

Rocky Mountain Palma Match

Sponsored by the Bald Eagles Rifle Club

Dates: July 10 through July 13, 2008. Firing will begin at 8 AM each day.

Location: George Tubb Range, NRA Whittington Center, Raton, New Mexico, USA

General Information: There are currently 244 beds available for housing at the NRA Whittington Center. There is a Recreational Vehicle (caravan) campground that is equipped with full hookups. Reservations should be made at the following: NRA Whittington Center P.O. Box 700, Raton, NM 87740, Phone: (505) 445-3615, Fax: (505) 445-9418. Additional housing is available at many motels in nearby Raton, New Mexico.. Recommend that reservations be made early for the competitor housing. The center will start accepting housing reservations on February 1, 2008. These are two person rooms and sharing with other competitors is recommended. More information on the NRA Whittington Center is available on the web at: www.nrawc.org.

Entries: Entries must be mailed to Bald Eagles Rifle Club, Post Office Box 604, Raton, NM. More information is available at email address: baldeaglesclub@yahoo.com and at www.baldeaglesrc.org.

Entry Closing Date and Fees:

Advance entries are recommended. Entries close July 3, 2008, however late entries may be accepted providing they do not exceed the range capacity. Individual entry fees will be: \$90.00, fees for juniors will be \$50.00. Team match fees will be: \$80.00 for the four man Palma Team Match. Entry fees for the 2 man team matches will be \$10.00 per team. Team entries must be made one hour prior to the team match. Daily fees for individuals will be \$40.00 for one day, \$70.00 for two days. Entry fees include a daily range fee of \$10.00 to the NRA Whittington Center.

Rules: Current NRA High Power Rifle Rules shall apply.

Competitor Eligibility: This competition is open to all individual NRA members in good standing and to international competitors who are members in good standing of their respective National Shooting Federations. International Teams and Individuals are invited. Juniors may be members of an NRA affiliated club in lieu of individual membership.

Competitor Classifications: This is a classified match and will be conducted using the current NRA Long Range classification system in all matches. Any individual or team may elect, before firing, to compete in a higher classification than the one in which classified. Such individual or team must fire in the higher class throughout the tournament. In the event of insufficient entries in any class to warrant an award in that class individuals or teams will be moved to a higher class. International competitors without NRA USA classification will compete in the highest classification.

Ammunition: Individuals must provide their own ammunition. All competitors in Division A must use .308/7.62 ammunition. All competitors in Division B must use .308/7.62 or .223/5.56 ammunition. Competitors in Division C (F-Class) are subject to the NRA ammunition rules for F-Class.

Rifles: Division A – The U.S. Palma Rifle, Rule 3.3.3.

Division B - Service Rifle, Rules 3.1, 3.1.1, 3.1.2, (.308/7.62 or .223/5.56 only).

Division C – F-Class. All other rifles not falling under Division A or B and must be less than .35 caliber

Target Service: Competitors will be required to pull/mark their own targets.

Empty Chamber Indicator: Empty Chamber Indicators are required and must be used at all times except during preparation time and firing. ECI will be available for purchase from the stat office. The wording Empty Chamber Indicator has replaced the old wording Open Bolt Indicator. No change in the actual chamber flags.

Squadding: All matches will be squadded by the Chief Statistical Officer and will be available starting one hour prior to the start of the matches each day. Matches will start at 8 AM each day.

Scoring: Competitors will score. Any competitor failing to perform his scoring duties may be disqualified.

Awards: Monetary awards will be given to each Match Winner and to the high individual in each Division Category/Class award group on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday in accordance with an awards schedule which will be posted at the Statistical Office prior to the commencement of firing. Award groups must contain a minimum of 5 competitors or they will be combined with the next appropriate award group per policy. Second, third, fourth place, etc. awards will be given based on one award for each seven (7) competitors, i.e. second 8-14, third 15-21, etc..

Special Individual Awards: High Woman, Junior, Senior and Grand Senior will be awarded when 5 or more competitors are entered in those categories.

Challenge Period: The Challenge period ends 30 minutes after the posting of the match results.

Challenge Fees: Challenge fees will be \$1.00.

