



**Eastern Cornhusker Trapshooting
Conference**
Sportsmanship - Academics - Citizenship

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December 18, 2016

TO: Coaches, School Officials and others interested in the Eastern Cornhusker Trapshooting Conference (ECTC)

FROM: Michael Scholz, Conference President

RE: 2017 ECTC Season

Dear Coaches, School Officials and other Interested Persons:

The Eastern Cornhusker Trapshooting Conference (ECTC) Board of Directors is pleased to welcome all to the 2017 Eastern Cornhusker Trapshooting Conference Season.

Registration documents and other important Conference information is included with this letter or can be obtained by visiting us on the web at www.shootectc.org.

The 2017 Annual Board of Directors' Meeting was held on December 3, 2016 at the Lincoln Izaak Walton near Bennet, NE. Guidelines and actions from the meeting are highlighted herein.

GUIDELINES FOR THE 2016 SEASON REVIEWED DURING THE BOARD OF DIRECTOR MEETING:

At the annual ECTC Board of Director's Meeting held December, 2016 the following guidelines were outlined to coaches for the 2017 season. These guidelines and actions were taken by the Board of Directors as it pertains to the rules, bylaws and conference format:

- The entry fees for all the 2017 Conference Divisional shoots will be \$11.00 for juniors and \$22.00 for senior shooters.
- The 2017 Conference Schedule is adopted. The first week of Divisional Shoots will start on March 18, 2017.
- Entry fees for the Gayle Hanshaw All-Conference Shoot at both locations on April 29th, 2017 will be \$11.00 for seniors and \$11.00 for juniors.
- **FOR 2017 --- The Gayle Hanshaw All-Conference shoot will be at two locations:**

The Junior Division will be at Lincoln Izaak Walton Gun Club starting at 8 a.m. The Senior Division will be at Lincoln Trap and Skeet Starting at 8 a.m. Both Events held on April 29.

-- Junior results/awards from that day's events, the conference awards for Jrs. and Jr. Coach of the year will be handed out at Lincoln Izaak Walton at the end of the trap shoot events.
--Seniors results/awards from that day's events, the conference awards for Srs. and Sr. Coach of the Year will be handed out at Lincoln Trap and Skeet at the end of the trap shoot.
--This is year 2 for GHAC event at two locations to complete the day's activities in a more timely fashion for families and youth with proms and allow time together in the evenings.
---Guns Unlimited will be present at both locations for the GAHC events. Thank them for attending the events and supporting the ECTC Gayle Hanshaw All Conference Shoot.
---Sports Express will be present at both locations for the GAHC events. They will be selling ECTC and GHAC Clothing and Apparel. You will also have the opportunity to order items off the ECTC Clothing Apparel from Sports Express a few weeks before the GHAC shoot. Thank them for attending ECTC Gayle Hanshaw All Conference Shoot.

-- Please visit the conference website at www.shootectc.org for the entire 2017 schedule. In the North Division there will be a North 1 and North 2 meets set up to get the number of participants to a more manageable time frame and the format will be set for teams to attend different venues in the North Divisional Conference.

- Beginning in the 2014 season, each club or team is to have a certified coach. For 2017 a new coach to a club or team or an existing coach with a club or team that has an expired certificate must send a new certificate to Pam Scholz. **A CLUB OR TEAM MUST HAVE A CERTIFIED COACH OR THAT CLUB WILL BE UNABLE TO PARTICIPATE AT ECTC TRAPSHOOT EVENTS.** Proof of certification is to be sent to Pam Scholz, Statistician. Email is preferred scholz.pam@gmail.com or mail to 15855 Bobwhite Trail, Crete, NE 68333.
- ECTC 4-H shooting sport clubs participating in the ECTC for the 2017 season,
---- New 4-H Shooting Sport Clubs will need to submit Club Charter form into Pam Scholz, statistician.
-----All ECTC 4-H Shooting Sport Clubs for 2017 need to submit 4-H Members registered with the Nebraska 4-H Shooting sport program form into Pam Scholz statistician.
- Proof of insurance for each shoot location is to be sent to Pam Scholz by March 1st, 2017

Committees organized follow up work:

- Participation pins are in process of being ordered for 2017

Home School Students Reminder

- Home School Students that want to participate in Trapshooting with the ECTC can join an existing club/team that is located within their home address school district or a 4-H Club. They will need to have completed a Hunters Safety Education Course.

Other Information

- ***** Posting Handicap Results by Yardage Group for Handicap Individual and Teams*****

---The ECTC Board appreciates and is requesting clubs to post these results no less often than halfway through and at the end of the Handicap event. Helping ECTC Trap shooters and Coaches to determine if the need to stay from the day's events.

Thank you clubs for improving the posting of Handicap Results by Yardage Group for Individuals and Teams.

