot** – We are planning to have the Alan Harker Match and our Turkey Shoot on the same day in November. The Alan Harker Match (named after one of the club's founders) will be a 50-round XTC match shot on reduced targets. Shooters will be able to shoot the match using either a .30 caliber or modern service rifle. The winner from each category will have their name added to the Alan Harker trophy. With our Turkey Shoot, competitors will have a chance to win a gift card (which they can then use to buy a turkey) by shooting at a printed paper turkey target using a club rifle and/or their own rifle.

**Match RSO** – Thank you to Mark Bower for being the RSO at last Sunday's match. (A thank you goes out as well to John S. Child, M.D., for being the RSO at our August match.)

**Nosler Promotional Merchandise Draw** – After the Lucky X draw following our September match, we did our promotional Nosler merchandise draw. Martin Kosla was the lucky winner of a Nosler t-shirt. We will be giving away one Nosler t-shirt per match until they are all gone.

## Results – Golden Bears Match: 9/15/19 – M. Kosla

We had a slightly better turnout at last Sunday's match compared to our August match. It was a warm and sunny morning with some occasional cloud cover and almost no wind. Rob Abelson was the overall match winner with a score of 781-20, which included an almost perfect 199-5 in the sitting position. The Lucky X pot (over \$20 now) rolled over to the next month.

| Southern California Golden Bears – XTC (on reduced size targets) |           |            |       |       |       |       |        |
|--|-----------|------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|
|  | NRA Class | Rifle Type | OH    | RS    | RP    | SP    | Total  |
| <b>80 shot course of fire</b>                                    |           |            |       |       |       |       |        |
| Rob Abelson  | HM        | SR         | 192-6 | 199-5 | 194-5 | 196-4 | 781-20 |
| Rob Coffey   | HM        | MA         | 188-2 | 191-3 | 195-2 | 198-9 | 772-16 |

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|--------------|----|----|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|
| Martin Kosla | SS | SR | 192-1 | 190-4 | 196-5 | 185-2 | 763-12 |
| Dave Ellis   | EX | SR | 173-2 | 191-4 | 188-4 | 192-4 | 744-12 |
| Nelson Green | MA | SR | 188-3 | 147-1 | 191-6 | 191-6 | 717-16 |

## JPL Gun Club – GSMM Match: 9/21/19 – M. Kosla

The JPL Gun Club is having its 4th Annual CMP Games event this Saturday, September 21, at Fort Angeles. Entries close at 8:00 a.m. on the day of the match. The entry fee is \$25 per person, which includes up to two matches. The first match starts at 8:30 a.m. and the second match starts at 10:30 a.m. GSMM gold, silver and bronze pins will be awarded in accordance with the current CMP rules. Please see the flyer to the right for more details. If you require any additional information, please contact Nelson Green (Match Director) at [Nelson.W.Green@jpl.nasa.gov](mailto:Nelson.W.Green@jpl.nasa.gov).



JPL Gun Club Presents:  
4<sup>th</sup> Annual CMP Games Events  
GSMM Matches



(Garand/Springfield/Vintage Military/Modern Military Matches)

**Date of Match:** September 21<sup>st</sup>, 2019

**Sponsored by:** JPL Gun Club

**Location:** Angeles Ranges – Fort Angeles Private Range

12651 Little Tujunga Canyon  
Lake View Terrace, CA 91342  
800-499-4486 / 818-899-2255  
<http://www.angelesranges.com>

**Competition Open to:** Any eligible competitor. You need not be a member of the NRA, CMP, or the JPL Gun Club to participate.

**Entry Fee:** \$25 per person – includes up to two matches per person

**Entries Close:** 8:00 am the day of the match (or until all 22 positions are filled)

**Firing Starts:** 8:30 am (Match 1); 10:30am (Match 2)

**Rules:** In accordance with the 2018 CMP Rules as available at [www.thecmp.org](http://www.thecmp.org).

**Course of Fire:** The CMP GSMM Course A reduced to 100 yards – 30 shots for record with 5 sighter shots. Shots are fired in the prone, prone rapid, and standing positions.

**Awards:** GSMM gold, silver, and bronze pins in accordance with the current CMP rules. Door prizes may also be available.

**General Information:** Match Director – Nelson Green ([Nelson.W.Green@jpl.nasa.gov](mailto:Nelson.W.Green@jpl.nasa.gov))

Fort Angeles is the first private range to the left of the public range across from the Moore-N-Moore shotgun field. To get there, drive up to the public parking lot and go through it to the left hand side. Drive along the road that goes past the Reloading Center, across the gully, and park along the wooden fence on the right. If you make a sharp right hand turn and start climbing, you have gone too far.

