



October 2011

The MAC Smallbore Shooter of the Month



The MAC Smallbore Shooter of the Month is Victoria Brown of Akron University.

At the beginning of Victoria's first year (2010) at Akron she suffered a knee injury which required surgery. This temporary setback did not dampen the spirit of truly dedicated competitor. Along with physical therapy Victoria still attended every team practice as well as team physical conditioning and never missed a match. Towards the end of season one, Victoria started gaining use of her knee but still had limitations. Over the summer she worked hard and came back to Akron as a sophomore and a revitalized winning attitude. Being in tip top shape, Victoria has established herself as the team leader in smallbore. With the initial four matches of the season being fired in October, Victoria has established an average of 571 with a season and career high of 573 fired at both Navy and Ohio State.

Prior to UA: Joined the Burlington (Vt.) Rifle and Pistol Junior Team during her freshman year of high school ... won the Vermont State Junior Olympic Qualifier for air rifle in 2008, 2009 and 2010; and the smallbore qualifier in 2009 and 2010 ... qualified for the National Junior Olympics in air rifle and/or smallbore in 2008, 2009 and 2010; allowing her to represent Vermont at the U.S. Olympic Training Center in Colorado Springs, Colo. ... competed at the NRA National Championships at Camp Perry, Ohio, in 2007 and 2008 for both 3-P and prone ... won numerous NRA sectional matches during her high school career and claimed the Vermont State smallbore championship in 2009 ... competed in the U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit postal match in 2007, 2008, 2009 and 2010 ... in 2010 qualified to attend the National Army Marksmanship Unit match in Fort Benning, Ga.

Personal: Born in Vermont ... parents are Peter Brown and Susan Anderson-Brown ... majoring in biology.



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The MAC Air Rifle Shooter of the Month



The MAC Air Rifle Shooter of the Month is Kevin Jones of the Virginia Military Institute

Kevin competed in two matches during October. On October 1st at the US Naval Academy Kevin shot a career high 564 in air. Then at a home match on October 22nd Kevin nearly matched it again firing a 563 in air. Kevin's consistency during October has established him as a team leader.

While all college students face academic demands, it is important to note the additional demands faced by VMI shooters due to the military requirements. All VMI cadets face the same structured and demanding schedule and are required to participate in ROTC activities, but as NCAA athletes these individuals face even more demands due to practice and travel schedules.

It is also important to note that Kevin plans to commission (optional at VMI) in the US Armed Forces – another choice that only adds to the demands on his time. With only one senior on the VMI roster, we look to competitors like Kevin to be team leaders and he has definitely delivered.

Personal: Kevin is a Junior at VMI majoring in Psychology.