

TSSA 2010 SPRING NEWSLETTER

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I have also attached the State Shoot Flyer, Donation Form, and Sign-Up Sheet so you may open and print for your use.

President's Message

Mike Schmitt

2009 was a good year considering the state of our economy. The 2010 skeet season is upon us and I hope that everyone had a great holiday season and a good new year so far. It's time to start planning your skeet season and I hope everyone has been able to practice some during these cold winter months. So whether you enjoy shooting a few rounds at the club or the competitive shoot schedule, its time to dust off your equipment, load some shells and head to the skeet fields.

The 2010 State Team results have been approved and should be posted on the TSSA website by the time you receive this letter. I hope that everyone made their 2009 goals, but last year is in the rear view mirror and its time to start planning and setting your goals for 2010.

Now on to business!! The TSSA Spring Directors shoot at Comal County Shooting Sports Club (CCSSC) served as the inaugural event to kickoff the 2010 season for many of us. I do want to take this opportunity on behalf of the TSSA Board of Directors to thank Mr. John VanAusdall, CCSSC, the Zone III Directors and all the wives that put on the shoot and served up some really great food. The steaks and all the trimmings served on Saturday Night were excellent and the hospitality was tremendous. It was a very enjoyable shoot and the first time for some of us to shoot at CCSSC. Thanks to all that supported the shoot and a special thanks to Hugh Milner and his wife!

Allen Cline is working with the various clubs in efforts to recruit new referees and has scheduled some clinics. If you know of anyone interested in serving as a referee, please contact Allen. Texas Skeet lost one of our hard working referees, Danial Garrison in February of this year. The sudden loss of Danial was also a tremendous loss to our Texas referee core group, as Danial was dedicated to the TSSA and Texas skeet. He served as Allen's right hand man to coordinate and staff many of the shoots in Zone III & Zone IV. The TSSA extends our condolences to Danial's family.

Your new Vice-President/President Elect and current state shoot Chairman Matt Hansen is working very hard to put together this year's State Shoot. The shoot will be at NSC in San Antonio and I am sure you and your family will enjoy it. Matt is working very hard to arrange all of the different aspects of the state shoot and will be sharing details soon with everyone. I ask that everyone please support Matt as he works to provide the best State Shoot ever.

I am very happy to announce that the TSSA has joined Waco Skeet & Trap Club to host the 2011 US Open in Waco. Plans are already in the works to organize all of the different elements needed to stage this huge event for next year. The TSSA Board of Directors & Waco S&T Club will form one of the largest teams ever to stage this shoot and our goal will be to make it the best US Open ever held. And what better place than right here in Texas!

Anyone that has any questions or concerns, please contact your Directors. These guys and gals continue to do a great job and they were elected to represent you. Thanks to all for your continued support!!

Mike Schmitt,
TSSA President

VICE-PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE-MATT HANSEN

I hope everyone that attended this year's Director's Shoot held at Comal County Shooting Sporting Club enjoyed it as much as I did. It was good to see shooters from all reaches of Texas come together and support an up and coming skeet program as they did. Mr. John VanAusdall has put in a lot of hard work in building a fantastic 6 range club in Spring Branch. He was a great host and put on a good shoot for us. **Thank you John.**

As your State Shoot Chairman let me provide an overview of what we have planned for this year's shoot. This year's Championships will be in San Antonio at the National Complex June 18-20 and will start with Referee's Event is scheduled for Friday morning at 9:00 with two flights of Doubles scheduled at 10:30 and 12:00 with the 20ga. Event to follow. Saturday, we'll start off shooting the 12ga. Event then follow up with the first twoflights of 28ga. This should allow plenty of time to complete the 12ga. Shoot-offs and allow plenty of time to get ready for the banquet. Sunday will shoot the last flight of 28ga. And then finish out with the .410. Shoot off order Sunday will be HOA Champion, 28ga., .410, HOA, and HAA events.

The 5-man team competition for the eagles has really sustained itself as a very popular event so please plan to form a team to represent your club and please sign up for all events. This year we are going to try something new, 3-Man blind draw teams. This new event will be at no cost to the shooters and they will be automatically registered. **I am still looking for a Sponsor for the 3-Man Blind Draw teams, if you are interested or know someone that may be interested in Sponsoring a new event please let me know.**

This year's pre-registration form is just like the previous year's form, so please fill them out as soon as possible and mail them along with your deposit's to Woody Anderson who will be doing the squadding for this year's shoot. Pre-registration deposit fees are \$25 for the Doubles event and \$50 for the 4-guns. The pre-registration form along with other information about this year's shot can be found on the TSSA website.. I strongly encourage everyone to pre-register if at all possible.

