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Thanks to everyone who participated in the 2025 North Dakota Black Powder Cartridge Rifle State Championship held September 13 and 14 in Bismarck. We had 16 competitors fire the state match this year compared to 12 competitors last year. As always, talk to those folks that didn't attend the event this year and get them out to events next year.

Thanks to the folks that helped to get our range ready for the event. John Horner was on the range on Thursday making sure the silhouettes were counted and the paint was ready. We had some help from other club members over the summer keeping the weeds clean on the berms so we could see impacts. Keeping the range in shape and making sure things are ready for events takes a LOT of volunteer time by the folks in this club.

This turned out to be a very nice weekend for the match (other than a little rain on Saturday morning and some rain as the match ended on Sunday). It sure is nice to have the canopy to keep us (and the equipment) kind of dry during the match. Winds were fairly light on Saturday and extremely light on Sunday. We also had overcast skies on both days which makes for excellent conditions to see the targets. We finished by about 1pm on Sunday (just as the rain really started to come down). Overall – great weekend for the match.

Congratulations to our 2025 State Champion – Tom Liebel (Mandan) firing a 47 over the 80-shot course. Tops in the AA class was Linda Clendenen (Amidon) with a 42/80. First in the A/B combined class was Roger Christensen (Plaza) with a 37/80. The top Scope shooter was Collin Weisz (Underwood) with a nice score of 45/80. Collin usually doesn't shoot on Sundays – but he had to make an exception this weekend since he was hav'in so much fun.

This wraps up the club's 2025 Black Power Cartridge Rifle (centerfire) matches for the season. However, there are still 22 (rimfire) BPCR outdoor events at our club this Fall. If you are interested in attending those events check out the bmpra.org calendar and contact Tom Liebel. And then there are more 22BPCR matches at our indoor range from November till April. So, if you're in Bismarck on a match weekend this winter – stop by and shoot. There's lots of winter in NoDak – so get a 22BPCR rifle and join us. We also have some lever gun silhouette matches at our club (indoor and outdoor) – again contact Tom Liebel or Dallas Quamme for information on these events.

We are looking for a new Discipline Chairman to take over Black Powder Cartridge Rifle in our club. Ken Heier (who has done a great job for this sport) has been the Discipline Chairman for many years and he would like to step aside and let someone run the events. I've helped out the last couple years and I can also lend my assistance – but we need someone to take the helm. So, if you're interested, please contact Ken or me. It's not a lot of work – but if the game is going to continue – we need someone to step up.

The next outdoor Black Powder Cartridge Rifle event will be at our range most likely the weekend of May 16 and 17, 2026....and don't forget the State Championship next September.

Thanks again and hope to see all of you on the firing line, and bring a new shooter along.

Tom Thompson

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- Double underline is the High Animal. Ties were broken by reverse animal count
- Classes were combined upwards until there were at least 5 shooters in a class. A and B Classes were combined

- Denotes 10 in a Row - Score eligible for NRA Silhouette Grand Slam award.

<u>10</u> - Denotes score for High Animal for the 2-day tournament.