



WASHINGTON STATE TRAPSHOOTING HALL OF FAME



CLASS OF 1977

JOHN OESTREICH of Harrington, Washington was introduced to clay shooting during World War 2 at the Naval Air Gunnery School. It was not until after he returned home and completed in the Spokesman-Review Winter Tournament in 1954 that he became interested in competitive trapshooting. Since that time until the present, he has attended every annual Inland Empire Trapshoot.

His trophies number in the hundreds and among his State Championships are such accomplishments as Washington State Singles Champion in 1965 when he became the first shooter ever to register 200/200 in that event. He also won the singles crowns in 1964 and 1971, gaining the runner-up spot in 1962; John won the Washington State Doubles Championship in 1968 and was High All-Around State Trapshooter in 1971, repeating this performance in 1973.

Included in his Lifetime Average at the end of the year 1976 of 96.52 on 25,900 A.T.A. targets is a score of 83 which won the High Singles Trophy at a shoot in Spokane where the north wind was so fierce that the targets seemed to be coming towards the shooters. In 1970, John's yearly average was 98.7 on 1700 targets.

The Washington State Trapshooters Association has benefited through the years from John's dedication to the sport. He served the association as President in 1964 and was a member of its Board of Directors for ten years.

Outstanding ability as a skilled trapshooter and years of work in promotion and administration of registered, complete, trapshooting throughout the state makes it fitting and appropriate that the name of JOHN OESTREICH be entered in the Washington State Trapshooters' Hall of Fame.