

The 2018 Steamboat Challenge NRA Action Pistol Regional and WY State Championship.

The 2018 edition of the Steamboat Challenge NRA Action Pistol Regional and WY State Championship is in the books. A great weekend of Action Pistol competition with top shooters from across the US coming to Cheyenne to shoot "Precision Pistol at Speed" at the Otto Rd Shooting Range.

The weekend started with the US Army Marksmanship Unit (AMU) shooting clinic. Fifteen people of all skill levels came out for the free clinic provide by these elite handgun marksmen who represent the US Army in domestic and international shooting competitions. Steamboat competitors and other members of the Otto Rd Shooting Range were able to receive valuable one on one coaching on how to shoot handguns more accurately at moving targets, from around barricades and at distances as far as 50 yards under time pressure. The AMU does not routinely conduct instructional clinics to civilians so it was a great afternoon and everyone was able to see improvement in their shooting performance.

The Saturday Regional Championship started with mild weather and then things got progressively worse as the day progressed with a thunderstorm in the afternoon with falling temperatures rain and high winds causing a delay in finishing the match. The foul weather abated and we were able to finish the program in decent time. Course of fire was the four traditional NRA Bianchi Cup events: the Moving Target, The Barricade, The Practical and the Falling Plates. Total of 192 shots fired with maximum possible score of 1920-192 X. The Gold medal went to SFC Adam Sokolowski of the AMU with a perfect score of 1920 with 171Xs. Otto Rd Range member Andy Rayland of Cheyenne fired a new personal best of 1901-133X first time breaking the "1900" barrier received the Silver Medal and finished 1st in Senior Division. Tim Theno of Kansas City, MO won the Bronze medal with a score of 1891 - 141X.

11 year old Junior shooter and Otto Rd Range member Bridger Steege of Cheyenne finished 1st in Junior special category and 3rd in Rimfire Division and fired a personal best of 1680-88X along with a near perfect score of 470-47X on the Falling Plates event.

Weather for the Sunday Wyoming State Championship wasn't much better with high winds causing havoc on the moving target but everyone powered through it. The match program for the State Championship was the "Texas" Moving Target which involves shooting at a moving target and reloading under time pressure. Same for the Barricade "Modified" which involved firing on one side of the barricade reloading and shooting from the other side under a short time limit. Other events were the Practical and the Falling Plates with 192 shots fired and a maximum possible score of 1920-192-X. Once gain SFC Adam Sokolowski of the AMU prevailed again with another perfect score of 1920-183X. Bianchi Cup Senior National Champion Jon Stoehr of Burke, VA was second and Curtis Sanders of Greenwood, MO was third. Otto Rd Range member Andy Rayland of Cheyenne was the high Wyoming shooter and finished

4th with a 1900-136X.

Bridger Steege repeated as the Junior Champion and finished 1st in Rimfire Division. Bridger improved his Regional score firing a very impressive 1757-100X and moved into Expert classification.

Otto Rd Range member Thomas Mitchell of Potter, NE fired his first NRA Action Pistol Regional and State Championship in Production Division and fired an excellent score 1661-86X which qualified him to be entered in the pool of shooters eligible to receive points toward award of NRA Distinguished. Good show!

Without volunteers to help with Range Officer duties and Range Operations Steamboat Challenge would not happen. A BIG thank you to our Otto Rd Range members Wendy Troutman, Wally Daniels, Troy Krawiec, Matt Collins and Tom Chambers who did not shoot the match but graciously volunteered their weekend time to insure we had a safe and enjoyable weekend of competition. Otto Rd Range members who fired the match events and served as RO's were Tom Mitchell, Jon Briggs and Marshall Steege. Thanks again to all the volunteers—without you there is no match!

Thanks to Steamboat staff members Renee Krawiec who was Chief Statistics Officer and John Granner was the Chief Range officer. Both had difficult tasks and were indefatigable!

