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THE STEEL MILL



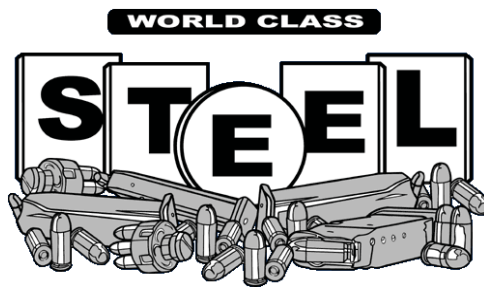
July 2007

Dear Competitors:

Well, the SPEED on STEEL 2007 Match is now over and, as everyone would agree, was once again a resounding success. This successful achievement can only be attributed to the generosity of all of our sponsors, to those shooters who participated in this year's match, to the dedication and seemingly endless hours of work put in by the World Class Steel Match Committee and to the efforts of our volunteer Range Officers. I would like to personally thank all of you for making the SPEED on STEEL 2007 Match such an outstanding success. Also, I must thank the Board of Trustees of the Old Bridge Rifle and Pistol Club and the Club's President, George Wornowicz, for hosting the match and for their unwavering support to continue to make this match the premier static steel match on the East Coast.

And, to make it even better, there were a few enhancements this year to both our group of sponsors and to the match itself. Beretta, STI and MGM continued their support with their major match sponsorships but our list of renewing sponsors was augmented with new sponsorships by Safariland, Starline Brass and Ruger. Also, FNH expanded their sponsorship in 2007. A complete list of all of our 2007 sponsors appears later in this letter. Their generous donations enabled every single shooter to receive something and their support made this year's shooters' raffle the best ever in the history of World Class Steel. These sponsorships were organized and solicited by John Perciballi; he really pulled out all the stops this year. Nice work, John! Another addition was the publication of the match booklet, a first for World Class Steel. This booklet was received enthusiastically by all of our competitors and everyone else involved. Chris Buchholz did a great job preparing the booklet despite an unbelievable deadline to make it available by our match date. The booklet will now be a standard issue for our Speed on Steel match and will contain even more important information in the future.

One of the biggest additions to the match administration was the inaugural use of the WORLD CLASS STEEL SCORER[®] scoring program. Developed by Dave Olhasso with specification input from Chris Buchholz and Matt deVries, the software program will be made available for sale to interested match directors shortly. By our use of WORLD CLASS STEEL SCORER[®] this year, shooters were able to review their scores by noon Sunday prior to having them finalized one hour later. Using this new program and with a little extra help, we could probably get the scores up on the board a day earlier – just a few hours after the last shot is fired on Saturday. Great job, guys! A big “thank you” also to Starline Brass for sponsoring the stats trailer and equipment. Speaking of thanks, let's not forget the hard work efforts of Danny Lisk for our field operations and Don McNab for our mobile maintenance, both of which were critical to the smooth operation of our match. Thanks, to both of you! And our thanks also go out to Fred Bhend for his outstanding job with mobile advertisement.



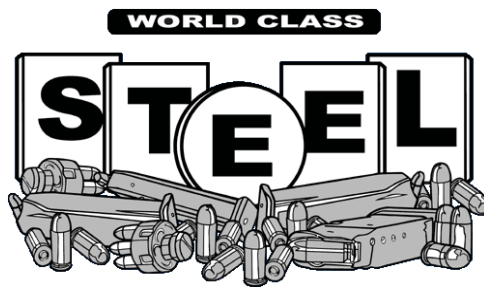
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Another first this year was the introduction of the Compact Class. Each year STI and Glock sponsor the match and their product line includes great compact guns, so it was decided to try a Compact class. The rules for this class are “small and short” and a start from the ready position. And, as the match director, I was having the final say whether it’s compact or not. The class saw some great competition and some great battles back and forth throughout the day. When the last stage was fired, it was Chuck Guzenski clinching the top position with a 98.24 followed by Al Realuyo in a very close second at 98.29. I was set to shoot this class but my Match Director duties just didn’t provide enough time to do so. But I guarantee that next year I will try my skills at this class. And it’s a great class for those wonderful STI LS9’s which we receive from STI each year and give away in our raffle. This year we again gave away five of these little beauties!

The SPEED on STEEL 2007 High Overall was Old Bridge’s own “JJ” Racaza with a screaming time of 61.93 with his open pistol. JJ shot a great match this year taking both High Pistol Open with his 61.93 and High Pistol Iron with a smoking score of 70.23. Second in open was Al Surko followed by Dave Olhasso shooting his custom Beretta open pistol. Following JJ in Iron Pistol was Dave Olhasso in second and John Kruszka in third place. First in Revolver Iron was Dave Olhasso and Open Revolver was won by Bob Barry. Open Rimfire was taken by Charlie Coppola and Al Realuyo took the top place in Iron Rimfire. The High Lady award was a great contest this year with more than ten women vying for the title. At the end of competition the top spot went to Janet Finnesey with Karen Fellema in second and Shaun Quale in third. Nice shooting, ladies! (Scores were adjusted for non holster starts.)

“Side Match Sunday,” sponsored again by Mike Gibson Manufacturing, continued to be the fun and competitive day it has been during our past events. But, again, there was something new this year with the introduction of our first Precision Rifle event, generously sponsored by FNH-USA. Shooters competed all day for the title of High Overall in the event and because of its popularity, Precision Rifle will be added as a regular event at future Side Match Sundays. Also new in 2007 was the addition of a Frangible Bullet Speed on Steel event. This involved shooting at big plates, really close and really fast. The result was big grins and wide smiles on all who competed in this exciting event. We’ll probably add this to our future side matches, too. The Side Match Sunday events are being tabulated and will be posted shortly if they haven’t been done so by the time you’re reading this and the award checks will go out within the next ten days.

I would like to re-emphasize the importance and generosity of our sponsors and our gratitude to all of them. Because of their support, we had the best shooters’ raffle ever and their generosity permitted us to raffle off seventeen guns! The list of our benefactors is outlined below. Please read the list carefully and be sure to buy their products and to patronize their local, mail-order and internet dealers when considering your purchases.



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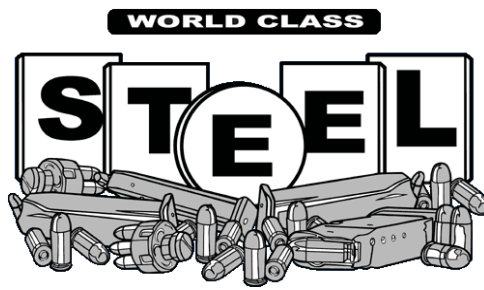
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I would like to remind all the participants in this years match that Matt deVries has set up links on the World Class Steel website to most of these vendors and it would be great if you (especially the winners of a gun) could take a moment and send out an e-mail to some of the sponsors who made this year's match so great. For those sponsors for whom we do not have an internet link, please call or snail mail your thanks to them for making it possible for you to have such a rewarding match.

Thanks to all of you for competing in the SPEED on STEEL 2007 match and again to all of you who helped make it happen. Have a great summer and a fun-filled shooting season. And, for another great match, remember that the first weekend in October is the fourth annual FIELDS of STEEL Pistol, Carbine and Shotgun Match. Sign up now!

REMEMBER: shoot fast and shoot safe.

Best Regards
John Soltesz
and the
Staff of World Class Steel