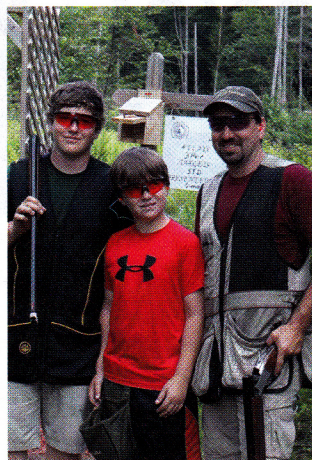


Vermont State Shoot

By Bob Durocher

It was looking like a record number of shooters for the 14th Vermont State Championship held at the Northeast Kingdom Skeet & Sporting Clays Club in Burke, Vermont, in early August. With more than a week to go, there were already more pre-registrations than actual shooters in years prior.

Saturday's events included



The Deth family, (left to right) Junior champ Casey Deth, Sub-Junior champ Riley Deth, and proud dad A1 Andy Deth, bonded at the Vermont State shoot.

the sub-gauge course of 50 targets set on the seven-station course with multiple menus. Targets were set by the staff and then tweaked and approved by Dave Tilden of Ruger. An impressive 190 rounds were shot, and in the end awards were given to HOA in each event as fol-

lows: 20 gauge Brian Stearns (47), 28 gauge Mike Weaver (43), .410 Mike Goetz (41), side-by-side Chuck Devinnie (45), and pump gun Andy Kachmarik (42). Saturday also included the 50-bird 5-Stand event, which went well into the late afternoon as crews were moving machines and resetting the course for Sunday's main event. Devinnie won the 5-Stand with 47 after running clean until the last two stations.

Thunderstorms were predicted for both days of the shoot, but it turned out the only thunder to be heard was on Sunday at the 10 a.m. shotgun start. Fifteen stations with 92 shooters were off and shooting. Although some stations started with both an A and B squad, things quickly spread out, and it was rare to see two squads at a station. All shooters seemed to agree that the targets were very breakable, but it was difficult to put an entire station together, evident with only two shooters posting scores in the 90s.



A well-run event was enjoyed by all, including (left to right) Vermont delegate Bill Boyce, state champ Robert Trombley, shoot organizer Bob Durocher.

Judges at each station kept shooters moving, and most were off the course in less than 2½ hours.

While scores were being tallied, shooters enjoyed lunch in the newly built clubhouse or on the wraparound porch, then took part in the Long Bird Shoot or the NEK ClayBuster Challenge.

At the end of two picture-perfect days, awards were given, and Devinnie of Maine was the

open HOA shooter with 91. Robert (Butch) Trombley won the Vermont Championship title with 90. Brothers Casey and Riley Deth were the top Junior and Sub-Junior shooters, respectively.

Special thanks goes to the crew at the NEK Skeet & Sporting Clays Club who put on a terrific event, plus all the sponsors who sent each shooter home with something by which to remember the event.



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Main Event

OSHOA	Chuck Devinnie	91
CH	Robert Trombley	90
RU	Brent Allaire	85
M1	Mike Weaver	84
AA1	Bob Scudero	80
A1	Andy Deth	85
B1	John Vanslette	83
C1	Randy Bean	80
D1	L. John Mayo	71
E1	Kerry Crosby	74
H1	Steve Dinco	78
SJCH	Riley Deth	74
JRCH	Casey Deth	70
LYCH	Cristina Incerpi	63
VTCH	Robert Trombley	90
SVCH	Bill Boyce	84
SSCH	Bob Scudero	80