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Craig Mawby Memorial Shoot:

Monday 15th April was this years shoot and as usual the format was pistol paper target. The 1st round was single handed left hand, followed by single handed right hand for round 2. Then Freestyle for the 3rd round with seated and rested hand for the 4th and final round. As expected it was a very close competition and in the end there were 3 people with the same score, so we put it to a vote on whether to judge based on highest individual rounds or have a shoot off (1 shot, closest to the 10 point circle). The members voted for a shoot off, and coincidentally the final result ended up being the same as it would have been if we judged on highest individual round. Paul and Doug both scored a 9, but Paul just scrapped the win as was closer to the 10 point circle.

Results Below

1st – Paul Clarke (167)

2nd – Doug Bunney (167)

3rd - Steve Prime (167)

Interclub Bell Target Match: Sunday 28th April was the date for the 1st leg which was held at the Queen Vic, and those who managed to crack the code in the last newsletter would have known that Redhill were secretly confident and looking to get off to a good start and have a point advantage for the return match.

The format was our usual for Rifle Bell Target. 4 rounds in total of 6 shots each, and all 6 shots counting and with dinner being served after the first 2 rounds

Round Summary Total Points

Round 1 - Redhill 254 VS Bagworth 241

Round 2 - Redhill 244 VS Bagworth 245

Round 3 - Redhill 250 VS Bagworth 244

Round 4 – Redhill 251 VS Bagworth 246

Redhill Total – 999 / 63 Bells Bagworth Total – 976 / 53 Bells

Meaning that overall Redhill won by 23 points/10 Bells. A decent lead going into the 2nd leg. Well done to the terrific 10 on the win ©

D.I.Y Targets - There are many types of targets out there that you can buy from knockdown to resetting to reactive to traditional paper or card, and all are well and good with these and they do have their place but sometimes they all feel "samey" yes you might get different shapes such as ducks, zombies on knockdowns or rabbits/birds/rats on re-setters, but over the years that I have been shooting I have seen / made many different imaginative types of things to put some fun back into plinking. If you speak to air-gunners, then the majority of people will tell you stories of targets they have created themselves out of ordinary objects or shooting games they have invented to compete against each other, so I though the subject deserved an article or few over the next few editions of this newsletter. For the purpose of this one, I shall cover some that I have made myself, but if any of you have any "creative gems" that you would like to share please send me details/photos and I shall be happy to include in the future. (OK I didn't make the T-Rex, its just cool!)













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It's a bling thing! For those of you that know me, will know that the aesthetics of a gun is one of the main reasons I choose to purchase any rifle/pistol, For me the look is just as important as the weight, the feel, the spec or any reviews. It could be the highest spec'd or most accurate gun in the world, but if it looks butt ugly or plain and boring looking then its simply not going to grab my attention and i wont by buying it.

Now to get to the reason for this article, some years ago I purchased a SMK TH78d. The "TH" meaning "thumbhole" stock, and I found that rather interesting looking and as I didn't have any in my collection I purchased one 2nd hand from a club member. I had it tuned, and shot this for a few years and it was a great rifle, it felt nice to hold, well balanced, accurate, had a decent lightweight to it & to this day, I still love the look of it, but as time went on I found myself (as many of us do) wanting to upgrade or try another sort of rifle so this sat there often unused. Until recently when I shot it again and got the bug, but although it was tuned, and (imo) looked stylish, it was at the end of the day still just a plain wooden stock and couldn't tell it apart from any other TH78d, so I decided I wanted to somehow bling it up.

After many ideas, and online research I settled on one which I had used previously on a pistol (My Crosman 357w Revolver-adding a carbon fibre affect for those that have seen it). Wrapping or Dipping as its commonly known, or to use the correct term "Hydrographics" is basically a method of immersion printing of applying printed designs to three-dimensional surfaces. So I found some companies, chose some patterns that I liked and got some quotes. Once I found a suitably priced option I went about dismantling the rifle and posted the wooden stock off to them with my pattern choice and return address and contact details. I then just had to sit back and wait around 7-14 days while the transformation was done. And before I knew it the week had passed & I had an email from them with some photos of the finished item, and needless to say it looked fantastic, all shiny and new looking. I couldn't wait to get it back, reassemble the rifle so I could enjoy shooting it again and of course show it off.

Photos below (Before + After)





I chose a Lancashire based company called "**Dip This**" as I found they had a good selection of patterns, were reasonably priced (infact a lot lower than the other 4/5 companies I contacted) and with a quick turn around time, fast customer service responses and a gallery of work they have already completed... what was not to like.

I would definitely highly recommend them to anyone who would be interested in making one of their guns (or anything else) more "custom" and one of a kind

Website Link: https://dipthis.co.uk/





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Anschultz 250 side lever action match rifle. In mint condition - £400

Anschultz 250 complete but needs work as low on power - £180

Original Model 35 Rifle, 1960's. Tangen & aperature sight. Chequered stock, repaired 1980s. .22 caliber - £125

Original Model 45 .22 calibre. comes with scope, moderator and sling. - £180

If interested in any of the above or possibly exchanging for a match pistol then please contact Derek – 0115 9893639





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We have decided to add a little feature to the newsletter where we review a pistol with a small introduction and scoring for appearance, balance, weight, power, accuracy and cost.

The first pistol to review is the Umarex Trevox gas ram in .177 calibre

When we buy any airgun it is a personal choice, what suits one shooter does not necessarily suit another. Your first purchase will be purely based on aesthetics with very little consideration to the fit, feel, power or accuracy.

The Umarex Trevox is a very affordable pistol with the build quality you would expect from Umarex. It's a single shot break-barrel pistol powered by a TNT gas piston and has an integral silencer/sound suppressor. Whilst the gas ram is a little harder to cock than a standard break barrel, the recoil is smoother, but the thick barrel shroud aids the cocking and I feel adds to the over all aesthetics.

The rear sights are fully adjustable for elevation and windage and are nicely enhanced by the fibre optic beads, green to the rear and red on the foresight, and it also has a 11mm dovetail rail for optics should you wish to add a pistol scope/red dot etc. There is a manual safety which is easy to engage and disengage. Whilst the Trevox is on the heavy side at 3.15 pounds it is well balanced making it a good solid affordable (at around the £100) piece of kit to begin pistol shooting. It comes with a rifled barrel for that added accuracy and has a manufacturer quoted power of 540fps



Appearance	4/5
Balance	4/5
Weight	2/5
Power	4/5
Accuracy	3/5
Cost	5/5



