



THE OPTA CLUBHOUSE November 2016 Edition

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I have been a little negligent in getting out another addition of the clubhouse. This one should have been out in September with the list of all the trophy winners from the 2016 Provincial Championships held in St Thomas.

EVENT ONE – Paul Shaw Singles 162 Entries

CHAMPION- Verne Higgs 100 (carry over) Peter Tsementzis forfeit

AA – Peter Tsementzis

A – Joe Di Francesco 99

B – Kyle Newman 98

C – Denis Louiseize 97

D – Jacob Ott 92

SUB VET – Rob Little 96 (25/24) Charlie Cadman (24), Dan Gris (24), Ron McGrogan (23), John Costa (23), Jim Lee (22)

VET – George Iliopoulos 98

SR. VET – Keith Saunders 97

LADY I – Erin Hannah 92

LADY II – Emily Brown 92

JUNIOR GOLD – Kyle Mann 95

JUNIOR – Bryce Mann 96

SUB JUNIOR – Zachary Debord 97

EVENT TWO – Manuel Domingues Handicap 160 Entries

CHAMPION – Frank Bonaiuto 94

18-21 yards – Larry Riehl 91 (23/23/24/21), Zachary Debord (23/23/24/20), Shawn Taylor (forfeit), Tony Nogaro (forfeit), Bud Dean (forfeit)

22-23 yards – Todd Millard 92

24- 25 yards – Ed Chamberlain 91 Vince Ruberto (forfeit)

26 – 27 yards – Dave Storrington 90 Paul Shaw (forfeit)

VET – Bob Vanbelois 92

SR. VET – Charlie Boggis 92

SUB VET – Charlie Cadman 92 (25), Oral Sobaram (23), Ralph Zadro (21)

LADY I – Janice Moerman 91

LADY II – Emily Brown 91

JUNIOR GOLD – Jacob Ott 93

JUNIOR – Vincent Bonaiuto 89 (23), Kristian Houle (21)

SUB JUNIOR – Jacob Munn 92

EVENT THREE – Paulo Sampaio Doubles 108 Entries

CHAMPION – Dan Gris 98

AA – Lloyd Beecraft 93

A – Josh Faubert 94

B – Tom Batsos 95

C – Autumn Bergeron (carry over 44/36), Doug Kurt (40/39), Terry Caldwell (38/44)

D – Jim Hardie 89

VET – Terry Jordan (48/45), Bert Blackburn (41/44)

SR. VET – Keith Saunders 92

SUB VET – John Costa 94

LADY I – Brittany Caldwell 89

LADY II – Dianne Wood 69

JUNIOR GOLD – Cody Wilson 86

JUNIOR – Vincent Bonaiuto 91

SUB JUNIOR – Jacob Munn 87

EVENT FOUR: Ontario Singles Championship 202 Entries

RESIDENT CHAMPION: Billy Zager 200

RESIDENT R/U: Verne Higgs 198 (shoot off 25), Jake Rosmaninho (21)

RESIDENT AA: Jake Rosmaninho 198

RESIDENT A: Tom Batsos 197

RESIDENT B: Paul Quirk 193 (23/23/24/25), Jamie Caldwell (23/23/24/24), Jon Naismith (forfeit)

RESIDENT C: Ron McGrogan 192

RESIDENT D: Kelly White 182

RESIDENT SR.VET: Keith Saunders 195 (25/25), Warren McLay (25/24), George Jonckheere (22)

RESIDENT VET: Ray Kassmanian 195

RESIDENT SUB.VET: Jim Wood 198

RESIDENT LADY I: Brittany Caldwell 188

RESIDENT LADY II: Dianne Wood 182

RESIDENT JUNIOR GOLD: Kyle Mann 188

RESIDENT JUNIOR: Kristian Houle 191

RESIDENT SUB-JUNIOR: Jacob Munn 189

NON- RESIDENT CHAMPION: Godefroy Cardinal 193 (flip coin neither present), Jim Hannah

OPEN AA: Frank Bonaiuto 196

OPEN A: Chris Ficzer 195

OPEN B: Jamie Caldwell 193

OPEN C: Jim Kramer 189 (24/25/23), Jim Davis (24/25/22), Tony Nogaro (23), Elio Evangelista (forfeit)

OPEN D: Edwin Zvirbulis 181

OPEN VET: Ed Wilmott 194 over Ray Cockburn (forfeit)

