



THE OPTA CLUBHOUSE October 2015 Edition

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Another shooting season has come to an end in Ontario, I hope you were all able to get out and support the various clubs in Ontario. The 2015 shooting year saw 469,200 registered targets thrown in Ontario from 11 various clubs.

There are 5 winter non registered shoots happening around the province for everyone to enjoy. Go to the OPTA official website to see if there are any in your area.

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	1 yd	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”

2. Section VII, A

“8. Inadvertently skipped posts. A shooter is required to shoot the requisite number of targets from each post (5 or 10 as specified by shoot management). If a shooter inadvertently skips a post he/she or any member of the squad shall not be deemed to be out of turn but will be required to shoot the specified number of targets from the skipped post. **All targets shot will be scored, but no more than the specified number per post will be scored.** While the shooter is shooting the skipped post the remainder of the squad will remain behind the trap line and will not proceed to the next trap.”

3. ALL AMERICAN TEAM QUALIFICATION AND POINT AWARDS

“ATA STATE/PROVINCIAL TOURNAMENTS

Events eligible for points as follows:

Table 1 Points - Championship events including All Around and High Over All. In tournaments where resident, open and non-resident trophies are offered in the same event, only two of the classifications will be eligible to receive All American points. **Category Points are limited to three places.**

Table 2 Points - Preliminary Handicap, Singles Class Championship, Doubles Class Championship and other eligible events (“other eligible events” are events with 600 or more entries, regardless of where they occur in the program). Up to the last 5 days (1,300 targets or less) will be used for All-American Point determination. **Category Points are limited to three places.** Host club must provide a program to the ATA office with shoot report.”

4. Section VI, D,7.

7. When multiple Handicap events are shot during the same day with fewer than 15 contestants, yardage will be awarded the high score(s), under the earned yardage table, by combining the total number of different individual shooters in all events with fewer than 15 shooters.

For example:

Event 1 - 14 shooters, Event 2 - 20 shooters, Event 3 - 12 shooters (3 of whom shot Event 1), Event 4 - 13 shooters (5 of whom shot Event 1 and/or Event 3). Event 2 stands on its own because it has more than 15 shooters. Combining Events 1, 3, 4 total of 31 different shooters (14, 9, 8). The high score among those 31 shooters will receive a ½ yard punch based on the earned yardage table unless that shooter earned yardage in event 2.

2015 Ontario Provincial Championships Winners

Saturday August 1, 2015 – Event One – Singles – 181 Entries

CHAMPION : Frank Bonaiuto – 100
AA : Peter Tsementzis – 100 (carry over 25/24/24/25)
A : Josh Faubert – 99 (carry over 24/24/25/23)
B : Lew Hummason – 99
C : Wayne Ehgoetz – 96
D : Chris Lally – 96
SUB VET : Dan Gris – 100 (carry over 24/25/25/25)
VET : Peter Grant - 100
SR. VET : Keith Saunders – 99
LADY I : Erin Hannah – 95
LADY II : Dianne Wood – 98
JUNIOR GOLD : No Entries
JUNIOR : Kristian Houle – 95
SUB JUNIOR : Jacob Munn – 93

Event Two – Handicap – 184 Entries

CHAMPION : Josh Faubert – 98
18-21 yards : Ron Dietrich – 96
22-23 yards : Ed Wilmott – 95
24- 25 yards : Tom Batsos – 95 (24/25 over Bert Blackburn 24/23)
26 – 27 yards : BJ Jackman - 96
VET : Byron House – 96
SR. VET : Bob Cummings – 97
SUB VET : Ralph Zadro – 95
LADY I : Bonnie Cobado – 91
LADY II : Joanne Pollock – 86
JUNIOR GOLD : Jake Caldwell – 90
JUNIOR : Kristian Houle – 88
SUB JUNIOR : Jacob Munn – 84 (shoot off 22/22/24 over Brock McCrumb 22/22/22)

