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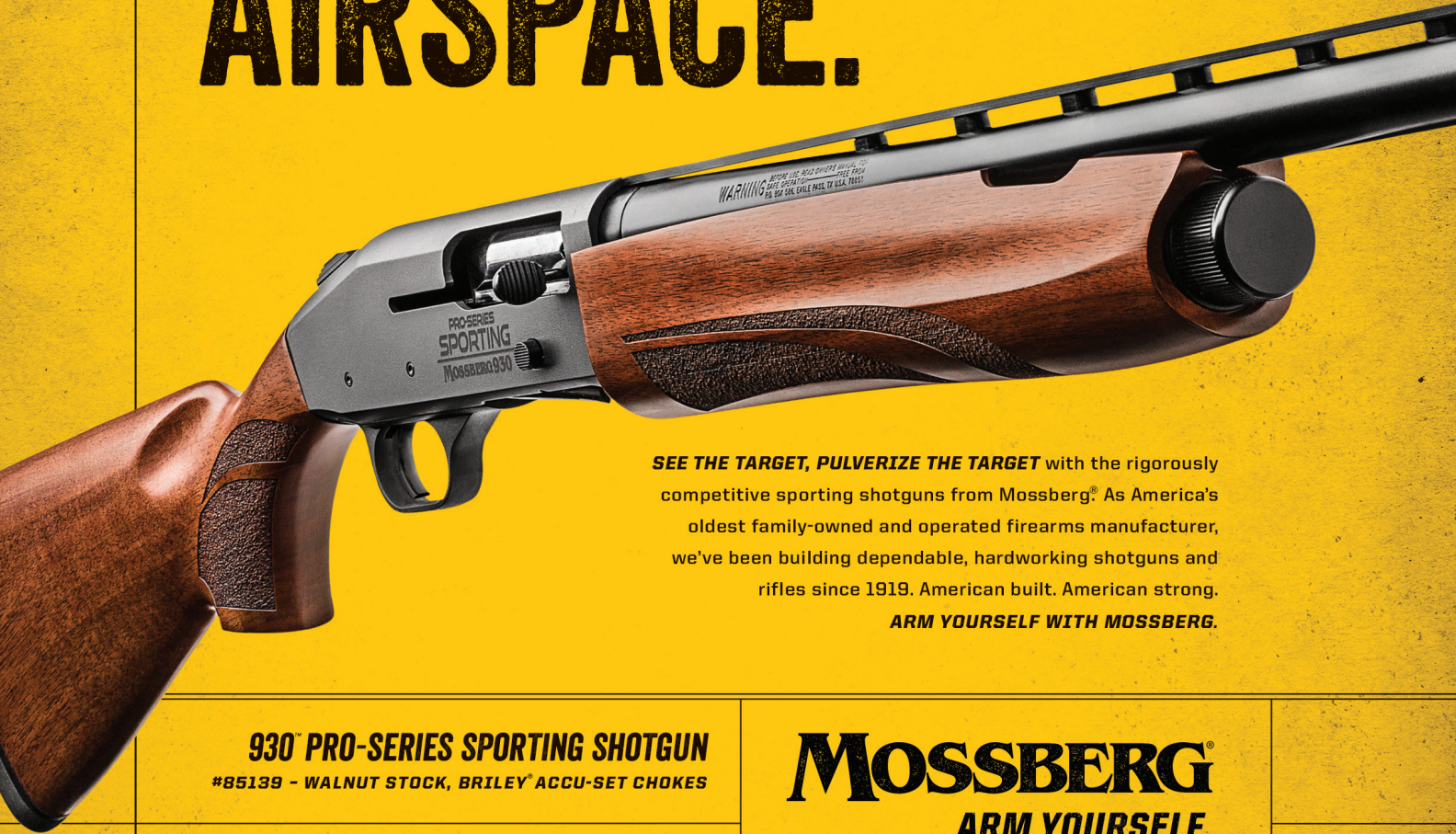
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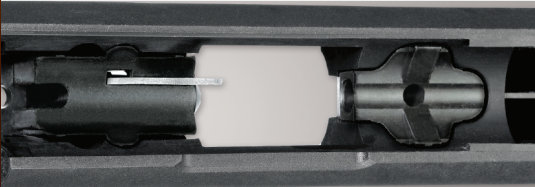
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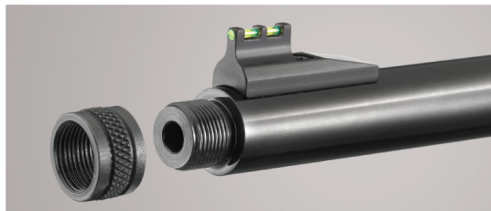
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# A Message From your Editor

To many experienced shooters, “recoil” doesn’t mean a whole lot. You might have to adjust to it depending upon what you are shooting and in what discipline you are shooting, but you “can handle it.” You think! Even an experienced shooter may have difficulty with heavy calibers or shooting for an extended period of time. Have you ever watched a competitor shooting a 12-gauge semi-auto in 3-Gun competition through a whole stage shooting 30-40 shotgun shells and maybe some slugs as well? Watch carefully how they maintain their stance. Do they lean forward into the shotgun pulling the stock into their shoulder pocket? Is their back leg far enough back and providing good support? Do they do this all the way through or do they have a tendency to start standing up, straightening both their back and knees? This is what you don’t want to do; however, many people subconsciously do this trying to avoid recoil.

A subconscious fear of recoil will make you jerk the trigger, pull the barrel down and off target, start to have the rifle or shotgun stock move out of the shoulder pocket up further on the shoulder and onto the shoulder tendon and bone. Then they start moving it away from the shoulder and get even more recoil and pain. All of these are bad, especially for a new shooter. The worst is when they actually damage the body. The second worst is when the answer to the question “Do you want to go shooting?” is “Nope, not me.”

Using the correct shooting position and reducing recoil as much as possible through the use of compensators, recoil pads, and recoil-reduction systems is something every instructor and shooter should be concerned

with. Using a recoil pad is NOT being a sissy! It is being smart!

Shooting should be fun and a great experience, not painful. Know what you are doing and your responsibility to keep those with you safe, and leave the range with a desire to come back again.

Check out more on recoil safety and shoulder pads in our Safety column on page 65 and in the Gear Guide on page 73 in this issue. ©



Andy Fink, Editor-In-Chief

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We are very impressed with the Ruger Precision Rimfire! We published our first article on it in the Volume 33 Winter 2018 issue based on our initial testing. Since then, I purchased five more; four in .22 LR and one in .22 Winchester® Magnum. The intention was to use these for training and competition within the Junior Shooters Shooting Club program. It has been a huge success.

