

## The Florida Sport Shooting Association

## 2023 Florida Mid-Range Championships Palm Bay, Florida

**Sponsors:** The Florida Sports Shooting Association **Host:** The Port Malabar Rifle & Pistol Club, Inc. NRA #C1034 **Dates:** November 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023 NRA Tournament #:

Link to register for the Championship: https://www.cognitoforms.com/PMRPC1/FSSAMidRangeProneRegistration

**Directions:** I-95 at exit 173 west / Malabar Rd. (State 514). Follow Malabar Rd. 4.8 miles. Make left on Hurley Blvd. Gate entrance is at end of Hurley Blvd. Address: 610 Hurley Blvd SW, Palm Bay, FL. 32908

**Rules:** This is an NRA registered match. All current NRA High Power Rules for a Tournament will apply. Match is Club Approved. All current PMRPC High Power range rules apply.

**Eligibility:** Open to anyone. State Champion must be resident of Florida, and members of the Florida Sport Shooting Association. See Awards.

**Entries:** Registration and payment will be online only. Entries submitted by mail will not be accepted. Entries must be received no later than 11/7/2023. Register early! No walk-on entries will be allowed.

**Entry Fees:** Individual Fees:

- Adult two days (includes Sun. BBQ) ......\$80
- Adult two days Non-PMPRPC (BBQ) .....\$90
- Junior two day (includes Sun BBQ) .....\$40

There will be a BBQ on Sunday the  $22^{nd}$  after shooting is complete – should be by 2:00.

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**Squadding:** Squadding and briefing begins at 07:30 AM. Squadding for individual matches will be issued during the briefing by the Statistical Officer in the Registration area behind the 600 yard line. F-Class shooters will be squadded together and High Power shooters will be squadded together. *NRA Membership numbers and classification cards must be exhibited before squadding assignments are made. Neither FSSA nor NRA membership is required to compete.* If a competitor fails to present himself at the proper firing point when his relay is called, or fails to show in the Pits before the Pits seal, he may lose his right to compete in that event. High Masters and Masters will be grouped together when possible but this is not guaranteed as per Rule, 11.6.7. Competitors will shoot on different relays and different targets each day regardless of classification.

**Classifications:** The NRA High Power Classification system will be used. Unclassified competitors will compete in the Master Class. Rule 19.2 – Unclassified Competitor.

**Rifle Allowed & NRA Rule:** Current NRA High Power Rifle rules shall govern this event. Allowable rifles: Any Rifle Any Sight (rules 3.2 and 3.7(c)); Service Rifle (rule 3.1); Tactical Rifle (AR) (rule 3.3.3); U.S. Palma Rifle (rule3.3.1); F-Class - section 22, rules 3.4 (a) & (b). Empty chamber indicators are mandatory. **Note:** There must be a minimum of (5) Rifles in a Rifle Category to qualify for a State Championship.

Ammunition: Provided by the competitor. As per rule section 3.17 & 3.17(b) inclusively.

Targets: 300yds – MR63FC or MR63; 500yds – MR65FC or MR65; 600yds - MR1FC or MR1.

**Scoring:** The Silver Mountain Electronic Targets System will be used (all NRA rule 10.17 apply). With the electronic target system, competitors are still required to score. Failing to perform scoring duties is ground for disqualification. Competitors should bring their own personal electronic device with sufficient power for a full day of operation and capable of accessing an internal webpage over the range Wi-Fi. In the event of a catastrophic failure or malfunction of the electronic target system, the Match Director will reserve the right to make a decision to either delay the match or to switch over to conventional targets and pit duty. All competitors will be required to perform pit duties if such a case arises. If a substitute puller is used, the competitor is responsible for their attendance and performance. Competitors with physical limitations that need assistance should notify the Match Director in advance.

## **Course of Fire:**

### Friday, November 11<sup>th</sup>

Squadded Practice: Practice will be held at 2pm, meet at range at 1:30. \$10 range fee, there will be a block time at each yard line. All effort will be made to squad shooters on the target they will be shooting on for the tournament.

### Saturday, November 12th

- Match 1: 300yds unlimited sighting shots, 20 shots for record, prone slow fire in 25 minutes.
- Match 2: 500yds 2 sighting shots, 20 shots for record, prone slow fire in 22 minutes.
- Match 3: 600yds 2 sighting shots, 20 shots for record, prone slow fire in 22 minutes.

#### Sunday, November 13<sup>th</sup>

- Match 5: 600yds unlimited sighting shots, 20 shots for record, prone slow fire in 25 minutes.
- Match 6: 600yds 2 sighting shots, 20 shots for record, prone slow fire in 22 minutes.
- Match 7: 600yds 2 sighting shots, 20 shots for record, prone slow fire in 22 minutes.
- Match 4: Aggregate of matches 1, 2 & 3.
- Match 8: Aggregate of matches 5, 6 & 7
- Grand Agg: Aggregate of matches 4 and 8.