OPEN SR. VET: Warren McLay 195

OPEN SUB VET: John Iliopoulos 196

OPEN LADY I: Erin Hannah 180

OPEN LADY II: Emily Brown 180

OPEN JUNIOR GOLD: Jacob Ott 182 (coin flip, neither present), Cody Wilson

OPEN JUNIOR: Bryce Mann 189 (25), Vincent Bonaiuto (23)

OPEN SUB-JUNIOR: Zachary Debord 192

RESIDENT TWO-SHOOTER TEAM: Paul Kinson (191) and Warren McLay (195) 386

RESIDENT NEW SHOOTER: Paul Quirk 193

New Junior: Anastasia Tsementzis 144

New Sub Junior: Lorenzo Bonaiuto 166

EVENT 5: Ontario Doubles Championship 119 Entries

RESIDENT CHAMPION: John Costa 96 (shoot off 20), Billy Zager (19)

RESIDENT R/U: Billy Zager 96

RESIDENT AA: Josh Faubert 94 (20/18/20), Frank Bonaiuto (20/18/19), Joe Di Francesco (19)

RESIDENT A: BJ Jackman 95 over Jake Rosmanian (forfeit)

RESIDENT B: Ed Wilmott 92 (20), Brad Mann (18)

RESIDENT C: Ray Cockburn 90

RESIDENT D: Oral Sobaram 85

RESIDENT SR. VET: Keith Saunders 88

RESIDENT VET: George Iliopoulos 94

RESIDENT SUB VET: Dominic Gitto 95

RESIDENT LADY I: Erin Hannah 94

RESIDENT LADY II: Dianne Wood 72

RESIDENT JUNIOR GOLD: Kyle Mann 88

RESIDENT JUNIOR: Vincent Bonaiuto 93

RESIDENT SUB JUNIOR: Jacob Munn 90

NON-RESIDENT CHAMPION: Jim Hannah 91

OPEN AA: Frank Bonaiuto 94

OPEN A: Jake Rosmanian 95

OPEN B: Brad Mann 92

OPEN C: Jim Lee 88

OPEN D: Wayne Higgs 83

OPEN SR.VET: Fred Squire 86

OPEN VET: Terry Jordan 93

OPEN SUB VET: Jim Wood 93

OPEN LADY I: Brittany Caldwell 78

OPEN LADY II: Emily Brown 64

OPEN JUNIOR GOLD: Jake Caldwell 77

OPEN JUNIOR: Bryce Mann 88

OPEN SUB JUNIOR: Mitchell Vandyk 75

RESIDENT NEW SHOOTER Tim Trottier 84

EVENT SIX: Ontario Handicap Championship 163 Entries

RESIDENT CHAMPION: Vincent Bonaiuto 96 (24/24), Larry Riehl (24/22), Vince Ruberto (23), Ron McGrogan (21), Charlie Boggis (20)

RESIDENT R/U: Vince Ruberto 96

RESIDENT 3rd: Josh Faubert 94 (23), Tony Nogaro (22)

RESIDENT 4th: Tony Nogaro 94

RESIDENT 5th: Ron Dietrich 92 (23), Wayne Ehgoetz 92 (22), Jim Davis (20), Todd Millard (20)

RESIDENT 6th: Wayne Ehgoetz 92

RESIDENT SR. VET: Charlie Boggis 96

RESIDENT VET: Larry Riehl 96

RESIDENT Sub VET: Ron McGrogan 96

RESIDENT LADY I: Erin Hannah 89

RESIDENT LADY II: Emily Brown 87

RESIDENT JUNIOR GOLD: Kyle Mann 92

RESIDENT JUNIOR: Kristian Houle 90 (25), Bryce Mann (22)

RESIDENT SUB JUNIOR: Mitchell Vandyk 93
NON RESIDENT CHAMPION: Zachary Debord 96
RESIDENT NEW SHOOTER: Jacob Ott 90
OPEN 18-21 yards: Jim Davis over Patrick Guillementte (forfeit)
OPEN 22-23 yards: Todd Millard 92
OPEN 24- 25 yards: Ray Cockburn 92
OPEN 26 – 27 yards: BJ Jackman 92
OPEN SR. VET: W.L. Smith 92
OPEN VET: Serge Pelletier 93 (flip-both not present) Heinz Schober
OPEN SUB VET: Joe Soos 95
OPEN LADY I: Janice Moerman 87
OPEN LADY II: Dianne Wood 82
OPEN JUNIOR GOLD: Jacob Ott 90
OPEN JUNIOR: Bryce Mann 90
OPEN SUB JUNIOR: Jacob Munn 86

