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2015 Tamaqua Elks Hoop Shoot Winners

Three boys and three girls, ages 8-13 yrs., won the first round of competition in the 45th Annual Elks National Hoop Shoot Free Throw Contest at the Tamaqua Elementary School gym and have been named Tamaqua Elks champions.

Vaal E. Kester, Tamaqua Elks Hoop Shoot director, was pleased with the quality shooters advancing to the district competition in February.

First and second place winners and their parents were invited to the Elks for refreshments and trophy presentation. Trophies were awarded to the boy and girl champion and runner-up in each of three categories: ages 8-9, 10-11, and 12-13 yrs.

(see winners list)

The six first place champions now advance to the next round of competition at Danville on Sat. February 13, 2016 where they will compete with the other Elks Lodge winners from the Northeast District. In March, the district winners will advance to the state competition at State College, PA, and then to Wilkes-Barre for the regional contest. The national finals will be held in Chicago, IL in April.

Volunteers who helped with the Tamaqua contest were John Bachert PER, Scott Winterburn PER, Gary Wetterau, Steve Bayer, Mike Chromiak, Steve Dobrosky, Art Connely, Joe Berezwick, Joey Berezwick, Bill Leitzel, Eric Schaefer, Don Nevenglosky, Mike and Aimee Caputo, and Vaal and Janet Kester.