



**2017 NRA NATIONAL
BLACK POWDER TARGET RIFLE
CHAMPIONSHIP**

**August 14 - 20, 2017
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No other match has origins so meaningful to the National Rifle Association of America. The great prestige and storied lineage of this Championship truly make it one of the NRA's most valuable commodities. With the Castle Trophy dating back to 1871, the longevity of this particular Championship is most definitely a testament to NRA Competitive Shooting Sports as well as the 2nd Amendment. Competing in this National Championship puts a whole new perspective in becoming an actual part of history.

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2016 National Black Powder Target Rifle Champions

2016 Mid-Range Position Champion

Mark Schuenke 536-8x

Previous Position Champions

2015 - Mark Schuenke	551-5x
2014 - Dave Gullo	547-11x
2013 - Rick Moritz	549-9x
2012 - Chip Mate	552-10x
2011 - Rick Moritz	539-8x
2010 - Eron Ahmer	555-7x

2016 Mid-Range Prone Champion

Mark Schuenke 568-10x

Previous Prone Champions

2015 - Dave Gullo	569-18x
2014 - Terry York	575-21x
2013 - Keith Lay Jr.	582-28x
2012 - Jack Odor	583-14x
2011 - Keith Lay Jr.	578-20x
2010 - Butch Ulsher	577-23x

2016 Creedmoor Champion

Dave Gullo 533-10x

Previous Creedmoor Champions

2015 - Rick Moritz	504-12x
2014 - John Venhous	502-6x
2013 - Dave Gullo	553-13x
2012 - Dave Gullo	533-10x
2011 - Keith Lay Jr.	514-6x
2010 - Dave Gullo	510-4x

**2017 NRA NATIONAL BLACK POWDER TARGET
RIFLE CHAMPIONSHIP MATCH**

**August 14 - 20
Raton, New Mexico**

**Host Range: NRA Whittington Center George Tubb
1,000 Yard Range**

Match Director / RSO.....Gregory Burri
Deputy Match Director.....Bryan Youngberg
Championship Coordinator.....Robert Garibay
Chief Pit Officer.....TBD
Pit Officer.....Michael Burri
Line / Pit Officer.....Joseph Lickliter
Chief Statistical Officer.....James Bourn

GENERAL REGULATIONS

SPONSORING ORGANIZATION: This National Match is sponsored by the National Rifle Association of America's Competitive Shooting Division and the NRA Whittington Center.

TOURNAMENT NAME: The 2017 NRA Black Powder Target Rifle (BPTR) Mid-Range and Creedmoor Championship Matches

DATES AND LOCATION: The NRA National BPTR Mid-Range Position Matches will be held August 15-16, The NRA National BPTR Mid-Range Prone Matches will be held August 17-18, and The NRA National BPTR Creedmoor Matches will be held August 19-20. All matches will be held at the NRA Whittington Center (NRAWC) in Raton, NM and fired on the George E. Tubb Range.

NOTE TO COMPETITORS: Three separate events will comprise the Championships:

- The NRA National BPTR Mid-Range Position Matches followed by the:
- NRA National BPTR Mid-Range Prone Matches and:
- The NRA National BPTR Creedmoor Matches.

FIRING LINE: The firing line is **NOT** covered.

RULES: Current NRA Black Powder Target Rifle (BPTR) rules will govern the conduct of these Championships except as modified within this program. Check the Match Director's Bulletin for any modifications of firing conditions. It is the competitor's responsibility to be familiar with the rules, this program, and any Match Director's Bulletins issued.

ELIGIBILITY: Note to competitors: The NRA has removed ALL NRA membership requirements for ALL NRA-sanctioned matches including these Championships. Participation in these Championships is open to all citizens and non-citizens whom are members of their respective national shooting federations or associations.

ENTRY INFORMATION: *Online entry will be available this year.* Competitors who shot the previous year will automatically receive this year's entry cards and online entry information in the mail after April 26, 2017. **ADVANCE MAIL ENTRY OR ONLINE ENTRY IS REQUIRED. IF YOU DO NOT PRE-REGISTER, WE CANNOT GUARANTEE YOUR SQUADDING PREFERENCES.**

ENTRIES OPEN: April 26, 2017.

