# 2015 Texas State BB Gun Championship and National Qualifier March 14 Montgomery County Fairgrounds Conroe

## **Official Match Bulletin**

SPONSORING ORGANIZATION: TEXAS STATE RIFLE ASSOCIATION (TSRA)

SANCTIONING ORGANIZATION: National Rifle Association (NRA)

HOSTING ORGANIZATION: Montgomery County 4-H Shooting Sports (MCSS). MCSS will be hosting an air gun match Friday evening the 13th.

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DIRECTIONS TO MATCH: Montgomery County Fairgrounds Exhibit Hall II – 9201 Airport Blvd, Conroe, TX 77303 - (936) 760 - 3247.

<u>MATCH RULES</u>: Current NRA BB Gun Rules & the current Official Match Bulletin will govern this event. This is a NRA **Registered** match.

<u>COMPETITION OPEN TO</u>: Competitors ages are 8 through 15. <u>See exception below</u> \*\*. Photocopies of each competitor's birth certificate may be requested. All competitors must be current members of the TSRA. Each Club, County, etc. may enter up to three teams only & as many individuals as they want. \*\***Shooters that are age 15** may compete at this match & the BB Gun National event as long as their 16<sup>th</sup> birthday occurs after the national event.

<u>REGISTRATION FEE</u>: Required from each competitor - \$20. Each Team is \$20. TSRA Junior membership fee is \$5. NRA Junior membership fee is \$15 & is <u>not required</u> for this match. It is highly recommended to join the NRA to show support for their pro-gun & active involvement in protecting our 2<sup>nd</sup> Amendment rights. When paying by check, they <u>MUST</u> be made out to <u>Neil Shipley-TSRA Director</u>. All match funds collected are used for awards, conducting the match, & the remainder is sent to the Texas State Rifle Association to assist in funding national junior teams. <u>All match personnel are volunteers</u> & do not receive any funds from match receipts.

**REGISTRATION:** Match forms are available via email so entry paperwork can be done prior to the match. Email **Contact** above for forms. Packets can be made available for those wanting to do the paperwork at the match. Packets will contain all the necessary paperwork before paying entry fees. **Coaches must advise** the stat personnel when registering if any of their shooters **participated** in the previous year's BB Gun National event.

<u>ENTRIES</u>: Will be open Friday evening during the air gun match & Saturday morning (see below schedule). Each shooter must complete a TSRA Competitor's Form, NRA Score Reporting Card (SR-1), Participation Agreement, & submit entry fee(s) before participating.

**COACH'S MEETING**: Friday night (13th) at approximately 8 PM. (any adult can attend)

ORIENTATION: 8:00 AM on match day. See schedule below.

MATCH STARTS: 8:30 AM (Test) so arrive early for registering, preparation, & orientation.

**FRIDAY NIGHT AIR RIFLE MATCH**: March 13<sup>th</sup> – entry fee is \$15 per shooter. Use **Contact** above for signing up prior to the match. Just submit your name & the type of gun. Only the top 3 shooters in each gun category will receive an award (gold-silver-bronze) during the Saturday night awards ceremony. Fee will be collected before the match. **CMP rules will apply**. There will be unlimited sighters within the time limits (30" prone/40" standing /30" kneeling). Shooter can shoot either a **Sporter** or a **Precision** air rifle. There will only be <u>one relay</u> for this event.

AWARDS DINNER: Saturday evening after scoring is complete. This will be a donation type dinner.

<u>CLASSIFICATION OF COMPETITORS</u>: Individual Classes will be divided into seven age groups: 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, and 14/15 (will be one class) year olds. Each shooter will be placed in the proper age group, which is determined by their age as of the date of the match. Team members must be active participating members of the same Organization, Club, Project, Group, etc. & can be aged-mixed. Any shooter that competed at the previous year's BB Gun National's will not be allowed to compete on a team at this match, but can compete as an individual. No Pickup teams (2.10).

