

Edwards AFB CGSTA ATA Winter Chain Buckle Shoot

17 – 18 October 2015

Evan Birken, a Sub-Junior 18-yard shooter, proudly won the CGSTA Winter Chain Buckle. Evan broke a 93 to tie with Bill McLain, a 26½-yard shooter. Evan remained calm and collected during the shoot-off, posting the winning score of 24 targets over Bill's 22. Conditions were breezy, O.K. windy. With the eight-yard difference, the attention on each shooter was increased as they had to take the line alone.



Evan's parents, Harris and Dyan, were present to cheer on and congratulate their son.

Thanks to generous donations from Bill Hunter, Bill McLain, Homer Hansen, and an anonymous donor over \$1,080 in prizes were distributed along with water and soft drinks to the shooters and volunteers. Their donations also helped provide lunch and highly needed range and equipment repairs.

The Scouts and Leaders of Boy Scout Troop 247 of Edwards AFB, scored, loaded, and helped with the shoot. It is good to see potential new shooters at the ranges.

Lori McLain hand-crafted shooting towels and gave them free to all event participants.



Bill McLain Mid-Yardage Winner

Event Winners

Event 1 – Singles (19 entries)

AA – Tie

Steve Williamson – 100

Ronnie McMahan – 100

A – Brent Washer 98

B – Tie

Bud Sweany – 93

Briana Crocoll – 93

Event 2 – Handicap (18 entries)

18 – 22 ½ – Bud Sweany (22 ½) – 96

23 – 26 ½ – Steve Williamson (26 ½) – 90

27 – Tie

Herb Jones – 97

Brent Washer – 97

Event 3 – Doubles (12 entries)

A – Herb Jones – 97

B – Bruce Hobbs – 87

C – Valerie Jones – 85

Event 4 – Warm-Up Handicap (31 entries)

18 – 22 ½ – Bobby Collier (20) – 91

23 – 26 ½ – Tie

Steve Williamson (26 ½) – 91

Greg Adjian (26 ½) – 91

Bud Sweany (23) – 91

27 – Homer Hansen – 92

Event 5 – CGSTA Belt Buckle (35 entries)

Champion – Evan Birken (18) – 93 WSO 24

18 – 22 ½ – Tom Clark (20) – 91

23 – 26 ½ – William (Bill) McLain (26 ½) – 93 LSO 22

27 – Larry Hughes – 92

Bill McLain got his last ½-yard to be back on the 27-yard line. With all the range preparation before the shoot and the work during the shoot, this was incredibly good shooting and concentration from Bill. Bill took the 23 – 26½ Yardage Buckle.

Shoot Result Details

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Event 1 - 100 Singles (11/17/15)

Steve Williamson	AA	25	25	25	25	100
Herb Jones	AA	24	24	24	24	96
Ronnie McMahan	AA	25	25	25	25	100
Al Yapelli	A	24	23	22	22	91
Wilbur Poston	B	23	21	20	22	86
Brent Washer	A	25	24	25	24	98
Valerie Jones	B	20	17	23	21	81
Kris Chaisson	A	21	23	25	25	94
Bud Sweany	B	23	23	23	21	93
Al Zahn	A	24	23	24	22	93
Rick Landry	AA	24	24	25	24	97
Monica Reilly	B	25	20	22	24	91
Bob Meloche	B	13	20	19	17	69
Briana Crocoll	B	25	23	23	22	93
Robert Zinn	B	18	21	20	19	78
Bruce Hobbs	AA	23	25	24	23	95
John Hagerman	AA	25	24	24	24	97
Homer Hansen	AA	22	24	24	24	94
Bill McLain	AA	25	25	24	25	99

Event 2 - Handicap (11/17/15)

Steve Williamson	26	21	23	24	22	90
Herb Jones	27	25	24	24	24	97
Ronnie McMahan	25 1/2	24	23	20	22	89
Al Yapelli	26	15	19	23	21	78
Wilbur Poston	25	19	21	21	22	83
Monica Reilly	19	24	23	20	25	92
Valerie Jones	20 1/2	23	23	23	20	89
Bob Meloche	20	11	18	15	14	58
Bud Sweany	20 1/2	23	24	24	25	96
Al Zahn	21	23	22	24	21	90
Robert Zinn	20	20	14	13	16	63
Brent Washer	27	25	24	24	24	97
George Marchesi	26	21	21	23	24	89
Kris Chaisson	25	22	22	23	22	89
Bruce Hobbs	27	24	20	21	22	87
John Hagerman	27	18	22	21	23	84
Homer Hansen	27	23	21	18	21	83
Bill McLain	26 1/2	22	24	21	19	86

Event 3 - Doubles (11/17/15)

Steve Williamson	A	48	47	95
Herb Jones	A	49	48	97
Ronnie McMahan	A	48	48	96
Wilbur Poston	A	39	45	84
Brent Washer	A	47	46	93
Valerie Jones	C	41	44	85
Kym Hughes	A	42	49	91
Bruce Hobbs	B	39	48	87
Al Zahn	A	41	43	84
John Hagerman	A	48	43	91
Homer Hansen	A	48	46	94
Monica Reilly	C	38	35	73

