



Ed Smith's 396 Clinches 3F Summer Classic

Lewiston, NY

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The 3F Club Lewiston NY hosted the 3F Classic on July 20-22nd. The top 100 shoot was sold out with 50 shooters attending from NY, PA and Canada. The 3F continues to host one of the top money shoots in New York with over \$3000 added money and complimentary breakfast, lunch, dinner and cocktails for all shooters. Plans for 2019 to included \$4000 added money and capacity of 60 shooters plus.

Friday started with the doubles with swirling winds and tough conditions. Ian Smingler emerged Champion with a lone 98 followed by Peter Bogdon's 97 for Runner-up. Class winners were Dan Walker AA, Jeff Ventry A, Colin Smingler B, Garland Taborn C and John Cicora D.

Saturday brought clear and bright sunshine, light winds with temperatures in the 90's's to the Niagara region for the 12ga event. Targets were perfect five perfect scores were posted (100's Ed Smith, Don Lewandoski', Steve Wood, Jeff Ventry Jr, and Peter Bogdon (congratulations Peter for your first 100 straight in registered)) after 10 stations Ed Smith captured the crown with Lewandoski' RU. Class winners AA Steve Wood, A Peter Bogdon, B1 Bryan Jensen, C John Cicora D Bryan Bale and E Randy Cook

Following the lunch break, pizza provided by Mr. Ventrys Pizza the shooters took to the field for the 28ga. event, Dana Driscoll posted the lone 100 to win the championship. 99's were called to the shoot off field to battle it out for RU (Ian Smingler and Steve Wood), Smingler captured the RU title. Class winners AA Steve Wood, A Bruce Raymond B, Bryan Jensen C Al Morris and D Randy Cook.

Saturday night shooters were treated to topnotch dinner event hors d'oeuvre, shrimp, fruit trays, desert table, cocktail hour and a traditional Pig Roast stuffed with Chicken halves and all the fixings it was a meal fit for a King. A special thanks to Jackie Ventry and Lisa Kelly for all the sides and salads, Sue Sobiegray for preparing the hors d'oeuvres,

A special thanks to Duane Manth of Manth Mfg. who donating breakfast for all the shooters.

Sunday morning the thunderstorms and wind hit, by the time the first flight went off the conditions settled with a slight drizzle and moderate wind for the first flight with the sunshine emerging for the second half of the 20. The 20ga event concluded with 2 100's and 5 99s being posted, Bernie Lenehan and Jeff Ventry. Lenehan outpaced Ventry for the championship. Class winners AA Ian Smingler, A Doug Paddock, B Matthew Lenehan, C Johnny Sibani and D Randy Cook. For the .410 final event of the day the sun was shining and the winds moderate. One lone 99 was enough for Ed Smith to capture the championship.

Three 98's shot off for RU (Jeff Ventry, Matt Kelley and Dave Sobiegray) it only took one station for Ventry to claim RU. Class winners AA Kelley, A Sobiegray, B Dave Troiani, C Doug Goodman, and D Jeff Ventry Jr...

The HOA crown was captured by Ed Smith with a fine 396 "Nice Shooting Ed" Congratulations to Dana Driscoll for RU with a 393. Class winners AA Matt Kelley, A Dave Sobiegray, B Bruce Raymond, C Johnny Sibani and D Steve Dickerman.

A special thank you to all of our dedicated sponsors, and special thanks to Duane Manth and Manth Mfg. without all of them we would not be able to offer the added money, and venue to enable us to grow the shoot year on year. Thank You Randy Cook for your generous donation for the 20 ga. B C D event, Also thanks to our referees and all our volunteers who made this shoot possible, Mike Clarke, Jeff Ventry, Garland Taborn Dave Sobiegray, Rich Falcone and Tim Baldwin, Jackie Ventry, Lisa Kelly for running the shoot table. Thank you to all the shooters for making our event a growing success. Please join us again next year and bring along new shooting friends and pass the word. Make it a vacation, lots of things to do in Niagara Falls, Lewiston and Youngstown NY.