<u>AWARDS</u>: Awards will be given out at the end of the match when tabulation of all scores & determination of winners has been completed. Each Individual age class will receive Gold, Silver, & Bronze medals for Test, Positions, and Overall winners. Any shooter that competed at the previous year's National's will not be eligible for age classification awards, but are eligible for the Gold, Silver, & Bronze TOP GUN (score minus test) individual awards. For Team awards, trophies will be given for 1st, 2nd, & 3rd Overall Winners. (**Optional**)-An award will be given to the team (winning) in that this is their organization's <u>first time ever</u> to compete at this state event. The top three Overall winning teams will be allowed to go to the current year's National BB Gun Championship to represent Texas. The Overall winning teams may select shooters from their other teams that participated at this State match to help make up their team going to the National's.

### MATCH SCHEDULE & CONDITIONS

- <u>Scoring will be done with the ORION SCORING SYSTEM</u>. All results can be accessed online from the Orion Results Center http://www.orionresults.com/team/Home.aspx.
- The test will be from two sources: the Ten Lesson Curriculum put out by Daisy Arms & the NRA BB Gun Rule Book put out by the NRA. <u>Both are available online.</u> The test is worth a possible 100 points in addition to a shooter's fired scores. <u>Competitors are required to bring a sharpened #2 pencil with an eraser</u> for taking the Test.
- The Daisy 499 BB gun is the normal standard for this match, but other BB guns can be used & that
  list is found in the BB Gun National program. Shooters/Coaches can use their own purchased BBs,
  but ball bearing type BBs are not allowed. BB guns & equipment will be inspected prior to the
  match (<u>Saturday morning</u>) to make sure they conform to the current NRA rules. Inspection of
  BB guns & equipment can also occur anytime after check-in and during the match.
- Course of Fire will be prone, standing, sitting, kneeling & in that order. Each position will shoot TWO targets in 10 minutes for a total possible score of 100 points & 10 X's. X count will be used in the event of a tie. Each position will be completed by all shooters before going to the next position. The ORION BB gun targets will be used.
- <u>Unlimited sighters</u> and all record shots should be completed within the 10 minute time limit per position, Rule 9.3.
- Dry firing is allowed with a cocked & empty BB gun during the preparation period, only. The preparation period begins when targets are hung, no one is down range, & when the Chief Range Officer gives the command.
- Coaches are responsible for <u>all their team members' actions</u> (12.1). Coaching by an adult or designated person is required (6.7). Coaches can cock, load, & make sight adjustments, etc. (12.6). Coaching must be done with <u>respect</u> for the other teams.
- **Team score tabulation** will consist of the top five highest scores for that designated team. Keep in mind that the National's & NRA Rule book do not follow this practice (12.3).

- **Ties** will be determined by the Orion Scoring System. Test scores ties will be determined by the competitors prone position scores.
- Challenges are \$1 per bull up to \$5 per target. We encourage the shooter to check their own target & if need be initiate challenges themselves. A shooter, coach, or a designated <u>adult</u> from the respective organization, only, can handle and/or challenge an Individual's target. <u>No one will be allowed to handle or challenge another competitor's target.</u> That <u>doesn't preclude</u> any discrepancies brought to the Match Director's attention. Only the Team Coach can challenge a team score (16.4). A challenge time will be used once the targets are scored & placed for viewing. Score/target challenges will be handled by Orion.
- Eye protection should be worn by everyone in or near the shooting area & especially by everyone on the Firing Line.
- **Food & drinks** will be available for purchase courtesy of Montgomery County 4-H. There will be a planned 30 minute break around 12:00pm on Saturday.
- <u>Though this Bulletin</u> is intended to benefit the match personnel & shooters, changes can be made where deemed necessary by authority of the Match Director. Where there are any questions, changes, or comments please bring them to the Match Director's attention.

## Tentative Match Schedule:

### Friday Night:

**6:30pm** – Air Rifle Match (see above governing rules).

**7:00pm** – Registration for Saturday match.

8:00pm (about) – Coaches Meeting (anybody can attend)

#### Saturday:

7:30am – Match registration

8:00am – Match orientation

#### 8:30am - Test / BB Gun equipment check

# 10:00am – <u>Match starts</u> (this time may/can vary depending on test-listen to Range Officer)

### (Some time around noon there will be a 30 minute break)

**5:30pm** – Awards-(approximate time)

Every effort will be made to follow the above schedule. Times may & can vary due to circumstances.

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