

# Rocky Mountain Palma Match

## Sponsored by the Bald Eagles Rifle Club

**Dates:** July 17 through July 20, 2009. 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](http://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](mailto:baldeaglesclub@yahoo.com) and at [www.baldeaglesrc.org](http://www.baldeaglesrc.org).

### Entry Closing Date and Fees:

Advance entries are recommended. Entries close July 13, 2009, however late entries may be accepted providing they do not exceed the range capacity. Individual entry fees will be: \$105.00, fees for juniors will be \$65.00. Team match fees will be: \$80.00 for the four man Palma Team Match. Team entries must be made one hour prior to the team match. Daily fees for individuals will be \$45.00 for one day, \$80.00 for two days. Entry fees include a daily range fee of \$15.00 to the NRA Whittington Center. Price increase is due to range fees at the Whittington Center going from \$10.00 to \$15.00.

**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. Squadding will begin at 7:15.

**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 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:** There will be no practice the day before this year. We are starting the match the day after the Black Powder Nationals. There will be a 10 minute practice before each relay begins their match at 800, 900 and 1000 yards on the first day, so everyone can get zeros.

**Target:** - NRA LR Target and NRA LRFC

**Match 1**  
**Friday July 17, 2009, starts 8AM**  
**Palma Individual Match**

After the ten minute practice at each yard line, we will start the match with 15 shots for record at 800, 900 and 1000 yards with 22 minute time limit per stage.

**Match 2**  
**Friday July 17, 2009, starts after lunch break**  
**800 Yard Four-Man Team Match**

Four 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 3**  
**Saturday July 18, 2009, 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 4*  
*Saturday July 18, 2009, starts after lunch break*  
*900 yard four man team match*

Four 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 5**  
**Sunday July 19, 2009, 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 6*  
*Sunday July 19, 2009, starts after lunch break*  
*1000 yard four man team match*

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

**Match 7, 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 four-man team match.

There will be sandwich fixings available during the break each day after the Palma match and before the 4-man team match in the "Eagles Nest" clubhouse. Donations required.

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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 \_\_\_\_\_

**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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