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SHOOTER SPOTLIGHT ON JASON THORNHILL



Jason Thornhill dominated the Triple Crown of Rimfire Events held at Kettlefoot Rod & Gun Club in Bristol, Virginia over Memorial Day Weekend. The Triple Crown included shooting 3 of each of the following 22lr benchrest targets: IR50/50, American Rimfire Association, and Professional Shooting League. Jason won 2 of the three segments and the overall Triple Crown Champion Title. When you combine Jason's history of shooting guns with his competitive spirit, it's no surprise he dominates the benchrest shooting game.

Jason's dad and both of his grandfathers were all big hunters; so naturally, he began hunting and shooting guns at an early age. Growing up "in the sticks" gave him numerous opportunities to hunt and shoot. His rimfire shooting started by competing in a monthly egg shoot at his local range with a factory .22. All of his shooting buddies were competitive and kept trying to outdo each other. As a result, they continued improving their equipment. Eventually, egg shooting was not enough of a challenge, so Jason progressed to competing in IR 50/50, ARA and PSL matches.

Jason's home range is Howard Prince Gun Range in Pioneer, LA, which is about 60 miles from his home in West Monroe, LA, but only 3 miles or so from where he grew up.

Jason likes to compete at anything, and there is something about shooting at one of the larger matches that really gets his adrenalin flowing. He also likes the fact that there is always room for improvement which keeps the game interesting. Jason says one of the best things about competitive shooting is all of the great, like-minded people he meets. He has made numerous life-long friendships through this game.

Jason was lucky enough to be introduced to Marion Collier shortly after he started shooting competitive rimfire. Marion Collier has had the biggest impact on shaping who he is as a competitive shooter. Marion has been shooting competitively for many years and he has shared a tremendous amount of knowledge with him. Jokingly, one of the first things Marion told him when they met was that he should quit shooting now. He told him that if he ever got started, he would be in for a lot of aggravation. And Jason says, "as usual, he was right". Marion and Jason are traveling partners and go to most of the out-of-town matches together. According to Jason, "Marion sleeps and I drive".

In addition to benchrest competition, Jason loves to hunt and fish and he fishes in a local bass club with monthly tournaments. He says fishing is a lot like rimfire competition in that it gets the adrenaline flowing and there is always room for improvement.

Jason says, "I play to win, but I have fun even when I don't. And that's one of the great things about this sport." According to Jason, Winning the 2019 Triple Crown of Rimfire has been the most significant thing he's done in shooting. And, he just recently shot his first outdoor 2500, which he thought "was pretty cool too".

Jason is a Professional Engineer in Civil Engineering and part owner of an engineering and land surveying firm in West Monroe, LA. He has three grandchildren that he loves spending time with. Jason's oldest grandson is 7 and he's looking forward to shooting with Jason in the coming years.

ARA Reports from the Range



Three generations of the Eaton family, Mike, Owen and Craig, all competed on May 4th at the Edwardsburg Conservation Club. Ed Ledbetter won the match with a 2150 agg. Ed also placed 1st at Clark's Gun Range with a 2040 agg on May 18th.



Husband and wife Bill and Margie Barron placed first and second on May 19th with aggs of 2250 and 2216 respectively in the Lincoln Izaak Walton League ARA Club match in Nebraska. Bill also took first in the Horton Club match in Horton, Kansas on May 11th with an agg of 2316.



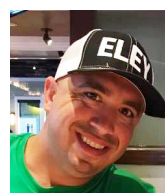
Steve Lloyd shot a 2500 and took the win at Chickenfoot on May 19th.



Cloe Holmes and Clinton Sondergeld of Australia enjoyed competitions at Chickenfoot in Georgia and the Triple Crown Events in Virginia. Could this be the perfect honeymoon destination for the engaged couple?



Gisele Pritchard won the Sunnyvale Rod & Gun Club Tournament in California with an agg of 2162.



Jason Frymier won the Club Tournament at Buckeye Rimfire Club in Ohio with an agg of 2229.



