

Valley of the Moon Trap Club

Bull Shooter

APRIL 2009

Schedule: 5th Trap & Sporting Clays NBL @ Stockton
7th Board Meeting 7pm—7:45pm (Board Members Only)
General Membership 8pm—9pm
12th Easter--Trap & Sporting Clays
18th **Third annual Charlie Humberger Memorial Club Shoot**
19th Trap & Sporting Clays
26th 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) \$2.00
Monday thru Saturday (Except Wednesday)
Trap #2 is open for practice using tokens and voice calls. Tokens are available at the Office on Sundays and Wednesdays and from FKS Sporting Goods at 20525 Broadway in Sonoma.

Sporting Clays: **Sundays Only:** 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Fees: Members \$5.00, Non-members \$8.00, juniors (17 and under) \$3.00

Pistol / Rifle Range: **Until Further Notice the Rifle and Pistol Range is closed to all except Law Enforcement Organizations.....**

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) 931-0470 (9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Only – Please)
Caretaker _ Tom Koehn (707) 933-0306
Rifle/Pistol Range Master _ Dave Lenci (707) 255-1992
Membership _ Charlie Marino (707) 933-9536 (5 p.m. to 9pm _ Please)
Newsletter _ Marv Schmidt (415) 381-8345, E-mail: marvinschmidt@comcast.net
Sunday Work Coordinator _ Jan and Bill Miller (707) 996-5536 E-mail mrsjanim@comcast.net
Accounting & Advertising _ Janet Keiser (707) 996-4331
Hunter Safety _ Sam Grow, NRA Certified Instructor (707) 648-0410
Club House Phone -- (707) 938-9874 e-mail vomtrap@hotmail.com

**Club Hours: 9am to 5pm (9pm during special events). As always, weather permitting.
Valley of the Moon Trap Club / P.O. Box 534 Vineburg, CA 95487-0534**

THE LATEST BULL!

President's Message Just a word of thanks to Bill and Jan Miller for their great job as work coordinators. Unfortunately for us they are unable to continue in that role (see worker's corner) and a replacement is needed.

Check out the new look of the club website at www.vomtc.org with its new layout and new photo albums..... See you at the club...
John Ginocchio

Here's What's New!

Please mark down Saturday, April 18th as the date of the third annual Charlie Humberger Memorial club shoot and lunch

**THIRD ANNUAL
CHARLIE HUMBERGER MEMORIAL SHOOT**
Saturday, April 18th, 2009
Price of \$35 for 101 targets and lunch
Lunch only, \$ 7

Two different programs, shooters choice A or B

Event A: 25 5 Stand sporting clays
25 Progressive 19--27 yards
25 Hot singles
13 Pairs of doubles

Event B: 25 Hot singles
25 24 Yard handicap
25 Progressive 19--27 yards
26 Wobble 20 yard 1 shot

Several nice trophies will be awarded including High overall, runner-up, high lady, and others.

So come out and enjoy some fun shooting, fine dining, and win a trophy!

Stinking Badges! Please have your club membership card visible or readily available when on the club grounds.

Trap Clinic: Larry Marvier has obtained the services of ATA Hall of Fame shooter and Trap and Field Magazine columnist Frank Hoppe to present a trap shooting clinic at the club on April 3rd, 4th, and 5th. Friday, April 3rd will be a one day clinic and April 4 and 5 will be a two day class. The cost will be \$220 for one day and \$350 for two days. If you are interested, please call Larry at (415) 328-5153.

New Members-There is a moratorium on new members joining the club. New members will be accepted at the June 2nd Board of Directors meeting. Prior to applying for club membership, future applicants must have shot four separate public days of either trap or sporting clays

before a membership application will be offered.

Rifle/Pistol Range The rifle/pistol range is still closed except to our Law Enforcement clients. Dave Lenci has agreed to assume the post of Range Master/Safety Officer. He will be NRA Range Safety Officer qualified some time in April and will then train his staff of club volunteers so that there is at least one Range Supervisor available for the range's open days.

Trap No. 6 is closed for use except on Sundays as an instructional trap for new shooters. Trap no. 2 is the designated non-public day practice trap.

Please Sign In! When using the practice trap (#2) on non-public days, please remember to sign in on the sheet on the table and print your name and member number legibly so we know who's who. If you have a guest, please have them sign in and drop \$10 in an envelope in the slot on the office window.

