



THE OPTA CLUBHOUSE

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MESSAGE FROM YOUR OPTA PRESIDENT

We just finished our October meeting of the OPTA board. The registered shooting season has pretty much wound down. We were pleased to see the initiatives by some clubs to throw more targets in September and early October. Thank you for supporting your local clubs!

Several board members have received questions about the sponsorship program that the OPTA had been running. We assessed the program and concluded that it didn't accomplish its objective of increasing the number of registered targets thrown in Ontario so we concluded that the money would be better used in other ways. We have a few thoughts going forward.

1. There is a suggestion to incentivise clubs to send more shooters to the Provincials. Each shooter would name their home club and a donation to that club would be made for every member that registers and shoots at least 1 event at the Provincials.
2. Junior and sub-junior shooters already have their OPTA dues covered. New shooters can have their ATA dues waived for the first year. Would some of the money previously used for sponsorship help get new shooters to join the OPTA and shoot registered targets?
3. One deterrent to registered shooting is that it is mostly on Sundays. Families are busy and may not be interested in shooting on Sunday as the family is into other events. Clubs could set up penny pinchers or Big 50 shoots on weeknights, once the days get longer again, to throw registered targets so you don't have to shoot penalty at the larger shoots.
4. Pre squadding has made the winter league shoots more efficient and therefore enjoyable. While there are very large numbers participating in these leagues, less than 50% of these shooters register ATA targets. This is a huge pool to expand the number of participants shooting registered. Now that we are pre-squadding, why not invite your whole squad to shoot in a local registered shoot next spring? We are available to help you facilitate that move.

We are open to suggestions from our membership on ways to support an increase in participation, by shooters new and old, in registered shoots. Don't hesitate to send suggestions to any member of the board or email Beau Douglas, your secretary/treasurer at secretarytreasurer.opta@gmail.com.

The Canada/US border is open as of November 8th. After missing the large shoots for 2 full years it will be good to be able to compete south of the border again. For the snowbirds, enjoy your time south as you shoot in nice weather. I look forward to getting to the Silver Dollar this winter. Hopefully I will see you there.

Robert (Bert) Blackburn, President OPTA

MESSAGE FROM YOUR ATA DELEGATE

Finally, the U.S. border is scheduled to open November 8 for Canadians travelling by vehicle. It has been a very long time and already we have missed some very important competitions of this new target year such as the Northeastern Grand and the Dixie Grand. We can still travel by air to competitions out west but there are all sorts of issues with flights, Covid testing, rental cars, and ammunition shortages. We in Ontario are able to shoot in province but for AA point shoots, those hoping to challenge for a spot on our All-American Team really need to go south of the border to major tournaments. Have a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Paul Shaw, Ontario Delegate

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2022 ONTARIO PROVINCIAL TRAPSHOOTING ASSOCIATION CHAMPIONSHIP

The Ontario Provincial Trapshooting Association Championship will be hosted by the Hamilton Gun Club from **Thursday, July 28 to Sunday, July 31**. The OPTA board looks forward to seeing all of you there!

2022 CANADIAN TRAPSHOOTING ASSOCIATION (CTA) CHAMPIONSHIP

The 2022 Canadian Trapshooting Association Championship will be held from June 29-July 3, 2022 at the Calgary Firearms Centre, in DeWinton, Alberta. Your CTA representative is Josh Faubert (joshfaubertcta@gmail.com).

2021-2022 REGISTERED SHOOT DATES

Clubs are still finalizing dates for the upcoming shooting season and a list of registered shoots will be forwarded in the coming weeks. Always remember to check out the "Clubs and Shoots" section of the ATA website for all registered shoot dates.

