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### **BEND OF THE RIVER 'POSSUMS STATE BBGUN CHAMPIONS**

COOKEVILLE, TN – The Bend of the River 'Possums won The Tennessee State BB Gun Championship match held recently. The 'Possum team composed of Jayden Grider, Josiah Fortunato, Caleb Rohyans, Gage Kilgore and Zander Salther and had the score of 2343.1. Second place team went to Rhea County 4-H team that had Anna O'Keefe, Sky Dixon, Josiah O'Keefe, Myca Butler and Brooke Reeves with 2278.5 points. Wilson Elementary was third at 2242.7 with shooters Coty McCloud, Natalie Phillips, David Brown Elliot Kristof and Arrow Looper. Robertson County 4-H team was fourth with Maddie Hoover, Ethan O'Neal, Ely Haubold, Sophie Hoover and Davis Shoemaker and 2120.8 points.

The match consisted of four positions, prone, standing, sitting and kneeling along with a 100-point test over gun handling knowledge. The maximum score for each competitor was 536.0. The decimal scoring is from dividing the ten scoring rings of each bullseye into ten parts and each shot with a maximum of 1-9 for a shot in the center if the 10 ring. Each position has 10 shots in ten minutes for a possible score of 109. There were nine scores of 100 or more. Charlie Pardue from Bend of the River says, "This was an above average scoring match".

For the individual stage of the match, first place went to Jayden Grider from Baxter 494.6. Second place had Cody McCloud from Monterey with 483.8 and Anna O'Keefe from Dayton at 483.2 was third.

The scores for the positions were equally impressive. Hannah Fortunato From Cookeville was first prone with a 101.6. Second went to brother Josiah Fortunato with 99.8 and Zander Salther from Hilham was third at 98.9. Just tenths of a point between them.

Standing came next and the race was on. Sky Dixon from Dayton came in first standing with 92.8. Maddie Hoover from Springfield made second with 91.3 with Josiah Fortunato in third and a 910.0 score.

Sitting is everyone's favorite. Josiah O'Keefe from Dayton led the pack with 99.6. Close in second was Josiah Fortunato placing a 99.4 on the score board. Leaving Caleb Rohyans from Hilham in third with 98.8.

Kneeling is the last shooting position. The key to good kneeling is balance. Myca Butler from Dayton was first with a 98.0. Braxton Holmes from Crawford managed a 97.1 for second and Caleb Rohyans was third with 96.6.

The tie breaker for most matches is the test. Fifty questions on gun handling knowledge. Caleb Royhans from Hilham had a 98 for first place. Natalie Phillips from Crawford had 96 for second and Hannah Fortunato was third at 94.

Daisy has a consecutive year exclusion so that you can only attend the national every other year. For the shooters that were on a team last year at the national match there is a Champion of Champions Match. They shoot the same course of fire, they just cannot qualify for this years match. The winner this year was Callie Helton from Hilham. She had the overall score of 494.6. Other Champions were Colt Darnell from Evansville 477.1, Emma Noble from Baxter 470.5, Jaylyn Grider from Baxter 468.1, Gunny Helton from Hilham 465.9, Elijah noble from Baxter 439.8, Piper Winter from Greenville 435.6 and Annelyse Hall from Friendsville 434.8.

The Daniel Shackleford Award this year went to Jayden Grider with the shooting only score of 396.6. Daniel was a Manchester shooter that died in the middle of the 1992 season from cancer.

There was a national record scored and is applied for. Jayden Grider scored a 95.4 in standing which is highest reported score for an Intermediate Junior in the BBgun discipline.

The next match at the Bend of the River is a 3 Position smallbore rifle match on May 5th. This match is open to persons 14 years of age or older. The public is invited. For more information contact Charlie Pardue at (931) 498-2829 or [bendoftheriverpsc@twlakes.net](mailto:bendoftheriverpsc@twlakes.net) .

