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The Newsletter of the Connecticut Travelers

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CELEBRATING OUR 22nd YEAR

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MARCH MADNESS AT ORVIS SANDANONA

By Donna Galotto

What could be more perfect than a bright sunny day in March to visit this premier Sporting Clays course? The weather gods certainly favored us and as usual Peggy and her crew at Orvis Sandanona were ready and willing to do whatever it took to make the day special. For me the icing on the cake was the number of junior shooters in attendance, including Fred and Carol Roeslein's grandson. It is great to have this level of participation by the youngsters and even nicer to see the families of our long time members carry on the tradition.

As usual John Hachmann was on site and ready to get us all sorted out and ready to shoot in a most timely manner. Thanks John & Kristen for making that long trek so early in the a.m. After enjoying a cup of coffee and maybe a doughnut or two 96 guns (seven of whom were juniors) took to the field for this most enjoyable shoot.

The staff at Orvis always goes out of their way to make certain that the presentations are fun and interesting and this event was no exception. Ed Gerard and Andrew Johnson have proved over and over during the last couple of years that they always have something new up their sleeves and manage to keep things interesting even for those who are fortunate enough to visit the club regularly. Thanks guys for a great course.

I had two favorite stations, the Fur & Feather and the old Pick-a-Pair. Fur and Feather had a crossing bird from the left followed by a quick rabbit from the left that ran behind a hay bale and maybe popped out the other side. I loved the bird target but the bunny got me every time! Even so it was a fun presentation. My other favorite was more about the trapper than the targets, although he certainly wasn't kind to his big sister! This station had a low, flat crosser from the right followed by a quartering-out battue from the same side. Both targets were tricky if the wind was pushing in the wrong direction, but again, very hittable and lots of fun.

After a great morning on the course we all headed over to Copperfield's for a delicious luncheon buffet and awards ceremony presented with all the usual pomp and circumstance.

A large part of the fun at a Traveler's shoot is seeing friends old and new. This day brought the "Lone Canadian" Henry Nachaj with a squad down from the great frozen north and after 15 years, the return of former Junior shooter Nick Rotundo and his dad, Tom. Welcome back guys. Hope we see more of you in 2009.

Kudos go out once again to Jim Muller who worked the .410 pump with his usual expertise and ended up at the top of the heap with a 96. Are we really sure this guy even needs a handicap? Nice shooting Jim! I'm not a statistician but a quick glance at the scores show that 2/3 are above 60% and this indicates to me that the course was well balanced and offered ample opportunity for all shooters to score well. Thanks once again to Orvis Sandanona for a great day.

HOA	Muller	Jim	97
Class 1 - Champion	Robare	Doug	91
Class 1 - Runner Up	Blanchette	Martin	91
Class 1 - 3rd Place	Nachaj	Henry	90
Class 2 - Champion	Canale	Mike	87
Class 2 - Runner Up	Anderson	Kurt	84
Class 2 - 3rd Place	Comiotes	Jim	83
Class 3 - Champion	Kirylak	Andrej	85
Class 3 - Runner Up	Hutchinson	Don	83
Class 3 - 3rd Place	Spofford	Bob	79
Class 4 - Champion	Maggiolo	George	75
Class 4 - Runner Up	Roesslein	Carol	67
Class 4 - 3rd Place	LaCavella	Phillip	67
Class 5 - Champion	Perlman	Andrew	67
Class 5 - Runner Up	Wypy	Bob	66
Class 5 - 3rd Place	Walrich	Todd	57
Class 6 - Champion	Mogan	Patrick	34
Class 6 - Runner Up	Anglace	Kim	32
Vet1 - Champion	Galotto	Bruce	89
Vet1 - Runner Up	Leonardi	Ron	88
Vet2 - Champion	Anglace	Al	83
Vet2 - Runner Up	Roesslein	Fred	79
Lady Champion	Canale	Kristin	78
Lady - Runner Up	Moore	Paula	77
Lady - 3rd Place	Gallogy	Fran	73
Lady - 4th Place	Welch	Susan	63
Jr. Champion	Hachmann	Kristen	61
Jr. - Runner Up	Burns	Morgan	42
Jr. - 3rd Place	Kiesling	Stewart	42
Jr. - Honorable Mention	Burns	Aidan	32
Guest Champion	Tober	Ken	83

Bailout Plan

by sportingpoet@yahoo.com

I was browsing the racks at Cabelas one day,
when I spied an old Elsie that had to come my way.

