

The Official Newsletter of the Toronto Sportsmen's Association

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President's Message

By Blaise Iannaci, President

The Toronto Sportsmen's Association and our participation in the Toronto Sportsmen's Show, would probably not be happening if it were not for two wonderful people who gave of their time and experience to ensure that we, and future outdoor sports enthusiasts, could enjoy all that our sports have to offer.

It is with great sadness and regret that we inform you of the passing of Peter Edwards - our Executive Director, and Walter Oster - Chairman of the Board of the Canadian National Sportsmen's Shows.

Peter was a terrific Executive Director of the Toronto Sportsmen's Association, was instrumental in many projects and was an asset to our association, and an inspiration to us all. Peter first became a Director back in the 1960's, then became our Executive Director soon after that. He's been instrumental in our involvement with Toronto Sportsmen's Show for over 60 years! More recently, Peter helped us acquire our office and training facility on Dufferin Street, as well as constantly negotiating supplies and space for us to participate in the Toronto Sportsmen's Show every year. His expertise and knowledge is going to missed by all who knew him.

Walter Oster was a great friend to all of us here at the Toronto Sportsmen's Association in all of our dealings with the Toronto Sportsmen's Show. Walter always ensured that our Club was a part of the Sportsmen's Show, and that we received a generous grant for over 5 decades. His involvement in conservation and in the fishing, hunting and shooting sports, will be greatly missed.

There is more on these two gentlemen further in this newsletter.

We just concluded a very successful participation at the 72nd Toronto Sportsmen's Show at the International Centre in Mississauga again this year without a hitch! The surroundings, services, and people were just great! The large venue has a fantastic attendance, which I'm sure is because of the 5-day show being held during March Break. And of course, being accessible by most of the major highways, and Free Parking helps!

Our Club relies on the attendance and funds generated by the Toronto Sportsmen's Show to survive. But none of this would be possible without our fantastic volunteers - from the planning stages, to the setup crew, all our Volunteers and Safety Range Officers, our Pellet Loaders, our take down crew, and everyone in between! In addition to all the great volunteers we had this year, the show would not have been possible without the great invaluable help of a handful of key people. Just to name a few: Paul Delaat, Rob Smith, Cliff Gissane, Rick Latorre, Wendy DeWilde, Yvonne Gissane, June Samme, Annamaria and Ashley Iannaci, and Dale Valentine and his Cadets! And the many we don't have time to list - Thank You to everyone, we couldn't do it without you! More on the show later in this newsletter.

Spring is here and our Outdoor Range is now open! This will be our 10th year enjoying a great partnership with our friends at the Latvian Club Range! The Range opened on April 6th and will be open every Saturday including long weekends until the end of December! (Unless otherwise notified). We would also like to announce that the Range is also now open every second Sunday! We tried this on a trial basis last year and people seemed to enjoy the flexibility and added days.

None of the great times this coming year would be possible without all our volunteer Range Safety Officers, generously donating their time and experience for us to safely enjoy the sport we love. They all deserve our thanks and support! Please, if you feel you would like to help and volunteer to be a Safety Range Officer this coming year, we sure could use your help. It's our volunteers that make the Toronto Sportsmen's Association what it is!

I would also like to send out a Special Thank You to our retired Volunteer Safety Range Officers - Trevor Blachford and Wilfried Jussen! They have generously donated their time and experience for many years so that we could safely enjoy the sport we love! Thank You!

Another anniversary to celebrate is our office and training facility on Dufferin Street. It's been 10 years since we moved into this location! This has been a great, and much more modern facility than we have had in the past. Although we have not been using the training class for a little while now, we are looking to change that in the very near future. More to come on that soon.

I realize any news on any upcoming indoor range facilities has been a while in coming, but meetings with some of our directors working on this is showing some positive results, and we hope to announce something soon!

In addition to the small grant we get from the Toronto Sportsmen's Show, our Club is very dependent on our membership dues. These last couple of years have been very challenging for us as a club, and I would just like to ask all our members to please renew your membership and please make payment arrangements with the office if you need to. Our club depends on you, your involvement, and new members. If you have already renewed, Thank You very much!

I'm looking forward to seeing you all at our upcoming Annual General Meeting on May 22nd where we can get caught up and share some ideas!