We have been testing and training with them and competing in-house for the last three months.

A variety of scopes were used, including Bushnell, Nikon®, Redfield™, Leupold, and IOR. These are all MOA scopes but most of them with grid lines and variable up to 12X. Each rifle was zeroed at 50 yards allowing the use of BDC reticles on a couple of the scopes. A variety of ammunition was used, but we found that we got the best groups using SK Match .22 LR

.22 spinners have been shot at 25 and 50 yards. (Two of the juniors, so far, have actually spun the spinners at 50 yards). Clays have been shot at 100 yards. We plan on moving out to 150 and 200 yards soon. We have dueling competitions at 25 yards using a .22 dueling tree (4 targets that flip back and forth). We also dueled on a Caldwell .22 shooting gallery at .25 yards with a few of the juniors hitting 10 out of 10!

One of the most amazing things about this rifle is that the stock and comb can be adjusted for length of pull and cheek placement for almost any size shooter. This is relatively easy to do when switching between shooters if you have enough time. The adjustment is quick but may take some time depending upon the shooter. Though we did take the time for each shooter to adjust their scope focus, we did not physically move the scope from shooter to shooter. The shooters did not always use the same gun. This made competition challenging but worked out considering the number of shooters we have had at practices and the variety in sizes and ages (8-17).

If you have a couple of juniors (adults too) and really want to have some shooting fun, get a couple of these Ruger Precision Rimfires along with a .22 dueling tree and .22 spinner from MGM Targets. You will have a blast!

Here is what some of our juniors wrote:

Seven shots were used to check group size at 50 yards in a 2-7 mile-an-hour cross-wind. The intention was to use the best five. However, all seven came in under 1-inch using SK Match ammo



The younger crew gathered around the .22 spinner from MGM Targets with a variety of .22s and a .410 shotgun.







# RUGER® PRECISION RIMFIRE (RPR) AWESOME TRAINING & COMPETITIVE FUN

I went to our *Junior Shooters* target practice at the Parma Rod and Gun Club in May. Our director, Mr. Andy Fink, brought a new rifle and asked me to shoot it to see if I liked it. Well, there is one thing I am always happy to do is shooting, but this was something really fun.

I test-fired a new Ruger Precision Rimfire rifle. It is a bolt action, caliber .22 Long Rifle (LR) in a really great new design. It looks so much like the new Ruger Precision Rifle offered in centerfire calibers, but this model is the rimfire version. This rifle comes complete with a Quick-Fit adjustable black synthetic stock. The popular Ruger 10-round rotary magazine came standard with the test rifle. That is really cool because there are so many aftermarket Ruger-style magazines available. My test rifle had an 18-inch barrel covered by a free-floating forearm with Magpul M-LOK® slots. This made it easy to attach a Warne® tactical bipod, which I will describe later. The Ruger weighed about 6 or 7 pounds, so it was easy to carry. I really liked the pistol grip, but the part I liked most was the adjustable stock. I could change the cheek rest to meet the height of the scope and adjust the length of pull to match my shoulder/arm length.

The test rifle doesn't come equipped with sights but has a factory picatinny rail. Mr. Fink installed a Warne Scope Mount on the rail along with an IOR 4-12X50mm scope. The neat part about this scope was it has a ring near the front lens that can be used to adjust the focus. My grandpa said it puts the focal plain with the crosshairs so that they look focused.

The Warne® Skyline™ Long Range Bipod would be a great equipment item for any tactical use. I used it from a fixed bench rest on the target range. I found the legs had a little lever to press, and then the legs rapidly extended or retracted. Both legs were adjustable and wobbled to different angles. Once the legs were adjusted, I could turn a knob on each leg to lock it into position.

Well, now comes the fun. Mr. Fink told me to post a target page with a center target and four smaller targets at a distance of about 50 yards. I started adjusting the scope to the 50-yard range by using Winchester Super X caliber .22 LR. They were all over the place at first. Once I was hitting the paper, I changed to SK Ammunition in a black box with the red letters Match 22. The range had a 0-5 mph crosswind, so all the shots with all ammo tested were varied by wind drift. Holding a steady sight picture was difficult during wind gust so I tried to wait for calm. The calm didn't happen. Just the same, I did manage a three-round group that I'm sure I could have covered with a nickel. I was really happy about that. Then I tried a box of SK Ammo with the yellow label that said Standard. I really could not tell much difference from the SK Match or the Standard, mainly because of the wind drift. One difference I did notice was the Match Ammo did not make as loud a crack at the muzzle as did the Standard Ammo. It was the Match Ammo that made the really tight group. My grandpa explained the Match Ammo may be a subsonic speed ammo and the Standard Ammo may be supersonic ammo. I don't know much about the truth of that explanation, but it sounded cool.

After I shot the 50-yard target and got the scope zeroed, we moved to a target at 100 yards. I was going to adjust to the 100 yards when a thunderstorm came closer with lightning and more wind, so we ended our test and went home. If you are thinking of getting into rimfire target shooting, I think you should try the Ruger Precision Rimfire rifle and a box of SK Ammunition. Oh, the Warne bipod was a great way to steady the rifle.



*Caleb adjusting smush bag prior to settling into a good shooting position.*

# CALEB



*One of the RPRs with a Redfield tactical .22 BDC reticle scope. Sight it in for 50 yards and it has marks for 75, 100, 125, and 150. This is the first time we used SK ammunition, both standard .22LR and match. The match was slightly better resulting in outstanding and consistent groups.*



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# LOGAN

Today's experience was great! We learned how to spot and shoot a Ruger Precision Rimfire .22 LR with a scope. I found it easy to use. It was the first time I handled a .22 bolt-action. When I spotted, I had to look in a spotting scope, and then if the shooter missed, I would tell him by how far, but if the shooter hit, I would say "hit."

I mostly shot at spinning targets and tried to make it flip over. This was my first time trying to make a spinner flip. I could not do it, but it was really close. I had a great time today. I learned how to shoot a scoped .22 bolt-action. It was really windy when we were shooting. Overall, today was a great day. I had tons of fun, and I learned a lot.

# CLAYSON

Shooting and hitting targets is always satisfying, but doing it with a .22 LR is more challenging and lots of fun. I am very impressed with the Ruger Precision Rimfire. First, I spent some time trying to spin a 25-yard spinner which took a little doing with a bolt-gun. I accomplished that objective on the second try in seven shots. It was my first time shooting the Ruger Precision Rimfire in .22 Long Rifle. After spinning the 25-yard spinner, I went to the 50-yard spinner. This took multiple magazines to reload, but after barely making it over, it felt awesome!

