

Valley of the Moon Trap Club

Bull Shooter

APRIL 2008

Schedule: 1st Board Meeting 7pm—7:45pm (Board Members Only)
General Membership 8pm—9pm
6th Range Open – Trap & Sporting Clays
12th 2nd Annual Charlie Humberger Memorial Club Shoot
13th Range Open-- Trap & Sporting Clays—NBL @ Stockton
15th Pistol Range—Petaluma P.D.
20th Range Open – Trap & Sporting Clays
27th Range Open -- Trap & Sporting Clays

Trap: **Wednesday and Sunday:** Open to the Public 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Fees: Members \$3.00, Non-members \$6.00, Juniors (17 and under) \$1.50
Monday thru Saturday (Except Wednesday)
Fees: Members \$15.00 per case of targets, \$10.00 per adult guest (18 years and older),
Juniors (17 and under) \$5.00.

Sporting Clays: **Sundays Only:** 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Fees: Members \$5.00, Non-members \$7.50, Juniors (17 and under) \$3.00

Pistol / Rifle Range: Range opens at 10am Sunday's, 9am weekdays. Fees: \$5.00 members, \$10.00 adult guests, \$5.00 juniors. **Odd** calendar days are reserved for pistol shooters. **Even** calendar days are reserved for rifle shooters. The range is closed during sporting clays and scheduled events. A reminder: The pistol / Rifle range is for **members only** or guests **accompanied by a member only**. It is not open to the public! (You must sign-in, pay and raise the red flag **before** you start shooting)

Wednesday Shoots: Start around 10ish and continue to 2pm or so. Open to the public for trap shooters only.

Key Contacts: President – John Ginocchio (707) 996-3043 (9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Only – Please)
Caretaker – Tom Koehn (707) 933-0306
Rifle/Pistol Range Master –
Membership – Charlie Marino (707) 933-9536 (5 p.m. to 9pm – Please)
Newsletter – Marv Schmidt (415) 381-8345, Email: marvinschmidt@comcast.net
Sunday Work Coordinator – Brad Marriott (707) 337-0617,
Email: trapshooter2@comcast.net
Accounting & Advertising – Janet Keiser (707) 996-4331
Hunter Safety – Sam Grow, NRA Certified Instructor (707) 648-0410

THE LATEST BULL!

Greetings for April and how is everyone's hay fever? There are several items to report on this time so hang on 'cause here we go!!

Fun Shoot: Saturday, April 12th, will be our second annual Charlie Humberger memorial club shoot. Plan to bring family and friends out for a fun day of 100 targets and a great lunch. Some nice prizes will be awarded and a great time will be had, all for \$30 per shooter. For those not shooting lunch will be available for \$7.00.

The Petaluma P.D. has reserved the pistol range on Tuesday, April 15th, from 8am to 12 noon so pistol shooters please note this date.

Fee Increase: Please note that the price of member use of the rifle/pistol range is \$5.00 as of April 1st.

WORKERS CORNER

APRIL WORK SCHEDULE

6th
13th Bill Davis
20th Need some volunteers here!!
27th Please sign up, call or E-mail.....

MAY WORK SCHEDULE

2nd
9th Need Help
16th Please Sign Up,
25th Call, or E-mail !!
31st PITA Registered Shoot—Need 15 + helpers

We are in the fourth quarter of our membership year and our records indicate many of you have not fulfilled any of your work obligation. Please note on the above schedule the large amount of blank spaces.

Those of you who have not completed your work obligation for the 2007-2008 year will be assessed an additional \$150 at dues renewal time. We need at least three members to work our regular Sunday public days.

Work Party Day: To help those of you that have a problem working on Sundays, we are planning a special work party Saturday on May 3rd. We are compiling a list of spring spruce up projects including cleaning and refinishing all the benches and tables around the trap fields. So circle that date on your calendar and come out and help spruce the place up! A luncheon barbeque is planned.

Remember it is your responsibility to be there on your assigned day promptly at 9 a.m. to set-up the range and get assignments for the day. If you are unable make your assigned date, it is **your responsibility** to find another club member to replace you or pay a \$50.00 fine per club rules.