Blaise Iannaci President

Outdoor Range

The Range opened April 6th and will be open <u>every</u> Saturday <u>Including long weekends</u>! (Unless otherwise notified). There will be AM and PM Range Officers on duty.

We have also secured Additional Range Access on <u>Sundays</u> at our Outdoor Range! The new Sunday Access is only on <u>select Sundays</u>, and only from <u>Noon to 4pm</u>.

Presently, we have secured these Sunday Range Dates:

May 5	June 9	July 7	August 11	September 8	October 6	November 3	December 1
May 26	June 23	July 21	August 25	September 22	October 20	November 17	December 15

Because of the new conditions on our PAL (*Restricted*) License that allow us to go to and from Gun Ranges, Gun Shows and Gunsmiths, we no longer need an 'Invitation Letter' to the range as in previous years. However, should you feel the need for the 'Invitation Letter', please print one from the Website, Emails, or contact Yvonne at the office and she will get one to you. <u>BUT</u> - you will need to have a <u>Current TSA Membership Card</u> displayed and visible to the RO, as well as a <u>Current Valid PAL</u>. For timely answers to your questions, please contact us using our new Range Email Address at: <u>range@torontosportsmens.ca</u>, contact Yvonne at our office at (416) 487-4477, or email her at: <u>info@torontosportsmens.ca</u>. Either contact will be able to provide you with more information.

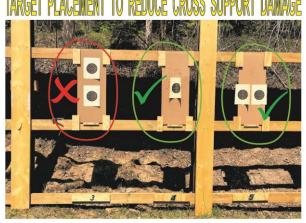
A Special Thank You to our retired Volunteer Safety Range Officers -Trevor Blachford and Wilfried Jussen!

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A few things to remember while at the range: This picture of the targets is shown for placement information - one target on top of the other is <u>not</u> acceptable - it is very expensive to replace the cross supports - the other two show the correct placement.

There are a few portable target stands. It is important to note that they must be placed within 3m of the back stop to be CFO approved.

There has also been a new clear roof added which is great for lighting! Please come and check out the new setup we think you will love it!



If you have garbage that is burnable, please place it in the Burn Barrel. If the garbage is not burnable, place it in one of the waste bins, or take it home with you.

Remember, none of the great times this coming year would be possible without all our volunteer Range Safety Officers, generously donating their time and experience for us to safely enjoy the sport we love. They all deserve our thanks and support! Please, if you feel you would like to help and volunteer to be a Safety Range Officer this coming year, we sure could use your help. It's our volunteers that make the Toronto Sportsmen's Association what it is!

If you have an interest in Volunteering, or require more information about the range, please contact Yvonne at our office at (416) 487-4477, or email her at: <u>info@torontosportsmens.ca</u>. She will be able to provide you with more information.

The Outdoor Crest

The Toronto Sportsmen's Show 2019

By Paul Delaat, Show Director

The show is our biggest annual project, and we sure rely on many of you to accomplish our goal of providing a safe and entertaining area for air gun and archery enthusiasts!

The 2019 show was held at the International Centre in Mississauga for the 4th time!

For her seventh year, Jennifer, CNSS Show Manager, did a great job on the Show. It was fun working with her and we appreciate the cooperation.

Setting up and tearing down, as well as staffing the Archery, Air Gun Range, Laser Simulator, and main booth, takes a lot of dedicated volunteers with specific skills to ensure the areas run smoothly and safely.

The Crosman Air Gun Range run by TSA requires so many volunteers to run. Range Officers, loaders, maintenance, crowd control, etc. Thanks to all who gave us their time. Special thanks to Blaise and Annamaria Iannaci, Ashley Iannaci, Peter Di Cesare, Paul Delaat, Andrew Mackevicius, Yvonne Gissane, June Samme, Wendy DeWilde, William Jenkins, Rob Smith, Peter Helmich, Laszlo Szabo, Trevor and Solenge Blachford, Berni Minegarten, Darrell Yarek, Denis Stanga, Larissa Valentine, Brandon Sergio, Ron and Darlene Eade, and the Cadets. If we listed all who helped, it would take the entire newsletter!

The Crosman Archery Range was well managed by Rick Latorre and Wendy DeWilde, and their team of volunteers. Thanks to all who pitched in to make the Archery area enjoyable for the kids. Special thanks to Wendy DeWilde and her young men.