Individual winners.jpg



Individual winners from the State BBGUN Chamionship Match from left: Elijah Noble Champion of Champions (CoC), Annelysse Hall CoC, Piper Winter CoC, Emma Noble CoC, Jaylyn Grider 1<sup>st</sup> , Cody McCloud 2<sup>nd</sup>. Anna O'Keefe 3rd, Callie Helton Shackleford Award, Jaylyn Grider CoC, Gunny Helton CoC, Colt Darnell CoC and Charlie Pardue Match Director.

1st team.jpg4th team.jpg



First Place Team from left: Gage Kilgore, Jayden Grider, Josiah Fortunato, zander Salther and Charlie Pardue. (Not pictured Caleb Rohyans)



2nd place team.jpg



Second Place Team Anna O'Keefe, Josiah O'Keefe, Myca Butler, Sky Dixon, Brooke Reeves, Harper Darnell, Millie Darnell and Colt Darnell (CoC)

3rd team.jpg



Wilson Elementary 4-H Third place team from left: Allen Conatser Coach, Cody McCloud, Natalie Phillips, Elliot Kristoff, Arrow Looper, David Brown, Jr., and Charlie Pardue Match Director.



4th team.jpg



Fourth place team Robertson Co 4-H Left to right; Kirkland Hudson, Maddie Hoover, Hunter Haubold, Molly Allgood, Sophie Hoover, Haddon McCoy, Autumn Magdanz, Luke Goetsch, Ely Haubold, Davis Shoemaker , Ands Charlie Pardue.

### Individual - nonCoC

| Rank | Participant             | Prone | Stand | Sit   | Kneel | Test | Shoot | Agg   |
|------|-------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|-------|-------|
| 1    | Grider, Jayden (144)    | 101.3 | 95.4  | 101.8 | 98.1  | 98   | 396.6 | 494.6 |
| 2    | McCloud, Cody (704)     | 97.1  | 92    | 98.2  | 100.5 | 96   | 387.8 | 483.8 |
| 3    | O'Keefe, Anna (401)     | 100.4 | 97.6  | 100.3 | 92.9  | 92   | 391.2 | 483.2 |
| 4    | Fortunato, Josiah (151) | 99.8  | 90    | 99.4  | 96.5  | 92   | 385.7 | 477.7 |
| 5    | Rohyans, Caleb (170)    | 93.4  | 88.5  | 98.8  | 96.6  | 98   | 377.3 | 475.3 |
| 6    | Dixon, Sky (403)        | 98.3  | 92.8  | 97.6  | 94.3  | 78   | 383   | 461   |

