

Valley of the Moon Trap Club

Bull Shooter

FEBRUARY 2008

- Schedule:
- 3rd Range Open – Trap & Sporting Clays
 - 5th Board Meeting 7pm – 7:45pm (Board Members Only)
General Membership 8pm – 9pm
 - 10th Range Open – Trap & Sporting Clays – NBL @ Martinez
 - 17th Range Open – Trap & Sporting Clays
 - 24th 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: \$3.00 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
 - Rifle/Pistol Range Master – Jamie Waterman (707) 762-3623
 - 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 February and a special "Leap year" Happy birthday to all of you born on the 29th!

The Board has negotiated an agreement with the Petaluma P.D. for use of the pistol/rifle range. Specific dates and frequency will be announced herein but most likely will be Tuesdays and or Fridays.

Tad Alvard wants to know if any of our Sunday shooters might be interested in brunch and if so, what sort of menu would be most popular. If you have any preferences pass it on to the usual "suspects" i.e. John, Marv, Brad, etc.

Congratulations to Ron Titus for his second perfect score on the five stand sporting clays course. Ron wins the magnum wine provided by Richard Arrowood who also donates \$250 to the club. Thank you, Richard for your generous contributions to the club and the sporting clay enthusiasts.

NEW CARETAKER

We have a new care taker, Tom Koehn. Tom is a retired railroad worker, knows his way around a tool shed and welding shop and also makes golf clubs. He should fit in nicely here!! So stop in and introduce your-self to Tom.

WORKERS CORNER

FEBRUARY WORK SCHEDULE

3rd Larry Marvier
10th
17th Need some volunteers here!!
24th Please sign up, call or E-mail.....

MARCH WORK SCHEDULE

2nd Roger Bare, Terry Mc Clarnon
9th Need Help
16th C. Flandi, F. Strohmeier, R. Bare, T. Mc Clarnon Please Sign Up,
25th Call, or E-mail !!

We re in the third quarter of our membership year and many of you have not signed up to work yet. We need at least three members to work each Sunday and 15-20 people for events such as meat shoots (March 16th). 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.

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.

A special big *THANK YOU!* goes out to all the club members who pitch in and help out at the club on shoot day's and also when you see things that just need getting done and then "Get-R-Done". 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 (which is just as good as money) 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.

NOTE: If you can't find your NRA Membership card and you receive one of the NRA publications, your number may be found on the mailing label.

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: Richard Kramer, Dave Lee, David Parker, Bert Varner, William Walker, and Richard Whitestone.

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

Al Colescott has taken over the job of running the 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 \$30 per bag.

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.

4- The firewood still needs to be hauled behind the clubhouse to the new fenced-in storage area.

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 clubhouse so we know who to give work credit and thanks to.

MISCELLANEA

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!!!

The steel patterning board has been relocated to the right side of the berm alongside the rifle/pistol range in front of trap 7. This location is more convenient and much safer than the previous location.

Please do not use steel shot or any thing larger than #7 1/2 lead shot when using the board. RIFLE OR PISTOL SHOOTERS....DON'T EVEN THINK ABOUT IT !!!

And thank you, Mark Petersen, for moving the board for us.

While on the subject of the Rifle/Pistol range it has come to our attention that some one has been using unapproved targets in the range. These include tin cans, glass bottles, pumpkins, and some heavy steel plate surfaces that are sure to cause ricochets that can land anywhere but the embankment that is supposed to protect our neighbors. So if you don't have any proper targets, please do not use the range, and clean up all brass and debris when you are finished.....

Upcoming Events

North Bay League: February 10 @ Martinez
 March 9 @ Coon Creek
 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 @ Lake Port
 June 14, 15 @ VOMTC
 June 28, 29 @ Pt. Arena
 July 19, 20 @ Ukiah

Happy Valentines Day!!