If you've ever had the opportunity to work on the administration side of a registered shoot, especially a large shoot, then you can appreciate the early registrations when trying to staff referees and the other necessary support personnel for a shoot of this size.

The TSSA has more than 1000 active members, many of which have never attended our State Shoot. The Texas State Shoot is an open invitation to all TSSA members to participate and I hope that many of you will consider attending this year's event. The 12ga. Event is typically shot on Saturday and provides an opportunity for TSSA members to shoot a single event and attend the banquet. Very few have taken advantage of this option but we will encourage single gun entries to participate. It's your state shoot and we would love to have you join us.

This shoot is always one of the top shoots in the country, and we are hoping this will again be the case. Our Texas shooters are among the best in the country, so the competition is always great! Rewards are also great with over \$20,000.00 in prizes and awards and a significant portion of the added money is spread into the lower classes.

There are two things that make it possible to put on a Great State Shoot and give back to the shooters like Texas does. First and foremost are its shooting members, for every registered target you shoot 1 cent goes to the State Shoot. Second; we couldn't do it without our sponsors. We have both business sponsors and individual sponsors. I am still looking for event sponsors and

individual sponsors,. If you are interested in sponsoring an event or a special part of the State shoot please contact me directly. There is also a request for sponsorships as a part of the newsletter package. If you feel you can be a part of supporting the State Shoot in this manner, please send your checks or your advertising to me as soon as you are able. The shoot registration materials are now posted on the website for your use if needed, as well! Last year's support exceeded my expectations and this year, I ask for your continued support to help make this shoot a real success.

This year's banquet will be held at the PEDROTTI'S NORTH WIND RANCH, 13715 FM 1560 N., Helotes, Texas 78023 starting at 7:30. The cost of a ticket will be \$25 and there will be a form available to reserve your tickets at the time you pre-register. We encourage everyone to consider ordering your ticket through the pre-registration process as that helps us to determine headcounts ahead of the banquet. There will also be a cash bar and we should have plenty of room and nice air conditioning. Once again, we will be blessed with the fine entertainment of Robert Paxton and his ensemble for the All State Team honorees.

This year we are also providing an order form to order caps and t-shirts as well as polo shirts. Please list the quantities and sizes of shirts on the form and include the order form with your preregistration entry. Last year, we did manage to sell out the shirts but had plenty of caps leftover. This year, I plan to cut back the number of shirts and caps but will honor all orders that we receive through pre-registration.

Hotel accommodations should be plentiful on the state shoot weekend. I have placed a list of hotels and rates on the TSSA website.

I am always looking for good ideas to help improve your State shoot. If you have an idea or a concern or would like to be a sponsor please let me know. The best way to contact me as by e-mail matt4skeet@att.net

Look forward to seeing everyone throughout the shooting season and do hope that your 2010 shoot schedule will bring you to San Antonio to participate in this year's State Championships.

**MINUTES TSSA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING,
COMAL COUNTY SHOOTING CLUB
FEB. 27, 2010**

ATTENDANCE: Dave Marcum, Tom Donahue, Russell Porter, Charlie Beard, Bob Henderson, Marilyn Barclay, Tedford Barclay, Gregg Paillex, Van Boerner, Richard McCarter, Jim Speer, Jay McGregor, Helen Swetman, Ellen Nelms, Pat Byrne, Alan Trout, Jim Biddle, Doug Toulouse, Rocky Goodman, Mike Schmitt, Matt Hansen, and Woody Anderson

President Mike Schmitt called the meeting to order after the attendance requirements had been met. He then thanked Comal County for hosting the TSSA. A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes from the fall meeting. The minutes were approved.

Charlie Beard reported that Zone II had no vacancies. Marilyn Barclay reported that Zone III had no vacancies. Dave Marcum reported that Hank Schmidt had resigned and George Harrell would take his place. A motion was made and seconded to appoint George Harrell to the board. The motion passed. Dave then reported that Tom Donahue would be the Zone Executive director and he would be the Zone Vice-President.

Finance-Woody Anderson reported for Jim Cooper. Last fall an audit was made of the TSSA finances. Everything was found to be in order and all finances and bank accounts were all in order. Copies of the audit were sent to the TSSA President, finance chairman, and the TSSA office. Woody then had a brief explanation of the P&L statements sent to the directors. The 2010 budget was attached and a brief explanation and question period was held to cover the budget.

