

The Bullshooter October 2011

A Newsletter for Fort Worth Trap and Skeet Club



2011 Cowtown Open

MISSION:

TO HONOR AND SUPPORT THE WOUNDED WARRIOR PROJECT

Was the message that greeted shooters and families at the 2011 Cowtown Open Skeet Tournament at Fort Worth Trap and Skeet. The mission was begun when an anonymous donor offered to provide the shoot's added money if the tournament could be used as a means to raise awareness and support for WOUNDED WARRIOR PROJECT.

Shooters were encouraged to begin fundraising efforts in early Spring via pledges from personal web pages, gathering cash donations, or simply purchasing T-shirts at the shoot.

Participants would be rewarded with special awards buckles for top individual fundraiser and top fundraising team. The skeet community responded with an amazing donation of \$10,703.00. The team competition was taken by Richard's Bravo Zulu's (Richard Parr, Chris Parr, Teal Hanzel and Greg Massari) with a donation of \$5320.00 and the top individual donor was David Dils with \$2650.00. The remaining amount came from individuals making contributions during the event.

Despite extreme drought conditions 85 shooters braved the heat and wind to compete for buckles and \$3500.00 in added money. James Reed opened the tournament on Friday by winning

the Doubles event scoring 97. The four guns began with all eyes on a new HOA trophy donated by Mike and Pauline Cusack. The trophy is appropriately a longhorn shoulder mount placed on a hardwood base. HOA winners will have their names engraved on the base for the next ten years and it is anticipated to be a tangible record of skeet shootings best. Mr. and Mrs. Cusack have longtime supporters of Fort Worth Trap and Skeet and are currently owners of Willow Creek Longhorns. The twelve gauge event began Saturday morning before the temperature matched the winning scores. Four 100 straights resulted from John Bulger□Brandon Cade□Adam Goodart and Jon McDonald. Cade took advantage of Bulger's lost bird at four and took the buckle. The twenty gauge event featured a shoot-off between Kyle Shumaker□Billy D. Williams and Stewart McCoin. This kind of talent gained the attention of a large crowd of spectators and all activity virtually stopped until a winner was determined. Shumaker dropped off early and William's pair on five shut out McCoin for the win. Sunday morning's twenty-eight gauge saw four 99s from Stewart McCoin□Raymond Ray□Woody Anderson and Robert Ennes; McCoin took his first 2011 buckle in the shoot-off. It was obvious that the heat and fatigue had taken its toll on the competitors when the four-ten scores were recorded. The top two shooters were Stewart McCoin (Ch) and Chris Simmons (RU) with 98s leaving third for Gene Stewart with a 97. The HOA winner and first name to be engraved on the trophy will be Stewart McCoin; his consistent appearance in the top three places and a score of 395□gave this young man his second consecutive Cowtown HOA title. Club member Cecil Williams created a shell bag with a western scene for the winner's personal trophy. Billy D. Williams was Runner-up with 392 and Kyle Shumaker third also with a 392.

Fort Worth Trap and Skeet would like to thank everyone who has supported this event through the years; it takes maximum effort from the professional staff and volunteers to provide a competition that shooters find worthy. A debt of gratitude is also owed to the contestants who attend year after year giving this tournament the appearance of a reunion of old friends.

Fort Worth Trap and Skeet members notable scores:

Gordon Bain 12 ga D1

Allen Cline 12 ga A2

Tom Deaton Dbl C1□410 B3□HOA B1

David Dils 28 ga C1□HOA C1

Colt Fadal 20 ga D2□HOA D1

Bill Haggerty 410 D3

Gene Ragle 28 ga D1□HOA D2

Andrew Reed Dbl Champ□410 B2□HOA A2

Kendall Reed 12 ga E3□28 ga D3□HOA E2



President's Message

Fall is finally upon us. The 100 degree temperatures have receded and we are gearing up for a great fall shooting season. Though on the day I am writing this there we have received over 5" of rain in the last 24 hours.

While it is not good for shooting it is great for the area and much needed.

