

Valley of the Moon Trap Club

# *Bull Shooter*

**JANUARY 2008**

- Schedule:
- 6<sup>th</sup> Range Open – Trap & Sporting Clays
  - 8<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting 7pm—7:45pm (Board Members Only)  
General Membership 8pm—9pm
  - 13<sup>th</sup> Range Open – Trap & Sporting Clays
  - 20<sup>th</sup> Range Open-- Trap & Sporting Clays
  - 27<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:marvinschmidt@comcast.net)
  - Sunday Work Coordinator – Brad Marriott (707) 337-0617,  
Email: [trapshooter2@comcast.net](mailto:trapshooter2@comcast.net)
  - Accounting & Advertising – Janet Keiser (707) 996-4331
  - Hunter Safety – Sam Grow, NRA Certified Instructor (707) 648-0410

## THE LATEST BULL!

Greetings and Happy New Year....Again already!

The past year was quite a year with some subtle and some not so subtle changes at VOMTC . We saw the completion of an elevated concrete pad on which a new trailer for the caretaker is located providing some high ground for future high water events we can expect now that the levees along Sonoma Creek have been repaired.

We acquired four sets of wireless voice calls for the trap fields which have proven to be most trouble free.

Attendance at our special events was up including North Bay League, Round Robin, The Phil Simpson and Charlie Humberger Memorial shoots, and most recently the Thanksgiving and Christmas turkey shoots. A big thank you and well done to all the club members who pitched in and helped make these events such successes.

### NEW CARETAKER

We have a new care taker, Tom Koehn who will be moving into the trailer sometime in early January. 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 yourself to Tom.

### WORKERS CORNER

#### JANUARY WORK SCHEDULE

6th Phil De Shazo, Jim Riley  
 13<sup>th</sup> Phil Bosso, Richard King, Jim Riley  
 20<sup>th</sup> Need some volunteers here!!  
 27th Please sign up, call or E-mail.....

#### FEBRUARY WORK SCHEDULE

3rd  
 10<sup>th</sup> Need Help  
 17<sup>th</sup> Please Sign Up  
 24<sup>th</sup> Call, or E-mail !!

Were 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 ( December 16). 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](mailto: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**

### VOMTC WEBSITE

Valley of the Moon Trap Club / P.O. Box 881 Sonoma, CA. 95476  
 Website: <http://www.VOMTC.org>

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 for 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 A WILLING WORKER is needed to take over the job of keeping the bar stocked with beer and water.

2 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.

3 There are a few repainting projects that need to be completed. Most noticeable are the benches behind the trap fields.

4 There are some carpentry projects that need some ones help.

5 The firewood 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 club house 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). 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 ½ 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.

**Have a Safe, Happy 2008!!**