ENTRIES CLOSE: Entries **MUST** be received at NRA Headquarters by **Midnight July 14, 2017.** Awards will be based on those entries processed before July 14, 2017. Entries arriving after the closing date will be considered post entries.

POST ENTRIES: Post entries will be accepted until firing time on a space available-basis only. Do not send entries to NRAHQ after July 1, 2017, unless it will be delivered by July 14. Send entry information to Greg Burri, 5610 Otoe Rd, Alliance, NE 69301 or bring to the range upon arrival at NRAWC. Additional relays will not be added to accommodate post entries.

ENTRY FEES:

BPTR Position Championship:	\$110.00
BPTR Prone Championship:	\$110.00
BPTR Creedmoor Championship:	\$110.00
BPTR All Championships:	\$275.00
IRONMAN AGGREGATE	N/C
Juniors:	\$55.00
Juniors All Championships:	\$130.00
JR. IRONMAN AGGREGATE	N/C

Fees will be returned in full if cancellation request is received prior to the Championship closing date. Those canceling after that date must request a refund and will be charged a \$10.00 handling fee. **Make checks payable to:** National Rifle Association, and mail to:

**National Rifle Association
Silhouette Department
11250 Waples Mill Rd.
Fairfax, VA 22030**

ENTRY CARDS: When filling out the entry card, please print your name, address, and NRA membership number as it is on record with the NRA. Fill out all areas of the card with the appropriate information, including squadding info on the back.

SQUADDING: Competitors wishing to be squadded together must indicate their selection on their entry cards. Target assignments will be assigned randomly unless otherwise noted on the entry card. Competitors will not change relays or target assignments without approval from the Match Director. Competitors will be squadded on every other firing point for all matches. Competitors will be squadded two shooters per firing point and two scorers per target.

SHOOTING TIME: Refer to Section 8 of the current NRA Black Powder Target Rifle Rulebook. For a pair of shooters, relays will be a total of 53 minutes (20 record shots) for Mid-Range (four “sighters” and ten record shots per shooter) and 63 minutes per pair (20 record shots) for Creedmoor (unlimited “sighters” and ten record shots per shooter). If needed, Muzzleloaders will be given an additional five minutes after the “CEASE FIRE” to finish shooting in the Mid-Range matches only. “String firing” (a single shooter shooting through until finished) or “Pair Firing” (both shooters alternating shots until finished) will be acceptable. If string firing, the second shooter will setup and commence firing without command after the first shooter has completed their string (first shooter should be finished in 25 - 30 minutes, depending on the match). Shooters Pair firing must split their time evenly. **As always, when a shooter declares “record shots”, their cartridge box must be closed with only the appropriate number of rounds at the ready. Score keepers will now be responsible for keeping time. In Mid-Range string fire, each shooter will have 25 minutes to complete their sighters and record shots.**

PREPARATION PERIOD: In all cases, competitors will be allowed three minutes to take their places at their firing points and prepare to shoot after the relay is called to the firing line. **ONLY dry-firing will be allowed during this time; MUZZLELOADERS may ‘SNAP CAPS’.**

CLASSIFICATION: The NRA Black Powder Target Rifle Classification System will be used for all three events:

a) Individual Position - Mid Range

Master 90.00 and Above
Expert 80.00 to 89.99
Sharpshooter 70.00 to 79.99
Marksman Below 70.00

b) Individual Prone - Mid Range

Master 95.00 and Above
Expert 85.00 to 94.99
Sharpshooter 75.00 to 84.99
Marksman Below 75.00

c) Long Range (beyond 600 yards)

Master 80.00 and Above
Expert 70.00 to 79.99
Sharpshooter 60.00 to 69.99
Marksman Below 60.00

Competitors without any classification will fire in the Master's Class.

AWARDS: Awards will be provided on the basis of three or more competitors in a category/class in the following manner:

- Minimum of 3 competitors in a category/class - one award;
- 6 competitors - 2 awards;
- 9 competitors - 3 awards.