Finally, there was the 200-yard clay pigeon. One shot was taken to see how much I needed to adjust. With help from my spotter, and after I took the shot, I adjusted to how much we thought was needed. I was still low, and by a lot as well, so I had to use Kentucky windage using the dash marks on the scope. For my final shot I pulled the trigger, a shot rages out, and a moment later I saw an impact; the top of the clay was broken, and the satisfaction couldn't have been greater. Wow!

# KADEN

At *Junior Shooters* practice last month, we were given the opportunity to shoot the Ruger Precision Bolt Action Rimfire .22. The *Junior Shooters* program is a great program for we get to shoot different firearms, learn techniques, and practice for our 3-gun matches.

The firearm had a nice trigger, not too stiff or too sensitive. This firearm was smooth-cycling and didn't jam once while I was shooting.

The Ruger Precision 22. was light, and black in color. It has a pretty cool Redfield .22 Tactical MOA scope. We zeroed the scope at 50 yards and then used the second dash down on the scope to hit the targets at 100 yards. Right on the money. The Ruger Precision is a very accurate rifle. I felt like this Redfield scope was a perfect match for the firearm that I was shooting.

In conclusion, I had a lot of fun shooting the Ruger Precision Rimfire in .22, and I hope to be able to shoot more in the future.



**Kaden shooting with coach Brian spotting**

The gun I used was the .22 bolt-action Ruger. I liked how I had to move a lever to load the gun. I could not really tell if the bullets hit the targets very easily, so it was nice to have a partner using a scope and saying "hit" when you hit the target. I liked how the guns didn't make a lot of noise. The spinner was fun to hit, but hard to make it spin. I wasn't able to make it spin 360 degrees, but I almost had it a couple of times. The scope was hard to adjust. I was able to pick the best setting for myself.

The gun I shot was great for distance and was very accurate. I was impressed by this Ruger and the ammunition I used which was SK .22 Long Rifle Match! I really liked the feel of the gun, and trigger was nice. Shooting for me was a little hard because of the wind. I had to adjust my aim. The gun was very good. I had a great day, and I can't wait to go again!



*Ethan getting ready to shoot while Kaden is spotting.*

# ETHAN



*Kaitlin almost got the spinner over at 25 yards and was very excited.*

# KAITLIN

This was my first time shooting a bolt-action gun. It was a great experience! I learned how to reload a .22 Ruger magazine for the Precision Rimfire. Reloading a .22 magazine is very hard. It took me about five times before I got used to it. I also learned how to adjust my scope. Getting the scope just right was a little harder than you would think. This was my first time adjusting a scope, and I know it will become easier as I get used to it.

I had a fun time handling the Ruger Precision .22 bolt-action. This .22 bolt-action was very fast and accurate, and I was excited to shoot it. This was my favorite gun! I look forward to shooting it in the future.



# ASHLEY

**Ashley was all smiles while shooting the RPR .22 LR.**

Hearing bullets pierce the air is a sound that I have grown quite fond of. I have a great interest in shooting guns. Today I shot some Ruger Precision Rimfire .22 LR bolt-actions that were amazing! Wow! I want one. Sadly, it was quite windy today, and our shots were anything but accurate. Hitting targets was hard because of this. What matters, though, is that we enjoyed ourselves and left with more knowledge.

Today I learned how to shoot another type of gun. It was also the first time I shot a gun unsupervised (without an adult standing right over my shoulder, not all the time). Bolt-actions are cool guns, and I like how much they can be adjusted, although it is a little confusing at the same time. Today was a lot of fun for both my family and me!

# RILEY



**Brody was Kaitlin's spotter and helper. Team building starts young. Notice the safety flag in and the finger off the trigger.**

The Ruger Precision Rimfire .22 LR bolt-action is really fun to shoot, and it is very accurate. I have been used to shooting larger weapons, and this one made me feel younger, even though I'm only 13 years old.

The scope on the rifle I shot has a power of 1-7 so you could see a little farther. A bipod was installed so that you can lay down and have better control of the weapon while firing. The scope was zeroed for 50 yards so it kept hitting above the crosshairs at 25 yards. After a familiarization run, I took my shot at trying the spinner at 25 yards. It actually turned out pretty easy to spin the spinners with 8. I had a big smile on my face as I was the first to spin the spinner with the Ruger Precision Rimfire.

This rifle is very lightweight for a long-range gun, weighing in at 6.8 pounds. The bolt has zero resistance, and the trigger is approximately a 4-pound pull. I would purchase this gun for the great way it shoots, and the look is different than most .22's. ©



**Riley guiding Gavin (9) through setup. Gavin was able to hit the top of the spinner consistently at 50 yards.**

I was lucky enough to be able to get to shoot this cool gun, the Ruger Precision Rimfire! It is a bolt-action 22 LR with 10-round or 15-round magazines. (It uses the same magazines the 10/22 does). I really liked the adjustable cheekpiece and buttstock. The trigger was very light with no creep at all. I liked the look of the gun; it was just cool. The bolt on the gun was very smooth, and it was easy to manipulate it quickly.

The pistol grip was very comfortable, and due to the gun being so comfortable to shoot, I was able to get good hits on a spinner set out at 50 yards. I wasn't able to get it over, but I came close. This is an awesome gun, and I do plan on getting one!



*Top left: Ryder and Gavin competing on the dueling tree. Left: Kiana and KJ brother and sister, on the dueling tree. Top right, the younger crew by the .22 dueling tree from MGM Targets.*

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# PIERRE JUNIOR SHOOTERS TAKE NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP



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## AT DAISY 2019 NATIONAL BB GUN CHAMPIONSHIP MATCH

By Lawrence Taylor

Each year the Daisy National BB Gun Championship Match features youth teams from across the nation competing in this 5-meter, 4-position National Championship match, and this year the Pierre Junior Shooters from Pierre, South Dakota, edged the team out of Walton County, Ga., to take home the Gold Medal and traveling trophy. The event wrapped Saturday night, July 6, with a festive medal ceremony that named not only the Team National Championship, but also Championships in Individual, Alternate and Champion Divisions.

Sixty-four teams converged on Rogers, Arkansas, for the 54th year of the "Daisy Nationals," from as far away as Oregon, Montana, Georgia and Houston, Texas. Teams consist of five shooters and two alternates ages 8-15, who have completed the Daisy Curriculum and other training provided by organizations such as the 4H Shooting Sports, Royal Rangers, the American Legion and other community and youth based clubs. Teams must also place first, second or third in their state's NRA-sanctioned contest to get an invite.