Jennifer Allaby and the C.N.S.S. staff worked hard to make the show entertaining and educational for visitors. The Big Air Dog Show, Outdoor Adventure Zone, Spring Boat Show, Cottage Country, Classic Sports World, Travel Expo, and the Hunting Hall were great attractions. The Pro Fishing Seminars, Trout Pond, Cast for Cash, as well as the Crosman/TSA Air Gun and Archery Ranges were successful.

To see some photos of this years' show, please visit our website at: <u>www.torontosportsmens.ca</u> and click on our 'Photo Album'.

On behalf of the CNSS, thanks to all the Volunteers who made this year a success!

See you in 2020! <u>New Dates</u>: March 18-22, 2020 (*March Break*). <u>Location</u>: The International Centre, 6900 Airport Road, Mississauga.

Thanks to Peter Lockhart, CEO, Jennifer Allaby, Show Manager, and the entire show staff for all their fine cooperation!

An Invitation to the Range!

We're looking for new members! If you have any family or friends that you think would enjoy coming out to the range to have some fun, and learn about shooting in general, we would love to have them! Our hope is that by introducing people to our sport, they may take an interest and want to join.

If you know of anyone that would enjoy this experience, please contact Yvonne at the office, and she will let you know what to do.



Some Updates ...

By Blaise Iannaci, President

<u>Outdoor Range</u> - We had another great time at the Outdoor Range in Mount Albert for our Handgun and Rifle shooters last year, and we are aiming to do the same this year!

We had our first day of shooting on April 6th. The range will be open <u>every</u> Saturday <u>Including long</u> <u>weekends</u>! (Unless otherwise notified - Check with the Office or the Website to be sure). There will be AM and PM Range Officers on duty. We have also secured Additional Range Access on <u>Sundays</u> at our Outdoor Range! The new Sunday Access is only on <u>select Sundays</u>, and only from <u>Noon to 4pm</u>. Please also remember that we share the grounds with the Latvian Club members, and we ask all our members to respect their generosity by keeping the grounds clean and abiding by their rules, as well as our own. This is a great place to picnic, shoot, sit back relax, and get reacquainted with old friends and make new ones.

Please Note - Because of the new conditions on our PAL (*Restricted*) License that allow us to go to and from Gun Ranges, Gun Shows and Gunsmiths, we no longer need an 'Invitation Letter' to the range as in previous years. <u>BUT</u> - you will need to have a <u>Current TSA Membership Card</u> displayed and visible to the RO, as well as a <u>Current Valid PAL</u>. *Also* - Please <u>DO NOT</u> contact Dainis or the Latvian Club under any condition - address all inquiries directly to the office!

We look forward to bringing in new members and guests to visit us at the Latvian Club Range. We would like to thank our existing members and Safety Range Officers for again sharing their friendliness and expertise (as well as their guns on some occasions), with any new members and guests.

<u>Toronto Sportsmen's Show</u> - Well, we had another fantastic time at the Toronto Sportsmen's Show at the International Centre in Mississauga! The surroundings, services, and people were just great! We were also able to introduce some new equipment and signage this year! The new large venue had a fantastic attendance. I'm sure the new 5-day show, during March Break had a lot to do with that. And of course, being accessible by most of the major highways, and Free Parking helped!



I would also like to thank the more than 100 volunteers who were able to help us - from setting up, during the show, and helping with the tear-down. Many of our own club members *(new and old)* were a great help. Many of our volunteers are from other clubs as well and offer their help without hesitation. We really couldn't do it without all of you!

<u>Help</u> - Remember, none of the great times this year would be possible without all our volunteer Range Safety Officers, generously donating their time and experience for us to safely enjoy the sport we love. They all deserve our thanks and support! Please, if you feel you would like to help and volunteer to be a Safety Range Officer this coming year, we sure could use your help. Just contact Yvonne at the office for more information. It's our volunteers that make the Toronto Sportsmen's Association what it is!

See you at the range!

The Toronto Sportsmen's Show 2019 – Recap and Thanks!

By Paul Delaat, Show Director

Peter Edwards has been a great friend to us all at the Sportsmen's Show, and he will be sorely missed. Peter's pain is over now, and his memories of his stories and laughter will carry on for many, many years to come.