OPTA "ASK THE ALL-STARS" EVENT

The "Ask the All-Star" Event is an exciting opportunity for Ontario trapshooters to improve their game. Our goal is to create a casual on the line setting where shooters can ask Ontario's All Stars some of their techniques and procedures that have helped them achieve All Star status. The Event will focus on singles, doubles and handicap as well as some break off groups dealing with gun fit and shooting fundamentals. We ask that you join us for a conversation between shooters and friends on how to attain excellence! The event is scheduled to start late spring please stay tuned for the date! Anyone with questions is asked to contact Peter Tsementzis at pete@tsementzis.com

OPTA 100 & 200 Straight Pins

Any OPTA shooter who breaks 100 or 200 straight is entitled to receive an OPTA pin recognizing this feat. If you have done so and NOT received this once-in-a-lifetime pin, please email Beau Douglas at secretarytreasurer.opta@gmail.com with your name and the date you broke the score, and it will be delivered to you. ***Congratulations to two recent recipients, Mathew Tyhurst (100) and Christos Tsementzis (200)!***

AIM TRAPSHOOTING FOR YOUTH

- OFFICIAL youth program of the Amateur Trapshooting Association. (website: www.aim4ata.com)
- Membership costs: \$13 per year (paid with ATA Membership).
- Members compete against other AIM shooters as an individual and/or member of a team.
- AIM Events are run concurrent with existing registered ATA shoots in Ontario.
- Monthly, Provincial, Zone, and special awards are calculated automatically by the ATA and mailed to winners.
- AIM members can attend the AIM Grand (held prior to the Grand American in Sparta, IL).
- Scholarships: Scholarships exclusively for AIM shooters awarded for Academics, Integrity & Marksmanship.
- If you know a youth shooter that is interested, or would like more information, contact Beau Douglas (519-312-3006) or email: secretarytreasurer.opta@gmail.com

MEET THE BOARD

In an effort to create familiarity with your Board of Directors, they have filled out questionnaires about who they are, where they come from, and why they enjoy participating in ATA shooting as well as being on the Board of Directors. Check out these responses from: Bert Blackburn, Ron Rowe, and Bill Drikos.

	Bill Drikos	Bert Blackburn	Ron Rowe
<i>When did you start trapshooting and how did you get into the sport?</i>	Started registered trapshooting in 1989 after being introduced by members of Artemis	I started shooting skeet in 1975, then started to shoot trap. I later joined the Galt Sportsmen's Club to be able to compete in the Silver Horseshoe League.	Started trapshooting at the old school house on HWY 40 between Wallaceburg & Chatham in the mid 70's. Bought my first trap gun, a Winchester 101, at George Wortners in Chatham.
<i>What is your home club?</i>	Hamilton Gun Club	Galt Sportsmen Twin City Rifle Club	Napanee District Rod & Gun Club
<i>What is your current occupation – and how many years have you been at it?</i>	Recently retired after 41 years as an Aircraft Maintenance Engineer	Graduated from the Ontario Veterinary College in 1975 and owned Buck Animal Hospital until 2014. Since then I have continued to work on a part-time basis.	Retired from OPG after 10 years
<i>What other interests do you have besides trapshooting?</i>	-Hunting -Travelling	- Bird hunting, fishing of all types and working outside. I have raised and qualified dogs in NAVHDA. I also enjoy travelling to our family cottage in Eastern Ontario to catch walleye.	I enjoy hunting and fishing
<i>Why did you decide to join the OPTA Board?</i>	To help promote trapshooting in Ontario and help other Board members run the larger shoots.	I joined the board in 2009 as the game had been very good to me and I wanted to support the sport.	I joined the OPTA board to have a representative from Eastern Ontario
<i>What do you consider your greatest trapshooting accomplishment?</i>	- Breaking 97/100 at the Grand from 25 yards - Handicap Shoot off with Harlan Campbell Jr. in Cicero, N.Y.	Winning all 3 of the OPTA Championships	Winning the Mike Fulop Award in 2019 as my greatest accomplishment, as well as continuing to promote trapshooting.
<i>What would you like to see the OPTA achieve for its membership in the next 5-10 years?</i>	-Establish a Hall of Fame -Have shooting clinics to help shooters	Expand the number of participants and registered targets thrown. The idea of an OPTA home grounds is appealing but I am not sure how practical it is unless we significantly increase participation. I would like to continue to promote trapshooting as a wonderful hobby with great people.	I would like to get more youth involved in trapshooting and reduce the cost for them to participate.

