

A RUNAWAY RACE

In "hoss racin'" when one horse beats the field so badly as to make explanations and excuses impossible, those versed in the vernacular of the turf call it "a runaway race." "Sporting Life's" Trap Shooting Review for 1905 shows that the shooters who shot Winchester Factory Loaded "Leader" and "Repeater" Smokeless Powder Shells made "a runaway race" of the contest for premier honors for the year. Out of 29 shooters who made 90 per cent or over, shooting at least 3,000 shots, 17 shot

WINCHESTER FACTORY LOADED SHELLS

These 17 include Messrs. Gilbert and Crosby, who tied for first professional average; John W. Garrett, who won first amateur average; C. B. Wiggins and C. M. Powers, who tied for second amateur average, and 9 of the first 12 leaders. Another coveted honor won by Winchester Factory Loaded Shells was the Grand Prize at the St. Louis Exposition, Winchester Shells being the only ones to receive such an award. These triumphs on the firing line and in the strife of international competition prove that Winchester Factory Loaded Shells are in a class by themselves, and that class is the First. Shooters, if you want to be in the First Class, shoot first-class shells, the kind that

WON THE HONORS IN 1904 AS THEY DID IN 1900, 1901, 1902 AND 1903.



OSSINING GUN CLUB.

The Regular Bi-monthly Shoot Held Among Members.

Ossining, N. Y., Jan. 17.—Saturday was the regular bi-monthly shoot of the Ossining Gun Club. Quite a number of the boys came out for practice, preparatory to the 100 bird "misses and kills" handicap to be held on the 28th inst for a "pump" gun. Interest was centered Saturday upon two chicken events, Nos. 4 and 5; entrance was 15 cents, exclusive of targets. A. Bedell won No. 4 alone, with 9, while G. B. Hubbard had to shoot off a tie with Brandreth and Blandford. The chickens were worth having, weighing about 7 pounds each dressed. Targets were thrown 50 yards, but a strong wind made difficult shooting. Blandford, after being off in his shooting for three months, got his first straight score in that period, and the only one made during the day, shooting his old load of 25 grains of infallible powder. Brandreth did the best shooting in the day's average. In the 50 bird match between Scott and Connors the former won by 9 birds, the score being 32 to 23.

Events	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Targets	10	10	10	10	10	25	15	10	25	10	25
W. Scott	6	4	3	8	6	16	10	7	7	7	7
A. L. Harris	5	6	4	6	4	6	4	6	6	3	3
J. Hyland	6	3	8	7	8	10	5	2	2	2	2
D. Connors	5	9	8	4	3	12	8	4	4	4	4
C. G. Blandford	6	10	7	15	9	5	20	18	18	18	18
W. S. Smith	5	1	3	7	6	4	4	4	4	4	4
A. Bedell	7	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9
W. H. Coleman	9	7	5	14	13	4	17	5	13	13	13
G. B. Hubbard	6	7	11	8	14	7	7	7	7	7	7
E. McDonald	2	3	7	3	6	6	6	6	6	6	6
H. L. Stratton	2	3	10	4	6	6	6	6	6	6	6
D. Brandreth	7	20	10	7	21	20	20	20	20	20	20
M. H. Dyckman	6	8	9	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Barlow	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6

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CLEVELAND GUN CLUB.

Annual Election of Officers of a Strong Shooting Organization.

Cleveland, O., Jan. 16.—The Cleveland Club held its annual meeting and banquet at the Euclid Hotel Tuesday evening, about fifty of the members being present. President F. G. Hogen presided as toastmaster, the following making brief addresses: City Engineer W. J. Carter, S. S. Saffold, F. A. Scott, C. W. Fuller and State Game Commissioner Paul North.

Officers were elected as follows for the ensuing year: F. G. Hogen, president; W. C. Talmage, vice president; A. M. Allyn, secretary; S. C. Payne, treasurer; F. H. Wallace, financial secretary and manager; R. C. Hopkins, F. W. Judd, directors; T. E. Doolittle, captain.

The annual reports of the officials showed that the club had enjoyed a most prosperous year, having gained 95 new members during that time, the membership being now 225. "We are going to try to make it an even 300 before the year is over," said President Hogen, "and I do not see any reason why we should not do it. There is more interest taken in trap shooting in this vicinity than ever before, and the Cleveland Gun Club is profiting thereby."

