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BPCR SILHOUETTE SEPTEMBER 2008

BRIAN CHILSON EASTERN REGIONAL CHAMPION

Brian Chilson, of Nelson, Pennsylvania, was the top aggregate shooter with a score of 73 out of a possible 80 taking the 2008 Eastern Regional Black Powder Cartridge Rifle Silhouette Championship and the Gold Medal. Brian shot an impressive 9 chickens on Sunday. Between both Saturday and Sunday Brian left only 5 chickens standing. His second day score of 38 beats his previous National Record of 35, leaving only one chicken and one turkey standing on the rails. This is Brian's 8th Eastern Regional Championship in Ridgway. Brian also took the Gold Medal for the championship in the Scope Class with a (67/80). His first day score of (32/40) and second day score of (35/40) kept him in First Scope right through the entire match. This is Brian's 4th Eastern Regional Scope Championship.



Brian Chilson - Eastern Regional Champion

There were 44 attendees at this regional match held at the Ridgway Rifle Club in Ridgway, Pa., representing 10 States. Although we didn't see much sunshine during the two days in Ridgway, it was still a very nice fall weekend in the picturesque countryside with the leaves starting to turn to their autumn shade of yellows and reds



Relay calling can be fun!

Saturday we were fortunate enough that the rain held off until the match was completely over, but Sunday was a different matter. We had off and on rain showers throughout the whole day making visibility difficult for some who were unlucky enough to be on the firing line. Winds were quite moderate for both days making spotting a bit easier to contend with. If you were a true believer in black powder shooting, Sunday sure gave everyone on and behind the firing line enough of the ole bp smoke to breathe and eat. What smells like rotten eggs to some is just ambrosia to others, or some may quite possibly agree that I am just

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full of it. As Clinton said what is "IT"? Well, we won't say "it" so let's just shush "it." Sshhhh! It.

As we stated above Brian Chilson was aggregate match winner for the regional and he was also Match Winner for both single day events with a Saturday score of 35 out of 40 and Sunday's score of 38 out of 40. Ross Arnfield, of Lisbon, Ohio, took Second Open and the Silver Medal with an aggregate score of 69 out of 80. Ross also scored well on both days taking Second Open on Saturday and Sunday with scores of 34 out of 40 an 35 out of 40 respectively. Dave Heeter, of



On The Firing Line

Emlenton, Pennsylvania, won Third Open and the Bronze Medal with a score of 60 out of 80. Dave also took Third Open on Saturday with a score of 32 out of 40.

First Master for the Regional event went to Roger Tremba with a total two day score of 58. Roger also took First Master for Saturday with a score of 29 out of 40. Second Master was garnered by Steve Maurer with an aggregate score of 55. Steve also took Third Master on Saturday with 27/40 and Second Master Sunday with 28/40. Third Master was taken by Kevin Lewsey (54/80) for the Championship and Kevin also took First Master (29/40) on Saturday.

Russell Rorrer took First AAA for the regional match with an aggregate score of 59 out of 80 and he took Third Open (32/40) on Sunday. John O'Donnell won Second AAA (56/80) and scored a 29/40 on Saturday for Third AAA and a 27/40 for First AAA on Sunday. Bill Simmen took Third AAA for the regional with an aggregate score of 55/80. Bill also took Second AAA on Saturday with a 29/40.



Jacob Bly Intermediate Junior

Jacob Bly (54/80) was our First AA winner and he also took Second AA (27/40) on Saturday along with Second on Sunday. Charles (27/40)Faingnaert (46/80) wrapped up Second AA along with taking First AA (28/40) on Sunday. Allen Cockey (45/80) came in as Third AA for the championship and also scored (25/40) for Saturday. Gregory Baublitz (39/80) took First A for the aggregate and he also took First A both Saturday & Sunday with scores (20/40) and (10/40) respectively. Al Ogden (33/80) placed Second A for the aggregate and Second A for Saturday & Sunday with scores of (17/40) and

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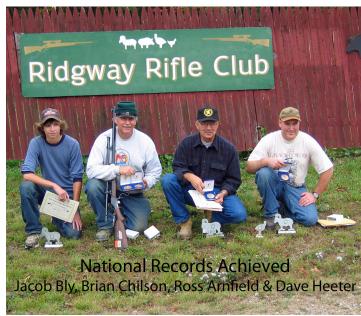
(16/40) respectively. David Day (27/80) placed Third A for the championship and he also placed Third A for both Saturday & Sunday with scores of (12/40) and (15/40).

