

# Welcome to Doniphan, Nebraska

For the

## ATA CENTRAL ZONE & NTA HONOR SHOOT

July 24-26, 2026

*Honoring Lorin Downing*



### Welcome To the ATA Central Zone/NTA Honor Shoot

All ATA Central Zone residents who compete at any of the shooting locations compete for all trophies and added money provided by the ATA. Any person who wins one of these trophies while shooting at Doniphan is still eligible for the club trophy in that event. All shooters are eligible for club trophies. ATA is providing awards and money for the Zone Winners and will mail any winnings direct to the shooter. ANY TIES FOR THE ATA TROPHIES AND MONEY WILL BE SHOT OFF.

#### Event #1 - ATA Singles Class

Each Class ..... Trophy and \$50.00  
Each of the 8 categories ..... Trophy only

#### Event #2 - Preliminary Handicap

Zone Champion ..... Trophy and \$75.00  
Runner Up -5th Place ..... Trophy Only  
Each of the 8 categories ..... Trophy only

#### Event #3 - ATA Doubles Class

Each Class ..... Trophy and \$50.00  
Each of the 8 categories ..... Trophy only

#### Event #4 - ATA Central Zone Singles Championship

Champion ..... Trophy and \$150.00  
Runner-up ..... Trophy and \$100.00  
Each Class ..... Trophy and \$50.00  
Each of the 8 categories ..... Trophy and \$50.00

#### Event #6 - ATA Central Zone Doubles Championship

Champion ..... Trophy and \$150.00  
Runner-up ..... Trophy and \$100.00  
Each Class ..... Trophy and \$50.00  
Each of the 8 categories ..... Trophy and \$50.00

#### Event #7 - ATA Central Zone Handicap Championship

Champion ..... Trophy and \$150.00  
Runner-up ..... Trophy and \$100.00  
3rd thru 6th Place ..... Trophy and \$50.00  
Each of the 8 categories ..... Trophy and \$50.00

#### Event #9 - ATA Central Zone All Around Championship

Champion ..... Trophy and \$150.00  
Each of the 8 categories ..... Trophy

### Qualification Requirements

To assure equitable classification and handicapping, a specific number of targets must be shot in 2025 and 2026 combined with a certain minimum of them being shot in 2026, prior to July 22, 2026.

### Penalty classes and Handicap Yardage

Those not meeting the target requirements shall be assigned penalty class and yardage as follows.

	Total in 2025/2026	Minimum 2026	Class/ Ydg.
16 Yard	800	400	Class A
Handicap	800	400	See Below
Doubles	400	200	Class B

For women and sub-juniors, the minimum shall be class B singles and Class C in Doubles respectively.

NOTE: PENALTY YARDAGE WILL BE AS FOLLOWS: YOUR CURRENT ATA ASSIGNED YARDAGE PLUS A MINIMUM OF TWO (2) YARDS TO A MAXIMUM OF 25 YARDS. Example: Shooter A: ATA assigned yardage is 22 yards, plus the two (2) yard penalty; The shooter shoots from the twenty-four (24) yard line. Penalty yardage is waived for Senior Veterans.

### Singles Classification

98% and over	AAA
96.25% and under 98%	AA
94.75% and under 96.25%	A
93% and under 94.75%	B
90% and under 93%	C
Under 90%	D

### Doubles Classification

96% and over	AAA
92% and under 96%	AA
89% and under 92%	A
86% and under 89%	B
82% and under 86%	C
Under 82%	D

### REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE

This certifies that the Nebraska State Sportsmen's Association d/b/a the Nebraska Trapshooting Association has been authorized to hold a registered shoot at the State Grounds in Doniphan, Nebraska on July 24-26, 2026.

Friday, July 24, 2026  
10:00 a.m.

A daily \$4.00 ATA fee, a daily \$2.00 ATA Central Zone fee.

**Event #1. ATA Singles Class**

100 Targets, fees, awards & tax..... \$48.00  
Lewis Purse ..... \$10.00  
(4 classes 60/40% high gun)

NTA Awards: Open - Winner each class (AAA, AA, A, B, C, D), Lady, Sub-Vet, Veteran, Sr. Veteran, Junior, Sub-Junior

**Event #2. Lorin Downing Handicap**

100 Targets, fees, awards & tax ..... \$48.00  
50 Options (First, Mid, Last) . \$15.00  
(60/40% Ties Divide)  
Lewis Purse ..... \$10.00  
(4 classes 60/40% High Gun)

NTA Awards: Open - Champion, Winner each Ydg. Group (19-21, 22-24, 25-27)

**Event #3. ATA Doubles Class**

50 Pair Targets, fees, awards & tax.. \$48.00  
Lewis Purse ..... \$10.00  
(4 classes 60/40% high gun)

NTA Awards: Open - Winner each class (AAA, AA, A, B, C, D), Lady, Sub-Vet, Veteran, Sr. Veteran, Junior, Sub-Junior

Saturday, July 25, 2026  
9:00 a.m.