The club's shooting park is now located at stop 16, Mayfield road, the club having forty acres devoted to the purpose. It is already equipped with a dining hall, shooting shed and trap houses, and within the near future it is expected that a handsome club house will be erected close to the large shady grove which occupies a portion of the club's property.

Rifle League Meeting.

Pittsburg, Pa., Jan. 19.—The first annual business meeting of the Indoor Twenty-two-Calibre Rifle League, of the United States, was held at the rooms of the Iroquois Rifle Club. Besides the election of officers to serve for the ensuing year, there was little business transacted.

The officers were elected as follows: President, Henry Sperling; vice president, R. R. Bennett; secretary and treasurer, J. H. Dimling, and corresponding secretary, Karl

W. Zoller. The Board of Directors were elected as follows: Henry L. Born and L. P. Ittell, of Pittsburg; William Wylie, Washington, Pa.; H. Mossberger, Wilkinsburg; Frank H. Chandler, Shelburn Falls, Mass.; W. A. Tewes, Jersey City; Owen Smith, Hoboken, and W. B. Jarvis, Grand Rapids, Mich.

Place for holding next year's meet was not decided, but some Western point may be selected.

BUFFALO AUDUBON CLUB.

First Shoot for a Trophy Marred by Cold Weather.

Buffalo, N. Y., Jan. 17.—The first shoot for the trophy of the Buffalo Audubon Club took place Saturday afternoon, on the club grounds. A class trophy being won by C. S. Burkhardt, with 20; B class by C. S. Sidway, with 18, and C by Edward Cox, with 15. The attendance was small on account of the cold weather, and the conditions were not favorable for good scores.

The handicap committee has reclassified the members and trophies valued at \$40 in each class will be shot for the coming year on the first and third Saturday of each month.

The scores of Saturday's shoot follow:

Targets	10	15	*25	Targets	10	15	*25
Cox	6	11	15	Sidway	6	6	6
Sidway	8	9	18	Coester	6	6	6
Heinhold	8	11	18	R. H. Reed	10	14	14
Burkhardt	8	15	20	Hall	7	12	12
Reynolds	8	10	14	Emerling	13	13	13
Wilson	8	12	19	Norris	20	20	20
Norris	7	12	19	Heinhold	22	22	22
Wootton	5	10	15	C. S. B.	13	13	13
Cox	2	2	2				

*Third event, shoot for badges.

Cincinnati Gun Club.

Cincinnati, O., Jan. 18.—Last Saturday's shoot of the Cincinnati Gun Club drew out eighteen entries. Harig, at 18 yards, led, on 46 breaks, with Ralph Trimble, at 16 yards (not eligible) scoring the same. A. Sunderbruch, at 21 yards, was long-range gunner, and landed at the foot of the list. The scores:

Club shoot, 50 targets, handicap rise.

Yds.	Bk.	Yds.	Bk.		
Harig	(18)	46	Pfeiffer	(17)	38
R. Trimble	(16)	46	A. Sunderbruch	(19)	36
Hesser	(16)	45	Peters	(18)	36
Gambell	(16)	44	Hardy	(16)	36
Don Minto	(16)	42	Carter	(16)	36
Le Compte	(16)	42	Falk	(17)	35
Bullerdick	(18)	41	Williams	(18)	34
Dick	(19)	41	A. Sunderbruch	(21)	34
Pohlar	(18)	38	Ward	(19)	34

*Not eligible.

Shamokin Gun Club.

Shamokin, Pa., Jan. 20.—At a regular meeting of the Shamokin Gun Club, on January 18, the following officers were chosen for 1905: President, W. H. Prichard; vice president, J. E. Herrold; secretary, S. C. Yocum; treasurer, F. G. Seiler; captain, Dr. A. B. Longshore; assistant captain, Warren Keiser; Executive Committee, Harvey Sowers, B. B. Smith, William T. Wray, D. W. Shipman, D. P. Faust. Dates for two tournaments were selected. The first will take place on June 9 and the second on July 4. The program will consist of 200 targets at a cost of \$10. Average prizes will be given.

Annapolis Gun Club.

Annapolis, Md., Jan. 18.—The Annapolis Gun Club last week elected officers for the year, as follows: President, Thomas B. Strange; secretary, John Levy; treasurer, John M. Boucher—all re-elected; Mr. Geo. Heintz, Jr., captain, to succeed Dr. Rudolph Smith.

