

2017 IHMSA World Championship

By Jim Fields - Match Director

The 2017 IHMSA World Championship held at the Oklahoma City Gun Club July 14th thru the 22nd, was a total success with entries nearing the 500 mark.

Weather conditions were a little on the warm side with temperatures averaging around 94 degrees for the 9 days of the event. However wind conditions for the entire match were on the calm side as the scores below indicate.

With a new 12 foot apron on the back side of our 403 ft. firing line, spotters & spectators were in the shade from morning into the late afternoon.

As normal, shooters from as far away as Australia were in attendance & were greeted by a new air-conditioned reloading facility recently completed & they took full advantage by reloading many rounds of their favorite calibers to be shot in this match. We certainly appreciate our overseas shooters for traveling great distances to shoot in our fantastic sport of handgun silhouette competition.

Some of the highlights of the match included a couple of world records set by Scott Thompson, Mustang, OK, who shot the first ever 80x80 UFS (1/5 scale open) in World Championship competition & followed that up with an 80x80 in UASFS (1/5 scale scope) for a record 1/5 scale 160 aggregate score, great shooting Scott.

One of the best, if not the best standing shooter in our sport, Joe Cullison did it again with a US-Int. BB standing score of 75x80, fantastic Joe.

Linda Lanning, Atwood, KS, won both high lady in BB-UAS as well as SB-UAS with an 80x80 in each, great shooting Linda.

Another accomplishment was Steve Martens, our IHMSA president who shot a UAS 40x40 in the ULTRA 500 match & followed that up with a 34x40 in Unlimited for a 74x80 aggregate score.

Another highlight for our match, we had eight (8) junior shooters ranging in age from 9 to 16 who competed in this match & a couple of them shot 80x80's, great shooting guys & gals.

With low wind & excellent lighting conditions all week we had a total of sixty-nine (69) 80x80's & a 40x40 in ULTRA 500 plus four (4) 40x40's in AIR competition. WOW!!

Broken down, Big Bore, Revolver, 0, Production, four (4), BB Unlimited, nine (9), BB 1/2 scale, five (5) & BB UAS, thirteen (13)

In Small-bore, Production 0, Revolver 0, Unlimited, nine (9) UASFS, (1/5) four (4) UFS, (1/5) one (1) UAS, twenty-two (22) PH Short, one (1) PH .22, one (1)

A proposal was presented to the IHMSA board during this match to allow reflex (red dot) sights on production guns including BB & SB to shooters over the IHMSA senior age limit of 60, with an allowance of 4 extra ounces of added weight to production guns

which include revolvers. This proposal was approved for a one (1) year trial time period beginning January 1st, 2018.

The 2018 IHMSA World Championship, for the fifth time in six years, again will be held here at the Oklahoma City Gun Club, tentative dates are set for July 13th thru the 21st. Make plans to attend that one for sure.

**2017 World Championship Category Champion Winners
(July 14th-22nd) -- Jim Fields - Match Director**

BIG BORE (80 Rounds)	NAME	SCORE
UAS Champion	Scott Thompson	80x80+10
Unlimited Champion	John Weaver	80x80+19
Unlimited Standing (US) Champion	Joe Cullison	75x80
UASHS Champion	Josh Delso	80x80+5
Unlimited Half-Scale (UHS) Champion	Eric King	77x80
Production Champion	Steve Martens	80x80
Revolver Champion	Steve Martens	78x80
Standing Champion	Joe Cullison	59x80
Aggregate Standing Champion	Joe Cullison	134x160
Aggregate Half-Scale Champion	Woody Liddell	157x160
5-Gun Agg. Scope Champion (Inc. AIR Entry)	John Blue	357x360
3-Gun Champion	John Richards	212x240
4-Gun Champion	Joe Cullison	296x320
High Lady BB Champion	Linda Lanning	80x80+4
High Junior UAS BB Champion	Jacob Weaver	74x80
High Junior Half-Scale Champion	XXXXXXXXXXXX	XXXX
High Senior BB Champion	Scott Thompson	80x80+10
SMALLBORE (80 Rounds)		
UAS Champion	Larry Friesen	80x80+15
1/5 Scale Champion (UASFS)	Scott Thompson	80x80+9
1/5 Scale Open Champion (UFS)	Scott Thompson	80x80
Aggregate 1/5 Scale Champion	Scott Thompson	160x160
Unlimited Champion	Scott Thompson	80+15
Unlimited Standing (US) Champion	John Richards	67x80
Production Champion	Scott Thompson	79+3

Revolver Champion	Jared Richards	79x80
Standing Champion	Steve Martens	59x80
Aggregate Standing Champion	John Richards	125x160
4-Gun Champion	Steve Martens	295x320
3-Gun Champion	John Weaver	216x240
High Lady Champion	Linda Lanning	80x80+2
High Junior UAS Champion	Ryan Schuff	80x80+4
High Junior 1/5 Scale UASFS Champion	Jacob Weaver	71x80
High Junior SB Unlimited Champion	Jacob Weaver	73x80
High Junior UFS Champion	Daylon Friesen	60x80
High Junior Small-bore Production Champion	Jacob Weaver	55x80
High Senior Small-bore Champion	Scott Thompson	80x80+15
AIR PISTOL (40 Rounds)		
UAS Champion	Jim Fields	40x40
Unlimited Champion	Steve Martens	40x40
Production Champion	Steve Martens	39x40
US Standing Champion	Jared Richards	36x40
USIS Champion	A. J. Richards	32x40
Standing Champion	A. J. Richards	34x40
High Junior UAS Champion	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX	XXXX
High Senior AIR Champion	Jim Fields	40x40
Practical Hunter .22LR Course	Fred Hornbaker	78x80
Practical Hunter Champion-Long Course	Bob Doherty	77x80
Practical Hunter Champion-Short-Course	Bob Doherty	80x80
500 Meter Champion - Scope-(40 Rounds)	Steve Martens	40x40
500 Meter Champion - Iron Sight-(40 Rounds)	Steve Martens	34x40
500 Meter Aggregate Champion	Steve Martens	74x80
FIELD PISTOL (80 Rounds)		
PAS FP Champion	Jared Richards	75x80
Production FP Champion	John Weaver	69x80
Aggregate FP Champion	Jared Richards	140x160
Iron Man Champion	Steve Martens	580x640
Bordello Champion	Joe Cullison	34x80

