April 2025

Greetings All!

The 2025 Skeet Season in Michigan is now in full swing! While the old adage may be April bring May flowers, showers hopefully any rain showers stay away from the weekends. April brings us multiple full weekend along events. with several weekday one day events. The weekend events start off with the Springtime Open at DGC April 5th-6th. The following weekend, April 11th-13th, brings the 1st Buckle Race shoot of the year at Grand Blanc Huntsman's Club where they will be hosting the Memorial 500 shoot. After Easter weekend, DSC will be hosting the Clark Brown Open April 25th-27th. Be sure and check out the calendar on the MSA website for shoot details and a listing of all the weekday events this month offers.

With the start of a new skeet season also comes the start of the 2025 MSA Buckle Race! Once again clubs across the state have designated certain shoots as Race Buckle events. To participate a shooter needs to shoot in all 4 guns of a Buckle Race event, or just the 12ga event if competing in the SCTP division. To qualify for a chance at one of the magnificent Belt Buckles, a minimum of three Buckle Race events are required prior to attending the State Championship in August. The popular Buckle Race Challenge Coins are also back in a new color! These have been very popular since first



introduced three years ago. The challenge coins will be awarded to the HOA Event and HOA Class winners at each Buckle Race event throughout the season. Full rules, details, and a listing of the Buckle Race events can be found on the MSA Homepage.

NSSA recently announced the 2025 Krieghoff All-American and the Class All-American Teams. Michigan was well represented on both, with 13 making the Krieghoff All-American Teams and 15 the Class All-American Teams! (See page 2.) Congratulations to all who made teams this year!!

The NSSA recently announced the roll out of a new series of registered events called "It's 5 O'clock Somewhere". This is a new opportunity to get some registered targets in over the course of several weeks at your local club and in a more informal manner. Details are posted on the NSSA website, and I am sure more information will be coming

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out soon to clarify details. If you are interested in participating in the event, speak to your local club management/shoot organizer and encourage them to sign up to host these events as there is minimal work required on their end.

The Shoot Flyers tab on the MSA Website is well populated with Michigan shoot info. As you make plans for attending events, I encourage everyone to reach out to shoot organizers and let them know you are planning to attend. This ensures the organizers know how many referees they will need, how much food they may need, and gives them comfort that enough shooters will be attending their event. Over the past few years, more than one shoot has been canceled due to lack of preregistered shooters.

As I mentioned last month, the MSA Board will be having our Spring meeting the first Saturday of April, with a big focus on the State Shoot. I will share more details of what comes out of our meeting, but I am very excited for some items we have planned. As always, if you have any questions, comments, or ideas, please reach out to me at ATB22890@aol.com or any Board member to share. All our contact information can be found on the MSA website on the Board of Directors page.

Until next month, get out and shoot some targets!

Take care and good shooting!

- Andrew Bielman

2025 Krieghoff NSSA All-American Teams

Adam Serne – Sub-Junior 2nd Team Hilde Versluys – Sub-Junior Honorable Mention Team

Max Versluys – Junior 1st Team

Tyler Wildman – Junior 1st Team

Sean Rosencrantz - Triple-Sub 1st Team

Andrew Bielman – Triple-Sub 1st Team

Patrick Fowler - Triple-Sub Honorable Mention Team

Jason Johnson – Sub-Sub Senior 2nd Team

Ben Gallup – Sub-Senior 2nd Team

Davis Schiebel – Veteran 1st Team, Captain

Al Magyar – Veteran 1st Team

Jerry Davis – Senior Veteran Honorable Mention Team Leonard Nanzer – Senior Veteran Honorable Mention Team

2025 NSSA Class All-American Teams

Andrew Bielman - Class AA 1st Team

Max Versluys – Class AA 1st Team

Sean Rosencrantz - Class AA Honorable Mention Team

F. Jerry Kott – Class A 2nd Team

Ryan Cordes – Class B 1st Team

Tyler Wildman – Class B 1st Team

Dan Panczyk – Class B 2nd Team

Leonard Nanzer – Class C 1st Team

Dan Hankinson – Class C 1st Team

Jerry Davis – Class C 1st Team

Robert Blake - Class D 1st Team

Ron Simmons – Class D 2nd Team

Zoe Versluys – Class D 2nd Team

Matthew Day – Class D 2nd Team

Hilde Versluys - Class D Honorable Mention Team