The club decided to combine the class A and class B shooters into one class, to shoot from 16 yards, instead of from 18 and 16, as has been the custom. A new class—C—will be for beginners, who will shoot from 14 yards.

The members discussed the proposition to form a State League, and will advise with the Baltimore and Prospect Shooting Associations, of Baltimore.

CAPTURED A DUCK KILLER.

Huge Swivel Gun Captured by Game Wardens.

Baltimore, Md., Jan. 20.—For some little time past the local game wardens have understood that the law was being violated by certain parties who were slaughtering ducks on a near-by river with huge swivel guns.

Not only is it against the law to use one of these guns, but it is against the law to manufacture them. The State offers a reward of \$25 for the capture of these guns, and local prominent sportsmen, such as E. L. Bartlett, have open rewards to offer for the capture or the collection of evidence that will lead to the arrest of any parties using such a gun.

Not many days ago a party of local hunters were on one of the near-by rivers and succeeded in locating one of the guns. It had been thrown overboard and a rope tied to it so that it could be pulled up when danger was past. The man who captured the gun does not wish his name revealed for private reasons. He refused \$100 reward from Mr. Bartlett, and also from the State, saying that the satisfaction of destroying the gun was reward enough.

The gun captured was sawed into four pieces. It was 9½ feet long and weighed 90 pounds. The gun takes about half a pound of shot and requires between 30 and 40 drams of powder. It has a bore of 1¾ inches. The gun is very destructive and kills from 50 to 75 ducks at one shot.

Owing to the heavy fine attached for use of such guns they are used mostly at night. The gun is lashed to the stern of a boat and is secured by a long stout rope. If the violators of the law are caught they simply drop the gun overboard and mark the spot with a bob. Later they pull it up and a little cleaning puts it in shape again. It is necessary to pull the gun ashore to reload it, so that it is very seldom that more than two loads are fired during one raid. It is said that the guns kill at a distance of over 100 yards.

So far as can be learned there are very few of these guns in Maryland. Strenuous efforts are being made by Game Warden Gilbert to find them out. The gun captured looked as if it were 25 years old.

Trap at Vineland.

Vineland, N. J., Jan. 19.—About 300 spectators witnessed the monthly shoot of the Crescent Gun Club at Gage's grounds this afternoon. The shoot is for a silver cup, and when won three consecutive times the holder receives it as his own. John Reed won first honor. Score:

Hdp.	K.	Hdp.	K.		
Aumack	0	24	Read	10	26
Tuney	0	17	Stewart	8	19
Pearson	0	17	Unsworth	13	24
Gage	0	23	Taylor	10	17
Large	5	15	Morris	12	17
Goodfellow	6	17	Bray	4	12
Keighley	7	19	Waldman	7	24
Jones	9	15			

Trap in Iowa.

Clarion, Ia., Jan. 16.—The Clarion Gun Club held a shoot Jan. 12, but owing to severe cold and trains being blocked by snow the attendance was very small. It is useless for Iowa gun clubs to expect much attendance during the uncertain winter period. The scores follow:

	Shot.	Broke.
C. B. Adams	175	165
Chanson	175	133
Plessick	175	132
Myers	175	130
Brass	135	83
Christenson	100	67
Huntley	25	15
Stark	10	4

Forthcoming Events.

Feb. 6, 7, 8, 9—Houston, Texas. Otto Sens, secretary.
Feb. 11—Alert Gun Club, Phillipsburg, N. J.
Feb. 13—Ossining, N. Y. Charles G. Blandford.
Feb. 15-16—Rusch House Ground, Detroit, Mich. targets and live birds. \$250 added. Handicaps.
Feb. 18—Mullerite Gun Club, all day shoot, South Side grounds, Newark, N. J. A. A.

Schoverling, manager, 2 Murray street, New York.