EVENT #7: HAA: 400 targets

RESIDENT CHAMPION: Billy Zager 381 (20-10-10/20-9-10), Jim Wood (20-10-10/20-9-9), Frank Bonaiuto (20-10-9)
RESIDENT R/U: Frank Bonaiuto 381
RESIDENT AA: Jake Rosmanian 381
RESIDENT A: BJ Jackman 379
RESIDENT B: Joe Soos 368
RESIDENT C: Ron McGrogan 375
RESIDENT D: Kelly White 352
RESIDENT SR. VET: Keith Saunders 368
RESIDENT VET: Ray Cockburn 376
RESIDENT SUB VET: Jim Wood 381
RESIDENT LADY: Erin Hannah 353
RESIDENT LADY II: Dianne Wood 336
RESIDENT JUNIOR GOLD: Kyle Mann 368
RESIDENT JUNIOR: Vincent Bonaiuto 378
RESIDENT SUB-JUNIOR: Jacob Munn 365
NON RESIDENT CHAMPION: Serge Pelletier 368
NON RESIDENT R/U: Godfroy Cardinal 365
OPEN AA : Dave Storrng 376
OPEN A: Josh Faubert 377
OPEN B: Lorenzo D Ospina 364 (flip-neither present) Jim Lee
OPEN C: Larry Riehl 359
OPEN D: Autumn Bergeron 346
OPEN SR.VET: Warren McLay 366
OPEN VET: Jon Naismith 373
OPEN SUB VET: John Costa 378
OPEN LADY I: Brittany Caldwell 341
OPEN LADY II: Emily Brown 331
OPEN JUNIOR GOLD: Jake Caldwell 344
OPEN JUNIOR: Bryce Mann 367
OPEN SUB JUNIOR: Zachary Debord 360

EVENT #8: HOA – 700 targets

RESIDENT CHAMPION: Frank Bonaiuto 661
RESIDENT R/U: Tom Batsos 652
RESIDENT AA: Jake Rosmanian 651
RESIDENT A: BJ Jackman 650
RESIDENT B: Joe Soos 632
RESIDENT C: Ron McGrogan 640
RESIDENT D: Autumn Bergeron 609
RESIDENT SR. VET: Keith Saunders 641
RESIDENT VET: George Iliopoulos 649
RESIDENT SUB VET: John Costa 654
RESIDENT LADY I: Erin Hannah 600
RESIDENT LADY II: Emily Brown 574
RESIDENT JUNIOR GOLD: Kyle Mann 623
RESIDENT JUNIOR: Vincent Bonaiuto 650
RESIDENT SUB-JUNIOR: Jacob Munn 638
NON RESIDENT CHAMPION: Tom Mann 625
NON RESIDENT R/U: Jim Hannah 620

Congratulations to all the winners.

The list of registered shoot dates is almost complete and I am hoping to have them on the OPTA website by the end of November. Your individual Ontario Registered Shoot Date card will be mailed out to all OPTA members in January with the next addition of the Clubhouse newsletter.

I would like to take this time to welcome a new club in Ontario to registered shooting. Napanee Rod and Gun Club has completed the necessary requirements and is officially listed as a registered ATA club in Ontario. They have picked up two dates to shoot and I hope you can get out to join them in their first shoots.

Please Note these Shoot Date Changes

The ATA has changed the dates for the 2017 Grand American Championships. The dates are from August 2-12, 2017. Due to this change the OPTA has had to change the dates for the Provincial Championships to be held at Hamilton Gun Club to July 20-23, 2017.

Message from Your ATA Delegate

In early December I will be participating in an Executive Committee meeting in Sparta. I have reached out to delegates across the Eastern Zone for input as to issues they would like me to discuss at that meeting. I have also asked the OPTA directors for input. If you as an Ontario trap shooter have issues or suggestions for improvements, please direct them to one of the OPTA directors who in turn I expect will try to collate issues to arrive at a consensus and present it to me.

Don't expect miracles. I am only one voice on the E.C. But I will advocate for improvements where appropriate.

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Message from Emily Brown

Since the last clubhouse newsletter in the spring of 2016, there has been a lot of activity on the OPTA front and beyond. In the summer of 2016, both the Canadian Trapshooting Association championships and the Ontario Provincial Trapshooting Association championships were held.