Bob Cleveland won the Palo Alto Rifle & Pistol Club Tournament in Louisiana with an agg of 2183.



Ivan Wells took first at Buck Creek Range in Kentucky with an agg of 2380.

SEE ALL THE MAY ARA MATCH RESULTS ON PAGE 3!

WOOTEN PREVAILS

Todd Wooten showed up to the Kettlefoot Rod & Gun Club ready for the brawl! Todd won two of the 5 PSL targets, had a combined score of 11175, and triumphed over all sixty-two competitors at the 2019 Holeshoot Arms Benchrest Brawl! Jerry Stiller of Holeshoot Arms finished a strong second with 11000 combined 5 card score. Jason Thornhill finished in 3rd followed by Marion Collier in 4th and Tom Wilkinson in 5th. Winning Target 1 was competitor Glenn Spencer with an impressive 2400 16X. Colliers 2350 13X won Target 2. Triple Crown Target 3 was won on a tie breaker by Brian Brandt with a 2350 14X. Wooten won the final two PSL cards with a 2350 on both the PQP Target 4 and the RimfireAccuracy.com Target 5.



The Triple Crown of Rimfire

Ninety-Eight Competitors from the USA, Australia, and Ireland, shot in 3 segments of competition including Professional Shooting League, American Rimfire Association, and IR50/50. Top finishers for each segment were awarded as well as a combined championship for the two-day tournament held in Virginia at Kettlefoot Rod & Gun Club's 60-bench facility. Jason Thornhill of Louisiana won both the ARA & PSL portions in addition to being the overall Grand Champion of the Triple Crown. Chuck Morrell, of Tennessee, achieved first place in the IR 50/50 portion and finished second overall. In addition to the prizes and cash purse of \$17,000 awarded to the winners, \$22,000 worth of door prizes were divided among competitors at the conclusion of the event.

Follow "Triple Crown Of Rimfire" on Facebook for more pictures and complete results. We hope to see you at next year's Triple Crown Event happening Memorial Day Weekend.

OVERALL TOP 10

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| 1. Jason Thornhill | 5. Bob Cleveland | 9. Glen Townley |
| 2. Chuck Morrell | 6. Todd Wooten | 10. Glenn Spencer |
| 3. Jerry Stiller | 7. Ivan Wells | |
| 4. Marion Collier | 8. Greg Monroe | |



TRIPLE CROWN TOP 5

INDIVIDUAL SEGMENT

PSL

- Jason Thornhill
- Todd Wooten
- Jerry Stiller
- Marion Collier
- Brian Brandt
- Chuck Morrell
- John Prince
- Greg Monroe
- Ivan Wells
- John Carper

ARA

- Jason Thornhill
- Tom Wilkinson
- Jim Ayers
- Jerry Stiller
- Bob Cleveland
- Chuck Morrell
- Mike Lowe
- Jay Boyd
- Glen Townley
- Vickey Alley

IR 50/50

- Chuck Morrell
- Marion Collier
- Kenneth Richards
- Mike Sherrill
- Bob Cleveland
- Glenn Spencer
- Jason Thornhill
- Jerry Stiller
- Greg Monroe
- Jason Frymier



PROFESSIONAL SHOOTING LEAGUE Benchrest Series 2019

Presented by ELEY

DATE	MATCH	RANGE	LOCATION
November 30, 2018	Shotmaster 10X-Winter Shootout	Chickensfoot Indoor Club	Cedartown, GA
May 23, 2019	Holeshoot Arms Benchrest Brawl	Kettlefoot-Gun Club	Bristol, VA
May 25, 2019	Triple-Crown of Rimfire (3-Targets/Qualifying event-ONLY)	Kettlefoot-Gun Club	Bristol, VA
August 30, 2019	Shilen Challenge	BRC of St. Louis	Wright City, MO
TBA	***The ELEY Benchrest Series Main Event***	BRC of St. Louis	Wright City, MO
October 19, 2019	MullerWorks Barrels Showdown	Oil Capital Rod & Gun Club	Tulsa, OK



