

# Newsletter

Aug. - 71

Mo. State Skeet Assoc.

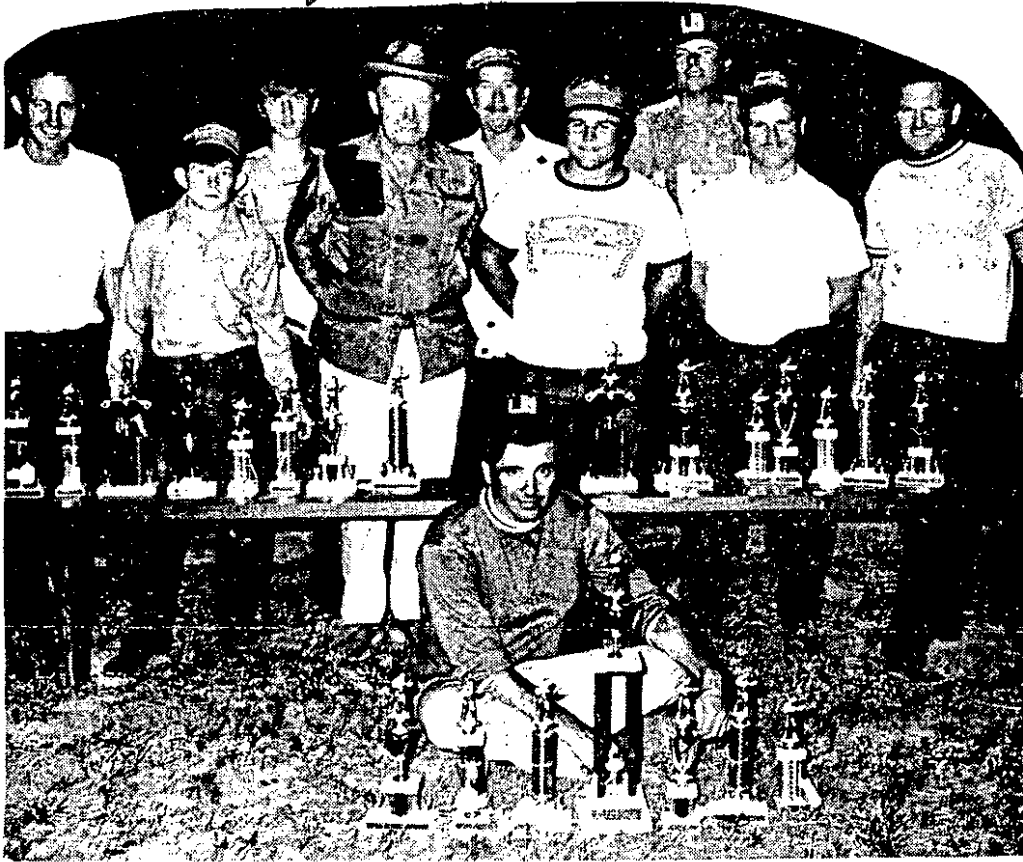
as I see it ..... Just hope to see you all at the STATE SHOOT August 20, 21, and 22 at St. Louis Skeet and Trap. Don't forget to bring the family this year for the new 6 Flags Over Mid-America is open and just a few miles from the gun club.....The Falcon Gun Club team which shoot at the Armed Forces Championships at Colorado Springs certainly won many honors, but they won't toot their own horns. I had to find out the hard way. See Falcon's column for more info..... LaRayne & Lowell Caffey, one of Springfields boosters, are the manufactures of "Travelpod". A combination boat, trailer, tent, and camping wonder. This creation has everything and is reasonably priced.....Ron Benson and Ed Roberts can hardly believe their good luck. Each had a 97 in class C. That was the high score in their class in the calcutta at the Mid-America. Ed also won HOA honors in C class.....The Western Zone shoot was well attended at the J Bar H. It was good to see everyone there. Had a long and interesting chat with Carol Mc Dannold and Dick Hitt about playing the skeet game. Harry Nelson provided trout which Leonard Willie cooked for everyone, really good.....Ollie Grotepeter, of St. Louis Skeet & Trap, and everyones friend, is in Cochran Veterans Hospital, 915 N. Grand, St. Louis, Mo. I know he would enjoy hearing from you..... Mildred Warden, who, from experience of being mother of Missouri's first lady champion, thinks she has spotted another. Mildred says Darlene Messinger will be a future champion. I think so too. ....Glad to see Dave Parker and Betty & Dan Mertz are becoming active shooter again.....Just talked to Dr. Grey Jones. He say the only shooting he has been doing of late is the 2 woodchucks he killed recently on his farm in the Ozarks. Grey says he'll be with us at the State Shoot..... I know I speak for all the Missouri shooters when I say that the Junior shooters of Missouri have always been well mannered. However the Mississippi County young men are now beating the adults regularly on the skeet fields. Now is that fair? Kevin Hess, how about taking up golf?..... Jon Lawrence is shooting the 512 ga. well. And Bob Walters of Columbia had a beautiful 97 in the 20 ga. last Sunday. The Junior events at the State Shoot should be quite competitive.....Never did I ever think I would last so long in a shootoff with Jack Moreland especially doubles. As I told Jack, "It was a real education!"... ..It is most annoying to start a registered round and have a house run out of targets.....Heard an interesting and TRUE story about one of Missouri's shooters. Seems he used to like to shoot a pigeon or two each morning before work. Only problem was this was in the middle of the city. By the time the police would roll up, the gun was out of sight and his comment was, "Some darn fool was backfiring his car.".....The 2 day shoots held between Tigertown and United Sportsmen are working very well. Both clubs are supporting each other. What is even more important is that now both club are traveling! Off hand I can't remember a shoot where at least one of these clubs haven't been represented..... That's all for now, see you at the State Skeet Championships.....

Karla Roberts



Not shown in the picture below are Jack Moreland and Karla Roberts who were in an exciting shoot-off. After two regular rounds and four rounds of doubles they were still tied for the 12 ga. championship. On the fifth round of doubles and with the sun already down Jack Moreland won on the last station. Both Karla and Jack are to be commended on a fine shoot-off. A special congratulation to Jack for his 5<sup>th</sup> 100 straight this year.

Marty Williams



The home team, paced by high overall champion Bob French, carried home many of the honors Sunday at the conclusion of the Missouri Eastern Zone Open skeet shoot at the Mississippi County Gun Club.

French shot a composite score of 385 in the 12, 20, 28 and 410 gauge events to bring home the championship trophy. The runnerup was Karla Roberts of St. Louis with a 383.

Al Moreton of Wyatt was the senior champion with a 94; Charlie Smith with a 99 was sub-senior champion and Bob DeLaney of Charleston was runnerup with a 93. Mrs Roberts was the ladies' champion and Sallie Durbin of St. Louis was the runnerup with a 95. Kevin Hess was the tournament's junior champion with the first perfect score, 100, in his shooting career. David Mitchell was runnerup in the junior division.

A total of 65 shooters from four states took part in the local matches, making it the largest shoot in the state, according to Marty Williams of the local club.

LOCAL SHOOTERS who won trophies at the Missouri Eastern Zone Open skeet shoot here over the weekend include: High overall champion Bob French (seated, foreground) and (standing, from left) Glenn Hillhouse Jr., Mike Leible, Kevin Hess, Al Moreton, Charles Bock, Tommy Story, Don French, Andy Hess and Andy French.

*French is overall champ*  
**Local shooters win trophies at championship match**