Unless otherwise noted in the match program, place awards are offered in all Championships. Place awards (winner, 2nd, 3rd) will take precedence over all other awards. All competitors are eligible for place awards, but the place award winners may not receive class awards. High Marksman, High Sharpshooter, High Expert, and High Master awards will be given. Competitors are eligible for all special category awards that they qualify for (Junior, Senior, Woman, and Muzzleloader) and must

indicate, on their entry card, any special award category in which they're eligible. Place award and Class award winners may not qualify for special category awards. The winner of the Creedmoor Nationals will receive the Castle Trophy Plaque and NRA Medallion. The winner will receive a picture plaque of the Castle Trophy, and the actual trophy will remain at NRAWC. The Mid-Range Position Champion will receive the Shaffer Memorial Trophy Plaque and NRA Medallion. As with the Castle Trophy, the winner will receive a picture plaque while the actual trophy remains at NRAWC.

AWARD BREAKDOWN: Daily aggregate and class award winners will be given a certificate, provided 3 competitors shoot in the given match. Special category awards will be given a certificate, provided 3 competitors shoot in the given match. Overall Champions will receive a Picture Plaque and a medallion. Daily Match winners will receive a certificate. Other items may be added to the prize list, dependent on sponsors and vendor contributions to the match.

MONETARY AWARDS: The National Rifle Association continually strives to achieve full compliance with all tax laws and regulations. In this regard, the Financial Services Division conducts an ongoing review of all NRA-sponsored competitions, including but not limited to the National Matches at Camp Perry, the NRA Action Pistol Championship (Bianchi Cup), the Smallbore Metric Championship, and Silhouette Championships, where a tax event might occur. A tax event occurs when a competitor wins a total amount of at least \$600 in cash and/or merchandise prizes (excluding plaques and trophies) in all the above events combined. Because the NRA is unable to determine who might win a total of \$600 or more, **every competitor** is required to complete a W-9 form. At the end of the year, W-9's are reviewed and an IRS Form 1099-Misc is issued to all competitors whose total winnings are at least \$600. The W-9 forms for competitors whose total winnings do not exceed \$599 are securely destroyed. Please feel free to contact Portia Padilla at 703 267-1652 if you have any questions in regards to this matter. Thank you for your cooperation.

RANGE ETIQUETTE: Out of respect for other competitors who may still be shooting, NRA asks that shooters who are done firing, **quietly** remove their gear from the firing line, and keep conversation behind the vehicles until everyone is done shooting and the

“CEASE FIRE” has been given by the Chief Range Officer. Failure to comply with these above etiquette guidelines will be extremely disrespectful to other competitors and may result in immediate disqualification from the NRA BPTR Championships.

PROPER ATTIRE: In keeping with the tradition established by NRA in shooting events, and recognizing the publicity attracted by the National Championships, it is important to promote an acceptable image for competitive shooting. Attire worn during all phases of the Championships should be in good taste and appropriate to such a prestigious sporting event.

ARMS AND EQUIPMENT ALLOWED: All rifles and equipment used in the Black Powder Target Rifle Championship shall conform to the current NRA Black Powder Target Rifle Rules. The same rifle must be used throughout any Championship except in cases of malfunctions not readily correctable. Since the Creedmoor Match is not part of the Mid-Range Aggregate, a different rifle may be used. Special regulations for the Creedmoor Match require rear sights have at least 1” elevation beyond a 600 yard zero. Ammunition will be required to submit to chronograph testing for minimum velocity standards if deemed necessary by the Match Director.

AMMUNITION: Cartridges will conform to *Rule 3.17: Ammunition used in all the matches must be straight black or Pyrodex; no smokeless in any quantity.* Random ammunition checks may be conducted during the Championship. Competitors during the Mid-Range Championship will be permitted only **14** rounds in their loading blocks. Creedmoor competitors will only be permitted to have **10** rounds in their loading blocks once they “go for record”.

