

Missouri Skeet Shooting Association Newsletter for September, 2016

We are writing the newsletter to highlight tournament results, shooter accomplishments, upcoming events and news around the state. Also posting any information that our clubs might like to pass along, shooting instructions, concealed carry classes, special events, etc. We will also be highlighting our shooting sponsors, and posting goods and services offered by our members and friends and items for sale or trade. Also remember there is very detailed information on our website at moskeet.org. Our thanks to Bill Wayne for maintaining the website. Bill is the administrator for our facebook page, thanks again Bill.

Bill Wayne has created a **Missouri Hall of Fame** page for our website to **recognize those Missouri shooters who have been inducted into the MSSA Hall of Fame. Any assistance you can provide in identifying these members would be appreciated. If you can provide names and (if known) year inducted, please send the information to MSSA President – Rob Gyngard at robgynard@gmail.com**

Breaking News !!!

I would like to inform the membership that a formal complaint has been sent to the NSSA by Steve Simpson, Rex Powers and Keith Haley, representing St. Louis Skeet and Trap and Springfield Rod and Gun club. My understanding of the complaint is that it has to do with the elections held at the annual membership meeting, the state shoot being a closed shoot and general dissatisfaction with the executive board and some members of the board of directors. Per Steve Patke, President of the Zone 5 committee, they have stated that if their issues cannot be resolved to their satisfaction, the respective gun clubs propose to divide the state into a north and south zone, with I-70 being the dividing line. Today I spoke with Keith Haley about their issues and he told me if their issues cannot be resolved to their satisfaction that Springfield Rod and Gun Club will affiliate with Arkansas, and St. Louis Skeet and Trap will affiliate with Illinois.

Shoots in September, October and November go to Moskeet.org to view pdf programs

September

9/9-11 Springfield R&G Hunters Open * - [Program in PDF format](#)

9/17 St. Louis S&T Pheasant Warm-Up (12ga x 100)

9/24 Prairie Grove *Canceled*

October

10/15 Prairie Grove Pumpkin Smasher (5x50)

10/29 St. Louis S&T Iron Hunter (Any GA)

11/5 Prairie Grove Scheduling Shoot

Shoot Reports

NSSA Zone 5 Championships St. Louis Skeet & Trap Club

Submitted by Eric Ege

After a remarkable recovery from a record flood last December, St. Louis Skeet & Trap Club hosted 80 shooters to a flawless Zone 5 shoot the weekend of August 5th through August 7th, 2016.

On Friday, the doubles event produced two high scores of 98's; one from Van Lewis and the second from 18 year old Spencer Little of Iowa. The gun champ was Spencer Little, runner-up was Van Lewis and Rob Predmore took third. James Barnard took AA1 and the balance of the class winners was Fred Boston A1, John Tans B1, Donald Beard C1, and John (COBB) Napoli taking the D1 position. Pat Patke was Lady Champion and Leonie Johnston was Lady runner-up.

The Friday night heavy hors devours, catered by Poor Richards of Eureka, MO, were outstanding.

Saturday brought a pair of 100's in the 12-gauge event; one by Brian Waterworth and the other from St. Louis' own James Barnard. After an exciting shoot off, 21 year old James Barnard won gun champion, Brian was runner-up and Jerry Chambers took the third place position. Van Lewis took AA1, Josh Beard was A1, Bill Garber took B1, Richard Burkhart C1, Brent Kubik D1 and John (COBB) Napoli posted a 96 with his new "little friend" from Krieghoff, to take the E1 spot. Lady Champ was Glenda Burkhart and Lady runner-up Pat Patke.

The afternoon 20 gauge resulted in a trifecta of 100's by Van Lewis, Jeffrey Nichols and James Barnard. Final results left Van in the gun champion spot, Jeffrey as runner-up and James in 3rd position. The balance of class results was Paul Friesen AA1, Jerry Chambers A1, Douglas Kyle B1, Brent Kubik C1, and Dean Rapp D1. Pat Patke was Lady Champ and Glenda Burkhart was Lady runner-up.

The Saturday night Mexican buffet and festivities was well attended and the food was superb.

Sunday morning James Bernard took 28 gauge gun champion, Fred Boston was runner-up and Arvel Mendenhall third place. National Collegiate Champions and Lindenwood University's Shooting Coach, Shawn Dulohery, took the AA1 position followed by Jeffrey Nichols in A1, Jerry Chambers B1, Donald Beard C1 and John De Luca D1. Lady champion was Pat Patke and Lady runner-up Dorothy Johnson.

