# RELOAD!





### MAY MINUET Derek Moore

When I first heard that the May Travelers shoot was on Mother's Day I was surprised and even called to see if the date was right. Mother's Day is traditionally a family day and I did not think it would be well attended. I asked my wife if she would mind if I shot it and she was OK with her it as long as I was back to go out to dinner, which I booked immediately for 6pm. Dean told me the week before only 20 shooters were registered but....SURPRISE!! Fifty-Six Travelers and guests received a kitchen pass for Mother's Day to shoot at the Mashomack Preserve in Pine Plains.

Mashomack always puts on a good shoot with good targets and Sunday was no exception. Although it rained heavily on the way up to the shoot, by 9am the rain stopped and the sun peeked in. What a great terrain they have for sporting clays, a little of everything; some flat areas, hills with deep valleys, lots of trees to hide traps, and very easy to walk.

"Travelers Tough" comes to mind and with a high score of 80 you know there were some testy targets. I have to say that I did not feel they were impossible or not easy to see, but they were the sort of targets that took one here and two there if you were not paying attention. With ten stations of six targets and five stations of eight targets, target setter Tyler Olay left you no room for error on the six target stations. At least one of the two targets was easily killed and the other was "testy" or technical.

Station 1 was made a little harder because of the wet grass. First target at right quartering to left back and dropping under the gun if you did not take it early. The rabbit took off with speed from the trap at right but the wet grass slowed it quickly but subtly taking a few targets away as we merrily shot in front.

Station 2 had a screaming teal from the left going up and away occasionally attacked by the wind with a long looper 45 yards out



on report. That was the only stand with two tough targets.

There were a great variety of targets throughout the 15 station course that were truly gratifying. At all times after a harder stand, something to lull your smile back on the next stand. One stand had a teal going away over the trees but when the wind blew it rose in the blink of an eye 10 feet with wild acceleration.

I had thought the high score would come in about 86 but it was Mike Primavera with an 80 who took HOA. It is duly noted however there was only one score lower than 40 so it was enjoyable for most shooters.

The next shoot is at Mid-Hudson Sporting Clays on Sunday, June 19th.

Derek Moore is on the NSCA Advisory Council and is a staff writer for ClayshootingUSA. I would like to thank Derek for helping us out this month with coverage of May Minuet. —Ed.

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The sun struggled to dissolve the morning fog as we gathered at the beautiful St. Hubert's for a day of sporting clays and camaraderie and to raise money for cancer research.

Kathy and Alan Guarino and their staff made us feel at home. By the time the fifty-one shooters and a few groupies moved out to the course, the sun was in full bloom and a beautiful morning presented itself. Tom Fuimarello's targets were challenging but fair and all had a great time.

At the conclusion of the shoot, we met for a lovely barbecue lunch at which time awards and prizes we distributed.

Thanks to all our sponsors including; CTSCA, Ten Mile River Preserve, St. Hubert's Sporting Clays, Orvis Sandanona, Mid-Hudson Sporting Clays, Ted Fedun, Jasen Jasensky and Ron and Rene Zavada.

A special thank you to Ed Davies, Dean and Danielle Anglace, and my daughter Anna for the original idea. Thanks also to all who came out to support our event. We look forward to seeing more of you join us next year. As a result of all this support we had a very successful fundraiser and raised over \$3500 for the fight against cancer.

#### JUNE SHOOT LOGISTICS

Dean Anglace

I've been getting a lot of flack lately, mainly from Jeff Hunter, that we should have another 2x100 target event. What a better time then at the club championships! We are running two events on Sunday, June 19th at Mid-Hudson. Both events will be a European Start and you can shoot either

Name	Award	Score
Primavera, Mike	НОА	80
Steinkraus, Phil	CL1 CH	79
Ranieri, Carl	CL1 RU	76
Jones, Steve	CL2 CH	72
Harding, Bill	CL2 RU	67
Christensen, Lans	CL3 CH	75
Costarelli, Santo	CL3 RU	65
Hoecker, Robbie	CL4 CH	71
Hoecker, Brad	CL4 RU	61
Doolittle, Bob	CL5 CH	54
McNamara, Cynthia	CL5 RU	50
Fischetti, Lauren	LADY CH	60
Anderson, Kurt	VET1 CH	70
Moritt, Ed	VET2 CH	63
Brown, Luke	JR CH	49

event or both. The "prelim" will be one set of targets on each station and the "main event" will be a totally different set of targets on the same stations. You can start anytime after 9:30 and you must be on the course by 2:30. Lunch is served 11:30AM until 1:00PM. Awards are sponsored by North Atlantic Sportsman and will be mailed.

#### **CHECKING YOUR EYES**

Dean Anglace

Earlier this month I set an appointment with Dr. Rich Colo from Suffield Eye Care. Dr. Colo came highly recommended by almost everyone I spoke with. I needed to address some eye issues that had developed slowly over the past year or so.

Even though my prescription hadn't changed much since my mid-thirties ability to track targets through the tree had diminished. My eyes had a hard time tracking targets from shadows to light or from the trees to the blue sky. I thought these types of targets were negatively affecting my scores. I had to face the reality that I no longer had the eyes of my youth.

I met with Dr. Colo at his office in Suffield, CT and had a  $2 \frac{1}{2}$  hour eye exam specifically geared to shooters. The exam was definitely the most thorough eye exams I've ever had.

One of Dr. Colo's many attributes is that he is a fellow shooter and understands what you need in a Rx and how that Rx affects your shooting style. Dr Colo's uncanny ability to point out your trouble birds because of your prescription was a real "eye opener" to say the least.