Annual Award Nominations

Your board is looking for nominations for the Hall of Fame inductee and the Mike Fulop Award. The Hall of Fame has two categories of inductees: Competitor and Contributor. An OPTA Competitor who is still active in the sport must have at least 15 years registration with a significant record. Former OPTA Competitors who are now retired must have an outstanding record over a period of years. Departed OPTA Competitors are also eligible for induction. Consideration for the Contributor category are those who have served the OPTA on a provincial level for a number of years and who have made outstanding contributions to the entire Association. The Mike Fulop award is granted every year to an OPTA member who has clearly demonstrated tremendous encouragement and support for our sport in the province, making trapshooting much more enjoyable for so many of our participants.

SPONSORSHIP AND ADVERTISING

If you would like to become a sponsor for the 2022 Ontario Provincial Championship, please email Beau Douglas at secretarytreasurer.opta@gmail.com.

Platinum - \$500.00+ **Gold** - \$200-499 **Silver** - \$100-199 **Bronze:** \$0-99

If you would like to advertise in the 2022 Provincial Program, the following is the cost for each size of ad. Please email Beau Douglas at secretarytreasurer.opta@gmail.com.

Inside front cover - \$500 Inside back cover - \$400 Outside back cover - \$250
Full page ad - \$ 250 Half page ad - \$200

WEBSITES OF INTEREST:

OPTA WEBSITE: <http://ontariotrap.com>

CANADIAN TRAPSHOOTING ASSOCIATION: <http://www.shootcanada.ca>

AMATEUR TRAPSHOOTING ASSOCIATION: <http://www.shootata.com>

OPTA FACEBOOK GROUP PAGE: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/OntarioTrap/>

CANADIAN UNIVERSITY SHOOTING FEDERATION (CUSF): <http://cusf.ca>

ONTARIO COUNCIL OF SHOOTERS (OCS): <http://ontariocouncilofshooters.com>

2021-2022 OPTA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President: Bert Blackburn

Secretary/Treasurer: Beau Douglas

Director: BJ Jackman

Director: Lori Cantelo

Director: Ron Rowe

ATA Delegate: Paul Shaw

Vice-President: Pam Muma

Director: Bill Drikos

Director: Emily Brown

Director: Peter Tsementzis

Director: Verne Higgs

ATA Alternate Delegate: Verne Higgs

2021 Provincial Championship Winners

EVENT 1 - Preliminary Singles

CHAMPION: BJ Jackman 100
AA: Peter Tsementzis 99
A: Derek Scrimshaw 98
B: Brandon Woltz 99
C: Wayne Higgs 93
D: Dan Best 94
SBVT: Brad Mann 100
VET: John Costa 98
SV: Neville Henderson 100
LADYI: Jenn Arnold 91
LADYII: Dianne Wood 94
JUNIOR GOLD: Chris Tsementzis 98
JUNIOR: No Entries
SUB JUNIOR: Andrew Monck 94
CHAIR: No Entries

EVENT 2 – Prelim Handicap

CHAMPION: Lloyd Beecraft 95
RUNNER-UP: Bill McConnell 95
3RD PLACE: Brandon Woltz 95
4TH PLACE: Dan Best 93
5TH PLACE: Peter Kontonis 92
SUB VET: Jamie Caldwell 93
VET: Bob Morphy 93
SR VET: Kaz Osuthowski 93
LADY I: Jenn Arnold 91
LADY II: Emily Brown 85
JUNIOR GOLD: Chris Tsementzis 91
JUNIOR: No Entries
SUB JUNIOR: Emmerson Johnson 94
CHAIR: No Entries

EVENT 3 – Joe Soos Handicap

CHAMPION: Brandon Woltz 94
RUNNER-UP: Ray Kassmanian 92
3RD PLACE: Kaz Osuthowski 92
4TH PLACE: Grant Brooks 92
5TH PLACE: Pete Tsementzis 91
SUB VET: Brad Mann 93
VET: Lloyd Beecraft 92
SR VET: Terry Jordan 93
LADY I: Jenn Arnold 84
LADY II: Dianne Wood 83
JUNIOR GOLD: Chris Tsementzis 85
JUNIOR: No Entries
SUB JUNIOR: Andrew Monck 83

