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The Newsletter of the Connecticut Travelers

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DECEMBER 2009 NEWSLETTER
CELEBRATING OUR 22nd YEAR

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**The next Monthly shoot is "Dick Losee Memorial Shoot & Christmas Party" on 12/13.
Your 2010 Dues are due 12/31**

SALUTING THE COLORS

Art Tonucci

Most folks awakened on Sunday November 15th to a dreary, rainy overcast day and rolled over in their beds. However, a large group of Connecticut Travelers were well on their way to the Ye Olde Newgate Coon Club for "Salute the Colors" where 70 degree temperatures and sunny skies prevailed.

The table 85 crew arrived at about 9:00 am followed by Travelers Head Honcho Al Anglace and the usual Travelers contingent. It was not long before I was receiving the usual insults from Fred Roeslein and Ed Davies. Words I would have surely missed had I decided to stay in bed. At approximately 10:00 am the squads were set and Joe Gimelli sent us out with required safety and the shoot was on.

As we progressed through the course, it was clear that Joe spent time in setting an array of different and challenging targets showing us almost every presentation in the book. There were some sunlight issues on a couple of the early stations that stayed throughout the shoot, there was no advantage or disadvantage to these relative to your starting station. There were some interesting simos that had a few long faces exiting the station. Al was very quick to point this out (he was shooting well).

After the shooting, we convened to the Coon Club dining room and bar for an outstanding pot roast lunch complete with salad and apple crisp. Al publicly reviewed everyone's performance, doled out the prizes worth thousands (results are posted) and gave a shot here and there in the true spirit of Traveler camaraderie. Al proceeded to draw the lucky scorecards for 12, \$20 gift certificates to Stop and Shop for turkeys.

It was great to welcome another Father/Daughter combination in Chris and Carole Schwarzer. Junior Travelers have another "Top Gun" to watch out for as Carole finished at the top of the heap in the Junior sub-class. Joe Gimelli commented that there take at the bar was down from previous shoots and I reminded him that Capt. Donnie was in Florida for the winter.

Well all I can say is; Great targets, good food, best friends!

Award	Name	Score
HOA	Ron Leonardi	89
CL1 Champ	George Ostrander	76
CL1 RU	Ed Davies	69
CL2 Champ	Jim Comiotes	84
CL2 RU	John Hachmann	83
CL3 Champ	Al Anglace	79
CL3 RU	George Maggiolo	78
CL4 Champ	Jim Henion	70
CL4 RU	George Calcagnini	65
CL5 Champ	Gary Fox	63
CL5 RU	Robert Holtzman	48
CL6 Champ	Gwyn Grant	58
CL6 RU	Les Carter	55
V1 Champ	John Lawlor	78
V1 RU	Charlie Szabo	77
V2 Champ	Fred Roesslein	68
V2 RU	Dave Dunn	65
Lady Champ	Carol Roesslein	58
Lady RU	Olive Lawlor	56
Junior Champ	Carole Schwarzer	42

Traveler Tidbit

The Handicap Scoring System has been updated for modern times. The new sub-gauge handicaps are as follows:

16 Gauge	0
20 Gauge	0
28 Gauge	5
.410 Bore	10
Side x Side	0
Pump Gun	0

WE'LL GET THEM NEXT YEAR

Jeff Hunter

The "Saturday Shootout Series" wrapped up the season on Saturday, November 7th at Suffolk County Trap & Skeet for the Second Annual "Rematch: Islanders vs. Mainlanders". The Mainlanders were confident going into the day as we were returning champions and had a pretty strong squad. After all, we had 21 Mainlanders registered for the event and maybe 6 Islanders.

As we arrived at Suffolk County Trap & Skeet, Islanders Team Co-Captains Ron Leonardi and John Hachmann provided doughnuts and coffee for the weary Mainlanders. John and Kristen Hachmann took charge of organizing the squads as the Islanders started showing up in droves. Apparently the Islanders were taking this a little more seriously than we thought. The squads were dispatched and thirty-nine shooters went to do battle.

There were several interesting presentations over twelve stations. Station one was five true pair of an outgoing quartering bird from right to left and a quartering in bird also right to left. As a true pair it was difficult as the incoming bird disappeared behind some pines if you didn't get it right away. We later shot this station as a report pair and it was much more enjoyable. Station two was a long crossing standard with an on-edge outgoing chandelle as its report. The results were mixed with the crossing bird, but the chandelle gave us the most problems. My squad consisted of some pretty prominent Mainlanders and let's just say it wasn't pretty.

