

OFFICIAL PROGRAM  
**The American Legion-Department of Arizona**  
**COMMANDER'S CUP**  
**Round Two Qualification (THREE-POSITION AIR RIFLE)**  
&  
**American Legion/JROTC Shoulder-to-Shoulder**  
**Match**

**1. GENERAL:**

a. This Postal/Shoulder-to-Shoulder Match is intended to provide youth Sporter air rifle teams or individuals an opportunity to compete in The American Legion Round Two Qualification Postal Match for possible advancement to the National American Legion Competition Match.

A1. This Postal/Shoulder-to-Shoulder Match is also open to any American Legion Post or JROTC program that is seeking additional air rifle competition experience for any newer Sporter Class shooter.

b. The host site for this match is The American Legion Post 53 at 402 E. Narramore Avenue in Buckeye, Arizona 85326 and it will occur from 7:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.

c. This postal/shoulder-to-shoulder match is sanctioned by the NRA, the National 3-Position Air Rifle Council, and CMP as a regular sanctioned shoulder-to-shoulder event. Qualifying scores under the Commander Cup will be eligible for CMP Excellence in Competition (EIC) points. Scores will be submitted for posting on the NRA and CMP Competition Tracker websites, unless expressly declined by the individual athlete/coach.

C1. Any shooter competing for The American Legion Round Two Postal Match will have his/her scores transmitted for scoring to the CMP for placement and advancement into the National American Legion competition. Those shooters and coaches will be contacted by CMP or The American Legion National Headquarters if a shooter is to proceed to the next level in the National competition.

d. The Postal/Shoulder-to-Shoulder Match Director is Bobbie Kimelton, The American Legion, Department of Arizona, Junior Shooting Sports Program (JSSP) Chairperson. The Assistant Tournament Director is Dan Palmer, The American Legion-Department of Arizona JSSP Training and Education Coordinator and Committee member. The Chief Range Safety Officer (CRSO) for the events will be Dan Palmer.

**2. TOURNAMENT DATE:** March 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>, 2018

**3. SPONSOR:** The postal/shoulder-to-shoulder match is proudly supported by the CMP, NRA, and The American Legion-Department of Arizona JSSP as part of American Legion Round Two Qualification Postal Match and Department of Arizona Commander's Cup Match.

A. As stated above, this event is also open to any American Legion Post JSSP or JROTC Air rifle program that is seeking additional experience for newer Sport Class air rifle shooters that are new to the shooting sport. Achievement pins for this event will include Gold, Silver and Bronze for the first through third overall top shooters in the Sporter class rifles.

3A1. Shooter competing in The American Legion Round Two Match portion of this event will not be able to receive Gold, Silver and/or Bronze medals or pins since they are restricted as to requirements for this particular match.

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B. Each competing individual shooter meeting the requirements for entry into The American Legion Round Two Postal Match qualification, must bring with them their issued CMP certified AR10 targets that were mailed to them after being notified that the shooter has advanced to the Round Two qualification competition and turn them into the Postal Match Director upon arrival and check-in. All targets will be scored using the Orion system and the Individual Coach can choose to mail-in the shot targets themselves or have The American Legion, Department of Arizona electronically upload them and send the targets to CMP for scorings. The preference is left up to the Coach.

C. All other shooters entering the competition will be issued Orion targets for scoring upon checking-in to the competition and will be scored by the event staff and returned to the Coach prior to the event concluding on March 18, 2018.

**4. COURSE of FIRE/EVENTS:** See NRA **Sporter Air Rifle Position Rules** and CMP Rule 5.3.2, **National Standard Three-Position Air Rifle Rules**. The competition will consist of the Team 3x20 course of fire, plus an Individual Final round (see Rule 10.0). Registered marksmen may compete either as members of a team or as independent competitors. Each team will consist of a maximum of 4 competing athletes. Additional/alternate competitors may be permitted to shoot on a space-available basis. This postal/shoulder-to-shoulder match may consist of three (3) separate Relays. The top 8 individuals will be invited to compete in a Finals consisting of 10 shots in the Standing (off-hand) position. The CMP/The American Legion National HQ will notify teams/individuals of qualifying scores for advancement to the National American Legion Match, which will be hosted in Colorado.

**5. RULES:** The **NRA Sporter Air Rifle Position Rules and the CMP National Standard Three-Position Air Rifle Rules 11<sup>th</sup> Edition (2016-2018 or current)** will apply. Spectators are welcome to attend, but must remain in the designated observation area throughout the competition period. Only certified CMP/NRA/JMIC personnel are permitted on the range floor during actual competition.

**6. ELIGIBILITY TO COMPETE:** See NRA Sporter Air Rifle Position Rules and/or CMP Rules 3.0. Youth rifle teams from any Junior Shooting Sports program are eligible to compete. Additionally, teams must have liability insurance coverage. Each team will compete with 4 (four) eligible members for record scores. Team substitutions must be declared by the Coach to the Postal Match Director upon arrival/check-in.

**7. TIME SCHEDULE:**

A. The Commander's Cup Postal/Shoulder-to-Shoulder Match will begin with a brief Opening Ceremony at 7:00 A.M. on Saturday, March 17, 2018 immediately followed by Relay #1. Relay #2 will be at 9:30 A.M., Relay #3 at 11:45 A.M., Relay #4 at 1:30 P.M., and if needed, Relay #5 at 3:45 P.M.

