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TOP GUN



THE OFFICIAL MAGAZINE OF THE WORLD FAST DRAW ASSOCIATION, INC.



**THE TARGETS. Y'GOT 55 POINTS IF YOU WERE THE
'PINHEAD' THAT KNOCKED THEM ALL DOWN...!**

NEW CANADIAN TARGET

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CHAIRMAN REPORT

Howdy all. Hope everyone had a great holiday season and looking forward to a great year of shooting in 2017.

I know you don't want to hear it immediately following Christmas but dues are due by Feb 10th. Your Officers appreciate those of you who have already paid for the upcoming year.

ATTENTION all Vice Chairman and others of you putting on contests. Something that is very important at the beginning of each year is to make sure that everyone shooting any of your contests is a current, paid up Member. They must be paid up in the WFDA, AND the NRA (USA shooters). We can sign you up for the NRA for \$10 (without magazine) or \$25 with magazine if you wish.

Anyone shooting a contest without being current with membership dues will not get points or credit for that shoot, even if they pay up later. You can now print a copy of your current NRA card from their web site www.nramemberservices.org

In this issue you will see the list of 2016 buckle winners. Buckles for Modified Division, both Men & Women are specified in the Rule Book. Top 15 Men and top 8 Women receive year end buckles. The Thumbing Division is not specified in the Rule Book mainly because this Division is still fairly new to the WFDA and the Executive Officers have worked out a generous award plan based on percentage of Thumbing Shooters. Especially with our membership as it is, I don't think we should set a required number to be given out. At one point we had members wanting a Thumbing buckle for shooting only one contest and not doing well in the one. I don't agree with doing that. A buckle is not meant to be a participation award, rather an award that has been worked for and won during the year.

Here is the percentage of buckles given out for each Division for 2016:

Modified

Men = 15 Buckles – equals 27%

Women = 8 Buckles - equals 40%

Thumbing

Men = Five Buckles – equals 15%

Women = Two Buckles – equals 20%

For the 2016 Overall Champions buckles, I let each Champion, Howard Darby, Judy Lawton, and Alexis Rothenberg, pick and design their own buckle. This was a rewarding experiment and they came up with beautiful buckles. Since the cost of these buckles were definitely kept within the budget, perhaps we can do that each year.

We all need to put out some effort to recruiting new members & shooters whenever possible. I am very impressed with Karen & Denny Robinson and our Canadian shooters. They are very active in putting on fun shoots and attracting new shooters & members. Check out their Web Site at <http://www.thunderbirdfastdraw.com/>

Also deserving Honorable Mentions are the Area 2 & Area 9 Members. Jim Tinsley, Mike Landis, Herbert Gootee, and the rest of their bunch. THANKS GUYS

I would like to give a SPECIAL THANKS to Miles Miller, WFDA Treasurer, for all the work he has don't the past several years. He has had to deal with more than the normal situations the past couple of years, including me bugging him a lot. The WFDA would truly be lost without Miles. Next time you see him or talk to him, how about telling him how much you appreciate his efforts.

I often get asked by people where they can buy a gun, especially Modified guns. If you have guns for sale or want to recommend a Gun Smith you can send me an email and I will try to make a list of possibilities for the purpose of recommending to members & potential members. Perhaps I could also include that list in the Top Gun Emails.

If I have omitted some information you wanted sent out please send me an email and I can send that info out right away.

Take Care and I look forward to meeting most of you at a contest this year.
Dan Qualls, WFDA Chairman

Secretary Report

Hi All,

Hope all is well with everyone as we go into the New Year. There is a lot to look forward to. If you need something don't hesitate to email or call. **Please** make sure that you note the change of address. The phone numbers have stayed the same on the cell phones.

Thank you to the people who have already sent in your dues for this coming year. Yes, it is dues time again. They are due by February 10. The first contest in Ohio will be upon us before we know it. Good luck to all of you who fly or are close enough to drive.

Ruth Ann Qualls

Secretary

Vice Chairman Reports

Area 3

In 2016 we lost many of our FAST DRAW SHOOTERS that left many memories in our Hearts they will all be truly missed. All our Prayers to the Families. We looked forward to a happier and Brighter new year 2017

Gary Tryon

Area 4

Howdy,

We are getting ready to start our new season. We are looking for an exciting year. 2016 was a good year an 2017 is going to be better.

We will be starting our new season on February 12, sign up will be 9am an start shootin at 10:00 it will be a fun shoot again. The shoot will be held at the same place in Chino the Olympic Range (Prado Park) off the 71 Fwy Euclid exit. Yer all invited so please come out an have some fun. Thats all for now.

