

Adventurers! What a day! It all started peacefully enough, with a stop at my local gunsmith shop...



...to pick up my T/C .22 Hornet barrel, fitted with a new 4x scope...



Note in the above pic, a comparison of .22 LR (small bullet) and .22 Hornet. Below, the .22 Hornet is centered, between the .22 LR (top) and (below)...



...the .223 cartridge which (today) is the US/Allied most common bullet.

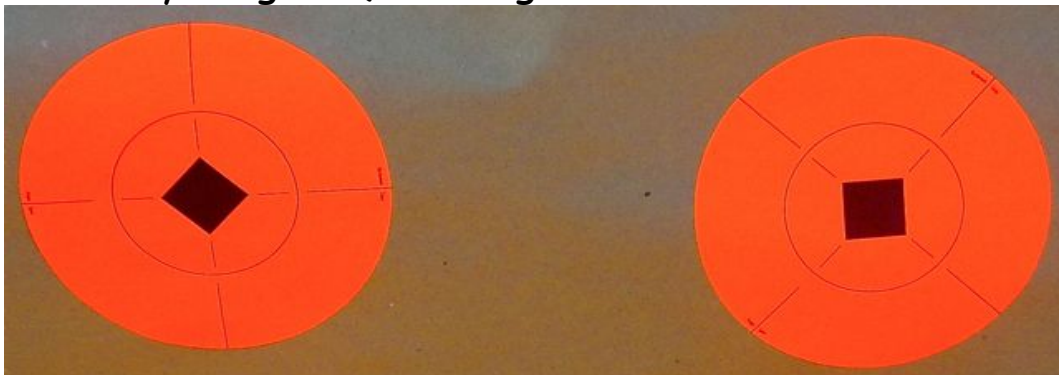
Ah, but I digress... Heading out to the range...



...and hoisting the **Range Hot!** flag...



...then placed my targets (5" orange circle with a 1" black-center)...



Then, I set up my gear...



Above: My "spotting scope" (allows seeing bullet-holes at 100-yards), Savage .22 Target Rifle with "peep" sight (no optics; "eyeball-only").

Note my "rest" and the "hood" on the front sight...

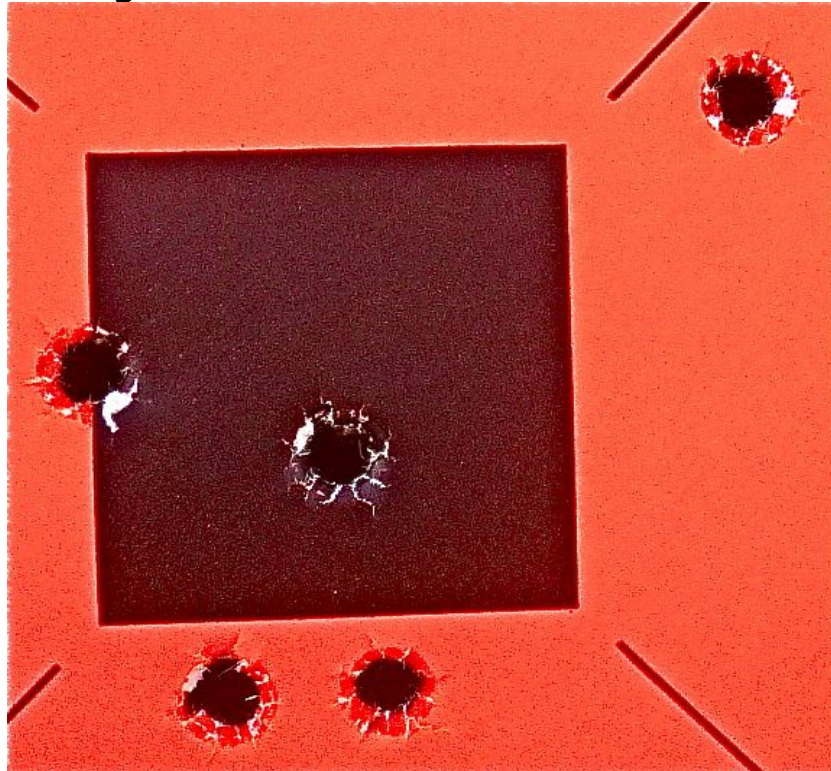


A word on that "hood". Inside is an "insert" from among the below choices...



...and I am currently using the above "post". Mistake. While beautifully visible, this was not the correct choice for today. The lower "target circle" best.

I sighted-in, via shooting four 3-shot groups. The spotting-scope proved invaluable. When I thought ah-ha and I shot-for-score... **Wow...**



My first shot, high-right. The following 4 shots all within 1" at 55-yards range... **Woohoo!**

I was excited. Yesterday, I shot similarly, but used a 9x telescopic sight. Today, "just my eyes" I was sooo happy :-)

But my shooting-plan was two-fold...

- 1) "sight-in" the peep-sight at 50-meters (done!) and...
- 2) Test Remington "sport" ammo (gold bullets) against Russian "Target grade" ammo (in the box)...

