



# The Winnipeg Trap and Skeet Club

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## *ShotString*

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Well, a month has come and gone...I will make the second deadline for the ShotString being monthly. In the meantime, remember that you can get WTSC news on Facebook, Twitter, and the website. You can like us and follow us on Facebook, or subscribe to Twitter on our website.

Your Board of Directors (BoD) is working hard to continue improving the club. Please contact any one of us if you have comments or suggestions you would like to see implemented.

### **Club Manager's Position:**

The BoD has just posted an ad for the critical position of Club Manager on the WTSC website. If you know someone who might be interested, please have them apply.

### **Easter Bunny Shoot**

Thanks to an early spring, 48 shooters participated. The Senior winner with a high score of 40 was Dieter Boehner. Welcome back Dieter! Men's High Gun was Mr. Kerry Coleman. Carly Deacon was High Lady, and Susan Konopsky won the conservationist award. Travis was High Junior. Congratulations! I hope the winners did not eat all the chocolate rabbits they won at one sitting. Tom, with the assistance of Chris (snow removal) and Vern, set a very good course of five rabbit stations. Kristin managed the registration table, while Rick—at the other end of the clubhouse—served up plates of fresh pancakes from the kitchen.

### **Tournament Trail Results:**

Let me know where you have been, and how you have faired, so I can include your results here each month.

- Grand Prix: Cyprus...David Mossdrop. 105/125, I got it figured out the last day, and finished with a 22/25 and a 24/25 (47/50)
- World Cup: Cyprus...David Mossdrop. A lot of work and adjusting between the Grand Prix and the World Cup produced good results in the end. I finished strong, with a pair of 24's (48/50) on the last day, under windy conditions, to end up with 114/125 for 43rd place out of 112 International shooters. My World Ranking has improved to 95th.

## Shoot Schedule

The 2016 Manitoba Trapshooting Association Shoot Booklet has been published and posted electronically. The following events are listed in the book, with WTSC trap events and the 5-stand events highlighted.

Date	Location	Event
May 28–29	Virden	Pasture Open: Trap
June 4–5	Brandon	Spring Open: Trap
June 11–12	Winnipeg	Spring Silver Shoot: Trap
June 17 - 19	Winnipeg	5 – Stand Challenge (CNSCA registered)
June 18–19	Lundar	Goose Country Open: Trap
June 26	Winnipeg	M.J.S.A. Junior Championship: Trap
July 8–10	Winnipeg	Summer Silver Shoot: Trap
July 13–19	Winnipeg	International Trap Canadian Championships: Trap
July 22–24	Pembina	Manitoba Trapshooting Association Provincial Championships: Trap
July 29–31	Brandon	Central Zone Shoot: Trap
August 6	Winnipeg	5 – Stand Challenge (CNSCA registered)
August 7	Portage	Delta Open: Trap
August 13–14	Winnipeg	Grand Alternative: Trap
August 26–28	Winnipeg	International Provincial: Trap
September 10	Winnipeg	Shoot for the Cure: Sporting Clays

WTSC will host both a Skeet Tournament, and the Provincial Skeet Championship this year. Dates TBD. If you have a passion for skeet and would like to help out, please contact either Tom Hancock or myself.

**Members only buy/sell/trade/barter/want list:** A moderated section on the website will be available to members for posting their item(s) in order to connect with like-minded individuals so that transactions can be completed. Simply email a description of your item(s) to [dmosscrop@winnipegtrapandskeet.com](mailto:dmosscrop@winnipegtrapandskeet.com), and I will post them on the website.

The BoD is also contemplating hosting a garage sale—not a fundraiser—where members could bring their stuff and sell it. Please let me know if you would be interested in setting up a table.

## Reminders and a few housekeeping notes:

### Hours:

In April, the Club will be open Sundays from 10:30 to 3:30.

Summer hours will be Tuesday and Thursday, from 4:30 until dusk, and Sundays from 10:30 to 3:30 and will begin in May.

Off-hours shooting is available for members only.

**Membership renewal:**

Membership fees will remain the same as last year.

The new membership year starts April 1.

WTSC iron-on patches are available for you, when you renew your membership.

Membership forms have been mailed out, posted on the website, and were emailed out to current members in March. Paper copies are available at the club.

Senior members (65+) will receive 10 free rounds loaded onto their cards, with a paid membership. We respect and value the long-time members who have supported the club throughout the years.

We will be holding a draw of the names of those members who pay their membership fees prior to April 15. The winner will receive a free membership. We can accept, debit, VISA, MasterCard, cheque and cash for payment of memberships.

**RFID Card:** remember to put rounds on your card in advance.

**WTSC Crested Clothing:**

Additional iron-on crests can be purchased in the main clubhouse for \$5.00 each.

Branded hats, towels, and others item will be available throughout the year.

**Leagues:**

Kevin Agius is coordinating the leagues this year. He is now accepting the names of team members or individuals for the Spring Trap League and Skeet League, to start early in May.

Please contact Kevin (204.226.5891) for more information, or to enter a trap team. Single shooters are welcome. We will find a place for you.

Details are posted on the website under the Programs tab.

**Junior Trap Program:**

For Boys and Girls aged 12 to 17 years

Mondays from early May to the end of June (exact start date will be weather-dependent), starting at 5:30 pm

If you want more information, please contact

Lorne Ross Ph. 204.467.2267 cell 204.941.0708

Email: rosslorne@hotmail.com

**Junior Skeet Program:**

For Boys and Girls aged 12 to 17 years. Watch the website for details.

Mondays starting May 9 until June 27, 5:30 to 8:30 pm

If you want more information, please contact

Brian Konrad 204.489.4640 ext 246

Email: BGKonrad@shaw.ca

Junior Skeet is supported by the Manitoba Skeet Shooting Association (MSSA)

Applications and further information can be found on the website under the programs tab.

**5-Stand/Sporting Clays:**

A permanent 5-stand (compact sporting clays) course on skeet field #2 will be available anytime the club is open, beginning in May.

For more information, call Tom Hancock (204.981.4251)

**International Trap:**

Weather permitting, the south bunker will be open Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday nights, from 5:30 until dusk, beginning in May.

**Ammunition policy:**

- PrairieShot, makers of Score Ammunition, will be the exclusive provider of ammunition to WTSC. Ammunition will be available for purchase by members, used in the MJSA junior program, and provided to all booked corporate/group events.
- The WTSC ammunition policy is as follows: lead shot only, and no shot larger than 71/2. If you are shooting on a trap or skeet field and notice either a member or non-member shooting inappropriate ammunition, please bring it to the attention of the Club Manager. Steel shot should never be used on the sporting fields, since it can ricochet, and hurt the shooter and those around him/her. Steel shot should never be used on the steel patterning plate. It is dangerous, and will ruin the patterning plate.

**Volunteer opportunities:**

**Target unloading:** Famous Oak Bluff workout coming soon...

**Email contact:**

Questions, comments, or items for inclusion in the *ShotString* or discussion elsewhere in the club can be emailed to me: [dmosscrop@winnipegtrapandskeet.ca](mailto:dmosscrop@winnipegtrapandskeet.ca).

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