2002 NFAA FIELD OUTDOOR CHAMPIONSHIP

FAA MEMBER PARTICIPATION WATKINS GLEN, NY 22-26 JULY 2002

Watkins Glen had Five Challenging ranges with lots of steep uphill and downhill shots. It was like shooting from your Florida driveway to the peak of your roof or like standing on the roof of your Florida house and shooting into the street, only you're standing on this uneven hillside in the midst of these tall heavy northern woods. Beautiful woods. Sunny weather with temperatures in the 70's in the daytime. Quite cool going out to ranges, but lovely all day long... except for Tuesday. It rained all day Tuesday; and when we heard thunder, Bill Bishop left the range for safety's sake and gave up the rest of his round – They didn't call us in and we continued to shoot in the soaking rain. I told the fellows I was shooting with that the difference between theirs and ours is that we take warm showers as we shoot and they take cold ones.

All was not roses of course. Some of us had senior moments... Mine was the first practice arrow (at 80 yards) when I pulled the bowstring back and opened my hand to send my release aid off into the woods never to be found: Good thing I had a back up in my quiver. Then, on the last day, I had to dry fire my bow just to keep everything in perspective and rattle my nerves. Ron Lucas and Andy Anderson were unfortunately grouped on a target between two nasty groups on the first day, and none of the four on their target had heard the announcement that first target, as practice was required. The four of them innocently agreed to start scoring without practice – the eight archers (behind and in front) said nothing but protested – the protest was upheld – and the four on their target lost from 17 to 20 points each (score on first target). Roy Bovee shot the Presidential range the first day and found it so physically demanding that he had to quit after the round and go home. Angelo Distefano quit before turning in a score. Gina Bishop went out to practice on the West Virginia range on the Saturday before the shoot started, got down to the bottom of the hill, and couldn't climb the hill, and thus had to cancel shooting the tournament. We did have problems, but we shot marvelous ranges and had a great time.

Florida archers brought home four National Champion bowls! (There were 48 bowls on the awards table) At least two of the Florida Champions shot an arrow into the wall over the bar at the Seneca Lodge, a tradition for NFAA Champions at Watkins Glen. There were 480 archers registered this year and 25 Florida archers were registered (plus two of our snowbirds), and 22 Florida archers finished.

Joe Kapp, an NFAA Pro, shot a perfect 560 on one of his Hunter Rounds!

FAA MEMBER SCORES:

ARCHER David DiMascio	DIVISION AMFS	FLIGHT PLACE Flight 2 10	FLD HTR FLD HTR ANL TOTAL AWARD 537 528 536 541 560 2702
Hank Farro	SMFS	Flight 1 7	531 526 529 527 558 2671
Miriam Distefano	AFFS	Flight 1 6	522 511 519 531 554 2637
David Norman	AMFS	Flight 4 14	519 519 519 515 558 2620
Jake Pettitt	AMBHFS	Flight 2 9	499 522 504 524 558 2607
Andy Rodgers	AMFS	Flight 5 11	504 509 507 527 528 2575
Scott Davies	AMFS	Flight 6 2	496 500 509 502 554 2561 2 – Ft 6
Mike Arndts	AMBHFS	Flight 2 15	508 512 475 508 554 2557
Dean Hupp	MSMFS	Flight 2 1	496 480 479 505 554 2514 1 – Ft 2
Tim Austin	SMFS	Flight 3 6	487 493 493 491 546 2510
Debra Sieloff	AFFS	Flight 2 6	495 486 483 482 546 2492
Cathy Cook	AFBHFS	Flight 1 8	498 480 490 493 530 2491
Angel Rodriguez	AMFSLR	Flight 1 CH	467 485 478 490 540 2460 Champion

ARCHER	DIVISION	FLIGHT	PLACE	FLD	HTR	FLD	HTR	ANL		AWARD
Densel Landrum	AMFSL	Flight 1	6	480	486	470	473	530	2439	
Dave Leisey	MSMFSL	Flight 1	CH	472	458	462	489	544	2425	Champion
Ron Lucas	AMFSL	Flight 1	8	451	480	476	469	534	2410	
Andie Anderson	AMFSL	Flight 1	10	461	460	466	477	530	2394	
Oliver Austin	AMFS	Flight 6	8	422	432	434	426	532	2246	
Bill Bishop	MSMFS	Flight 2	8	493	197	500	494	546	2230	
Sandy Thater	AFBHFSL	Flight 1	2	433	411	429	415	474	2162	2^{nd}
Hermit Gann	SMBHFSL	Flight 1	6	444	411	390	418	486	2149	
Jennifer Davies	AFBB	Flight 1	3	418	390	415	412	498	2133	3 rd
Bob Wartenberg	SMTrad	Flight 1	CH	343	331	364	355	466	1859	Champion
Joe Schottmiller	SMBHFS	Flight 1		489	500	Inc			1120	
Felicia Thater	YFBB	Flight 1	CH	183	113	126	113	138	673	Champion
Roy Bovee	MSMFS			476					476	
Angelo Distefano	AMFS			Inc						
Gina Bishop	SFFS									