It was old and worn, but still a best pick,
had a dent in its barrel, I knew Mitch could fix.

As my wife rounded the corner, had that look in my eye,
she just turned away, knowing the gun I would buy.

Just a few days later, in a store down the road,
a 20 gauge twin, I couldn't say no.

Already in trouble, the mortgage was late,
when the credit card came, she was a little irate.

Right eyebrow raised, the other in squint,
"What did you buy, is this a misprint?"

"But we need the points, we'll get one percent back",
a pre-emptive strike works best to avoid a shellac.

"I'll sell another one", and she cast a look of doubt,
I've got a Beretta for sale, I need a bailout.

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--- 2009 CTSCA SHOOTING CALENDAR AND OTHER 2009 SHOTS OF INTEREST –

SEE ctsca.org Calendar of Events ---

FOR SALE - CLASSIFIED ADS – WANTED

See listings at ctsca.org.

THE UPCOMING **CTTRAVELERS** MONTHLY SHOOT

“TAX TIME REVOLT”

SUNDAY, APRIL 19, 2009

TEN MILE RIVER PRESERVE

World Class Clays and Food

266 BERKSHIRE ROAD, DOVER PLAINS, NY

DIRECTIONS: ROUTE 84 WEST, EXIT 20/ROUTE 684 NORTH TO THE CT/NY STATE LINES – PICK UP ROUTE 22 NORTH TOWARDS PAWLING. CONTINUE ON ROUTE 22 NORTH TO DOVER PLAINS. JUST PAST TRINITY PAWLING SCHOOL, TURN RIGHT ONTO EAST DUNCAN HILL ROAD. GO .5 MI. TO OLD ROUTE 22. TURN LEFT ONTO OLD ROUTE 22 AND CONTINUE TO THE STEEL BRIDGE. BEAR RIGHT OVER THE BRIDGE AND CONTINUE .4 MI. ON LIMEKILN ROAD TO BERKSHIRE ROAD. TURN RIGHT ON BERKSHIRE ROAD AND CONTINUE .6 MI., BEAR RIGHT AT THE “Y” AND PROCEED TO THE LODGE ON THE RIGHT.

FROM THE NORTH: ROUTE 22 SOUTH TO THE TRAFFIC LIGHT AT DOVER PLAINS CENTER. TURN LEFT ONTO MILL STREET AND CONTINUE TO THE 4-WAY STOP AT LIMEKILN ROAD. RIGHT ONTO LIMEKILN ROAD AND CONTINUE TO BERKSHIRE ROAD ON LEFT. FOLLOW ABOVE TO THE LODGE.

LODGE PHONE: 845 877-3560.

REGISTRATION APPLICATION

**YOUR APPLICATION MUST BE RECEIVED ON OR BEFORE
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 15, 2009**

CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST OPENS AT 8:30 AM – SHOOTING BEGINS AT 9:45 AM.
PARK IN THE LOT NEXT TO THE LODGE. CONVEYANCE WILL BE PROVIDED TO THE
GATHERING AREA AT THE SPORTING CLAYS HUT ON THE HILL.

**ENTRY FEE: \$70.00 MEMBER - \$85.00 GUESTS
(INCLUDES OPEN BAR AT LUNCH)**

MAIL THIS APPLICATION, AND YOUR CHECK, PAYABLE TO “CTSCA” TO:
CTSCA, 16 DAVIS ROAD, SEYMOUR, CT 06483

NOTE: PLEASE DO NOT SEND EXPRESS MAIL SIGNATURE REQUIRED!!!

LIST NAME(S) THAT ARE BEING PAID WITH THE ENCLOSED CHECK **ONLY**.

1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____
4. _____ 5. _____ 6. _____

IF POSSIBLE, PLEASE SQUAD ME WITH:

HANDICAPS: 20 GA. 5 – 28 GA. 10 – 410 BORE 20 – SXS & PUMPS PLUS 5.

CONCURRENT SELECTION, PLEASE CHECK IF QUALIFIED: LADY___, VET 1___,
VET 2___, JUNIOR (17 AND YOUNGER)___

IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE SHOOTER TO RECORD ANY CONCURRENT
PARTICIPATION AND HANDICAP THAT IS EARNED BY GAUGE OR TYPE OF GUN ON THE
INDIVIDUALS SCORE CARD. NO EXCEPTIONS!

NOTE: IF YOU DO NOT PRE-REGISTER BY THE DEADLINE YOU ARE NOT PRIVILEGED TO
DESIGNATE SQUAD PREFERENCE.