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Ballmer, Kucera shoot 50-straight.

DONIPHAN—The weather finally cooperated for shooters at the Mid-Nebraska Trapshooting Conference in Doniphan on Saturday.

Gothenburg shooters took advantage of the sun and garnered several conference awards.

Alex Ballmer was the high overall male champion hitting 96-of-100 rocks.

Ballmer earned a 50-straight badge shooting perfect from the 16-yard line.

Austin Kucera shot 50-straight as well putting him and Ballmer in a five-way shootoff for high senior male. Elliot Schmit of Grand Island took the prize.

Ballmer was also in a shootoff for high handicap male from the 24- or 25-yard line after shooting 46-of-50 but he lost to Lance Johnson of Republican Valley.

Gothenburg senior shooters Levi Bahe, Alex Shultz and Nolan Wilson managed to earn 25-straight badges.

Bahe was in a shootoff for the high handicap male from the 22- or 23-yard line but lost to Shane Kohmetscher of Republican Valley.

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The senior team of Bahe, Wilson, Kucera, Shultz and Ballmer won the high senior team award for a total score of 242-of-250.

That same team also won the high senior overall team combining 16-yard score and handicap for 462-of-500.

Colby Simants shot Gothenburg's best junior score at 36-of-50.

There is one more conference shoot on Saturday when conference awards will be presented for the past six weeks.

The state trap shoot is April 29-May 1 in Doniphan.

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