REGISTRATION: Registration will take place at the Eagle’s Nest Building beginning at 13:00 - 17:00 on August 13, and 07:15 – 09:00 August 14 for the Championships. The NRA Black Powder Committee and NRAWC, in order to provide a safer opportunity and greater chance of success, has changed the minimum requirements of bullet weight and velocity. There may be a **2%** variance in bullet weight or velocity. Numbers in **BOLD** indicate the **2%** variance. Only ammunition which produces these results, or better, and only rifles that have long-range sights will be permitted for use in

the Creedmoor Championships. **See the BPTR Nationals Ballistic Velocity Chart below for minimum requirements.**

Caliber	Min. Bullet Weight	Min. Velocity
.38	408 (375)- 400	1300 (1375)- 1274 fps
.40	408- 400	1280- 1255 fps
.44	450- 441	1240- 1215 fps
.45	510- 500	1200- 1176 fps
.50	600- 588	1200- 1176 fps

CERTIFICATION OF ARMS AND EQUIPMENT:

All rifles and equipment may be inspected at random by the Official Protest Committee at any time. It is the competitor's responsibility to ensure that their equipment is in compliance with the current NRA BPTR Rulebook.

TARGETS: Targets for the Mid-Range Target Rifle Championship will be the **SR, SR-3, and MR-1**. The **LR** target will be used for the Creedmoor Match.

PRACTICE: Practice will be held on August 14 for the Mid-Range and Creedmoor matches (300, 500, 800, and 1,000 yards). The NRA Whittington Center is open seven days a week for practice. If you are not a Whittington Center Gun Club member, there is a range fee of \$20.00 per day. The match entry fee includes one free practice day prior to the start of the match. Whittington Center Gun Club members can use the ranges for free.

Whittington Center Gun Club membership is \$30.00 per year. Fees for shooting before a Championship shall be paid to the Center gatekeeper. During the Championship, the range will be open for practice from daybreak until one hour before the match and after the match until dark. Range fees for the Championship days are included in the match entry fees. Shooters are required to pull their own targets during practice for any BPTR event and make arrangement with match director to have RSO present.

EYE AND EAR PROTECTION: NRA Whittington Center requires eye and ear protection for all persons on the firing line. **If you are unable to shoot with eye and/or ear protection, you will not be allowed to compete in the National Championships conducted at NRAWC.** At all other locations, if the club requires eye

and ear protection, they must be used. Should a person using shooting glasses, with a hole cut in the lens or lacks a lens completely while on the firing line, they will be considered as not wearing eye protection.

SAFETY: All rules for safety will be strictly enforced. Failure to conform will be basis for disqualification.

1. Adjusting a wind-gauge front sight may be done from the **muzzle-end only** when the breech is open or the muzzleloader is not loaded. The sight may be adjusted from the rear **only** when the gun is not cocked or capped.
2. There will be absolutely no handling of firearms on the firing line prior to the beginning of the Preparation Period. During Pit changes, all rifles will be racked or boxed with the actions open. When not on the firing line, firearms will be placed on racks, in cases, or other safe places. Any cleaning of rifles after the record firing period has expired must be done in the "Ready Area" behind the firing line.
3. Rifle actions will be open at all times except on the firing line after the Preparation Period has begun. At the command "Cease Fire", all firearms will be opened **immediately** and unloaded (except after a stage when **opened** firearms are removed from the firing line).
4. Dry Firing or aiming firearms behind the firing line is prohibited. Dry Firing is allowed during the Preparation Period only by competitor's squadded for that relay.
5. The discharge of any firearm (except on the firing line after the command "Commence Loading and Firing" has been given under authorized conditions) will result in disqualification and expulsion from the NRA Whittington Center with no refund of entry fees.
6. The Match Director or the Official Protest Committee has the authority to ban any competitor, firearm, or ammunition at any time for reasons of safety. Any competitor in the Creedmoor Match not

able to get on paper at 800-yard line will not be permitted to continue.

7. Possession or consumption of any alcoholic beverage, narcotic, or controlled substance which can impair the normal mental or physical functions of the body, either on the range or in the spectator or public areas immediately adjacent to the range, while the range is in use is prohibited. Disorderly conduct or intoxication is not permitted on the range or on any contiguous range property. Violators of this regulation will be subject to immediate disqualification from the Championship with no return of entry fees.
8. Smoking on the firing line is prohibited while the range is in use.
9. The NRA Whittington Center requires **all** competitors to wear eye and ear protection while they are using the ranges. Everyone in the immediate vicinity of the range complex is also urged to wear eye and ear protection. **Eye protection is required for all target pullers.** The use of a hat is strongly recommended.