A daily \$4.00 ATA fee, a daily \$2.00 ATA Central Zone fee.

**Event #4. ATA Zone Singles Championship**

200 Targets, fees, awards & tax ...\$96.00  
Lewis Purse .....\$10.00  
(4 classes 60/40% high gun)

NTA Awards: Open - Champion, Lady, Sub-Vet, Veteran, Sr. Veteran, Junior, Sub-Junior, Classes (AAA, AA, A, B, C, D)

If you shoot a good score in Event 4, you will be asked to withdraw from Event 5 in order to start banking targets.

**Event #5. Lorin Downing Handicap**

100 Targets, fees, awards & tax ...\$48.00  
50 Options (First, Mid, Last) ..\$15.00  
(60/40% Ties Divide)  
Lewis Purse .....\$10.00  
(4 classes 60/40% High Gun)

NTA Awards: Open - Champion, Winner each Ydg. Group (19-21, 22-24, 25-27)

This is an invitational tournament and the Directors of the NTA reserve the authority to reject, refund, or disqualify any contestant who, in its judgment, interferes with the conduct, accuracy or sportsmanship of the shoot. In event of a dispute over interpretation of any part of this program, the decision of the Directors shall govern. By entering the tournament, contestants agree to abide by all rules of the ATA and NTA, and to abide by all decisions of the Directors.

It is the shooters responsibility to make sure that all special categories (Lady 1, Lady 2, Sub-juniors, Junior, Junior Gold, Sub Veterans, Veterans, and Senior Vets are declared special category at the time of classification in any registered tournament if they wish to compete as a category shooter. Without such declaration the contestant will not be allowed to compete for the applicable category trophy. No contestant will be allowed to declare or change a special category after firing his/her first shot. The only exception to this rule will be to correct an ATA classification error. The following rules apply to shooters who have declared a special category. At all tournaments where All American points will be awarded in any event, shooters may declare only one (1) category (ie. Lady 1, Lady 2, Sub Junior, Junior, Junior Gold, Sub Veteran, Veteran, and Senior Veteran) Note: Chair shooters are exempt from this rule. Lady I, Lady II, Junior Gold, Junior, Sub Junior, Sub Veteran, Veteran, Senior Veteran must be marked on all entry cards and the bulletin board. Shooters are responsible for seeing that this is done at both places. All around scores are recorded by the computer; check your scores at the scoreboard.

Attendance pins will be available for all shooters. If you are good enough to break them all, NTA has 100 straight and 200 straight pins for you. No carryovers will be allowed. Please ask at the office!

**Earned yardage awarded will be based on number of shooters at site. Ties in the singles and doubles events on Friday will be carried over to the next like event (both Club and Zone). All Zone winners and ties in each class will be moved up a class for Saturday's Singles and Sunday's Doubles events (based on Zone winners). Zone Handicap trophies are shot off following the day's events.**

**If not decided by Zone Banking, ties for Club Handicap trophies will be decided by reverse 25's on that event. If still tied, trophy will be decided by coin flip done by the office staff. If CLUB Singles and Doubles are still tied after carry-over, trophies will be decided in the same manner as handicap ties.**

**\*ATTENTION \***  
Practice Traps will be open daily starting one hour before the program starts. Purchase your tickets at the office! Classification and entry windows will be open daily at 8:00 a.m.

**\*PAYOUT INFORMATION\***  
According to ATA Rule Book Section VIII, A, 3: The NTA will post all final payouts on the Association Website at [www.shootnta.com](http://www.shootnta.com). Payout information will not be mailed out with final the payout checks.

**Sunday, July 26, 2026  
9:00 a.m.**

A daily \$4.00 ATA fee, a daily \$2.00 ATA Central Zone fee.

**Event #6. ATA Zone Doubles Championship**

50 Pair Targets, fees, awards & tax. **\$48.00**

Lewis Purse ..... **\$10.00**

(4 classes 60/40% high gun)

NTA Awards: Open - Champion, Lady,  
Sub-Vet, Veteran, Sr. Veteran, Junior,  
Sub-Junior,

Classes (AAA, AA, A, B, C, D)

**Event #7. ATA Zone Handicap Championship**

100 Targets, fees, awards & tax ..... **\$48.00**

50 Options (First, Mid, Last) ... **\$15.00**

(60/40% Ties Divide)

Lewis Purse ..... **\$10.00**

(4 classes 60/40% High Gun)

NTA Awards: Open: Champion and Run-  
ner-up, Lady, Sub-Vet, Veteran, Sr. Vet-  
eran, Junior, Sub-Junior and  
Ydg. groups (19-21, 22-24, 25-27)

**Event #8. Downing High Over-All Awards**

(High on 800 Targets based on classification in  
Event #1.)

NTA Awards: Open: Champion,

Class Winners (AAA, AA, A, B, C, D)

**Event #9. NTA All Around Award to the Champion**

(High on 400 Zone Championship Targets --  
Events 4, 6, 7)

**2026 HONOREE  
LORIN DOWNING**

Lorin R. Downing, 84, a lifelong resident of Kearney, passed away Thursday, November 27, 2025, at his home in Casa Grande, AZ.