Overall, the course was definitely “Traveler Tough”. The median score was a 62 with some very good shooters participating. The consensus was that stations 1, 2, 11, and 12 were the most difficult.

When the scores were tallied, the Islanders defended their home turf by a score of 6 to 1.5. Had it not been for Dom Russello’s uncontested win in Class 4 and Noelle Feucht’s Ladies Sub-class win, the Mainlanders would have gone home skunked. Hats off to the Islanders; they came to play!

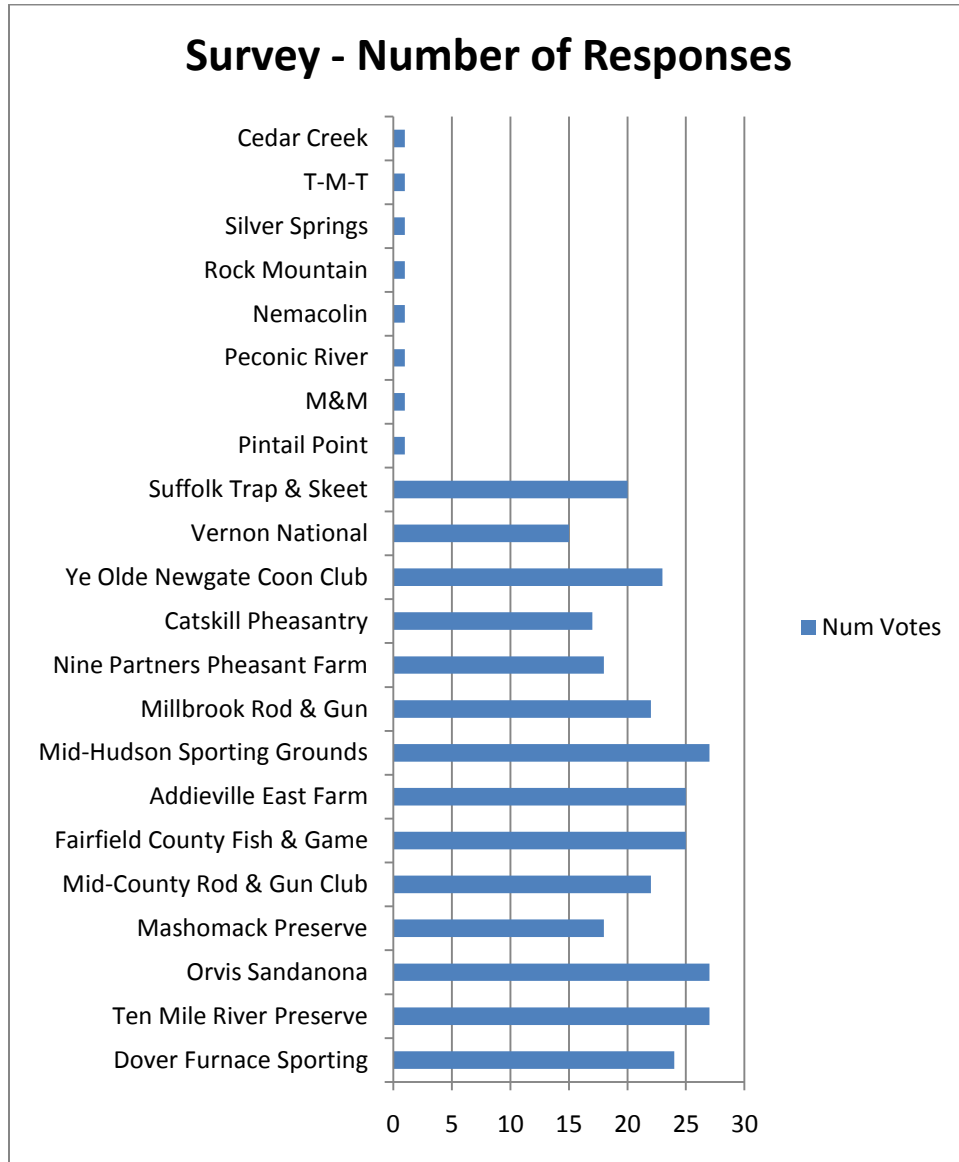
A good time was had by all. I’d like to thank John and Kristen Hachmann for helping getting everybody registered. They truly have the whole process down to a science.