SCORING: Competitors will score each other. As the scoring disks (which are hung on the target face) are not readily visible to the naked eye under all conditions, competitors must have in their possession a spotting scope or binoculars in order to perform scoring duties (please note the signaling instructions in your competitor packet).

PIT DUTY: All competitors must comply with Rule 18.15(e) and are subject to disqualification for failure to perform their duties under the rules. Scoring will be done according to Section 14.

A special .45 caliber plug-type scoring gauge will be used to decide the value of shots not discernible by the naked eye. The use of plug-type scoring gauges will be restricted to the Pit Officers.

SCORECARDS: Competitors are required to examine scorecards after each stage and to sign cards before leaving the firing line. Any scoring differences must be

resolved before the next record shot is fired. If a scorecard is not validated, the recorded score will stand and no changes will be made except for addition. *Match staff will check and correct scorecards as necessary.*

SHOOTER RESPONSIBILITY: It is essential for shooters to take up their positions in the **CENTER** of their firing points in order to ensure that their shots will fall into the impact zone behind the target.

TARGET PULLER RESPONSIBILITY: See Black Powder Target Rifle Rules 14.14, 14.17, 14.18, and 18.15(e). Also read 10.11, 10.12, 10.13, and 10.14. In summary, it is the target puller's responsibility to score each shot, and communicate that score to the scorekeeper on the firing line by use of the appropriate signal attached to the target when re-exposed. The efficient and correct operation of the targets can make a shooting event more fun, while inefficient or poor target operation causes frustration or anger on part of the shooters. It is the target puller's responsibility to provide the best possible "Pit service" to other shooters. The target pullers will be asked to record the value of hits on their target, and hopefully, this will help the scorekeeper verify any "forgotten" shots.

Helpful Hints:

1. When the line informs you of a "commence fire" condition or when all of the targets are exposed at the beginning of the firing time; focus your attention on the impact area in the berm or watch the target face for hits if no impact berm is available.
2. When a shot impacts into your impact zone or target face:
 - A. Pull the target down without waiting for a request from the firing line.
 - B. Insert the shot location spotter (black on white/white on black).
 - C. Insert the value marker in the correct location on the target face.
 - D. Paste previous shot hole (black on

black/white on white).

E. Put the target back up.

Normally, target scoring in the Pits should take 15 to 18 seconds. It is essential that this be done quickly and for every shot regardless of whether or not communications are established with the line or regardless of shot value. It is **imperative** that the target goes up and down after each shot.

THE USE OF TWO-WAY RADIOS: The use of two-way radios should be kept to a minimum during these Championships. Shooters should always start out radio communication with their target number, such as: “Line 34 to Pit 34, over”. Competitors should only use the radios to assist the shooters in locating shots off the paper or for correcting an incorrect value spotter, such as: “Line 34, shot was high and left, over” or “Pit 34, please check/correct value spotter, over”.

SCOREKEEPER RESPONSIBILITY: Always enter the shot value corresponding with the shot number in the appropriate box on the scorecard. In matches where coaching is permitted, the scorekeeper may inform the shooter of changing conditions and/or shot impact location in the berm behind the target, or in the ground in front of the Pits. The scorekeeper will keep track of all shots fired, and the scorekeeper will also inform the Range Safety Officer, and/or the Pits, when a crossfire is received/executed. The scorekeeper will inform the Range Safety Officer of any premature pull of the target (crossfire received) when a shot was fired. “Redress” will be permission to shoot an extra shot. (BPTR Rule 10.16)

Some other helpful hints:

- Whenever your shooter is about to fire, the scorekeeper must focus their attention on the target until the shot is in the backstop.
- The scorekeeper must remain focused on the target (or target location) until the target is “pulled and marked” to the satisfaction of the shooter.
- If the target does not go down, call the RSO and ask them to communicate to the Pits which target you would like them to “pull and mark” ASAP.

TARGET CHANGING AND HANDLING:

Competitors are required to operate targets in these Championships or to provide an adequate substitute.

Failure to perform Pit duties properly could result in disqualification. Competitors will be required to place appropriate targets in the target carriers when they go to the Pits to act as target pullers. The last relay of the day will be required to secure the targets in the storage area. No one (other than personnel operating targets and Pit Officers) is allowed in the Pits unless permission is first obtained from the Match Director. **Competitors are responsible for knowing and following Rules 10.11 - 10.16.**

The competitor/spotter may not go forward of the firing line to adjust cross sticks or for any other reason after the “READY” command has been given.

