

Texas Skeet Shooters Association Spring Newsletter

February 2020

President's Message

As many of you know, the two-year leadership cycle of the Texas Skeet Shooters Association has rotated and therefore there are changes to the Executive Officers in our association.

Clay Swetman will be assuming the role of Immediate Past President. Clay's leadership, over the past four (4) years, has been very impactful and I would like to thank him for his service and guidance in the positions of both Vice President and President. Clay's help during my time as Vice



Clay Swetman

President was invaluable in ensuring the two (2) State Championships that I helped lead were a complete success. Thank you!

I would like to welcome Hunter Edmunds to the role of Vice President. This position is one of the most important in the TSSA; Hunter will be responsible for the execution of our Texas State Championships. Hunter is prepared to spend hundreds of hours of his personal time to make sure that the 2020 State Championships are one of the finest events in the



Hunter Edmunds

nation. Hunter's exuberance and new ideas have been an inspiration through the early stages of preparation for our next State Championship in June. I would encourage you to fully support Hunter. Please mark your calendars to attend this fantastic event.

I will be assuming the role of President for the next two (2) years. I very much appreciate all of the help and support that I received during my tenure as Vice President. As they say, "many hands make light work" and this was apparent with the support I received with the last two (2) State Shoots. I hope that the past two (2) State Championships have helped build a blueprint for how our event can be run, in the future. We continually strive to build on the things that our participants enjoyed and make changes in the areas that fell a bit flat.

I am looking forward to my two (2) years serving the membership of the TSSA in my new role. With the support of the Directors and the Officers of the association, we will work to grow the game of skeet and help support our member clubs. This is the finest state association in the country and I am excited help the association continue with its fantastic legacy.

I would like to leave you with one final note. Many of us will have some time in our schedules during the early Spring, before the shooting season starts in earnest. Take this opportunity to help grow our sport. Use this time to invite a coworker to try skeet. Help with one of the many programs designed to get young people exposed to our sport. Work with a new shooter to help them with their game. Just one small act can be meaningful and help ensure that our sport continues to thrive.

Brandon Cade TSSA President

Vice President's Message

I am excited to announce that the 2020 Texas State Skeet Championships will be held at the amazing Greater Houston Sports Club. The event will be held from June 11th through June 14th. I encourage everyone to plan now to attend this event. With the help of the team that has been assembled to aid with this event along with the world-class staff of the Greater Houston Sports Club, I am confident that this will be one of the best State Championships ever held.



The annual *TSSA Membership Meeting and Hall of Fame Banquet* will be held the Friday evening of the shoot and will be at the Hilton Garden Inn Houston-Pearland. I encourage everyone to attend. It will be a unique chance to honor the TSSA Hall of Fame inductees for 2020. As in past years, we will be conducting a number of raffles and silent auctions during this event. Note that the Hilton Garden Inn will also be the host hotel for the event.

As in past years, we will be having a raffle to help subsidize prizes for the shoot and to defer the many costs associated with the shoot, such as evening hors d'oeuvres. As in 2019, we will have a raffle for a pallet of Reminton STS ammunition. There will be a maximum of 500 tickets sold. The tickets are \$40.00 or three (3) tickets for \$100.00. I strongly encourage you to puchase a raffle ticket or two to help our event. As mentioned, the drawing for the event will be held during the Hall of Fame Banquet.

Note that on Wednesday evening, we will be having a 50 for 50 Fun Event. This will be new for 2020. This event has been a fun start to the weekend for the Briley Blue Goose for a number of years and I believe it will do the same for our State Championships. This event will have an entry fee of \$50.00 and all of the entry fee will go to the prize pool. Entrants will also receive a complimentary steak to cook as part of the traditional Greater Houston Sports Club "Steak Night." More

details on the format of this event will follow in the coming weeks.

Please visit MyTSSA.com for further details on the shoot. It will provide guidance on how to register for the event which will again be online at MySkeet.com.

The event would not have the luster that it has traditionally had, without the incredible support of our sponsors. We will have a number of fantastic sponsors again, this year. If you have an interest in being a sponsor of this event, or know of an interested sponsor, please contact me. We will work hard to ensure that our sponsors see a return on their investment and I encourage each of you to support the companies and individuals that support us. Details on sponsors will be on the website, will be recognized at the event, and will be part of our program.

Hunter Edmunds TSSA Vice-President



Secretary – Treasurer's Message

With the start of the new skeet year, we need to ensure that we are all current on our dues. Both your NSSA and TSSA memberships must be current to allow you to participate in registered skeet events. Please note that it makes registration go much smoother, at the shoots, when dues are paid in advance of arrival.

As in past years, the annual dues are \$25.00. If you would like to pay / renew your dues via 'snail mail,' please fill out the application on the 'Membership' section at <u>www.MyTSSA.com</u>. Print this application and sent to the TSSA at the address below, along with a check. Note that the TSSA now allows for dues to be paid online. This is a two (2) step process:

- Go to <u>www.MyTSSA.com</u> and fill-out the membership application.
- <u>Save the membership application to your</u> <u>computer</u> and send to the e-mail below.
- Pay for your dues through the portal that directs you to PayPal. Note that there is a \$1.00 convenience fee for using PayPal, bringing the total annual dues to \$26.00.

The TSSA asks you to please consider a Life Membership for \$250.00. Also, note that Junior and Sub Junior shooters are not required to pay dues. Please, however, fill-out and mail a membership application for all new, young shooters.