Class/ Sub Class	Islander Shooter	Score	Point	Mainlander Shooter	Score	Point
1	Kevin Goodspeed	84	1	Dean Anglace	77	0
2	Rich Shannon	74	1	George Masek	73	0
3	Howard Berman	76	1	Al Anglace	74	0
4			0	Dom Russello	70	1
5	Todd Walrich	47	1			0
Guest	Gus Georggatos	87	1	Steve Monti	71	0
Jr	Kristen Hachmann	59	.5			0
Vet1	Ron Leonardi	71	.5	Bill Bretschger	68	0
Lady			0	Noelle Feucht	42	.5
Total			6			1.5

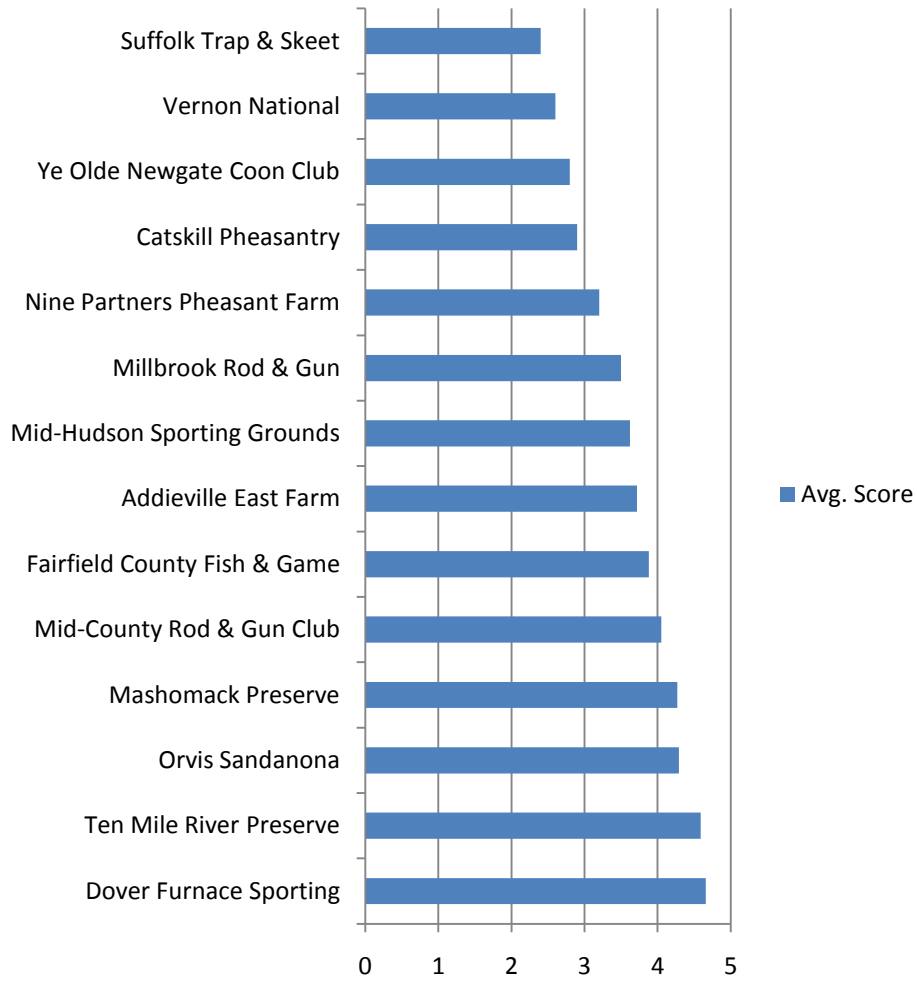
SURVEY RESULTS

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Thank you to all who participated in the 2009 Membership Survey. Based on the results, we may have some surprises for you this year.



