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SOBOTKA IS INDIVIDUAL CHAMP AT 16 YARDS AT CORNHUSKER TRAP SHOOT

Mason Sobotka of Norris shot a perfect score, then survived a shoot-off with nine others who also broke all 75 targets at 16 yards Friday, May 1, to become individual champion at the 56th Cornhusker Trap Shoot at Doniphan.

Favorable conditions not only helped lead to 10 perfect scores but 57 scores of 73 or higher. On Saturday, May 2, competitors will shoot 75 handicap targets. The high school shooter with the highest combined score from the two days will earn the Cornhusker Cup trophy as the overall champion.

Among the many contenders is defending Cornhusker Cup champion Kahne Packer of Wilber 5 Clovers 4-H, who finished second Friday.

Cayla Peterson of Paxton won the ladies' title Friday with a 74. Norris One was the high school team champion, Wilber 5 Clovers took the 4-H team crown and the 4-H ladies' championship. Norris was the ladies' team winner.

Friday's results in the 16-yard competition are:

Top 20 Individuals – 1. J. Mason Sobotka, Norris, 75; 2. Kahne Packer, Wilber 5 Clovers 4-H, 75; 3. Brant Ferguson, Omaha Creighton Prep, 75; 4. George Lee, Norris, 75; 5. Owen Paulsen, Lincoln East, 75; 6. Jackson Lindsay, Creighton Prep, 75; 7. Drake Daubert, Homeschool, 75; 8. Jackson Norman, Omaha Skutt, 75; 9. Wyatt Suchy, Brainard Oak Creek 4-H, 75; 10. Will Varilek, Raymond Central, 75; 11. Kade Brauckmuller, Ashland 4-H, 74; 12. Kasey Ramos, Grand Island Northwest, 74; 13. Blake Cerny, Blue River 4-H, 74; 14. Nathan Douglas, Omaha Creighton Prep, 74; 15. Coy Corfield, Hershey, 74; 16. Collin Kohout, Wilber 5 Clovers 4-H, 74: 17. Hayden Bock, Ravenna, 74; 18. Conner Parrish, Lincoln Southeast, 74; 19. Britton Petersen 74; 20. Keaton Kopecky, Malcolm 4-H, 74

Top Six Ladies – 1. Cayla Peterson, Paxton, 74; 2. Allie Hiatt, Louisville 4-H, 73; 3. Addison Ridley, Blue River 4-H, 73; 4. Carly Uffelman, York, 73; 5. Addison Lafler, Papillion-La Vista South, 72; 6. Lillee Ludlow, Ashland 4-H, 72

Top Three 4-H Teams – 1. Wilber 5 Clovers 4-H One (Kahne Packer, Kaden Togstad, Cooper Hayek, Brecken Niemeyer, Collin Kohout), 367 of 375; 2. Blue River 4-H Black, 357; 3. Louisville 4-H Gold, 357

Top Three Ladies Teams – 1. Norris (Grace Douglas, Ava Schmutte, Aubrey Zoubek, Olivia Zoubek, Addisyn Galyen), 326 of 375; 2. Omaha Marian Blue, 326

Top 4-H Ladies Teams – 1.Wilber 5 Clovers 4-H (Allyssa Kotas, Kelsey Zoubek, Hannah Kohout, Monica Zoubek, Jaycee Schwisow), 348 of 375; 2. Ashland 4-H One, 333

Top Six High School Teams – 1. Norris One (J. Mason Sobotka, George Lee, Britton Petersen, Logan Schneider, Fletcher Hewitt), 368 of 375; 2. Logan View Blue, 353; 3. Omaha Creighton Prep Blue, 353; 4. Grand Island Northwest One, 352; 5. Exeter-Milligan-Friend One, 352; 6. Papillion-La Vista South One, 351

"A male gynecologist is like an auto mechanic who never owned a car."

NORTH DAKOTA

2026 WATERFOWL HUNTING SEASON

North Dakota's waterfowl season opens for residents Sept. 26, while nonresidents may begin hunting waterfowl Oct. 5.

The resident-only portion of the season has been extended from seven days in previous years to nine days in 2026. This change, which was first presented to the public starting summer 2025, provides additional early season opportunities for resident hunters.

The zones and overall season structure for nonresident hunters will remain the same as the 2025 hunting season.

The North Dakota 2026-27 Hunting and Trapping Guide will be available this summer and will provide further details on the waterfowl hunting season.

PENNSYVANIA

SMALL GAME

Field, Possession ,Daily Limit After, Species First Day Last Day Limit Second Day

Squirrel – (Combined species) Sept. 12 Sept. 27 6 18

Eligible Junior Hunters, with or without the required junior license, and Mentored

Permit Holders 16 years of age and under

Squirrel – (Combined species) Sept. 12 Dec. 24 6 18 and Dec. 26 Feb. 28, 2027

Ruffed Grouse Oct. 17 Dec. 24 2 6

Rabbit, Cottontail Oct. 3 Oct. 18 4 12

Eligible Junior Hunters, with or without the required junior license, and Mentored

Permit Holders 16 years of age and under

Rabbit, Cottontail Oct. 17 Dec. 24 4 12 and Dec. 26 Feb. 28, 2027

Ring-necked Pheasant

Central Susquehanna and Franklin As authorized by the Executive Order County Wild Pheasant Recovery Areas Male only Ring-necked Pheasant – Male or Female Oct. 10 Oct. 18 2 6

Junior License Holders and Mentored Permit Holders 1

Ring-necked Pheasant – Male or Female Oct. 24 Dec. 24 2 6 and Dec. 26 Feb. 28, 2027

Bobwhite Quail – There is no open season for the taking of bobwhite quail in the area surrounding the Letterkenny Bobwhite Quail Focus Area, as designated in § 141.30 (relating to bobwhite quail recovery area).

Field Possession Daily Limit After

Species First Day Last Day Limit Second Day Bobwhite Quail Sept. 1 Dec. 24 Unlimited and Dec. 26 Mar. 31, 202

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SOUTH DAKOTA

GFP COMMISSION HOLDS MARCH MEETING

Waterfowl Hunting Seasons

The Commission proposed to reduce the daily limit of Canada geese during the August Management Take and the Early Fall Canada Goose hunting seasons from 15 to 8 geese.

They also proposed to remove Brown, Edmunds, Faulk, McPherson, and Spink counties from the August Management Take unit.

There were no changes proposed to the Duck, Goose, Spring Light Goose, Youth, Non-resident Waterfowl, Crane or Tundra Swan hunting seasons.

Lake Albert Waterfowl Refuge

The Commission removed refuge status from Lake Albert Waterfowl Refuge.

The Lake Albert Waterfowl Refuge was comprised of private property owned by eight landowners. The landowners formally requested that their property be removed from the Waterfowl Refuge status and provided signed consents to remove their property. By removing the refuge status, landowner control over hunting access on their property will be restored.

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