*Individual Champ Eric Bird*



*Medal Winners*



*Young lady shooting prone using a Daisy competition BB gun*



*Coach helping a junior get ready for his next shot.*



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1. **Eric Bird, Wyandotte County, KS**
2. **Anthony Stacy, Walton County, GA**
3. **Irene VanDyke, Carvelius, OR**
4. **Daisy Teague, Monroe, GA**
5. **Hannah Menges, Washington, MO**

## Individual High Aggregate Top Five

“The Daisy Nationals is a celebration of youth competitive shooting,” said Daisy Public Relations Director Lawrence Taylor. “Competitive BB gun shooting is your gateway to the shooting sports. We’ve had youth compete in the Daisy Nationals who went on to compete – and win – in Olympic shooting events.”

Youth competitors shoot 10 shots from each of four positions – Standing, Kneeling, Sitting and Prone – at the target placed at 5 meters, and these kids are good. They shoot Daisy Model 499B Champion BB guns, billed as the most-accurate BB gun in the world. Each year multiple shooters place all

10 shots in the bullseye.

There’s also a safety aspect to this match. On the first day, every competitor takes a 50-question written test that covers gun safety, match rules and shooting knowledge. The results of the test make up 20 percent of each competitor’s final score, and that can be the difference between the Gold and Silver medals.

An award is given to the team that scores highest on the test, and this year for the first time, three teams from South Dakota tied to win this award: the Humboldt Sharpshooters, Marshall County and the Pierre Junior Shooters.

Eric Bird from Wyandotte County, Kansas, shot a 488 with 21 bullseyes

to win the Individual National Championship, and he had a perfect score on the written test. Bird said he’s been shooting for seven years and competing for four. Right at Bird’s heels was Anthony Stacy from Walton County, Ga., who shot a 485 with 21 bullseyes. The tightest race in the Individual Division was between Stacy and bronze medal winner Irene VanDyke of Carvelius, Oregon. (Go Timber Beasts!), who also scored 485 but had two less bullseyes.

In the Team Division, winning the Silver Medal was Walton County 4H out of Georgia. Walton County scored 2382 with 87 bullseyes – two more than the Pierre Junior Shooters,





*Costume contest.*



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1. **Pierre Junior Shooters, Pierre, SD**
2. **Walton County 4H, Walton County, GA**
3. **Marshall County 4H Sharp Shooters, Marshall County, SD**
4. **Humboldt Sharpshooters, Humboldt, SD**
5. **Permian Basin Young Guns, Midland, TX**

## Top 5 Teams

who won the event with 2385. The Marshall County 4H Sharp Shooters took the Bronze Medal with a score of 2363 with 70 bullseyes. Rounding out the top five was the Humboldt Sharpshooters from Hartford, S.D., followed by the Permian Basin Young Guns from Midland, Texas.

“Competitive shooting teaches mental focus, patience, coordination and the bigger lessons of practicing to improve a skill,” Taylor said. “That’s very easy to see in shooting because your shot groupings are big when you first start, but as you practice those groups shrink and get tighter – it’s the perfect illustration of how you improve through practice.

“We’ve also seen how this program improves the lives of those with attention disorders or issues. Competitive shooting requires disciplined breathing and muscle memory, and tack-sharp focus. Coaches have repeatedly told us how kids who were struggling with school or other issues have improved in those areas after getting into competitive shooting.”

The Daisy Nationals match rules state that a youth who shoots on a team this year must sit out and let another youth have the opportunity to shoot on the team. But, these former team members are not left out - they can attend and compete in

the Champions Match.

This BB Gun National Championship is not child’s play – it’s a serious match and the competitors approach it with reverence – but there’s plenty of fun for everyone over the four days. Teams compete in side-contests at the Opening Ceremonies, dressing for the chance to win the T-Shirt, Costume/Theme or Most-Patriotic contests sponsored by Academy Sports + Outdoors. The traditional barter bar brings all of the teams together to trade items they bring from home. And after Closing Ceremonies and the Medal Presentation, all of the teams get a few hours at the local water park. ☺

*Reanna Frauens, the first SCTP Female Athlete to shoot 200 straight at SCTP Nationals, won her second straight "Last Competitor Standing" event at this year's SCTP Nationals.*

*2019 SCTP National Championship athletes were also treated to a special shooting demonstration by CZ-USA's Dave Miller on Wednesday, July 17th.*



# THE 2019 SCHOLASTIC CLAY TARGET PROGRAM NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS



## NEW NAMES, ACCOMPLISHMENTS & CREDENTIALS GO ON RECORD BOOKS

By: Gary Weisbaum



If you were anywhere near central Ohio in July, it was easy to see and feel that something “special” was taking place. The Scholastic Clay Target Program 2019 National Championships were in full force from July 12th thru July 20th at the Cardinal Shooting Center in Marengo, Ohio.

The SCTP Program had its largest event on record with over 6,300 entries in Skeet, Skeet Doubles, Trap, Trap Doubles, Handicap Trap, Sporting Clays, and Bunker Trap. 2,343 athletes, coaches’ volunteers, and families from 240 teams and 30 states attended. Over 2 Million targets were thrown for competition, practice and side games.....the most in SCTP history!

Grace Marlen became the second SCTP Female Athlete in SCTP History to shoot 200 straight at Nationals.

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For a complete listing of the 2019 SCTP National Championship winners, go to [www.mysctp.com](http://www.mysctp.com) and click on **RESULTS**.

In addition, over \$100,000.00 in College Scholarships were presented to SCTP and SASP Athletes at this year's 2019 National Championships. That included special individual sponsorships from SCTP sponsors Browning, Blaser and Beretta.

The Scholastic Shooting Sports Foundation (SSSF) recently announced the next 10 years of Scholastic Action Shooting Sports and Scholastic Clay Target Program National Championships will be held at the Cardinal Shooting Center.

And as soon as the 2019 National Championships were over, planning started for the 2020 SCTP National Championships, July 11-18, 2020. Whether you shoot Trap, Skeet, Sporting Clays or any other clay target discipline, make your plans to attend the largest event of its kind, The SCTP National Championships! If you are not part of an SCTP Team, you can contact us at [www.mysctp.com](http://www.mysctp.com) and we will help you!

