

THE PINEHURST OUTLOOK

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FIVE CENTS

MANY DEAD SHOTS

Lose to W. G. Ramsey, Winner of Midwinter Handicap

C. H. Newcomb and J. R. Jahn Give
An Exhibition of Remarkable
Shooting



THE Annual Midwinter Trapshooting Handicap opened at Pinehurst, on January 18th with the largest entry in its history, one hundred and twenty-five of the leading shots of the country being on hand.

A strong wind interfered with good marksmanship on the first or practice day and it had not altogether disappeared when the tournament opened officially Tuesday, the 18th. The remainder of the week saw typical Pinehurst weather, warm, sunny and still, and the average of the shooting was perceptibly better. One hundred and seventeen contestants remained by Thursday when the Preliminary Handicap was pulled off, and 113 toed the mark for the Midwinter Friday.

The Midwinter Handicap was the main event of the meet. It was open to amateurs only. The shoot was 100 targets at unknown angles, for the championship, and also four trophies for four classes of shooters graded according to their record and their showing during the first days.

W. G. Ramsey of Plymouth, Ohio, shooting from 17 yards, was the winner. He broke 95 of the 100 targets. R. L. Spotts of New York was right there with him, and chalked up the same score, but Ramsey was not to be denied and in the shoot-off did not miss one of the 25, Spotts failing on four.

The President's trophy for the high score in the first class was won by W. H. Yule of New York, who shot better than he knew how, and surprised both himself and his friends by his clever and consistent performance through the whole week. From 19 yards he broke 93 in the Midwinter, tying with F. C. Koch of Phillipsburgh, O., whom he did out of the trophy on the first extra frame, 23—21. He is also credited with a consecutive run of 130 target without a miss in the 600 target event, and scored 566 total in this event.

The best shooting seen during the week was done by J. R. Jahn of Davenport, W. H. Jones of Macon, Ga., and C. H. Newcomb, Philadelphia. These three were in evidence in most of the close finishes of

the week, and drove each other to the limit. The most exciting possible finish marked the 600 target 16 yard contest. It lasted for four days, with money prizes for the high guns on each day. The best individual score for any one day is credited to Jahn. Indeed none could be better. It was one hundred hits out of one hundred chances. At that stage of the game it appeared not to be a contest, but merely a chalking up bee.

At the finish Jahn, Jones and F. S. Wright of Buffalo were all tied with 578 out of the possible 600. Newcomb was two points behind with 576. The shoot-off brought the whole gallery and the neighborhood, and caused the greatest interest and excitement. Twenty-five targets were thrown to begin with, and this resulted in eliminating Wright. He missed two in the middle of the string.



JAHN AND NEWCOMB SHOOTING OFF A TIE IN THE MIDWINTER HANDICAP

Jahn missed the twentieth target, and Jones came to the last shot with a clean slate. It looked all over. But he had the hard luck to miss this one, and square the account, and the medal and the match, as it turned out. The second and third frames each resulted in another tie at twenty-three. By this time the fame of the fight had spread throughout the grounds, and all other activity ceased while all hands gathered, breathless. Jahn proved the steadier of the two, and this time broke all twenty-five without a flaw. Jones only missed one, but with this one the match. This is probably the record number of extra frames ever required to decide a match in any major event in this country.

The first prize in Class B, the Governors' trophy, went to B. L. Spotts of New York, the high gun in his class, with a score of 95—equal to any of the day.

F. F. Williams of New York, took away the Secretary's with 94. C. W. Billings of Oceanpoint was the captor of the Captain's trophy in Class D, with a total of 93.

C. H. Newcomb, the Philadelphia expert, famous at the traps all over the world, the scratch man of the meet, shooting from 22 yards, marched off with the Preliminary Handicap on Thursday with 95 hits out of 100. He also captured the special 800 target prize—for the best total of all the week, including Friday, after the 600 target event was finished—with 759. The inevitable Jahn was on hand with a tie in this case also, but was unable to repeat his performance of the day before against Jones, and had to be content to see Newcomb carry it off with a perfect score on the first frame of twenty-five. Jahn only missed

one target at that. But one was enough.

There were four trophies for the winners of the four classes in the Preliminary Handicap, hotly fought out. B. A. Ehrlich of Terre Haute, Indiana, shooting from 21 yards, lifted the President's cup with 94. However he did not get it without reckoning with C. B. Platt of Bridgeton, N. J., who came into the finish with the same score, and only lost the shoot-off by one point.

By out-shooting both A. E. Ranney of New York, and F. B. Lofland, Plymouth, O., after a tie, S. S. Foster, Mason City, Iowa, won the Governors' trophy in Class B, at 18 yards, with a score of 94. The Secretary's trophy in this event went to A. B. Shobe, Cedarville, Ohio, in 93, and the Captain's to W. J. Stoddard of Atlanta, in 88, 17 yards, after a shoot-off with H. J. Burlington of Jersey City, 20—19.

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TIN WHISTLE TOURNAMENT

Aborn and Hunter Are Trophy Winners

Score in Match Play Six Point
System and Medal Play
Best Twelve Holes



ON THE 17th of January the Tin Whistle Club assembled and proceeded to play a match of golf for a prize provided by Mr. W. E. Truesdell upon a system defying all chronicle.

Twenty-seven the champions numbered, and they advanced upon the goodly course in groups of three, each man armed with a fitting handicap. The six point system prevailed. That is, at each hole, after the score had been adjusted to meet the handicaps, six points were in all cases distributed among the three players in accordance with this outcome. In other and better words 108 points were divided at the end of the 18 holes among every group according to the deserts of each individual.

The nine winners of the first day, and the three winners of the second day went through the mill again until only one was left to tell a victorious tale. This one was A. C. Aborn of Montclair, who disposed of Col. H. H. Treadwell of Dunwoodie and T. A. Ashley of Woodland in the last round.

F. P. Lee of Framingham, meanwhile, with one down on bogie was taking away the consolation prize for those that failed to qualify for the three ball match.

The tabulated history of the tournament follows:

FIRST ROUND		HDP. PTS.	
GROUP ONE			
Rev. T. A. Cheatham, Pittsburgh	9	54	
W. S. VanClief, Richmond County	15	34	
R. C. Blanche, Montclair	28	20	
GROUP TWO			
A. C. Aborn, Montclair	10	47	
G. W. Statzell, Aronimink	12	34	
J. D. C. Rumsey, Brooklyn	20	27	
GROUP THREE			
Robert Hunter, Wee Burn	3	46	
W. T. Barr, Shelter Island	14	41	
M. D. Clark, Woodbridge	15	21	
GROUP FOUR			
Dr. M. W. Marr, Woodland	14	45	
W. L. Milliken, Hyannisport,	13	35	
H. S. Houston, Mt. Tom	40	28	

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