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Celebrating Our 25th Year



February 2012

ROWING IN ROUGH WATER

Jeff Hunter

More than a few years ago, I was part of a fairly successful rowing program at Marist College in Poughkeepsie. The Hudson River was notorious for turning pretty nasty in a matter of minutes if you mis-timed the change of tides. The crew was on the water at 6AM every morning regardless of the weather. Inevitably we would have our worst practice on those near white-cap days and came off the water with our knuckles looking like they just came out of a hamburger grinder. Coach Larry Davis told us "Nobody else rows in this kind of weather, it will be your advantage in the spring." What other crews considered rough weather, we laughed at. Rough weather was part of our success.

Flash forward to January 15th for "Mid-Winter Martyrdom" at Dover Furnace Shooting Grounds. The temperature was projected to be nine degrees (Fahrenheit for those north of the border) at the kick off. Everybody loaded up on coffee at the continental breakfast and the mood could be summarized by Charlie Szabo who said "We are not smart". Fifty-two shooters dispatched from the warmth of the lodge and headed out to our stations to have some fun!

About four stations in, we knew the cold was going to be a problem. The semi-autos in our group started cycling noticeably slower and progressed to periodic jamming. A couple stations later, a machine broke down due to the cold and Jeanne dispatched a crew to come fix it. The machine was fixed quickly, but by that time the cold was getting through the layers of clothing and started to affect people. Everybody did the best they could considering the circumstances.

The course at Dover Furnace continues to expand. The last two stations on the course



were new to me and both very interesting targets. The first station was a pair of left to right crossers. The first bird was a standard with a slight curl away from the shooter and it's report was almost a true left to right crosser that was near the ground. The traps were positioned on either side of the creek which made for a very picturesque setting.

The last station on the course was a true pair of left to right targets. The first target started from the shooters left and kind of blooped down into a valley below your feet. The second target was also from the left, but was thrown under power towards the shooter and down into the valley below your feet. The early shooters in our squad saw the little blooper first and shot at it while running out of time on the target thrown at the shooter. Always different, Andrew Perlman decided to take the incoming target early and then the little blooper from the left. This strategy proved very successful for him and the rest of us emulated it.

When the "Great Eastern Lobster Classic" rolls around in August, will we be complaining about the rain or will we excel?

Chef Jeff welcomed us back to the lodge with five gallons of coffee and a roaring fire. As the martyrs rolled in, they took turns in front of the fireplace thawing their extremities. President Al Anglace joined us for lunch which was a nice pheasant and ziti pasta, stuffed chicken, salad, and rolls. The hot apple brown betty dessert went very quickly!

In the end, the tie-breaker stations determined the winner. Both Jimmy Muller and Mark Schreyer carded an 86. Mark did better on the tie-breakers and came away with the HOA leaving Jimmy the consolation prize of Class 1 Champion. There were only two other people in the 80's with John Lawlor as Class 2 Champion (84) and Dean Anglace as Class 1 Runner Up (81). We had a very special guest in long-time Traveler Zaid Siddig who pulled off a marvelous 72 to take the Class 4 Crown.

The next Travelers shoot will be the "25th Annual Meeting & Fun Shoot" on February 19th at Dover Furnace. This shoot format is a little

Name	Award	Score
Schreyer, Mark	HOA	86
Muller, Jim	CL1 CH	86
Anglace, Dean	CL1 RU	81
Lawlor, John	CL2 CH	84
Hachmann, John	CL2 RU	76
Mohler, John	CL3 CH	78
Hunter, Jeff	CL3 RU	77
Siddig, Zaid	CL4 CH	72
Schrager, Bob	CL4 RU	72
Presto, Jimmy	CL5 CH	66
Perlman, Andrew	CL5 RU	61
Holtzman, Mark	CL6 CH	49
Onuma, Chester	CL6 RU	43
Shannon, Richie	VET1 CH	73
Szabo, Charlie	VET1 RU	73
Holtzman, Robert	VET2 CH	42
Lawlor, Olive	LADY CH	48
Burke, Ellen	LADY RU	28
Kutschera, Matt	JR CH	42
Kutschera, Chris	JR RU	39
Anglace, Alex	JR 3RD	24
Anglace, Andrew	JR 4TH	22

different in that we eat and meet first; then head out to shoot around noon as the day warms up.