Our biggest involvement as a Club is in the Toronto Sportsmen's Show, as a great deal of our office and volunteer time goes into making our contribution into the show a success. Special Thanks goes to Yvonne, who worked so hard to get volunteers for this years' show. Well Done! Special thanks also go to June for her help in keeping the books in order!

This year the Airgun Range again created a large interest to our show as it allowed visitors to both have fun, as well as test their skills. Thank you to Blaise Iannaci for his support, as well as all the Range Officers - it would not have worked without them. Thank You!

I would also like to thank Annamaria and Ashley Iannaci, as well as their entire crew in the loading room for a job well done!

This year's setup operation and tear down of the Airgun Range and the Simulator went well.

A special thank you goes to the Archery Range that was managed by Rick Latorre, Wendy DeWilde, and their team of volunteers, and all those who pitched in to make this year's archery range enjoyable for the kids. Another special thank you to Wendy DeWilde and her young men.

Thank you to Walter Oster-Chairman, Peter Lockhart-President, Jennifer Allaby-Show Manager, and the entire show staff for all their fine co-operation. Thank You!

A Special Thank You to the Cadets!

A Special 'Thank You' to Dale Valentine and the Cadets that were a great help on the range and relieving some of our Range Officers for well-deserved breaks!

Cdt FCpl Bill Jiang Cdt Sgt Iris Li Cdt FCpl Jason Emery Cdt FCpl Felix Hlady Cdt WO2 Cooper Pickering Cdt FCpl Thomas Stevenson Cdt FCpl Sam Meng Cdt FSgt Sara Abate Cdt WO2 Zachary Currie Cdt WO2 Miguel Ilustre Cdt FSgt Eduard Rosil Lt(N) Scott Sweeney Lt Fatima DaCosta Cdt Sgt Christian Dizon Cdt Sgt Jierui Jiang 2Lt Linda Jung Cdt Emmerson Lacombe Cdt Sgt Hayden Lacombe CI Jos LaFlamme CI Ryan Ramkissoon CV Peter Olsen CV Raven Kahan Cdt FSgt Riley Thomson Wilfredo Yuson

Casting

For Information on Casting, please contact Ron Bolton at West Hill Anglers for more information - (416) 282-7912.

Membership Dues

For those who have not renewed your membership yet, please do so. Especially Handgun members who have not renewed. Although you do not need an ATT any longer, the club is still required to notify the CFO if you are not a member in good standing, and should you not be a member of another club, the CFO could revert your PAL back to only the 5 conditions and not the 6 conditions that is attached to your PAL.

Notice from the Chief Firearms Office (CFO)

Authorization to Transport

Just as a reminder to all club/range membership regarding Bill C42 which passed on September 2015.

Below is a copy of the licence conditions that were automatically attached to the firearms licence of any members who had a valid Authorization to Transport issued to transport to a shooting club/range at that time the bill was passed. If members are unsure if they have the additional conditions attached to their firearms licence, please contact the CFO directly at 1-800-731-4000 - 1 - 1 Extension #7503.

Please Note: If you wish to transport your restricted firearms for any other purpose which is not listed on the licence conditions, they are required to contact the CFO at 1-800-731-4000 - 1 - 1 Extension #7503 to have an Authorization to Transport issued for that specific purpose.

In addition: Any client who purchased a new restricted firearm after September 2015, will automatically have the conditions added to their firearms licence.

These licence conditions authorize the transport of restricted and/or prohibited firearms registered to the licence holder within their province of residence by a route that, in all circumstances, is reasonably direct for the specific indicated purposes.

- 1. Transportation of restricted firearms and/or prohibited handguns (12(6.1) of the Firearms Act) possessed for the purpose of target practice to and from all shooting clubs and ranges approved under section 29 of the Firearms Act.
- 2. Transportation of restricted firearms and/or prohibited firearms to and from any place a peace officer, firearms officer or Chief Firearms Officer (CFO) is located for verification, registration, or disposal in accordance with the Firearms Act or Part III of the Criminal Code.
- 3. Transportation of restricted firearms and/or prohibited firearms to and from a business that holds a licence authorizing it to repair or appraise prohibited or restricted firearms.
- 4. Transportation of restricted firearms and/or prohibited firearms to and from a gun show.
- 5. Transportation of restricted firearms and/or prohibited firearms to a port of exit, in order to take them outside Canada and from a port of entry.
- 6. Transportation of newly acquired restricted firearms and/or prohibited firearms from the place of acquisition to the licence holder's dwelling house or other place authorized by the CFO.



