

Ontelaunee Jr Rifle Report

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The Junior Rifle Team won the last league match of the season on March 12th. We had a great performance by Brenton Riegel, Sarah Frantz, Gage Hunsicker, William Dixon, and Kaitlyn Frantz for a combined team score of 497, 40x. With the addition of this awesome score, we have won the Lehigh Valley Indoor Prone League for the 3rd consecutive year.

The NRA Junior 3-P Smallbore Sectional we hosted, went very well thanks to the great support of our volunteers. There was a total of 28 competitors, 11 of those were Ontelaunee juniors. The 1st and 2nd place medals went to juniors from New Jersey. William Dixon made sure the bronze medal stayed here at home and Sarah Frantz won the 1st place Sub-Jr award. The winning team came from Palmyra Sportsmen Association. Results can be found on our website by clicking the "Jr Rifle Schedule" tab.

Six of our juniors competed in the International Air Rifle and 3-P Air Rifle NRA Sectionals held at Palmyra. Between the two matches there were about six personal best scores fired.

Coaches Brenda Dixon and Mike Weaver took a team of five juniors to the CMP 3-P Regional Match at Camp Perry, Ohio. The juniors were Gage Hunsicker, William Dixon, Kerry Kerschner, Brenton Riegel, and Megan Waidelich. They fired some personal best scores on day one of the competition, but by the end of day two they set new ones again. All of our juniors have really been advancing in recent months. Thank you Ontelaunee for helping toward the travel expenses.

Juniors Amy Fister and Zach Strohl have had an incredible freshman year in college. Zach has been a stand out air rifle shooter for his Akron team. Amy helped her Memphis team win 4th at the NCAA Championship, and she was awarded "All American Honorable Mention" in the discipline of 3-P smallbore.

Later this month we will have three juniors traveling to Colorado Springs, Colorado to compete in the Jr Olympics. Amy Fister, William Dixon, and Zach Strohl will be representing Ontelaunee Rod & Gun Club, and the State of Pennsylvania in both air rifle and smallbore disciplines. They will be competing against the top juniors in the Nation, and we wish them the best.

Tom Fister,

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