

SLSC IR 50/50 Rimfire Bench Rest Match
September 4th, 2016
Weather: Breezy but beautiful Labor Day weekend

Any thoughts that the Labor Day weekend might diminish turnout at this month's IR5050 match were put to rest when a plethora of plinkers showed up, enough to require pulling the prone platforms and making use of all the benches on the line (and then some!). The weather was beautiful but breezy making for perhaps not the highest scores ever but still excellent (and fun!) shooting.

Mary Picard faced some tough competition in the Sporter class but her strong second relay score of 227-2X pushed her over the top giving her a combined tally of 645-6X to take the class win. Right behind her in Sporter class was junior shooter Kaiden Jones doing well with a 507-0X followed by Frank Torbert who, after tightening up some loose scope screws, put up a 366-2X.

In the heavier gun classes Mark Swierczek took the top spot with two 240's in a row to take the overall win with a combined total of 718-11X. Ling Xu gave up his third relay to let Owen Corpus shoot his rifle (highlighting the spirit of friendly competition typical of this match), but he would have been right in the running for top shot, notching a 229-3X and a 231-3X in his first two relays. And although Owen and Noah Corpus, both junior shooters, showed up too late to shoot the first two relays, they both put together very strong scores in the third relay...watch out for them at future matches!

Results for all shooters are listed below:

Match Results

Place	Competitor	Class	Score 1	X	Score 2	X	Score 3	X	Total	X
1	Mark Swierczek	10.5	238	2	240	4	240	5	718	11
2	Mary Picard	Sporter	212	3	227	2	206	1	645	6
3	Kaiden Jones	Sporter	165	0	165	0	177	0	507	0
4	Ling Xu	13.5	229	3	231	3	---	-	460	6
5	Frank Torbert	Sporter	67	0	147	1	152	1	366	2
6	Noah Corpus	10.5	---	-	---	-	231	2	231	2
7	Owen Corpus	13.5	---	-	---	-	225	5	225	5
8	Clay Bowser	Sporter	57	0	71	0	57	0	185	0
9	Connor Bowser	Sporter	50	0	35	0	40	0	125	0

Thanks to everyone for coming out to shoot, keeping the benches full, and the making the competition tight! The next IR5050 match is scheduled for October 2nd, and the fall forecast is guaranteed to be cooler and crisper, so grab your .22 rifle, dial in your scope, and come out and enjoy the fun of precision benchrest shooting!

