

HEART O' TEXAS TRAP SHOOTERS EXTRAVAGANZA
COMPETITION TO BE HELD AT THE WACO SKEET & TRAP CLUB
7209 Karl May Drive
Waco, TX 76708

Superintendent: Morgan Harbison, Texas Parks & Wildlife
Asst. Superintendent: Jaye Meurer

ALL PARTICIPANTS MUST PRE-REGISTER ONLINE ONLY
Entry Fee: \$75 PER CONTESTANT
LIMITED TO THE FIRST 150 ENTRIES

Friday, October 10, 2014

Check-in/Registration: 7:30 a.m. (Waco Skeet & Trap Club)
Orientation: 8:30 a.m.
Extravaganza Begins: Following Orientation
Lewis Class: Begins after Main Event Shoot-off
Awards: 5:30 p.m. or immediately following Lewis Class Shoot-Off

EACH PARTICIPANT WILL RECEIVE 1 ONE-DAY GATE PASS TO THE
HEART O' TEXAS FAIR & RODEO

Abbreviations:

- HOT – Heart O' Texas Livestock Show
- NSSA – National Skeet Shooting Association
- WS&TC – Waco Skeet & Trap Club
- AST – AgriScience Teacher
- CEA – County Extension Agent
- ATA – Amateur Trapshooting Association

The Heart O' Texas Trap Shooters Extravaganza will take place at the Waco Skeet & Trap Club, 7209 Karl May Drive, Waco, TX 76708. This is a shotgun competition only. Amateur Trapshooting Association governing body rules apply. Heart O' Texas Fair & Rodeo exceptions takes precedence over governing body rules. A Practice Day (at shooters expense) will be held on Thursday, October 9, 2014 at the Waco Skeet & Trap Club from 1:30 p.m. until dark. The Extravaganza will be shot on Friday, October 10, 2014. The Awards Presentation will be held Friday, October 10, 2014 at 5:30 p.m. or immediately following Lewis Class Shoot-Off. The Lewis Class Shoot-Off will be shot on immediately following Main Event Shoot-Off.

Management reserves the right to make changes to the event.

The Heart O' Texas Fair & Rodeo makes available to CEAs and ASTs in charge of 4-H Clubs or FFA programs the opportunity to enter members of their programs in the Extravaganza. These rules are only minimum requirements for participation in the competition and are not intended to limit the right of any CEA or AST, or the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension or the Texas Education Agency to impose additional requirements as they deem necessary. The opportunity to enter 4-H Club and FFA members in the Extravaganza is made available only to CEAs and ASTs supervising these clubs. In no event are these rules to be construed as making any offer or opportunity available to any 4-H Club or FFA member. In no event shall any CEA or AST be considered to be an agent of the Heart O' Texas Fair & Rodeo for any purpose.

Entries in the Extravaganza may be made only by a County Extension Agent or Ag. Science Teacher on our online ShoWorks program. The CEA or AST must verify that the contestant is eligible under the rules of the competition. Please visit our website at hotfair.com; Competitive Events; Livestock for online registration information.

Contestants are responsible for knowing and complying with all rules of this competition.

FORMAT

Heart O' Texas Trap Shooters Extravaganza: 100 ATA single trap targets from the 16 yard line.

Classes: There will be 2 Divisions;

- Juniors – 13 years & under (as of August 31, 2014)
- Seniors – 14 years & older (as of August 31, 2014)

Lewis Classes: There will be four (4) Lewis Classes. Classes may be adjusted based on number of entries. **See “Attachment A” for Lewis Class example.**

Awards:

- The top ten (10) in both Junior & Senior Divisions will be eligible for awards/prizes.
- All ties in the top (10) will be determined by a shoot-off. Shooters who participate in a shoot-off and do not advance will be moved to the Lewis classes.
- The top 3 in each Lewis class (both Jr. & Sr.) will be eligible for awards/prizes.

Ties and Shoot-offs

Extravaganza Ties: Ties for Top 10 positions in the Extravaganza will be determined by a shoot-off of full round(s) of 25 ATA single trap targets from the 16 yard line.