A motion was made and seconded to accept the financials and budget for 2010. The motion passed.

State Teams-Gregg Paillex reported on the state teams. Gregg made a brief explanation of the point tracking system now available on the NSSA website. Gregg explained that we had two changes from the initial team selection due to address change and a mistake on the rookie team. Gregg then reported that the number of shooters shooting

minimums in Texas is increasing, a trend that is not following the national trend. A motion was made and seconded to accept the state teams. Motion passed.

Chief Referee Report- Allen Cline reported on the loss of Daniel Garrison in Zone III. He then reported that he was talking to referees from that zone to find a replacement for Daniel. Allen then reported on progress of recruiting and training of new referees. Allen reported that we had 30 referees working the state at this time and that he would like to have about 40. Allen was asked about the pay scale and said that he has no plans to raise the pay scale at this time.

Hall of Fame-HOF Chairman Jim Biddle presented the HOF nominations for 2010. Jim gave an overview of the accomplishments of the nominees. John Castillo was nominated for shooting proficiency and Dick Dersham was nominated for the Buck Stark Award. After a brief discussion a motion was made and seconded to accept John Castillo into the Texas Hall of Fame. The motion passed unanimously. A motion was then made to accept Dick Dersham into the Hall of Fame. The motion also passed unanimously.

Directors Elections-Woody Anderson discussed the director's elections. He announced the directors who terms would expire at the end of Oct. 2010. He then asked for the zone vice presidents to have all nominees to him by March 15th so that they could be placed on the ballot and mailed to TSSA members. Mike Schmitt then appointed Richard McCarter and Ran Davis to count the ballots at the Pan Am and to bring the results to the June meeting.

State Shoot- Vice President Matt Hansen reported on the status of the state shoot. He reported on the theme of the shoot, where and when it would be held, and progress on ads and donations. Matt reported that the banquet would be held at Pedrotti's. He also reported that 2011 state shoot would be held the third weekend of June at Waco, Texas.

Old Business-Mike Schmitt led a brief discussion on the Zone achievement awards. A discussion on criteria and purpose of the award were discussed.

Van Boerner reported on the committee discussion on how to select the state teams. Van reported on the committee's discussion then announced the results to the board. The committee suggested a motion to leave the selection process as it is now presently done or to select a committee to over see the process. The board unanimously selected to leave the process the way it is currently being done.

Website-Woody Anderson reported on the process of the website. He gave the history of the failure of the server in Arkansas and the process of rebuilding the site in Texas. He gave special thanks to Mike Skidmore and Linda Steen in all the work they put into getting the server up and running. At this time there are a few updates to do but the website and emails seem to be running well.

US Open- Woody Anderson reported that the 2011 US Open will be held at Waco Texas. The TSSA will host and run the shoot. Woody Anderson and Jim Cooper will be co-chairman's of the shoot with Jim responsible for fund raising, advertising, and site location. Woody will do administration, squadding, registration, and other related activities. All the directors will be asked to participate in some form or fashion, more of that to come by the next meeting. The key to a successful shoot will be the fund raising so there will be a large effort put into this area. Linda Steen will set up a website for the open and Kolar will supply a gun for us to raffle off. Waco will hopefully host 3 major shoots that year. The state, zone, and open. It will be a great year for the TSSA and Texas shooting. More to come.

NEW BUSINESS

Jay McGregor reported that Waco was working on a grant to help pay for improvements to the club. Jay had flyers for the Bradshaw to be held at the end of April. He then mentioned projects planned for the near future.

Rocky Goodman thanked the entire Zone III directors and spouses for help in food preparation and hosting duties for the shoot and meeting.

Mike Schmitt announced the next meeting will be at NSA headquarters at the State Shoot in June. A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed.