EVENT 4 – Prelim Doubles

CHAMPION: Pete Tsementzis 94
AA: Frank Bonaiuto 93
A: Derek Scrimshaw 91
B: Greg Carr 90
C: Shane Rogers 90
D: Peter Kontonis 79
SUB VET: Verne Higgs 92
VET: John Costa 91
SR. VET: Paul Shaw 88
LADY I: Jenn Arnold 73
LADY II: Emily Brown 81
JGOLD: Chris Tsementzis 89
JUNIOR: No Entries
SUB JUNIOR: Andrew Monck 82
CHAIR: No Entries

EVENT 5 – Dan Gris Doubles

CHAMPION: Joe Di Francesco 97
AA: Josh Faubert 93
A: Brian James 88
B: Eric McNeil 95
C: Ed Chamberlain 89
D: Ron Rowe 85
SUB VET: Verne Higgs 94
VET: John Costa 96
SR VET: Paul Shaw 95
LADY I: Jenn Arnold 64
LADY II: Dianne Wood 80
JGOLD: Chris Tsementzis 87
JUNIOR: No Entries
SUB JUNIOR: Andrew Monck 87
CHAIR: No Entries

EVENT 6 – Dan Gris Singles

CHAMPION: Andy Lucan 99
AA: Peter Tsementzis 98
A: Mike Vecchio 99
B: James Cadigan 98
C: Walt Edworthy 93
D: Tex Wilson 96
SUB VET: Brian Gabriel 98
VET: Brian James 99
SR VET: Terry Jordan 98
LADY I: Candace Becker 87
LADY II: Lori Cantelo 92
JGOLD: Chris Tsementzis 98
JUNIOR: No Entries
SUB JUNIOR: Andrew Monck 97

EVENT 7: SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP 160 Entries

CHAMPION: Peter Tsementzis 199
R/U: Nebojsa Mitrovic 199
AA: Verne Higgs 195
A: Shane Rogers 197
B: Jeffrey Cartier 195
C: Justin McGhie 190
D: Giorgio Paniccia 186
SR.VET: Myles Jackman 193
VET: John Costa 194
SUB.VET: Joe Di Francesco 196
LADY I: Lisa Bennett 184
LADY II: Dianne Wood 175
JUNIOR GOLD: Chris Tsementzis 194
JUNIOR: Lorenzo Bonaiuto 186
SUB-JUNIOR: Andrew Monck 191
CHAIR: No Entries
NR CHAMP: No Entries
NR RUN-UP: No Entries
OPEN AA: BJ Jackman 194
OPEN A: Josh Faubert 196
OPEN B: Randy Douez 190
OPEN C: Dan Best 184
OPEN D: Francesco Claro 177
OPEN SUB VET: Joe Soos 196
OPEN VET: Lloyd Beecraft 193
OPEN SR VET: Larry Riehl 192
OPEN LADY I: Danielle Copeman 167
OPEN LADY II: Tracy Woods 173
OPEN JGOLD: Tyler Kelly 182
OPEN JUNIOR: No Entries
OPEN SJUNIOR: Sam Consitt 167
NEW SHOOTER George Chen 188
\$50.00 SJ: Andrew Monck 191
\$50.00 JUNIOR: Lorenzo Bonaiuto 186

EVENT EIGHT: DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIPS 106 Entries

CHAMPION: Chris Tsementzis 99
R/U: Paulo Sampaio 96
AA: Peter Tsementzis 95
A: Earl Brown 93
B: Brent Hogarth 93
C: Randy Douez 93
D: Larry Lozon 88
SUB VET: Verne Higgs 98
VET: John Costa 97
SR VET: Terry Jordan 91
LADY I: Lisa Bennett 86
LADY II: Emily Brown 78

JUNIOR GOLD: Autumn Bergeron 95
JUNIOR: Lorenzo Bonaiuto 71
SUB JUNIOR: Andrew Monck 79
CHAIR: No Entries
OPEN AA: Joe Di Francesco 94
OPEN A: James Cardigan 92
OPEN B: Brandon Woltz 93
OPEN C: Jim Hardie 90
OPEN D: Andy Lucan 88
OPEN SUB VET: Dan Gris 96
OPEN VET: Bob Morphy 94
OPEN SR VET: Neville Henderson 90
OPEN LADY I: Jenn Harris 71
OPEN LADY II: Dianne Wood 74
OPEN JGOLD: Vincent Bonaiuto 81
OPEN JUNIOR: No Entries
OPEN SJUNIOR: Sam Consitt 73
CHAIR: No Entries
RESIDENT NEW SHOOTER: Dave Abbott 90
\$50.00 SUB JUNIOR: Andrew Monck 79
\$50.00 JUNIOR: Lorenzo Bonaiuto 71