Following the 28 gauge, Van Lewis posted a 100 straight in .410 to take the championship outright. Runner up was Steve Patke and in third, James Barnard with scores of 99 and 98 respectively. The class champions were Rob Predmore A1, Arvel Mendenhall B1, Don Kalland C1 and Glenda Burkhart D1 and Lady champion. Lady runner-up was Pat Patke.

The two top HOA scores of 397 resulted in Van Lewis as HOA gun champ and James Barnard runner up. James is having an outstanding season and is now attending and shooting for Lindenwood University who also make St. Louis Skeet & Trap their home club. Third place went to Jerry Chambers with a total score of 392. Steve Patke took AA1, Fred Boston, A1, Jeffrey Nichols B1, Brian Waterworth C1, and John (COBB) Napoli D1. Lady Champion was Pat Patke and Lady runner up Glenda Burkhart.

For complete results go to the St. Louis Skeet & Trap Club website at skeetrap.com and click on the tab, "Shoot Results Directory."

2016 Missouri State Skeet Championships

Submitted by Rob Gyngard

The State Championships were held at St. Louis Skeet and trap club August 12,13 and 14. Friday started us off with the doubles event, which was won by Archie Alexander, he was shooting in his 41st consecutive state shoot and winning the doubles gave him a total of 30 state championships. Runner up was Shawn Duloherly, Shawn is the Director/ Head Coach of Lindenwood College shooting program and two-time National Skeet Shooters Association World Champion in two consecutive years (2006, 2007) . Coming in third was Ralph Gates, who with his wife Mary Ann are owners of Prairie Grove Shotgun Sports in Columbia Mo. AA1 went to Damian Giles, A1 to J. B. Barnard, B1 to Jeff Nichols, C1 to Olivia Stecker and D1 to Dean Rapp.

On Saturday the 12 gauge event continued with three shooters having perfect scores, After the shoot off Shawn was champion with Bill Spurlock from Springfield Rod and Gun Club was runner-up and Roger Spann, our chief referee, third. AA1 again went Damiam Giles, A1 to Josh Beard, B1 to Jeff Nichols, C1 to Carter Finnell, D1 to Jacob Humphrey and E1 to Dennis Cregan II.

In the 20 gauge event we again had 3 shooters tie for champion, and after the shoot off Ryan Smithart was champion with Shawn runner up and Jim Perpich third. AA1 to Bill Spurlock, A1 to Rob Armstrong, B1 to Terry Grzina , C1 to Brian Waterworth and D1 to David Carr.

Following the shoot offs on Saturday evening we had a Mexican dinner supplied by El Agave of Pacific Missouri and as usual it was excellent. I then opened the annual membership meeting. I and the board of directors thanked all our sponsors, St. Louis Skeet and Trap, Marco Polo Outfitters, Prairie Grove Shotgun Sports, Midwest Gun works and Grafts reloading super center for their generous support of our state shoot. We also thanked Poor Richards of Eureka for providing lunch Saturday and Sunday.

One of the first items on our agenda at the meeting was to induct two of our members into the Missouri State Skeet Association Hall of Fame. The highest awards the MSSA board of Directors can give is either the Hall of Fame award or the Charlie Smith award. The Hall of Fame award is given primarily for shooting performance, and the Charlie Smith award like the NSSA,s Ray Boller award is given primarily for significant and sustained contribution and dedication to the sport of skeet shooting.

Our first Hall of Fame inductee was Glenn Ernst. Glenn has been shooting since 1975 and some of his achievements during that time include his being 12 gauge champion in 1981, doubles champion 1982, 28 gauge champion 1985, HOA champion in 1996 with a 397x400, a 4 way tie and had to win the shoot off. Glenn has also been on numerous state teams in the 70s, 80s and 90s. He has also ran numerous 100 straights in all guns including 2 in the 410. Glenn is still active at his home club, Springfield Rod and Gun club and is always willing to help out. It was great to see Glenn and his wife Shirley.

