

A3GMunitions.com hosted the first LONG GONG match at River Bend Gun Club on July 20th and it was a hit!

We had 5 shooters come out to join the match director to try this new sport. For those who are not sure what LONG GONG is all about here is a link to a description and the rules:

<https://a3gmunitions.com/long-gong-hosted-by-a3gmunitions-com/>.



As part of our due diligence the MD and CRO met on the Tuesday before the match to set up the targets and make sure that everything was safe and there would be no surprises. After trimming some small trees and bushes we went to the 300 yard line and both of us were shocked at how small the targets looked; we were both nervous that the targets would be hard to hit.



The Targets
as seen from
316 yards

Even through a spotting scope the targets sure were small!



Match morning rolled around and like she does so often Mother Nature lulled us into a false sense of confidence as there was no wind; but at the 9AM start we had 6mph gusts and the wind calls with a 22 were going to be the key.

While first place may someday be a Bass Boat the winner of this first match would walk away with this unique trophy.



The MD borrowed some benches from the Jim Hinkle Range and put up some tents and we were ready to go!









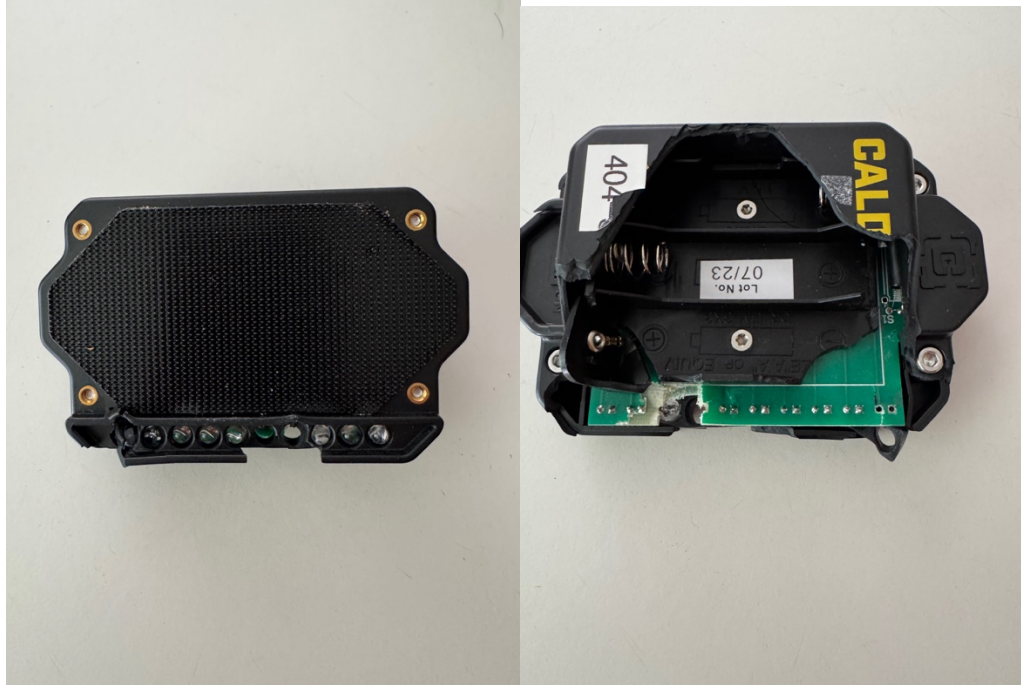


Things kicked off nicely after a safety briefing and quick overview of the rules. The MD was spotting hits, scoring and, since it was the first event calling shots and corrections for the shooters.





The targets were not easy by any means and as added insurance in calling shots the MD added flashers to the steel targets that made hits very easy to call until one of the flashers took a direct hit.



We had an assortment of guns with three CZ457s, a 455, a Bergara and a Savage. Five of the Six shooters shot subsonic ammo with one shooting some 1200+ FPS stuff but even then ears were definitely optional which makes a hot day far less uncomfortable.

Each shooter shot 10 rounds per relay for 5 relays and we were done by 12:30.

We had several visitors who dropped by to see what it was all about and the consensus was that this is a great event and shooting 22LR at 8, 6 and 4 inch targets at 300 yards is fun, difficult and far more cost effective than centerfire rifles. This is the event if you want to learn how to call wind like a seasoned pro!

With range demand for matches at an all-time high we are alternating between the High Power and the Silhouette ranges for 2025, the July match was on HP.

Our next LONG GONG match will be on August 17th on the Silhouette range and first shot will be at 9am. Match fees are \$20 for Non-Members and \$15 for RBGC Members. You can sign up here: <https://practiscore.com/rbgc-long-gong-by-a3gmunitions-august-2025/register>.

Here are the results!

Name	Relay 1	Relay 2	Relay 3	Relay 4	Relay 5	Total
Mark Leeber - MD	7	7	4	4	19	41
James "Maverick" Garner	5	3	4	6	7	25
Kirk Swanson	6	6	3	2	4	21
Ken Bowles	2	2	4	5	5	18
Jason Smith	0	3	5	6	4	18
Michael "The Berger" Berger	3	1	2	5	3	14

James "Maverick" Garner was the winning competitor and walked away with a trophy I am sure he will cherish forever!



Want to play but don't have a gun? I will have a loaner rifle at matches. As a dealer in the NFA and firearms business I bring ammo to the matches so you buy the ammo and we will provide a loaner rifle. Let us know you are coming and we may even clean the gun before the match 😊.

If you have questions about the match you can reach the MD via email at MarkLeeber@mac.com.