

Emerson Clark

Emerson started shooting around the age of 9 or 10 years of age. He and his brother, William, who was killed in the First Great War would take turns going hunting with their father every other Saturday. Emerson and his wife had one daughter. He was inducted into the OPTA Hall of Fame in 1985.

Emerson won the following trapshooting honours:

1921, and 1922 Galt Sportsmens Club, High Singles

1926 Canadian Singles Champion at the Canadian National Exhibition, Toronto in 1926

1927 Canadian Indians shoot, High Singles

1931, 1937, 1949 Canadian Indians, High Handicap Butt Trophy in 1931, 1937 and 1949.

1938 Inter-plant Shoot Canadian Blower and Forge High Singles

1938, 1939, 1941, 1946 Finger Lakes League High Singles, winning Hamilton Gun Club team member

1941 Ontario Provincial Trapshooting Championship, Doubles champion

1941 Ontario Provincial Trapshooting Championship, winning Two Man Team member

1962 Eastern Zone Championship, High Singles Class C champion

1963 Ontario Provincial Trapshooting Championship, High Singles, Class C

1963 Ontario Provincial Trapshooting Championship, winning Two Man Team member

June 29, 1947 Canandaigue, New York, one of the members of a perfect squad

1958 Grand American Handicap champion, the first Canadian to win

1958 Grand American Handicap, High Canadian

1962 Grand American Handicap, Past Grand winner



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A native of Galt and a lifelong district resident, Emerson Clark was an outstanding marksman.



In 1958 he won the Grand American Handicap championship for trapshooting, breaking ninety-nine out of 100 clay pigeons in competition against 2,400 marksmen. He is the only Canadian to have ever won this event which was staged annually at Vandalia, Ohio. No one has ever won this event on more than one occasion.

Clark also won the Past Grand American championship, a competition which is limited to winners of the Grand American championship. On two occasions he won the highest Canadian trapshooting honours by winning the All Round championship of Canadian Indians competition. He also won the Ontario championship title several times during his career.

\*As submitted by Emerson's wife, Agnes Clark



*From left, C.R Crawford, Emerson Clark, George McAteer and Vic Reinders*