

Youth trap shooters end season at 45th annual Cornhusker National

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DONIPHAN—Gothenburg Youth Trap Club members ended the 2014 trap season at the 45th annual Cornhusker National Junior/Senior High School Trapshoot in Doniphan May 1-3, the largest event of its kind in the world.

A total of 2,394 participants set a new record with 933 junior-division shooters and 1,461 senior shooters at the three-day competition, hosted by the Nebraska Game & Parks Commission and the Nebraska Trapshooting Association (NTA).

Landon Johnson led the Gothenburg senior squad shooting 73 of 75 rocks from the 16-yard line and 65 of 75 from the 25-yard handicap for a 138 of 150 total. Teammate Tyler Buesing followed up with a grand total of 131 of 150.

Five senior-division shooters earned a 25-straight award including Johnson, Buesing, Talbot Buchholz, Dalton Simants and Anna Eggers.

Gothenburg's senior team of Johnson, Buchholz, Buesing, Joshua Reinhard and Colby Simants totaled 622 rocks of a possible 750 in the team division.

The best overall individual senior score was 148 of 150 shot by Nathan Arnold of Creighton.

In the junior division, Tucker Bartlett and Zachary Maurer were the top overall Gothenburg shooters with a total rock hit 81 of 100 each, followed by Zach Rittgarn with 74 of 100. Maurer also earned a 25-straight award.

Dagen Voigtman of Louisville won the junior-division shooting 98 of 100.

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Rounding out the state meet, Gothenburg's junior team of Maurer, Rittgarn, Bartlett, Andrew Maline and Korbin Moore placed 39th out of 89 teams with an overall score of breaking 350 of 500 rocks.

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