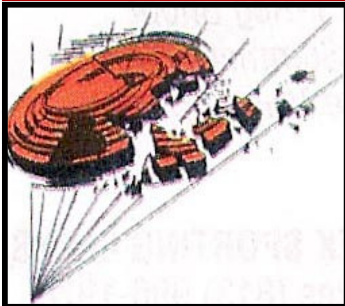


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Wisconsin State Trapshoot

The 110 annual 2009 Wisconsin State Trapshoot is now in the books. Here is a review of the week.

First, the Waukesha Gun Club. When we arrived the weekend before the shoot, (we started Friday July 10th laying out the camping area), the grounds looked great. I heard many times over the course of the week how many of the shooters were impressed with how the grounds looked. Everything had a fresh coat of paint, the grass was cut, the walkways were edged, the traps where in great condition.

I would like to thank the crew that rebuilds the traps every year so they are in ready condition for the shoot. (Rich Fletcher, Gary and Karen Stingl, Roy DeGroot, and Joe Zukowski). Our trap repair guru stated the traps were in great shape and we had few trap mechanical issues during the week.

Thank you to Chuck Hilgendorf who went over all the Pat Traps on Monday prior to the shoot.

Thank you to the WGC, Pat and Karen Gerbensky, Pete Williams, and Jeff Guenther for everything they did to have the club ready to go.

Monday we started with the introduction of the new computer system. I don't need to remind anyone that at times it did not go as smoothly as planned. Rest assured, we will work very hard over the next several months to not have the problems returned. A huge thank you to both Dick and Arlene Otto for their efforts. They tried very hard to keep everything going and work around the problems as they arose. They logged countless hours, and we can't thank them enough.

This year our trap line help came from four schools; Milwaukee Lutheran, Kettle Moraine, Waukesha North, and Brookfield Central. I heard several positive comments regarding the help this year. Once we got through the first and always most

difficult day, I thought the help did an outstanding job all week. We did have a couple issues and they were dealt with very quickly. We did a few things differently to get the help ready, we will look at all that and continue to improve on what worked. From the schools, I heard from several of the coaches that the kids had many positive interactions with our shooters and found it to be a positive experience.

The weather gods did not smile on us at all!! We had a scant amount of sun, a couple rain drops, cold and horrible wind. The head, tail, and left to right cross wind, swirling constantly, made target setting difficult. Usually, we get high heat and humidity, next year look for snow !!

Championship weekend brought out the kids. On Saturday we had the AIM championships ran concurrently with the singles championship and Sunday brought out the WTA youth development shoot. It was great to see all the kids shooting and many great scores were shot. Congratulations to all of our youth shooters on their fine efforts!!

It is our hope that you had a positive experience and an enjoyable time during the state shoot. Mark your calendars, tentative dates for next year are July 13 through the 18th.

Complete results for the complete state shoot and the AIM championship are posted on the link on the homepage of the website.

Thank you to everyone, our WTA employees, the entire board of directors, our sponsors, and mostly our shooters and guests for making this a great state shoot.

See you next year !!!!

Brad Patterson