New Members

Please welcome the following new members: Pete Gonzalez Jr., Robert Larman, and Chuck Waltman.

Upcoming Events

2009 Round Robin: Petaluma	April 25-26
Lake County	May 16-17
VOMTC	May 30-31
Pt Arena	June 27-28
Ukiah	July 18-19
2009 North Bay League: Stockton	April 5
Newman	May 3
VOMTC	June 14
Newark @ Livermore	July 12
Livermore	August 2
NBL Grand @ Martinez	September 13

Workers Corner

TO ALL CLUB MEMBERS

Circumstances beyond our control make it necessary for us to discontinue our job as Duty Coordinators for the club. Therefore, someone needs to take this task over IMMEDIATELY. As everything is on the computer in the Excel program, it is not a difficult role to assume. In order to facilitate the change over, we have assigned workers for the months of May, June & July.

WORKERS, if you find your name on a date you cannot make and want to swap with someone, but need a phone number, give us a call or e-mail us and we will be glad to accommodate you. So please, someone step up to the plate and take on this task for the club. It will be greatly appreciated by everyone. Thanks for all your help these past few months. Bill & Jan Miller

WORKERS CORNER			
APRIL		MAY	
5TH	Damien Magnani, Jim Crumpler, Paul Fabian, Ron Gordon Anthony McDaniel	3RD	Ted Vervais, Nick Weeks, Joe Brambrink Don Ridenhour
12TH	Marc Davies, Gloria Brecher, Geoff Brecher Robert Nunes	10TH	Tim & Donna Ryan, Mark Rose Joe Brambrink
19TH	Jim Johnson, Leslie Clark, Richard Konecky Todd Steuteville	17TH	John Murphy Frank Darien Don Ridenhour Richard Kramer
26TH	Jan Sides, Richard Lederer John Quigley Gary Sweeden	24TH	Adam Welsh, Tony Zitko Gary Sweeden Dana Goleno

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) 996- 5536 or (preferred) e-mail mrsjanim@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.** Please write the total hours worked (“all day” is not a viable answer). **PLEASE BE SURE TO PRINT YOUR NAME LEGIBLY AND “SIGN” THE LOG TO INSURE THAT YOU RECEIVE CREDIT FOR WORKING!!**

SUNDAY WORKER DUTIES

NOTE: The 5 stand shooters take care of their traps & scoring. Sunday workers may be asked to haul targets (standard or sporting clays) to the sporting clay traps.

All other traps to remain open until there are no more shooters - approx. 4-5 hours.

1. Bring in wood for the stove & fireplace during cooler weather days. Use and return wood cart from garage.
2. Place score cards at traps 2, 3 & 4.

3. Fill traps using mower/tractor from garage and small trailer kept behind garage. Traps 2 & 3 should have 12 cases of clays, traps 4, 5, & 6 should have 8 cases.

4. Set up speakers on traps 2, 3, & 4. Speakers may be required for trap No. 5 if there are doubles shooters.

5. Score for traps #2 & #3. ***There must be a club member at trap #2*** at all times in order to help the general public and insure that firearm safety rules are obeyed.

6. When shooting is finished, lock traps up, put speakers away, No. 2 set goes in club house, and take score cards to office.

7. Please properly fill out and sign work log in clubhouse before leaving.

Components Sales

The component room hours are 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 \$29 per bag. Cheddite primers have gone up again to \$29 per thousand, or \$145 per case of 5,000. Fiocchi and Winchester shells will now be \$6.50 per box of 25 and \$60 per flat of ten boxes of 12 and 20 gauge shells.

Fire Arm & Trap Machine Safety

For those of you who are new to the club or are unfamiliar with the safe care and operating of our trap machines, the following is a short primer on safe operating procedures.

There is a switch box mounted inside the right forward wall of the trap house with two toggle switches. The rear switch is an on off control for the pump motor and the front switch is the arm release control. It is a three position toggle switch (up is on, down is off, and pushing below down releases the arm to the safe position). ***Caution, be sure the area in front of the trap is clear of people, animals, or vehicles before releasing the arm!!!***

When reloading the machine, release the arm which throws the target on the table. The red launch arm will then be visible on the left side of the machine. Place the orange safety cone on top of the roof and slide the roof back to gain entrance to the targets.

When reloading is complete, close the roof, place the cone in front of the house out of sight of the trap posts, turn the release switch back on and collect the empty bird cartons and you're ready to shoot again.

****Have a Safe, Happy Easter!!****