An important part of responsible gun ownership Is knowing when it is not time to be a gun owner.

Firearm ownership is pleasing to many. We enjoy the comraderie, making even smaller shot groups, and getting out into the wild. Guns are valued assets. However, there comes a time for all of us when they become liabilities. They become so when you are no longer using your firearms. They become a risk. Upon the death of the gun owner, there are: Estate taxes to pay, Appraisal fees to pay, Risk of loss or theft, Risk of damage, Stress for your Trustees (family). Consider GTA Guns and Gear Auctions Inc. - gtaguns.com

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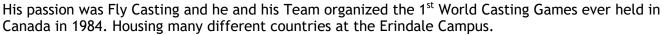
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Remembering Peter Edwards

By Cliff Gissane, Vice President

Peter was a great asset to our Association. Not only was he a terrific Executive Director for decades, but he was a friend and inspiration to us all. Peter became a Director back in 1966, then Executive Director soon after that. He was instrumental in our involvement with the Toronto Sportsmen's Show and never missed a show in 60 years. In fact, he would say he was 4 or 5 years of age for his first Show!

Peter earned many awards over his lifetime: The TSA Life Membership Award, and our top honour - the Frank Kortright Award. Some of his other awards were: Province of Ontario Awards 1969, 1975, and 1999, for distinguished participation in the field of amateur sport. City of Toronto Award in 1973.



He organized the first American Casting Association Championships held in Mississauga in 2009, and many others following that.

For many years he organized casting demonstrations during the long 10-day Sportsmen's Shows at the Exhibition.

He also ran the Canadian Casting Federation and the Ontario Fly and Bait Association.

He was affiliated with the Toronto Island and Humber Bay for casting competitions.

Another passion was the Decoy Competitions for countless years at the Toronto Sportsmen's Show, and until recently, the Montreal Show.

His support to staff and directors, and his input to make things better, was always high on his list.

Cliff Gissane Vice President

Remembering Walter Oster

Walter Ostapchuk *(Oster)* was a great friend to all of us here at the Toronto Sportsmen's Association in all our dealings with the Toronto Sportsmen's Show.

He was Chairman of the Board for the Toronto Sportsmen's Show for many years. Walter's generosity to the fishing, hunting and shooting sports world was nothing less than amazing. Since 1948, Walter on behalf of the Canadian National Sportsmen's Shows, has donated over \$32,000,000 conserving Canada's outdoors and instilling Canadian youth with an appreciation for nature and outdoor activities.



Walter Oster personally ensured that our Club was involved in the Sportsmen's Show in a meaningful way and the Club was the benefactor of generous funding for over 5 decades.

There will be a Celebration of Walter's Life on Thursday, May 30th, 2019 between 3 and 6pm at Dodsworth & Brown - 2241 New Street, Burlington, Ontario.



Safety on the Range – Painful Brass!

By Blaise Iannaci, President

(I published this in 'The Outdoor Crest' over 9 years ago, but with the new Shooting Season upon us, I thought it warranted repeating!)

It is every member's responsibility to ensure that all shooters, as well as guests, are properly protected on the range with safety equipment such as safety glasses and ear protection. This basic equipment is a requirement whether the person is shooting, or just a visitor that is watching the excitement!

Something that may not come as common sense as far as safety equipment goes, is the use of open-toed shoes or sandals, and low-cut tops. Whether shooting or not, the ejection of hot brass (*especially the small .22 caliber brass casings*), can cause quite a burn to the skin if it happens to land in-between some toes, or down an open top. You must also be aware of glasses without the added protection on the top and sides, as ejected brass can slip in and rest on your eyelid causing a burn (*ask me how I know that*)!

Try to remember to mention these safety items to any guests you may have coming with you. We want everyone to have a Fun and Safe time out!

I would also like to repeat that none of the great times this coming year would be possible without all our volunteer Range Safety Officers, generously donating their time and experience for us to safely enjoy the sport we love. They all deserve our thanks and support! Please, if you feel you would like to help and volunteer to be a Safety Range Officer this coming year, we sure could use your help. Just contact Yvonne at the office for more information. It's our volunteers that make the Toronto Sportsmen's Association what it is!

