



October 2014

The MAC Smallbore Shooter of the Month



The MAC Smallbore Shooter of the Month is Madison Kay Stenzel of Yale University

The Rifle Club has a storied history as a coeducational institution within Yale University. As the first sport to become coeducational in 1969, and first to award a varsity letter to a woman in 1972, we are an organization steeped in a tradition of inclusiveness. Maddie Stenzel embodied this spirit on [October 19th, 2014](#), as the first woman to represent Yale in the competitive circuit since the recreation of our program. Her performance at our inaugural match was extraordinary: having no prior experience with the sport, and with but a mere two hours of practice and orientation time with her rifle just days before the competition, Maddie went on to score a 384. For comparison, the average score of our new shooters at matches, discounting Maddie, is 233. Not only did Maddie exceed the average score of new shooters by over 150 points, she also outscored one of our returning members, who scored 315 after a year of practice and preparation. When the question of who to offer for Shooter of the Month was put to vote among the entire team, the answer was clear and resounding. Her peers noted her enthusiasm for the team, her boundless positivity, a constant willingness to learn, and perpetual enthusiasm to improve and compete. Maddie's attitude is dauntless; she answered our call for volunteers for the first match without hesitation and brimming with excitement. Her devotion to the sport is also incredible given both her rigorous course of study, spanning the gamut from applied mathematics to East African languages, and her extensive involvement in extracurricular organizations on campus such as Engineers Without Borders and Naval ROTC.. Based on her character, performance, and achievements, there is no shooter Yale would rather recommend for this accolade.

Personal: Madison Stenzel is a Freshman in the 2018 class majoring in Applied Mathematics.



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The MAC Air Rifle Shooter of the Month



The MAC Air Rifle Shooter of the Month is Angelica DeAraujo of John Jay College of Criminal Justice

Angelica is a sophomore at John Jay and although she appears in the listing as a second year shooter this is actually only her first full year of shooting. Angelica came on to the team in late November of last year and this will be her first full year of competition. Angelica is truly “home grown” talent having never shot before joining the team.

This year her scores skyrocketed in her first month of competition. At our season opener at USNA Angelica shot a 555, following that with a 562 at Akron (not a MAC match), a 556 at MIT, and a 553 against Canisius. She currently ranks 12th out of 88 air rifle shooters in the MAC with a 556.25 average; a truly amazing accomplishment for a “walk-on.”

Angelica is majoring in Forensic Science, one of the hardest majors at John Jay yet finds time to help other team members with their studies and even assists in the orientation and training of new shooters. When not on campus, or away at a competition, Angelica enjoys horseback riding and is quite an accomplished equestrian.