

2018 Winter Travel League - Week # 4



Every Sunday, the Clubs in our league strive to run the best possible trap shoot they can for our Winter Travel League shooters. Today was no exception. So how did it go? One word; IMPRESSIVE. Week #4 at the Olean Rod & Gun Club went very well. Kurt Ireland and his crew ran an excellent shoot all day long as 49 of our now 59 league shooters took part, with most of them shooting 100 targets. The Club ran more than nine squads per hour, well better than the league's goal of eight for the two-trap field Clubs. It was warmer again today, with temperatures in the thirties with no wind to deal with, which certainly was a factor with the turnout.

Let's look at the scores. Cliff Cole of Friendship and junior shooter Dakota Green from Shinglehouse tied for high-gun honors as they each put up big scores of 97 apiece. Junior Jake Bell from Eldred broke 49 x 50. Jim Green of Shinglehouse was next at 96, followed by Randy Hill of Portville with 94, followed by Lynn Pomeroy from Rushford with a 93. There were twelve perfect scores of 25-straight today, including 50-straight for Cole and Dakota Green. Others with a 25-straight included Bell, Jim Green, Hill, Pomeroy, Nick Galyada, Keagen Goodliff, juniors Colton Gibbons and MaKenzy Glover. Steve Marra of Olean MISSED the **Green Bird!** The Beil family of Cuba kept the 50/50 drawing winnings in the family for the third week in a row as this time dad Carl Beil pocketed \$29.

Our league membership now stands at a total of 59 with two more weeks that shooters can join the league. We have 17 junior shooters and three ladies participating in the league. Happy birthday today to Randy Hill. I think Randy had the best comment of the day. The junior shooters are shooting so well he proposes we throw them

the hell out of the league next year. Several “older” shooters were strongly in favor.....

Our 500-bird, five-club, traveling trap shooting league shoots Sunday mornings from 9 AM until 12:30 PM from January through the end of March. Gun safety is our top priority, so please think safety at all times; safety involving not only when shooting, but also driving to and from. Junior shooters, ages 12-17, and ladies are also encouraged to come out and join in the fun. Please print legibly when you join, sign up to shoot, or fill out parental consent forms if under 18 years of age. Remember, a valid, legible, e-mail address must be supplied in order to receive scores and highlights from the league.

A 50-bird trophy shoot, steak dinner, and awards ceremony will be held at the Portville Conservation Club, (the league’s host this year), on Sunday, March 25th. You must shoot the entire 500 targets to be eligible for the 50-bird trophy shoot. Shooters will be broken into three classes (A, B, & C) which are determined by their season-long average over the 500 targets. Whether you complete the entire 500-bird league or not you’ll still get a steak dinner at the banquet for your \$15. Extra guest steak dinners will again be just \$8 each. See you next week at the Cuba Rod & Gun Club as coffee and donuts will be served. Shoot well...

Jon Reitz

Host club: Portville 2018, Richburg 2019, Genesee Valley 2020, Cuba 2021 & Olean 2022