Lewis Class Ties:

Round 1: Ties in the Top 5 positions in the Lewis Class will be determined by a shoot-off of full round(s) of 25 ATA single trap targets from the 16 yard line.

Round 2: Ties will be broken by “Miss & Out”. The machine will be in full ATA oscillation. The first shooter will be allowed one (1) view target. Each shooter will attempt one target at each position. Only shooters who hit their target will advance to the next position. Shooting will continue until all ties are determined.

| <u>Shooting Position</u> | <u>Distance</u> |
|---------------------------------|------------------------|
| Post 1 | 16 yards |
| Post 2 | 16 yards |
| Post 3 | 16 yards |
| Post 4 | 16 yards |
| Post 5 | 16 yards |
| Post 1 | 18 yards |
| Post 2 | 20 yards |
| Post 3 | 22 yards |
| Post 4 | 24 yards |
| Post 5 | 26 yards |
| Post 1 | 27 yards |

Contestants would then continue shooting at the 27 yard line.

CHOKE CHANGES WILL NOT BE ALLOWED DURING ANY SHOOT-OFF.

ELIGIBILITY

Age Requirement: Each Extravaganza contestant must be between the ages of 9 and 18 on August 31, 2014, or be 8 and in the third grade on August 31, 2014.

Residence Requirement: Contestants must be bona fide residents of the State of Texas.

School/4-H/FFA: Contestants must be bona fide members of a Texas County 4-H Club or Texas FFA Chapter and enrolled in and attending public, private or home school elementary or secondary schools in Texas. Involvement in international or national events does NOT disqualify otherwise eligible shooters.

Contestants also must have competed in a minimum of one of the following in order to be eligible to enter the HOT Extravaganza; Texas Agriculture Science Clay Target Shooting competitions (381 AG Clays) within the 2013 or 2014 calendar year; Texas 4-H Shooting Sports sanctioned shotgun competitions within the 2013 or 2014 calendar year.

No Pass, No Play: Contestants suspended under Texas Education Code 33.081 "No Pass, No Play" are ineligible to participate in any Heart O' Texas Livestock Show Junior activity, event or competition. All 4-H and FFA contestants are considered to be academically eligible by the Heart O' Texas Livestock Show to participate in the Extravaganza at the time entries are received from AST/CEA. Any AST/CEA who has a member in his/her 4-H or FFA program who becomes ineligible to participate in the Heart O' Texas Livestock Show Extravaganza according to Texas Education Code must provide written and signed notification to the appropriate Superintendent or to the Livestock Office at least 24 hours prior to any competition. If such notification is NOT received at least 24 hours prior to the beginning of competition, the Heart O' Texas Fair & Rodeo will consider the contestant as eligible to participate.

Foreign Exchange Students: Non-United States citizens and Foreign Exchange students are ineligible to compete in the Heart O' Texas Trap Shooters Extravaganza.

Barred Contestant: The Heart O' Texas Livestock Show, in cooperation with member shows of the North American Livestock Show and Rodeo Managers Association and Rule Infraction Database, reserves the right to refuse entry of any contestant who has been barred from any other show on the basis of unethical practices.

ENTRY RULES

Entry Requirements: Each club/chapter may enter as many individuals as desired in the 2014 HOT Trap Shooters Extravaganza. The right is reserved, by Management, to reject entirely or accept conditionally any entry and to refuse any accepted entry admittance to the grounds or the Waco Skeet & Trap Club.

- **Entries must be submitted online before September 12, 2014.**
- Limited to the first 150 entries
- Entries must be made through the 4-H Club/FFA Chapter by the CEAs/ASTs and submitted **ONLINE ONLY**. Website for entries may be found at hotfair.com; Competitive Events; Livestock.

Entry Fees: Entry fees are \$75.00 per contestant. All participants MUST enter online. Please visit hotfair.com; Competitive Events; Livestock for more information. The Heart O' Texas Fair & Rodeo has the right to ban any contestant from future participation.

Late Entries: Late entry fees will be \$150.00 per contestant. Please contact us at Vicki@hotfair.com for entry information after the September 12, 2014 entry deadline. The Heart O' Texas Fair & Rodeo has the right to ban any contestant from future participation should there be a continuous problem with fees from contestant. Management may turn away and refuse to accept any late entry without explanation. If late entry is not accepted, fees will be returned.