EVENT NINE: HANDICAP CHAMPIONSHIP 137 Entries

CHAMPION: Shane Rogers 96
R/U: Beau Douglas 93
3rd: Stan Matthews 92
4th: John Copeman 92
5th: Justin McGhie 92
6th: Dan Best 91
SUB VET: Brad Mann 95
VET: Lloyd Beecraft 92 over Earl Brown
SR VET: Kaz Osuthowski 94
LADY I: Danielle Copeman 90
LADY II: Dianne Wood 85
JUNIOR GOLD: Chris Tsementzis 91
JUNIOR: Lorenzo Bonaiuto 93
SUB JUNIOR: Andrew Monck 83
CHAIR: No Entries
OPEN CHAMP: Peter Tsementzis 91
OPEN R/U: Josh Faubert
OPEN 3RD: Doug King
OPEN 4TH: Randy Douez 90
OPEN 5TH: Matthew Tyhurst 90
OPEN SUB VET: Bill Drikos 93
OPEN VET: Earl Brown 92
OPEN SR VET: Paul Shaw 88
OPEN LADY I: Jenn Arnold 84
OPEN LADY II: Tracy Wood 82
OPEN JGOLD: Tyler Kelly 89

OPEN JUNIOR: No Entries
OPEN SJUNIOR: Sam Consitt 78
RESIDENT NEW SHOOTER: Kaz Osuthowski 94
\$50.00 SUB JUNIOR: Andrew Monck 83
\$50.00 JUNIOR: Lorenzo Bonaiuto 93

EVENT TEN: HAA: 400 targets

HAMPION: Peter Tsementzis 385
R/: Shane Rogers 383
AA: BJ Jackman 376
A: Josh Faubert 375
B: Randy Douez 373
C: Justin McGhie 364
D: Dan Best 354
SUBVET: Dan Gris 380
VET: Lloyd Beecraft 379
SR VET: Terry Jordan 369
LAY I: Lisa Bennett 345
LADY II: Dianne Wood 334
JUNIOR GOLD Chris Tsementzis 384
JUNIOR: Lorenzo Bonaiuto 350
SUB-JUNIOR: Andrew Monck 353
OPEN AA: Verne Higgs 375
OPEN A: Nebosja Mitrovic 374
OPEN B: Brandon Woltz 371
OPEN C: Frank Bonaiuto Jr. 349

OPEN D: Stan Matthews 339
OPEN SUB VET: Joe Di Francesco 377
OPEN VET: Earl Brown 373
OPEN SR VET: Myles Jackman 366
OPEN LADY I: Jenn Harris 316
OPEN LADY II: Emily Brown 323
OPEN JGOLD: Autumn Bergeron 356
OPEN JUNIOR: No Entries
OPEN SJUNIOR: Sam Consitt 318

EVENT ELEVEN: HOA – 1000 targets

CHAMPION: Peter Tsementzis 947
RU: Frank Bonaiuto 933
A: BJ Jackman 931
A: Joe Di Francesco 932
B: Brandon Woltz 922
C: Frank Bonaiuto Jr 869
D: Dan Best 885
SR. VET: Terry Jordan 925
VET: Lloyd Beecraft 941
SUB VET: Dan Gris 934
LADY I: Jenn Arnold 792
LADY II: Emily Brown 822
JUNIOR GOLD: Chris Tsementzis 932
JUNIOR: No Entries
SUB-JUNIOR: Andrew Monck 888

2021 Canadian Trapshooting Championships Results**Event 1: Andrea Bassan Singles**

Class AA	Pat Lamont	MB	100
Class A	Katie Jones	MB	99
Class B	Dale Shackleton	SK	98
Class C	Stephen Kelly White	ON	97
Class D	Victor Wade	QU	97

Event 2: Rod Boll Handicap

Champion	Pat Lamont	MB	99
Runner-up	Rob Lamont	MB	99
3rd Place	Dan Best	ON	98
4th Place	Marco Cannizzaro	QU	97
5th Place	Frank Good	AB	96

