

Deep South Region Skirmish Results

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The 20th Georgia hosted the second skirmish of the 2021 Deep South season at our traditional haunt, Brierfield Ironworks State Park. The weather was picture-perfect this year, with the beginnings of spring in Dixie bringing us partly sunny skies, brisk mornings, and shirtsleeve days all weekend long.



20th Georgia monument at Chickamauga Battlefield. Credit: Waymarking.com

Shooters arrived Friday around noon to discover that the 20th Georgia had the field ready to go for individual shooting. The field was soon filled with smoke as shooters took up positions on the line. Holes were poked in paper targets until evening. Having Friday afternoon to get some individual shooting done is almost a requirement if you want to get 4 or more guns done in a weekend.



15-year-old Lethrenn Sheldon doing some Carbine action during Individuals.

Saturday morning things got off to an early start with the Can't Miss 'Em revolver match. There were a whopping six teams of smoke wagons laying down fire on targets! When the cylinders stopped spinning Forrest's Escort A team came in first place, with the 4th Louisiana Delta Rifles coming in second, followed by the 14th Mississippi coming in third place. Forrest's Escort B team took 1st place in the B team competition.



Robert Harrison of the 48th VA drove 12 hours to smoke this target!



The last pigeon didn't stand a chance as it takes a double-shot from the 44th Georgia!



Mike Maroney, Bob Kelley, and Bruce Stevens getting ready.

After the revolver match the field was quickly reconfigured for individual shooting once again. Shooters rushed to finish all their guns before the lunch break. Then they rushed the snack shack! After lunch, team competitions began with smoothbore shooting. *Seven* smoothbore teams took to the field. When all was said and done Forrest's Escort A team took first, the 4th Louisiana Delta Rifles took second, and the 14th Mississippi taking third.



Smoothbore shooters sending smoke and flame down range!



More smoothbore action!

After the smoothbore match came the carbine match. Seven teams took to the field, including two B teams. Forrest's Escort A team took first place, with the 3rd Georgia taking second, followed by the 14th Mississippi taking third.



The 3rd Georgia earning their second-place awards in Carbine!



A picture-perfect field set up for Carbine.



More teams vying for top billing in Carbine!

Teams broke for the evening to find grub where they might, with an admonishment to remember to set their clocks forward an hour that evening due to the time change. No one wanted to be an hour late for the Musket Match!

Sunday morning began with Opening Ceremonies on the 25 yard line. Troops stood to attention for the respective Union and Confederate anthems, uncovered for the invocation, and stood at ease for announcements. Then they were dismissed to get ready for the final match of the weekend.



Shooters lined up for Opening Ceremonies.

Shooters picked up their muskets, and 8 teams found their places on the firing line before the sun had even broken over the tree tops. When the last of the tiles broke on the 100 yard line, the results found Forrest's Escort A team in first place, followed by the 3rd Georgia in second, followed by the 4th Louisiana Delta Rifles in 3rd. The Forrest's Escort B team took first place in the B team competition.



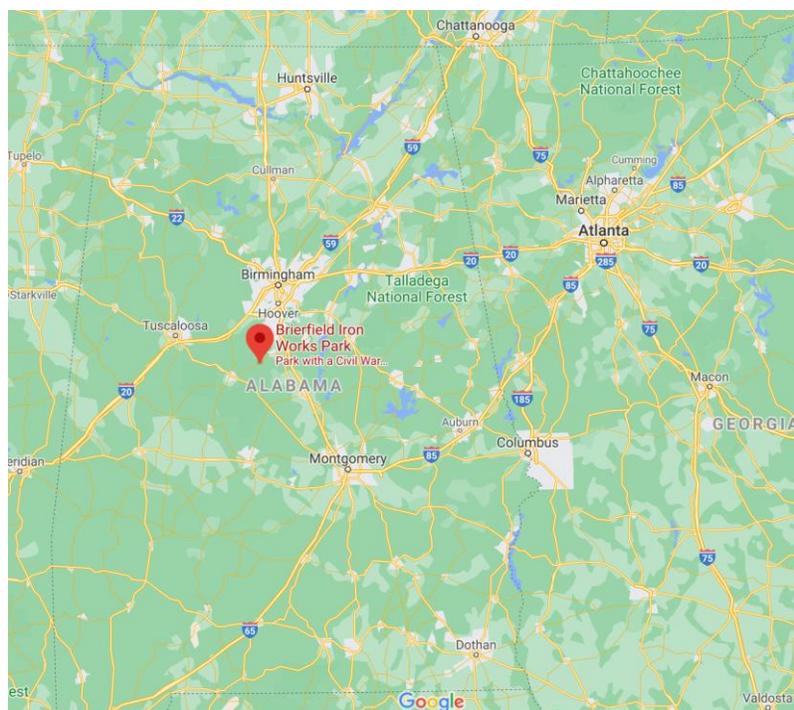
The 4th Louisiana getting it done in the Musket Match!



Getting ready for Musket action!

With the Musket Match concluded, teams pitched in with cleaning up the debris, and then packed their gear, said their goodbyes, and headed home, putting another Deep South skirmish into the history books.

The next Deep South Skirmish will be [April 23-25](#), at [Brierfield Ironworks State Park](#), hosted by the 14th Mississippi.



Team Event Results

	Smoothbore	Carbine	Musket	Revolver
1 st	Forrest's Escort A	Forrest's Escort A	Forrest's Escort A	Forrest's Escort A
2 nd	4 th Louisiana	3 rd Georgia	3 rd Georgia	4 th Louisiana
3 rd	14 th Mississippi	14 th Mississippi	4 th Louisiana	14 th Mississippi

Individual Event Results

Revolver	25 Yard		50 Yard		Aggregate	
1 st	Lannie Harrison	42	Lannie Harrison	41	Lannie Harrison	83
2 nd	Steve Wells	40	Jim Koch	33	Jim Koch	71

Smoothbore	25 Yard		50 Yard		Aggregate	
1 st	Larry Kershner	48X	Larry Kershner	47	Larry Kershner	95X
2 nd	Greg Scott	46	Jim Koch	46X	Jim Koch	88X
3 rd	John Hamilton	45X	Steve Sheldon	46	Steve Sheldon	88

Carbine	50 Yard		100 Yard		Aggregate	
1 st	Jim Koch	47XX	Charlie Bondurant	44	Charlie Bondurant	88X
2 nd	Eddie Lawley	45	Eddie Lawley	39	Eddie Lawley	79
3 rd	Michael Maroney	45	Michael Maroney	37	Lannie Harrison	68

Musket	50 Yard		100 Yard		Aggregate	
1 st	Wade James	46	Larry Kershner	47XXX	Larry Kershner	89XXX
2 nd	Steve Sheldon	43	Charlie Bondurant	45	Steve Sheldon	87
3 rd	Jim Koch	42	Steve Sheldon	44	Lannie Harrison	84

Musket / Carbine Agg		
1 st	Charlie Bondurant	133

Breechloader	50 Yard		100 Yard		Aggregate	
1 st	Eddie Lawley	43X	Kenny Carmichael	40		
2 nd	Kenny Carmichael	42				

Grand Agg		
1 st	Steve Sheldon	285
2 nd	Jim Koch	282
3 rd	Lannie Harrison	235

Senior Skirmisher: Charlie Bondurant