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The Top 10 @ each event qualify for the Main Event
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2019 Qualifiers

as of May 23, 2019

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| 1 Ben West, Australia | 14 Jerry Kloeppel, Missouri |
| 2 Bill Drummond, Arkansas | 15 Jerry Stiller, Texas |
| 3 Bob Cleveland, Oklahoma | 16 Jim Morehead, Oklahoma |
| 4 Brian Brandt, Missouri | 17 John Carper, Indiana |
| 5 Carl Johnson, Louisiana | 18 John Prince, Ohio |
| 6 Charles Wadkins, Georgia | 19 Marion Collier, Louisiana |
| 7 Chuck Morrell, Tennessee | 20 Maurice Hassard, Ireland |
| 8 Donald Hamblin, Missouri | 21 Mike Bowland, Tennessee |
| 9 Fred Sears, Arkansas | 22 Scotty Hebert, Louisiana |
| 10 Greg Monroe, Kentucky | 23 Tim Longcore, Michigan |
| 11 Ivan Wells, Kentucky | 24 Todd Wooten, Ohio |
| 12 Jason Thornhill, Louisiana | 25 Tom Wilkinson, North Carolina |
| 13 Jeff Patterson, Indiana | 26 William Casey, Georgia |



PROFESSIONAL SHOOTING LEAGUE Benchrest Series 2019

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The Main Event will be held at the Bench Rest Rifle Club of St. Louis, MO, following the PSL Shilen Challenge. Four of the Five Main Event Qualifiers have been completed with 26 competitors qualifying thus far. The final chance to add your name to the Main Event Qualifiers will be the Shilen Challenge to be held Friday, September 6, 2019. Congratulations to all who have qualified thus far!



KETTLEFOOT ARA TOURNAMENT

The Kettlefoot Rod & Gun Club held their ARA Club Tournament on May 24, 2019 the week of the Triple Crown of Rimfire events. Ninety-Five competitors showed up for the Friday tournament. The competition proved to be challenging with many great competitors. After the final card was scored and the protest period ended, Jason Thornhill championed over all. Finishing second and third respectively were Ivan Wells and Greg Monroe, both with consistently great cards. To see the complete listing of results, visit AmericanRimfire.com



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St. Louis, MO

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MAY. MATCH RESULTS AND JUNE SCHEDULE

