2025 Alaskayess State Championship

"Knights in the Forest: Slay the Clays!"

June 2-7, 2025

300 target Main Event ~ \$ 200 100 Trap ~ 50 Wobble ~ 50 Skeet ~ 100 Sporting Clays

500 target Optional for HOA ~ \$325

Main Event plus: 50 Double Trap \sim 50 additional Skeet \sim 50 Double Skeet \sim 50 Field Sporting with Helice

Trap/Skeet at BRSP

7th Summit Shooting Park:
Skeet ~ Sporting
Field Sporting with Helice

AlaskaYESS State Championship is open to any USAYESS registered athlete in good standing with their team.

Fees do not include ammo. Pre-sale of ammo offered with registration. No refunds after Deadline.

Registration Deadline: May 10, 2025

Contact Lindy Moss at: <u>alaskayess@yahoo.com</u> for more information

The following events will be offered at Birchwood Recreation & Shooting Park:

Monday or Tuesday:

❖ 50 Skeet or 100 Skeet for Optional

❖ 50 Double Skeet for Optional

25-Pair Double Trap for Optional

*Optional 100 Skeet must be shot as 4 consecutive rounds

Wednesday:

❖ 100 Trap

❖ 50 Wobble

25-Pair Double Trap for Optional

The following events will be offered at 7th Summit Shooting Park:

Monday or Tuesday:

❖ 50 Skeet or 100 Skeet for Optional

❖ 50 Double Skeet for Optional

* *Optional 100 Skeet must be shot as 4 consecutive rounds

Tuesday or Wednesday Afternoon/Evening or Thursday morning:

❖ 50 Field Sporting (which includes 10 Helice targets)

Friday:

100 Sporting Clays Walkthrough

Fun Shoots (time permitting):

Liege Lord & Knight [Coaches & Captains]

Lady Knight & Sir Knight Partner Shoot [Sadie Hawkins Shoot]

Awards Ceremony will be held on Saturday morning, location TBD.

All teams and athletes are expected to attend. We do not mail awards.

Teams are expected to provide one Referee for every 5 athletes or portion thereof for each event/discipline.

All events are mixed squads, with no more than 3 members of one team on a 5-man squad.

Flights/Squads are published NLT May 25.

This program is subject to change at the discretion of the Shoot Administrator and the facility staff.

AWARDS STRUCTURE:

TEAM:

GRAND CHAMPION TEAM (based on top 3 or 5 scores - TBD) non-divisional, ALL EVENTS.

HOA Varsity Team (based on top 3 or 5 scores - TBD), including SV, JV, and Entry divisions, MAIN EVENT ONLY (Outside teams: Contact Lindy Moss re Entry Division)

HOA Intermediate/Novice Team (based on top 3 or 5 scores - TBD), MAIN EVENT ONLY We will decide on number of athlete scores for HOA Team and awards NLT April 30.

INDIVIDUAL - ALL EVENTS:

HOA CHAMPION HOA Runner-Up High Lady

INDIVIDUAL - MAIN EVENT*:

HAA by Division, non-gender
HAA Runner-Up by Division, non-gender

*HAA Bronze by Division, non-gender (requires a minimum of 7 athletes/division for this level)

*If a substantial majority of athletes register for all events, we will expand HAA to include the Optional Events as well. This will be announced NLT April 30.

MEDALS:

Medals for 1st-3rd in all events, by division, non-gender. Medals for top 3/5 athletes for Team awards.

NON-ATHLETIC AWARDS:

Athlete of the Year

Varsity Athlete of the Year

These two awards are for AlaskaYESS Seniors Only, and we are taking nominations for these awards. Coaches should send the nominee's name, years with the program, and a statement as to why this athlete should be considered for this award. Keep in mind they need to be athletes who have benefitted the State Program as well as their team, and served at some capacity on the state level, whether with AKYESS Varsity Team or as a Youth Advisor to the Board.

Nominations close for these awards on March 31.

Academic Excellence!

These recognitions will be awarded to any AlaskaYESS athlete in any division. Pass/Fail grades do not qualify. This requires a progress report or 3rd quarter report card with a minimum 4.0 grade average. This MUST be turned in NLT April 30!

