

RELOAD!

Celebrating Our 25th Year



January 2012

DICK LOSEE MEMORIAL SHOOT AND CHRISTMAS PARTY

Jeff Hunter

The “Dick Losee Memorial Shoot and Christmas Party” is usually the one shoot that has the potential to bring the worst Mother Nature has to offer. Over the years we’ve had bitter cold, snow, ice, ice & snow, and of course freezing rain. In the year that we have had relatively perfect weather for every Travelers shoot, it was perfectly fitting that December 18th was a clear but chilly day.

One Hundred and two guns showed up to shoot the tricky course at Mid-County Rod & Gun Club. The catering crew at Mid-County put together a breakfast that everyone enjoyed. A few late registrations put the starting time a couple minutes late, but we were off our stations and shooting at 10:00.

Bill Donaldson outdid himself again! Several very tricky stations confused and confounded most of us. Station 20 was the easiest looking but turned up the lowest scores of the day. The report pair of left to right rising crossers were similar but different enough that some of us carded our lowest station score of the day.

When the shooting was over, everybody returned back to the clubhouse for some hot soup and shrimp cocktail. During the appetizers, we presented Clarice Murphy of the Dutchess County Toys for Tots campaign with a ton of toys. You Travelers outdid yourselves again! Five bicycles, a whole pickup truck full of toys, and a three foot gingerbread house!

The gingerbread house was brought by Amber and Andrej Kirylak from the Rockland Bakery to be auctioned off to the highest bidder and raise money for Dutchess County Toys for Tots. The fierce bidding war finally ended up with a consortium of Jim Presto and Carl LaCavalla topped all bidders and raised \$500 for the kids. Ever the benefactors, Carl and Jim offered the gingerbread house to be auctioned off again. This time Angelina Muller came out as the highest bidder and took the confectionary treat back to Muller Chokes headquarters.

The much anticipated Annual Sporting Sportsman of the Year award presentation followed a luscious prime rib dinner and the usual Travelers club notes. The Sporting Sportsman of the Year Committee honored club President Al Anglace with this years award. Several heart-felt speeches by previous Sporting Sportsmen honored the man that started it all.

The festivities were wrapped up with our annual door prize giveaway. Thanks to the generous support of our local merchants including Joe Cimino at North Atlantic Sportsman and Jim Muller at Muller Chokes, we drew prizes for almost everybody in attendance.

SPORTING SPORTSMAN OF THE YEAR

Sporting Sportsman Committee

Your Sporting Sportsman of the Year was chosen by a selection committee this year. The group was lead by John Hachmann and included Steve Monti, Donna Galotto, and Jeff Hunter.

The Sporting Sportsman of the Year is an award that recognizes an individual or club that has made a significant impact on the Travelers and our great sport. The Sporting Sportsman is the person who best exemplifies the values and virtues of the Travelers mission statement. In the past we have recognized the following individuals for their contributions to the sport and the Travelers:

1994 Ken Gagnon
1995 Dick Losee
1996 Geoff Gaebe
1997 Jack Robertson
1998 Neil Chadwick
1999 Richie Frisella
2000 Bruce Buck
2001 John Lawlor
2002 Cyndi Dalena
2003 Bob Busha
2004 Bill Donaldson & Peter Wright
2005 Fairfield County Fish & Game
2006 Donna Galotto
2007 Don Brenton
2008 Charlie Conger
2009 John Hachmann
2010 Jeff Hunter

For the last several years, this person has been nominated every year only to have another chosen as the Sporting Sportsman of the year. In fact, I understand they have been nominated over a dozen times!

Our sporting sportsman has been a community leader and a major influence on the Connecticut Travelers as well as the sport of sporting clays. Hundreds of young people are shooting today because they got a chance to shoot with the Travelers. These young people grow up to be



successful in part due to their involvement with the Travelers. Without his vision the Connecticut Travelers would be just another shooting club. His accomplishments include:

- President of Seymour Fish & Game
- Chairman of the Seymour Board of Education
- Boy Scout Shooting Instructor
- Organizer of NSSF Program "The Art of Skeet Shooting" which introduced dozens of people to the shooting sports.
- Five time recipient of Outdoor Life's Sporting Clays All American
- VP and founder of Sporting Clays of America
- 1998 Clay Pigeon Sportsman of the Year
- Founder and President of Riverside Rod & Gun Club

Most importantly, Joyce calls him Honey and Kim, Dean, and Keith call him Dad. Ladies and Gentleman, your long overdue Sporting Sportsman for 2011 is Al Anglace.

MYSTERY TRAVELER OF THE MONTH

See if you can recognize either of these fellows from October of 1998.



Last Month's
Mystery Traveler
was Ed Davies
circa 1957, give
or take.

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2012 Tentative CTSCA Shooting Calendar

January 15	Mid-Winter Martyrdom (Dover Furnace)
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)
Septober	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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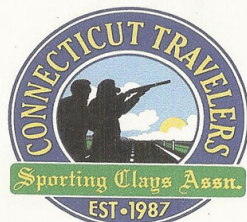
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The upcoming **CTTRAVELERS** Monthly Shoot
"MID WINTER MARTYDOM"

Sunday, January 15, 2012

Dover Furnace Sporting Grounds

30 ORE BED ROAD, DOVER, NEW YORK 12522

DIRECTIONS: At the intersection of routes I 84 (CT) / 684 (NY), New York at State lines take Route 22 North approximately 21 miles to Dover Furnace Road on left. Go left onto Dover Furnace Road and proceed approximately 1 mile to club entrance on left, at the stone pillars. Phone: 845 832-6594.

REGISTRATION APPLICATION

YOUR APPLICATION MUST BE RECEIVED ON OR BEFORE
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 11, 2012.

Registration and Continental Breakfast opens at 8:30AM. Shooting begins at 9:45 AM.

\$65.00 CTSCA MEMBERS entry fee -
\$80.00 Guest entry fee.
100 TARGETS - AWARDS -

Lunch will be served immediately following the shoot at the Dover Furnace Dining Room.

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 THOSE NAMES THAT ARE BEING PAID WITH THE ENCLOSED CHECK ONLY. IF YOU ARE NOT PAYING FOR A PERSON LIST HIM AS A PERSON THAT YOU WANT TO BE SQUADED WITHIN THAT AREA BELOW.

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

List shooters that you would like to be squaded with
here: _____

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

Concurrent selection: please check if qualified:

Lady ____, Vet. 1 (55-69) ____, Vet. 2 (70 and older) ____, Junior (17 and younger) ____.

Handicaps: 28 gauge +5. 410 bore +15.

You are responsible for noting any concurrent or handicap on your score card.

CARTS MAY BE AVAILABLE ON A FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED BASIS.

**YOU MUST BE AN NRA MEMBER TO MEET THE MANDATORY REQUIREMENT OF
CTSCA MEMBERSHIP FOR 2012!
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.

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Checks can be snail-mailed to:
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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.