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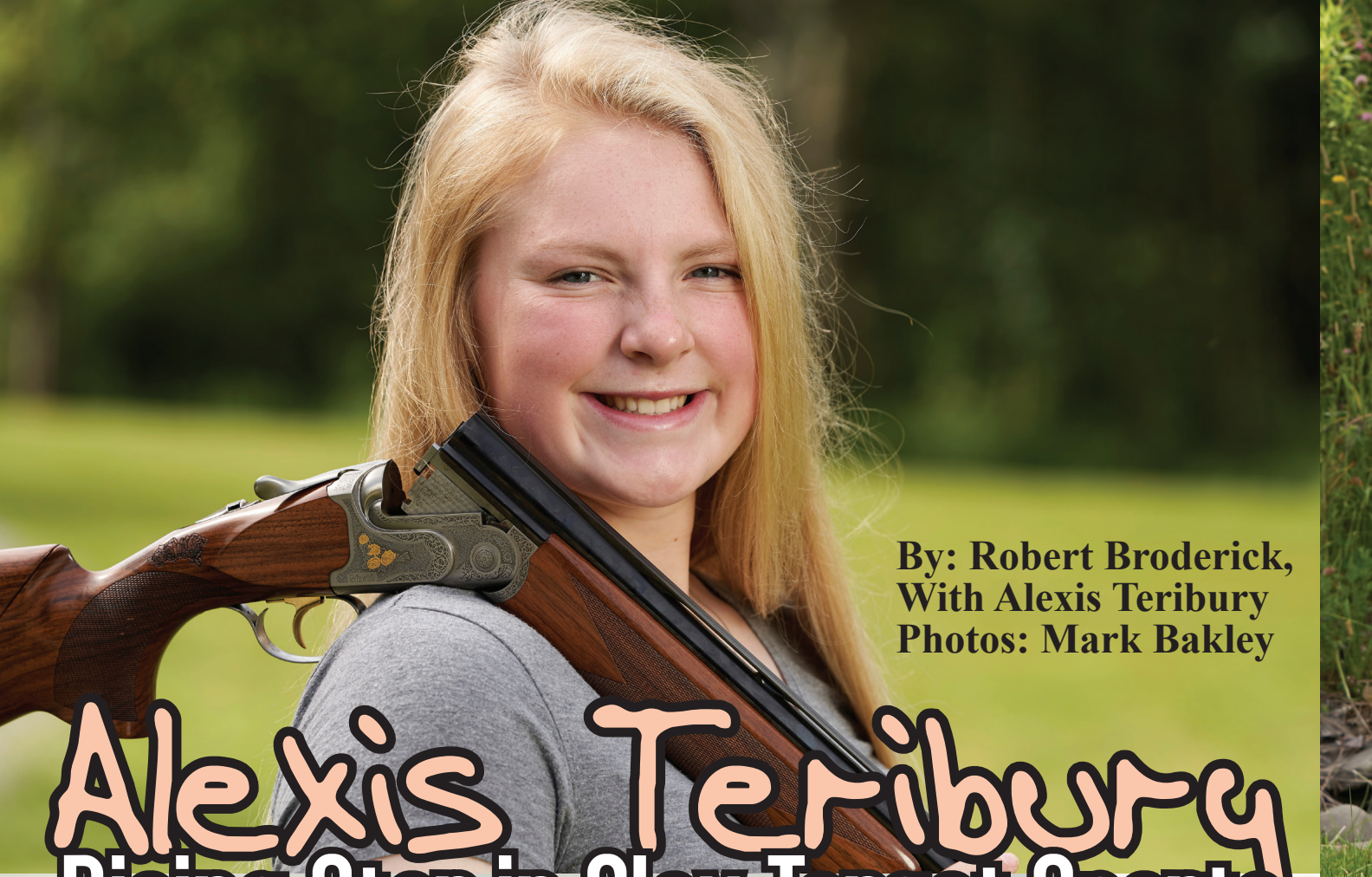
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**By: Robert Broderick,  
With Alexis Teribury  
Photos: Mark Bakley**

# Alexis Teribury

## Rising Star in Clay Target Sports

Alexis' introduction to hunting and shooting came when she was quite young. While at a sleep over at a friend's house, she, along with several other kids were helping track a deer that the father of one of them had shot. Alexis was the only one who stayed the course and helped track that deer until they found it. "If not for tracking that deer at such an early age with a family friend, I do not know if I would be where I am today. That experience led to my love of hunting, shooting, and the camaraderie it brings," she recalls.

Alexis started her shooting career at the age of 12 with Valley Youth Hunter Education Challenge (Y.H.E.C.) Program. Y.H.E.C. participants compete with .22 rifle, bow, muzzle loader, and shotgun. She won numerous team and individual awards during the 4 years in the program. In 2016 she was overall runner up, and 1st in shotgun in the Junior Division. In 2018 at the Regional competition, she placed 1st in shotgun in the Senior Division. "This is when I decided to

focus on shotgun and the clay target disciplines and seek the guidance of a coach".

Alexis began working with a coach in July 2018 and joined a Scholastic Clay Target Program (SCTP) Team. She practiced weekly, even during Upstate New York winters. "It takes a great deal of self-motivation and dedication to head to the range when it is 20 degrees and snowing. The extra layers of clothing make it difficult to maneuver and maintain proper form. Unfortunately, if I do not shoot during the winter, I lose four months of training".

She was selected to attend the Junior Olympic Development Camp for skeet at the Olympic Training Center in Colorado Springs, Colorado in May of this year. She continued practicing and worked hard fine tuning her fundamentals and strengthening her mental game leading up to the spring SCTP competitions. She competed in 3 Spring SCTP events prior to the NYS Championships. She placed 1st in Senior JV class in the trap

and skeet events and 3rd in the sporting clays event. The NYS Championships were held in June over 2 days. At the end of day one Alexis was high gun overall going to the podium as the NYS SCTP Skeet Champion. She was just 2 targets short of being the Trap Champion. On day 2 she finished 1st in sporting clays making her the NYS SCTP Sporting Clays Champion. In July she competed in the SCTP Nationals in Marengo, Ohio and took home the Silver Medal as the Ladies Senior JV Runner Up in sporting clays.

If Alexis is not on a gun range practicing, you will find her in the barn with her trusty Lab Athena tending to her growing herd of beef cows, or in the woods hunting anywhere from Pennsylvania to North Carolina to Colorado. If given the opportunity, Alexis will hunt anywhere whether it is with her bow, rifle, muzzle loader, or shotgun. Alexis plans on attending college in the fall of 2020 majoring in Animal Science and continuing her shooting. ©





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- State, Regional and National Championships in both American and International disciplines.
- Competitions in Trap, Skeet, Sporting Clays, International Skeet, Bunker Trap and Olympic Doubles.

