

TOWNSEND WHELEN TROPHY



The Townsend Whelen Trophy is a 12-inch sterling silver Revere bowl mounted on a turned walnut base. It was presented to the NRA in 1961 by the Gun Digest to honor Colonel Townsend Whelen. The trophy was presented with the request that it will be awarded to the National Guard Champion in the National Service Rifle Championships.

Match Conditions:

- 1961 The high-scoring member of the National Guard in the National Service Rifle Championship. An aggregate of the President's, Marine Corps Cup, Members' Trophy, Coast Guard Trophy, Crowell Trophy and Navy Cup Matches (130 shots).
- 1962 An aggregate of the President's, Marine Corps Cup, Air Force Cup, Coast Guard Trophy, Crowell Trophy, Navy Cup and Nevada Trophy Matches (160 shots).
- 1971 Awarded to the high Senior with the Match Rifle in the National High Power Rifle Championship Aggregate.

TROPHY WINNERS

1961	MSGT Robert E. Knotts	628-43V	1999	Middleton W. Tompkins	2347-97X
1962	CPT Bernard B. Balough	783-67V	2000	Middleton W. Tompkins	2358-79X
1963	SFC N.J. Chandler	781-53V	2001	Bert A. Rollins	2327-71X
1964	SSGT J.L. Wilder	781-55V	2002	Middleton W. Tompkins	2319-79X
1965	LT A.M. Dapp, NGUS	792-80V	2003	Middleton W. Tompkins	2339-91X
1966	LTC B.G. Johnston	792-74V	2004	Middleton W. Tompkins	2343-73X
1967	LT Gary L. Anderson, NGUS	1539-38X	2005	Ken Spears	2349-95X
1968-70	NO COMPETITION		2006	Jack G. Jones	2363-81X
1971	SFC Gerritt H. Stekeur	1524-34X	2007	Baird K. Copenhaver	*1762-67X
1972	J.R. McCulloch	1542-36X	2008	Jack G. Jones	2352-67X
1973	MSGT Gerritt H. Stekeur	1531-46X	2009	Baird K. Copenhaver	2357-93X
1974	MSGT Gerritt H. Stekeur	1538-43X	2010	Robert W. Ward	2376-81X
1975	MSGT Gerritt H. Stekeur	1563-48X	2011	Jon L. Howell	2347-88X
1976	Gerritt H. Stekeur	1949-53X	2012	Robert W. Ward	2367-99X
1977	Gerritt H. Stekeur	1888-48X	2013	James S. O'Connell	2341-92X
1978	Gerritt H. Stekeur	2340-83X	2014	James M. Treacy	1770-63X
1979	Gerritt H. Stekeur	2324-63X	2015	Kenneth Lankford	2367-95X
1980	Gerritt H. Stekeur	2319-69X	2016	Kenneth Lankford	2361-105X
1981	Gerritt H. Stekeur	2283-55X	2017	Hugo B. Adelson	1952-72X
1982	Gerritt H. Stekeur	2300-63X	2018	Hugo B. Adelson	2362-100X
1983	Gerritt H. Stekeur	2267-49X	2019	Kenneth Langford	2369-116X
1984	Gerritt H. Stekeur	2299-58X	2020	National Matches cancelled due to COVID	
1985	Gerritt H. Stekeur	2272-45X	2021	Kenneth Langford	2370-104X
1986	Bud T. Benard	2281-49X	2022	Kenneth Langford	2375-116X
1987	George A. Pratt	2258-41X			
1988	Bud T. Benard	2288-56X			
1989	Bud T. Benard	2259-47X			
1990	Robert E. Jensen	2334-59X			
1991	George E. Tubb	2328-72X			
1992	Robert E. Jensen	2357-82X			
1993	Jack W. Jenkins	2356-82X			
1994	Rudolph L. Wadekamper	2322-71X			
1995	Don R. Bartlett	2336-85X			
1996	Bert A. Rollins	2337-93X			
1997	Alan M. Dapp	2344-92X			
1998	Middleton W. Tompkins	2350-90X			

* Aggregate shortened due to weather