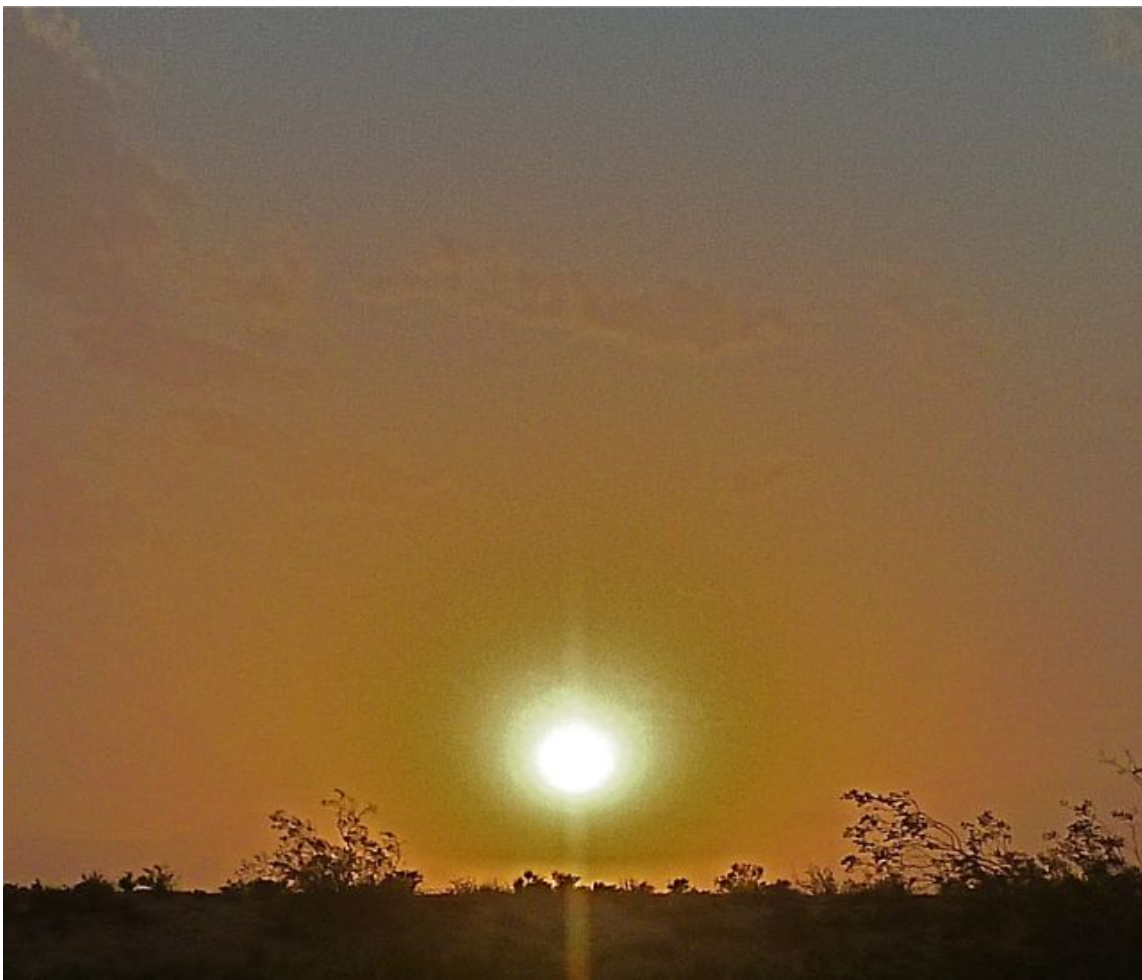


This would be fun! Then, uh-oh...

The wind started **howling**... Note the "dirty" sandstorm background...



...and getting worse, fast (note the blue sky if you look "straight-up")...



Coming home, everything in my yard blown-about. Note the blowing sand...



...and (poor picture, I know) my clothes-line upon which hung nearly my entire towel/underwear supply. **Gone...**



...and tomorrow I will scour the desert for my personal-items. Ugh :-(  
**Mystery Girl has been forecasting this. I would/should connect my dryer, but the phone-line is routed through the dryer exhaust vent. Oops.**  
Below the latest weather observation for my town... **Blowing sand...**

# Inyokern, California

Local Time: 7:46 PM PDT on Mar

 Tropical Weather: [Tropical C](#)

## Current Conditions

**5 miles West of town, Ridgecre**

Updated: 1 min 35 sec ago



**64.7 °F**  
**Blowing Sand**

Humidity: **30%**

Dew Point: **32 °F**

Wind: **18.0 mph** from the  
**North**



Wind Gust: **30.0 mph**

Note the wind "gusting to 30mph" which is miserable.

One last upbeat-note... See the below HALF of a \$5 foot-long? HALF. The 1<sup>st</sup> half was lunch. This = dinner. A new low in calories for me, and I feel great!



Friday will (I promise) be spent prepping 2 bikes for this upcoming weekend...

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**Saturday March 20<sup>th</sup> 2010**  
**FAMILY POKER RUN**  
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**RIDING GAMES**  
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THANKS FOR READING ALONG!

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