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Thanks to everyone who participated in our 9th **Annual Open 50 yard Indoor NRA Smallbore Regional Championship**. We had 23 competitors this year compared to 15 competitors in 2019. Our big year was 2015 when we had 34 competitors. So, we're up in number this year, but let's try and get few more juniors and adults to the event next year. I hope everyone had a good time and I hope to see everyone back next year. Please tell your fellow shooters to put this on their schedule for next year (which will most likely be in late February, 2021).

Thanks to all that helped me put on this event again this year. As always, it takes a lot of effort to put on these events. Our Thursday Junior night crew of parents led by Josh Malard (and another) got the target boxes set up. We were a bit light on match day help this year – but the crew of Walt Fairbanks (my line officer), Tami and Jessica Ware, Tina and myself kept things running with scoring targets, posting scores, keeping the coffee going and the chili on for lunch. I also had help with Ryan Karrar (storing the target boxes on Sunday) and Walt once again running the line on Sunday while I scored targets for the Light Rifle Match. As always, I really appreciate the help!

Some GREAT scores were fired again this year! Congratulations to Katie Zaun - Gold medalist firing a 1198-92x – dropping only 2 points in Standing. I'm fairly sure this will be a new National record for this event. In addition, Katie will probably have a new Kneeling National Record for an Intermediate Junior with her 400-30x. Interesting that this may break the National record of Amanda Hintz who fired a 400-29x at this event a couple years ago. Amanda was a member of the Bismarck/Mandan Junior program and she now attends NDSU. Joe Martin fired an excellent score of 1194-72x for the Silver medal. And congratulations to our Bronze Medalist – Megan Vandall with another excellent score of 1184-60x. Fantastic scores fired again this year.

On Sunday we hosted a 50 Yard Light Rifle match fired for score. Don Granlie took brag'ing rights at the match with a 527/600. Tops in the Sharpshooter/Marksman Class was Ryan Karrar with a 512/600. I say this every year that I'm going to get this match sanctioned – I think I'll finally do it next year and perhaps make this a 100 shot match. We have a quite a few Light Rifle shooters in this state and it would be nice to get a few more of them to this event. By the way – the 50 Yard Light Rifle target is a challenge – waaaay more difficult than the 50 foot event. To you light rifle shooters out there - come on out and try the 50 yard event next year.

As you all know - **MARCH MADNESS IS HERE!** The North Dakota Air Rifle State Championship, NRA Junior Air Sectional Championship (Standing) AND a CMP Junior 3P Air State Championship is in Devils Lake this coming weekend (Feb 29 and Mar 1) – call Rick Jorgenson **NOW for your relay times (701-662-4760)!!** This match has been very full the last few years – the number of air rifle competitors in our state continues to grow – so sign up now.

The rest of the 2020 North Dakota Indoor and Outdoor Smallbore Rifle and Air rifle events follow. Check the schedule below and make plans to take in some or all of these events. Get your air gun and your smallbore rifle and your light rifle ready – we are in the heart of the 2020 indoor season.

Be sure to call the match directors listed below to confirm dates and your relay time if you intend to attend some of these events. Call early – a lot of events and relay times are filling up fast.

Thanks again to all that attended our event – as always - it was great to see so many juniors firing some really great scores. Good shooting and I hope to see everyone back here next year – and bring more of your shooting friends along.

I plan to have the medals with me next weekend in Devils Lake – so please attend the air matches in Devils Lake and pick up your medal!

Also – if you would like to get on my e-mail list for upcoming events, matches, results, etc. – please e-mail me at

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Thanks!

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NDSSA Winter Shooting Sports Schedule for 2020

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION	CONTACT	PHONE
Feb 29, Mar 1	Junior Air Sectional (Standing)	Devils Lake	Rick Jorgenson	701-662-4760
Feb 29, Mar 1	Open Air Rifle State Championship	Devils Lake	Rick Jorgenson	701-662-4760
Feb 29, Mar 1	CMP Junior 3P Air Rifle State Championship	Devils Lake	Rick Jorgenson	701-662-4760
Mar 14, 15	Junior 4P State and Sectional	Bismarck	Tom Thompson	701-255-4601
Mar 21	Bismarck/Mandan Junior Club Championship	Bismarck	Tom Thompson	701-255-4601
Mar 27, 28, 29	Open 4P North Dakota State and Sectional	Grand Forks	Denny Coulter	701-746-6959
Apr 4, 5	Light Rifle State Championship	Bottineau	Gary Sivertson	701-243-6413
Apr 11	Red River Valley Championship	Grand Forks	Denny Coulter	701-746-6959
April!!!	National Junior Olympic Shooting Championship Events!!!!	Olympic Training Center, Colorado Springs, Colorado		
May 30, 31	ND Outdoor Smallbore State Champs, Position and Prone, Open and Junior events	Grand Forks	Denny Coulter	701-746-6959