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Johnson, Rooney lead Aggie Shooting Team

Lincoln, Neb. – The "Ice Out" Shooting Sports Competition in Lincoln Saturday proved challenging for collegiate sports enthusiasts.

Aggie Shooting Sports Team members from the Nebraska College of Technical Agriculture of Curtis faced rigorous competitors and some frigid conditions at the sport which drew students from throughout the Midwest.

Host Midland University of Fremont won the contest, and entered 25 of the 127 individual competitors. Students were from 14 colleges and six states.

"The weather was cold, cold," said Aggies Coach Alan Taylor. "The 11 students from the NCTA team did well considering the weather, and we saw progress."

"Carli Johnson had a fantastic improvement in skeet from this fall. She has put in great effort to accomplish this," Taylor added.

Johnson, a sophomore from Hastings, led the three Aggie women with a total overall of 246 points from five categories – sporting clay, skeet, 5-stand sporting clay, international skeet and trap.

Alan Rooney of Brewster, Neb., was high overall for the Aggie men with 311 points. He also was team high in sporting clay, international skeet, and 5-stand sporting clay.

Tyler Heidemann of Daykin, Neb., was high Aggie shooter in trap, and Shawn Barger of Wahoo, Neb., led in skeet.

The next match will be March 18 at Salina, Kansas.

For more details on NCTA Shooting Sports Club or other programs, see ncta.unl.edu or call 1-800-3CURTIS.

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The NCTA Aggie Shooting Sports Team practices east of Curtis twice weekly. (Craig Chandler / University Communication)