

ATA article for June 2020.

Greetings from Ontario, Canada.

As I write this article in late April, Ontario is in COVID-19 lockdown. Only essential business are open. Getting food entails long line-ups and social distancing. Eating establishments are restricted to take out and delivery. Our gun clubs are closed.

Staying in one's home is proving to be difficult for many. Some can work from home – others are walking the floors. People report going to bed as early as 7:00 p.m. In Ontario, lawyers are considered essential (for some this may be considered quite an oxymoron). We are busy but are utilizing masks, gloves, space separations, etc.

I finally had an unplanned day – which was the good news. The bad news was there was nowhere to go. My wife, Bev, and I stood in line at Costco, did some necessary shopping and came back home.

Ontario needs to (safely) get back to work. Businesses in our area, across the province and beyond are already toast and others are likely to never open again. Same thing I expect across the board in Canada, USA and beyond.

Hopefully gun clubs will open and we can get back to registering clays but when?

In this age of anxiety, fear and uncertainty we see the very best in people, and regrettably, sometimes the very worst in people.

We will get through this.

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