

Bayou Airgun Club and The Louisiana Rifle Silhouette Team

present the

2023 SHAMROCK SILHOUETTE SHOOTOUT

🍀🍀🍀🍀🍀🍀🍀 Air Rifle Silhouette Championship 🍀🍀🍀🍀🍀🍀🍀

St. Patrick's Day Weekend

March 18-19, 2023

Baton Rouge, LA

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Range Location: The BREC Jean Lafitte Airgun range is located at the Louisiana State Fairgrounds at 17200 Airline Highway, Baton Rouge, LA 70809.

Tournament: Two-day outdoor air rifle silhouette championship consisting of a 180-shot Target Air Rifle Match, a 180-shot Open Air Rifle Match and a 180-shot Sporter Air Rifle Match. All matches will consist of three 60-shot matches for a 180-shot championship course of fire. Competitors shoot only one rifle during the entire tournament, either Open, Target, or Sporter. It is the competitor's choice which rifle to shoot and competitors are required to designate his/her rifle at any time before the start of match #1. The competitor that fires the highest 180-shot score, regardless of the rifle he/she shoots, is the Open Air Rifle Champion. Any competitor that wins the Open Championship with a Target or Sporter Rifle is removed from the Target or Sporter match. The competitor that fires the highest 180-shot score with a Target Air Rifle is the Target Air Rifle Champion. The competitor that fires the highest 180-shot score with a Sporter Air Rifle is the Sporter Air Rifle Champion. (Note that competitors are only eligible to win their class in the rifle that they designate – so a competitor that designates herself as firing in the Target Rifle match cannot win her class in the Open Rifle match).

Benchrest Air Rifle Silhouette: The Shamrock Silhouette Shootout will feature a Benchrest Air Rifle Silhouette (aggregate 180–shot) championship (see below).

Field Target Silhouette: The Shamrock Silhouette Shootout will feature a Field Target Silhouette (aggregate 180–shot) championship (see below).

Air Pistol Silhouette: The Shamrock Silhouette Shootout will feature an Air Pistol Silhouette (aggregate 120–shot) championship on Saturday only (see below).

Classification: The NRA Silhouette Classification System applies.

Rifle Certification: All rifles used in competition will be required to meet the specifications set forth in the NRA Silhouette Rule Book. Each rifle must pass certification before it may be shot in competition. No rifles may be larger than .22 caliber. Open and Sporter Air Rifles are limited to a maximum 20 fpe. Certification questions and protests will be presented to the jury.

Targets: Rifle silhouette targets (other than benchrest) will be 1/10 scale resettable targets set at 20, 30, 36 and 45 yards for chickens, pigs, turkeys and rams, respectfully.

Lunch: Lunch will be provided to competitors and guests on Saturday.

Course of Fire/Schedule (all times are approximate and subject to slight changes):

Friday, March 17	Noon – Sunset	Sight-in/Practice 40-shot Approved classification/warmup matches – if requested
Saturday, March 18	7:00 9:00(ish) Noon(ish) 2:00(ish)	Registration/Sight-in/Practice Match #1 (60 shots) Air Pistol Silhouette Match (60 shots) Lunch Match #2 (60 shots) Air Pistol Silhouette Match (60 shots)
Sunday, March 19	7:00 – 8:45 9:00 – Noon 12:30	Sight-in/Practice Match #3 (60 shots) Awards

Entry Fees: There are no required entry fees to shoot the Shamrock Silhouette Shootout. The costs of the match are offset by donations to the match. If donations exceed the cost of the match, the excess will be reinvested into the match to make next year's match better. If donations do not meet the costs of the match, the shortfall will be covered by the match director and will be considered when determining whether future matches will take place. **The suggested donation for adult shooters is \$75. The suggested donation for junior shooters is \$25.**

\$10 per gun for Air Pistol Silhouette match and all fees are given back as awards.

Awards: For each rifle (Sporter, Target & Open) the following will be awarded:
Champion
First in each class

Special awards (Lady, Senior, and Junior) are aggregate awards given to the top competitor in each category regardless of the rifle fired.

For Field Target and Benchrest Silhouette cash will be awarded to the champion and additional places will depend upon participation.

Cash awards for Air Pistol Silhouette as decided by the Match Director

Ties: Ties will be decided as follows:
Champion – five-shot shoot-off on turkeys.
Class winners – Sudden-death shoot-off on the appropriate target.