TAX TIME GETAWAY

Bob Schrager

The Connecticut Travelers travel to Maryland on April 13-15, 2012 for all the clays you can shoot and great shore food.

Friday afternoon we start the weekend at Pintail Point, Queenstown, Maryland. www.theriverplantation.com Twenty stations, a five stand “farm” and a wobble trap will provide us with plenty of entertainment and challenges. I hear the course is now all automatic. We know it well, and love it. The fun starts at 12:30 (some of us will be there Friday morning as well).

Saturday, we spend the day at Owens Station. Greenwood, DE. www.owensstation.com Sixty-six shooting stations over five separate courses plus a computerized 5-stand overlooking the water with upland targets that will sharpen your skills. Lunch will be available in the clubhouse.

Sunday morning the drive home brings us to Schrader’s Bridgetown Manor, Henderson, MD. <http://www.schradershunting.com/aboutus.aspx> The venue boasts twenty-four sporting clays stations, three five-stand presentations and a wobble trap. We’ve always had a great time there.

Dinner on Friday will be at Harris’ Crab House, Kent Narrows, MD, a Dinner Buffet including Crab Imperial, Steamed Shrimp, Broiled Rockfish, Top Round of Beef, Chicken Breast with cornbread stuffing. Saturday, we walk across the street to the Fisherman’s Inn where you’ll enjoy your choice of Premium Lump Crab Cakes, Prime Rib of Beef or Chicken Breast stuffed with ham and Swiss cheese. Cocktails and appetizers start each night at 7:00.

The reservation form is attached. It must be returned to Bob Schrager by April 2, 2012. Be sure to mark your choice for Saturday dinner.

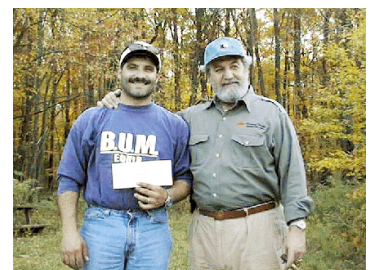
We have a block of rooms reserved at the Best Western Kent Narrows Inn, 3101 Main Street, Grasonville, MD 21638 (410.827.6767) at a special Connecticut Travelers rate of \$79.00 per night. First come, first serve. Grab a room before they are all gone.

If you have any questions, contact Bob Schrager, robert@schrager.org or (if you must) 203.531.6930.



MYSTERY TRAVELER

Anybody recognize this rootin-tootin cowboy?



Last Month’s Mystery Travelers were Gabe D’Arco and Al Anglace.

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2012 Tentative CTSCA Shooting Calendar

February 19	Annual Meeting & Fun Shoot (Dover Furnace)
March 18	The Original March Madness (Orvis Sandanona)
April 15-17	Spring Trip to Maryland
April	Tax Time Revolt (Ten Mile River Preserve)
May	May Minuet (Mashomack)
June	Rudy Passero Memorial Club Championships
July	Summertime, Summertime (Orvis Sandanona)
August	Great Eastern Lobster Classic (Addieville East Farm)
September	Septembershutzenfest (Ten Mile River Preserve)
September	Fall Trip
October	Small Gauge Championships (FCFGPA)
November	Islanders vs. Mainlanders (Peconic River)
December	Dick Losee Memorial Shoot & Christmas Party (Mid County)

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The upcoming CTTRAVELERS Monthly Shoot

25th ANNUAL MEETING

Sunday, February 19, 2012

DOVER FURNACE SPORTING GROUNDS

Dover, New York

The Agenda will include many possible revisions to our usual shoot profile. Economic concerns may bring about membership consideration to alter our present guest policy. This is a closed meeting. New members joining that day are welcome.

DIRECTIONS: From routes 184 (CT.) and 684 (NY), take Route 22 North at Brewster, NY, for approximately 21 miles to Dover Furnace Road. Turn left onto Dover Furnace Road and proceed approximately one mile to club entrance on left at the stone pillars.

From the North: take Route 22 South to Dover Furnace Road on right. Turn right onto Dover Furnace Road and proceed approximately one mile to club entrance on right at the stone pillars. Phone: 845 832- 6594

REGISTRATION APPLICATION

Your application must be received on or before Wednesday, February 15, 2012. Continental Breakfast opens at 8:30 AM. Meeting begins promptly at 9:00 AM. A Luncheon will follow at the Dover Furnace Restaurant immediately following the meeting. Shooting will commence at 12:15 with a squaddled start.