See you at the range!

Items For Sale

Pachmyer Four Pistol Gun Box. Excellent Condition - \$125.
Lee Progressive Reloading Press. 38 Sp dies, plus 44 and 45 Shellholder Plates - \$150.
Colt Police Positive Revolver. 32 Sp. Former Toronto Police Dept. Service Revolver - \$200.
S&W Model 60 Stainless 38 Sp. My uncles concealed carry sidearm - \$300.
Winchester Model 67 Rifle. Very Good Condition - \$150.
Remington Targetmaster Rifle. Very Good Condition.
CIL 410 Single Shot Shotgun - \$80.
Lee Enfield #3 in Sporter Stock - \$175.
Colt Challenger Pistol. Original Box and Pamphlet. Excellent Condition - \$495.
Hi Standard Victor (Screw Model) - \$495.
Mauser Broomhandle 7.63 with dies. Brass Barrel needs relining. Pitted. Comes with extras - \$500.
Herters 44 Magnum, dies, etc., mould, brass. Excellent Condition - \$400.
Spanish Destroyer Carbine 9mm Largo, plus new brass - \$275.
For more information or photos, please contact John Kearns - jnkearns@rogers.com

Donations and Bequests



Did you know you can Donate at any time, or a Bequest to us in your Will? Please remember the Toronto Sportsmen's Association with an Individual Donation or Bequest so that we may be able to continue to serve our members and inspire future generations. Our goal is and has always been, to encourage outdoor enthusiasts to join TSA and enjoy the many activities and programs that we have to offer. All Donations are greatly appreciated, and allow us to continue to inspire young, new members and keep our traditions alive and well for decades to come.

Did You Know . . .

By Blaise Iannaci, President

We are looking for some interesting articles from our members that may be near and dear to your heart for our Newsletter! Articles could be about some new *(or old)* Handgun or Rifle you just received or tried, Reloading, Archery, Fishing or Casting, or just anything you think may be of interest to our members.

I started the ball rolling with this first '**Did You Know**' article a few years ago, by giving you some information About Us and Our History! (This also appears on our Website, but it's nice to look back to see where we came from!).

Since I often get asked about our history, I thought it would be worth re-publishing to remind us (and new members) of our history!



About Us and Our History!

Our Association was founded in 1925 under the name Toronto Anglers.

Our goals in the beginning were aimed at fish restoration and conservation projects related to fisheries. As our Association grew, we added Hunters to our name to include all outdoor enthusiasts. Our new name, Toronto Anglers & Hunters Association, expanded our goals, projects, and outdoor programs. Shooting became a large part of our activities.

Two major projects kept us busy in the early 1960's. First, the Cold Creek Conservation area was developed with the Metropolitan Regional Conservation Authority and our Association. Rifle Ranges, Skeet & Trap, Dog Trials, and Archery became the programs at Cold Creek to better train outdoor enthusiasts. Our former President, Vic Evans, who found the need to emphasize the safe use of firearms for shooting and hunting, founded Hunter Safety Training at Cold Creek.

The second major project was the Nogies Creek Muskie Research Project. This project was funded by proceeds from the Canadian National Sportsmen's Show. Students from Ichthyology at the ROM learned under our director, Dr. Ed Crossman, who founded the project to learn more about the Muskie in the Kawartha Lakes. Today, all of the research data can be found at the University in Peterborough.

Following our natural progression of Casting and Fishing, Rifle Shooting, Skeet & Trap, and Archery, we formed a Hand Gun Shooting section. In 1970, Hand Gun was spearheaded by Ray Tofflemire, Ken Gregory, John Borson, Earl Barr, Bob Burden, Roy Dunlop, and several other enthusiastic members. Our Range Officers are certified with the Canadian Shooting Sports Association (CSSA), formerly the Ontario Hand Gun Association, to ensure the best and safest instruction to all Hand Gunners. Today, this section is our largest activity.

We have continued the work of Hunter Education Courses and expanded to include training for Firearms Acquisition Certificate (FAC), now called Possession and Acquisition License (PAL), for both non-restricted, and restricted firearms.

In 1983, to better reflect our programs, courses and activities, we changed our name to the Toronto Sportsmen's Association (TSA).