This course of fire will provide an all 600 yard agg as well as a 300, 500 and 600 course agg

### Awards:

**Florida Champion Awards**: A State Champion plaque is awarded for the top grand aggregate score in each rifle category where competition exists. (minimum 5)

Only Florida-resident, FSSA members are eligible for State Champion awards. You cannot join or renew membership in the FSSA at the match. You must do so before the match begins. If you plan to join or renew your FSSA membership you must do so before the match by visiting the FSSA membership website: https://fssaf.wildapricot.org/join-us

NRA Distinguished Program: This Championship qualifies as a step match.

**Match Awards:** All competitors are eligible for Match Awards (including Florida Champions). First, place will be awarded to the competitor with the highest score in each match in each rifle category. Match awards will consist of certificates.

**Class Awards:** All competitors except Florida Champions and Grand Agg award winners are eligible for class awards. Champions and Grand Agg winners are included in the head count for their respective NRA class and rifle category. Class awards will consist of cash.

Champion, Second and Third place will be awarded for top Grand Agg scores in each rifle category. First and second place will be awarded for NRA classes with a minimum of 8 and 15 competitors, respectively. If a class has fewer than 8 competitors then competitors may be combined with a higher class. In no case will High Masters be combined with any other class. Rifle categories will not be combined. Grand Agg awards will consist of cash.

You do not have to attend the awards ceremony to receive awards, we will arrange delivery.

Lodging: There are several hotels in the area, just search Palm Bay, FL.

**On site camping:** Campsites with electricity are available on the Club property for \$10 per night. Contact the Match Director for information.

Additional Information and local rules: The Port Malabar Rifle and Pistol Club welcomes all competitors to the 2023 Florida Mid-Range High Power MidRange State Championships. We hope you have a safe and pleasant shooting experience at our facility. See our website: www.pmrpc.com or www.pmrpcrifle.com . Club Bylaws and Range Rules and Regulations apply to all activities at the PMRPC facility. The Release and Hold Harmless Agreement may be previewed there. All competitors are required to read, sign and date a liabilities release form at the match. All minors (under 18 years of age) must be endorsed by parent or guardian and must be under adult supervision anywhere on the range and club property.

All participants are strongly encouraged to wear eye protection on the firing line. Ear protection is mandatory on the firing line plus in the pits eye protection & ear protection is compulsory. A brimmed hat is suggested in the pits while in operation.

Every competitor is expected to have a confirmed zero before the competition begins. Each shooter is responsible for every round leaving their rifle. Once the Match starts, a shot that cannot be accounted for may

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be grounds to pull the competitor from the line, even during the sighting period, at the discretion of the Chief Range Officer.

Scorers need to ensure the shooter has his correct- zero on the rifle for the specific distance being shot. During the unlimited sighting shot interval the scorer may coach the shooter e.g. watch the bullet path down range and offer corrections. **The scorer must account for all rounds fired**. If a non-visible miss off the target cannot be attributed to a cross fire or target malfunction, then the scorer must inform the line officer. The Chief Range Officer will have the authority to remove or disqualify the competitor for the rest of the match.

If you develop a sight malfunction, the rules give you time to repair it. The line officer may insist you go to the 50 yard practice range, or the 200yds sight in range, and re-zero before he allows you to resume shooting at the High Power range. If you cannot resume with your relay in the rule's time available, the penalty described in the rules will be followed. We will not allow unsafe practices or non-visible misses.

The 600 yard line is under cover. All positions will be shaded. Spiked legs for scope stands or front rifle rests are not permitted on the Astro-Turf. All muzzles must be across the white safety line. All other equipment shall be behind the white safety line. NRA rule 9.9 will also be enforced.

The scorecards and the Statistical Officer's report are the official data. Match updates and final score results will be posted at the pole barn and the official challenge period of 30 min begins once they are posted. It is the competitor's responsibility to verify these scores during these challenge period and to report any discrepancies to stats officials.

Coaching is prohibited during all individual matches during shots for record (Rule 9.10) with exception during unlimited sighters match segment (Rule 9.2(b)) or for juniors with pre-arranged expanded classifications status provided by match sponsor(s) under rule 19.4.1 only.

At the time of registration, you must identify any cases of equipment sharing, need for help in the pits, junior shooters needing an adult, etc. The Chief Range Officer and the Statistical Officer will do what they can to accommodate/balance the requests via squadding. Total satisfaction is not guaranteed.

For additional information or questions, please contact the Match Chairman: Paul Bruton Match Director rifle@pmrpc.com

# All entries must be done online

Information and entry: https://www.cognitoforms.com/PMRPC1/FSSAMidRangeProneRegistration Entries must be received no later than 11/7/2023.

Fees must be paid in advance. Entry is not guaranteed until payment is received.

If you are an NRA member, please make sure your name and address match your NRA records. NRA and FSSA membership are NOT required to compete. However, if you are an NRA or FSSA member please include your membership number.

#### Refunds

If you cannot attend the tournament you must notify the match director as early as possible. If you cancel before the entry deadline you will receive a full refund. After the entry deadline you will receive a partial refund reflecting our expenses pre-paid on your behalf.