- The SCTP is the “official” youth shooting program to Team USA and USA Shooting.
- Junior Olympic Development Camps (JODC’s).... Athletes stay right at the Olympic Training Center!
- Team savings accounts through the Midway USA Foundation....and Endowment funds that we deposit.
- Raffle, new team start-up packages, Banquet packages available through us helping teams raise funds!
- Industry sponsored “special” gun prices for SCTP teams and athletes.
- Industry sponsored “special” ammo prices for SCTP teams and athletes.
- A registration and scoring system for all of our teams and coaches to use and track athletes.
- The SCTP gives out over \$89,000 a year in college scholarships

The SCTP is a National Youth Clay Target Shooting Program focused on “Team”! There is no room for the win at all cost attitude. Much like football, baseball, basketball and track, we help build school/club teams and conferences across the country and have been doing this since 2001 when it started under the National Shooting Sports Foundation!

The SSSF or Scholastic Shooting Sports Foundation now implements this program.

to SCTP athletes graduating from high school. Since 2013, the SCTP has given out over \$350,000

- Prizes! Last year alone the SCTP gave out over 30 guns at our national championships!
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# MICHIGAN CMP

By Serena Juchnowski,  
CMP Feature Writer

**Anthony Wilder  
(left) at the 2018  
President's 100  
Match at Camp  
Perry, Ohio**

Rifle, pistol, shotgun – some themes are universal. What most appeals to Anthony Wilder of Pelkie, Mich., about bullseye pistol shooting is “the challenge, definitely the challenge of it...beating my scores that I have shot in the years past, every year always beating myself.”

Wilder was not the first in his family to discover shooting. Anthony developed an interest in the shooting sports after his brother, Matthew, attended the Youth Shooting Sports Camp put on by the Ottawa Sportsmen's Club in Pelkie. Anthony eagerly listened to his brother's daily accounts of what he did in camp. The mentioning of a pistol team really stuck with Anthony, who was too young at the time to take part in the camp.

Fast forward, and Anthony is a dedicated member of a junior bullseye pistol team. The team makes a yearly pilgrimage from Michigan to Ohio to shoot in the Canton-McKinley CMP EIC Pistol Match and to attend the National Matches at Camp Perry.

While there are many competitors who travel far distances for matches, Anthony describes a devotion-inspired change to the travel schedule the team made several years ago.

“I live about 700 miles away...I live in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan: that upper half, way on the Western side. So, me and my team travel down, we used to do it a day in advance, but now we've been able to wake up at three in the morning and go and make it there in one day. It's usually around first of July, right before the National Matches at Camp Perry. Usually, a lot of us bullseye pistol shooters will go to Canton and compete, then immediately head over to Camp Perry.”

The Canton-McKinley match is especially important to Wilder as it was there in 2018 he earned a bronze pin that he considers his greatest shooting accomplishment. “Last year I won a bronze at the Canton-McKinley EIC CMP Pistol Match, .22 pistol match, and I wear that on my hat every time I go to a match or an event for the pistol team. I always wear it.”

While he always wears the pin, Wilder does not always shoot the same pistol. When competing in junior events and the National CMP .22 Rimfire Pistol EIC match, he uses a Ruger Mark III .22/45. For service pistol events, he competes with a Springfield Armory Range Officer chambered in .45 ACP.

Even though EIC matches, or Excellence-in-Competition matches, are common events for his team, Anthony's sights are not currently set on the Distinguished Badge, but rather on improving for himself and doing the best that he can.

“Right now, I'm not looking for EIC points but probably in the future I might, towards my last few years of a junior I probably will,” he said.

Headed into his senior year of high school, Anthony Wilder is certain that bullseye pistol shooting will always be a part of his life.

“I will definitely stick around, even after I age out on the junior team, I will stick around to help my coach with training new shooters and stuff like that. I'm setting my goal that by my last year as a junior to at least come second place in the CMP Junior President's 100, that would probably be the match I really want to win, or at least come close to winning.”

Besides the prestige of the match, Camp Perry is a special place. Wilder attributes this to his fellow competitors and teammates.

“I would say it's the people that I shoot alongside with. To me, they are some of the nicest people I have ever met and probably ever will meet.”

Anthony describes the pistol team dynamic as “different” than those of traditional athletic teams. Wilder admires the practicality of marksmanship and the fact that members of the armed forces put the very techniques he is learning into practice. Wilder places a great emphasis on consistency as what he has learned about it on the range has carried into his everyday life.

He offers the following to new shooters, saying, “When you take a bad shot, don't worry about it, forget that shot and focus on the next one.” For Wilder, competitive shooting is more about personal growth and achievement than about titles and winning.

So, what is Anthony Wilder looking for? He is considering joining the Marine Corps but for now is just hoping to shoot better each day than he did the time before. He also builds on the friendships he makes on the range, sharing a passion for metal detecting with his coach, Bob Gardner.

Despite what one might say is an irresistible temptation, the metal detector stays at home on range days.

“I can usually spot [spent brass] on the ground, otherwise the machine would just go nuts,” he added.

Join Anthony on the Firing Line at Camp Perry this year! For National Match information, schedule and registration, visit <http://thecmp.org/competitions/cmp-national-matches/>. ©

# JUNIOR FEATURE: ANTHONY WILDER



*Team at Camp Perry - from left to right: Coach Bob Gardner; Matthew Wilder, Jack Gockenback, Anthony Wilder, Joel Apper*

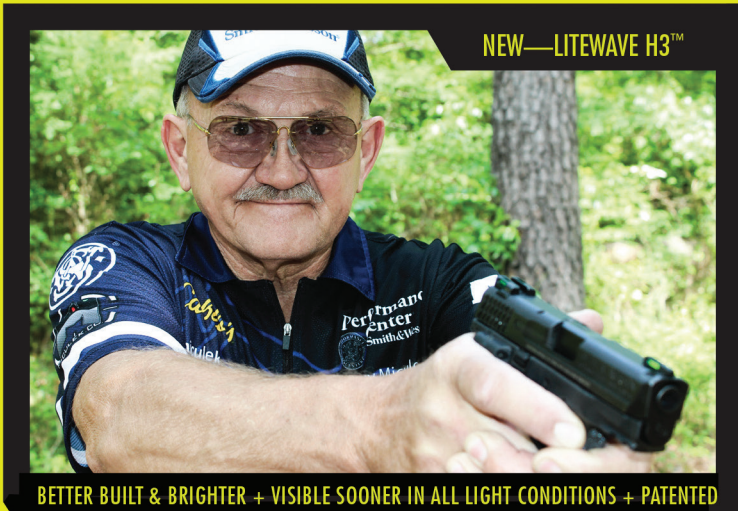


*Anthony Wilder at Ottawa Sportsmen's Club; Pelkie, MI*

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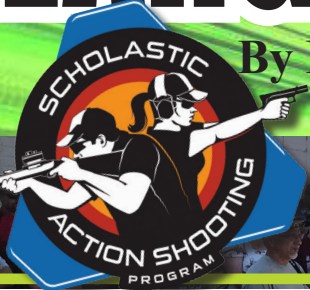
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# The **LARGEST** Action Shooting Match in History!

