

Minnesota 3-Position and 4-Position Championship June 10 & 11, 2017, Minneapolis Rifle Club

Rain wind and more rain can only describe the weekend of June 10, 2017. The 3 Position Championship Match Saturday morning was cool, very windy and very wet! Only two Junior shooters showed up at the range to brave the weather. Vincent Hirsch and Nathan Engman are dedicated shooters and they came to shoot the 3- Position Championship on the 50 meter International targets rain or no rain.

Weather reports were bleak, but the weather maps did show a possible break so they waited it out. While waiting, attendees discussed leaving but decided to try shooting a 3 X 20 instead of a 3 X 40 match. As the rain slacked off, they shot they shot the Prone string. The rains delayed them again finally allowing the Standing phase of the match. Not wanting to through in the towel, they started the Kneeling phase in sprinkles that ended in a pouring rain.

When it was all done Vincent claimed the State Championship and Nathan the Junior Championship. Vincent Hirsch: 177 -1, 167-0, 160-2 for a total of 504-3X
Nathan Engman: 184-2, 134-0, 164-1 for a total of 482-3X

Sunday June 11, 2017, brought rain, pouring rain and more pouring rain. Several shooters waited at the range hoping for better conditions. After waiting for over an hour and studying the weather radar all the shooters decided to call it a day and went home without firing the match. Range schedules and lack of the NRA returning phone calls lead to delays in rescheduling the 4-Position Championship.

The MRC finally had an opening in the range schedule that didn't appear to conflict with interested shooters schedules. October 7, 2017 was chosen for the retry. Shooters were greeted by bad luck again. The wind and rain were a little better than the July 1, 2017 3-Position Championship. Three shooters decided to wait out the weather. After a bit, the radar looked like there would be a break in the clouds. The three hardy souls decided to try and shoot a 800 point 4-Position match. Somehow between and during sprinkles they got the Prone, Sitting and Kneeling phases. Standing was better with no rain.

When it was all done Vincent Hirsch (a Junior) won the State 4-Position title with 760-14, Ryan Hudson is high Junior and Jim Biles appears to have set a new Senior National record.

Vincent Hirsch: 199-6, 197-7, 183-1, and 186-4 for 760-14X

Ryan Hudson; 197-7, 181-2, 192-5 and 184-2 for 754-16X

Jim Biles: 199-12, 194-5, 174-2 and 161-1 for 728-20X



Left to right; Vincent Hirsch, Jim Biles & Ryan Hudson at the 4-Position Championship

Minneapolis Rifle Club USA Shooting Smallbore Match Results Saturday July 1, 2107 and Sunday July 2, 2017

Sunday July 2, 2017 NRA Match was canceled.

Saturday July 1, 2017

Three Position Match Results (3 X 20)

Name:		Kneeling	In 10's	Prone	In 10's	Standing	In 10's	Final	In 10's	
Nathan	Engman	170	2	179	2	150	0	499	4	<i>Match Winner</i>
Ryan	Hudson	165	2	177	3	151	1	493	6	
Vincent	Hirsch	160	1	170	1	160	1	490	3	
Allison	Buesseler	169	2	169	1	148	1	486	4	

Prone 600 (English) Match

Name:		Kneeling	In 10's	Prone	In 10's	Standing	In 10's	Final	In 10's	
Eric	Hazelton	182	3	191	5	193	7	566	15	<i>Match Winner</i>
Jason	Jarvis	186	4	191	5	184	2	561	11	
Vincent	Hirsch	189	6	186	2	183	3	558	11	
Nathan	Engman	173	0	176	2	189	3	538	5	
Ryan	Hudson	178	3	181	2	174	0	533	5	
Allison	Buesseler	166	1	163	0	163	0	492	1	