The Canadian championships brought shooters together from across the country and from the US to meet and share their love of the sport. The competition was rigorous but friendly. In some cases, existing champions prevailed and in other cases, new champions emerged. The same can be said about the Provincials. Results can never be fully anticipated or predicted, and exciting surprises happen! In either case, congratulations to all the winners, and thank you to all the participants. Thanks to all who completed the feedback surveys made available after each of these major competitions as it helps organizers to understand and respond to the needs of shooters.

After a very successful first showing at the Toronto Sportsmen's Show in 2016, the OPTA has been approached by organizers to participate again. The dates for the 2017 event is March 15-19, at the International Centre. Details of the show can be found at the event's website at <http://tss.sportshows.ca/>

This year, the booth will be able to showcase the newly acquired dry fire system which gives visitors to the booth the best possible experience with trapshooting, outside of a trip to the club. The excitement at the booth last year was terrific and this year is shaping up to be even better. Volunteers for the booth will be needed, again, two per shift, for two or three hours each, in order to make this happen. A sign-up sheet will be made available as the time gets closer.

New to the social media presence of the OPTA is a twitter account for quick, up to the minute outreach to the community at large, beyond and including our own OPTA community, and for the sharing of relevant information which is shared by others on twitter. The OPTA twitter address is @ontariotrap if you are a twitter follower.

At the time of writing, there are 335 members on the OPTA Facebook group page, up from 241 reported in the last Clubhouse newsletter in April 2016. Every month, and after each new outreach event, several more people ask to join. Besides shoot schedules, shoot results and photos, information about Hall of Fame shooters, and current events that impacts shooter is shared. Recent historical information about shooters Anthony Sacco, Rick McGarry, Emerson Clarke, Walter Ewing and George Beattie was posted. The latter two names came up when a story about a Dominion Trapshooting Grey Cup trophy from 1908 was uncovered. Remembering our history is a good thing for the sport.

As discussed at the Annual General Meeting, there are ongoing discussions with the Ministry of Tourism Culture and Sport, with respect to the necessary requirements of a sport to be officially recognized by the province as a Provincial Sport Organization (PSO). This PSO designation allows for certain benefits with the Provincial government, not the least of which, is provincially funding. Our PSO is called the Ontario Council of Shooters, which has five shooting sport disciplines under its umbrella, including the OPTA. The Ministry sets in place particular requirements of a PSO, such as having a governing board, holding regular annual general meetings, and adopting a concussion policy, and making that available to its members on their sport website. These are but a few of the many requirements.

Information on the PSOs can be found at the Ministry website:

<http://www.mtc.gov.on.ca/en/sport/sport/psolistings.html>

The three pillars of the Ministry with respect to PSOs are participation, development and excellence, and as such, sport recognition, and in turn funding, is based on those three. For participation, the Ministry wants to know how many people participate in each sport, and in recent years, our numbers of participants has been listed solely as OPTA members, but as any trapshooter will know, there are many more trapshooters at your clubs who are not members of the OPTA.

Development refers to the raising up, through mentoring and coaching, or increased participation, a trapshooter who is developing into a more skilled athlete, and these numbers may be better reflected through the OPTA membership roster.

The third pillar, excellence, refers to athletes who would compete at the provincial, national or international level, and comes about through a continued focus on development.

In order to have our numbers more accurately reflected within the Ministry framework, a better understanding of the number of clubs which throw trap targets and the overall number of trapshooting participants, as best can be determined, is necessary. A comprehensive list of clubs in Ontario which throw trap targets, whether recreationally or competitively is being compiled, and at the time of writing sits at 58 different clubs. Currently, only a small fraction of those clubs register OPTA/ATA targets. It is hoped that with a more accurate list of clubs and participants, trapshooting can be differently presented to the Ministry and perhaps better funded. Any additional funding could then be used to increase participation at all of the many clubs, to improve all clubs in the province, and it is hoped, allow for more clubs, if they choose, to host OPTA/ATA registered competitions.

As always, you can get up to date information on the OPTA website at www.ontariotrap.com or on the Facebook group page at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/OntarioTrap/> and to reach the OPTA, you can email info@ontariotrap.com

Written and submitted by Emily Brown



News from the ATA

2017 Registered Shoot Dates

March

April

May

June

July

Provincial Championships (Please note the new date)

July 20-23 at Hamilton Gun Club

August

September

October

2017 Canadian Championships

Programs will be available in the near future on the following websites – CTA (<http://www.shootcanada.ca/>), OPTA (www.ontariotrap.com), ATA (<http://www.shootata.com/>)

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

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