Event Three – Doubles – 135 Entries

CHAMPION : Joe Di Francesco – 98
AA : John Costa – 97 carry over 48/48 over Peter Tsementzis 48/46
A : Josh Faubert – 91 carry over 44/38 over Don Mattison 43/47, Basil Zmiyiwsky 43/44 and Ed Wilmott 41/44
B : Bill Wylie – 92 carry over 41/37 over Kelly White forfeit

C : Wayne Ehgoetz – 92
D : Chris Lally – 88 carry over 42/36 over Terry Caldwell 36/38
VET : Terry Jordan – 94
SR. VET : John Rowan – 94
SUB VET : Dan Gris – 91
LADY I : Jennifer Garrett – 87
LADY II : Joanne Pollock – 78
JUNIOR GOLD : Jake Caldwell – 81
JUNIOR : Kristian Houle – 85
SUB JUNIOR : Jacob Munn – 95

Sunday August 2, 2015 – Event Four – 200 Singles Championships – 210 Entries

RESIDENT CHAMPION: Paul Shaw shoot off 25 over Ray Kassmanian 24
RESIDENT R/U: Peter Tsementzis – 197
RESIDENT AA: Frank Bonaiuto – 195
RESIDENT A: Rui Morais 195 over Ed Wilmott forfeit
RESIDENT B: Greg Carr – 195
RESIDENT C: Ron Miller - 189
RESIDENT D: Bob Morphy – 187
RESIDENT SR.VET: Keith Saunders – 196 shootoff 25 over Ron Alton 24
RESIDENT VET: Ray Kassmanian – 199
RESIDENT SUB.VET: Dan Griss – 196
RESIDENT LADY I: Brittany Caldwell – 190
RESIDENT LADY II: Dianne Wood – 189
RESIDENT JUNIOR GOLD: Jake Caldwell – 181
RESIDENT JUNIOR: Bryce Mann – 193
RESIDENT SUB-JUNIOR: Jacob Munn – 191
NON- RESIDENT CHAMPION : Jim Hannah – 191
OPEN AA : Bill Wylie - 194 shoot off 25 over John Costa 23
OPEN A: Ed Wilmott – 195
OPEN B: Paul Kinson – 194 over StJepan Mihalic forfeit
OPEN C: Larry Riehl – 188 over Bev Maguire forfeit
OPEN D: Heinz Schober – 183
OPEN VET: Terry Jordan – 198
OPEN SR. VET: Ron Alton – 196
OPEN SUB VET: J. W. Adams – 195 shoot off 25 over Terry Caldwell 24 and Jim Wood 22
OPEN LADY I: Erin Hannah – 186
OPEN LADY II: Cheryl Stiby – 186
OPEN JUNIOR GOLD: No Entries
OPEN JUNIOR: Kristian Houle – 192
OPEN SUB-JUNIOR: Brock McCrumb – 187
RESIDENT TWO-SHOOTER TEAM: 1)Rui Morais – 195
2) Manuel Domingues – 193 **Team Total – 388**
RESIDENT NEW SHOOTER: Csaba Megyesi – 189
New Junior: Matthew Keba – 137
New Sub Junior: No Entries

Sunday August 3, 2015 – Event Five – Doubles Championship – 143 Entries

RESIDENT CHAMPION: Paulo Sampaio – 97
RESIDENT R/U: Frank Bonaiuto – 96 shoot off 20 over John Costa 19 and Lloyd Beecraft 18
RESIDENT AA: John Costa – 96

