

## 2017 Report to the AZ Sportsmen for Wildlife Conservation

### AZSSEF Grant, Final Completion Report

Grant amount: \$13,373.00

Expenditures: \$13,373.00 for Vests from Shoot the Moon Sportswear in Peyton, CO. as well as \$97.50 shipping from Phoenix to Marengo, OH.

Number of Vests supplied: 76

This represents the number of Vests earned by the winning Competitors in the Commissioner's Cup State Championships. Vests were not awarded to winners who previously earned one, and many of the previous Vest winners wore them.

The 2017 Commissioner's Cup Championships included events in American Trap, American Skeet and American Sporting Clays during April and May. Approximately 300 competitors attended. The AZ SCTP program continues to grow with over 35 Teams with over 1,100 young athletes. With this growth so has the volunteer Coach group grown as well as the supporting parents of the competitors. All the volunteers are well aware of the support of all the sponsoring organizations for the Commissioner's Cup Vests because of the patches carried on the Vests.

There were 1,210 young athletes registered in Arizona SCTP. Of these, 387 competed in the Commissioner's Cup State Championships.

17 Shooters traveled to Marengo, OH in July to compete in the SCTP National Championships in 2017. Additional young athletes traveled to International selection Championships at the Olympic Center in Peyton, CO. This year's competitors battled pesky targets, drenching rain and many breaks in shooting when dangerous lightning was detected nearby. Future training might consider adding training in the rain.

Pictures are included.

**A look at the  
“numbers” for the  
2017 Scholastic Clay  
Target Program  
(SCTP) & Scholastic  
Action Shooting  
Program (SASP)  
National  
Championships**

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The 2017 Scholastic Clay Target Program (SCTP) and Scholastic Action Shooting Program (SASP) National Championships, held at the Cardinal Shooting Center, July 8 thru 15, in Marengo, Ohio are officially “in the books” and here’s a look at the final numbers.

The 2017 Scholastic Clay Target Program (SCTP) and Scholastic Action Shooting Program (SASP) National Championships brought together competitive shooters, ages 8 to 23, from 32 states to compete for national titles in the shotgun disciplines of American Trap, Handicap Trap, Bunker Trap, Trap Doubles, Skeet, Skeet Doubles and Sporting Clays. Pistol and rifle competitors competed for steel shooting titles in Rimfire Pistol, Centerfire Pistol, Iron Sight Rifle and Optics Rifle divisions.

#### The Numbers At-a-Glance:

- 1,043,100 Competitive rounds were fired by 2,687 shooting sports competitors from 32 states during the 8 day event (Approx. 1.4 million including the games and practice)
- Participation in the Scholastic Action Shooting Program (SASP) increased 119%, from 2013 to 2017 (from 199 to 436 athletes)
- Participation in the Scholastic Clay Target Program (SCTP) increased 19.5%, from 2013 to 2017 (from 1883 to 2251 athletes)
- Women are the fastest growing segment of the shooting sports, making up 18% of the National Championship competitors (16% of SCTP shooters, 30% of SASP shooters)
- \$425,000.00 (SCTP) and \$84,750.00 (SASP) MidwayUSA Foundation Team Endowment Funds earned at the 2017 National Championships
- [SSSF](#) has awarded \$100,000 in scholarships to SCTP and SASP participants this season and over \$300,000 in total scholarships since 2013