As stated above Brian won the Gold Medal in the Scope Class. John Haagen placed Second Scope in the championship with a score of 60 out of 80. John also won Second Scope (32/40) on Saturday and Third Scope (28/40) on Sunday. John Powers won the Third Scope championship with a score of 57 out of 80 and he also took Second Scope (29/40) on Sunday. Roger Tremba (58) took High Senior Iron Sight and John Haagen (60) took High Senior Scope. Maureen Kemmett (45) was our High Women and Jacob Bly (54) was the High Junior for the championship. High Team in Iron Sight competition was Brian Chilson, Ross Arnfield and Dave Heeter with a combined score of 202. High Team Scope was Brian Chilson, Ed Heeter and Kermit Hoke with a combined score of 176.

NATIONAL RECORDS ACHIEVED

We had several new National Records shot at this Regional Championship. We will start with our youngest competitor, Jacob Bly, who is 16 years old, shot a single day score of 27 on Saturday, tying the current National Record in Intermediate Junior Class. Jacob's combined two day score of 54 sets a new National Record beating the old record of 52 by two points.

Brian Chilson achieved two individual records at this Eastern Regional Championship. Brian's single day score of 38 on Sunday in Iron Sight Open Competition beats his old record of 37. His two day combined score of 73 in



Iron Sight Open Competition beats the old record of 69 by 4 points.

The Ridgway Rifle Club Team consisting of Brian Chilson, Ross Arnfield and Dave Heeter, with a combined two day score of 202 is the new National Record for Open Class 80 Shot – 3 Person Team. The old record was 191 also set by the Ridgway Rifle Club at the Eastern Regional Championships back in 2004.

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Ross Arnfield – 2^{nd} Open, Brian Chilson – Regional Champion & Dave Heeter – 3^{rd} Open

The Ridgway Rifle Club and all attendees would like to congratulate all the winners and National Record holders in this Eastern Regional BPCR Silhouette Championship. Just an outstanding job done by all!

Other items of note at this regional match, Russell Rorrer had his first ever score over 30 shooting a 32 on Sunday. This now makes Russell our newest member of The Ridgway Rifle Club's BPCR Silhouette "30" Club. Russell will receive a certificate for this achievement. Franklin Meyer scored his first Grand Slam on Rams and will receive recognition from

the NRA.

Like the State Championship this past June we had some wonderful prizes donated by many companies and individuals. The Ridgway Rifle Club would like to thank Starline Brass, Montana Vintage Arms, MidwayUSA, SPG, Inc., Kermit Hoke, Dixie Gun Works, Gander Mountain, Craig and Bonnie Artman, Wolfe Publishing, Richard McKinnis, and Shiloh Sharps for their fantastic donations. Their dedication and support to our shooting sport help make it that much more enjoyable for everyone.

I would also like to thank all those that helped make this Championship run smoothly over the weekend. Debbie & Brian Chilson along with Al Ogden took care of painting and setting the targets up prior to the match. Brian & Deb also transported the Target Setters to and from the bunkers. Elaine Haagen, Charles Faingnaert and Steve Maurer for calling the relays on both days, Lester Henry, Roger Tremba and others who helped clean and pickup after the matches. Thanks to all of you as it would be very difficult to run these matches without this kind of help.

Again I would like to congratulate all of the winners in the 2008 Eastern Regional BPCR Silhouette Championship and I hope you all had a wonderful time in Ridgway. Please remember we still have one more match this year on October 26th. I hope to see you all there and please bring along a friend.

Remember to shoot straight, often and don't forget to involve the younger generation in our shooting sport.

Match Director - John O'Donnell

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