It is easier for us and better for you to pick your dates you know you can work rather than us assigning you a date. There are 3 easy ways of signing up.

- Sign up on the calendar at the clubhouse, or
- Call (707) 337-0617 or send an e-mail (preferred) to trapshooter2@comcast.net, or marvinschmidt@comcast.net
- **As a very important last reminder, in order to receive credit for working, you “must” sign the work log located in the club house.** Failure to “sign” the log will result in you not receiving credit for working.

We are aware of a problem people have had when calling the work coordinator phone number. We think the problem has been corrected and we apologize to those of you who may not have received a timely reply in the past. Thanks again...Brad

NRA

One of the benefits of belonging to the NRA is its endowment programs in which clubs (such as VOMTC) and other organizations with 100% NRA membership are eligible for substantial cash grants to be used for improvement projects as each club sees fit.



Remember, being a current NRA member is a requirement of membership in VOMTC. ***If our club is to have a chance at taking advantage of the endowment programs, we must have accurate records on NRA members of our club members.*** So if you don't know if we have your current NRA membership number let Brad or Marv know by e-mail or phone.

Don't forget that if or when your NRA dues need renewing you can pay your dues through the club at a \$10 savings off the membership. Contact John, Marv, or Brad.

“A well regulated Militia, being necessary to the security of a free State, the right of the people to keep and bear Arms, shall not be infringed.”
Second Amendment, U.S. Constitution

Welcome New Members

Please welcome our newest members: Dave Cuffman, Carl Hagen, and Mikiele Perkins.

VOMTC WEBSITE

The newsletter is back on the web site for your click and view pleasure. If you would prefer to download it off the web and save more save the club .41cents a copy, please let one of us (Janet, Brad or Marv) know and we'll delete your name from the newsletter mailing list. So far we have only heard from a couple of our members.

COMPONENTS SALES

The component room will be open from 12 noon to 1pm on Sundays and Wednesdays. Due to limited availability of shot, we are limiting purchases to 100 lbs per member (4 bags) per month at \$33 per bag. Cheddite primers have gone up a dollar to \$24 per thousand.

Estate and eventually Fiocchi shells will now be \$6.00 per box of 25 and \$55 per flat of ten boxes.

HEADS UP

We have need of some club member volunteers to step up and take care of some tasks that need doing:

1- We have a few, and need a few more people to do some grounds maintenance, i.e. mowing, edging, brush and leaf clean-up around the club grounds.

2- There are a few repainting projects that need to be completed. Most noticeable are the benches behind the trap fields that are desperately in need of refinishing.

3- There are some carpentry projects that need someone's help.

If you are interested and can contribute some time to any of these projects let John or Brad know. Those of you who can't do your Sunday work can get some of your work obligation out of the way at your convenience.

Of course, when you do accomplish any of these projects, please remember to sign the work log in the club house so we know who to give work credit and thanks to.

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Once again a reminder especially to our Wednesday crowd, if it is late in the day and the shooting is winding

down, please take a few minutes to put away the voice calls, lock the trap houses (don't forget the safety cones) and police the area for empties, trash and cardboard.

PLEASE BREAK DOWN THE BOXES before they are put in the GREEN re-cycle CARDBOARD ONLY container behind trap two (2).

Help is also needed in the club house at the end of the day for policing the kitchen area, in particular emptying and cleaning the coffee pots and wiping off the counters. Apparently they are not self cleaning!! Thank you so much for your anticipated assistance!!!

Upcoming Events

North Bay League:

April 13	@ Stockton
May 4	@ Newman
June 1	@ VOMTC
July 13	@ Livermore
August 3	@ Martinez (Newark)
September 14	Grand @ Newman

Round Robin:

April 26, 27	@ Petaluma
May 17, 18	@ Lakeport
June 14, 15	@ VOMTC
June 28, 29	@ Pt. Arena
July 19, 20	@ Ukiah

In Memoriam

It is with a great sadness that we report the passing of long time former VOMTC and Novato Trap Club member Hale Knight. Hale passed away in Gold Canyon Arizona on February 16th at age 82. He was one of our Wednesday "regulars" until moving to Arizona in 2004.

Forget the 15th and Have a Happy April!!