Refunds: There will be no refund of fees for accepted entries.

Signatures: All contestants must have the required original signatures (contestant, AST/CEA, and parent/guardian) on each entry form as detailed on our website at hotfair.com and the ShoWorks program beginning August 15, 2014.

Schedule: **Friday, October 10, 2014**
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Orientation: 8:30 a.m.
Extravaganza Begins: Following Orientation
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Awards: 5:30 p.m. or immediately following Lewis Class Shoot-Off

Orientation – Orientations will be conducted at 8:30 a.m. on Friday, October 10, 2014. Orientation is REQUIRED/MANDATORY for everyone who will participate in the Extravaganza. Failure to comply with this requirement or attempts to avoid it, by any means, will result in disqualification from the day's events. A verification system will be in place, and shooters without verification of attendance at the daily orientation will NOT be permitted to shoot in that day's events unless they make up the session. Shooters will also be given credentials in the form of a back number at check-in that must be displayed at all times while shooting. Management has the ability to change or add additional orientation times.

Squadding – Squadding will be done on a random basis. With no guarantee, special requests will be considered and accommodated when possible. Squadding will be posted online on the Heart O' Texas Livestock Show website, hotfair.com, as soon as available. Contestants should check periodically, as updates/changes may be made. Shooters should report to the appropriate location approximately 30 to 45 minutes prior to their scheduled time. Shooters missing their appointed shooting times should contact the Chief Referee.

RULES & SAFETY REQUIREMENTS

RELEASE AND INDEMNITY-EACH CONTESTANT IS REQUIRED TO INDEMNIFY AND HOLD HARMLESS THE HEART O' TEXAS LIVESTOCK SHOW, THE MCLENNAN COUNTY COMMUNITY ARENAS BOARD, COMMUNITY ARENA MANAGEMENT, MCLENNAN COUNTY, TEXAS, AND EACH OF THEIR RESPECTIVE DIRECTORS, OFFICERS, MANAGERS, EMPLOYEES, OWNERS, PARTNERS, AGENTS AND ASSIGNS (TOGETHER, THE "INDEMNITEES") FROM AND AGAINST ANY LOSS, DAMAGE, LIABILITY, COST OR EXPENSE INCURRED BY THE INDEMNITEES, OR ANY OF THEM, RELATING TO OR ARISING FROM ANY CLAIM, SUIT, DEMAND, OR CAUSE OF ACTION BROUGHT OR ASSERTED BY OR ON BEHALF OF ANY PERSON OR ENTITY, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO A CONTESTANT, BASED ON, ARISING FROM, OR RELATING TO ANY ACT OR OMISSION BY A CONTESTANT OR ITS AGENTS, EMPLOYEES, INDEPENDENT CONTRACTORS, INVITEES OR GUESTS IN CONNECTION WITH SUCH PARTY'S INVOLVEMENT WITH OR ATTENDANCE AT ANY HEART O' TEXAS LIVESTOCK SHOW, INCLUDING ANY NEGLIGENT OR WILLFUL ACT OR OMISSION. IN THE EVENT OF ANY SUCH CLAIM, THE CONTESTANT MUST IMMEDIATELY NOTIFY HOT OF SUCH CLAIM, AND THE CONTESTANT WILL BE REQUIRED TO DEFEND SUCH CLAIM, ACTION OR PROCEEDING BY COUNSEL REASONABLY ACCEPTABLE TO HOT EACH CONTESTANT IS REQUIRED TO RELEASE AND DISCHARGE THE INDEMNITEES FROM ALL CLAIMS, LIABILITIES, DAMAGES, DEMANDS, SUITS AND CAUSES OF ACTION BASED ON, ARISING OUT OF, OR RELATING TO ANY NEGLIGENT ACT OR OMISSION BY ANY INDEMNITEE. EACH CONTESTANT IS REQUIRED TO COVENANT NOT TO SUE ANY PERSON OR ENTITY, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO ANY

INDEMNITEE, FOR OR BASED ON ANY CLAIM OR OTHER MATTER THAT IS RELEASED IN THE STANDARDIZED INDEMNITY AGREEMENT, AND MUST AGREE NOT TO BRING, PROSECUTE, OR PARTICIPATE IN THE PROSECUTION OF ANY SUIT OR ACTION BASED ON OR FOR ANY SUCH CLAIM OR OTHER MATTER.

