



THE OPTA CLUBHOUSE January 2016 Edition

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Ontario 2015 All Star Team

1st Men's Team

Lloyd Beecraft	94.2
John Costa	93.79
Paulo Sampaio	93.17
Billy Zager	92.59
Frank Bonaiuto Jr	92.56

2nd Men's Team

Mike Pickering	91.26
Ralph Zadro	91.02
BJ Jackman	90.66
Dominic Gitto	90.4
Ed Chamberlain	89.53

Senior Veteran Team

Keith Saunders	91.05
Warren McLay	88.62
Lorenzo D Ospina	88.44
Charlie Boggis	88.23

Veteran Team

Terry Jordan	92.49
Vince Ruberto	92.09
Ed Wilmott	91.87
Neville Henderson	90.3
Peter Tresp	90.01

Lady's Team

Dianne Wood	86.13
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Junior Team

Matthew Van Haaren	90.89
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Sub Junior Team

No eligible entries

Hi Singles Average

Vince Ruberto	97.87
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Hi Handicap Average

Lloyd Beecraft	92.27
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Hi Doubles Average

John Costa	94.35
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Hi Composite Average

Lloyd Beecraft	94.2
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Message from Your ATA Delegate

Ontario shooters.

A brief update – the Delegate team and Category Delegate Team has been identified based on achievements for the target year ending August 31, 2015. The current problem is I am out of pins and have to get more ordered. The results and the pins will be out in due course.

Also, the Sparta facility will be open for the Grand in 2016 by special (negotiated) arrangement. More details to come.

Best to all of you shooting in winter leagues and those who participate at events south of the border. With the horrible conversion rate of Canadian to U.S. money, shooting is becoming prohibitively expensive.

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Here is the latest communication from the ATA regarding the 2016 Grand American

World Shooting & Recreational Complex Update

To the Association Delegates and State Secretaries,

I'll start by thanking you for your commitment of time and resources to support the Association and the Grand American. While we have a fabulous full time staff in Sparta, ours is largely an organization of dedicated volunteers. Without your valuable contribution of time and expertise, the promotion and viability of our sport and Association would not be possible.

I'm writing you to give you an update on the status of the World Shooting Complex and the Grand American. All forms of target shooting were suspended at the Complex on September 30, 2015. The restaurant, event center and year round vendors have remained open, but due to the Illinois budget issue shooting was suspended. The suspension of shooting activity created a difficult situation for the ATA to begin the planning process for the 2016 Grand American. This traditionally starts with sponsorship discussions in the fall of the year. After considering many possible options, we approached IDNR with the idea that the ATA could expand their responsibilities at the Complex next summer if the budget issue was not resolved. The result was a Memorandum of Understanding between the ATA and IDNR. The MOU stipulates that if the budget issue remains unresolved by

April 15, 2016, the ATA and IDNR will discuss the terms to an amendment to our Grand American lease of the facility. The amendment will address the expansion of the ATA's role and responsibilities to include the management of the shooting complex for the months of June, July and August 2016. ATA staff would be prepared to devote whatever resources and efforts necessary to ensure that the facility is prepared to host world class events during these months. This would include the Grand American, the AIM Championship, the SCTP National Championship, the SCTP Illinois Championships and the US Open (if scheduled during this time frame by the Illinois Trap Assn). This ensures that one way or another, these events will take place at the shooting complex, and plans can be made by shoot management, industry and participants.

The public announcement of the existence and scope of the MOU will be made at the Shooting Complex on Friday afternoon, January 15. I will be in attendance as will IDNR officials, local ATA and Grand American management staff, local legislators and city officials and the ATA Sparta staff. Although we have been in receipt of this signed MOU for a few weeks, there has not been a public announcement so as to not impact or influence the current arbitration negotiations between the state and the municipal employees union.

The MOU applies to 2016 only. In early 2016 the ATA will attempt to negotiate a permanent addendum to our lease of the same nature of the MOU which would apply to the remaining life of the lease. This would ensure that Sparta would remain the location of the Grand American no matter the status of the State budget.

For the first time, this year's 117th Grand American will have Signature Sponsors. Our sport's greatest benefactors, Bill and Lee Ann Martin have agreed to be Signature Sponsors for this year's championship tournament. This will be yet another benevolent gesture to the ATA by the Martin's. Please extend your thanks as you have the opportunity.

Thank you again for your continued patience and support throughout this ordeal.

Respectfully,
Wayne Morris
2016 ATA President

ATA Official Rule Changes Effective September 1, 2015

1. Section VI, D,1.

“EARNED YARDAGE TABLE

High Scores (and all ties)

Shooters	1st	2nd	3rd	4th
15-39	1/2 yd			
40-69	1 yd			
70-124	1yd	1/2 yd		
125-249	1 yd	1 yd	1/2 yd	
250-499	1 1/2 yds	1 yd	1/2 yd	
500-1499	2 yds	1 1/2 yds	1 yd	1/2 yd
1500 and up	2 1/2 yds	2 yds	1 1/2 yds	1 yd”

SPONSORSHIP AND ADVERTISING

If you would like to become a sponsor for the 2016 Provincial Championships, the following is a breakdown of the sponsorship levels.

Platinum - \$500.00 and over
Gold - \$200.00 to \$499.00
Silver - \$100.00 to \$199.00
Bronze – up to \$99.00

If you would like to advertise in the 2016 Provincial Program the following is the cost for each size of ad.

Inside front cover - \$300.00

Outside back cover - \$300.00

Inside back cover - \$200.00

Full page ad inside the program - \$ 125.00

Half page ad inside the program - \$75.00

Please email Pam at ppmuma@rogers.com by March 30th 2016 if you would like to sponsor or advertise in the program.

2016 Registered Shoot Dates

March

25 – Amherstburg (Good Friday)

25 – Hamilton (Good Friday)

April

3 – Oxford

10 – Crumlin

17 – Hamilton

24 – Otter Valley (Sponsor)

May

1 – Oxford

8 – Quinte

21-23 – St Thomas(shell Shoot)

29 – Hamilton (Shell Shoot)

29 – Otter Valley

June

5 – Crumlin

5 – Quinte

5 – Amherstburg

12 – Oxford

19 – Hamilton (Summer Blast)

26 – Oxford

July

10 –

17 – Oxford

24 – Waterford

29 – St Thomas

August

Provincial Championships

July 30-Aug 1 – St Thomas Gun Club

7 – Ancaster

14 – Crumlin (Sponsor)

21 –

28 – Hamilton

October

2 – Amherstburg

9 – Ancaster

September

3-5 – St Thomas

11 – Exeter

18 – Quinte

18 – Kippen

25 – Waterford(Sponsor)

2016 Canadian Championships

June 30-July 3

Hamilton Gun Club

2016 Provincial Championships

July 29-August 1

St Thomas Gun Club

If you are a member of a club in Ontario and would like your club to host registered shoot please talk to your Trap representative.

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