The NSSA has allowed for dues to be paid online for a number of years. Please note that Average Cards will not be mailed this year by the NSSA. To get an Average Card to print, you can register on the website, sign-in, and under the 'Members' section, go to 'My Home Page.' This area will have all of your information and will allow you to print a personalized Card. Please note that the NSSA has changed some of the rules this year, particularly related to movement in class and scoring target pairs. Please familiarize yourself with the new rules.

Woody Anderson TSSA Secretary-Treasurer

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Hall of Fame Update

TSSA is proud to announce the 2020 TSSA Hall of Fame Inductees. They will be formally inducted at the State Shoot Banquet on Friday, June 12 at the Hilton Garden Inn in Pearland, TX

The inductee for shooting proficiency this year is Brandon Cade. Brandon has been consistently in the winner's circle in Texas and all around the country. He has been selected to the TSSA Open 1st Team 9 times, serving as



Brandon Cade

Captain in 2017. He has won 6 Texas State Championships including the HOA in 2016. Nationally, he has been selected to 7 Open All-American Teams. He continues to compete at the highest level as well as currently serving as TSSA president.

The Buck Stark Service Award this year will be posthumously awarded to Ann Hill. Her husband John served as TSSA Secretary/Treasurer from 1995 to 2008. In addition to being John's wife, Ann was also his partner in basically running the day to day operations of the TSSA during those years. As she was



Ann Hill

not one for the limelight, many did not realize how much work she did behind the scenes. She took on the tasks of the TSSA Newsletter, all TSSA mailings, writing computer programs for score reporting, working on and updating the TSSA website, handling all the awards for the All-State Teams and TSSA banquet, in addition to volunteering her help at many shoots around Texas. Interestingly, Ann was inducted into the Longview Women's Bowling Association Hall of Fame in 1996.

We invite you to come and celebrate the induction of the two newest TSSA Hall of Fame members at the TSSA Banquet this year.

Robert Paxton TSSA HoF Chairman

2020 All State Teams

OPEN FIRST TEAM

- Captain: Jason Ward
- Cody Sergeant
- Brandon Cade
- Carter Wehrheim
- Armour Strunk
- Robert Paxton
- John Barnes
- Nicholas Godfrey
- Lindsay Plesko
- Lauren Burge
- Pat Byrne

OPEN SECOND TEAM

- Captain: Richard Funk
- Bradley Pang
- Melissa Barringer
- Hunter Edmunds
- Van Boerner
- Kendall Jaroszewski
- Rachel Barringer
- Cliff Moller
- Troy Behrens
- Peri Olson
- Mike Gerschick

LADIES TEAM

- Captain: Bailey Glenewinkel
- Mackinzee Swetman
- Taylor Nicosia
- Babette Burley
- Kaleigh Lawson
- Alexia Shaw

SUB JUNIOR

- Captain: Cooper Oliver
- Cade Holland
- Marla Stanfield
- Mathew Lee
- Max Skogsberg
- Kayli Beckham

JUNIOR

- Captain: Mitchell Allen
- Wes Roddie
- Remington Back
- Nathan Kerth
- Kaleb Harmon
- Nicolas Boyd

TRIPLE SUB

- Captain: Riley Chaddock
- Cameron Schuster
- Josh Poole
- Brian Murray
- Justin Napier
- Adam Roberts

SUB SUB SENIOR

- Captain: Jason Foshea
- Lloyd King
- Timothy Riordan
- Shyueman Pang
- Casey Stanfield
- Terry Olson

SUB SENIOR

- Captain: Gregory Massari
- William Edmunds
- Brian D'Souza
- George Murray
- Russell Stevens
- R Clay Swetman

SENIOR

- Captain: James Biddle
- Greg Van Belois
- Michael Fox
- Jo Ellen Collin
- Dennis Godfrey
- Patricia Hupp

VETERAN

- Captain: John Castillo
- Doug Coulter
- Russ Meyer
- Brian Tullett
- Robert Chestnut
- Bill Meyers

SENIOR VETERAN

- Captain: Robert Davis
- David Cudia
- Thomas Hupp
- James Speer
- Beaumont Watkins
- Bill Norvell

SUPER VETERAN

Captain: Edward Hughes

COLLEGIATE

- Captain: Matthew Roberson
- Hayden Oliver
- Key Strickland
- Colton Back
- Louis Oviedo II
- Andre Torrens

Active Military

- Captain: Michael Lee
- Maxwell Lieb
- Jonathon Womack
- John Hedlund
- Charles Masaraacchia
- William Lovelady

RETIRED MILITARY

- Captain: Donald Root
- Eduardo Guitierrez
- Christopher Lee Naler
- Allen Cline
- Jerry Adams
- Dwight Moore

Military Veteran

- Captain: Howard Huber
- Charles Burge
- J.M. Clements
- Phil Nikel
- Jerry Provorse
- Woody Anderson

Rookie Team

- Frank Trochesset
- Shyueman Pang
- David Roberts

HIGH AVERAGE LEADERS

HOA	Jason L. Ward	98.65
12 Gauge	Jason L. Ward	99.31
20 Gauge	John Barnes	99.33
28 Gauge	Jason L. Ward	98.92
410 Bore	Carter Wehrheim	98.20
Doubles	Jason L. Ward	98.15

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate the 2020 TSSA All State Teams. Our state is blessed with a large number of incredibly gifted shooters and it is a pleasure to recognize them through our State Teams.

I encourage shooters that aspire to a State Open Team to plan now to get the required target minimums needed for consideration. There were a number of shooters that were short of the minimums required this past target year and they were unable to be considered for the 2020 All State Teams.

Ken Hilleman TSSA South Zone Executive Director TSSA All State Team Chairman