Practice: The range will be available for practice on July 9 for squadded practice at all yard lines. Housing will be available on those practice days at the NRA Whittington Center, providing early reservations are made. Practice day fees will be \$15.00 for those competitors that are not members of the Whittington Center Gun Club. Practice day fees will be paid at the NRA WC gate when checking in to the NRA WC.

Target: - NRA LR Target and NRA LRFC

Match 1
Thursday July 10, starts 8AM
Palma Four-Man Team Match

Four man team match at shooting the @Palma match at 800, 900 and 1000 yards. 2 sighting shots and 15 shots to score at 800, 900, 1000 yards. Time limit 47 minutes per firing pair.

Match 2
Friday July 11, 2008, starts 8AM
Palma Individual Match

Unlimited practice firing and 15 shots for record, prone, at 800 yards. Coaching allowed during practice firing only. Two sighting shots and 15 record shots at 900 and 1000 yards prone. All practice firing and the specified 15 record shots must be completed within a 22-minute time limit per stage.

Match 3

800 yard two man team match

Two man team match shooting at 800 yards. 2 sighting shots and 15 shots to score at 800 yards. Time limit 47 minutes per firing pair.

Match 4

Saturday July 12, 2008, starts 8AM

Palma Individual Match

Unlimited practice firing and 15 shots for record, prone, at 800 yards. Coaching allowed during practice firing only. Two sighting shots and 15 record shots at 900 and 1000 yards prone. All practice firing and the specified 15 record shots must be completed within a 22-minute time limit per stage

Match 5

900 yard two man team match

Two man team match shooting at 900 yards. 2 sighting shots and 15 shots to score at 900 yards. Time limit 47 minutes per firing pair

Match 6

Sunday July 13, 2008, starts 8AM

Palma Individual Match

Unlimited practice firing and 15 shots for record, prone, at 800 yards. Coaching allowed during practice firing only. Two sighting shots and 15 record shots at 900 and 1000 yards prone. All practice firing and the specified 15 record shots must be completed within a 22-minute time limit per stage

Match 7

1000 yard two man team match

Two man team match shooting at 1000 yards. 2 sighting shots and 15 shots to score at 1000 yards. Time limit 47 minutes per firing pair

Match 8, The Rocky Mountain Palma Grand Aggregate

An aggregate of matches 1, 3 & 5 fired in Division "A" Rocky Mountain Palma Matches
An aggregate of matches 1, 3 & 5 fired in Division "B" Rocky Mountain Palma Matches
An aggregate of matches 1, 3 & 5 fired in Division "C" Rocky Mountain Palma Matches

Awards dinner on Saturday evening, time and place to be announced at the matches.

Procedure for clearing the firing line:

At no time is anyone to leave the firing line with a loaded rifle! All competitors are to be responsible for safe rifles while on the firing line. At no time should a competitor get out of position without the Empty Chamber Indicator being placed in the empty chamber and the competitor's scorekeeper verifies that fact. Penalty for breaking this rule is disqualification from the match for both the competitor and scorekeeper. Anyone that fires a shot during the preparation period will be scored a miss for the first record shot of that match. Anyone that fires a shot prior to the preparation period or any other non firing period will be disqualified from any further competition.

Additional Information

There will be an awards dinner on Saturday evening, time and place to be announced at the matches.

There will be a lunch break each day between the Palma Match and the start of the two-man team match.

There will be sandwich fixings available during the break each day after the Palma match and before the 2-man team match in the "Eagles Nest" clubhouse. Donations requested.

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Registration and Entry Form

Last Name _____ **First Name** _____

Street Address _____

City _____ **State** _____ **ZIP** _____

Day Phone _____ **Evening Phone** _____

EMAIL address _____

NRA # _____

NRA Classification _____

Are you a member of the Whittington Center Gun Club? Yes ____ **No** ____

I will be shooting a rifle in the following Division:

Rifle: Division A _____

Division B _____

Division C _____

I am a Woman _____

I am a Junior _____

I was born _____ **year**

**Mail Entries to: Bald Eagles Club
PO Box 604
Raton, NM 87740**

Check Number _____ **Amount** _____

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