Survey - Average Scores



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2009 CTSCA SHOOTING CALENDAR

DECEMBER 13 DICK LOSEE MEMORIAL SHOOT AND CHRISTMAS PARTY (Mid County)

2010 TENTATIVE CTSCA SHOOTING CALENDAR

JANUARY 17 MID-WINTER MARTYDOM (Dover Furnace)
 FEBRUARY 13 SATURDAY SHOOTOUT: ST. VALENTINES DAY MASSACRE (TBD)
 FEBRUARY 21 ANNUAL MEETING & FUN SHOOT (Dover Furnace)
 MARCH 13 SATURDAY SHOOTOUT: SHOOT WITH THE BIG DAWGS (TBD)
 MARCH 21 THE ORIGINAL MARCH MADNESS (Orvis Sandanona)
 APRIL (TBD) TAX TIME REVOLT (TBD)
 APRIL 9-11 SPRING TRIP
 MAY(TBD) MAY MINUET (TBD)
 JUNE 20 CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS (Dover Furnace)
 JULY 10 SATURDAY SHOOTOUT: FIRECRACKER 100 (TBD)
 JULY 18 SUMMERTIME, SUMMERTIME (Orvis Sandanona)
 AUGUST 5-8 GREAT EASTERN LOBSTER CLASSIC (Addieville East Farm)
 AUGUST 21 SATURDAY SHOOTOUT: NUTMEG TUNEUP (TBD)
 SEPTEMBER (TBD) SEPTEMBERSHUTZENFEST
 OCTOBER FALL TRIP
 OCTOBER 17 SMALL GAUGE CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS (FCFGPA)
 NOVEMBER 6 SATURDAY SHOOTOUT: ISLANDERS vs. MAINLANDERS (TBD)
 NOVEMBER (TBD) SALUTE THE COLORS (TBD)
 DECEMBER 4 SATURDAY SHOOTOUT: FROSTBITE (TBD)
 DECEMBER (TBD) DICK LOSEE MEMORIAL SHOOT AND CHRISTMAS PARTY (TBD)

FOR SALE CLASSIFIED ADS WANTED

See listings at ctsca.org

THE UPCOMING *CTTRAVELERS* MONTHLY SHOOT

“DICK LOSEE MEMORIAL CHRISTMAS SHOOT & PARTY”

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2009

MID COUNTY ROD AND GUN CLUB

LAGRANGEVILLE, NEW YORK

**OUR ANNUAL “TOYS FOR TOTS” / “ADOPT A FAMILY”
HOLIDAY CONTRIBUTION**

As in the past years we will again ask our members to bring an unwrapped toy(s) or give a financial donation to support Clarice Murphy’s holiday program sponsored by the Wassaic Fire Department’s Women’s Aux.

“SPORTING SPORTSMAN OF THE YEAR”

Celebrating our 17th Annual Recognition to honor an individual, or club, that has made a significant impact on the Traveler’s and our great sport. The person who best typifies the values and virtues of the Travelers’ Mission statement.

DIRECTIONS: Taconic Parkway North to exit for Route 55 East. Continue on Route 55 to Route 82 North. Follow Route 82 North to County Route 89. Follow County route 89 for approximately 3 miles to the club entrance on right. 845-677-5736.

REGISTRATION APPLICATION

**YOUR APPLICATION MUST BE RECEIVED ON OR BEFORE
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2009.**

Breakfast Buffet opens at 8:30 AM.

\$75.00 entry fee for Members and Guests.

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 NAMES THAT ARE BEING PAID WITH THE ENCLOSED CHECK ONLY:

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

If possible, please squad me with: _____

Your application must be received by the required date for preferred squading.

There is no competition. Scores will be posted in descending order.

HAVE YOU RENEWED YOUR MEMBERSHIP FOR 2010?

**ARE YOU AN NRA MEMBER TO MEET THE MANDATORY REQUIREMENT OF
THE CLUB FOR 2010?**

Coon Club Clays
RT 182 (Colebrook Rd)
Norfolk, CT
Presents 10th Annual
"Christmas at the Coon"

Date: Sunday December 6, 2009 (Rain, Sleet, Snow, or Sun)

Full Buffet Breakfast @ The Clubhouse from 8:00 AM until 9:00 AM

100 Sporting Clay targets presented over 16 stations. "NSCA" shooters can register these targets.
Course opens @ 9:45 AM squadded start.

Limited to the first paid 80 shooters.

Full sit down dinner with Holiday Cheese table back at the Clubhouse for 1:30 PM
Cash Bar Available. ...
Door Prizes will be given away.

Cost is \$ 100.00 per shooter, includes all meals, targets, and Trappers Tip.
Targets Only "No Meals" is \$ 60.00 per shooter.
Dinner Guests "All Meals" is \$ 40.00 per person.

