

2023 Gulf Coast BB Gun Match  
February 5, 2023  
Montgomery County Fairgrounds Exhibit Hall, Conroe, TX

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| Official Match Bulletin |
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NUMBER OF ANTICIPATED COMPETITORS: 75

SPONSORING ORGANIZATION: Montgomery 4-H Shooting Sports Club (M4HSS).

HOSTING ORGANIZATION: Montgomery 4-H Shooting Sports Club

SANCTIONING ORGANIZATION: National Rifle Association (NRA)

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DIRECTIONS TO RANGE: Montgomery County Fairgrounds Exhibit Hall 9201 Airport Rd. Conroe, TX 77303

DIRECTIONS TO LOCATION FOR WRITTEN TEST: 9020 Airport Rd. Conroe, TX 77303

MATCH RULES: Current NRA Rules & the current Official Match Bulletin will govern this event. Individuals may compete in more than one event.

COMPETITION OPEN TO: Competitors age 8 (and in 3<sup>rd</sup> grade) through 15 years old. Shooters that are age 15 may compete at this match if their 16<sup>th</sup> birthday occurs after the 1<sup>st</sup> day of the 2023 Daisy Nationals event. BB Gun entries will be limited to the first 75 registered competitors. Regular scoring team members (non-alternates) of a Daisy Nationals Team in 2022 are ineligible to be on a team. These competitors may compete as individuals only.

REGISTRATION: To register, complete form at: <https://www.jotform.com/213105067529048>. Registration will be on a first come, first served basis, and will be limited to the first 75 competitors to complete and submit registration form and payment. Registration forms and payment should be received no later than January 1, 2023. Late registrations will be accepted through January 15, 2023, as space allows. No onsite registration will be available.

MATCH ENTRY FEES: Each individual entry is \$30 (includes \$4.50 fee payable to the NRA by M4HSS for match sanctioning). There is no additional charge for team entries. A PayPal invoice will be emailed to the email address used on the registration form to complete payment of entry fees. No payments will be accepted on day of match. Contact the Match Director prior to registration if other arrangements are necessary.

**CLASSIFICATION OF COMPETITORS:**

There must be at least three individuals in each class for awards to be given. Age groups may be combined if not enough entries are received in each age group.

- Individual Classes will be divided into age groups: 8-year-olds, 9-year olds, 10-year-olds, 11-year olds, 12-year olds, 13-year-olds, and 14-15 year olds. Each shooter will be placed in the proper age group, which is determined by their age as of the date of the match (age when first shot goes down range).

- Competitors who began in competitive shooting sports since August 1, 2023 will be entered into the New Competitor Classification based on their registration form in addition to being entered into their Individual Age Class.
- A team will consist of at least 5, but not more than 7 members. Team scores will be taken from the top 5 team members. Individual entries will also be accepted. Team members must be active participating members of the same Organization, Club, Project, Group, etc. and can be age mixed. No Pickup teams (2.10). No "All Stars": All teams competing in the Gulf Coast Air and BB Gun Match must be made up of members who participate in the sponsoring organization's Shooting Education Program. No team may be composed of members selected from a region or state-at-large. Should a club bring more than one team, individuals must be declared to belong to a specific team before start of match by contacting the Match Director.

**EQUIPMENT:** The Daisy 499B BB gun is the only gun which will be allowed to be used for this match. Daisy BBs or Daisy Unplated Precision Shot (ball bearings) may be used. BB guns and equipment will be inspected prior to the competitor's relay to make sure they conform to the current NRA rules. Eye protection and closed-toed shoes must be worn by all competitors and coaches on the firing line. No shoes above the ankle or special shooting apparel can be worn by competitors. Cell phones may be used as timers on the firing line by line coaches as long as they are silenced. No competitor may use a cell phone on the firing line for any reason. Equipment and BB guns may be re-checked at any time during or after the competition after check in.

**COURSE OF FIRE:**

- Prone, standing, sitting, and kneeling, in that order. Each position will shoot ONE target in 10 minutes for a total possible score of 100 points and 10 X's. X count will be used in the event of a tie. Unlimited sighters and all record shots should be completed within the 10-minute time limit per position, Rule 9.3. Dry firing is allowed with a cocked and empty BB gun during the preparation period only. The preparation period begins when targets are hung, no one is down range, and when the Chief Range Officer gives the command. The preparation period will be a minimum of 2 minutes. Each relay will shoot all four positions before the next relay is called to the line. Coaching by an adult or designated person is required. Coaches may cock, load, make sight adjustments, etc.
- A written test with a total possible score of 100 points will be given to all competitors and count toward the aggregate score. In addition to each competitor having a written copy of the test, all questions will be read aloud by a proctor. Bubble in answer sheets and pencils will be provided.
- Test questions will be taken from the Current NRA BB Gun Rule Book as well as the Daisy Avanti Ten Lesson Curriculum. Questions will only be taken from the following sections: NRA BB Gun Rule Book – Sections 3, 5, 6, 9, and 10 and Daisy Avanti Ten Lesson Curriculum: Lessons 1, 5, and 6.

