Dublin University Rifle Club



DURC Competition Attendance Report

Comber Open 2001

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Summary

Venue Comber Rifle Club, Comber
Date August 4-5, 2001
Discipline 50m Prone, 100yd Prone

DURC Attendees
Steven Watterson Mark Dennehy
John Keeney Peter Byrne
Ray Reilly

Scores		
100 Yards		
Steven Watterson	384	
Ray Reilly	380	
John Keeney	383	
Peter Byrne	384	
Mark Dennehy	342	
50 Metres		
Steven Watterson	577	
Ray Reilly	562	
John Keeney	570	
Peter Byrne	569	
Mark Dennehy	536	
Teams Competition		
DURC Angles		
Mark Dennehy	567	
John Keeney	583	
Peter Byrne	578	
Ray Reilly	579	
Total	2307	
	Third Place	
North&South		
Steven Watterson	581	
Total	2332	
	First Place	

Prizes Won	
Steven Watterson	First place, teams competition
	Eight place overall
John Keeney	3rd, Class B, 50m
Peter Byrne	2nd, Class B, 100yds

Report

The Comber Rifle Club is renowned throughout Ireland and the UK as being the toughest range in either island to shoot on. Situated so close to the shore, tidal winds are an enormous challange, and the topography of the range means that wind conditions can change from moment to moment and one firing point can have a totally different wind direction from another only a few feet away. As a result, the 50m Open held in Comber each year is perhaps the most challenging Ireland has to offer and it is little surprise that shooters from Comber such as Olympian Gary Duff, are heavily featured amongst Ireland's best.





Comber Rifle Club

DURC competeted in this year's Comber Open with a squad of five shooters. Logistics proved to be a stumbling block, with far too much equipment for one car. Olympian Rhona Barry kindly helped out by ferrying

equipment and one of our shooters. The conditions were typical for Comber - changing winds, changing light levels and occasional torrents of rain.

All of the DURC shooters acquitted themselves well, except perhaps for myself, though I had more than my fair share of problems - the sights for my rifle were accidentally not packed so I had to jury-rig a sights setup, and to add insult to injury I was bitten by some insect and had an allergic reaction to the bite.

Steven managed to display a total lack of impediment however, and made it to the finals round, though he didn't place for a medal.





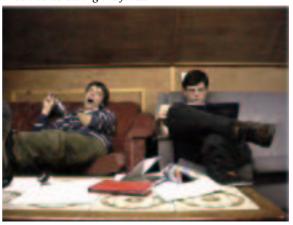
John Keeney and Ray Reilly





Steven Watterson reflecting between cards during the finals





The finals; and John and Steven relaxing after a long day of shooting

Misé le meas,

Mark Dennehy, DURC Secretary