Range Safety – The safety of all involved is of paramount importance. All range safety rules will be strictly enforced. Any shooter failing to conform to safety standards will be warned or disqualified from the event. Minor infractions will be noted and marked on the shooter’s badge. Repeated infractions or major safety violations will result in disqualification from the event.

Eye Protection – Shooting glasses or equivalent prescription glasses are required for all events. All persons on or near the firing line are required to have eye protection, including range personnel, and shooters.

Ear Protection – All persons on or near the firing line are required to have hearing protection. Ear plugs or ear muffs may be worn at the discretion of the shooter, or Range Officer; but proper hearing protection is required. Electronic devices, other than those specifically designed for hearing protection only, are forbidden on the shooting field forward of the safe line. This includes, but is not limited to radios, CD players, MP3’s, walkie-talkies, and cell phones.

Open and Empty: All firearms will remain open and empty until the shooter is on the shooting station. The gun must be open and empty before leaving the shooting station.

Muzzle Control: Shooters must maintain control of their muzzles at all times. Regardless of condition, muzzles may not be pointed toward or rested upon any part of the body of the shooter or another person. This includes the use of toe pads. The only exception is the limited exposure required in changing chokes. Violation of this rule may result in warning, disqualification from a round, or disqualification from a match.

Interference: If any contestant, in any way, whether in person or by agent, or servant, interferes with the judges during their adjudication, or shows any disrespect to them or the show or competition, they are subject to be penalized. Management may demand a proper apology from the contestant, may exclude him/her from competition, bar him/her from the grounds/WT&SC, and may also withhold any prizes that may have been awarded.

Equipment: Any 12 gauge or smaller fired from the shoulder shotgun, which conforms to ATA rules.

Ammunition: NO RELOADS – ATA PERMITTED FACTORY AMMUNITION ONLY – Shooters must furnish their own appropriate ammunition. It is vitally important to allow extra ammunition for practice rounds, shoot-offs, malfunctions, or other contingencies. Ammunition is subject to inspection and verification. Ammunition will be for sale at WT&SC.

- No load may contain more than 1-1/8 ounces of shot.
- No load may contain any shot larger than Number 7½ for lead and Number 7 for steel.
- No load, lead or steel, may have a maximum velocity greater than the following;
 - 1290 FPS for a shot charge of 1-1/8 ounces.
 - 1325 FPS for a shot charge of 1 ounce.
 - 1350 FPS for a shot charge of 7/8 ounce.

Photographs: All photographs taken by the official photographer(s) become the property of the Heart O’ Texas Fair & Rodeo. Unofficial (i.e., personal) photographs may not be published without written approval of Management. Contestants wishing to purchase photographs must contact the Official Photographer.

Commercial photography and filming are often conducted at the Heart O’ Texas Fair & Rodeo. You may be depicted in photographs or video recordings of any Heart O’ Texas Fair & Rodeo event, and by entering the grounds/WTSSC and/or competitive events associated with the Heart O’ Texas Fair & Rodeo, you consent to the use of any depictions in connection with advertising, news reporting, public relations, webcasts or other broadcasts,

or any other activities relating to the Heart O' Texas Fair & Rodeo, and you further release and waive all claims for compensation and any rights of review and approval, copyright, and right of publicity with respect thereto.

Property/Security: All contestants or persons in charge of property, shall care for, guard, protect, and preserve same, as the Heart O' Texas Fair & Rodeo, NSSA and WT&SC does not undertake to do so, and shall not be held responsible for any loss or damage to said property of contestants thereof. All contestants are responsible for security of their own property. The contestant is the absolute insurer of and is responsible for the condition of their property. The Heart O' Texas Fair & Rodeo, NSSA and WT&SC are not responsible for the acts of a third party.