Attached are the results for the Regional and State Championship

Match Results

NRA Regional Match on 8/18/2018 - 30 Shooters

	Comp #	Cls	Cat	GT	Practical	Barricade	Mover	Plates	Total	Scoring %	
1	Adam Sokolowski	15	HM	C	O	480 x 43	480 x 47	480 x 33	480 x 48	1920 x 171	100.00%
2	Andy Rayland	1	MA	SR	O	472 x 24	478 x 33	471 x 28	480 x 48	1901 x 133	99.01%
3	Timothy Theno	8	HM	C	O	478 x 36	480 x 37	453 x 26	480 x 48	1891 x 147	98.49%
4	Anthony Heinauer	16	MA	C	P	472 x 22	464 x 26	471 x 20	480 x 48	1887 x 116	98.28%
5	Jon Stoehr	27	HM	SR	O	476 x 31	470 x 39	469 x 27	470 x 47	1885 x 144	98.18%
6	Curtis Sanders	26	MA	C	O	474 x 30	478 x 34	471 x 25	460 x 46	1883 x 135	98.07%
7	Chris Kennedy	31	MA	SR	O	464 x 21	478 x 37	468 x 19	470 x 47	1880 x 124	97.92%
8	John Sanders	29	HM	Gsr	O	465 x 32	480 x 38	468 x 28	460 x 46	1873 x 144	97.55%
9	Michael Gasser	35	HM	C	M	464 x 32	476 x 33	465 x 22	450 x 45	1855 x 132	96.61%
10	Steve Knoll	19	EX	SR	M	438 x 21	462 x 15	460 x 14	480 x 48	1840 x 98	95.83%
11	Greg Markowski	17	MA	C	P	461 x 25	450 x 17	437 x 11	450 x 45	1798 x 98	93.65%
12	Anthony (Dale) Caraway	28	EX	C	O	451 x 16	459 x 31	414 x 14	440 x 44	1764 x 105	91.88%
13	Alex Ragulsky	4	EX	SR	O	436 x 17	421 x 29	441 x 20	460 x 46	1758 x 112	91.56%
14	Brent Wilkes	32	EX	C	M	420 x 17	455 x 22	440 x 20	440 x 44	1755 x 103	91.41%
15	Sam Williams	13	EX	C	P	412 x 11	440 x 23	412 x 10	470 x 47	1734 x 91	90.31%
16	John Granner	37	EX	C	O	400 x 20	445 x 22	451 x 18	430 x 43	1726 x 103	89.90%
17	Thomas Mitchell	36	UN	C	P	443 x 17	409 x 15	449 x 18	360 x 36	1661 x 86	86.51%
18	Dietrich Whitesides	11	MK	SR	O	383 x 10	444 x 16	404 x 11	340 x 34	1571 x 71	81.82%
19	Sharon Brandes	20	SS	SR	O	409 x 7	385 x 15	376 x 10	400 x 40	1570 x 72	81.77%
20	Jon Briggs	34	SS	C	P	398 x 15	367 x 12	426 x 9	350 x 35	1541 x 71	80.26%
21	Charles Shockley	21	EX	SR	O	394 x 6	413 x 23	396 x 9	320 x 32	1523 x 70	79.32%
22	Amanda Brown	12	EX	C	M	384 x 9	434 x 17	384 x 11	280 x 28	1482 x 65	77.19%
23	Glenn Ashton	38	SS	C	P	371 x 10	351 x 6	374 x 13	310 x 31	1406 x 60	73.23%
24	Renee Krawiec	2	MK	C	P	384 x 9	356 x 9	381 x 6	270 x 27	1391 x 51	72.45%
25	Rory Grubb	3	SS	C	O	375 x 8	305 x 9	405 x 12	220 x 22	1305 x 51	67.97%
26	Marshall Steege	24	MK	C	P	300 x 6	292 x 5	383 x 9	270 x 27	1245 x 47	64.84%
27	Carey McDonald	33	UN	SR	O	367 x 5	324 x 5	280 x 3	270 x 27	1241 x 40	64.64%
28	David Wood	5	MK	SR	P	340 x 2	313 x 4	304 x 3	220 x 22	1177 x 31	61.30%
29	Roy Batzel	22	MK	SR	M	222 x 4	196 x 2	263 x 3	90 x 9	771 x 18	40.16%
30	Bill Jowett	14	MK	C	O	213 x 3	338 x 7	196 x 3	0 x 0	747 x 13	38.91%

Rimfire Match Results

NRA Regional Match on 8/18/2018 - 6 Rimfire Shooters

	Comp #	Cls	Cat	GT	Practical	Barricade	Mover	Plates	Total	Scoring %	
1	Jack Arnold	10	MA	C	RO	462 x 26	480 x 47	456 x 17	480 x 48	1878 x 138	97.81%
2	Albert Theno	9	MA	SR	RO	478 x 33	453 x 19	466 x 16	460 x 46	1857 x 114	96.72%
3	Bridger Steege	23	MK	Jr	RO	400 x 19	392 x 17	418 x 5	470 x 47	1680 x 88	87.50%
4	Charles Gasser	25	SS	Gsr	RO	417 x 11	474 x 32	339 x 9	430 x 43	1660 x 95	86.46%
5	Maura Ashton	40	MK	Jr	RO	0 x 0	0 x 0	0 x 0	0 x 0	0 x 0	0.00%
6	Emmelia Ashton	39	MK	Jr	RO	0 x 0	0 x 0	0 x 0	0 x 0	0 x 0	0.00%