Event 4 -Warm-Up Handicap (11/18/15)

Steve Williamson	26	23	23	23	22	91
Herb Jones	27	25	23	21	22	91
Dennis Webb	26	21	22	19	24	86
Greg Adjian	26 1/2	23	21	24	23	91
Rick Landry	27	22	20	20	19	81
Larry Hughes	27	22	24	19	24	89
Brent Washer	27	24	21	24	22	91
Rony Betwarda	25 1/2	21	24	21	23	89
George Marshesi	26	21	22	22	22	87
Kym Hughes	26 1/2	18	22	21	24	85
Avedis Momjian	20	23	23	19	22	87
Al Zahn	21	23	22	22	22	89
Gary Bachenberg	22	21	19	23	24	87
Steve Close	20	21	21	19	21	82
Robby Collier	20	23	22	22	24	91
Bud Sweany	23	22	24	23	22	91
Kris Chaisson	25	23	22	23	22	90
Tom Carter	24 1/2	24	22	20	18	84
Dale Johnson	24 1/2	21	22	15	21	79
Bob Meloche	20	17	19	12	14	62
Valerie Jones	20 1/2	24	21	23	18	86
Robert Zinn	20	14	16	15	16	60
Lori Watts	19	18	18	21	21	78
Monica Reilly	19	21	24	20	22	87
Bruce Hobbs	27	24	20	17	24	85
John Hagerman	27	23	20	23	20	86
Lonnie Shepherd	26 1/2	23	20	22	22	87
Homer Hansen	27	23	22	23	24	92
Bill McLain	26 1/2	21	19	21	22	83
Jano Tchuldjian	20	18	19	19	17	73
Evan Birken	18	20	19	23	21	83

Event 5 - CGSTA Winter Chain Belt Buckle Handicap (11/18/15)

Steve Williamson	26	22	21	23	22	88
Herb Jones	27	22	18	24	24	88
Ronnie McMahan	25 1/2	23	22	21	19	85
Greg Adjian	26 1/2	21	22	23	22	88
Rick Landry	27	21	23	19	24	87
Larry Hughes	27	23	24	23	22	92
Brent Washer	27	22	18	20	23	83
Rony Betwarda	25 1/2	23	22	23	23	91
George Marshesi	26	24	20	23	24	91
Kym Hughes	26 1/2	19	21	23	21	84
Avedis Momjian	20	21	24	22	23	90
Derek Clark	20 1/2	12	18	14	12	56
Tom Clark	20	23	21	25	22	91
Briana Crocoll	22	20	17	17	16	70
Dale Johnson	24 1/2	22	20	21	24	87
Gary Bachenberg	22	20	17	23	21	81
Tom Carter	24 1/2	18	20	18	21	77
Robby Collier	20	21	22	22	22	87
Bob Meloche	20	17	16	15	14	62
Valerie Jones	20 1/2	19	19	18	24	80
Robert Zinn	20	20	18	19	20	80
Lori Watts	19	20	21	19	20	80
Monica Reilly	19	21	19	19	22	81
Bruce Hobbs	27	22	20	22	22	86
John Hagerman	27	23	21	22	21	87
Lonnie Shepherd	26 1/2	23	22	24	23	92
Homer Hansen	27	22	21	23	22	88
Bill McLain	26 1/2	21	25	24	23	93
Jano Tchuldjian	20	23	22	19	16	80
Evan Birken	18	24	25	21	23	93
Dennis Webb	26	22	23	22	18	85
Steve Close	24	22	20	19	22	83
Bud Sweany	23	22	22	17	24	85
Al Zahn	21	20	24	21	18	83
Tracy Heintz	21 1/2	20	20	21	21	82

This shoot was conducted by the Muroc Sport Shooting Association (MSSA), a private organization on Edwards AFB, on behalf of the Edwards AFB Rod & Gun Activity.

The purpose of the MSSA is to:

Positively contribute to the quality-of-life of Base personnel through the betterment and operations of the Edwards Rod & Gun Activity

Advocate and promote the safe, efficient, and effective operations of the Edwards Rod & Gun Activity and shooting sports on Edwards AFB

Support and improve Edwards Rod & Gun Activity shooting ranges, facilities, and services through projects designed to put more recreational shooters and hunters in the field

Help introduce the Base population and newcomers to the shooting sports at Edwards Rod & Gun Activity shooting ranges

Advocate and provide safe and responsible firearm ownership and handling instruction

Promote, advance, and encourage firearms and hunting safety

Promote, advocate, conduct and encourage firearm proficiency and intramural, intermural, junior, amateur sport, formal and/or informal competitions

Increase shooting participation through:

- a. Recruitment of new shooters;
- b. Re-activation of lapsed shooters;
- c. Increased opportunities for active shooters to try another discipline; and
- d. Communications or outreach programs/projects geared toward retaining and/or recruiting shooters.

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