Official Scores: The official score is the record kept by the referee/scorer on a sheet furnished him/her by Management. The referee/scorer's decision on whether a target is dead or lost is final. All reported scores are checked for accuracy and corrections will be made when required. Heart O' Texas Trap Shooters Extravaganza Management maintains the objective of producing timely, accurate and complete scoring records for each event. They do not represent any club, county, team, or individual. The WT&SC, via the Shoot Coordinator, will be responsible for conducting any and all aspects of the event pertaining to "shooting" including, but not limited to: squadding, scoring, posting of scores, determination and conducting shoot-offs, determination of winners, and rules interpretation.

Appeals: A shooter may appeal a dead/lost ruling on the field if he/she feels a referee has missed a call. Once the shooter has changed posts, such right of appeal is lost. The referee may seek assistance from the official scorer or may poll the squad at his or her discretion. The decision of the referee in regard to dead or lost targets on the field is final and not subject to further appeal. A parent or coach's score is not an official score and will not be consulted.

Protest: Shooters only may protest any injustice, violation of the rules, or other circumstances that may have resulted in placing them at a disadvantage relative to other shooters. Such conditions must be reported to the field referee immediately. If satisfaction is not obtained, the situation should be reported immediately to the Shoot Coordinator or Chief Referee. If resolution is not reached at this point, the shooter only has the right to present a written protest with a \$20.00 protest fee to the Chief Referee or Shoot Coordinator within one (1) hour of the time their squad has finished or score was posted. The Protest Jury will investigate and reach final resolution of the matter as soon as possible considering all circumstances. Results of all protests are final and will be reported to the shooter. The names of the Chief Referee, Shoot Coordinator and Protest Jury members will be posted at the shoot.

Field and Range Boundaries: For multiple reasons, control of traffic on and around all fields and ranges is essential. Since coaching is not permitted on the ranges, there is no reason for a parent or coach to be on the ranges unless invited by the Range Officers. The field boundary is behind the gun rack/bench. Please respect these boundaries and the directions of officials. Failure to do so or argument with officials is considered unsportsmanlike conduct and will result in appropriate actions, up to removal from the event, range, area, or grounds.

Disruption: Parents, coaches or other individuals should remain positive and supportive, being careful not to disrupt or exhibit behaviors deemed detrimental to shooters or the operation of the match. Sanctions ranging from a warning to ejection from the grounds or disqualification of shooters may be imposed for interference with the operation of the match or disruption of the events on a firing line or field.

Coaching: Coaching during competition will not be permitted while participants are on the firing line. Coaching includes any communication between the coach, parent or other spectator and the shooter; verbal or non-verbal. The shooter may request assistance from a Range Officer and the Range Officer may assign an assistant.

Alcohol Policy: No shooting allowed following the consumption of alcohol. No alcohol is allowed on shooting ranges by participants or spectators. Consumption, use and possession of alcohol by persons under the age of 21 is prohibited by law and is not permitted anywhere on the grounds at any time.

Drug Policy: No shooting is allowed while under the influence of any drug or prescription medications that affects judgment and conduct to a degree that a participant is unsafe.

Tobacco Policy: No smoking is permitted on or near the firing lines or in any area where it would be considered inappropriate or in a situation where the smoke constitutes interference to shooters. Smoking, use and possession of tobacco products (including smokeless) by minors is prohibited by law and is not permitted anywhere on the grounds at any time.

Dress Code: Participants and spectators are required to dress appropriately. Both young people and adults should wear attire appropriate for the weather while remaining modest and socially acceptable. Shooters must wear a shirt with sleeves. Clothing deemed immodest or distracting to other shooters will not be permitted. Where eye and/or ear protection is required, fully enclosed shoes must be worn for safety reasons by both shooters and spectators. All shooters and coaches should remember that they may be having photographs taken or be asked to interview for the media.

Use of Two-way Radios: To assist us in range and match operations, only authorized persons are permitted to use two-way radios on the grounds. Any action by either youth or adults interfering with the frequencies in use imposes a safety hazard. Deliberate disruption of range communications by anyone at the event will be considered a safety violation and treated as such.

