

# Connecticut Trap Association Meeting Minutes June 23, 2019

Meeting called to order at 11: am

**Roll Call:**

President Giaquinto

Vice President Lupo

Secretary Kula

Treasurer Farber

Club	Delegates	
Andover	Darryl Larson	Peter Kasacek
Bristol	Ron Kulmann	Tim Nicoletti
Fairfield	Joe Cimino	Alex Shook
Hamden	Dave Strollo	Steve Coppola
Hartford	Malcolm Ross	Joe Wheeler
Pahquioque	Rich DeSerio	Chris Marvin
Wolcott	Jim Docherty	Bill Morton
At Large	Noelle Feucht	John Russo Jr.
ATA	Rich Latouf	
ATA Alternate	Cheryll Pittera	
Committee	Bob Hruskocy	

\* Not present

**Treasurer's Report:**

- "we are solvent".
- Last year we had 7 shoots prior to the state shoot and 461 shooters.
- This year we had 8 shoots prior to the state shoot, with 449 shooters in the first 7 shoots. Poor weather earlier this season may have contributed to the 12 shooter deficit this year compared to last.
- Treasurer Farber deferred a question from floor regarding how much money we have in the treasury until after the meeting, as there were non-CTA members within the area of the meeting.
  - Treasurer Farber asked that anyone with specific questions regarding CTA finances see him after the meeting as well

**Reading of the Minutes:**

Delegate Russo made a motion to waive the reading of the minutes. The motion was seconded by Delegate Feucht and the motion was passed.

## **Report of Officers:**

### **Vice President:**

Vice President Lupo:

- Thanks to Hartford Gun Club and their employees for their preparations, the use of their facility and their support during the shoot.

### **Secretary:**

- Secretary Kula had nothing to report.

### **ATA Delegate:**

- ATA Delegate Latouf – nothing to report

**Correspondence:** The CTA received a letter from Andover announcing the resignation of Ralph Fish, and introducing his replacement, Peter Kasacek.

**New Business:** No new business was raised from delegates or members.

**Old Business:** No old business was brought up for discussion.

## **Elections of ATA Delegates and Delegates at Large:**

### **ATA delegate and alternate:**

Incumbent Rich Latouf indicated that he would not be running for re-election as ATA Delegate.

Members nominated and voted by show of hands for incumbent Alternate Delegate Cheryll Pittera as the new ATA Delegate and the secretary cast one vote for Cheryll for ATA Delegate.

Cheryll accepted the ATA Delegate position, and thanked Rich LaTouf for his years of service to the CTA and ATA.

Delegates nominated Joe Wheeler for the Alternate ATA Delegate position.

Members voted by show of hands for Joe as the new Alternate ATA Delegate, and the secretary cast one vote for Joe's election.

Congratulations to Cheryll and Joe!

### **Delegates at Large**

Incumbents John Russo and Noelle Feucht were nominated and re-elected by show of hands. The secretary cast one vote for each of the Delegates at Large.

Congratulations to John and Noelle on their re-election.

## **President's Remarks:**

President Giaquinto thanked the Hartford Gun Club and corporate sponsors, particularly NSSF; Alex Shook for his help with the NSSF; Joe Cimino for his time and effort in handling of the trophy package for the shoot; and Fran McDonald for her managing and distribution of the trophies during the shoot.

President Giaquinto also thanked Rich DeSerio for acquiring the new shoot software that facilitates the shoot offs, and noted that it made a significant difference in the efficiency of preparing for the shoot offs.

President Giaquinto also thanked Bob Hruskocy for getting scores out on the website each night, and Bob thanked Barbara Jaye for her handling of the shoot. President Giaquinto thanked Malcolm Ross for his help with managing the shoot, and Bob Hruskocy for compiling the Shoot program.

### **2019 State Honoree:**

John Russo, as chair for State Honoree Committee, introduced Joe Cimino Jr. as the honoree this year. John indicated that Joe Sr's wife provided John with 3 binders filled with documentation of Joe Jr.'s shooting career, which is being shared this weekend. John praised Joe Jr's behavior as a gentlemen and great shooter. John introduced Joe Jr. as the honoree.

Joe Jr. said he was humbled by the award, and thought of his shooting as something that was very important in his life and something from which he had learned life lessons. He thanked his parents for their guidance and support, and for introducing him to and supporting him in the sport. He talked about staying focused and in the moment in his shooting, and how he has applied that lesson and his positive attitude to his life. He indicated that he would like to pass on shooting to his young son, and hoped to get back to shooting himself in the future.

### **The 2019 State Team was introduced, and pins distributed:**

#### **State Team:**

Tony Lobo  
Joe Wheeler  
John Russo  
Robert Cooper  
Hani Hafez  
Robert Witter  
Brian Scussel  
Jerry Cloutier  
George Ware

#### **High Overall:**

Men: Dave Bicknell  
Women: Noelle Feucht

#### **Singles:**

Men— Dave Bicknell  
Lady I— Noelle Feucht  
Lady II— Cheryl Pittera  
Sub Junior— Noah McCoy  
Junior— No Qualifier  
Junior Gold— Sarah Benson  
Sub Veteran— John Russo Jr  
Veteran— Joe Wheeler  
Sr. Veteran— Robert Cooper

**Handicap:**

Men—Dave Bicknell  
Lady I—Noelle Feucht  
Lady II—Anne Freestone  
Sub Junior—Noah McCoy  
Junior—No Qualifier  
Junior Gold—Sarah Benson  
Sub Veteran—Martin Palmer  
Veteran—Joe Wheeler  
Sr. Veteran—Ben Giaquinto

**Doubles**

Men—Dave Bicknell  
Lady I—Noelle Feucht  
Lady II—Cheryll Pittera  
Sub Junior—Noah McCoy  
Junior—No Qualifier  
Junior Gold—Sarah Benson  
Sub Veteran—John Russo Jr  
Veteran—Joe Wheeler  
Sr. Veteran—Robert Cooper

Average scores for the above rankings are included on the CTA website.

**2019 Team Singles Competition:**

Ron Kulmann reported that the 2019 championship was won in tight competition by the top five Andover shooters, whose 960 targets were 2 higher than the Pahquioque team's 958, and 3 targets higher than the Wolcott team's 957.

**The winning Andover Team:**

Bob Cooper  
Brian Scussel  
Jerry Cloutier  
John Monticello  
Rich Granatek

President Giaquinto called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Delegate Feucht so moved, and the meeting was adjourned at 11:28 pm.