



WASHINGTON STATE TRAPSHOOTING HALL OF FAME



CLASS OF 1978

GENE ARNOLD has participated in and promoted trapshooting activities for over 40 years in Washington State's great Palouse Country around the Pullman, Washington, area. During these years, fellow trapshooters could always count on an answer from Gene to any question, from his opinion of a new model trap gun to what time "next Sunday's" shooting would start. He shot his first registered targets in 1936 and through 1977 had accumulated a total of 28,000 16 yard targets, 27,000 Handicap targets, and 1200 Doubles.

In 1951, Gene fired a score of 96 for a Preliminary Handicap Trophy at the Inland Empire Trapshoot. He won the Big Yak Preliminary Handicap in 197 and the Camas Prairie Colton Handicap Event with 98 in 1978 at Lewiston, Idaho. Many Senior Category championships have been awarded him at various shoots in the area. In 1947, Gene was named a member of the Washington State Five-Man Handicap Team with an average of 89.75.

The administrative affairs of state and loyal trapshooting organizations have benefitted from Gene's efforts and hard work while holding offices. He was a Washington State Trapshooters' Association Director in the 1960's and served many years as President and secretary for the Pullman Gun Club. He is a member of the P.I.T.A., the Hi Yu Indians, the Pacific Indians and a past-secretary for the Camas Prairie Association

Always a credit to the sport of trapshooting, ever a dedicated worker in all clubs and organizations representing this sport, GENE ARNOLD is rightfully granted permanent recognition in the Washington State Trapshooters' Hall of Fame.