Practice: WTSSC will be open for practice (at shooters expense) from 1:30 p.m. until dark on Thursday October 9, 2014 only. **Trap fields will be open ONLY on Thursday for trap practice. There will not be any trap fields open for practice on Friday and Saturday.**

ATTACHMENT A

Lewis Class System for the 2014 Heart O' Texas Trap Shooters Extravaganza

There will be four (4) Lewis Classes (Class one (1) being the top Class). The Lewis Class calculation format below governs the 2014 Heart O' Texas Extravaganza. Top 10 Extravaganza shooters in both Juniors & Seniors will not be included in the Lewis Class event. Top 10 shooters will be removed from the overall total, the remaining shooter scores will be listed in descending order. The remaining shooters represent the total Lewis Class number used in the following calculations.

The list of shooters scores will be divided into classes by placing dividing lines (original line) based on the following calculation:

- Total number of shooters in Lewis Class divided by number of classes
 - i. If the result is a whole number, it is the number of shooters for each class
 - ii. In the event that the calculation does not end up as a whole number, the whole number portion of the result is the base number for each class. The remainder is to be multiplied by the number of classes. This will generate a remaining whole number that will be less than the total number of classes. This is the number of classes that need to have one (1) added to the base number, starting with the lowest class and then moving up.

When an original line is placed between a number of tied scores, the shooters will be reassigned as follows:

- Majority above the line, those shooters below the line are moved above the line.
- Majority below the line, those shooters above the line are moved below the line.
- Equal number above and below, those shooters above the line are moved below the line. Only the lines with ties are moved. The original lines in all other classes remain as originally drawn. There is the possibility of having a significantly different number of shooters for each class.

**SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED TO TOP THREE (3) SENIOR
INDIVIDUALS**

1ST PLACE - \$1,000 SCHOLARSHIP

2ND PLACE - \$750 SCHOLARSHIP

3RD PLACE - \$500 SCHOLARSHIP

**TROPHIES/ROSETTES AWARDED TO 1ST – 10TH SENIOR
INDIVIDUALS**

**TROPHIES/ROSETTES AWARDED TO 1ST – 10TH PLACE JUNIOR
INDIVIDUALS**

LEWIS CLASSES WINNERS IN ALL 4 CLASSES

TROPHIES AWARDED TO 1ST – 3RD PLACE JUNIORS INDIVIDUALS

TROPHIES AWARDED TO 1ST – 3RD PLACE SENIOR INDIVIDUALS

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Lewis Class Calculation Example

Total number of shooters in Lewis Class = 26
 Total number of Classes = 4

26 / 4 = 6.5 6 is the base number for each class - .5 is the remainder
 4 X .5 = 2 The two lower classes need to have 1 added to the base number

- Class 1 – 6
- Class 2 – 6
- Class 3 – 7
- Class 4 – 7

| CLASS | ORIGINAL LINES | | ADJUSTED LINES | |
|---------|----------------|-------|----------------|-------|
| | NAME | SCORE | NAME | SCORE |
| CLASS 1 | Jim | 100 | Jim | 100 |
| | Jan | 99 | Jan | 99 |
| | John | 99 | John | 99 |
| | Terry | 99 | Terry | 99 |
| | Eric | 96 | Eric | 96 |
| | Susie | 96 | Susie | 96 |
| CLASS 2 | Dolly | 96 | Dolly | 96 |
| | Mike | 95 | Mike | 95 |
| | Sam | 95 | Sam | 95 |
| | Dana | 95 | Dana | 95 |
| | Joshua | 95 | Joshua | 95 |
| | Janie | 94 | Janie | 94 |
| CLASS 3 | Debbie | 94 | Debbie | 94 |
| | Lucy | 94 | Lucy | 94 |
| | Patty | 93 | Patty | 93 |
| | Zelda | 93 | Zelda | 93 |
| | George | 93 | George | 93 |
| | Paul | 93 | Paul | 93 |
| | Rita | 92 | Rita | 92 |
| CLASS 4 | Ofelia | 92 | Ofelia | 92 |
| | Pamela | 91 | Pamela | 91 |
| | Greg | 91 | Greg | 91 |
| | Art | 90 | Art | 90 |
| | Olga | 90 | Olga | 90 |
| | Joseph | 90 | Joseph | 90 |
| | Mary | 90 | Mary | 90 |