By Rick Leach



*Athletes participating in the safety briefing before competing.*

## The 2019 Scholastic Action Shooting Program National Championships!



*Graduating Senior Ethan Inocando competing in rifle*



*Tommy Hurda of WI shooting his RUGER 10-22 Rifle*

History was made at the 2019 Scholastic Action Shooting Programs National Championships!

Over 65 SASP teams from 20 states from as far away as Washington State traveled with their Youth Athletes, Coaches, Volunteers, and Parents all came together at the Cardinal Shooting Center in Marengo, Ohio for what proved to be a Record Breaking 2019 SASP National Championship.

With over 1,650 entries, this years SASP National Championship surpassed Glock Shooting Sports Foundation to become the largest Action Shooting Match in history. SASP founding sponsors Glock, Ruger, CZ USA, and Action Target were all in attendance to be a part of this historic milestone. Over 250,000 shots were fired at the 2019 National Championship competitions.

Congratulations to all our 2019 SASP National Championship Individual and team winners.

Special Recognition to Lake Country Action Shooters of Wisconsin for winning their 5th consecutive Senior Centerfire Championship. For results go to,

<http://shot.sssfonline.com/shot/web/publish/results/index.asp?eid=150>

The Scholastic Action Shooting Program also added an All-State competition this year. The top two finishing athletes in rimfire and centerfire pistol from their respective state matches making up their ALL-State Pistol team, and the top two Rimfire Rifle and top two Pistol Caliber Carbine athletes made up the All-State Rifle squads.

Congratulations to the All-State team

**Texas Athlete Robert Allison shooting Optic Rifle**



**Rookie Rifle athlete Rebekah Mignery of Ohio shooting rifle under the watchful eye of her coach and safety officers.**



**Intermediate Entry Athlete Mathew Sauer of WI, shooting 1911 pistol on CZ USA Day**



**Hylie Remling, 10 years old, shooting for Plateau Pistol shooters**



members for making their state teams and to this year's winners:

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**3rd Place**

Iowa 207.47

**RIFLE**

**1st Place**

Wisconsin 133.47

**2nd Place**

Iowa 137.92

**3rd Place**

Ohio 150.29

During the 2019 SASP Nationals, SASP Team had the chance to watch shooting demos from many of the industry's finest competitive shooters including CZ USA's Matt Hopkins, Sig Sauer's Max Michel and Lena Miculek, Jim Kuzak Jr. from Team Glock and Becky, Tim, Shawn, and Andrew Yackley from STI.

SASP would like to thank all our safety officer volunteers who put in over 1000 combined hours in the 90 plus degree heat and humidity. We could not have had the match without them! And our thanks to the staff at the Cardinal Center for their support during this year's SASP National Championship.

In addition, over \$100,000.00 in College Scholarships were presented to SCTP and SASP Athletes at this year's 2019 National Championships.

The Scholastic Shooting Sports Foundation (SSSF) recently announced the next 10 years of Scholastic Action Shooting Sports and Scholastic Clay Target Program National Championships will be held at the Cardinal Shooting Center.

For everyone involved it was an amazing week and now it's time to start planning for the next record setting SASP National Championship event, July 11-18, 2020! ©

# DO YOU HAVE AN



*Athletes training at the OTC*

# OLYMPIC DREAM?

**By Rick Leach**

Some Scholastic Action Shooting Program (SASP) athletes now have a dream to win Olympic gold representing the United States of America. After a 5-year hiatus the SASP in cooperation with USA Shooting held a Junior Olympic Training Camp at the Olympic Training Center in Colorado Springs Colorado.

SASP athletes had the opportunity to train and compete alongside US Olympians while at the Olympic Training Center. From May 24-26, 2019 12 Scholastic Action Shooting Program (SASP) athletes learned to

shoot the International disciplines of 10 Meter Air Pistol, Sport Pistol and Rapid-Fire Pistol. Athletes stayed at the Olympic Training Center and were trained by USA Shooting Coach Brent McPherson and former USA National Team Member and USA Shooting Board Member Jim Henderson.

For action shooters the athletes picked up the Olympic disciplines quickly. Before they left the Olympic Training Center 8 of 12 athletes shot 10M Air Pistol scores that would have qualified them last year to be invited to the Junior

Olympic Trials for a chance to make the United States Junior Olympic Team. Coach Jim Henderson stated, "In all my years of coaching I have never seen a group of athletes pick this up so quickly, and then perform at this high of a level."

Congratulations to the following SASP athletes who applied and were selected to attend the SASP 2019 JODC.

Jordan Walton WI, Annie Unsell AL, Bailey Lueders MO, Julia Kassa AZ, Sydnie Gray MI, Natalie Unsell AL, Jacob Pruitt OH, Ethan Jardines VA, Robert Little TX, Sawyer





**SASP JODC coaches and athletes**



**Running drills alongside Paralympic Athlete Mike Tagliapietra**

Phipps TN, Zachary Winton TX, and Maccoy Gilkison VA.

Prior to the athletes' arrival, SASP coaches and SASP staff participate in an international discipline coach's clinic on May 22 and 23 before helping coach the SASP athletes upon their arrival. Russell Gilkison VA, Samantha Engle MI were the coaches that participated in the coach program.

SASP is excited to watch as these athletes continue to participate in the International disciplines with hopes of one day seeing one of them standing on the podium as the American Flag is raised as they represent our county in international competition.

We look forward to again holding a JODC in 2020.

SASP would like to thank USA Shooting, especially Brent and Jim for their coaching and working with us to provide this great opportunity for our athletes. We would also like to thank the US Olympic Training Center for their hospitality. ©



# SCHOLASTIC ACTION SHOOTING PROGRAM



SASP teams can compete in both pistol (centerfire and rimfire) and rimfire rifle matches.

**SASP uses the discipline of speed shooting on steel targets, which is unique to our program, combining the best features of other disciplines to allow athletes to practice and participate in exciting matches with less specialized equipment.**

We hope you, your school or your shooting club will consider becoming part of SASP.



SASP teams can compete in matches that are held locally, state, regionally, and nationally, plus we have a virtual match series that runs year-round.

