Aggies enjoy breaking clays for NCTA

CURTIS, Neb. – A quartet of Aggies with the NCTA Shotgun Sports Team of Curtis was on travel duty again over the weekend as they competed in sporting clays matches in Brainard, Nebraska.

Concordia University of Seward hosted the Nebraska College of Technical Agriculture to the Concordia Bulldogs Sporting Invitational at the Oak Creek Sporting Club.

Aggie team members, coached by assistant professor Alan Taylor, were Colby Mitchell of Burwell, Kaden Bryant of Firth, Kamren Sitzman and Trey Barnhart, both of McCook. They shot in sporting clays and super sporting clays.

Sophomore Colby Mitchell won a medal for the second consecutive week, this time breaking a tie in the super sporting clays contest.

“Colby was in a shoot off for overall after tying a student from Midland University with scores of 96 out of 100,” said Aggie coach Alan Taylor. “That action continued into a second round as both tied in breaking two of six clays, so Colby prevailed with a perfect six for six and the win.”

Sitzman competed in his first collegiate meet and did well, as fellow freshmen Barnhart and Bryant each had personal bests in sporting clays, Taylor said.

This weekend the Aggies travel to the final contest of autumn at the Heartland Shooting Complex west of Grand Island. There, Hastings College hosts five events - trap, skeet, double skeet, sporting clays and super sporting clays. The public is invited to attend as spectators.

NCTA Aggies competed Oct. 3-4 at Oak Creek Sporting Club in Brainard. From left, are Kamren Sitzman of McCook, Colby Mitchell of Burwell who was second place overall, Kaden Bryant of Firth, and Trey Barnhart of McCook. (Alan Taylor / NCTA Photo)
At the end of the season, on November 7, NCTA Shotgun Sports is hosting a Sporting Clay Contest at the range east of Curtis.

The event is their annual fall fundraiser open to the public. Proceeds assist the Aggies with resources for club practices and travel to team competitions.

For information, contact Coach Taylor at 308.530.9889.

Part of the University of Nebraska system, the Nebraska College of Technical Agriculture is a two-year institution with a statewide mission of preparing students for successful careers in agriculture, veterinary technology and related industries. NCTA is known for its affordable tuition, high job-placement rate for its graduates, and for the success of student teams in competitive activities including crops judging, ranch horse events, livestock judging, shotgun sports, stock dog trials and intercollegiate rodeo. The college is consistently ranked as one of the best two-year schools in the nation.

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