

## **Around the ATA                      July 2019**

Greetings from the North Star state! In last month's column I claimed that winter had given up, and while that may be true, according to the blowdrys (weather people) the 90 day outlook is for cooler and wetter than average. It is consoling to know that most of the time these people have a hard time getting tomorrow's weather correct, so I am not putting a lot of stock in the 90 day forecast!

When you read this the State High School shoot will be in the books as well as all three zone shoots. In fact, you are probably going to get your July *Trap and Field* after you return from our State Shoot. This year's shoot is scheduled for July 2<sup>nd</sup> through July 7<sup>th</sup> at the Alexandra Shooing Park in Alexandria. Tuesday is a warm-up day with the High Over All starting on Wednesday. Depending on what the Board of Directors decides, this should be the earliest our state shoot will be for the next several years as the 2020 Grand is set for August 5<sup>th</sup> to the 15<sup>th</sup>, which probably will affect the dates of our state shoot. One Central Zone state (Nebraska) already moved their shoot date for 2019.

Minnesota will host a Central Zone site at Del-Tone/Luth in St. Cloud on July 26 to the 28<sup>th</sup>. The program will be 100 of each on Friday, 200 singles on Saturday, and Doubles and Handicap on Sunday. Remember this is a telephonic shoot and there will ten Central Zone sites. You can get program information at the State Shoot.

Minnesota was well represented at the Missouri State Shoot and weather, for the most part, cooperated although storms did move through the area on Saturday night. Trophy winners were Dean Neumann (2), Curt Peterson(2), Scott Messenger (3), Jason Vlasak, Glen Lonneman, Colton Sherman, Troy Haverly(2). As a side note, Troy's dog, Lexi, was much better behaved this year in Missouri and, according to my sources, he was not paged at any time to round her up off the trap line!

Hope to see you at the State Shoot.

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Until next month, Paul T. Cyr for ATA Delegate Dean Walker