Event 3: Dan Gris Doubles

Class AA	Kahl Boll	SK	100
Class A	Christos Tsementzis	ON	99
Class B	Saleh El Chartouni	QU	96
Class C	Brian Bebeau	SK	92
Class D	Dwain Mushumanski	MB	91

Event 4: Canadian Singles Championship

Champion	Christos Tsementzis	ON	200
Runner-up	Kahl Boll	SK	199
Open Champion	Pat Lamont	MB	199
Class AA	Sylvain Rossignol	QU	198
Open AA	John Costa	ON	197
Class A	Dallas George	MB	198
Open A	Brian Fooks	BC	198
Class B	Darrell Faber	ON	197
Open B	Lisa Bennett	ON	196
Class C	Derek Petkau	SK	190
Open C	Ernest Mudie	AB	190
Class D	Dusan Remias	BC	192
Open D	Daniel Kachmarski	SK	186
Lady I	Katie Jones	MB	198
Lady II	Dianne Wood	ON	190
Sub Junior	Andrew Monck	ON	188
Junior	Ricky Egeileh	QU	185
Junior Gold	Logan King	SK	199
Sub Veteran	Dan Gris	ON	198
Veteran	Lloyd Beecraft	ON	198
Sr Veteran	Keith Saunders	ON	197
Chair	Brad Mewhinney	ON	157

Event 5: Canadian Doubles Championship

Champion	Pat Lamont	MB	100
Runner-up	Sylvain Rossignol	QU	97
Open Champion	Kahl Boll	SK	96
Class AA	Paulo Sampaio	ON	96
Open AA	Frank Bonaiuto	ON	95
Class A	Rylan Bower	MB	93
Open A	Joe Binetruy	SK	93
Class B	Marshall Wirawan	BC	95
Open B	Mike Vecchio	ON	94
Class C	Barry Gordon	MB	92
Open C	Terry Maksymiw	SK	91
Class D	Daniel Kachmarski	SK	89
Open D	Justin McGhie	ON	84
Lady I	Janaya Nickerson	AP	86

Lady II	Joanne Pollock	ON	83
Sub Junior	Andrew Monck	ON	87
Junior	Liam Swart	ON	90
Junior Gold	Christos Tsementzis	ON	96
Sub Veteran	Randy Hunt	SK	96
Veteran	John Costa	ON	97
Sr Veteran	Keith Saunders	ON	93

Event 6: Canadian Handicap Championship

Champion	Clarence Durr	SK	99
Runner-up	Brad Kohlsmith	ON	97
Open Champion	Derek Scrimshaw	ON	97
3rd Place	Pat Lamont	MB	96
4th Place	Christos Tsementzis	ON	95
5th Place	Richie Joynt	MB	95
6th Place	James Cadigan	ON	95
Lady I	Janice Moerman	ON	94
Lady II	Heather Brumwell	AB	90
Sub Junior	Will Young	ON	91
Junior	Liam Swart	ON	91
Junior Gold	Matteo Sekela	BC	98
Sub Veteran	Dale Shackleton	SK	95
Veteran	Lorne Ross	MB	94
Sr Veteran	Vic Tomlinson	ON	96
Chair	Brad Mewhinney	ON	77

Event 7: High All-Around Championship

Champion	Patrick Lamont	MB	395
Runner-up	Richie Joynt	MB	383
Open Champion	Rylan Bower	MB	383
Open Runner-up	Joe Di Francesco	ON	382
Class AA	Frank Bonaiuto	ON	381
Class A	Shane Rogers	ON	380
Class B	Brent Hogarth	ON	378
Class C	Heinz Schober	ON	363
Class D	Dusan Ramias	BC	372
Lady I	Katie Jones	MB	374
Lady II	Dianne Wood	ON	358
Sub Junior	Andrew Monck	ON	365
Junior	Liam Swart	ON	364
Junior Gold	Christos Tsementzis	ON	391
Sub Veteran	Dan Gris	ON	386
Veteran	Lloyd Beecraft	ON	384
Sr Veteran	Terry Jordan	ON	371
Chair	No Entry		

Event 8: High Over All Championship

Champion	Patrick Lamont	MB	690
Open	Dan Gris	ON	671