FIRING ORDER: The 2017 NRA National BPTR Championships will be broken into 2 relays (each relay will consist of two shooters) for each match. Relays will rotate from the firing line to the pits as per usual. Each Championship will start with Relay 1 (two shooters) on the firing line and Relay 2 (two non-shooters) in the Pits or scoring from the firing line. The firing order will reverse on Day 2 of each Championship with Relay 2 taking the firing line first. Remember that the non-shooting relay is responsible for pit service and/or scoring.

TIES: All ties for awards will be broken in accordance with Section 15 of the current NRA Black Powder Target Rifle Rules.

PROTESTS: A competitor may make a formal protest in accordance with the procedures outlined in Section 16 of the NRA Black Powder Target Rifle Rules. There will be a \$25.00 protest fee, which will be returned to the competitor if the protest is upheld. Competitors may lodge a protest up to thirty minutes after the final scores for that day have been posted. No protests will be accepted after that time has expired. Ammunition protests must be filed while firing is going on.

OFFICIAL NRA NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP PROTEST COMMITTEE: In lieu of an Official NRA Referee, a three-person Official Protest Committee made up of competitors from around the United States will be

appointed as needed by the Match Director and will function in accordance with Sections 11 and 20 of the current NRA Black Powder Target Rifle Rules. However, decisions rendered by the National Championship Protest Committee during an NRA National Championship shall not contravene prior interpretation of the NRA Rules and/or precedents established by the NRA National Protest Committee. Decisions of the National Championship Protest Committee are final.

AWARDS CEREMONY: The NRA National BPTR Mid-Range Position will be held on August 16 and Prone Awards Ceremony will be held on August 18, 2017 at the Eagle's Nest Building on the Tubb Range. The NRA National BPTR Creedmoor Awards Ceremony will be held on August 20, 2017 at the Eagle's Nest Building on the Tubb Range. The exact times for the ceremonies will be announced after the matches conclude.

AWARDS SCHEDULE: In the Championship Aggregates, National Championship Medallions will be awarded to the National Champion, Second Place, and Third Place finishers. All other awards will be NRA medals and the number of places will be based on the number of entries in the Championship. Donated merchandise awards, if available, and any changes to the awards schedule will be announced. Match Winner, 2nd and 3rd in each event will pass down their class awards to the next eligible competitors. Special awards (High Senior, High Junior, High Woman, and so on) Match winners 2nd and 3rd, and Class winners in each event may have their Special awards passed down to the next eligible competitor.

COMPETITOR'S MEETING: A competitor's Mid-Range Position, Prone, and Creedmoor meeting will be held on August 19, 2017 at the Eagle's Nest Building on the Tubb Range. The exact times for the meetings will be announced after the matches conclude.

NOTE TO NON-U.S. CITIZENS: Non- U.S. citizens are not eligible to receive any trophy firearms that might be offered as an award at the NRA National Black Powder Target Rifle Championship. The U.S. National Championship may be won by citizens of any country except those countries that restrict their National Championship to citizens of their own country. In all cases a special High Visitor award will be awarded to the highest scoring "Visitor".

MEALS: A Competitor's Dinner catered by the NRAWC Shotgun Restaurant will be August 19, 2017 at the Eagle's Nest at the Tubb Range. Meal ticket for competitors is enclosed in registration pack. Competitors can purchase extra meal tickets for noncompetitors from the Match Director during registration. There will be some beverages on hand, but competitors may bring their own.

NCAA COMPETITORS, PLEASE NOTE: In action taken by the NCAA on April 25, 2002, the Division I Board of Directors approved a change to the NCAA Bylaws that permits an individual, prior to collegiate enrollment, to accept prize money (to include NRA Award Points) based on place finish in an event without jeopardizing intercollegiate eligibility, as long as the prize money does not exceed actual and necessary expenses for that event. Any questions should be directed to the NCAA Membership Services staff at 317 917-6222.

