

OFFICIAL BULLETIN
2014 North Dakota Junior 4-Position State Championship
And
NRA Junior 4-Position Sectional Championship
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Thanks to everyone who participated in the 2014 North Dakota Junior 4-Position State Championship and the NRA Junior 4-Position Sectional match and thanks to all that helped me put on this event again this year. Thanks to Tim Klein, Tom and Melody Schiwal, Dave Hintz, Walt Fairbanks, Paul Christianson (art work), Joe Jarding, Dave and Mary Kay Tokach, Rich Butler and Cory Krush, and the other parents that helped set up and take down the range, score targets, post scores, set and retrieve targets and donate food (including donuts). Again, I really appreciated everyone's efforts – this helps me to keep the event going (even on my time schedule) and get things done when everyone pitches in.

Congratulations to our 2014 Junior State Champion – Joe Martin. Joe fired an excellent score of 396-32x. Last year we had 5 competitors for scores of 390 or better – this year we had 6 competitors with scores of 390 or better which is outstanding. Lana Fairbanks and Joe Martin fired 100-10x prone which equal the Junior 4-Position state record. I think this is Joe's 2nd or 3rd time he has accomplished this.

State Championship Team scores were also impressive. The Bismarck/Mandan R&P Gold team with firing members Kohl Klein, Taylor Boeshans, Lana Fairbanks and Amanda Hintz fired a 1552/1600 for the win. This is an average score of 388/400 per competitor. A few years ago if you had a team score of 1500 – which is a 375/400 average per competitors – that was an excellent team score. The Forks Rifle Club fired a 1549 for a 387.25 shooter average and the Buffalo Sharpshooters fired a 1537 for a 384.25 shooter average - all excellent team scores.

In the Sectional Championship fired on Sunday, Lana Fairbanks fired an impressive 397-31x for the gold medal. Joe Martin fired a 396-26x for the silver and Mari Butler fired a 395-24x for the bronze. Lana also fired a 100-9x kneeling score which is a new state record. The previous record was 100-8x held by Kaylee Kuntz, Matthew Pueppke, Bennett Christianson and Dacotah Faught.

The Bismarck/Mandan R&P Gold team with firing members Lana Fairbanks, Kohl Klein, Taylor Boeshans and Jacob Langerud took the sectional team match firing a 1552-86x. In addition, the Bismarck/Mandan R&P Sub-Junior team of Amanda Hintz, Brady Fried, Jase Jarding and Karsten Klein fired an excellent score of 1465-41x – which is a 366.25 shooter average. This is a very good score for a sub-junior team.

Overall it was a great weekend with many juniors firing excellent scores and a lot of personal bests. Congratulations to all – keep up the hard work and don't forget to have fun. And pass the word on to your other team members on their home ranges and encourage them to come out and participate in these events.

The 2014 smallbore season is moving fast. In just a couple weeks, it will be over. I've listed the remaining upcoming events for this season below. Look at your calendar, make your plans and give the match contact a call now!

Thanks to all and good shooting - Tom Thompson, 701-255-4601

NDSSA Smallbore and Air Rifle Shooting Sports Schedule for 2014

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION	CONTACT	PHONE
Mar 13, 16	USA 3P Air Rifle	Buffalo	Dan Geurts	701-633-5553
Mar 13, 15	NRA Junior 3P Air Sectional	Ayr	Rand McLeod	701-219-3657
Mar 22	Bismarck/Mandan Junior Club Championship	Bismarck	Tom Thompson	701-255-4601
Mar 29, 30	ND 4P Open State Champ and Sectional	Grand Forks	Denny Coulter	701-746-6959
Apr 5, 6	NRA National Open Air Gun Championship	Ayr	Rich Butler	701-347-5089
Apr 5, 6	Light Rifle State Championship	Bottineau	Gary Sivertson	701-243-6413
May 30, Jun 1	ND Outdoor Smallbore State Champs, Position and Prone, Open and Junior events	Grand Forks	Denny Coulter	701-746-6959