Growing out of our dedication to the outdoors, 1948, our President, Dr. Francis H. Kortright, with the help of TSA members, founded the Canadian National Sportsmen's Show. To date, the show has raised over 29 million dollars for Conservation, Wildlife Restoration, Outdoor Education, and Special Projects in Canada.

Our ninety-three+ year heritage is a long one. We have grown to meet the needs of our members and the public who often call upon us for seminars and demonstrations. You can see us at the Sportsmen's Show, where we have participated every year since its formation in 1948!

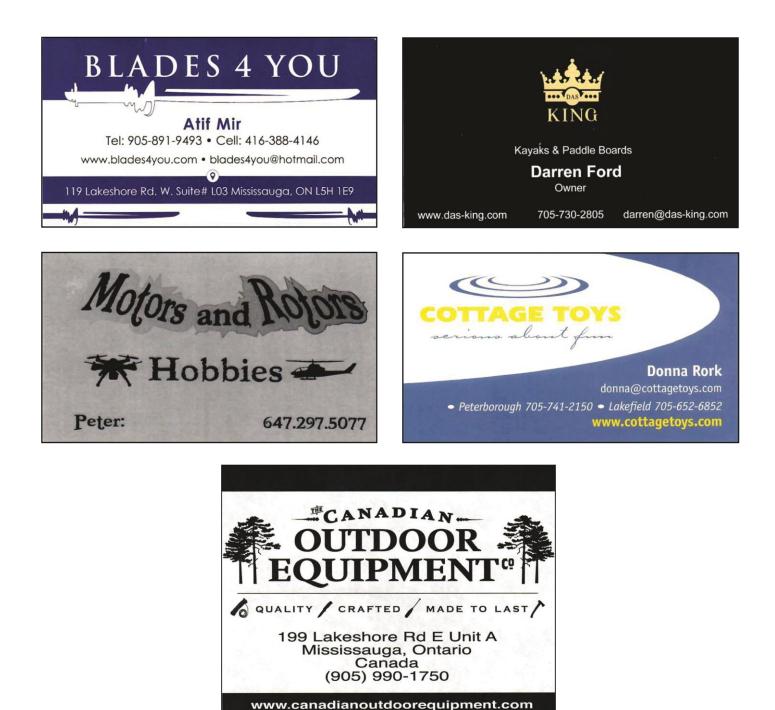
Another Historical Note: In 1927, two years after the formation of Toronto Anglers, several of our members expanded the base of outdoor members in Ontario to form the **Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters!**

Thank You for all the Great Donations!

The Companies below have graciously donated some lovely gifts to the Toronto Sportsmen's Association so that we may be able to have an Auction in the very near future!

Details will be announced soon!

If you, or someone you know would like to donate items for us to Auction, please let the office know.

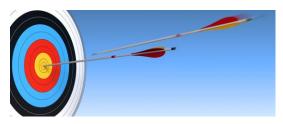


Archery Range and Show News!

By Rick Latorre, Archery Director

The 2019 Sportsmen's Show turned out to be another great one. Setup went well, and attendance was up.

Some of our student volunteers also helped at the Airgun Range. I'm sure they will be back next year!





We had some great, hard working volunteers! Mason, Riley, and James DeWilde were a big part of our success this year, as usual. Dale Valentine's Cadets were indispensable, as well as courteous and professional.

Wendy DeWilde reached out to Bowtech and they graciously lent us 4 additional kids and youth compound bows, as well as 2 Excalibur youth crossbows!

The crossbows were such a big hit with the kids, we had to make a separate line for them! Wendy kept everything moving smoothly, which is not an easy task.

CityTV did a segment on the Kids Archery Range, which went very well. They are great people. The Toronto Sportsmen's' Show cameraman got some perfect shots of kids shooting arrows.

We are looking forward to next year's show already.

Rick Latorre





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To provide our members with the most up to date information on "What's going on" at the TSA, and to also reduce our postage expenses, we started to communicate with members via email on a more regular basis. I urge everyone to send an email to Yvonne at info@torontosportsmens.ca to get you added to our distribution list.

WWW

Our website is found at www.torontosportsmens.ca is the best resource to find out what's going on at the club in a general sense. Since this domain is in the public, we will continue to limit personal information and other sensitive information that could prove not to be in our best interest as a shooting club. In the near future, we will create a member login page where current members can log in and find newsletters, detailed activities and other information related to TSA.