



October 2012

The MAC Smallbore Shooter of the Month



The MAC Smallbore Shooter of the Month is Maura Andrews of University of the Sciences.

On September 29 Maura started the season with a score of 472 at VMI; then at home vs Loyola on October 6 she recorded a 506; and a week later at Navy Maura fired a career high 566.

The fourth year Doctorate of Pharmacy major is in her third year as a member of the University of the Sciences Mixed Team. Maura is a native of Carmichaels, PA and is another one of the U Sciences shooters who gained interest in the sport through the freshmen physical education classes having never competed in high school.

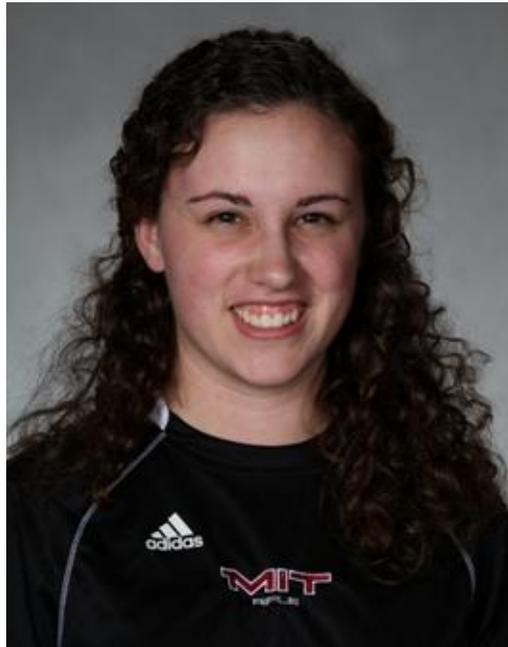
Maura has carried a 3.0 + grade point average throughout her career as a student at U Sciences. She is a member of Alpha Lambda Delta (the University's freshmen academic fraternity) and earned the Collegiate Rifle Coaches Association Scholar Athlete Certificate in 2012.

Beyond the rigors of a pharmacy based curriculum and athletic schedule Maura still finds the time for other interests. She is an Emergency Medical Technician at Fayette Emergency Medical Services and holds certificates in CPR, AED, and Basic Life Support. Maura also volunteers at the Salvation Army's "Communities That Care" Program, is a member of the U Sciences service fraternity Alpha Sigma Tau and has participated in local Alzheimer's support activities.



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The MAC Air Rifle Shooter of the Month



The MAC Air Rifle Shooter of the Month is Elizabeth Phillips of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Elizabeth Phillips was born and raised in Anchorage, Alaska. She graduated valedictorian from West Anchorage High School in 2009. While in high school she was a member of the school's 3-position air rifle team and served as co-captain. Elizabeth has participated in MIT Varsity Rifle for the last 3 seasons and is in her final season of eligibility. During the last 3-years Elizabeth established herself as a leader both on and off the range. She holds the highest match average on the team and is looking to climb her way up in the MAC rankings this season.

Elizabeth is also a two-time captain of the MIT Varsity Rifle Team and was nominated team captain by her team mates for both her junior and senior year. What makes this feat more impressive is that her nomination and eventual election to the position during her junior year was made despite the fact the team was composed of mostly upper classmen.

In addition to her duties with the rifle team, Elizabeth is a member of Alpha Chi Omega Sorority and was elected President in 2012 after serving as Vice President of Communications in 2011. She has also recruited many of her sorority sisters to take part in the rifle team. Elizabeth has worked at the MIT Hamel Lab as an Undergraduate Researcher where she studied "Cell Growth and Metabolic Studies of *T. thermophila*" and worked as a TA for the MIT Department of Earth and Planetary Sciences for a Hands-on Astronomy course. During the winter of her junior year she had an externship at Mt Auburn Hospital where she shadowed doctors in radiation oncology and cardiovascular

and thoracic surgery for more than 150 hours. This past summer she worked as an undergraduate Researcher in Berlin Germany perfecting her language skills and studying the role of small RNAs in cell differentiation and regeneration through the Schmidtea Mediterranea. Elizabeth is studying chemical-biological engineering, she is also a member of the Society of Women Engineers and has held multiple positions in the MIT chapter such as , SWE board Department Liaison, MIT SWE Board Outreach, Community Service Co-Chair, Parents Chair, Family Weekend Committee just to name a few. In 2010-2011 and 2011-2012 seasons Elizabeth received the NCAA All-Academic Award.

Despite her busy schedule, Elizabeth has competed in every competition during her last three seasons at MIT. Elizabeth scores have been climbing consistently and last season she averaged a 549.6 in small-bore and a 561.4 in air rifle and was a member of the team that broke the school record in air rifle last season. This season she has picked up right where she finished last season and is already shooting above last year's averages in air rifle with at a 569 and 572 on Oct 13th and 14th respectively. As Elizabeth continues to improve her skills on the range she is also undergoing the vigorous process of applying to medical schools. Elizabeth hopes to one day be a surgeon and return to Alaska and practice medicine. In her spare time she enjoys cooking and growing plants in her window sill