|    |                         |       |      |      |      |    |       |       |
|----|-------------------------|-------|------|------|------|----|-------|-------|
| 7  | O'Keefe, Josiah (402)   | 98.1  | 86.5 | 99.6 | 94.6 | 80 | 378.8 | 458.8 |
| 8  | Phillips, Natalie (710) | 86.9  | 85.4 | 92.1 | 91.9 | 96 | 356.3 | 452.3 |
| 9  | Kilgore, Gage (147)     | 95.2  | 89.5 | 92.3 | 92.1 | 82 | 369.1 | 451.1 |
| 10 | Brown Jr., David (706)  | 86.9  | 85.7 | 95.9 | 89.2 | 88 | 357.7 | 445.7 |
| 11 | Butler, Myca (404)      | 96.4  | 80.3 | 96.8 | 98   | 74 | 371.5 | 445.5 |
| 12 | Sather, Zander (177)    | 98.9  | 77.8 | 90.1 | 91.6 | 86 | 358.4 | 444.4 |
| 13 | Fortunato, Hannah (152) | 101.6 | 76   | 85.8 | 84.9 | 94 | 348.3 | 442.3 |
| 14 | Grant, Bryson (110)     | 95.1  | 87.4 | 97.2 | 82   | 80 | 361.7 | 441.7 |
| 15 | Kristoff, Elliot (708)  | 95.7  | 69   | 94.1 | 86.6 | 88 | 345.4 | 433.4 |
| 16 | Reeves, Brooke (405)    | 96.9  | 74.7 | 89.9 | 90.5 | 78 | 352   | 430   |
| 17 | O'Neal, Ethan (604)     | 92.4  | 77   | 91.9 | 80.6 | 88 | 341.9 | 429.9 |
| 18 | Hoover, Maddie (605)    | 97.6  | 91.3 | 87.1 | 91.3 | 62 | 367.3 | 429.3 |
| 19 | Grider, Josie (171)     | 95.5  | 77.9 | 93.7 | 88   | 74 | 355.1 | 429.1 |
| 20 | Phann, Khloe (130)      | 93.4  | 84   | 85   | 89.2 | 76 | 351.6 | 427.6 |
| 21 | Looper, Arrow (713)     | 93.7  | 75.7 | 84.7 | 83.4 | 90 | 337.5 | 427.5 |
| 22 | Borgh, Victor (702)     | 82.5  | 78.1 | 84.4 | 93.1 | 88 | 338.1 | 426.1 |
| 23 | McCloud, Lily (703)     | 96.3  | 82.8 | 85.4 | 85.3 | 76 | 349.8 | 425.8 |
| 24 | Haubold, Ely (601)      | 94.2  | 88.4 | 82.9 | 79.4 | 80 | 344.9 | 424.9 |
| 25 | Darnell, Millie (406)   | 88.2  | 89.6 | 95.4 | 83.3 | 68 | 356.5 | 424.5 |
| 26 | Farley, Wyatt (705)     | 92.1  | 79.3 | 86.2 | 78.7 | 88 | 336.3 | 424.3 |
| 27 | Dogan, Brodi (116)      | 98.8  | 74.5 | 88.9 | 80.9 | 80 | 343.1 | 423.1 |
| 28 | Anderson, Dylan (701)   | 85.2  | 84.3 | 97.5 | 68.4 | 86 | 335.4 | 421.4 |
| 29 | Hoover, Sophie (607)    | 92.8  | 77.3 | 90.5 | 93.1 | 66 | 353.7 | 419.7 |
| 30 | Shoemaker, Davis (611)  | 81.7  | 81.8 | 90   | 85.5 | 78 | 339   | 417   |
| 31 | Holmes, Braxton (707)   | 88.4  | 76.1 | 81.4 | 97.1 | 72 | 343   | 415   |
| 32 | Wilson, Pypper (146)    | 83.7  | 70   | 87   | 88.9 | 82 | 329.6 | 411.6 |
| 33 | Cope, Lily (115)        | 87.4  | 66.8 | 84.2 | 91.8 | 76 | 330.2 | 406.2 |
| 34 | Darnell, Harper (408)   | 86.9  | 75.2 | 82.2 | 91.1 | 70 | 335.4 | 405.4 |
| 35 | Hudson, Kirkland (608)  | 92.1  | 63   | 82.9 | 84.1 | 82 | 322.1 | 404.1 |
| 36 | Magdanz, Autumn (610)   | 95.2  | 77.7 | 82.4 | 75.8 | 68 | 331.1 | 399.1 |
| 37 | Anderson, Emily (717)   | 76.9  | 54   | 81.8 | 72.2 | 86 | 284.9 | 370.9 |
| 38 | Allgood, Molly (609)    | 79    | 67.2 | 77.5 | 76.8 | 70 | 300.5 | 370.5 |
| 39 | Sells, Brailynn (128)   | 78.7  | 52.5 | 86.5 | 89.1 | 62 | 306.8 | 368.8 |



