



The Winnipeg Trap and Skeet Club

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ShotString

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This month's ShotString is coming to you from San Marino, Italy! The Republic of San Marino is a 1700 year old city state that used to be a fortified citadel. My hotel is in the old city atop this hill, and my ears pop twice each time I drive up from the range, so there is a significant elevation change. It's a beautiful old world city, and well worth a visit!

You can get WTSC news on Facebook, Twitter, and the website. Please like us on Facebook, and follow us Twitter.

If you have comments or suggestions you would like to see implemented, please talk to one of the WTSC Directors.

In passing...

Mr. Rick McKay passed away on May 24, 2016, and flags at the Winnipeg Trap and Skeet Club were lowered as a mark of respect. Rick served as Treasurer on the Board of Directors for the past two years, but may best be known for the breakfasts he served up at the club. He will be missed. Rest in Peace

Early-bird membership draw.

Twenty members bought their memberships early, and their names went into a draw for a free membership. This year's lucky winner is...Rick Lawler! Congratulations!!!

Membership

WTSC is experiencing a membership boom...we are signing up new members everytime the club is open. These new members speak of how welcoming and friendly the club is to them. Good job, if you see any of these new members say Hi and if they need a little assistance, please offer them your best and make them really feel welcome.

Shoot Schedule

WTSC will host it's first ATA registered Trap tournament on June 11-12 (Saturday and Sunday), fun for all levels, come out, sign up and enjoy the competition, have a chance to win some Silver bullion. Join the competition and experience an ATA with our new Pat traps.

Saturday, June 18 will be a NCSCA registered 5-stand competition.

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
June 4–5	Brandon	Spring Open: Trap
June 11–12	WTSC	Spring Silver Shoot: Trap
June 18	WTSC	5 – Stand Challenge (CNSCA registered)
June 18–19	Lundar	Goose Country Open: Trap
June 26	WTSC	M.J.S.A. Junior Championship: Trap
July 8–10	WTSC	Summer Silver Shoot: Trap
July 13–19	WTSC	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	WTSC	5 – Stand Challenge (CNSCA registered)
August 7	Portage	Delta Open: Trap
August 13–14	WTSC	Grand Alternative: Trap
August 26–28	WTSC	International Provincial: Trap
September 10	WTSC	Shoot for the Cure: Sporting Clays

The WTSC will host both a Skeet Tournament and the Provincial Skeet Championship this season. Dates TBD. If you have a passion for skeet and would like to help out, please let Tom Hancock or me know.

Tournament Trail Results:

Robert Pankiewicz and Harry Humby represented the WTSC at Virden. Robert won the Doubles D on both Sat. and Sun, as well as the Singles C on Sun. Harry won the Vet. Singles on both Sat. and Sun. with a score of 99/100 on Sun. Well done guys! Let me know where you have been, and how you have faired, so I can include your results here each month.

Members only buy/sell/trade/want list: If you have items to sell or trade, or are looking to purchase something, simply email a description of your item(s) to me at dmooscrop@winnipegtrapandskeet.com, and I will post them on the WTSC website.

Housekeeping:

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 later in the year.

Leagues:

Update: only 2 squads of shooters entered and we have been dodging bad weather to get the rounds in. The handicap system makes it really close, but I think Robert Pankiewicz has a slight lead over Harry Humby.

Junior Trap Program:

- One month in ...this year there is less participation than normal, perhaps due to the late spring, but the weather for the program nights has been wonderful. Just a quick reminder to members that if you want to shoot off hours on Mondays, please be have your trap shooting completed by 5:00pm
- If you want more information, please call Lorne Ross at 204.467.2267, cell 204.94 1.0708, or by e-mail at rosslorne@hotmail.com

Junior Skeet Program:

- Time is running out sign-up NOW.... For more information, please call Brian Konrad at 204.489.4640 ext 246, or e-mail him at BGKonrad@shaw.ca
- For Boys and Girls aged 12 to 17 years. Watch the website for details.
- Mondays starting May 30 5:30 to 8:30 p.m.
- 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:

June 18 will be the Five Stand Challenge and the targets will be registered with CNSCA so it is your change to get started on a handicap for these events scheduled in the province over the summer months..

Some Five-stand notes:

- No tokens are required. Swipe your card in the skeet field reader, or have the puller/trap boy do it for you.
- Try to shoot as a squad of 5, a recommended minimum is 3 shooters.
- When it is your squad's turn, be ready to take the stands.
- While you are waiting for your turn to shoot, locate the numbered traps your menu has on it and watch the targets.
- No "Show me that again!", and No repeats.
- If you are new to 5-stand, ask the puller to give you singles only.
- Do not adjust clay target throwers.
- Do not change chokes once a round has started.
- Keep it fast-moving and fun!

The permanent 5-stand (compact sporting clays) course on skeet field #2 is available any time the club is open, Sundays after 11:00pm.
For more information, call Tom Hancock at 204.981.4251.

International Trap:

- Weather permitting, the south bunker is open Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday nights, from 5:30 until dusk.
- Work progresses well on the cover over the south bunker's shooting stations. This will be the only covered bunker in western Canada. Thanks to all those who are helping with this project.

- The north bunker is also fully functional and offers a very different visual presentation to the targets, come give it a try!

Ammunition policy:

- PrairieShot, the makers of Score Ammunition, is the exclusive provider of ammunition to the WTSC. Ammunition will be available for purchase by members, used in the MJSA Junior Program, and will be provided to all corporate/group events.
- The WTSC ammunition policy is as follows: lead shot only, and no shot larger than 7 1/2. 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.

Clubhouse Improvements:

- A new configuration of bistro-style tables is available for your enjoyment. Our old chairs have been replaced with newer chairs acquired via our Oak Bluff community club connection. The old chairs are for sale at \$2.00 each. See Brady if you want some for your summer barbecues.

Volunteer opportunities:

Unloading Targets: An opportunity to sign up for the famous Oak Bluff Workout will be coming soon...The targets have been ordered this week

ciao!

David Mosscrop
WTSC President

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