

## BRIAN CHILSON MATCH WINNER & 2010 EASTERN REGIONAL CHAMPION

Brian Scott Chilson from Nelson, Pennsylvania was the Gold Medal Winner and 2011 Eastern Regional Silhouette Champion with a score of 67 out of a possible 80. The 2011 Eastern Regional Championship was held at the Ridgway Rifle Club in Ridgway, Pa. on September 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup>. This is Brian's 10<sup>th</sup> Eastern Regional Championship. Brian also secured the Gold Medal for Scope competition with a score of 68 out of 80. The combined scores of Scope and Iron Sights also garnered Brian the Iron Man Gold Medal award.

There were a total of 29 competitors for this championship match. The weather was a typical fall weekend. Saturday turned out partly cloudy with light to moderate winds and Sunday mostly sunny and light to moderate winds. What wind there was turned out to be swirling enough to present some challenges to all the shooters on both days.



Brian Scott Chilson – Match Winner, Scope Winner & Iron Man w/ Ellie



Dave Heeter 3<sup>rd</sup> Open, Brian Chilson MW, Bob Bloyer 2<sup>nd</sup> Open

As stated above Brian Chilson was Match Winner and he also took the individual matches for both Saturday 33/40 and Sunday 34/40. Brian had a spirited shootoff with Bob Bloyer (33/40 Saturday & 34/40 Sunday) on both days for Match Winner as they ended with the same scores. Bob Bloyer settled Second Open through the entire match. Dave Heeter, with scores of 32 Saturday and 31 Sunday for a combined score of 63, took Third Open for the entire match.

John Haagen won First Master with a combined score of 59. John also took Second Master (29) Saturday and First Master (30) Sunday. Ross Arnfield won Second Master with a total score of 57 and Kermit Hoke (48) came away with Third Master. First AAA, with a

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combined score of 56, was taken by Richard McKinnis who also took First AAA (30) on Saturday and Third AAA (26) on Sunday. Rodney Barton (55) took Second AAA with John O'Donnell (55) coming away with Third AAA.

Bob Clipp, (39) was First AA for the championship and also for Saturday. Bob took Second AA Sunday with scores of 21 and 18 respectively. Second AA was taken by Larry Kiehl with a combined score of 38.

John Haagen was our Second Place Scope shooter with a score of 56/80 for the overall match. Debra Lee Hovatter placed Third Scope with a combined score of 56 which was settled in a shoot-off against John Haagen and Ed Heeter.

High Senior went to Bob Bloyer with a score of 67. Debra Hovatter was High Women with a score of 50. High Junior was Trevor Gardner with a score of 54. Trevor set two National Records at this match. Junior



Mr. & Mrs. John Gardner along with their son, Scott and Grandson Trevor

40 shot match with a score of 29 and Junior for an 80 shot match with a score of 54. He also shot a long run on Rams of 15 for Scope Junior. Congratulations Trevor, great shooting!

Iron Sight Team winners were the Ridgway Rifle Club Team consisting of Brian Chilson, Dave Heeter and John Haagen with a combined score of 189. Scope Team was also won by Ridgway Rifle Club with Brian Chilson, John Haagen and Scott Gardner as team members with a



Debra Hovatter, 3<sup>rd</sup>, Brian Chilson 1<sup>st</sup>, John Haagen 2<sup>nd</sup> Scope Winners

combined score of 172. Congratulations guys! We had two attendees who shot their first Grand Slams on Rams at this match, Mark Chronister, Trevor Gardner. Congrats guys!

Each and every person who placed in the overall match also walked away with many wonderful prizes donated by companies and individuals. The Ridgway Rifle Club would like to thank Brooks Moulds, Buffalo Arms, CH Tool & Die / 4-D Custom Die Co., CPA Corporation, Dixie Gun Works, Lee Precision Inc., Log Cabin Shop, MidwayUSA, Montana Vintage Arms, Redding Reloading Equipment, SPG, LLC, Starline Brass, John Walters Wads, and Wolf Publishing for donations. Their dedication and support of our shooting sports help make it that much more enjoyable for everyone.

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I would also like to thank all those that helped make this Championship run smoothly over the weekend. Thanks to Debbie & Brian Chilson and anyone else that helped in the painting and setting of targets prior to the match. Brian & Deb also transported the Target Setters to and from the bunkers. Thanks to Al Ogden for calling all the relays and I would also like to thank all the others who helped clean and pickup after the match. I think everyone had enough to eat with all the food that Joey's Bakery brought up both days and we thank them.

The Ridgway Rifle Club would like to congratulate all of the winners of the 2011 Eastern Regional BPCR Silhouette Championship and we hope you all had a wonderful time in Ridgway. Please remember we still have one more match on October 23<sup>rd</sup>. I hope to see you all there and please bring along a friend or two.

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

Match Director - John O'Donnell



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