

**Eastern Cornhusker Trapshooting  
Conference**  
Sportsmanship - Academics - Citizenship



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January 14, 2010

To: Coaches, School Officials and others interested in the Eastern Cornhusker Trapshooting Conference (ECTC)

From: Chuck Kopocis  
Conference President

Re: **2010 ECTC Season**

Dear Coaches, School Officials and other Interested Persons:

The Eastern Cornhusker Trapshooting Conference (ECTC) Board of Directors is pleased to welcome all to the 2010 Eastern Cornhusker Trapshooting Conference Season.

Registration documents and other important Conference information can be obtained by visiting us on the web at [www.shootectc.org](http://www.shootectc.org).

The 2010 Annual Board of Directors' Meeting was held on January 9, 2010 in Papillion, Nebraska. Actions taken at the Annual Board of Directors' Meeting are highlighted in this letter. There was a change to the Board of Directors in 2010. Bruce Esser resigned his position as Third Vice-President, North Division. Will Bennett from Papillion was elected to finish Bruce's term. Join me in welcoming Will to the Board and expressing thanks for Bruce's many contributions to the Conference over the past seasons.

**CHANGES FOR THE 2010 SEASON**

At the annual ECTC Board of Directors' Meeting held January 9, 2010 the following actions were taken by the Board of Directors as it pertains to rules, bylaws and conference format:

- The entry fees for all of the 2010 Conference Divisional Shoots will remain \$10.00 for junior shooters and \$20.00 for senior shooters. The entry fee for the All-Conference shoot to be held at Lincoln Trap & Skeet on April 24, 2010 remains \$5.00 for juniors and \$10.00 for seniors.
- The 2010 Conference Schedule is adopted. The first week of Divisional Shoots will start on March 13, 2010. Please visit the conference website at [www.shootectc.org](http://www.shootectc.org) for the entire 2010 schedule.

- Conference Rule 14 was modified. The rule was modified to include provisions for members of Scouting Troops to compete within the Conference provided they attend a school that does not have a trap team. Eligibility requirements are the same as currently required by school and 4-H teams.
- The Board approved establishment of a pilot program allowing teams to occasionally compete at Divisional Shoots outside their division on a voluntary basis. More information regarding this program will be e-mailed to coaches prior to start of the season.

### **2009 SEASON REGISTRATION**

Coaches register teams and participants by providing to the Conference a 2010 Eligibility Roster which is available by visiting the conference website, [www.shootectc.org](http://www.shootectc.org). Eligibility Rosters are to be signed by a school official from the school in which the participant(s) are attending. Transfer of Eligibility Rosters, also found on the website, are to be used when a shooter is transferring their eligibility from one team to another as described under Rule 14. These forms are required to be signed by both the school in which the shooter is attending as well as the team in which eligibility is being transferred to.

As a reminder, all shooters participating in the Conference are required to have successfully completed the Nebraska Game & Parks Firearm Hunter Education Course or similar program from another state prior to the first shoot. Due to the considerable amount of time it takes to register each shooter with the Conference and verification of Hunter Education Training, Eligibility Rosters must be filed in ample time before each shooter registers for their first shoot.

### **TEAM ELIGIBILITY ROSTERS ARE DUE MARCH 1, 2010**

For those shooters needing Nebraska Game & Parks Firearm Hunter Education information can be obtained by visiting the website, [www.ngpc.state.ne.us](http://www.ngpc.state.ne.us) or contacting Michael Streeter, Game & Parks Hunter Education Coordinator at (402) 471-6133.

All 2010 Eligibility Rosters shall be sent to:

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(Home) 339-6166  
e-mail: [ckopocis@cox.net](mailto:ckopocis@cox.net)

Submission of Eligibility Rosters via e-mail is preferred, however please note that e-mailed forms must contain school official's signature. If you are unable to e-mail the signed copy, it is acceptable to e-mail your roster and then follow-up with a signed copy in the mail for verification. Shooters will not be eligible until signed copies are received by the Conference.

### **ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE AWARDS**

Those shooters that participate in at least five (5) shoots during the 2010 season and meet the Conference academic requirements will again be eligible for the Conference Academic Excellence Award to be presented to qualifying participants at the 2010 Gayle Hanshaw All-Conference Shoot. This award recognizes those shooters that accomplish a Grade Point Average (GPA) of 3.5 or higher over the preceding spring and fall semesters.

Coaches, review the Academic Excellence recognition guidelines found at [www.shootectc.org](http://www.shootectc.org). Please start the process early so the committee has ample time to prepare the certificates. In fact, you can start it now because the

GPA's have already been calculated for the two respective semesters. You don't have to wait until you know whether a student has competed in the required number of shoots because the committee will verify participation.

Submit your list of students to their Guidance Counselor and instruct them to send all students' qualifying GPA documentation to:

Mary Jo Rump  
9413 Clubhouse Circle  
Plattsmouth, Nebraska 68048  
402-968-8163  
mjrumpp@gmail.com

NOTE: The Academic Excellence Awards are based on a 4.00 scale for everyone, so, coaches, please instruct the Guidance Counselors to convert any non 4.00 GPA's to the 4.00 scale. Weighted GPA's above 4.0 will be rounded off to 4.0. Any percentage or letter grades not converted will be converted as per Conference guidelines.

### **COLLEGIATE TRAP OPPORTUNITIES**

For those senior members of the Eastern Cornhusker Trapshooting Conference that are interested in pursuing competitive trapshooting as part of their collegiate experience, there are a number of universities in the area that provide programs. Visit the following web address to gain contact information on available programs:

[www.stuorg.iastate.edu/trap/Collclaytargs.htm](http://www.stuorg.iastate.edu/trap/Collclaytargs.htm)

On behalf of the Conference Board of Directors and myself, have a fun, safe and successful 2010 Season.

Sincerely,



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Chuck Kopocis  
Conference President