RESIDENT A: Brad Kenny – 95
RESIDENT B: Kevin White – 90
RESIDENT C: Peter Tarnowski – 86 shoot off 15/18 over Oral Sobaram 15/16 and Franco Bernado forfeit
RESIDENT D: Lorenzo D Ospina – 84
RESIDENT SR. VET : John Rowan – 93
RESIDENT VET : George Iliopoulos – 96
RESIDENT SUB VET : Dan Gris – 92
RESIDENT LADY I : Brittany Caldwell – 84
RESIDENT LADY II : Cheryl Stiby – 78
RESIDENT JUNIOR GOLD : Jake Caldwell – 85
RESIDENT JUNIOR : Matthew Van Haaren – 74 shoot off 18/16/19 over Vincent Bonaiuto 18/16/17
RESIDENT SUB JUNIOR : Jacob Munn – 90
OPEN AA : Lloyd Beecraft – 96
OPEN A : BJ Jackman – 92
OPEN B : Ralph Zadro – 89
OPEN C : Godefroy Cardinal – 89
OPEN D : Wayne Newman – 83
OPEN SR.VET: Ron Alton – 89
OPEN VET: Paul Shaw – 95
OPEN SUB VET: Dominic Gitto - 90 shoot off over Bill Vito forfeit
OPEN LADY I: Erin Hannah – 82
OPEN LADY II: Joanne Pollock – 75
OPEN JUNIOR GOLD: No Entries
OPEN JUNIOR: Vincent Bonaiuto – 74
OPEN SUB JUNIOR: Autumn Bergeron – 72
RESIDENT NEW SHOOTER : Lee Fair – 80
NON-RESIDENT CHAMPION Brock McCrumb – 90

Event Six – Handicap Championship – 182 Entries

RESIDENT CHAMPION: Manuel Domingues – 96
RESIDENT R/U: Billy Zager – 95 shoot off 24 over Peter Tsementzis 23 and Greg Carr forfeit
RESIDENT 3rd : Peter Tsementzis – 95
RESIDENT 4th : Greg Carr – 95
RESIDENT 5th : BJ Jackman – 94 shoot off 21/22 over Vito Rinaldi 21/19
RESIDENT 6th : Vito Rinaldi – 94
RESIDENT SR. VET : W. L. Smith – 93 shoot off 23 over Louis Conidis 21 and Keith Saunders forfeit
RESIDENT VET : Vince Ruberto – 94
RESIDENT Sub VET : Mike Pickering – 95
RESIDENT LADY I : Sacha Kucey – 89
RESIDENT LADY II : Joanne Pollock – 88
RESIDENT JUNIOR GOLD : Jake Caldwell – 88
RESIDENT JUNIOR : Christos Batsos – 90
RESIDENT SUB JUNIOR : Autumn Bergeron – 92
NON RESIDENT CHAMPION: Jim Hannah – 91
RESIDENT NEW SHOOTER : Larry Riehl – 93
OPEN 18-21 yards : Ron Dietrich – 93
OPEN 22-23 yards: Kyle Newman – 93
OPEN 24- 25 yards : Neville Henderson – 92 over Joe Woods forfeit
OPEN 26 – 27 yards : Frank Bonaiuto – 93 shoot off 23 over Kevin White 21
OPEN SR. VET: Bill Stewart – 93
OPEN VET : Ray Kassmanian – 93 shoot off 24 over Paul Shaw 22 and Basil Zmiyiwsky 21
OPEN SUB VET : Larry Riehl – 93 shoot off 24 over Denis Louiseize 23 and Ron McGrogan forfeit

OPEN LADY I : Bonnie Cobado – 85
OPEN LADY II : Dianne Wood – 81
OPEN JUNIOR GOLD : No Entries
OPEN JUNIOR Matthew Van Haaren – 85
OPEN SUB JUNIOR : Brock McCrumb – 90