The new Friday hours are working out well. If you have not gotten your ERAD then come by the club house and talk with Jimmy. Nearly all the fields are fully ERAD compatible we are working out some kinks in 2 and 3.

Please bear with us and we get things right. Speaking of ERAD shooting we have opened on two holiday's that we are normally closed on for ERAD shooting. Turnout has been great. We will continue to find opportunities for some extra shooting as long as you keep supporting it! Thank you.

The annual business meeting took place on September 24th. We now have 354 members and 26 attended the annual meeting. Even though



Summer Leagues

Summer Leagues were a success. Though we only ran two nights this summer both were filled to capacity!

Monday Night

HOA: Montgomery □ Jake 486

High Skeet: Wheat □ Jon Paul 241

High Trap: Austin □ Randy 234

High Woman: Crowell □ Malorie 439

Most Improved: Laperriere □ Kevin

1st Place Team: Daw □ David Rogers □ Jim Murphy □ Willis Harford □ Dave Dougherty □

Bruce Boyd □ Zemmy

2nd Place Team: Montgomery □ Jake Wheat □

Jon Paul Terrell □ Aro Dennett □ Robbie

Billings □ Mark Burton □ Max

Tuesday Night

HOA: Fuqua □ Matt 464

High Skeet: Prather □ Wilbert 232

High Trap: Tenseth □ Tom 241

High Woman: Watson □ Linda 289

Most Improved: Featherston □ Barry

1st Place Team: Parr □ Mike Junker □ Curt

Nettleton □ H.B. Houx □ Frank McKittrick □

Buddy Shelton □ Carol

2nd Place Team: Freeman □ Larry Ewing □ Jay

Wertz □ Ron Taylor □ Ben Riley □ Mart Melton □

Gene

there is a paid staff this is a member directed club and we do need everyone's participation and involvement to continue to make great strides. The membership elected five new board members; Ron Wertz □ Ray Lumb □ David White □ James Jennings □ and Jack Miller.

The officers for 2012 business year are:

Gene Ragle - President
Sherrill Derryberry - Vice-President
Ray Lumb - Secretary
Ron Wertz - Treasurer.

Tracy Ragle will continue to serve as skeet chairman and Jack Miller will be the new trap chair for 2012. Thank you to Ben Dobson and Ron Cunning for putting on some great trap events.

Lead mining was a great haul for us. Nearly 143,000 lbs of lead were removed from the fields. Funds will be used to pay back taxes □ offset losses incurred during 2011 □ set up a rainy day fund □ and make improvements around the club.

Keep Shooting □

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Lone Star PVA Shoot

The Lone Star Chapter of the Paralyzed Veterans of America (PVA) held a trap shoot over September 30 – October 2 at the Fort Worth Trap & Skeet Club. Sixteen shooters □ a small turnout by PVA standards □ participated in the 300 target event. Concurrent with the PVA shoot was an ATA registered trap shoot for able-bodied shooters as referred to by the wheelchair shooters.

Flash back two weeks prior to September 16-18, 2011 when the Texas Zone V trap shoot was held at the National Shooting Complex in San Antonio. ATA member Marvin Webb played the twenty dollar special gun option. This option required all handicap events to be shot with the cumulative high score winning a Browning BT-99 shotgun. Marvin won the gun after going into a shoot-off and openly planned to sell the new gun.

Moved by what he saw the PVA shooters overcoming □ Marvin donated the Browning shotgun surprising both Andy MacDonald the PVA Shooting Sports Associate Director and Glendon Bentley □ Lone Star Executive Director. The shotgun was auctioned at the



PVA Shooters banquet raising money for the Lone Star Chapter. For more information regarding the PVA—specifically their sporting events—visit www.pva.org . Click on the photo to see more pictures.

God Bless the U.S.A.—Texas & all of our Veterans!

Upcoming Shoots

Trap Shoots

October 14th - 16th Bair Hatcher Memorial

Skeet

October 29th Last Chance Open

The full schedule can be viewed [here](#)

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