Mike Schmitt
President-TSSA

**TEXAS SKEET SHOOTERS ASSOCIATION
PRESENTS:**

**The 2010
TEXAS STATE
CHAMPIONSHIPS**



**National Shooting Complex
San Antonio, Texas**

EVENTS I & II

FRIDAY JUNE 18, 2010

DOUBLES -----50 PAIR
20GA. -----100 TARGETS

EVENTS III & IV

SATURDAY JUNE 19, 2010

12GA. -----100 TARGETS
28GA. -----100 TARGETS

EVENTS IV & V

SUNDAY JUNE 20, 2010

28GA. -----100 TARGETS
.410 BORE ----- 100 TARGETS

ENTRY FEES:

**\$46.00 PER 100 TARGETS
PLUS DAILY FEES
\$10.00 RETURNED TO CLASS**

EVENT VI

HOA

\$15.00 ENTRY FEE

SHOT CONCURRENTLY WITH EVENTS II – V
BASED ON 4-GUN AVERAGE
(NOT LOWER THAN YOUR LOWEST GUN CLASS)

EVENT VII

HAA

\$15.00 ENTRY FEE

SHOT CONCURRENTLY WITH EVENTS I – V
BASED ON 5-GUN AVERAGE
(NOT LOWER THAN YOUR LOWEST GUN CLASS)

ROTATIONS:

ROTATION		1	2	3
FRIDAY	REF	9:00AM		
	DBL		10:30AM	12:00N
	20GA.	1:30PM	3:00PM	4:30PM
SATURDAY	12GA.	9:00AM	10:30AM	12:00N
	28GA.	1:30PM	3:00PM	
SUNDAY	28GA			9:00AM
	410	10:30AM	12:00N	1:30PM

**GUN CHAMPIONS WILL COME OUT
OF CLASS AND WILL RECEIVE THE
FOLLOWING PAYOUTS:**

	DBL	12	20	28	410	HOA
CH	400	400	400	400	400	650
RU	350	350	350	350	350	550
3rd	300	300	300	300	300	450

PURSE DIVISIONS

(USED FOR ALL EVENTS EXCEPT CONCURRENTS)

PLACES TO PAY	NUMBER OF ENTRIES
1	1-4
2	5-9
3	10-14
4	15-19
5	20-29
6	30-39
7	40-49
8	50-59
9	60-69
10	70+

CONCURRENT EVENTS:

**MOST CONCURRENT EVENTS ARE AVAILABLE
AT NO FEE, NO PURSE IS AVAILABLE.
IT WILL BE SHOOTER'S RESPONSIBILITY TO
PROPERLY DECLARE YOUR ENTRY AT
REGISTRATION: CHECK YOUR FORM!
ENTRIES LATER FOUND TO BE IN THE WRONG
CONCURRENT, DUE TO SHOOTER ERROR, WILL
BE REMOVED FROM ALL CONCURRENT
EVENTS.**

HANDICAP OPTIONS:

(ALSO USED FOR TEAM TROPHY EVENTS)

\$10.00 ENTRY FEE PER GUN

CLASS	410	28	20	12	DBL
AAA	2	1	0	0	2
AA	4	2	2	1	3
A	6	3	3	2	5
B	9	5	4	3	9
C	11	7	5	4	11
D	13	9	6	5	13
E				6	

OKLAHOMA OPTIONS

**\$15.00 ENTRY FEE PER GUN
ALL MONEY RETURNED TO CLASS**

FIVE & TWO MAN TEAM EVENTS

**ENTRY FEE: \$5.00 PER EVENT
NO MONEY WILL BE RETURNED
OFFERED IN ALL 5 EVENTS PLUS HOA
ONE TEAM SHOOTER WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR
REGISTRATION AND PAYMENT FOR THE ENTIRE
TEAM**

FIVE-MAN CLUBTEAM EVENTS

**TRAVELING TROPHY TO CLUB IN EACH EVENT
BUCKLES AWARDED TO WINNING TEAM MEMBERS IN
EACH EVENT
A SHOOTER MAY SHOOT ON ONLY ONE TEAM FOR
EACH EVENT
HOA TEAMS MUST HAVE SHOT TOGETHER FOR ALL
EVENTS**

CHAMP OF CHAMPS

**\$10.00 ENTRY FEE
3 PLACES-NO CLASSES
BASED ON LAST 25 TARGETS OF EACH EVENT**

TSSA REFEREE EVENT

**ENTRY FEE: \$20.00
PLUS DAILY FEES
ALL ENTRIES MUST GO THROUGH REGISTRATION
PRIOR TO SHOOTING**

TARGETS ONLY

**ONLY JUNIOR AND NON-Classified SHOOTERS MAY
SHOOT FOR TARGETS ONLY**

DEPOSITS

**SEPARATE DEPOSITS ARE REQUIRED FOR THE
DOUBLES EVENT AND THE MAIN EVENTS
\$25.00 FOR DOUBLES
\$50.00 FOR MAIN**

2008 TEXAS SKEET SHOOT EVENT SPONSORSHIP FORM

Sponsorship	Amount	Please (X) Your Selection
		<input type="checkbox"/>
		<input type="checkbox"/>
		<input type="checkbox"/>
		<input type="checkbox"/>
		<input type="checkbox"/>
Men's HOA CH Ring	\$500.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
		<input type="checkbox"/>