Lorin was born on October 19, 1941, to Willis Kellogg and Helen Viola (Cruit) Downing. He was a graduate of Kearney High School. Mr. Downing was an entrepreneur and long-time owner of Downing Company and University Self-Storage. An avid outdoorsman, Lorin enjoyed hunting, fishing and trap shooting. Additionally, he spent many years drag racing behind the wheel of the local favorite Pete's Patriot 1969 AMX racecar. A licensed pilot later in life, Lorin enjoyed flying his Piper Cherokee airplane. Most recently he enjoyed spending his winters in Arizona where he made many friends and enjoyed golfing and shooting trap.

Lorin started registering targets in 2001. He had shot 52,200 singles, 37,800 handicap and 30,100 doubles targets in his lifetime. He was on the Nebraska State Team in 2011, 2014, 2016 and 2019, making the Top Ten Team in 2015. Lorin won many trophies in Nebraska, Arizona and surrounding states.

Lorin was elected to the Nebraska Trapshooting Board of Directors in 2016. He was always a staple in the office assisting with scoresheets, shoot offs and whatever else was needed. Lorin was instrumental in the re-building of the Fort Kearney Gun Club and hosted many shoots. He was a generous donor to the Nebraska State Trapshooting association.

When asking about Lorin, the only reply was "he was such a nice guy". Lorin spent countless hours in the office checking scores, assisting with shoot offs and whatever chores were asked of him. A truly great loss to our organization.

Lorin's other passion was car racing as described below by Lorin.

From 1948 to present, I developed a great interest in anything that had an engine on it or in it. I started out building go carts with Maytag washing machine engines for power, then Cushman Motor Scooter and an old Doodle Bug Scooter. I had a lot of fun building and flying Model RC and Control Line Airplanes. In 1957 I received my driver's license which introduced me to the world of the automobile. About this time, I struck up a friendship with cousins Doug & Richard Beshore who also had a passion for fast cars. My first car was a 1952 Oldsmobile that I had repainted and the interior redone. It did not take long before I had installed a manual transmission, milled heads, and higher ratio rocker arms to improve the cars performance. As is evident this was about the time that Chevrolet came out with their new V-8 engine. My friends and I all switched to 57-58 Chevrolets and spent countless hours modifying them for competition. Grand Island, Nebraska opened a drag strip at the local airport in the early 1960's and we were hooked. In 1960 I purchased a 1959 Corvette that I drove and raced for approximately 2 years. In 1962 I purchased a 1960 Corveme. In 1964, Chrysler introduced the new Hemi engine for their race program and the Beshore cousins and I just had to have one. We bought and raced a '64 Dodge in NHRA SS/A class for 1 year. Chrysler then came forth with approximately 50 Dodge and 50 Plymouths specially equipped cars for drag racing. We purchased a Plymouth and raced it in NHRA Division S's Street Eliminator and won the Division in 1965. My partners were entering medical and dental school and I had married my wife Kay in 1966 which slowed our program down considerably. We raced sporadically in 1966 & 1967, then sold the car in 1967. In 1968 my neighbor, who had an American Motors Dealership, approached me about helping form a car club that his dealership would sponsor. Gene "Pete" Peterson, the dealer, Bill Merryman and I got the club started in early 1968 with about 8 high school boys. Pete ordered a 1968 AMX for the club to work on and race. The club raced this car during the 1968 season at all of the NHRA Division 5 races, plus numerous local track appearances, and a trip to Indianapolis for the nationals. We had limited success with this car as it was an all-new set up for us. American Motors committed to get into drag racing big time in 1969, with a highly modified (from the factory) 1969 AMX. This car was to build to compete in NHRA'S Super Stock Class, only 52 were buy it. Pete purchased one of these cars in early spring of 1969 for the club to further modify and race in NHRA. This car was immediately successful and won 3 of the 6 divisional races and was the divisional champion in Super Stock. 1970 was another successful year as we won the Division 5 Super Stock crown, set another national record and were runner up in Super Stock Eliminator at the nationals in Indianapolis. The car also made it to the semifinals of Super Stock Eliminator at the world finals in Ontario, California. In 1971 we got to the semifinals in Super Stock Eliminator at the nationals and the world finals. Factory sponsorship ceased at the end of 1971, the boys in the car club were off to college, and Pete decided to sell the car and take up golf again. Since I had started a family racing cars was not something I could afford on my own so I quit racing until 1983 when my oldest son reached his 16th birthday. Rob and I built a 1972 AMC Hornet for him to drive on the street but before long it became a dedicated car for the track only. We played with it on a very limited budget and then raced it until Rob graduated from college in 1992. I raced the car myself in 1993 with the highpoint being a divisional win at Kenosha, Wisconsin Division 3 race. I raced the car sporadically after that until my youngest son Brian decided he would like to try and drive. We attended several races, but a growing ng business forced us to concentrate our efforts at home.

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