

June 2018 Light Rifle Match Report

As in past years, the June Light Rifle tournament consisted of two 30 shot matches fired at 50 yards offhand, with any sights and one unfired aggregate. Fifty-yard matches have always been challenging and this one was no exception.

Twelve competitors were on hand to start the match under still air humid enough to fog the lenses of eyewear – despite Mark Dorlay’s ingenious fan arrangement mounted to his spotting scope stand! Calm winds at the match start turned into a pleasant cooling breeze that became a bit gusty at times, although not strong enough to cause problems if the shooter was patient and waited for the lull’s.

George Wilson started out strong in the first match by firing a very respectable 83 while no one else broke 80. Mark Dorlay posted a 76-2X to take second place, while Simon Bailey and Craig Wood fired 65’s to tie for third. No one seemed to be immune from misses, and Wilson opened the door in the 2nd stage by firing a 69-0X to fall to second by X count to Dorlay at 152.03 to 152.00. Bailey had a reasonable stage, firing an 82-0X to take over 3rd and close the gap at 147-0X. Don Coleman (136-1X) was having a good day and held 1st Marksman over Chris Sagar (129-1X).

In the 3rd Stage, Dorlay fired a match high 87-0X to secure the first match win. Bailey fired an 83-0X to take over 2nd while Wilson slipped to 3rd. Robert Morris finished well to take over 1st Marksman with a 195-0X while Sagar shot consistent mid 60’s to finish 2nd Marksman. Coleman took 3rd Marksman after slipping slightly in the third stage.

Match 1:

Mark Dorlay	239.03 – Match Winner
Simon Bailey	230.00 – 2 nd Place
George Wilson	212.00 – 3 rd Place

In the second match, Dorlay started out with a solid 84-0X, but faltered slightly in the second stage to let a resurgent Bailey (86-1X) take over 1st place with a 161-1X. Intermediate Junior Ethan Wood held third overall just 6 points behind Dorlay, with an aggregate 152.0X. Robert Morris, firing consistently in the mid-70’s held 1st Marksman at 146-0X.

As in the first match, Dorlay saved his best for last, firing a tournament high 88-1X to seal top honors. Bailey stumbled just a bit but managed to hold on to 2nd with Wilson taking 3rd. Morris held on to 1st Marksman (217-0X), but just barely topped Ethen Wood who finished as 2nd Marksman (216-0X), while Coleman held on to again finish as 3rd Marksman

Match 2:

Mark Dorlay	246.01 – Match Winner
Simon Bailey	232.01 – 2 nd Place
George Wilson	227.01 – 3 rd Place

Based on the previous match results, the 60 shot unfired aggregate results were quite easy to predict:

Match 3:

Mark Dorlay	485.04 – Match Winner
Simon Bailey	462.01 – 2 nd Place
George Wilson	439.02 – 3 rd Place

Congratulations to all other class winners. Please see the match bulletin on the website for the full results.

The next match will be the State Championship match to be held on Sunday July 8th. This match will be an 80 shot match fired at 50 Ft and will be for State Champion honors.