**ORIENTATION:** There will be a mandatory Range Safety Briefing and Orientation in the range area for all competitors, coaches, and line coaches once the written test is completed and before start of Relay 1. All competitors should immediately report to the range at the conclusion of the written test.

**MATCH STARTS:** Arrive at least one hour early for check in and firing point set up. Time listed as beginning time is time of first shot for that relay to go down range. Relay start time will not be delayed for tardiness. Seating will not be provided. Spectators should bring their own chairs.

**AWARDS:** Awards will be given out at the end of the match when tabulation of all scores and determination of winners have been completed.

- Each Individual age class will receive Gold, Silver, and Bronze medals for Overall (Aggregate) winners.
- In addition, Gold, Silver, and Bronze medals will be given for Overall (Aggregate) Individuals in the New Competitor Class.
- Awards will be given for 1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> Top Shot for match. This will be determined based on shooting scores alone.
- Ribbons will be awarded for 1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> place for each position by age group.
- Ribbons will be awarded for High Test Score in each age group.
- Team awards: medals will be given to each participating team member for 1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> Place.

**MATCH SCORING:** The Orion scoring system will be used for all targets. Orion BB Gun Targets will be used. Targets will be scored, and a shot summary sheet will be posted at the end of each relay. There will be a 30-minute review time to look over your scoring summary sheet and targets at the end of each relay once summary sheets and targets are available. Each team will be given one pass to review targets. Coaches will be looking for administrative errors where the shot is not a reasonable interpretation of the actual shot. Coaches may be allowed to view that shot in Orion if there is an error. There will be no scoring challenges to targets that have been scored by the Orion System. Once the targets are reviewed, the coach will turn the targets upside down on the table and sign the back of the top target. Targets will not be allowed to be removed from the scoring area. Any targets missing at the end of the challenge time will be given a zero. Use of scoring plugs will not be allowed. Supersedes NRA rule 14.3.1. Changes from the rule book as indicated in the match program have been approved by the National Rifle Association. Team score tabulation will consist of the top five highest scores for that designated team. Keep in mind that Daisy Nationals & NRA Rule book do not follow this practice (12.3). All results can be accessed online from the Orion Results Center at [www.orionresults.com](http://www.orionresults.com).

**COACHES:** Coaches are responsible for all their team members' actions (12.1). Coaching by an adult or designated person is required (6.7). Coaches can cock, load, make sight adjustments, etc. (12.6). Coaching must be done with respect for other teams and individuals on the firing line. Coaches will be given 1-2 minutes to hang and pull targets in between positions. Competitors should not view or handle targets until after scoring is complete.

**CHANGES TO MATCH BULLETIN:** Though this Bulletin is intended to benefit the match personnel and shooters, changes can be made where deemed necessary by authority of the Match Director. Where there are any questions, changes, or comments please bring them to the Match Director's attention.

**CONCESSIONS:** Available for purchase at match venue. Proceeds will be donated to cover costs of hosting this match.

**TENTATIVE MATCH SCHEDULE\*:**

|                                  | <b>Arrive and Check In</b> | <b>Range Safety Briefing</b> | <b>Begins</b> | <b>Ends</b> |
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| <b>Written Test (All Relays)</b> | 7:45 A.M. (test location)  | 8:45 A.M.                    | 8:00 A.M.     | 8:40 A.M.   |
| <b>BB Gun Relay 1</b>            | 7:30 A.M. (Range)          | -----                        | 9:00 A.M.     | 10:00 A.M.  |
| <b>BB Gun Relay 2</b>            | 9:00 A.M. (Range)          | -----                        | 10:00 A.M.    | 11:00 A.M.  |
| <b>BB Gun Relay 3</b>            | 10:00 A.M. (Range)         | -----                        | 11:00 A.M.    | 12:00 P.M.  |
| <b>Awards Ceremony</b>           | ---                        | -----                        | 12:30 P.M.    | 1:00 P.M.   |

\*All times are approximate

12:30pm–Awards Ceremony (approximate time). Awards ceremony will begin when the review period is over and all scores have been tallied. Every effort will be made to follow the above schedule. Times may and can vary due to circumstances.