I am thoroughly satisfied with my new glasses and being able to really see the birds again. If you are considering new glasses or its time for a check up please consider Dr. Rich Colo at Suffield Eye Care. (860-668-0266)

#### THE PENNSYLVANIA BLAST

Bob Schrager

I know Fall is a way off, but October in the Poconos is prime leaf peeping season and hotels fill up fast. It's not too early to make hotel reservations. Our Fall trip, "The Pennsylvania Blast," is now planned. The Connecticut Travelers travel to Pennsylvania for Columbus Day Weekend, October 7, 8 & 9, 2016 for orange and green clays flying among the red, orange and green foliage. After all, we like things Traveler Tough. So mark your calendars.

This should be plenty of notice and no excuses about "other plans" will be accepted. Meal reservation forms will be sent out later.

Friday afternoon we visit an old friend, Rock Mountain Sporting Clays. <a href="http://rockmountainclays.com">http://rockmountainclays.com</a>. Many of us have been there before and know that the Rock is a shotgunner's paradise. The presentations shift through woods, over fields, from towers and cliff, and down the valley. It is considered to be one of the premier courses on the East Coast.

Saturday we spend the day with Bill Appel at his facility, Thunder Ridge Sporting Clays, <a href="https://www.thunderridgesporting.com">www.thunderridgesporting.com</a>. It provides a fully automated 16 field, 48 shooting position course. Thunder Ridge is a beautiful course located near Pennsylvania's Grand Canyon. The vistas overlooking the entire valley as you go around the course during the Fall are second to none.

For those not shooting, the nearby town of Wellsboro with its gas lights and antique shops and the Leonard Harrison State Park are good places to spend the day.

On the way home, Sunday morning we stop off at Whitetail Preserve.

www.whitetailpreserve.com. We shot there a few years ago and found it to be well worth a return visit. In addition to trap and skeet there is a 19 station sporting clays course set up by the internationally known course designer, Michael Davey. It was challenging and yet fun; plenty of targets for everyone.



Based upon early promises to attend, it looks like we again will have a fine turnout. Home for the weekend will be the Best Western Grand Victorian Inn, 255 Spring Street, Sayre, Pennsylvania, 18840-1909. (570-888-7711). We've stayed there in the past and they always take good care of us. We have a block of rooms reserved under the CT Traveler name at a special rate. Information on the hotel and our room block is on the attached card. First come, first serve. Note that if you are looking for additional entertainment, both shooters and non-shooters can lose their money at the Tioga Downs Casino which is close-by to the hotel.

If you have any questions, contact me, robert@schrager.org or (if you must) (203-531-6930).

#### TENTATIVE CTSCA SHOOT CALENDAR

<u>Date</u>	<u>Shoot</u>	<u>Facility</u>			
19 JUN	Al Anglace Memorial Club Champ*	Mid-Hudson			
10 JUL	Traveler's FITASCtic*	Mid-Hudson			
17 JUL	Ron Leonardi Memorial Simo Sunday*	Orvis Sandanona			
14 AUG	Summertime, Summertime	Lehigh Valley Sporting Clays			
18 SEP	Septembershutzenfest*	Peacedale			
7-9 OCT	Fall Trip	Rock Mtn, Thunder Ridge, Whitetail Preserve			
16 OCT	Orange, Orange, Orange*	Fairfield County Fish & Game			
20 NOV	Small Gauge Championships	Mid-Hudson			
11 DEC	Christmas Shoot*	Fairfield County Fish & Game			
*NSCA Registered					

#### The upcoming CTTRAVELERS Monthly Shoot

### Albert Anglace Memorial Club Championships

Sunday, June 19th, 2016

Mid-Hudson Sporting Grounds 411 North Ohioville Road, New Paltz, NY

**DIRECTIONS**: NYS Thruway to Exit 18. Continue to end of exit to Route 299. Turn Right onto Route 299 and go about 1/4 mile to traffic light (stay in left lane). Turn left on North Ohioville Road. Go 2.7 miles to the club on the left.

#### REGISTRATION APPLICATION

Your application must be received on or before **Wednesday**, **June 15**, **2016**. Continental Breakfast opens at 8:30AM at the Clubhouse.

Two separate events; prelim and main event. First shooters out at 9:30 in a European start. All shooters must be on the coarse by 2:30. Shoot one, shoot both, your choice!

Lunch 11:30-1:00.

Awards are sponsored by North Atlantic Sportsman and will be mailed to all winners.

CTSCA Members: First Shoot - **\$85**; Second Shoot - **\$65**. Guests: First Shoot - **\$100**; Second Shoot **\$65** 

Mail this application and your check payable to CTSCA to:

CTSCA, c/o Dean Anglace, 355 Housatonic Trail, Southbury, CT 06488

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#### SUNDAY JULY 24TH, 2016

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\$75 FOR 100 TARGETS & CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST LIGHT LUNCH WILL BE INCLUDED

REGISTRATION WILL OPEN AT 8:30 am; THIS WILL BE A SQUADDED START PLEASE COME AND ENJOY THE FUN.

#### 6 SHOOTERS PER SQUAD

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LEWIS	\$10			registration for each shooter on the squad.	
TOTAL					

Make all checks payable to "FCF & GPA"

Send to: Dominic Uliano

34 Swamp Road, Newtown, CT 06470

## Grand Victorian Inn

255 Spring Street, Sayre PA Route 17, Exit 61 570-888-7711



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