

Valley of the Moon Trap Club

Bullshooter

MARCH 2008

Schedule: 2nd Range Open – Trap & Sporting Clays
9th Range Open – Trap & Sporting Clays
16th St Patrick's Day/ Easter Meat Shoot – (Range & Trap & Sporting Clays Closed until meat shoot is over.)
23rd Range Open – Trap & Sporting Clays
30th 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

Wednesday Shoots: Start around 10ish and continue to 2pm or so. Open to the public for shotgun 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,
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GENERAL CLUB STUFF

Here's what we know so far...Bite my peek and peck two fingers if this causes a major weather pattern change but this winter has been great with an adequate amount of precipitation but not so much as to cause anything more than a little ground water in some of the trap houses.

Our caretaker, Tom Koehn, has been doing a terrific job with the mowers keeping the well watered lawns mowed and trimmed and a sight to behold.

UPCOMING EVENTS OF NOTE.

March 16th is the annual St Patrick's meat shoot with sixty corn beef briskets to be awarded. Tad Alvard will be in the kitchen providing a traditional corn beef and cabbage "Irish" luncheon.

Remember, sixty prizes mean three hundred total tickets for sale, so be there early as they won't last long if the weather is good. Tickets go on sale at 9:00 a.m. so don't be late.

On Saturday, April 12th, the club will host the second annual Charlie Humberger memorial club shoot in honor of one of our late great past members and benefactors. The program will consist of 100 targets and lunch for \$30. So mark that date down and plan on coming out and having a good day of shooting, fun, and lunch with some great people.

Doubles Anyone?

Here's a letter from one of our great members, Larry Marvier, who is an accomplished doubles shooter with a trailer load of trophies from California to Ohio to prove it.....

"I enjoy shooting doubles and sometimes have to search for people to fill a squad. Once in a while people will ask about doubles and would like to shoot more but are reluctant because they don't feel they can do well.

I would be happy to share what little bit I know by having a class limited to 5 people who are either beginners or don't do very well and could use a tip or two.

I've never done this before so it could be a bust but I know that I would learn a thing or two, it will be fun to try, and who knows, someone might pick up on something to help them improve and you might find out that doubles shooting is not as difficult as it looks!

There will be no cost for this other than the targets, payable with shoot tickets.

If one person is interested, we will make it work. If more than 5 people call, maybe we can plan a second day or who knows? Then maybe I'll have more people to shoot doubles with."

Larry has picked Saturday, April 5th as his first "doubles date". Call him at (415) 897-8224

WORKERS CORNER

MARCH WORK SCHEDULE

2 nd	Roger Bare
9 th	Steve Jacobs, Mo Llanes
16 th	Christine Flandi, Francis Strohmeier, Roger Bare, Terry Mc Clarnon, Mike Malone, Nick Weeks, Errol Hinton, Need 10 More !!
23 rd	Rich Whitestine, Mo Llanes
30 th	Mike Malone, Nick Weeks

APRIL WORK SCHEDULE

6 th	
13 th	Need Help
20 th	Please Sign Up
27 th	Or Call !!

We need approximately 15 more volunteers to work the Meat Shoot March 16th. To make this shoot work, we need your help. It is a good way for a larger than normal number of people to work off some hours. And there are a lot of you who've yet to perform your required "volunteer" obligations!

We re now 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 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.

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.

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.

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

We had a light new membership month in February. Please welcome John B. Drace to the club.

VOMTC WEBSITE

The newsletter is back on the web site for your click and view pleasure. If you would prefer to down load 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 reports new components have been ordered and are arriving with both good and bad news. Some powders are a few dollars less per keg and some are about the same while Cheddite primers are up a Dollar at \$24 per one thousand. The next delivery of shot will be \$33 per bag with of course the 4 bag per member per month limit.

Component room sales hours are from 12 noon to 1pm on Sundays and Wednesdays. .

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 ie. mowing, edging, brush and leaf clean-up around the club grounds.

2 There are a lot of repainting projects that need to be completed, most noticeably the benches behind the trap fields and the picnic tables.

3 There are some carpentry projects that need some ones 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.

THE VOMTC KITCHEN

Tad Alvard is back to serve brunches on the third Sunday of each month starting in February. If you have any suggestions or favorites, let us know and we will pass it on to Tad.

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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 target boxes before they are put in the GREEN re-cycle CARDBOARD ONLY container behind trap 2. Thank you so much for your anticipated assistance!!!

Have a Very Happy Easter !!!