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|----|-----------------------|------|------|------|------|----|-------|-------|
| 40 | Haubold, Hunter (602) | 70.7 | 53.7 | 66.2 | 74.5 | 80 | 265.1 | 345.1 |
| 41 | Gore, Dysin (127)     | 83.4 | 60.9 | 77.8 | 48.7 | 70 | 270.8 | 340.8 |
| 42 | McCoy, Haddon ^12)    | 82.6 | 48.7 | 65.7 | 73.6 | 66 | 270.6 | 336.6 |
| 43 | Curd, Lola (120)      | 68.3 | 48.5 | 57.8 | 78.2 | 62 | 252.8 | 314.8 |
| 44 | Ramsey, Lilynn (715)  | 52.6 | 59.5 | 64.2 | 49.2 | 82 | 225.5 | 307.5 |
| 45 | Goetsch, Luke (603)   | 70.9 | 49   | 67.9 | 48.5 | 62 | 236.3 | 298.3 |
| 46 | Scott, Parker (111)   | 77   | 41.4 | 50.9 | 49.3 | 46 | 218.6 | 264.6 |

## Individual - CoC

| Rank | Participant           | Prone | Standing | Sitting | Kneeling | Test | shoot | Individual |
|------|-----------------------|-------|----------|---------|----------|------|-------|------------|
| 1    | Helton, Callie (181)  | 103.1 | 92.9     | 100.7   | 99.9     | 98   | 396.6 | 494.6      |
| 2    | Darnell, Colt (407)   | 97.6  | 88.3     | 98.3    | 96.9     | 98   | 381.1 | 479.1      |
| 3    | Noble, Emma (175)     | 100.7 | 94.1     | 93.3    | 94.4     | 90   | 382.5 | 472.5      |
| 4    | Helton, Gunny (114)   | 100   | 90.5     | 95.4    | 94       | 88   | 379.9 | 467.9      |
| 5    | Grider, Jaylyn (108)  | 98    | 93.4     | 99.9    | 94.8     | 80   | 386.1 | 466.1      |
| 6    | Noble, Elijah (174)   | 83.8  | 83.7     | 93      | 85.3     | 92   | 345.8 | 437.8      |
| 7    | Winter, Piper (202)   | 94.7  | 79.4     | 88.7    | 92.8     | 82   | 355.6 | 437.6      |
| 8    | Hall, Annellyse (201) | 89.9  | 87.3     | 89.9    | 89.7     | 80   | 356.8 | 436.8      |

