

James Maskell claims handicap crown, Dennis DeVaux downs 100 in title twins

Senior vet shooter James Maskell broke 95 from 20.5 yards to claim his second handicap championship during the Vermont State Shoot, hosted by the Montpelier GC, June 18-20. Maskell secured his first handicap crown in 1985, and he was 16-yard vet titlist in '96 and '97.

Dennis DeVaux became the first to win the Vermont doubles championship with a perfect century, breaking by two the former record he set in 1978. He also collected the all-around crown for 383x400 and topped in-state high-over-all scoring with 662x700. Dennis now has 40 state crowns in his possession, including four singles, five handicap, 16 doubles and 15 all-around.

Charles M. Stewart was singles titlist last year for 198, and he improved that score by one this year to pace residents by three and match the state record. Meylert Armstrong

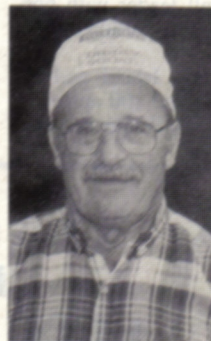
III was the first to win with 199 in 1963, and William DeVaux and Raymond Alvarez duplicated the feat in '76 and '83, respectively.

Elaine Bonnette secured her 14th women's championship after downing 184 and breaking another 19 in shootoff with Manon Robert. Elaine won her first ladies' title in 1982, the year she began registering, and she held onto it for three consecutive years. Her next victory came in '89, and she's claimed the femme crown every year since. She also earned handicap runnerup honors in '94.

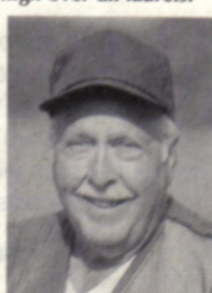
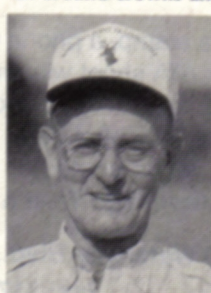
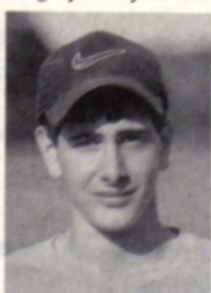
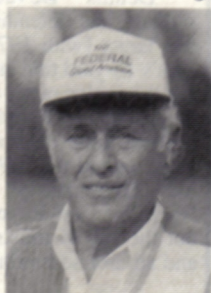
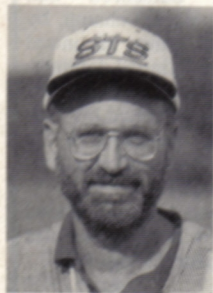
Steve Gagnon carded a 168 to successfully defend the junior championship, and 14-year-old Aaron Pollak hit 91x100 to capture the sub-junior crown for the second year in a row.

Peter K. Simonds claimed the veteran title, his first, for 186. Eighty-one-year-old

Dr. N. Noel Cenci broke 189 to collect his ninth senior vet crown. Cenci was vet titlist



Jim Maskell paced residents in the feature handicap by three, while Dennis DeVaux collected six trophies, including the doubles and all-around crowns and high-over-all laurels.



Charles Stewart
 Singles Champion

Ray Alvarez
 Singles Runnerup

Elaine Bonnette
 Women's Champion

Steve Gagnon
 Junior Champion

Peter K. Simonds
 Veteran Champion

Noel Cenci
 Senior Vet Champion