Range setup will commence at 7:00 am. Registration and target assignments will start at 7:30 am. Match will be complete by 12:30pm.

## Results – Ojai Valley Gun Club Match: 9/1/19 – M. Bower

A Baker's dozen turned out for the September Midrange match. Kurt Ingham shot the only "clean" string of the day and was also match winner with a 596-19X. Boris Batkin was the high Service rifle shooter with a 589-20X. Vlad Sanda was tops among the F-Class shooters with a 584-13X. For those that were out Dove Hunting on the opener, I hope you didn't melt. We were at Brawley where it was a balmy 110 degrees. We had a good time and even managed to take a few doves. We'll be shooting an Across the Course match on October 6th, so mark your calendars.

| Ojai Valley Gun Club Midrange – 3x20 Midrange with unlimited sighters |            |                        |                        |                        |        |
|---|------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|--------|
| Name  | Rifle Type | 1 <sup>st</sup> String | 2 <sup>nd</sup> String | 3 <sup>rd</sup> String | Total  |
| Kurt Ingham   | MR         | 200.07                 | 199.06                 | 197.06                 | 596.19 |
| Boris Batkin  | SR         | 197.06                 | 196.11                 | 196.03                 | 589.20 |

|                  |         |        |        |        |        |
|------------------|---------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Ron Tirado       | SR      | 197.06 | 190.05 | 189.04 | 576.15 |
| Steve Caplan     | MR      | 197.05 | 188.01 | 187.02 | 572.08 |
| Blake Aaron      | SR      | 189.04 | 190.04 | 185.06 | 564.14 |
| Hector Miro      | SR      | 179.02 | 191.07 | 189.05 | 559.14 |
| Bud Gilbertson   | MR      | 185.04 | 192.07 | 185.04 | 562.15 |
| Roman Ladaw      | SR      | 174.00 | 191.07 | 192.05 | 557.12 |
| Vlad Sanda       | F-Class | 195.04 | 196.06 | 193.03 | 584.13 |
| Joshua Taft      | F-Class | 199.10 | 192.05 | 190.04 | 581.19 |
| James McCrystal  | F-Class | 187.01 | 183.01 | 192.03 | 562.05 |
| Steven Sanderson | F-TR    | 189.02 | 182.01 | 188.05 | 559.08 |
| John Sehon       | F-Class | 102.00 | 82.00  | 52.00  | 236.00 |

## Golden Bears Club Records

| Golden Bears Member Records   |         |                     |
|---|---------|---------------------|
| 2014 to Present <small>(review still in progress for 800 Point Match and 500 point Service Rifle)</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                  | 99-4X   | Nelson Green (2018)     |
| Rapid Sitting – 10 Round            | 100-7X  | Guilbert Baradas (2014) |
| Rapid Prone – 10 Round              | 100-2X  | Boris Batkin (2018)     |
| Slow Prone – 20 Round               | 200-9X  | Nelson Green (2018)     |

|                                     |         |   |
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| 800 Point Aggregate – Service Rifle | 792-27X | Rob Abelson (2019)                      |
| Offhand – 20 Round                  | 195-4X  | Nelson Green (2018), Rob Abelson (2019) |
| Rapid Sitting – 20 Round            | 200-13X | Rob Abelson (2019)                      |
| 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

**Shoot early and often! The following matches and practice sessions are coming up in October 2019 within our local area.**

October 2-6 Coalinga Rifle Club – Mid State High Power Regional – [www.coalingarifleclub.com](http://www.coalingarifleclub.com)

October 6 – Ojai Valley Gun Club – National Match Course – [www.ovgc.org](http://www.ovgc.org)

October 12 – Burbank Rifle and Revolver Club – XTC Match – [www.brrc.org](http://www.brrc.org)

October 19 – Burbank Rifle and Revolver Club – Midrange 3x600 – [www.brrc.org](http://www.brrc.org)

**October 20 – Golden Bears Monthly Match at Fort Angeles in Angeles Range Complex**

October 27 – California Condors – Fort Angeles – Practice – Tom Temple ([tmtemple@pacbell.net](mailto:tmtemple@pacbell.net))

## Affiliations

**The Golden Bears are proud to be a CRPA, NRA, and CMP affiliated club.**



## Club Officers – 2019

|                          |              |
|--------------------------|--------------|
| <b>President</b>         | Ron Tirado   |
| <b>Vice-President</b>    | Rob Abelson  |
| <b>Executive Officer</b> | Tom Temple   |
| <b>Treasurer</b>         | Blake Aaron  |
| <b>Secretary</b>         | Martin Kosla |