VENDORS: Vendors will be allowed to display and sell their merchandise at the NRA BPTR Championships. There will be a \$30.00 charge per day for such activity at the NRA Whittington Center. For more information on the NRA Whittington Center charges and availability, call 575 445-3615.

CHAMPIONSHIP SCHEDULE

13:00 – 17:00 Sunday August 13: Registration, packet pick-up at Eagle’s Nest Building.

07:15 Monday August 14: Formal Mid-Range and Creedmoor Practice. Registration, packet pick-up at Tubb Range.

2017 NRA NATIONAL BPTR MID-RANGE POSITION CHAMPIONSHIP

07:00 Tuesday August 15 (Competitors report at 06:30)

Match No.1: 200 yards “Standing Position” on the “SR” Target. Up to four “sighter” rounds and ten rounds for record in **53 minutes** (for both shooters).

Match No.2: 300 yards “Sitting or Kneeling Position”, with crossed sticks, on the “SR-3” Target. Up to four “sighter” rounds and ten rounds for record in **53 minutes** (for both shooters).

Match No.3: 600 yards “Any Position” on the “MR-1” Target. Up to four “sighter” rounds and ten rounds for record in **53 minutes** (for both shooters).

Match No.4: Aggregate of scores fired in Match numbers 1, 2, and 3.

07:00 Wednesday August 16 (Competitors report at 06:30)

Match No.5: Same as Match No.1

Match No.6: Same as Match No.2

Match No.7: Same as Match No.3

Match No.8: Aggregate of scores fired in Match numbers 5, 6, and 7.

Match No.9: Aggregate of scores fired in Match numbers 4 and 8. **NRA National BPTR Mid-Range Position Championship**

**2017 NRA NATIONAL BPTR MID-RANGE ANY,
PRONE CHAMPIONSHIP**

07:00 Thursday August 17 (Competitors report at 06:30)

Match No.10: 300 yards Any, “Prone” on the “SR-3” Target. Up to four “sighter” rounds and ten rounds for record in **53 minutes** (for both shooters).

Match No.11: 500 yards Any, “Prone”, with crossed sticks, on the “MR-65” Target. Up to four “sighter” rounds and ten rounds for record in **53 minutes** (for both shooters).

Match No.12: 600 yards “Prone” on the “MR-1” Target. Up to four “sighter” rounds and ten rounds for record in **53 minutes** (for both shooters).

Match No.13: Aggregate of scores fired in Match numbers 10, 11, and 12.

07:00 Friday August 18 (Competitors report at 06:30)

Match No.14: Same as Match No.10

Match No.15: Same as Match No.11

Match No.16: Same as Match No.12

Match No.17: Aggregate of scores fired in Match numbers 14, 15, and 16.

Match No.18: Aggregate of scores fired in Match numbers 13 and 17. **NRA National BPTR Mid-Range Prone Championship**

**2017 NRA NATIONAL BPTR CREEDMOOR
CHAMPIONSHIP**

After a shooter announces to their scorekeeper that they are “going for record” no additional “sighter” shots will be permitted and only 10 rounds should be exposed.

07:00 Saturday August 19 (Competitors report at 06:30)

Match No.19: 800 yards “Any” position on the “LR” Target. Unlimited “sighter” rounds and ten rounds for record in **63 minutes** (for both shooters).

Match No.20: 900 yards “Any” position on the “LR” Target. Unlimited “sighter” rounds and ten rounds for record in **63 minutes** (for both shooters).

Match No.21: 1000 yards “Any” position on the “LR” Target. Unlimited “sighter” rounds and ten rounds for record in **63 minutes** (for both shooters).

Match No.22: Aggregate of scores fired in Match numbers 19, 20, and 21.

07:00 Sunday August 20 (Competitors report at 06:30)

Match No.23: Same as Match No.19

Match No.24: Same as Match No.20

Match No.25: Same as Match No.21

Match No.26: Aggregate of scores fired in Match numbers 23, 24, and 25.

Match No.27: Aggregate of scores fired in Match numbers 22 and 26. **NRA National BPTR Creedmoor Championship**

TRANSPORTATION AND ACCOMMODATIONS

AIR TRANSPORTATION: The two largest metropolitan areas nearest to Raton are Denver, CO and Albuquerque, NM. Commuter airlines also fly to Colorado Springs, CO and Pueblo, CO. Rental cars are available at all locations. See the Avis advertisement in the front of your program.