B. If fifteen (15) or more teams register for this event, Relay #6 will commence at 7:00 A.M. on March 18<sup>th</sup> with subsequent relays following the ordered times from March 17<sup>th</sup>. If more Twenty-four (24) teams register and compete during this event, the Top Shooter Finals are scheduled for 3:45 P.M. or as soon as possible, whichever comes first. The Commander's Cup postal/shoulder-to-shoulder match will conclude with an Awards Ceremony at about 4:00 P.M. On March 18<sup>th</sup>.

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Specific times for the Finals and Awards Ceremony will be determined by the number of Relays required to accommodate all team entries. **Teams should report at least 30 minutes prior to their scheduled Relay.**

C. Each Relay will consist of a maximum number of three (3) teams and will require approximately 120 minutes (2-hours) on the range. Alternate competitors may fire on a space available basis. No more than five (5) relays will fire on March 17<sup>th</sup> and only four (4) relays will fire on March 18<sup>th</sup>, so it is imperative that you register your team or individual shooter right away. Consequently, the maximum number of teams that may compete is limited to twenty-seven (27).

C1. Each team will be assigned to a relay and multiple teams will be scheduled with one team firing for each relay. Every reasonable consideration will be given to assign teams based on their request for a relay start time that facilitates their travel schedule. The Postal/Shoulder-to-Shoulder Match Director and The American Legion-Department of Arizona JSSP Committee reserve the right to assign or change relay start times in the best interests of the all competitors.

**8. EQUIPMENT CLASSES:** See NRA Sporter Air Rifle Position Rules and/or CMP Rules 3.3, 4.1. This competition is for Sporter class.

### **9. POSTAL/SHOULDER-TO-SHOULDER MATCH AWARDS:**

A. CMP pins will be presented to athletes that are recognized for the Top Three Shooters during the event taking First, Second or Third place competing outside of The American Legion Round Two Postal Match.

B. CMP and The American Legion JSSP patches will be awarded to all competitors during the awards ceremony.

C. Teams and coaches are reminded that results from this Postal/Shoulder-to-Shoulder Match are compared/rank-ordered with results from teams/individual competing in the event.

D. CMP EIC points will be awarded to individuals with qualifying scores since this is a Commander's Cup Match.

**10. RANGE LOCATION:** The American Legion Post 53 at 402 E. Narramore Avenue in Buckeye, Arizona 85326 will be the location and the range will be setup inside the building. Parking can be located to the north of the building and along the roadway.

### **11. TARGETS:**

For those shooters meeting the criteria of The American Legion Round Two Postal Match, the coach and shooter **must use targets mailed to the team/individual shooter by CMP.** All others competing in the Commander's Cup will be issued Orion targets during the check-in process on March 17<sup>th</sup>.

**12. ENTRY FEES:** Cost to enter the Department of Arizona-American Legion Commander's Cup Postal/Shoulder-to-Shoulder Match is \$25.00 per-team or if no team and shooting individually, the individual entry fee will be \$12.50.

12A. Teams/individual shooters can pay this fee while submitting and mailing-in registration packets or can pay this fee upon arrival/check-in by using cash or check (Made out to The American Legion-Department of Arizona). This fee includes

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Achievement Pins and light refreshments. All monies generated from this event will be deposited back into the Department of Arizona JSSP account and used for matches, equipment and training of Legionnaires and shooters at American Legion Posts supporting air rifle shooting programs.

12B. Individual shooter meeting the criteria to compete in The American Legion Round Two Postal Match and have received their issued Orion targets in the mail will have an entry fee of \$5.00 for competing at this location. The entry fee goes towards the processing fee and electronic passage of the scores to the CMP using the Orion scoring system.

**13. LIABILITY.** JROTC, American Legion, and NRA Affiliated Youth Club competitors are not required to have additional liability insurance. All other competitors will either have valid liability insurance or complete a waiver of liability form. Spectators will be asked to complete a waiver of liability agreement form prior to entering the range building.

**14. HOW TO ENTER:** Send Registration Entry Form & Roster (on following page) along with Entry Fee ***no later than (NLT March 10, 2018)*** to:

The American Legion-Department of Arizona JSSP Committee, ATTN: Dan Palmer  
P.O. Box 10892 Glendale, Arizona 85318 **OR** preferred method of electronically emailing them to [4385palmer@gmail.com](mailto:4385palmer@gmail.com). Those teams/individuals emailing information for registration will need to either mail-in the check or money order to the address indicated above or provide payment upon check-in on March 17<sup>th</sup>.

Deviations from the prescribed Registration Entry Form (enclosed) will not be accepted. Comments/questions may be directed to:

Bobbie Kimelton, Match Director at (623) 738-9755 OR  
Dan Palmer, Assistant Match Director at (602) 377-4405.

**15. ACCOMMODATIONS:** For lodging/eatery information, please contact either the Match or Assistant Match Director.

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**REGISTRATION ENTRY FORM & ROSTER**

Deadline: March 10, 2018

Team Post & Address \_\_\_\_\_  
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<u>COMPETITOR's NAME</u>	<u>DOB</u>	<u>MALE/FEMALE</u>	<u>CMP COMPETITOR ID#</u>
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2. _____	_____	_____	_____
3. _____	_____	_____	_____
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*Alternate _____			

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**ENTRY FEES:**

- A. Cost to enter The American Legion Round Two Postal match is \$5.00. See entry information for further instructions.
- B. The teams/individuals entering the Department of Arizona-American Legion Commander's Cup Postal/Shoulder-to-Shoulder Match is \$25.00 per-team or if no team, \$12.50 per-individual shooter. Check or money order should be made payable to: **The American Legion- Department of Arizona.**

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**NOTE: PLEASE USE THIS FORM. DEVIATIONS FROM THIS FORM WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED AND WILL BE RETURNED TO THE COACH FOR CORRECTION.**