

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- 1993 WITHDRAWN FROM COMPETITION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

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| 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 | 2017 | West Virginia University | 2379 |
| 1981 | SP4 Darius Young, USAR | 1673 | 2018 | West Virginia University | 2383 |
| 1982 | SSGT Eugene Ross, USAR | 1658 | 2019 | TCU | 2380 |
| 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 | | | |