All Field Target Silhouette places – five shot shootoff freestyle at chickens at 45 yards

All Benchrest Silhouette places – five shot shootoff at Turkeys

BENCHREST AIR RIFLE Silhouette

Benchrest Air Rifle Silhouette is shot off the bench at steel chickens, pigs, turkeys and rams set at 50 yards. The targets are all the same size and are the size of a 1/10 scale chicken. Any shot that causes the correct target to fall over is scored a hit, all others are misses. Rifles are required to meet the specifications set forth in the NRA Silhouette Rule Book for Open Air Rifle. Each rifle must pass certification before it may be shot in competition. No rifles may be larger than .22 caliber and are limited to a maximum of 20 fpe.

The front rest may either be a bag, bipod, or a traditional benchrest rest and the rest must be forward enough that the rifle cannot sit fully supported on the rest if the shooter is not holding the rifle. The rifle may not be clamped into the rest.

No rear bag/rest is allowed. The rear of the rifle must be supported by the shooter's shoulder. No part of the rifle may touch the bench. The shooter's hand/arm/elbow, etc. may rest on the bench. The non-shooting hand may not support the rifle in any way.

Air Pistol Silhouette

The Air Pistol silhouette match at the Shamrock Silhouette Shootout is shot on Saturday only. It is a 120-shot match calculated as an aggregate of the 60-shot morning match and the 60-shot afternoon match.

The match is a fun match (not NRA sanctioned) because it is run in conjunction with the rifle matches using the same commands. That makes the time sequence slightly different (15-second ready period instead of the air pistol specific 30-second ready period - shooters will still have 2.5 minutes to take 5 shots as per normal rules). Targets are set at the normal Air Pistol distances of 10, 12.5, 15 & 18 yards.

Rifle, benchrest and field target silhouette shooters are easily able to participate in air pistol as well by shooting pistol on a different relay from rifle. For example, a shooter will shoot 15 rifle shots on relay 1 then shoot 15 pistol shots on relay 3.

All air pistol sights are allowed (iron, scope, red dot). Shooters will compete against other shooters with the same sights with no minimum number of shooters required to create a class. Each pistol entry will be shot on a different relay. So technically a shooter could shoot several matches at one time (e.g. rifle silhouette on relay one, iron sight pistol on relay two, scoped pistol on relay three and red dot pistol on relay four).

Field Target Silhouette

Field Target Silhouette was created at Bayou Airgun Club and is thus far exclusive to the club. Here are the rules:

All rifle shooters (FT Silhouette & Air Rifle silhouette) shoot together on the same course of fire at 10 chickens at 20yds, 10 pigs at 30yds, 10 turkeys at 36yds and 10 rams at 45yds with the same time limits. Everyone gets 2.5 minutes to shoot a string of 5 targets per silhouette rules.

The rules specific to Field Target Silhouette are as follows:

The equipment rules are exactly the same as the various types of field target equipment rules. If your rifle and equipment are legal for whatever class of FT you shoot, it's legal for FT silhouette (all Rifles are limited to no greater than 20 fpe).

Chickens and pigs are both forced-position. The chickens must be shot KNEELING; the pigs must be shot STANDING; and the turkeys & rams will both be shot FREESTYLE.

Scoring is the same as regular silhouette. That's it. Come out and try it!

*There are no skill classifications or rifle divisions in Field Target Silhouette... yet.

**Competitors may shoot both Field Target Silhouette and the other silhouette matches by shooting in two relays.

***The rules may be modified in any way that does not create a safety concern or damage targets by agreement of all competitors and notification to the match director before the start of Match #1.

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Entry Form

Name _____ NRA Number _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Email Address _____ Phone Number _____

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Please note that \$10 per gun for Air Pistol Silhouette match is CASH ONLY collected at the match (please don't mail it with your entry).

Total Donation Enclosed \$ _____ Please make checks payable to Dustin Flint

Please circle which rifle you'd like to fire and your class in that rifle – you may change your rifle designation before the match.

Open Rifle	Target Rifle	Sporter Rifle	Benchrest Rifle	Field Target
MASTER	AAA	AA	A	B UNCLASSIFIED

Please mail this form to: Dustin Flint
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