HAA: 400 targets

RESIDENT CHAMPION: Paul Shaw – 387
RESIDENT R/U : Peter Tsementzis –386
RESIDENT AA : Frank Bonaiuto – 384
RESIDENT A : Paulo Sampaio – 377
RESIDENT B : Greg Carr – 368
RESIDENT C : Chris Lally – 355
RESIDENT D : Heinz Schober – 346
RESIDENT SR. VET : John Rowan – 373
RESIDENT VET : Terry Jordan – 371 shoot off 39 over George Iliopoulos 37
RESIDENT SUB VET : Dan Gris – 380
RESIDENT LADY I : Brittany Caldwell – 353
RESIDENT LADY II : Joanne Pollock – 345
RESIDENT JUNIOR GOLD : Jake Caldwell – 354
RESIDENT JUNIOR : Vincent Bonaiuto – 338
RESIDENT SUB-JUNIOR : Jacob Munn – 363
NON RESIDENT CHAMPION : Jim Hannah – 369
NON RESIDENT R/U : Serge Pelletier – 364
OPEN AA : Lloyd Beecraft – 380 shoot off38 over Brad Kenny 37
OPEN A: Billy Zager – 374
OPEN B: Manuel Domingues – 365 over Franco Bernabo
OPEN C: Ron Miller – 352
OPEN D: Autumn Bergeron – 342 shoot off 39 over Sacha Kucey 31
OPEN SR.VET: Ron Alton – 371
OPEN VET: George Iliopoulos – 371
OPEN SUB VET: Ralph Zadro – 373
OPEN LADY I: Erin Hannah – 351
OPEN LADY II: Dianne Wood – 342
OPEN JUNIOR GOLD: No Entries
OPEN JUNIOR : Matthew Van Haaren – 337
OPEN SUB JUNIOR : Brock McCrumb - 367

HOA – 700 targets

RESIDENT CHAMPION: Peter Tsementzis – 675
RESIDENT R/U: John Costa – 663
RESIDENT AA: Lloyd Beecraft – 661
RESIDENT A: Joe Di Francesco – 662
RESIDENT B: Frank Bonaiuto Jr – 642
RESIDENT C: Wayne Ehgoetz – 663
RESIDENT D: Chris Lally – 623
RESIDENT SR. VET: John Rowan – 640
RESIDENT VET: Paul Shaw – 665
RESIDENT SUB VET: Dan Gris – 662
RESIDENT LADY I: Erin Hannah – 610
RESIDENT LADY II: Joanne Pollock – 598

RESIDENT JUNIOR GOLD: No Entries
RESIDENT JUNIOR: Matthew Van Haaren – 582
RESIDENT SUB-JUNIOR: Jacob Munn – 635
NON RESIDENT CHAMPION: Jim Hannah – 641
NON RESIDENT R/U : Serge Pelletier – 639

Message from Your ATA Delegate

Ontario shooters.

Don't forget to vote. You can make a difference and who occupies the Prime Minister's Office will be important to the future of our firearms heritage.

Over the winter months we in Ontario shoot predominantly leagues and most of that is non-registered. But, if you want your targets registered at the end of your season talk to your shoot management. A one-time registration fee should get all your targets registered. They count towards your lifetime targets shot, but do not impact on your average. If uncertain how to do this – contact me.

We continue to have border crossing issues particularly with the New York State border crossings. They seem to have their own way of doing things that vary from that of Michigan, for instance. If you are experiencing problems let me know with full details and I will see if there is something I can do to help.

For those fortunate enough to escape to the south for some warmer registered shoots – good luck. Have a great winter.

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Report from Emily Brown

With the 2015 ATA/OPTA season coming to a close and the 2016 season just beginning, it is time to reflect on the great things that have happened in the province and the new developments that will bring awareness of trapshooting to potential new shooters.

I have had a plan in my mind since coming onto the OPTA board which I was going to implement to bring new and youth shooters to the sport, to increase general awareness of the sport and to improve communication, with potential new shooters as well as our existing members.

As a result of a successful members' survey about the OPTA website, work began to update and improve the website to incorporate members' wishes. This new website went live on the August long weekend, just as we all gathered together for

the Ontario Provincial Championships in Hamilton. The following features have much improved the website and elevated its value to the membership, and there is still more to come.