HOA are not eligible for HAA awards. If a minimum of 3 Collegiate athletes compete, we will develop a divisional HAA Collegiate award. Collegiate athletes are not eligible for HOA awards. All awards are non-gender unless there are a minimum of 7 lady athletes in a division. Ladies or Collegiate must be registered NLT April 30 to build awards and medals.

PLEASE NOTE: We will NOT mail awards, and we will not award a non-athletic award to an athlete that is not present at the Awards Ceremony! This includes Academic Excellence awards, which will be awarded to athletes who complete the 2024-2025 season by competing at State Championship.

REGISTRATION: We will develop an online registration for State, as well as a bulk paper registration for teams. Bulk registrations must be paid with one check, please. Ammo must be ordered at time of registration, and will be available in 12 or 20 ga, with priority going to traveling teams. We anticipate the cost will be \$9/box.

RULES: Please read our AlaskaYESS Rules & Protocol for State, in addition to the USAYESS Guidebook. We do enforce the rules at our events. Please ensure your athletes are familiar with the rules.

EVENTS: AlaskaYESS State Championship has always been a flat fee for all events. We do not offer a la carte events. The HOA Grand Champion Team, HOA, HOA Runner-Up, High Lady will be based on ALL events, so the full 500-target schedule. HAA may be determined by ALL events – TBD May 1.

Athletes are welcome to participate in all the Optional events provided that they are familiar with the protocol, rules, and process of each of the disciplines. The only exception would be Helice, which is unique, and we encourage athletes to experience this exciting discipline, time permitting.

All events have strict time limits, and our Field Sporting with Helice is no exception! Field Sporting will be 5 stations, 1 or 2 of which will include a total of 10 Helice targets, with one hour to complete all 50 targets. Due to the nature of Helice, the targets will be random, and their flight is not predictable, so understand that when the target is thrown, unless declared "Bird Again" [Helice term for "No Bird"] the target is legal and additional targets will not be thrown if the shooter balks. Due to time constraints, the stations utilized for Field Sporting will be part of the Walkthrough on Friday, with target trajectories or hoops changed prior to the Walkthrough. All participants in Field Sporting are expected to clean the Helice stations of targets after the completion of their flight.

AlaskaYESS has a few rules that diverge from NGB and USAYESS rules. In Skeet, to reduce waste of targets, ammo, time, and confusion for referees, "proof doubles" are handled in the following manner: If the Athlete is visibly tracking the correct target of a pair, and they simo, the call is "Dead Pair." If they are tracking the wrong target first it is a "Lost Pair" regardless of the result of firing on the targets. Our referees do not tell athletes which target to shoot first at each station. Our Wobble Trap is always one shot, not two, to save cost (and supply) of ammo. We do not allow athletes to "Bump-up" a division. Once promoted, an athlete remains in that division for the remainder of the year. Senior Varsity = 80% or better, Junior Varsity = 60% or better, Entry athletes (9th-12th grades) are brand new to shotgun sports.

DRESS CODE: In Alaska, athletes are not permitted to wear their hat backwards. Shorts must be longer than the shooting vest. No crocs or sandals or heelless footwear. See specific rules in AlaskaYESS Rules & Protocol.

LONG DISTANCE TEAMS: We recommend lodging in Mat-Su: Hotels, VRBO, or RV/tent camping on-site at 7th Summit or BRSP. We do not handle campsite reservations for BRSP. 7th Summit is located 11 miles outside of Wasilla. We do have a great contact for Turo van rentals! We **strongly** recommend you make travel arrangements prior to March 2025, as flights, lodging, and vehicle rentals fill up quickly for summer tourism in Alaska!

7th Summit is an off-grid facility, with minimal amenities at this time. There is no running water, we have porta potties, and trash must be taken off-site when you leave. We do have a very large BBQ set-up with a stove-type burner.

We recommend ATV's for those guests who have limited walking ability or medical issues. We do not have rental ATV's or carts. With over 3 miles of Walkthrough trails available, last year's State course was just over a mile in length. Skeet fields are approximately ½ mile from the parking lot, with limited parking along the access road, and fields are not visible from the access road, so guests are welcome to bring folding chairs to watch the skeet events.

Please contact me if you have any other questions or concerns. We hope to see you all at State!