MAY ARA MATCH WINNERS

05/04/19	MO - Owensville Gun Club #1	Brian Brandt
05/04/19	NM - Zia Rifle & Pistol Club	Johnny Montgomery
05/04/19	CA - Sunnyvale Rod & Gun Club Tourn.	Gisele Pritchard
05/04/19	FL - Port Malabar Rifle & Pistol Club	Dalmo Mendes
05/04/19	KY - Buck Creek Range	Ivan Wells
05/04/19	KY - Green River Gun Club	Mark Tracy
05/04/19	LA - Palo Alto Rifle & Pistol Club State Tourn.	Carl Johnson
05/04/19	VA - Wilderness Road State Tourn.	Jim Ayers Jr
05/04/19	MI - Edwardsburg Conservation Club	Ed Ledbetter
05/04/19	CA - Redding Rimfire #1 Club Tourn.	Dwight Greene
05/04/19	OH - Buckeye Rimfire Club Club Tourn.	Jason Frymier
05/05/19	MI - Hillsdale Rifle Club #1	Mark Penrod
05/05/19	LA - Palo Alto Rifle & Pistol Club Tourn.	Bob Cleveland
05/05/19	OH - Ashtabula Rod & Gun Club	Ralph Van Horn
05/07/19	ME - Capitol City Rifle & Pistol	Gary Hamilton
05/07/19	VA - Kettlefoot Gun Club	David Gilliam
05/11/19	SC - Green Sea	Bill Wells
05/11/19	WI - Van Dyne Sportsmens Club	Glen Hartjes
05/11/19	Michigan	Tri Town Conserva
05/11/19	OK - Oil Capital Rod & Gun Club	Jim Morehead
05/11/19	TX - Boerne Shooting Club	Les Williams
05/11/19	KY - Paducah Shooting Sports Club Tourn.	Kenneth Richards
05/11/19	TX - Central Texas Rifle & Pistol Club #1	Gary Duncan
05/11/19	NY - Blasdell Rod & Gun Club	Thomas Sherley
05/11/19	KS - Horton Sports Complex Club Tourn.	Bill Barron
05/12/19	IN - Marion County Fish & Game	Mike Sherrill
05/12/19	CA - Tehama Shooters Association	Ardey Vad
05/12/19	IA - North Linn Fish & Game Club	Ron Elbe
05/12/19	MO - Red's Club Tourn.	Joe Besche
05/14/19	SC - Green Sea	Phil Dorman
05/14/19	TX - Killough Shooting Sports	Steve Barron
05/14/19	ME - Capitol City Rifle & Pistol	Gary Hamilton
05/14/19	SD - Yankton Sharpshooters	Wayne Juergens
05/15/19	AZ - Rio Salado Sportsman Club	Steve Perkins
05/16/19	MN - Minnetonka Sportsmen's Inc.	Ralph Schulz
05/18/19	MO - BR Rifle Club of St. Louis Club Tourn.	Robert Gifford
05/18/19	AZ - ASRPA Small Bore Div Benchrest	Thomas Racine
05/18/19	NM - Zia Rifle & Pistol Club	Jay Sullivan
05/18/19	GA - Chickenfoot #1	James Garrett
05/18/19	IN - Livonia Conservation Club #1	Jeff Patterson
05/18/19	IA - Oak Hills Gun Club	Ron Elbe
05/18/19	IN - Clark's Gun Range	Ed Ledbetter
05/18/19	KY - Northeast Kentucky Fish & Game Assn.	Michael Lupashunski
05/18/19	CO - Colorado Rifle Club	Tony Jarecki
05/19/19	GA - Chickenfoot #1	Steve Lloyd
05/19/19	KY - Caldwell County Sportsman's Club #1	Kenneth Richards
05/19/19	NE - Lincoln Izaak Walton League Club Tourn.	Bill Barron
05/19/19	IN - Wabash Wildlife & Sportsman Assn #1	Ed Ledbetter
05/19/19	ME - Buxton & Hollis Rod & Gun Club	Michael York Jr
05/19/19	NY - Ilied Sportsmen of W.N.Y.	John Matyas
05/19/19	CA - Hat Creek Rifle & Pistol Club Tourn.	Bob Tornai
05/21/19	ME - Capitol City Rifle & Pistol	Gary Hamilton
05/24/19	VA - Kettlefoot Club Tourn. Triple Crown Week	Jason Thornhill
05/25/19	FL - Lakeland Rifle & Pistol Club	Joe Ruth
05/25/19	VA - Kettlefoot Gun Club Triple Crown	Jason Thornhill
05/25/19	CA - Escondido Fish & Game	Kyle Allen
05/25/19	CA - Open Grove Rimfire	Bob Myers
05/25/19	CA - Open Grove Rimfire	Bob Myers
05/26/19	CA - Open Grove Rimfire	Bob Myers
05/28/19	SC - Green Sea	Phil Dorman
05/28/19	MN - Capitol City Rifle & Pistol Outdoor Sporter	Ken Anderson
05/28/19	VA - Kettlefoot Gun Club	David Huff
05/28/19	TX - Boerne Shooting Club	Les Williams
05/30/19	MN - Minnetonka Sportsmen's Inc.	Larry Pressnall

JUNE ARA MATCH SCHEDULE

Schedules are updated daily. For the most up to date schedules, visit AmericanRimfire.com