Remember keep yer powder dry, shoot straight an above all think safety.

Dale Weitzel

Area 8

Holidays are over and time to start thinking Fast Draw. Judy is walking around the house drawing on what ever enters her field of view. To many Snow Days I guess but spring is just a couple of months away and we are looking forward to seeing our Fast Draw Family. Area 8 Baker Montana is on again for 2017 , Sept 30 & Oct. 1st. Your host Dangerous Dan Lagasse.

See ya in Ohio for Annie Oakley Days.

Till then stay warm.

Frank and Judy

Area 9

Howdy shooters, welcome to the new year. My wish for 2017 is to make all the Chairman contest, to meet new friends, and renew old friendships. In other words, have a great time.

Not much happening here in area 9 at this time. We are practicing when we can, and looking forward to our first WFDA Vice Chairman sanctioned shoot which will be March, 4th in Arkansas City, Ks. If you can make it, we would love to see you.

SHOOT FAST AND TRUE:

JIM TINSLEY

Area 20

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TOP GUN REPORT, January, 2017, AREA 20 (B.C.)-Den Robinson
HAPPY NEW YEAR EVERYONE! We done got 'snowed under' here this year -I actually spent my last 2 hours of 20016 shovelling snow off ours-and others'-driveways! The Thunderbirds finished the year finally, as we had cancelled our Xmas contest, but were able-most of us, anyway-to host our Annual Xmas Turkey Contest, when Archery freed up a Sunday, due the weather! We were down in numbers from last year, because of all the snow, colds and whatever, but we weren't 'down' in FUN! It was called 'Fast Draw Bowling' and Glenn Renney, whose event was drawn-was also 'eliminated'-from his own event-by the weather! He wasn't alone! 'Fast Draw Bowling' was done at 10 ft. using six shots of wax bullets, with about a 5 sec. time limit. Nicole Franks won the turkey, as her second shot was the only shot of 'clear off' ALL the pins, with some giving her the 'Nic' name of head of the pins, or simply 'Pinhead'! And, great sport that she is, she gave her turkey to the Don Alger family! The most one could get in FDBowling was 55 points by clearing the table, and it was Jim Weatherby, the first shooter who 'set the pace' and 'upset the place', until Nicole shot! In the spirit of Xmas, and for those of you who may have missed your results, I will list here the Top 'Blasting Bowlers', without 'highlighting' any last placers-oh yeah, 3 of the shooters didn't hit any pins at all-tch,tch....and Den and Karen took away their pins so no one could practice, and we all went home mad...('Fake News' here...didn't happen. ☺ Yes, Fake News' seems to be in vogue at this time...) Top Turkey Shooters were: 1st-55 points=Nicole Franks, 2nd=50 points, Bob Franks, 3rd=44 points, Jim Weatherby, 4th=41 points, Den Robinson, 5th=Tim Le=40 points, 6th-Ed Atkinson=37 points, Jack Drover & Ed Robertson=35 points each TIE, Karen Robinson, 0th-33 points, 8th-Van Le=22 points, 9th-Don Alger, 18 points, Paula and Shawn Muprhy-14 points=TIE. CONGRATS AND THANKS to ALL for making it a most successful Xmas event! THANKS as well to the 'Franksgang' for all their donations to this event!

OUR WFDA BUCKLE BLASTS=our WFDA Area 20 Buckle winners were noted in the last issue of Top Gun, but-for those of this area who would like to know where they placed-here are some of the details, again, without highlighting any last placers: [Blast#1](#) was won by Ryan Quesnel and Karen Robinson, Blast #2 was won by Van Le and Nicole Franks and Blast#3 was won by Den Robinson and Paula Murphy! Strangely enough, the last 2 'Blasts', all of which are picked by a draw, were ALL BLANK events! Even

more strange and a first for this area, in Blast 2, after two five string events of Doubles yet, (one @ 9" balloons, and one at 4" balloons) TWO SHOOTERS WERE TIED! To the thousandths! Not only to which in the shootoff-they nearly tied again! THANKS to those donors who made these contests possible=the Franksgang, Garry Porteous, Tim Le and the Murphys! Top Three Shooters in the Women's Div: 1st O/A=Paula Murphy, 2ND, Nicole Franks and Karen Robinson TIED..

