

Hello FMFGA Shooters.

FMFGA is pleased to announce 3-Gun is finally coming to Fort McMurray. The first match is planned for June 9th at the FMFGA Range however for us to be ready for our first match in June we will be meeting on May 19th to build props, try the new steel and for shooter orientation. If you have never shot 3-Gun and this interests you, you'll want to be there. Now I know many of you will be conflicted about missing the Royal Wedding occurring the same day but maybe you can get your girlfriend, boyfriend or significant other to record it on your PVR for later viewing together. See how sensitive you are.

What is 3-Gun

3-Gun is a lot like other action shooting sports however you don't have to take a black badge course to participate. (It sure helps though.) Stages or courses are set up that involve shooting targets with multiple guns, usually a shotgun, pistol and a rifle. The goal is to move through and shoot the stage as fast and accurately as possible and just like IPSC accuracy and speed is the goal and what wins.

If you haven't heard much about 3-Gun have a look at some of these YouTube videos.

Intro to 3-Gun https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5gUv1O_zsEY&t=185s

Ian Anderson <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UFtmm70lt7s>

Keanu Reeves <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tpr8oqyjKlc>

Lena and Kay Miculek <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=l6a6BYe7y1g>

To shoot 3-Gun you will need the following as a minimum.

- A 12 gauge shotgun, ladies are permitted to use 20 gauge and any action type is acceptable, from a side by side to a semi. All ammunition must be lead shot.
- A handgun and a holster for your handgun. The holster must cover the trigger and hold the gun securely as you will be running and moving. Serpa and Serpa type holsters are not permitted.
- A semi-automatic rifle in .223/556. Sorry no rifle calibers larger than .223 are permitted on the 3-gun bays, which means 7.62x39 or 51 (3.08) are not permitted. Also steel core and military surplus ammo is not permitted.

On the 19th, while some are watching a wedding, (BORING!!) we'll be practicing skills and getting prepped for the rest of the 3-gun season. So if you've never shot 3 gun, this is the perfect time to come out and see what it is about. The first part of the day will be for building props and getting the new gear ready for the season, after which we will set up a stage or 2 and explain how the sport works. We'll cover how matches are scored, what guns and gear are required, how to register for a match, what the FMFGA 3-Gun classes/rules are and especially how the rules keep us all safe. We'll also cover match registration and match fees. Check out the links to the videos above for general information.

If you are planning on coming on the 19th, or even if you can't come on that day because of a wedding or something, but you're still interested in receiving news about future 3-gun events, go to the pistol chair email on the FMFGA website and tell us your name and email address and we'll put you on an email list to let you know about future dates of matches and other events.

I'll be there on the 18th as well, so if you can make that day as well or instead please let me know.

Thanks, See you on May 19th!