## Team - nonCoC

| Rank | Participant             | Prone | Stand | Sit   | Kneel | Test | Team   |
|------|-------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|--------|
| 1    | Awesome 'Possums 1      | 488.6 | 441.2 | 482.4 | 475   | 456  | 2343.1 |
|      | Grider, Jayden (144)    | 101.3 | 95.4  | 101.8 | 98.1  | 98   | 494.6  |
|      | Fortunato, Josiah (151) | 99.8  | 90    | 99.4  | 96.5  | 92   | 477.7  |
|      | Rohyans, Caleb (170)    | 93.4  | 88.5  | 98.8  | 96.6  | 98   | 475.3  |
|      | Kilgore, Gage (147)     | 95.2  | 89.5  | 92.3  | 92.1  | 82   | 451.1  |
|      | Sather, Zander (177)    | 98.9  | 77.8  | 90.1  | 91.6  | 86   | 444.4  |
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|----------|----------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|------------|------------|---------------|
| <b>2</b> | <b>Rhea Co 4-H 1</b>       | <b>490.1</b> | <b>431.9</b> | <b>484.2</b> | <b>470</b> | <b>402</b> | <b>2278.5</b> |
|          | O'Keefe, Anna (401)        | 100.4        | 97.6         | 100.3        | 92.9       | 92         | 483.2         |
|          | Dixon, Sky (403)           | 98.3         | 92.8         | 97.6         | 94.3       | 78         | 461           |
|          | O'Keefe, Josiah (402)      | 98.1         | 86.5         | 99.6         | 94.6       | 80         | 458.8         |
|          | Butler, Myca (404)         | 96.4         | 80.3         | 96.8         | 98         | 74         | 445.5         |
|          | Reeves, Brooke (405)       | 96.9         | 74.7         | 89.9         | 90.5       | 78         | 430           |
|          |                            |              |              |              |            |            |               |
| <b>3</b> | <b>Wilson Elementary 1</b> | <b>460.3</b> | <b>407.8</b> | <b>465</b>   | <b>452</b> | <b>458</b> | <b>2242.7</b> |
|          | McCloud, Cody (704)        | 97.1         | 92           | 98.2         | 101        | 96         | 483.8         |
|          | Phillips, Natalie (710)    | 86.9         | 85.4         | 92.1         | 91.9       | 96         | 452.3         |
|          | Brown Jr., David (706)     | 86.9         | 85.7         | 95.9         | 89.2       | 88         | 445.7         |
|          | Kristoff, Elliot (708)     | 95.7         | 69           | 94.1         | 86.6       | 88         | 433.4         |
|          | Looper, Arrow (713)        | 93.7         | 75.7         | 84.7         | 83.4       | 90         | 427.5         |
|          |                            |              |              |              |            |            |               |
| <b>4</b> | <b>Awesome 'Possums 2</b>  | <b>484.4</b> | <b>399.8</b> | <b>450.6</b> | <b>425</b> | <b>404</b> | <b>2163.8</b> |
|          | Fortunato, Hannah (152)    | 101.6        | 76           | 85.8         | 84.9       | 94         | 442.3         |
|          | Grant, Bryson (110)        | 95.1         | 87.4         | 97.2         | 82         | 80         | 441.7         |
|          | Grider, Josie (171)        | 95.5         | 77.9         | 93.7         | 88         | 74         | 429.1         |
|          | Phann, Khloe (130)         | 93.4         | 84           | 85           | 89.2       | 76         | 427.6         |
|          | Dogan, Brodi (116)         | 98.8         | 74.5         | 88.9         | 80.9       | 80         | 423.1         |
|          |                            |              |              |              |            |            |               |
| <b>5</b> | <b>Robertson Co 4-H 1</b>  | <b>458.7</b> | <b>415.8</b> | <b>442.4</b> | <b>430</b> | <b>374</b> | <b>2120.8</b> |
|          | O'Neal, Ethan (604)        | 92.4         | 77           | 91.9         | 80.6       | 88         | 429.9         |
|          | Hoover, Maddie (605)       | 97.6         | 91.3         | 87.1         | 91.3       | 62         | 429.3         |
|          | Haubold, Ely (601)         | 94.2         | 88.4         | 82.9         | 79.4       | 80         | 424.9         |
|          | Hoover, Sophie (607)       | 92.8         | 77.3         | 90.5         | 93.1       | 66         | 419.7         |
|          | Shoemaker, Davis (611)     | 81.7         | 81.8         | 90           | 85.5       | 78         | 417           |
|          |                            |              |              |              |            |            |               |
| <b>6</b> | <b>Wilson Elementary 2</b> | <b>444.5</b> | <b>400.6</b> | <b>434.9</b> | <b>423</b> | <b>410</b> | <b>2112.6</b> |
|          | Borgh, Victor (702)        | 82.5         | 78.1         | 84.4         | 93.1       | 88         | 426.1         |
|          | McCloud, Lily (703)        | 96.3         | 82.8         | 85.4         | 85.3       | 76         | 425.8         |
|          | Farley, Wyatt (705)        | 92.1         | 79.3         | 86.2         | 78.7       | 88         | 424.3         |

