

# KAMO ADVENTURES

## 2020 KAMO Adventures 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Sporting Clay Shoot

Over 50 people showed up for our Second Annual Sporting Clay Shoot at Powder Creek in Lenexa, Kansas on Saturday, October 26, 2019. Everyone had a blast and enjoyed great shooting, great company, and a beautiful day! The day started off with check in and people taking some practice shots. At 10:45 a.m. we started off with the Safety Brief by Kevin Danziak of Powder Creek. This year's participants received an event t-shirt and lunch and some KAMO swag for participating.

We had 10 teams kick off the event at 11 a.m. Participants, mostly in teams of 5, visited 12 different stations on the red course at Powder Creek and closed out the afternoon with several clear winners for the title of "Sharpshooter" and "KAMO Squad." Our winner of the "Sharpshooter" award for the highest individual shooter score was Leroy Cockrell with 85 points. In second place was Dave Haubein with 79 points and third place was a tie between Bubba Starling and Dan Stark. Lucky for "Sharpshooter" Leroy's teammates, he also led his team to the "KAMO Clay Slayers" victory for the highest team score of 363 points. The KAMO Clay Slayers team winners were Leroy Cockrell, Dave Haubein, Stephen Johnson, Wyatt Johnson, and Mac Douglas. In second place was the team of Jeff Fitzmaurice, Scott Gebken, Wade Fitzmaurice, Bubba Starling, and Jim Starling with 341 points. The team of John Strang, Zack Eckert, Jordan Scott, Eric Studley, and Kyle Swierczek came in third with 325 points.

After the shooting was complete, participants enjoyed lunch from Panera and some soda and adult beverages. We gave away nine raffle ticket prizes that were donated to KAMO from Record Rack, Waterway Carwash, Securian, Minsky's, Spin! Pizza, Outlaw Cigar Company, and Powell's Meat Company. Powder Creek also generously donated a year's membership at Powder Creek to our winning "Sharpshooter," Leroy Cockrell! A wonderful time was had by all! A big thank you to the Powder Creek staff, our volunteers, Prairie Fire signs for our donor signs, and our Stand Off and Star Donors!



### Veteran Profile BLAKE WARNER

Blake Bentley Warner is a United States Marine who served with the 3<sup>rd</sup> Battalion 5<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment as a Professionally Instructed Gunman for the Darkhorse Scout Sniper Platoon. He served 4 honorable years with 2 deployments before moving to Kansas to attend the University of Kansas majoring in Business Administration. In the last several years in Kansas, Blake met and married his wife and they are currently expecting their second daughter in March. Upon graduation, he and his family plan to move to Chicago where he plans to work as a management consultant. He is currently the Team Leader for the Peer Advisors for Veteran Education (PAVE) Program at KU and an active members of the Student Veterans of America (SVA) at KU. KAMO was honored to take Blake on our Deer Hunt last year!



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## Serving Our Community During COVID

### Upcoming Events

**8<sup>th</sup> Annual KAMO Auction and Fundraiser at the Boulevard Brewery**  
*Thursday, April 8, 2021*

**2021 KAMO Turkey, Deer and Fishing Trips**  
*Dates TBD*



**If you know of anyone who is currently serving or who is an honorably discharged veteran who you think would be interested in attending one of our events, then let us know! We are always looking for more people to serve, and we greatly value the relationships we build and the services we provide to these individuals. Remember, there is no cost to the participants. The data form is on our website at [www.kamoadventures.com](http://www.kamoadventures.com) or contact [info@kamoadventures.com](mailto:info@kamoadventures.com) to have an application sent to you!**

It was our great pleasure to have 11 Veterans join us from St. Michael's Veteran's Center this September for our annual fishing trip! We were also honored to have Army Veteran Jerry Cooke along for the ride. Everyone was successful in catching at least one fish, and the fish fry with the conservation officers was a huge success. Thankfully, no matter how many fish they caught they all had a wonderful time just hanging out with one another and with our guide's and volunteers. The fun did not end for several of the veterans as some of the have continued to pick up the veterans at St. Michael's and take them out to fish again! Cindy Taylor, an administrator at St. Michael's said, "When I learned there was an organization that would take veterans fishing – I immediately called them. What I thought would be a few guys, a pond and some poles turned out to be a fishing extravaganza. KAMO transported our residents several hours from their Kansas City apartment home, so they could be out in a rural beautiful landscape and they offered them an extended experience – 3 full days of fishing fun. They guys reported they ate amazing meals 'til they were so full they thought they would burst, they laughed so long and hard their faces hurt and they almost cried when they received a gift bag with a new fishing pole, hat, shirt and many more unexpected gifts. They all said they felt so blessed that the KAMO organization and their funders cared so much about them to make an experience like they received possible. They haven't stopped smiling yet and it's been over 2 months." THIS is the impact ALL of you who donate to KAMO make on veteran's lives and for that KAMO cannot thank you enough for allowing us to do this work with your help and generosity.



### ABOUT ST. MICHAEL'S VETERAN'S CENTER

St. Michael's Veteran's Center empowers veterans toward healthy reintegration with their families and communities through permanent housing and supportive services. They provide a dignified place to live and an opportunity for veterans to become their best selves. St. Michael's Veterans professional staff customize wraparound solutions that support veterans' goals around employment, physical and mental health, trauma and addiction recovery with the means and support necessary to achieve long-term health, employment and financial stability. Their campus is a home and a community where veterans can live their best lives and give back to their community.

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## KAMO CLAY SHOOT

**2020 Sporting Clay Shooting Champions**  
**Sharpshooter**  
 (Highest Individual Points)  
 Leroy Cockrell

**KAMO Clay Slayers**  
 (Highest in Team Points)  
 Stephen Johnson  
 Wyatt Johnson  
 Dave Haubein  
 Leroy Cockrell  
 Mac Douglas



**Stand Off Sponsors**  
 Wade Fitzmaurice  
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\*Most importantly thank you to EVERYONE who donated and attended, your support means a great deal to us and those we have the great privilege to serve.