

FRANKLIN L. ORTH MEMORIAL TROPHY



The Franklin L. Orth Memorial Trophy, is a bronze statuette of "David", originally named the National Trophy for Public High Schools and presented by the National Board for the Promotion of Rifle Practice, War Department, in 1913. The sculptor was Adrien Gandez, who was born in Lyon, France in 1844 and died in 1902. Rededicated by NRA in 1972 in memory of Franklin L. Orth, Executive Vice President of the NRA from 1959 until his death on January 4, 1970. A sports devotee from early youth, Frank Orth stressed shooting as a form of sport and became President of the U.S. Olympic Committee.

Match Conditions:

- 1972 Awarded to the Free Pistol Champion at the U.S. International Shooting Championships, a three day aggregate of the 60-shot slow fire course.
- 1986 Course of fire, two day aggregate.
- 1993 WITHDRAWN FROM COMPETITION
- 2000 Re-assigned and awarded to the NRA National Intercollegiate Sectional Air Rifle Team Champion. Course of fire is an aggregate comprised of sectional scores fired by four team members (40 shots x 4).
- 2005 Course of fire changed to 60 shots per team member.

TROPHY WINNERS

1972	SFC Hershel Anderson, USA	1653	2009	University of Kentucky	2351
1973	SSGT Arnold Vitarbo, USAF	1667	2010	University of Alaska, Fairbanks	2355
1974	SFC Hershel Anderson, USA	1672	2011	West Virginia University	2376
1975	SFC Hershel Anderson, USA	1670	2012	West Virginia University	2360
1976	SFC Hershel Anderson, USA	1672	2013	West Virginia University	2380
1977	PFC Darius Young, USAR	1650	2014	West Virginia University	2366
1978	SSGT Stephen Reiter, USAR	1642	2015	West Virginia University	2373
1979	SFC Charles McCowan, USA	1634	2016	West Virginia University	2377
1980	SSGT Stephen Reiter, USAR	1653			
1981	SP4 Darius Young, USAR	1673			
1982	SSGT Eugene Ross, USAR	1658			
1983	MSGT Erich Buljung, USA	1676			
1984	D.C. Nygord	1677			
1985	D.L. Hamilton	1672			
1986	D.C. Nygord	1114			
1987	E. Buljung	1202			
1988	D.R. Young	1203			
1989	E. Buljung	1218			
1990	E. Buljung	1219			
1991	Ben Amonette	1211			
1992	Richard Gardner	1205			
1993	WITHDRAWN FROM COMPETITION				
2000	University of Alaska, Fairbanks	1573			
2001	University of Alaska, Fairbanks	1573			
2002	University of Alaska, Fairbanks	1574			
2003	University of Alaska, Fairbanks	1574			
2004	University of Alaska, Fairbanks Gold	1571			
2005	University of Alaska, Fairbanks	2363			
2006	U.S. Military Academy	2347			
2007	University of Alaska, Fairbanks	2360			
2008	University of Alaska, Fairbanks	2370			