MOTEL ACCOMODATIONS: The following motels are located in Raton, NM, approximately 10 miles from the range. Additional facilities are available in Trinidad, CO and Cimarron, NM, approximately 27 to 30 miles from the range, respectively.

Super 8 Raton
575 445-2355
www.super8.com

Holiday Inn Express
575 445-1500
www.hiexpress.com

Quality Inn
575 445-4200
www.qualityinn.com

Budget Host Raton
575 445-3655
www.budgethost.com

Americas Best Value Inn-Sands
575 445-2737
www.americasbestvalueinn.com

Microtel Inn & Suites
575 445-9100
www.microtelinn.com

Motel 6 Raton
575 445-2777
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575 445-8501
www.book.bestwestern.com

Comfort Inn
575 445-4200
www.comfortinn.com

Oasis Motel
575 445-2221

Raton Pass Inn
575 445-3641

ADDITIONAL ACCOMODATIONS:

CIMARRON, NM (Approximately 30 miles southwest of Raton on U.S. Hwy 64)

Cimarron Inn & RV Park

12 units and 12 Full hookups,
showers
Highway 64, 55 & 58
575 376-2268

St. James Hotel

17th and Collinson
14 units
575 376-2664

TRINIDAD, CO

Best Western Country Club Inn

900 West Adams
55 units
719 846-2215
1-800-955-2215

Summit Inn

Derrick Motel
Exit 11 of I-25
16 units
719 846-2251

Holiday Inn

9995 County Rd 69.1
113 units
719 845-8400
1-800-Holiday

CAMPING FACILITIES: The NRA Whittington Center is open for camping at a fee of \$32.00 per day, per unit, 30amp, and \$35.00 per day, per unit, 50amp in the recreational vehicle area; \$12.00 per day, per unit in the primitive camping area. The primitive campground has tap water, portable toilets, trash pick-up, and 30 campsites. There are 125 hookups available to campers in the full-service R.V. area. This area has a modern bathhouse with shower and laundry facility. There is also a dump station available. Camping fees shall be paid to the Center gatekeeper. Camping for self-contained units is available in designated areas. Additionally, the following trailer parks are available in Raton:

Raton KOA

1330 S. 2nd Street

45 full hookups, 10 with water and electric; 60 no hookups, 2 cabins, laundry, game room, playground

575 445-3488 or

1-800-789-3488

Cedar Rail Campground

Top of Raton Pass

30 full hookups, bathhouse, ice, and camp store

575 445-8500

SummerLan RV Park

1900 South Cedar Street

42 full hookups, all pull-through and ice, laundry showers, satellite TV, LP gas

575 445-9536

WHITTINGTON CENTER HOUSING: DUE TO THE LIMITED NUMBER OF ACCOMMODATIONS AT THE NRA WHITTINGTON CENTER, THESE FACILITIES FILL QUITE RAPIDLY. It is advisable to call the Whittington Center to check the housing availability. Reservations can only be made by telephone. 575 445-3615.

A. COMPETITOR'S HOUSING: There are 90 beds available on a first come, first served basis. To request housing and make reservations please **call the Whittington Center at 575 445-3615.**

B. LOG CABINS: There are 100 beds available on a first come, first serve basis. The cabins are ideal for groups. Each cabin has a bath, shower, kitchen, and five double bunk beds. There are laundry facilities. To

request housing and make reservations please **call the Whittington Center at 575 445-3615.**

WHITTINGTON CENTER MAILING ADDRESS:

NRA WHITTINGTON CENTER
P.O. BOX 700
RATON, NEW MEXICO 87740
575 445-3615

DIRECTIONS TO THE NRA WHITTINGTON

CENTER: The NRA Whittington Center is located in northeast New Mexico, 10 miles southwest of Raton, on U.S. 64. Interstate 25 and U.S. 64 intersect 4 miles east of the entrance to the NRA Whittington Center. Travelers can exit I-25 at Exit 446 and proceed 4 miles west to the Center gate.

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Jim Morgan, NRA Match Director

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You may Call the NRA at 703 267-1474 for an entry card, or more info.



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