- ✓ Fully mobile friendly
- ✓ Live newsfeed from the OPTA Facebook Group page, which keeps the website current
- ✓ Dedicated email addresses to OPTA Board members as well as a general information email address:
info@ontariotrap.com
- ✓ Buy and sell
- ✓ Event schedules, up to date
- ✓ Archived OPTA newsletters
- ✓ Archived ATA delegate reports
- ✓ Updated links to Ontario clubs

Still to come

- Photo gallery
- Frequently asked questions (FAQs) page
- Links to shooting supply vendors' websites
- Information on PAL and other course instructors and events in Ontario

The OPTA web address has remained the same and can be accessed at <http://ontariotrap.com/>.

I had approached the Ontario Federation of Angling and Hunting some time ago about resurrecting the Claybird article which used to report on trapshooting news in their magazine, Out of Doors. I did convince them to include an introductory to trapshooting article which appeared in the August 2015 edition. The editor also wanted to have a short video which would be posted on their YouTube station.

The video is available for viewing here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RNiQuWVOHDI>

Next steps will include the creation of an OPTA brochure and banner which will serve as a marketing tool for our organization at local clubs, sporting goods stores, and various trade type shows, and exhibitions.

New and youth shooter initiatives continue at various member clubs in the province. Waterford Sportsman's Club played host to a group of youth who learned trapshooting as well as other shoot disciplines in the summer. More recently, 19 shooters had their first experience on the trap range at Hamilton Angling and Hunting (HAAA), which under new direction, is opening its doors wide to new trapshooting members. These 19 new shooters included a family of four, five women, several couples and several teens. Our volunteer coaches and member clubs are to be commended for their ongoing support of the new and youth shooting initiative.

A survey was conducted following the Ontario Provincial Trapshooting Championships in order to get feedback from participants. In the few weeks that the survey was available online, 70 participants accessed and completed the survey. There were 20 questions in total. The feedback was analyzed and made available at the September OPTA board meeting, on the Facebook group page, the OPTA website and was shared with the host club. With the Canadian Championships coming to the province in the summer of 2016, it is hoped that this valuable feedback can help improve the shoot experience in Ontario for all shooters. Thank you to all who provided feedback.

Emily Brown

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

World Shooting & Recreational Complex Update

October 1, 2015

The Event Center is still open, hosting weddings, receptions and other events and will remain OPEN INDEFINITELY.

JT Caliber's Restaurant in the Event Center is still open and will remain OPEN INDEFINITELY.

The year-round vendors in the vendor buildings and Event Center are still open and will remain OPEN INDEFINITELY.

The Campground was closed for the season October 1.

Shooting activities and ONLY SHOOTING ACTIVITIES were SUSPENDED on October 1. The park was NOT CLOSED.

The State of Illinois has NO PLANS TO PERMANENTLY CLOSE THE WSRC.

Allocations were made in both the legislature's budget and the Governor's budget for the WSRC, however neither budget has been approved.

The Illinois Senator & Representative from the area and IDNR officials in Springfield have assured the ATA on numerous occasions that once the budget is finalized, the WSRC WILL BECOME A FOCUS OF INCREASED MARKETING AND PROMOTION. They are aware of the ECONOMIC IMPACT the WSRC has on the area and realize that there is potential for MORE.

An Executive Director for the Complex, from the shooting sports industry, will be named as soon as the budget is finalized.

We remain extremely confident that the 2016 GRAND AMERICAN AND SCTP CHAMPIONSHIPS WILL BE AT THE WSRC IN SPARTA.

Lynn Gipson – ATA Executive Director

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

The shoot dates have not been determined as of yet. 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. Clubs have until October 31st to submit any requested dates.

2016 Canadian Championships

June 30-July 3

Hamilton Gun Club

2016 Provincial Championships

July 29-August 1

St Thomas Gun Club

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