

May 2012 Trap & Field Article  
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It's May and by now Minnesota shooters should have had an opportunity to shoot in at least one of the many ATA Registered events that clubs have offered. May doesn't always offer the kindest of weather in Minnesota but this year may be different. Get out there and support your local club and gear up for the prime shooting months of June, July and August. Good Luck to all Minnesota shooters this season!

Jackpot shooters have enjoyed a wonderful winter this year and the turnouts have been good. Some of the weekly winners in March at the Minneapolis Gun Club were: Jim Walkowiak (2), Scott Prafke and Bob Wiltse. At Buffalo Gun Club, it looks like Mark Stevens has the "Race for the Gold" belt buckle wrapped up with six wins. Ken Norman was a close second with five. Other weekly winners at BGC were Larry Niess, Jim Block, Bill Smith (3) and Jim Hessler. Bill, Larry and Jim all shot 50's! Metro Gun Club's weekly winners were John Bacon (2), Ray Kirchoff, Troy Smith and Chuck Eckstein(2).

Congratulations to Rick Nelson for shooting his 100,000 handicap target at the Spring Grand on Feb. 26<sup>th</sup>. Curt Peterson and Del Haverly also reached milestones at the end of the 2011 season. Curt with 100,000 singles and Del with 50,000 doubles targets. Way to go guys!

We are looking for donated items for the live and silent auctions held at our banquet on Friday evening of the State Shoot. Proceeds go towards the youth fund. Call Mark Zauhar, Glen Lonneman, Sally Stevens or myself if you have anything you would like to donate to either auction. Your contributions are greatly appreciated.

I will be taking a hiatus from next month's article. The 102<sup>nd</sup> MN State Shoot will soon be upon us and our president, Glen Lonneman, will be writing the June article to give you some of the highlights. Glen is doing a great job as our president and we are lucky to have one of the hardest working boards that I've been associated with. Make your plans now to attend our State Shoot, July 9-15.

Please feel free to call or e-mail me if you have any concerns or questions about trapshooting in our state. I appreciate your responses and suggestions that I've been receiving. Also, let me know of any recognition for shooters accomplishments that should be mentioned in future articles. My phone is 507-381-5908 and e-mail is: [ronnoren@embarqmail.com](mailto:ronnoren@embarqmail.com). Visit our web site at [www.minnesotatrap.com](http://www.minnesotatrap.com)

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