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### **Black Wing Shooting Center hosts the seventh annual 3 Docs Mid-Ohio Open**

Delaware, OH – Black Wing Shooting Center hosted the 7<sup>th</sup> annual **3 Docs Mid-Ohio Open**, June 11 - 13, 2010. The **3 Docs** is sponsored by doctors' Dick Irene, Ted Latham, and Jim Nappi, doctors' with a passion for skeet. It is really great to see shooters step up and give back to the sport they love. Because of their generosity, Black Wing Shooting Center is able to give the shooters first class competitive skeet shoots not only in the central Ohio area but through out the State of Ohio. Many thanks are in order to these great guys.

This year the **3 Docs** provided \$1,500 in added money plus \$300 to the winners of the CD (E) shoot-offs for 12 and 28 gauges. Each Open participant was given a unique **3 Docs** logo hat pin inscribed with the year 2010 and the opportunity to win additional prizes at Saturday night's dinner. Over \$250 in prizes, which included a \$75 Black Wing gift certificate, a bag of #9 shot, a Browning shooting bag plus many more great prizes, were awarded at random at Saturday night's dinner. In addition, the Rogers' family contributed 3 bottles of Ohio wine.

Despite forecasts of rain and thunderstorms and generally miserable conditions, 30 shooters took to the field this weekend with just one thing in mind; have a great time and, of course, try to hit some clays. As usual the weather man was wrong, and the weather was dry and hot most of the weekend.

Get out the brooms; Bruce Poyer swept this year's **3 Docs**. On his way to posting a 393 for HOA Champ and a 489 for HAA Champ, Bruce pocketed the titles to all 5 events.

The Doubles Event opened the **3 Docs** on Friday with 13 shooters. Class winners were: AA1, Bryan Rogers, A1, Mike Harm, B1, Tim Witzler, C1, Ken Quintenz, and D1, Mike Dunmyer.

Saturday activities kicked off with the 12 Gauge Event with 27 shooters. Class winners were: AA1, Mike Harm, A1, Jack Grehan, B1, Tim Witzler, C1, Kevin Bradshaw, D1, Dick Irene, and E1, Manny Dostroph. Melanie Rogers posted her first 25 straight while Manny Dostroph broke his first 25 and 50 straight in the 12 gauge event. Congratulations to these fine shooters.

The 20 Gauge Event with 25 shooters closed Saturday's competition. Class winners were: AA1, Mike Harm, A1, Jack Grehan, B1, Tim Witzler, C1, Ken Quintenz, and D1, Bob Hill.

Finally, the moment arrived for the first CD(E) Event. The 12 Gauge CD(E) Event attracted 10 brave shooters who preformed in front of a very enthusiastic group of shooters, friends, and family members. This CD(E) Event handicapped the shooters by class and was doubles at 3, 4 and 5. Ted Latham managed the competition with the assistance of Bryan Rogers. Jud Smith claimed the top spot and was awarded \$75. Jud was followed by Kevin McCleary, \$50, and Bob Hill, \$25.

Even with the 12 GA CD(E) Event, the star attraction was Saturday's dinner. The **3 Docs** surprised the shooters when **STEAK** was served to this group of hungry shooters. What a treat after surviving Saturday's heat and humidity. Food, talk and awards flowed freely during the dinner.

At the end of dinner, Dr. Ted Latham took the floor. Not only did he thank the shooters for participating, but he singled out one individual for praise. Ted saluted Casey Roshon, a long time referee of our skeet shoots. Casey received his undergraduate degree in education from Ohio State the weekend of the **3 Docs**. For nearly 6 years Casey has been a fixture at our skeet shoots. Without complaint, Casey has endured some rather rigorous times as referee, helped set the fields, cleaned up after the shoots and was always there when you needed him. He is respected by all the shooters as the most dependable referee on the button. Casey will be missed when he joins the ranks of the teaching profession. Luckily, our shooters may see Casey for one more season since he will work toward his master's in teaching next year at Ohio State.

We must recognize Judy Stadlander for her hard work in making the dinner a success. An unsung hero, Judy made Saturday night special by serving a great dinner. Judy was assisted by Rex Gore, the owner of Black Wing, who grilled the steaks. Judy it was a lot of work but appreciated by a hungry group of shooters. The leftovers quickly disappeared on Sunday.

The 28 Gauge Event with 25 shooters opened Sunday's activities. Class winners were: AA1, Mike Harm, A1, Walt Jackson, B1, Manny Dostroph, C1, Jim Nappi, and D1, Jud Smith.

The 410 Event with 19 shooters closed the shoot. Class winners were: AA1, Bryan Rogers, A1, Mike Harm, B1, Ted Latham, C1, Jim Nappi, and D1, Ken Quintenz.

The 28 Gauge CD Event closed the door on this year's **3 Docs**. 5 shooters participated with Jud Smith claiming \$75 followed closely by Melanie Rogers, \$50, and Jim Nappi, \$25. Seeing all the shooters participate in both the 12 Gauge and 28 Gauge CD(E) Events added a very special feeling to this year's **Mid-Ohio**.

Congratulations to our **3 Docs**, Dick Irene, Jim Nappi, and Ted Latham for sponsoring the **3 Docs Mid-Ohio** and as Ted said at Saturday's dinner, 'Thank you to the shooters for participating and making the **Mid-Ohio** a success.'