06/04/19	ME - Capitol City Rifle & Pistol
06/07/19	NM - San Juan Wildlife Federation Club Tournament
06/08/19	MO - Bench Rest Rifle Club of St. Louis
06/08/19	SC - Green Sea Club Tournament
06/08/19	MI - Tri Town Conservation Club
06/08/19	KY - Northeast Kentucky Fish & Game Assoc. #1
06/08/19	OK - Oil Capital Rod & Gun Club
06/08/19	TX - Boerne Shooting Club
06/08/19	IO - Oak Hills Gun Club
06/08/19	KY - Paducah Shooting Sports Complex
06/08/19	TX - Central Texas Rifle & Pistol Club #1
06/08/19	CO - Colorado Rifle Club
06/08/19	NY - Blasdell Rod & Gun Club
06/08/19	KS - Horton Sports Complex
06/09/19	IN - Marion County Fish & Game Club Tournament
06/09/19	IA - North Linn Fish & Game Club
06/10/19	NJ - Cumberland Riflemen
06/11/19	SC - Green Sea
06/11/19	TX - Killough Shooting Sports
06/11/19	ME - Capitol City Rifle & Pistol
06/11/19	VA - Kettlefoot Gun Club
06/11/19	SD - Yankton Sharpshooters
06/15/19	WI - Van Dyne Sportsmens Club
06/15/19	M - Zia Rifle & Pistol Club Tournament
06/15/19	GA - Chickenfoot #1
06/15/19	LA - Crawfish Hole
06/15/19	KY - Caldwell County Sportsman's Club Tournament
06/15/19	IN - Livonia Conservation Club #1
06/15/19	VA - Wilderness Road
06/15/19	IN - Clark's Gun Range
06/15/19	TX - Arlington Sportsmans Club
06/15/19	NC - Buccaneer Gun Club
06/15/19	KY - Northeast Kentucky Fish & Game Assoc. #1
06/15/19	OH - Lancaster Pistol & Rifle Club #2
06/16/19	NE - Lincoln Izaak Walton League
06/16/19	CA - Modesto Rifle Club Tournament
06/16/19	NY - Allied Sportsmen of W.N.Y.
06/16/19	CA - Hat Creek Rifle & Pistol Club
06/18/19	ME - Capitol City Rifle & Pistol
06/18/19	IA - North Linn Fish & Game Club
06/19/19	AZ - Rio Salado Sportsman Club
06/22/19	FL - Lakeland Rifle & Pistol Club
06/22/19	TN - Chattanooga Rifle Club Outdoor
06/22/19	TX - North Texas Shooter's Association Club Tournament
06/22/19	VA - Wilderness Road
06/22/19	TN - Oak Ridge Sportman's Association #2
06/22/19	CA - Open Grove Rimfire
06/22/19	CA - Open Grove Rimfire
06/23/19	TX - North Texas Shooter's Association Club Tournament
06/23/19	NE - Southwest Nebraska Rifle & Pistol Club Tournament
06/23/19	TN - Oak Ridge Sportman's Association #2 Club Tournament
06/23/19	MO - Pioneer Gun Club
06/23/19	MN - Minnetonka Sportsmen's Inc. State Tournament
06/23/19	CA - Open Grove Rimfire
06/23/19	IN - Wabash Wildlife & Sportsman Association #1
06/25/19	SC - Green Sea
06/25/19	ME - Capitol City Rifle & Pistol Outdoor Sporter
06/25/19	VA - Kettlefoot Gun Club
06/25/19	TX - Boerne Shooting Club
06/26/19	AZ - Page Gun Club
06/29/19	AZ - ASRPA Small Bore Div Benchrest
06/29/19	NM - Zia Rifle & Pistol Club
06/29/19	WV - Braxton County Gun Owners Club Tournament
06/30/19	WV - Braxton County Gun Owners Club Tournament
06/30/19	ME - Buxton & Hollis Rod & Gun Club

2500 MAY ARA Certified 2500 Targets

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Bob Cleveland
Mike Lowe
Steve Lloyd
Jason Thornhill
Ivan Wells

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