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HALL OF FAME



Capt. Douglas B St. Aubyn MBE

Rifle Shooting

Inducted in 1985

Coming from a familial line of military men who were ace rifle shooters, it was perhaps inevitable that Douglas St. Aubyn would follow in his grandfather's and father's footsteps in their native British Guiana. He joined the Colonial Services at the age of 21, rising to the rank of Assistant Superintendent of prisons camp and camp Commandant, before earning the title of 'Captain'.

St. Aubyn was then stationed in British Honduras, Central America, before being sent to Trinidad in 1953. He was given the role of the Commissioner of Prisons and became a Trinidad and Tobago national, making him eligible to represent the colony in the sport of shooting.

He joined the sport locally, having competed throughout the preceding years, displaying his uncanny accuracy. By 1955 he was made captain of the Trinidad and Tobago team. The team gained instant success, winning the Anchor Cup, a team competition for Caribbean nations, with St. Aubyn also winning an individual gold in the process (the other

Trinidad and Tobago gold medallist was Charles Lassalie).

The team then went to the National Shooting Centre in Bisley, England, where the Trinidad and Tobago team secured three team titles. With such progress, St. Aubyn was made the Shooting Captain of the Rifle Association and celebrated by immediately leading the team to victory in the Martinez Challenge Shield Championship against Barbados.

He continued to perform well against Caribbean competition, and also versus a few visiting teams from the United Kingdom, before returning to the Bisley shooting competitions in 1960 and 1962 where he again performed well. He retired from competition after the 1962 Bisley competition.

For his outstanding performances and leadership, Douglas St. Aubyn was made Honorary Life President of the Trinidad Rifle Association in 1960, and he was inducted into the Trinidad and Tobago Sports Hall of Fame in 1985.