

Valley of the Moon Trap Club

Bull Shooter

OCTOBER 2008

Schedule: 5th Range Open — Trap & Sporting Clays
7th Board Meeting 7pm — 7:45pm (Board Members Only)
General Membership 8pm — 9pm
11th Saturday — Phil Simpson Memorial Club Shoot
12th Range Open — Trap & Sporting Clays
19th Range Open — Trap & Sporting Clays
26th 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) \$2.00
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 \$8.00, 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) 931-0470 (9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Only — Please)
Caretaker — Tom Koehn (707) 933-0306
Rifle/Pistol Range Master — Len Stockton (707) 326-4253
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 — 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 Hours: 9am to 5pm (9pm during special events). As always, weather permitting.
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THE LATEST BULL!

Greetings again “moonies” and here it is October already. There is a lot of important information to be reported herein so ***Please Pay Attention!!***

POSITION FILLED We are delighted to report that Jan and Bill Miller have agreed to assume the job of work party co-ordinator. They will be drafting people to fill the Sunday worker requirements from the November schedule and beyond. If you have a date you want to work or can't work, it would behoove you to contact them at your earliest convenience. Their phone and e-mail are listed on the directory page.

Please read the ***Worker's Corner*** paragraph (page 3) for important information regarding work scheduling.

Fee Increase As of September 1st, the price of junior trap tokens is \$2 and the price of non-member sporting clay tickets is \$8.

Upcoming Events

Phil Simpson Memorial Club Shoot @ VOMTC

The Second Annual Phil Simpson Memorial Club Shoot will be held Saturday, October 11th, at the club.

Last year's premier event was a huge success and this year's event promises to be even better with more great prizes including belt buckles, and shoot bags. The raffle will be there again with tickets for \$1 and a huge list of prizes from gift baskets, wine, and much, much more!

The shooting program will consist of 100 targets of 25 singles, 25 handicap (21yd), 25 Wobble (21 yd), and 25 handicap targets from the 24 yd line. All this and a great lunch for a mere \$35. Lunch only is \$7. Office opens at 8am and starting time will be 9am.

For additional information, contact Todd Simpson (707) 478-6435, Lisa Simpson (707) 478-6405, or Jim Elam (707) 938-5076.

They're Here!

As reported in last month's B/ shooter, traps 2, 3, 4, and 5 are now equipped with token boxes. To shoot a round of trap, insert a token into the receptacle slot on the upper left side of the box, which is mounted on a post behind post 4 at the 27 yard line. Note that each token provides 27 targets so a full squad will have 135 targets which is more than enough for looking at the first target and the odd broken bird and/or a flinch or two. However caution should be exercised in avoiding unnecessary

conversation and use care in moving mike stands around which causes undesired targets to be thrown. ***Loose talk loses targets!!***

At present, traps 2 & 3 will be used for singles and Handicap shooting, trap 4 will be a full time wobble trap, and trap 5 will throw doubles.

Those of you who want to shoot trap on non-public days can now use trap 2. You will need to purchase tokens from the office on either Sunday or Wednesday. Tom will open trap 2 when he opens in the morning. There will be a cordless voice call set kept in the club house which you will need to move out to the trap and set up. Be sure the trap has plenty of targets before you start shooting. There will be a supply of targets kept in the trap house. Then drop your tokens in the box and go “break em all”! When you're finished shooting, please pack up the voice calls and return them to the clubhouse.

Skeet Field

At the August 5th board meeting, Lou Lori offered to lead a “committee” to investigate the feasibility of creating a skeet field at the club. Areas to be explored will include layout, installation costs, viability, and other issues involved with this possible project. Anyone with interest in a skeet field and would like to contribute information, research and ideas should contact Lou at (707) 833-1122.

Ted's Corner

“Hey! We need office/clubhouse/all around help on Wednesdays and Sundays (3 to 4 hours a.m.). Perfect for retired or any guys and gals with too much time on their hands. This is an easy way to fulfill your club duty obligations and get some time away from the computer, TV, or honey-do list(s). Contact John, Jan and Bill, or Ted for scheduling.....”



NRA

Don't forget that when your NRA Dues need renewing, you may pay through the club and save \$10 off the regular membership cost. Contact John, or Marv.

“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....

Workers Corner

On the 2nd Wednesday of each month, we will be choosing people to work on Sundays. If you haven't signed up by then, your name will be "thrown into the pot". You can either call or e-mail us to choose your time. Note: Be sure to check October's work calendar as changes were made and your name might have been posted. We still need 5 workers for the 11/23 Turkey Shoot and 6 workers for the 12/21 Xmas Shoot. Thanks for your help, Jan & Bill Miller

| <u>WORKERS CORNER</u> | | | |
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| <u>OCTOBER</u> | | <u>NOVEMBER</u> | |
| 5TH | John Murphy Richard King Richard Kramer | 2ND | JOE BURROUGHS JOHN DONALD RICH WHITESTINE |
| 12TH | GENE ANDERSON DICK MARCHANT JERRY ROUTH | 9TH | RALPH CAMPANA DAN CANET RICH WHITESTINE |
| 19TH | JOE BURROUGHS BOB ADRA JIM JOHNSON | 16TH | RALPH CAMPANA TERRY MELBERG JIM RILEY |
| 26TH | GENE ANDERSON DICK MARCHANT JERRY ROUTH | 23RD MEAT SHOOT | K. FLANDI,, CAMPANA, DEAN DEBOIS, HINTON, MALFATTI, SIDES, STROHMEYER, TREMARI, J. WOODWARD |
| | | 30TH | DAVID PARKER GENE KELLY JOHN SPENCE |

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.** Failure to “sign” the log will result in you not receiving credit for working.

Welcome New Members

Please welcome new members Mike Caselli, James Mc Veigh, and Melody Samuelson 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 .42cents a copy, please let one of us (Janet 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 but we know that most of you are internet connected.

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 \$33 per bag. Cheddite primers have gone up again to \$29 per thousand, or \$145 per case of 5,000.

Estate, Federal, and Fioocchi shells will now be \$6.50 per box of 25 and \$60 per flat of ten boxes.

Fire Arm Safety

When we are on the trap and or sporting clays line please keep an eye out especially when new and or young shooters are present to ensure that safe firearm procedures are adhered to, i.e. loading no more than one shell in the gun (trap), or no more than two shells (clays), no changing stations with a shell in the gun or the action closed, pointing a gun any direction other than down range. If any deviations of these common sense rules are observed, please politely inform the shooter of the proper way to do things. Stress firearm safety from the start and it will become a safe habit. We want safe, happy shooters here!

Have A Safe, Happy, Halloween!