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Informal Black Powder Matches

A wide range of members and their families showed their interest in attending the informal Black Powder matches held in September, October, and November.

We learned a lot about the problems some shooters were having with Thompson Center rifles and Cabela's Tradition rifle, and Phil Quaglino was able to help those shooters with the problems unique to those rifles. Nestor Mendez used the improvements to improve his shooting results with his Tradition rifle during the November match.

We look forward to Glenn Lillibridge shooting his T/C rifle again in December to see if he can do as well as he did in the October match. Glenn shot a perfect score of 125 on a 25 point ASSRA target at 25 yards using a bench rest of cross sticks.

Board member Gary Freerkesen received some assistance at the November match. I believe he is ordering a .36 caliber barrel for his rifle for target shooting.

We had flintlock shooters like Phil Quaglino and Ray Dearth on the line, a lot of side lock percussion rifles, at least one in-line rifle, and a couple of underhammer percussion rifles. At the November match, Dave Bush showed up with his Ruger Old Army revolver to join us in an abbreviated set of matches. We obviously welcome all interested members and their families.

December's match is scheduled for Sunday the 16th at 1:00 p.m. As usual we will start with a practice session, and then move to the formal matches. This format will continue in **2008** on the third Sunday of the month unless there is a Holiday on that date. An alternate date will be decided by the group at the previous match and a notice will be posted.

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