

The opening of the 2018 RBGC NRA Light Rifle program saw gray skies moderate temperatures and still winds despite the dire predictions of the weather man. A total of 11 competitors were on hand to start the season including three faces.

New shooter Bob Morris started the match at a blistering pace by firing a 95 in his first stage, with George Wilson not far behind posting a 92 – 1X. Unfortunately, Bob was not able to capitalize on his strong start with Mark Dorlay moving to first by the end of the second stage, followed by King Stracke and George Wilson.

The lead changed hands several times between the top three over the remaining stages, with the difference between 2nd and 3rd hinging on a single center shot after the 4th stage - Stracke in first with a 362.01, Wilson in 2nd with a 359.02 and Dorlay in 3rd with a 359.01.

Beth Reynolds, using her new Savage rifle, started very well, but dropped slightly in the later stages of the match and usually reliable competitors Brad Reynolds and Simon Bailey appeared a little rusty, with Bailey having a very tough 5th stage and dropping out of contention for a top three finish.

After all shots were downrange, Wilson emerged as the Match winner by 1 point over Dorlay.

Congratulations to all winners:

George Wilson	544.05	Match Winner
Mark Dorlay	543.01	2 nd Place
King Stracke	538.01	3 rd Place
Bob Morris	501.00	1 st Master (Unclassified)
Simon Bailey	522.01	1 st Sharpshooter
Don Coleman	511.00	1st Marksman

Please see the attached Match Bulletin for full results.

Thanks to Fran Bailey for Stat office duties and to everyone for helping with setup and teardown.

The next Light Rifle match will be on **Sunday** May the 6th with first shot downrange at 9:30 AM. The match will be an any sight 60 shot match fired at 50 ft. We look forward to seeing you here.