Registration Deadline is December 1, 2009

ATV, UTV, Golf Cart user's can park their vehicles & trailers in the Big Game Lot by Station 8 & 9. First come first served. DO NOT BLOCK ANY ROADWAYS...

For more information contact: Joe Gimelli @ (203) 592-1198 or email: coonclubclays@earthlink.net

RESERVATION FORM

Name: _____

Tel # (____) _____ ----- _____

Email: _____ @ _____

NSCA Shooter # _____ **INCLUDE \$ 3.00 Target Registration Fee**

Make Checks payable to: "Coon Club Clays"

Mail to: Joe Gimelli 34 Mary Dr. New Hartford, CT 06057

Register me for _____ entry @ \$ 100.00 each.

Targets only. _____ Entry @ \$ 60.00 each.

Dinner Guest _____ @ \$ 40.00 each.

Squad Me with: 1 _____ 2 _____ 3 _____ 4 _____ 5 _____

Dinner Selection's: Boneless Chicken _____ Stuffed Shrimp _____ Prime Rib _____

Surf & Turf _____ Stuffed Sole _____



Winter League Sporting Clays

FAIRFIELD COUNTY FISH & GAME, NEWTOWN CT.

2010

Our winter Sporting Clays league will be starting on Sunday December 13th, 2009, and NSCA shooters will be able to register their targets. We offer breakfast and lunch at our state of the art facility. We are able to accommodate 120 shooters, Members and Guests are welcome, so my suggestion to you would be send this registration form in right away, if you or anyone in your family is interested in shooting our Winter League. The league will run for 10 weeks, 60 targets each week and the squads will be the same every week. Targets will change from week to week with a certain degree of difficulty as the league progresses. We will not break for Christmas or New Years this year, we will, weather permitting be doing 10 straight weeks with the banquet tentative for March 7th, 2010. Above dates are subject to change to accommodate any inclement weather dates that the league would be cancelled. **Guests may be signed up after Nov. 1st, 2009**

League Fees: Sign Up- Members and Guests \$20.00
Weekly Fees: Committee - \$10.00 Members - \$15.00 Guests - \$25.00
NSCA Target Fees: \$ 2.00 ea. week

Name: _____ **Mem.#** _____ **Guest** _____

Address: _____

City: _____ **ST:** _____ **Phone:** _____/_____/_____

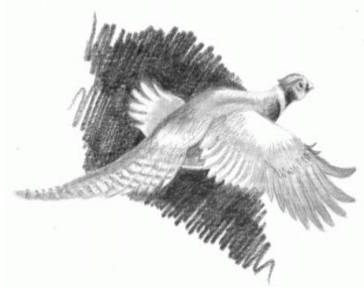
EMAIL: _____

Please include sign up fee with registration. Make checks payable to: **FCF&GPA**
Mail To: **Dominic Uliano**
34 Swamp Rd
Newtown CT. 06470

Squadding preference; 1. yourself 2. _____ 3. _____

4. _____ 5. _____ 6. _____

Please use this same form for Guests and please send it in ,ASAP



***CHRISTMAS SHOOT
 GAME DINNER
 FAIRFIELD COUNTY FISH & GAME
 NEWTOWN CT.***

SUNDAY DEC. 6TH STARTING @ 10:00AM

Registration opens at 8:30am; this will be a Squaddered shotgun start

\$65.00 for 100 targets & lunch

This shoot will be Limited to 125 shooters

*This year we are adding something a little different and are going to Welcome
 Dinner Only Guests ***** Cost \$20*

Please separate and send in the bottom

Pre -Registration is Recommended
REGISTRATION APPLICATION

NAME(S) – BEING PAID BY THE ENCLOSED CHECK ONLY:

- 1. _____ SHOOT FEE _____ DINNER ONLY _____
- 2. _____ SHOOT FEE _____ DINNER ONLY _____
- 3. _____ SHOOT FEE _____ DINNER ONLY _____
- 4. _____ SHOOT FEE _____ DINNER ONLY _____
- 5. _____ SHOOT FEE _____ DINNER ONLY _____
- 6. _____ SHOOT FEE _____ DINNER ONLY _____

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO; FCF & GPA

SEND PAYMENT TO:

DOMINIC ULIANO
 34 SWAMP RD.
 NEWTOWN CT. 06470

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ _____