

Shoot Report – German Open Action Weekend 07-10 November 2025.

Two Irish Gallery Rifle Teams competed in the International Gallery Rifle Federation annual competition in Bund Der Militar und Polizei (BDMP) Leitmar, Germany, over the last weekend. Two teams were assembled to fill the places on the Smallbore and Centrefire Gallery Rifle teams as follows:-



As can be seen one member from East Coast made it onto the Smallbore team and travelled with the group to Leitmar. The international element of the competition was shot on Saturday Morning, smallbore first at 1000hrs and centrefire later at 1200hrs. Aside from these competitions it was possible to enter into other formats and calibre shoots over the weekend and this made for a busy and exciting schedule for all. Both teams finished with team Bronzes against stiff and accurate shooting from UK and German teams. Aside from these main events the shooters were squaded into teams to compete for T&P1, T&P2, GR1500 and MultiTarget awards based on their national classifications in smallbore and centrefire shooting over the last year. You will recognise those categories as those used in the monthly gallery rifle shoot in East Coast so there's no mystery or magic about these competitions and plenty of time to practice them!!

It has also been possible to borrow M1 rifles and Lever action rifle to broaden the enjoyment and challenge in BDMP Leitmar so in my case I was pleased to bring in a third place with lever action in the TP&1!! I also entered many categories as an individual shooter as did many who travelled with us but weren't on either team and they were successful in taking home quite a few medals for their treasure boxes!!

Irish Teams regularly contest the line in the UK (Bisley) and Germany every year. Next year Ireland hosts the World Championships in Fermoy Shooting Club so if you are interested in this aspect of shooting please contact Paul Fry for a full briefing! The more the merrier!!

