

■ *Hall of Fame enshrinees for 2009*

Dick Baldwin, Jimmy Heller, B. E. Morrissey to be inducted at '09 Grand

Richard Baldwin, Jimmy Heller and B. E. Morrissey will be inducted into the Trapshooting Hall of Fame during the Grand American on Tuesday, Aug. 11, 2009, at a banquet in Sparta, Ill.

Baldwin is being honored posthumously, as a competitor and a contributor. Known to shooters for seven decades, Dick placed on 16 All-American teams—four times as a junior and 12 times as an industry representative, including once as captain. He was the second junior in ATA history to earn his way to the then-maximum 25-yard line. As a sub-junior in 1951, Dick was that category's Clay Target champion and junior winner in the Grand Preliminary Handicap. As an industry rep and then an amateur, he won 26 Grand trophies from 1961 to 1988, three times tying scoring records. In 1962 and 1965 he headed industry ranks in yearly doubles averages, and the latter year he was also high handicap pro.

From 1957 Baldwin held a number of managerial positions at Remington Arms, retiring in 1984 as manager of advertising and shooting promotion. He served as Museum Director of the Trapshooting Hall of Fame from 2000 until his death Oct. 11, 2006, in an automobile accident.

Jimmy Heller also started out as a junior All-American, in 1973. From 1983 through 1999 he placed on eight adult teams, and from 1972 to 2008 he has won 12 Grand American awards. He has earned 45 California state trophies, including two in '08 for 100s from the 27. His first state doubles title was in 1985, followed by singles, handicap and all-around championships.

Heller has also garnered numerous awards from the Golden West Grand, the Spring Grand and the Autumn Grand. Jimmy won the Golden West Handicap in 1993 and 1997 plus the main doubles in 2005 and the large Saturday handicap contest in 1985 and 2005, both with 100. In ATA Western Zone competition, he has won one handicap and two doubles crowns.

B. E. Morrissey was on consecutive All-American teams from 1971 to 1979, and he has returned to All-American ranks since 2001 as a veteran then a senior vet. From 1971 to 1985, B. E.'s Grand trophies included three championships: the Ohio Handicap in 1971, the President's Handicap in 1975, and the men's Champion of Champions in 1976. In addition to his 1973 HOA runnerup award and other Grand trophies in those years, from 2000 to 2008 he won 14 vet and senior vet prizes.

In 1978 Morrissey was the Spring Grand HOA and all-around champion, in addition to other-year wins. From 1966 to 1985 he won 52 trophies at Nebraska state shoots, including four singles, one doubles and four all-around awards. Resuming shooting in 1997, B. E. topped the state's Budweiser Handicap and led scoring on the shoot's 400 total handicap with 384. Since 1999 he has collected 23 vet and senior vet prizes at Nebraska.

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