Members fee: \$65.00

Mail this application, and your check, payable to CTSCA to the **NEW** address below:

CTSCA, c/o John Hachmann, 35 Columbine Lane, Kings Park, NY 11754.

List your name and those that are being paid with the enclosed check only!

You _____

If possible, please squad with: _____

There is no Travelers Competition at this shoot. Your application must be received by the required date for preferred squadding.

HAVE YOU RENEWED YOUR 2012 MEMBERSHIP YET?



The CT Travelers S.C.A. yearbook committee is collecting advertisements for our 2012 book.

A full page advertisement in the Membership Directory is only \$100.00

The 2012 CTSCA membership directory will be printed and distributed in March / April 2012.

Without the support of our members & advertisers, printing of this book will not be possible! Please support your club with an ad.

Please e-mail your advertisement in .PDF format to: johnhachmann@yahoo.com

Checks can be snail-mailed to:

CTSCA

c/o John Hachmann

35 Columbine Lane, Kings Park, NY 11754

Please include a printed copy of your advertisement with your check. Make all checks payable to... CTSCA

(Your pre-designed ad will be printed in "Black & White" and should measure approximately 3" in width x 5" in height).

Don't be bashful, ask your employer to purchase an ad also.



CTSCA Spring Trip 2012 Tax Time Getaway



You can participate in any or every part of the weekend. Designate your activities below.
All Shooting costs and cart rental charges will be paid by you
directly to the range on the day of the shoot.

Friday, April 13 12.30 pm
Pintail Point, 511 Pintail Point Lane, Queenstown, Maryland 21658 (410.827.7029)
100 Sporting Clays

Saturday, April 14 9.30 am
Owens Station, 12613 Hunters Cove Road, Greenwood, DE 19950
100 Sporting Clays
Lunch Break
100 Sporting Clays

Sunday, April 15 10.00 am
Schrader's Bridgetown Manor, 16090 Oakland Rd, Henderson, MD 21640 (410.758.1824)
100 Sporting Clays

YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR YOUR OWN CART RESERVATIONS

Questions: Bob Schrager, Robert@Schrager.org or (if you must) 203.531.6930

Please complete reservation below and mail to be received by April 2, 2012 to
Robert Schrager, 1540 Broadway, 24th FL, New York, NY 10036

Spring 2012 Shooting Reservations

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Number _____

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Number _____

100 Sporting Clays PM

Number _____

Sunday, April 15 10:00 am
Schrader's Bridgetown Manor 100 Sporting Clays

Number _____



CTSCA Spring Trip 2012 Tax Time Getaway



Friday, April 13, Saturday April 14 and Sunday April 15, 2012

Friday, April 13—

12.30 PM: **Pintail Point**, 511 Pintail Point Lane, Queenstown, Maryland

7:00PM: Dinner: **Harris Crab House**, Grasonville, MD

Saturday, April 14—

9:30 AM: **Owens Station**, 12613 Hunters Cove Road, Greenwood, DE
Lunch at **Owens Station** (optional)

7.00 PM: Dinner: **Fisherman's Inn**

Sunday, April 15—

10:00 AM: **Schrader's Bridgetown Manor**
16090 Oakland Road, Henderson, MD

Accommodations: Best Western Kent Narrows Inn, 3101 Main Street, Grasonville MD 21638 (410.827.6767). Rooms reserved in the name of Ct. Travelers at a reduced rate of \$79.00 per night. Available (by calling direct) on a first come, first served basis. Rooms will be held until March 12, 2010.

Mail to Robert Schrager, 1540 Broadway, 24th FL, New York, NY 10036
—Your Reservations must be received by April 2, 2012—



Meal Reservation Form			
Restaurant Reservations MUST be Pre-Paid with this Form			
MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO CTSCA			
Name: _____		Name _____	
Email _____			
Friday Eve: Harris Crab House – \$47.00 per person Dinner Buffet	X _____	=	\$ _____
Saturday Lunch: Owens Station – \$17.00 per person	X _____	=	\$ _____
Saturday Eve: Fisherman's Inn – \$54.00 per person	X _____	=	\$ _____
<i>Select from the following:</i>			
_____ Crab Cakes	_____ Prime Rib	_____ Chicken Cordon Bleu	
			Total due with Reservation: \$ _____