In the Men's Div, after the three Area 20 contests: 1st-Den Robinson, 2nd, Garry Porteous and Ryan Quesnel=TIED, 4th-Van Le, 5th-Shawn Murphy, 6th-Tim Le, 7th-Bob Franks, 8th-Jim Weatherby, 9th-Martin Quesnel, and 10th O/A was Jacob Alger. There were 13 men and 5 women in the series at this time, GOOD SHOOTING TO ALL and THANKS to all for your Fast Draw support! Finally, below is a message (by email to me) from the 'Head Honcho' of our RCMP Police Firearms Dept.:

"Hello Mr. Robinson,

Sorry I was away over the holidays but I hope you and your family had a wonderful holiday.

Happy new year and always a pleasure working with the Thunderbird Fast Draw Club.
Best regards,

Stephen

Stephen Cojuco, Firearms Team Leader,
Office of the Chief Firearms Officer - BC & YT
RCMP - Canadian Firearms Program"

YES our World Fast Draw Blank Index Championships are on again-I am working on a Thumbing contest to add this year, and am waiting to find a holster donor for the brochure-which will be out soon! And you may wish to look into a video of some of you shooting Fast Draw at one of our past FD contests, along with pix and info at: www.aldergrovefair.ca (click on the turtle-he can't draw fast on ya!)

D.Robinson,
V. Chairman, S
WFDA Area 20 (B.C.)"



Hey Dan

Would you be able to note in the email Top Gun that I will have Joe Nelson's fast draw equipment

for sale at the Chairman shoot in Greenville Oh on April 22 & 23, 2017.

There are 5 guns, 10 Holsters, a timer and various John Phillips gun parts.

Harry Ballengee, phone 937-423-2300

"Let's get to shooting"

Place: Hebert Gootee's ranch 9099 268th drive

Arkansas City, Ks. 67005

Date: March, 4th 2017

Time: sign up 9:00am to 9:55 start 10:00am

WFDA and KFDA sanctioned VC contest

Hosted by The Missouri Raiders Fast Draw Club

Style: Open Index

Entry Fees: \$30.00n + \$5.00 WFDA shooter fee

Men and Women

**Events: s/b/w 5'to15' s/u/w/ 15'to5' w/d/w 15'to12'
d/w@8' 5 set's**

All shot on the Blocker target.

All entry fees will be returned as prize money after expenses

Prize structure: Standard percentage, plus 5

awards for men and 3 for women.

For more info contact Jim Tinsley at 620-441-8033

Directions to Hebert's place: From route 177 (Summit Ave)

Scheduled Contests for 2017

VICE CHAIRMAN Contests

March 4th Arkansas City KS. SEE ENCLOSED FLYER.

CHAIRMAN Contests

April 22nd & 23 , Greenville Ohio SEE ENCLOSED FLYER

June 17 & 18 Arkansas - Jim Tinsley

July 15 & 16 Canada – Karen & Denny Robinson

Sept. 30 & Oct. 1 Baker Montana – Dan Lagasse

ANNIE OAKLEY INDEX CHAMPIONSHIP

WFDA CHAIRMAN SANCTION

APRIL 22 and 23, 2017

HOSTED AND SPONSORED BY THE SHAWNEE BANDITS

STYLE: OPEN INDEX - SHOT ELIMINATION STYLE ON BLOCKER TARGETS

LOCATION: COLLISEUM, DARKE COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS, 800 SWEITZER ST.,
GREENVILLE, OH 45331

Contest starts at 9:30 AM both days

Saturday Events - 3 sets D/W @ 8', 5 shots 5' SW, 5 shots 8' SW, 5 shots 15'-5' SUW

Sunday Events - 5 shots 12' SW, 5 shots 10' SW, 5' - 15' Step Back Wax

ENTRY FEES - Men \$110.00 plus \$10.00 shooter fee - Women \$100.00 plus \$10.00 shooter fee

THUMBING DIVISION - \$40.00 entry fee plus \$10.00 shooter fee. Thumbing will run in conjunction with Saturday's events.

No practice on Saturday or Sunday. We will be setting up on Friday, April 21 and will open the range for practice in the afternoon. We will also be doing sign-ups at that time.

OPEN

MEN'S DIVISION

1st \$400 + award
2nd \$350 + award
3rd \$300 + award
4th \$250 + award
5th \$200 + award
6th \$150 + award
7th - 12th \$110 + award

WOMEN'S DIVISION

1st \$300 + award
2nd \$250 + award
3rd \$200 + award
4th \$175 + award
5th \$150 + award
6th \$100 + award

THUMBING

MEN'S DIVISION

1st 30% + award
2nd 25% + award
3rd 20% + award
4th 15% + award
5th 10% + award

WOMEN'S DIVISION

1st 50% + award
2nd 30% + award
3rd 20% + award

There will be an award in each event for fastest series men and women's.

There will be an award handed out for fastest shot of the contest men and women's.

Lunch will be provided both days.

For match and registration information, please contact:

Duke Bonnett - 937-613-6576 - email rbonnett2@woh.rr.com

Johnny Perry - 937-564-1241 - jperry6@woh.rr.com

Tom Lechner - 717-284-6388 - fastdraw45@rocketmail.com

Accommodations

Holiday Inn Express, 1195 Russ Rd., Greenville, OH 45331 937-548-1328

Comfort Inn, 1190 Russ Rd., Greenville, OH 45331 937-316-5252

2016 BUCKLES

MEN'S MODIFIED

Place	Competitor	Ohio	Arkansas	Canada	Oregon	Montana	Total Points
1	Howard Darby	27	23	20	18	17	105
2	Dan Qualls	23	17	21	19	16	96
3	Shawn Murphy	11	21	15	21	12	80
4	Terry Campbell	26	18	0	0	14	58
5	Frank Lawton	5	19	8	13	13	58
6	Denny Robinson	4	15	16	12	9	56
7	Nick Nica	10	0	18	20		48
8	Mike Pantano	25	22	0	0		47
9	Jim Tinsley	24	16	0	0		40
10	Ethan Rudd	0	20	0	0	15	35
11	Brian Colwell	16	0	19	0		35
12	Larry Schipper	0	10	0	16	8	34
13	Herbert Gootee	18	13	0	0		31
14	Carl Rothenberg	7	7	7	6	3	30
15	Martin Quesnel	0	0	14	8	5	27

WOMEN'S MODIFIED

1	Judy Lawton	11	5	7	6	7	36
2	Alexis Rothenberg	10	6	3	1	8	28
3	Karen Robinson	4	7	5	5	6	27
4	Paula Murphy	5	4	4	4	3	20
5	Nicole Franks	0	0	2	7	9	18
6	Sarah Pantano	9	8	0	0		17
7	Diana Rosen	6	9	0	0		15
8	Donna Lechner	14	0	0	0		14

<u>THUMBING</u>		OHIO	ARKANSAS	CANADA	Oregon	MONTANA	TOTAL PTS.
<u>Men's Division</u>							
1	Howard Darby	18	15		15	13	61
2	Dan Qualls	11	14		16	7	48
3	Frank Lawton	9	12		13	11	45
4	Terry Campbell	16	13			12	41
5	Jim Tinsley	13	9				22

<u>Women's Division</u>							
1	Alexis Rothenberg	5	5		4	5	19
2	Laura Campbell	6	4			6	16



I should have a few of these shirts for sale at the next couple of contests.



2017 WFDA RENEW & NEW MEMBERSHIP FORM
MUST BE AN NRA MEMBER, PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

Date: _____
Member Name _____
Date of Birth (**required for ALL members**) _____
Phone # **required** _____ Cell _____
Email _____
Address _____ City _____
State/Prov _____ Country _____ Zip _____
Member Spouse Name _____ DOB _____
Additional Family Names _____ DOB _____
AREA _____

*** Insurance Premiums apply to US and Canada Only! ***

New Membership – initiation Fee - (Patch, Pin)

Membership Fee \$55.00 Insurance \$15.00 Initiation \$10.00 Total \$80.00 _____
Additional Member \$30.00 Insurance \$10.00 Initiation \$10.00 Total \$50.00 _____
SPECIAL Discount for New Members – No patch or pin
With Magazine (email version) \$35.00 Includes Insurance _____

Annual Renewal Calculations

Annual Membership Primary \$55.00 *Insurance \$15.00 Total \$70.00 _____
Additional Family Member \$30.00 Insurance \$10.00 Total \$40.00 _____

Existing Life Member Calculations

Annual Membership Primary *Insurance Premium \$15.00 Total \$15.00 _____
Spouse Life Member *Insurance Premium \$10.00 Total \$10.00 _____
Additional Family Life *Insurance Premium \$10.00 Total \$10.00 _____

NRA Membership Calculations

MUST BE AN NRA Member (does not apply to out of USA) NRA # _____

Renew / Join: Dues \$10.00 , with NRA Magazine \$25.00 ,
If already an NRA Member, NRA # _____

WFDA Patches, Pins, Window decals, \$5 ea _____ Caps \$15 ea _____ Shirts \$25 _____ + shipping _____

☐ **Please check the box if you do not wish your information to be shared with other members**

Please make your check or money order to World Fast Draw Association, all fees outside of the US please use a U.S. Postal Money Order (or cash, some money orders are very expensive)

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Jerome Idaho, 83338

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