- **Coaches and ECTC trap shooter members, reminded on Safety – When not firing, control the muzzle and keep in a safe direction at all times with the action open.**
- **When you are on the trap line and you are closing your action --- gun barrels are to be pointed down range and not at the ground.**
- **Reminder of the above information was stressed to Coaches:**
- **Coaches** ---- if you were unable to attend the meeting and have questions on this contact Michael Scholz.
*******Hunter Safety Discussed, Coaches remind parents to have Youth have their Hunter Safety completed in a timely manner,** There are plenty of instructional classes still available A youth will not be allowed to participate until all class/courses and field training is completed.
- The 2017 National Cornhusker Shoot sponsored by Games and Parks at Doniphan will be held May 4th, 5th, and 6th. Patty Lacquement will start taking presquadding at 6 am on March 6th, 2017. With No Refunds after April 26th, 2017. The 4-H Teams will have club certificate paper work approved by the National 4-H Council to hand in and other registration forms making it easier to track 4-H Clubs for 4-H State Shooting Sports.
- State 4-H Coordinator Steve Pritchard will continue to review these forms. Have questions on this contact Patty Lacquement.

2017 Season Registration

Coaches register teams and participants by providing to the Conference a 2017 Eligibility Roster which is available by visiting the ECTC website, www.shootectc.org. Eligibility Rosters are to be signed by a school official from the school in which the participant(s) are attending. Transfer of Eligibility Rosters, also found on the website, are to be used when a shooter is transferring their eligibility from one team to another as described under Rule 15. These forms are required to be signed by both the school in which the shooter is attending as well as the team in which eligibility is being transferred to. **Do not alter these ECTC approved forms. If you have old forms throw it away. You can download a new form and use the correct form. No compromised forms will be allowed. Questions, contact Pam Scholz, Statistician.**

As a reminder, all shooters participating in the Conference are required to have successfully completed a Nebraska Game & Park Firearm Hunter Education Course or similar program from another state prior to the first shoot. Due to the considerable amount of time it takes to register each shooter with the conference and verification of Hunter training, Eligibility Rosters must be filed in ample time before each shooter registers for their first shoot.

Team Eligibility Rosters are Due March 3rd, 2017

For those shooters needing Nebraska Game and Parks Firearm Hunter Education information can be obtained by visiting the website, www.ngpc.state.ne.us or going to the [www. Hunter-ed.com/Nebraska/](http://www.Hunter-ed.com/Nebraska/) If the Hunter Safety Course and Field Day is **not** completed prior to March 3rd, 2017 deadline, the shooter will not be able to participate until the course and field day has been completed and a completed Eligibility Roster has been submitted to the Statistician one week prior to participating in their first shoot.

All 2017 Eligibility Rosters shall be sent to:

Pam Scholz
15855 Bobwhite Trail
Crete, NE 68333
(Home) 402-826-4810
E-mail: scholz.pam@gmail.com

Submission of Eligibility Rosters via e-mail is preferred, however please note that the e-mailed forms must contain school official's signature. If you are unable to email the signed copy, it is acceptable to email your roster and then follow-up with a signed copy in the mail for verification. Shooters will not be eligible until signed copies are received by the Conference and correct forms used with no alterations to the forms.

2017 ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE AWARDS COMMITTEE

The 2017 Academic Excellence Awards will have 3 people on a committee,
The Eastern Cornhusker Trap Conference as a contact for each division as follows:

Becky Nielson from Fremont - North Division
Melissa Long from Lincoln– Central Division
Mary Moser from Pawnee City – South Division

Those shooters that participate in at least (5) shoots during the 2017 season and meet the Conference academic guidelines as follows for the 2017 season. The Eastern Cornhusker Trapshooting Conference Academic Excellence Awards are awarded to all Students/Trap shooters who have achieved a cumulative GPA (Grade Point Average) of 3.5 or better on a weighted or non-weighted average. The cumulative GPA calculation method will be established by their respective school's administration. Coaches, see the 2017 Conference Academic Excellence guidelines found at www.shootectc.org. Make sure you review the guidelines and PLEASE start the process early so the committee has ample time to prepare certificates.

In fact you can start now for the cumulative GPA's have already been calculated to date. You do not need to wait; for the committee will verify whether a student has competed in the required number of shoots. ALL GPA's NEED TO BE RECEIVED BY MARCH 24, 2017 TO THE RESPECTIVE COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVE BY THE DIVISION. **See the 2017 Conference Academic Excellence guidelines for contact information to your division committee member to send paperwork via email.** 2017 Academic awards will be handed out at the 2017 Gayle Hanshaw All-Conference Trap shoot at Lincoln Trap and Skeet at the Senior Division shoot along with Conference participation pins.

Please include coaches, name, school, grade in school, name of student, cumulative GPA. This information needs to be on a school letter head and signed by a school official. The committee prefers this information be sent via email to their respective email address as listed on the Guidelines.

Coaches submit your list of students to their Guidance Counselor and instruct them to email all students' qualifying GPA documentation to your divisions academic committee contact

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On behalf of the Conference Board of Directors and myself, have a fun, safe and successful 2017 season.
Break'em -ALL !
Respectfully,

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Conference President