Match Results

August Match on 8/19/2018 - 26 Shooters

	Comp #	Cls	Cat	GT	Practical	Barricade	Mover	Plates	Total	Scoring %	
1	Adam Sokolowski	15	HM	C	O	480 x 44	480 x 48	480 x 43	480 x 48	1920 x 183	100.00%
2	Jon Stoehr	27	HM	SR	O	478 x 36	480 x 42	480 x 31	480 x 48	1918 x 157	99.90%
3	Curtis Sanders	26	MA	C	O	474 x 27	480 x 35	474 x 32	480 x 48	1908 x 142	99.38%
4	Andy Rayland	1	MA	SR	O	474 x 23	480 x 36	476 x 29	470 x 48	1900 x 136	98.96%
5	Michael Gasser	35	HM	C	M	470 x 31	480 x 34	468 x 34	480 x 48	1898 x 147	98.85%
6	Anthony Heinauer	16	MA	C	P	470 x 28	474 x 36	467 x 18	480 x 48	1891 x 130	98.49%
7	Chris Kennedy	31	MA	SR	O	473 x 21	480 x 33	474 x 25	460 x 46	1887 x 125	98.28%
8	Sam Williams	13	EX	C	P	453 x 20	457 x 17	472 x 32	450 x 45	1832 x 114	95.42%
9	Greg Markowski	17	MA	C	P	461 x 25	457 x 14	458 x 17	440 x 44	1816 x 100	94.58%
10	John Granner	37	EX	C	O	419 x 10	461 x 20	472 x 28	460 x 46	1812 x 104	94.38%
11	Alex Ragulsky	4	EX	SR	O	437 x 19	473 x 39	439 x 19	450 x 45	1799 x 122	93.70%
12	Steve Knoll	19	EX	SR	M	458 x 16	460 x 24	455 x 17	410 x 41	1783 x 98	92.86%
13	Brent Wilkes	32	EX	C	M	418 x 12	446 x 17	472 x 26	410 x 41	1746 x 96	90.94%
14	Amanda Brown	12	EX	C	M	384 x 10	437 x 12	447 x 19	400 x 40	1668 x 81	86.88%
15	Thomas Mitchell	36	SS	C	P	399 x 9	435 x 16	443 x 13	360 x 36	1637 x 74	85.26%
16	Charles Shockley	21	EX	SR	O	433 x 13	449 x 18	345 x 12	390 x 39	1617 x 82	84.22%
17	Dietrich Whitesides	11	MK	SR	O	366 x 9	420 x 23	435 x 14	360 x 36	1581 x 82	82.34%
18	Jon Briggs	34	SS	C	P	392 x 8	415 x 18	440 x 15	330 x 33	1577 x 74	82.14%
19	Glenn Ashton	38	SS	C	P	416 x 14	372 x 6	392 x 4	370 x 37	1550 x 61	80.73%
20	Sharon Brandes	20	SS	SR	O	407 x 7	321 x 10	416 x 6	390 x 39	1534 x 62	79.90%
21	Renee Krawiec	2	MK	C	P	366 x 7	407 x 16	396 x 7	320 x 32	1489 x 62	77.55%
22	Rory Grubb	3	SS	C	O	353 x 18	301 x 10	448 x 24	360 x 36	1462 x 88	76.15%
23	Marshall Steege	24	MK	C	P	338 x 8	348 x 12	442 x 18	250 x 25	1378 x 63	71.77%
24	Anthony (Dale) Caraway	28	EX	C	O	400 x 7	294 x 12	420 x 7	180 x 18	1294 x 44	67.40%
25	Carey McDonald	33	MK	SR	O	388 x 10	345 x 6	248 x 4	260 x 26	1241 x 46	64.64%
26	Roy Batzel	22	MK	SR	M	274 x 1	260 x 5	322 x 9	110 x 11	966 x 26	50.31%

Rimfire Match Results

August Match on 8/19/2018 - 2 Rimfire Shooters

	Comp #	Cls	Cat	GT	Practical	Barricade	Mover	Plates	Total	Scoring %	
1	Bridger Steege	23	MK	Jr	RO	425 x 19	448 x 25	424 x 10	460 x 46	1757 x 100	91.51%
2	Charles Gasser	25	SS	Gsr	RO	424 x 17	468 x 35	423 x 9	420 x 42	1735 x 103	90.36%