ADVERTISEMENTS

Sponsorship	Amount	Please (X) Your Selection
Ad 1	\$150.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Full Page
Ad 2	\$100.00	<input type="checkbox"/> 1/2 Page
Ad 3	\$50.00	<input type="checkbox"/> 1/4 Page

DONATIONS

Sponsorship	Amount	Please (X) Your Selection
Booster- Platinum	\$100.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
Booster- Gold	\$50.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
Booster- Silver	\$25.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ladies- Platinum	\$100.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ladies- Gold	\$50.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ladies- Silver	\$25.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
Director - Platinum	\$100.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
Director - Gold	\$50.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
Director - Silver	\$25.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
Field Sponsor		
Sponsor-Skeet Field	\$300.00	<input type="checkbox"/>

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone No: _____ Fax: _____

Email Address: _____

Total Donation: _____

Please make donations payable to: TSSA State Shoot

All advertisements and copies need to be sent ASAP to:
 TSSA State Shoot
 c/o Mike Schmitt
 1621 Spinnaker Ln
 Azle, TX 76020-4928



2010 Texas State Skeet Championships - Official Pre-Registration Form

National Shooting Complex San Antonio, Texas June 17-20, 2010

NSSA No. _____ TSSA No. _____ Soc. Sec.No. _____

Name: _____ Home Phone _____
 (Please print) Work Phone _____

Address _____ City _____ ZIP _____

(Squad confirmations, awards and / or medals will be mailed to this address)

Handicap Field Required? Email : _____

Please enter number of Banquet Tickets needed at _____ \$25 ea.

DOUBLES SQUADS	→	A	B	C
THURSDAY June 17				
FRIDAY June 18	DBL	10:30AM	12:00N	
FRIDAY JUNE 18	Referee Event	9:00AM		
MAIN EVENTS 12, 20, 28, 410	Rotations →	1	2	3
FRIDAY June 18	20GA.	1:30PM	3:00PM	4:30PM
SATURDAY June 19	12GA.	9:00AM	10:30AM	12:00N
	28GA.	1:30PM	3:00PM	
SUNDAY June 20	28GA			9:00AM
	410	10:30AM	12:00N	1:30PM

Enter 1st, 2nd & 3rd choice of rotation for Doubles: 1st _____ 2nd _____ 3rd _____

Enter 1st, 2nd & 3rd choice of rotation for Main: 1st _____ 2nd _____ 3rd _____

Enter 1st, 2nd & 3rd choice of position: 1st _____ 2nd _____ 3rd _____

Please note: If you do not enter 1st and 2nd choice of rotation, you will be assigned the next available rotation.

Rotation preference will be given in this order and by date received: #1 to five man squads #2 to four gun shooters #3 all others

PRINT names of each squad member in desired position

- 1 _____
- 2 _____
- 3 _____
- 4 _____
- 5 _____

Deposits : \$50 for Main + \$25 for Doubles

Make Checks Payable to:
TSSA State Shoot

Send completed form &
\$50 (main only) or \$75 (main + dbls) deposit to:

TSSA
201 Laurence Drive, PMB#546
Heath, TX 75032

\$75 or \$50.00 DEPOSIT REQUIRED FOR EACH SHOOTER LISTED ON THIS FORM

All 4-gun shooters desiring to squad together **MUST** send their completed forms, with **ALL** deposits, in one envelope.

EVENT	Events you plan to Shoot	Starting Class for year	NOTICE!!
12 Ga.			DO NOT SEND DEPOSITS TO GUN CLUB!
20 Ga.			Squadding will be done by Woody Anderson
28 Ga.			Please direct all questions, changes and cancellations to:
.410 Bore			WOODY ANDERSON
Doubles			Phone: (800) 897-5338
HOA			e-mail : wanderson@mytssa.com
HAA			All pre-registrations prior to June 1 st will be confirmed on or about June 4 th by mail. Any others will be by phone or email.

FOR TSSA SHOOT STAFF ONLY:

Date: _____ Deposit Received: \$ _____ Check No: _____ Rotation _____ Doubles _____