Our second Hall of Fame inductee was Mike Schriever. Mike started shooting registered in preparation for the 1979 Mid America Open held at Bridgeton Gun Club and ran his first 100 straight in the 12 gauge. He has competed in 30 Missouri State Skeet shoots. At the 1990 state skeet shoot he was runner up in the 410 with a 97 and went on to run the next 300 straight winning the 28, 20 and HOA championships with a 397. At this time he was also President of the MSSA. At the 2001 state shoot he won the 12 gauge championship and in 2012 he won the 410, doubles and High All Around championships as well as runner up to the HOA. Mike has qualified for 16 state teams over the years and continues to shoot in skeet leagues and attend registered shoots and is always willing to help out when needed at our local clubs. As always it was good to see Mike and his wife Linda.

I have known and been friends with Glenn and Mike almost since I started shooting skeet in 1977 at Winchester Bridgeton Gun Club, their sportsmanship and conduct on and off the skeet field, and their dedication to skeet shooting is an example to us all. **Congratulations!**

One item on the meeting agenda was to elect the executive board , President, Vice President and Secretary/treasurer, all serving 2 year terms. Jeff Nichols our current Vice President and former President decided not seek reelection. Jeff has been either President or vice President for at least the last 6 years and has done an outstanding job. He made my job alot easier with his help and advice, and I thank him for all his hard work and dedication to the MSSA.

During the meeting I was reelected President, Dean Rapp Elected Vice President and Nancy Rodney reelected Secretary/treasurer. The meeting was then adjourned.

Immediately following the meeting we conducted an auction of donated goods to raise money to offset the cost of the state shoot. Thanks to Dean Rapp, Rex Powers Jeff Nichols, Michael Rodney and Archie Alexander for their donations and thanks to all the buyers, and special thanks to our auctioneer, Ralph Gates!

On Sunday we started getting rain and many shooters throughout the day shot in less than ideal conditions. When the 28 gauge event concluded we had two 100 straights with Damian Giles winning the Championship and James Barnard III runner up and Ryan Smithart third with a 99. Bill Spurlock was AA1, A1 Jim Perpich, B1 Micah Gibbons, C1 Terry Grzina, D1 Nancy Rodney.

In the 410 our Champion was Michael Rodney, with Mark Presnell runner up and Ryan Smithart third. AA1 went to Chris Carey, A1 to Josh Beard, B1 Jim Perpich, C1 Nancy Rodney and D1 to Dick Ferguson.

The HOA championship was won by Bill Spurlock, Shawn Dulobery runner up and Ryan Smithart third. AA1 James Barnard III, A1 Josh Beard, B1 Jim Perpich, C1 Brian Waterworth, D1 Michael Rodney and E1 David Carr. Ladies Champion Nancy Rodney.

The HAA championship was won by Shawn Dulobery, Ryan Smithart runner up and Bill Spurlock third. A1 Josh Beard, B1 Micah Gibbons, C1 Terry Grzina, D1 Michael Rodney and E1 John Brummett. Ladies Champion Nancy Rodney. Complete results are on our website moskeet.org and the NSSA website.

I have been shooting registered skeet for almost 40 years, having shot major tournaments all across the country including New Mexico, Arizona, Michigan, Florida and the World Shoot at least fifteen times and as usual our state shoot was run as efficiently as any of them. Thanks to all who helped, Michael Rodney, Kathy Gyngard, Mary Ann Gates, Mike Schriever and many others. I would like to especially thank Nancy Rodney and Jeff Nichols who manged registration and shoot offs and pay outs so promptly. Many thanks to Roger Spann our chief referee, and his crew of referees, Eric Spann, Jeff Nichols, Ryan Smithart, Dennis Cregan II, Chris Carey, Dean Olson, Brian Sparrow and Brian Murphy, they did a fantastic job. Their isn't a better crew of referees anywhere!







Shooting Milestones

Terry Grzina 10,000 registered targets
Micha Gibbons 10,000 registered targets
Cap Kovarik 25,000 registered targets
J.B Barnard 100,000 registered targets

Bulletin Board

Dean Rapp is looking for squad mates for the 2016 World Shoot in San Antonio Texas. Anyone looking to squad or has an opening on their squad they would like to fill contact Dean at dean@afsnow.com

Obituaries

Over the last few months we lost several of our skeet shooting friends.

Charlie Wilson aged 87, shot skeet in the 60s thru 1993, he held many state championships and was a member of the Missouri Hall of Fame.

Bob Keeler aged 71, Bob was an active league and registered skeet shooter during the late 70s and thru 1990.

Joe Chew aged 69, Joe was a competitive shooter, shooting primarily at Gateway Gun Club

Karla Robers, aged 79 shot during the 70s and 80s, she was a member of the Missouri Hall of Fame as well as the National Hall of Fame

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