## NORTH DAKOTA CMP/USA SHOOTING STATE 3PAR JO CHAMPIONSHIP April 10, 2021

We are pleased that you all made it to Devils Lake for these matches. Again, many of you fired scores to be proud of and some that you would like to do over. But, that is what competition is all about. It is an opportunity to find out if the skills that you have developed in practice prove to be durable under match conditions.

**State CMP/USA Shooting JO 3PAR Results**: This is the second time that we have run this match in North Dakota, and we were pleased at how well it went. With 21 competitors (up from 16 last year), there was some real strong competition and outstanding results. In fact, the competition was fierce with many (4) ties broken by center shots.

Congratulations to our Gold Medalist, Katie Zaun, with her 592. The Silver Medal went to her brother Dylan with his 576 and 32 centers followed by Jacob Vaagen with the same score of 576 but only 31 centers for the Bronze.

Girl Power ... and Jacob earned second place in the team competition, but they were not able to qualify for the national competition to be held later this summer. The qualifying score was set 20 points higher this year. On the other hand, the Buffalo Sharpshooters qualified by a single point above the team qualification score of 2300. So, congratulations to the Buffalo Sharpshooters! We wish them well at the CMP/USA Shooting Championships in Camp Perry, OH in July.

Congratulations to each of you for your personal development and the effort that you have made to improve your skill and discipline. There is very little growth that does not involve some painful moments. I hope that you can all find your way through the valley to the peak. Positive results require a positive attitude and substantial self-control. Remember your mandatory <u>Smile@.</u>

We hope that you all look forward to another great match here in Devils Lake next year.

We enjoyed everyone who helped us with running the matches. We really thank and appreciate each of you who chipped in to help us during the match. Your efforts make hosting the match much more fun for us. Thanks also to the adults who stepped in to help change targets and to Jen and Leatha for the treats.

You have heard this before, but we renew our challenge that each of you bring a **<u>positive</u>** (<u>can do) attitude</u> to every match that you attend and to every task that you undertake. Believe in yourself. I hope that each of you learned something during these matches that you can use to continue improving your skills with your air rifles.

Earlier, I detailed the winners of the matches and celebrated their accomplishments.

**You are all winners**! Many of you can compare your scores to those that you fired a year ago at these matches to find substantial improvement. Even if you did not improve your score, by committing your efforts to improving your skill, you "win". A little adversity or a less than stellar performance should not deter you. So, get out there and "win".

Again, we look forward to seeing you at our matches next year, and we challenge you to **enjoy** some perfect practice over the next few months.

Connie & Rick Jorgenson