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|           | Anderson, Dylan (701)      | 85.2         | 84.3         | 97.5         | 68.4        | 86         | 421.4         |
|           | Holmes, Braxton (707)      | 88.4         | 76.1         | 81.4         | 97.1        | 72         | 415           |
|           |                            |              |              |              |             |            |               |
| <b>7</b>  | <b>Robertson Co 4-H 2</b>  | <b>419.6</b> | <b>310.3</b> | <b>374.7</b> | <b>385</b>  | <b>366</b> | <b>1855.4</b> |
|           | Hudson, Kirkland (608)     | 92.1         | 63           | 82.9         | 84.1        | 82         | 404.1         |
|           | Magdanz, Autumn (610)      | 95.2         | 77.7         | 82.4         | 75.8        | 68         | 399.1         |
|           | Allgood, Molly (609)       | 79           | 67.2         | 77.5         | 76.8        | 70         | 370.5         |
|           | Haubold, Hunter (602)      | 70.7         | 53.7         | 66.2         | 74.5        | 80         | 345.1         |
|           | McCoy, Haddon ^12)         | 82.6         | 48.7         | 65.7         | 73.6        | 66         | 336.6         |
|           |                            |              |              |              |             |            |               |
| <b>8</b>  | <b>Awesome 'Possums 3</b>  | <b>401.5</b> | <b>298.7</b> | <b>393.3</b> | <b>397</b>  | <b>352</b> | <b>1842.2</b> |
|           | Wilson, Pypper (146)       | 83.7         | 70           | 87           | 88.9        | 82         | 411.6         |
|           | Cope, Lily (115)           | 87.4         | 66.8         | 84.2         | 91.8        | 76         | 406.2         |
|           | Sells, Brailynn (128)      | 78.7         | 52.5         | 86.5         | 89.1        | 62         | 368.8         |
|           | Gore, Dysin (127)          | 83.4         | 60.9         | 77.8         | 48.7        | 70         | 340.8         |
|           | Curd, Lola (120)           | 68.3         | 48.5         | 57.8         | 78.2        | 62         | 314.8         |
|           |                            |              |              |              |             |            |               |
| <b>9</b>  | <b>Rhea Co 4-H 2</b>       | <b>175.1</b> | <b>164.8</b> | <b>177.6</b> | <b>174</b>  | <b>138</b> | <b>829.9</b>  |
|           | Darnell, Millie (406)      | 88.2         | 89.6         | 95.4         | 83.3        | 68         | 424.5         |
|           | Darnell, Harper (408)      | 86.9         | 75.2         | 82.2         | 91.1        | 70         | 405.4         |
|           |                            |              |              |              |             |            |               |
| <b>10</b> | <b>Wilson Elementary 3</b> | <b>129.5</b> | <b>113.5</b> | <b>146</b>   | <b>121</b>  | <b>168</b> | <b>678.4</b>  |
|           | Anderson, Emily (717)      | 76.9         | 54           | 81.8         | 72.2        | 86         | 370.9         |
|           | Ramsey, Lilynn (715)       | 52.6         | 59.5         | 64.2         | 49.2        | 82         | 307.5         |
|           |                            |              |              |              |             |            |               |
| <b>11</b> | <b>Robertson Co 4-H 3</b>  | <b>70.9</b>  | <b>49</b>    | <b>67.9</b>  | <b>48.5</b> | <b>62</b>  | <b>298.3</b>  |
|           | Goetsch, Luke (603)        | 70.9         | 49           | 67.9         | 48.5        | 62         | 298.3         |
|           |                            |              |              |              |             |            |               |
| <b>12</b> | <b>Awesome 'Possums 4</b>  | <b>77</b>    | <b>41.4</b>  | <b>50.9</b>  | <b>49.3</b> | <b>46</b>  | <b>264.6</b>  |
|           | Scott, Parker (111)        | 77           | 41.4         | 50.9         | 49.3        | 46         | 264.6         |

## Individual - CoC

| Ran<br>k | Participant           | Prone | Standin<br>g | Sittin<br>g | Kneelin<br>g | Tes<br>t | shoot | Individu<br>al |
|----------|-----------------------|-------|--------------|-------------|--------------|----------|-------|----------------|
| 1        | Helton, Callie (181)  | 103.1 | 92.9         | 100.7       | 99.9         | 98       | 396.6 | 494.6          |
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| 6        | Noble, Elijah (174)   | 83.8  | 83.7         | 93          | 85.3         | 92       | 345.8 | 437.8          |
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| 8        | Hall, Annellyse (201) | 89.9  | 87.3         | 89.9        | 89.7         | 80       | 356.8 | 436.8          |