

OUTDISTANCES THE FIELD

Sixth Annual Midwinter Handicap is America's Most Classic Shoot

\$2500 in Added Money and Special Class Trophies are Features of 1913 Tournament



FROM THE standpoint of rapid increase in popularity Pinehurst's classic Midwinter Handicap has outdistanced the field; last season's tournament, the fifth annual, establishing its national prominence. Through-

out the entire year just ending, it has been the subject of retrospection and prophecy wherever trap shooters have congregated, and the sixth annual meeting close at hand, is being anticipated from New Brunswick to Florida, and Massachusetts to California. In percentage of experts no shoot of the entire year equals the contest and, naturally, the most approved innovation of the coming tournament is provision for the field through additional special prizes to be contested for in three separate classes in both the Preliminary and the Handicap. The added money has also jumped upward from \$1600 to \$2500, with the choicest plums a guarantee of \$500 and trophy to the Handicap winner, \$200 and trophy to the Preliminary winner and medals for high averages, irrespective of the opportunities offered by sweepstakes and additional optional sweepstakes. Details of management will again be in the hands of Luther J. Squier, duPont's expert, and the handicap committee will continue to be selected from the shooters in attendance and covering as wide a range of territory as possible. Inter-state rules will govern and the Squier money-back system will be in effect. The superb location of the traps and their ideal background is enhanced by complete equipment, including Club house and four sets of traps.

Four full days are provided by the program, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, January 22, 23, 24, 25, and many will gather in advance of and remain after the shoot to enjoy the diversified attractions of the Village; golf, tennis and hunting over the 50,000 acre Game Preserve. Best of all, however, will be the stepping backward into Autumn from the first chill of a northern winter. Preliminary practise and informal sweepstakes will lead up to the opening day's shoot on Wednesday, the 22nd, which will be devoted to ten twenty-target events with an entrance of \$2.00 and additional optional sweeps of \$2.00 and \$2.50. The second day's program repeats the opening day. The Preliminary on Friday, the 24th, will be preceded by five twenty-target events with an entrance of \$2.00 and optional sweeps of \$2.00 and \$2.50. Handicaps in the hundred-target Preliminary will range from sixteen to twenty-three yards and the entrance fee will be \$10.00 with an additional optional sweep of \$2.00. In connection with this event three special

cups will be contested for by those who have participated in all regular events of the opening days, the field divided into three classes according to their scores. The handicap on Saturday, the 25th, will follow preliminary events as on Friday, and the handicaps will be on the same basis. The entrance fee will be \$20.00 with an optional sweep of \$2.00 and there will also be three special class trophies as in the Preliminary.

While the Hotel Carolina will, as in the past, entertain most of the contestants, The Holly Inn and Berkshire will be equally popular, the cashier of the shoot having a branch office at the latter hotel. A number of the contestants will also be at The Magnolia and Lexington and a few will be entertained at the home of friends in private cottages. Thus the range of accommodations appeals to all pocket-books with a favorite assembly point at which to gather in a congenial circle. The Club will carry standard loads in well-known powders and ammunition sent in advance in care of the Gun Club will be held awaiting arrival of contestants. Booklet tournament program may be secured by addressing Gun Club Secretary. Advance entries are requested by both mail and wire.

Holiday Week Pool Tournament

A Holiday week handicap pool tournament is being planned at The Carolina and similar events will be held later at The Inn and Berkshire. Many women are among those who frequent the billiard rooms of the hotels and many experts are attracted annually by the Carolina's match table, one of the first to be installed in a resort hotel.

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