Feb. 22—Plainfield, N. J. Silver shoot for amateurs. H. P. Vossler, secretary.
Feb. 22—York City Gun Club, York, Pa.
Feb. 22—Riverside Gun Club, Utica, N. Y.
Feb. 22—Schenectady, N. Y. V. Wallburg, secretary.
Feb. 22—Christiana-Atklen Gun Club, Atklen, Pa. W. R. Fieles, secretary. Christiana, Pa.
Feb. 25—Chicago Trap Shooters' Association, Watson's Park, Burnside, Ill.
March 14, 15, 16—Iowa State Sportsmen's Association, Des Moines, Ia. C. W. Budd, secretary.
March 20, 21, 22, 23, 24—Dickey Bird Gun Club, Kansas City, Mo.
April 5, 6—Augusta, Ga. The Interstate Association's tournament, under the auspices of the Augusta Gun Club. Charles C. Needham, secretary.
April 12, 13—Wilmington Gun Club grounds, Delaware State Trap Shooters' League. H. J. Stidham, secretary, Wilmington, Del.
April 18, 19—Waco, Tex. W. A. Hoyt, Secretary.
April 19—Springfield, Mass. Shooting Club. L. L. Kites, secretary.
May 2, 3, 4, 5—Pennsylvania State Shoot, Heron Hill Gun Club, Pittsburg, Pa., \$1000 added. Louis Lautenslager, secretary, 623 Smithfield street, Pittsburg, Pa.
May 9-10—Greenville, O. H. A. McCaughey, secretary.
May 9, 10, 11, 12—Nebraska State shoot, Hastings, Neb. George L. Carter, secretary, Lincoln, Neb.
May 16, 17, 18—Ohio Valley Shooting Association, Parkersburg, W. Va. F. E. Mallory, secretary.
May 24, 25—Kane Sportsmen's Club, Kane, Pa. H. E. Brown, secretary.
May 30—Enterprise Gun Club, McKeesport, Pa. George W. Mains, secretary.
May 30-31—Anastasia Gun Club, Washington, D. C. Miles Taylor, secretary, 222 F street, Northwest.
June 1, 2—North Branch, N. J. H. B. Ten Eyck, secretary.
June 9—Shamokin, Pa. S. C. Yocum, secretary.
June 27, 28, 29, 30—Indianapolis, Ind. The Interstate Association's Grand American Handicap Tournament; \$1000 added money. Elmer E. Shaner, secretary-manager, Pittsburg, Pa.
July 4—Shamokin, Pa. S. C. Yocum, Secretary.
July 12, 13—Menominee, Mich. The Interstate Association's tournament, under the auspices of the Menominee Gun Club. W. W. McQueen, secretary.
Aug. 2, 4—Albert Lea, Minn. The Interstate Association's tournament, under the auspices of the Albert Lea Gun Club. N. E. Peterson, secretary.

PHILADELPHIA TRAP SHOOTERS' LEAGUE SCHEDULE.

Jan. 28—Narberth at Florists', Meadow Springs at Hill Rod and Gun Club, Chester; Camden at Media. S. S. White at Hillside, Clearview at Highland.
Feb. 11—Florists' at Car ten, Hillside at Narberth, Hill Rod and Gun Club at S. S. White, Media at Meadow Springs, Hillside at Clearview.
Feb. 25—Camden at Hillside, Clearview at Hill Rod and Gun Club, Chester; S. S. White at Meadow Springs, Narberth at Media, Florists' at Hillside.
March 11—Clearview at S. S. White, Meadow Springs at Hillside, Hillside at Media, Florists' at Hill Rod and Gun Club, Chester; Narberth at Camden.
March 25—Camden at Hill Rod and Gun Club, Chester; Narberth at Meadow Springs, S. S. White at Florists', Hillside at Highland, Clearview at Media.
April 8—Hill Rod and Gun Club at Narberth, Camden at Meadow Springs, Hillside at S. S. White, Media at Hillside, Florists' at Clearview.
April 22—Camden at S. S. White, Hillside at Florists', Media at Hill Rod and Gun Club, Chester; Meadow Springs at Clearview, Narberth at Hillside.
May 6—Clearview at Narberth, Hill Rod and Gun Club at Hillside, Florists' at Meadow Springs, Hillside at Camden, S. S. White at Media.
May 20—Meadow Springs at Hillside, Media at Florists', Hillside at Hill Rod and Gun Club, Chester; Camden at Clearview, Narberth at S. S. White.
June 3—Florists' at Narberth, Hill Rod and Gun Club at Meadow Springs, Media at Camden, Hillside at S. S. White, Highland at Clearview.
June 17—Camden at Florists', Narberth at Hillside, S. S. White at Hill Rod and Gun Club, Chester; Meadow Springs at Media, Clearview at Hillside.
July 1—Highland at Camden, Hill Rod and Gun Club at Clearview, Meadow Springs at S. S. White, Media at Narberth, Hillside at Florists'.

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Point Breeze Park, Philadelphia—Shooting Saturday afternoon.
Bound Brook Gun Club, Third Saturday of each month, Bound Brook, N. J.