2019 US Army Junior Rifle Championship Sectional Match

<u>Date</u> December 15, 2018 <u>Sponsor</u> Grand Valley State University Rifle Club

9:00 Sporter 10:30 Precision

<u>Location</u> Grand Rapids Rifle & Pistol Club <u>**Contact**</u> Cameron Zwart

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SUMMARY: The 2019 U.S. Army National Air Rifle Championship features a competition format that gives all participants a true shoulder-to-shoulder competition after experiencing a state sectional and a national qualification competition. Competitors will fire Air Rifle Competitions throughout the nation, where their targets will be scored using the Orion Scoring Systems. By utilizing the Orion scoring system, the scores will be uploaded into a national results list that displays state and national rankings in real time. In addition to the air rifle competition, USAMU will host an optional 50 Meter 3 Position competition. Only competitors who qualified for the air rifle championship will be eligible to enter the smallbore competition that will be conducted on Thursday, 24 January 2019.

NATIONAL SPONSORSHIP: The U. S. Army is sponsoring this youth national championship to promote the development of rifle marksmanship skills among American youth and to recognize those who respond to this challenge. The U. S. Army Marksmanship Unit, at Fort Benning, Georgia is administering this competition in cooperation with Orion Scoring Systems, http://www.orionscoringsystem.com, that is providing scoring services and results management for the 2019 Championships.

COMPETITION EVENTS: USANARC offers competition in the following events:

SPORTER CHAMPIONSHIPS:

- Individual Three-Position Sporter Air Rifle 3x20
- Team Three-Position Sporter Air Rifle 3x20

PRECISION CHAMPIONSHIPS:

- Individual Standing Precision Air Rifle 60 shots
- Team, Standing Precision Air Rifle 60 shots

THREE POSITION SMALLBORE CHAMPIONSHIPS:

- Individual Three-Position Smallbore 3x20
- Teams, Three-Position Smallbore 3x20

Teams competing in state sectionals will consist of five members, with the top 4 scores to count as the team total. (Rule: 3.2.3, Best-Four-Count teams)

Teams invited to the national will abide by rule 3.2, teams that consist of four athletes; however, one alternate firing member per team is authorized to attend. If not used as a team member, they will shoot as an individual. <u>There will be no invitations given by attrition</u>.

OPEN JUNIOR COMPETITION. This Championship is open to all junior shooting organizations and individual juniors who are school age (rule: 3.1) or younger. All school age youth are invited to participate, whether as individuals or as members of their club or school team. Schools and clubs are encouraged to enter as many individual shooters and teams as they can; however, you are not required to be a member of a club or school team to compete. A major objective of this competition is to give the experience and challenge of this unique state and national competition to as many junior shooters as possible; to include three-position sporter and international standing precision.

RULES: Current edition of the *National Standard Three-Position Air Rifle Rules* and this official program will govern the conduct of the sporter competition; the current edition of the *USA Shooting* rules will govern the conduct of the smallbore and precision competitions.

COMPETITION DATES: All USAJRC sectional competitions will take place between 1 October 2018 and 16 December 2018, with the absolute final day to post scores being 17 December 2018; national competition will take place 24 January-26 January 2019; with smallbore events occurring on 24 January 2019 after the air rifle practice. Voluntary equipment checks will be available on Day one as optional, not required.

SECTIONAL COMPETITIONS, (1 Oct 2018 – 16 Dec 2018): All USAJRC sectional competitions will be hosted by match sponsors who use the Orion Scoring System. The sectional matches will be shoulder-to-shoulder competitions open to all teams, clubs and individual junior shooters in that area. You may compete in only one sectional for qualification purposes. Orion scoring will ensure that all targets nationwide are scored according to the same standard. Orion scoring also will allow immediate, direct uploading of fired scores into an online match bulletin that shows current state and national rankings as well as final results immediately after the last match. The match website www.orionresults.com/usamu will list all approved match sponsors so that interested teams and shooters can contact them to enter.

NATIONAL COMPETITION, 24 January-26 January 2019: The 2019 USAJRC National Championship will be by *invitation* only. The top 30 precision and sporter individuals and the top 30 teams in both disciplines will be invited to Fort Benning, Georgia for the National Championships. Invitees will be based on scores posted onto the Orion scoring system for the states sectionals. The national championship will be conducted on Suis Ascor electronic targets.

SMALLBORE COMPETITION, 24 January 2019: The USAMU will host an optional Three Position Smallbore competition as part of these proceedings. The smallbore match is only open to competitors who have already qualified for the air rifle competition. Competitors must pre-register for the smallbore event using the same entry form as the Air Rifle match. A paper team match will take place concurrently with the individual smallbore competition. Teams must be declared prior to the preparation and sighting period. Smallbore teams may be comprised of either a complete 4 person organizational team or "Pickup" team members. Again, teams must be declared prior to the preparation and sighting period.

CHAMPIONSHIP BANQUET AND AWARDS CEREMONY: The banquet and awards ceremony will be hosted by the Civilian Marksmanship Program, and will occur after the finals on Saturday, 26 January 2019. Tickets for competitors and one coach will be distributed at in-processing. For all others wishing to attend the banquet and awards ceremony, tickets may be purchased in advance for \$30.00 each. You may purchase these extra tickets upon check in of your competitor(s) for the championship. Please remember to note on your registration form the number of tickets to be purchased. The banquet and awards ceremony location is on post at: The Benning Club, 7010 Morrison Ave, Bldg 128, Fort Benning, GA 31905.

HOW TO ENTER: Teams, clubs or individuals that wish **compete for an invitation** to enter the U.S. Army Junior Rifle Championship should check the Orion website listing of match sponsors at www.orionresults.com/usamu, and contact the closest match sponsor that is offering a date and location best suited for them. Match entries for the sectional qualifier will be submitted directly to that match sponsor.

ENTRY FEES: The entry fee for the **sectional qualifier** is \$6.00 for each competitor, and is paid to the host club for their target and administrative fees. There is no additional entry fee for teams.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

- List of USAJRC Match Sponsors: Listed on the Orion website and at www.orionresults.com/usamu
- For Additional Information about the competition, please contact Mr. Roscoe Castle at roscoe.j.castle.civ@mail.mil, or (706) 545-4276.