### Questions?

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# JOIN SASP

## PROGRAM GOALS:

- Teach the safe and responsible handling and use of firearms
- Provide a supportive team-based environment using the shooting sports as the catalyst for teaching life lessons and skills that emphasize positive character traits and citizenship values
- Introduce young shooters to a sport that can be enjoyed for a lifetime, one that offers a level playing field, and one that all family members can enjoy together

## MISSION STATEMENT:

The Scholastic Shooting Sports Foundation is an educational-athletic organization that exists to introduce school-age youths to the shooting sports and to facilitate their continued involvement by providing, promoting, and perpetuating opportunities to safely and enjoyably participate and compete in a high-quality, team-based sport led by trained adult coaches focused on enhancing the personal growth and development of their athletes.

## VISION STATEMENT:

To continue to be recognized and respected as the leader in the youth development shooting sports programs.

## PROGRAM SPONSOR:

The Scholastic Shooting Sports Foundation (SSSF) is the National Governing Body (NGB) for youth speed shooting and the Scholastic Action Shooting Program (SASP). SASP was started by SSSF in 2012.

## PROGRAM SCOPE:

The SASP offers participation in speed shooting using pistols and .22 rifles.

## PROGRAM FOCUS:

**TEAMS!** The SASP is a **TEAM-BASED** program, focusing on youth development. Participation in SASP should be fun, and there is no place for a win-at-all-costs attitude.

## TEAM SUPERVISION:

An adult Volunteer Head Coach leads each team. Volunteer State Advisors provide support for in-state activities and support to their Volunteer Head Coaches and Assistant Coaches. Full-time Directors of Development coordinate the program, and they are assisted by National Coach Trainers and the National Training Team. National Coach Trainers are responsible for coach development and training.

## REGISTRATION FEES:

The registration fee for State Advisors, Head Coaches, Assistant Coaches, and Adult Volunteers is \$30.00. This fee covers the cost of liability insurance and a portion of the cost of a background check. All adults working directly with SASP athletes must be registered with the SSSF. To be covered by SSSF liability insurance, a volunteer must be registered with the National Program.

The membership for each registered athlete, including Collegiate, is \$20.00. The fee covers the cost of insurance and awards. All athletes must be registered by their Head Coach.

## PARTICIPANT ELIGIBILITY:

Students in grades 6-12 are eligible for the Intermediate and Senior Divisions in the pistol and rifle disciplines. Students in grades 5 and below are eligible for the Rookie Division in the rifle discipline. There is no age limit for those enrolled as full-time students in the Collegiate Division. College athletes must be enrolled and attending an accredited college or university. All athletes must be academically eligible to participate in their school's extracurricular sports program.

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# WHAT SASP MEANS TO MY FAMILY

By Eliot Jardines





**ADAM**



**ETHAN**

The Scholastic Action Shooting Program has had a direct and measurable impact on my three sons. My older two have been in SASP since 2015, and my youngest joined the team in 2017. Since that time, I have seen them grow in confidence, learn the value of teamwork and hone their leadership skills.

In many sports, natural talent is an early and consistent indicator of future success. In SASP on the other hand, dedication and being coachable are the predictors. My sons have learned that when they consistently put the practice time in and listen to their coaches, it always pays off with better performance in the sport. Ultimately, SASP has increased their confidence, and the sport absolutely reinforces that hard work and having a coachable attitude pays off. This is clearly a very important life lesson – one that has positively impacted their schoolwork.

One of the greatest things about SASP is that the sport not only recognizes individual achievement, but also rewards teamwork. Since SASP athletes compete in squads of four, teamwork is a central part of the sport. Through the rigors of competition, my kids have learned the importance of working corroboratively and looking out for their teammates. Through this unique element of SASP, the top athletes on our team are incentivized to help their other squad mates. You truly understand a concept when you can teach it to another, and that is clearly visible in SASP. We frequently have more accomplished athletes teaching newer shooters, and in the process those more advanced shooters learn not only more about shooting, but also develop teaching skills.



**THE WHOLE TEAM**

SASP has also given our sons opportunities to learn about leadership. Our team has middle school and high school squad leaders as well as a team captain. Through SASP, two of my sons have had the opportunity to serve as squad leaders, which helped them develop as leaders and hone their public speaking skills. This leadership experience has helped them become more organized and focused on helping practices run more efficiently.

I have been involved with youth development programs for well over a decade, and SASP is the only program I know where athletes can learn perseverance, sportsmanship, teamwork, and leadership simultaneously. ©



# GROWING AS A PE

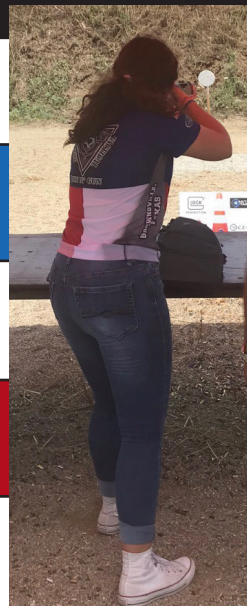
By: Andrea Herrea

My name is Andrea Herrera and I am currently a Sophomore in High School in a small city on the Southern tip of Texas. I first enrolled in the sport of shooting for self-defense reasons. A couple of years ago my city faced what seemed to be a school shooting which resulted in the death of one student. This incident sparked the fear in many, including my parents.

The first time I set foot in the shooting range, I was just there to get a feel of the gun, learn the do's and don'ts and understand what the sport was about. As I started attending practice on a regular basis, I picked up my speed and realized I actually liked it and shortly thereafter started competing.

Being a part of SASP has taught me many valuable things. It has allowed me to grow as a person and become more involved in volunteering at community events for local charities. I have met other people my age and have developed lasting friendships that otherwise might have never existed. I began to see everything around me in a different way. I have also gained shooting skills and much respect for firearms. I believe I have become a little more focused in everyday situations and am more aware of my surroundings. Since I also play softball, I have to endure long days of practice at school for the games and then rush to the shooting range for target practice. This has taught me responsibility and COMMITMENT! I get home as late as 7 pm and still have to





do my homework and house chores. I have also learned to “sacrifice”. I know that I must sacrifice a couple of ballgames or event parties on weekends to attend competitions, but it’s all good sportsmanship.

My entire family loves to make little “road trips” when it’s competition time. Last summer we had the opportunity to go to Ohio for Nationals. This is a state that we had never visited and would love to go back to. I believe my family has had the opportunity to bond more. We have faced difficult times after losing a loved one under tragic circumstances and these road trips have allowed us to spend more time together and slowly begin the healing process.

SASP is much more than just learning how to shoot. It allows us the opportunity to gain knowledge and skills in other areas that we will continue to utilize in every-day life. ©

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