

Trap and Field Report August 2026

End of July means Road Trip... Sparta Time!

The Grand American is in the books and 22 Arizona Shooters made the trip to Sparta.

First few days of the shoot made those of us from Arizona grateful for our drier climate. Temps were in the upper 90's and into the century mark with humidity to boot. Things did cool down but rain came with it. Us Arizona shooters adapted and stuck it out.

First mention of Arizona Shooters is for the 2 Arizona Shooters that won the honor of participating in the Champion of Champions. Alexis Fernan (Champion) and Tavia Crum (Sub Jr.) both represented Arizona and even though they didn't place, they still put up a good effort.



I'd like to thank Tim and Celeste Robb for their hospitality at the Annual Wednesday get together. Another great party!!

Arizona trophy winners from Sparta were Event 1, Isabella Ricci Lady 1 R/U. Event 5, Jim Copsey Sr Vet R/U. Event 6, Alexis Fernan Lady I Champion. Event 8, Dick Goerlich Vet R/U and Jim Copsey, Sr. Vet 3rd. Event 10, Don Williamson AA Third. Event 11, Tim Robb Sr. Vet Champion. Event 15, Dick Goerlich Vet 3rd. Event 16, Jim Copsey Sr Vet Champion. Event 17, Lady I 3rd. Event 20, Jim Copsey Sr Vet Champion. Event 21, Greg Spiczka Armed Forces B-D Class, and Event 24, World Handicap Championship Armed Forced Yardage trophy for the 26-27 yardage.

Special Congratulations to Jimmy Heller for winning the World Doubles Championship Sr. Vet Champion.

Arizona shooters with Target Attainment achievements are: Thomas Braden with 100,000 Combined Target Attainment and Jim Copsey with 500,000 Combined Target Attainment.

New news for Arizona is the upgrade to the Arizona Trapshooting Association website. The format is finalized and a great source of information for upcoming shoots and news for Arizona Trapshooting. Visit us at www.aztraps.com.

Speaking of upcoming shoots, we have the Autumn Satellite Grand starting on 11/4 through 11/15, the Winter Chain Shoot running from 12/31-1/3 and the Arizona Hall of Fame Shoot 1/13-1/17. Inductees for the Arizona Hall of Fame are Robert Mlynarz for shooting accomplishments and Steve Bell for his contributions to Arizona trapshooting. Please make it a point to attend.

That's about it for the month of July. Time for the Grand American and seeing everyone there. Enjoy yourselves and safe travels all.