

Valley of the Moon Trap Club

Bullshooter

September 2007

- Schedule:**
- 2nd Range Open – Trap & Sporting Clays
 - 4th General Board Meeting 8pm (Board Members Only From 7-7:45)
 - 9th Range Open – Trap & Sporting Clays – NBL Grand @ Livermore
 - 16th Range Open-Trap & Sporting Clays
 - 23rd Range Open-Trap & Sporting Clays
 - 30th Range Open – Trap & Sporting Clays

Practice Trap: Sunday and Wednesday: Open to the public 10am - 2pm or so; Fees: \$3.00 Member's, \$6.00 non-members, \$1.50 juniors (17 and under). **Monday - Saturday** (accompanied by members); Fees: \$15 per case of targets, \$10 per Adult guest 18 years and older, \$5 for juniors (17 and under).

Sporting Clays: 5 stand course available on Sundays from 10am - 2pm or so.
Fees: \$5.00 members, \$7.50 non-members, \$3.00 juniors (17 and under)

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 shotgun shooters only.

Key Numbers: President – John Ginocchio 996-3043 (9am to 5pm only - please)
Caretaker – Chris Keyes
Pistol range master – Jamie Waterman 707-762-3623
Membership applications – Charlie Marino 933-9536 (5pm to 9pm - please)
Sunday Duty Roster & Work Party – Brad Marriott 707-337-0617,
E-mail trapshooter2@comcast.net
Newsletter – Marv Schmidt e-mail marvinschmidt@comcast.net
Accounting & Advertising – Janet 996-4331
Sam Grow – Certified NRA Hunter Safety Course Instructor 648-0410

Club Hours: 9am to 5pm (9pm during special events). As always, *weather permitting*
Valley of the Moon Trap Club / P.O. Box 881 Sonoma, CA. 95476

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General Club Staff

Greetings again “ mooners” and here’s the news for September.

Member Ted Oktabetz generously donated a CL10 , (clean little one-owner) tractor-mower to the club and we thank you Ted.

As a result of Ted’s donation, the club has a slight surplus of rolling/mowing stock. So a silent auction will be conducted for a slightly older “cl1o” namely a Sears tractor. If you are interested in this fine machine, contact John Ginocchio or Chris to see the vehicle. If you are really interested leave a bid on a piece of paper with your name on it in the slot in the office window in the club house. The bids will be opened on September 19th.

Way To Go!!

Once again Richard Arrowood has donated \$250 to the club for another “perfect 25” on the sporting clays field, this time it was Jon Ray. Good shooting Jon and thank you Richard.

From the Grand American Trapshooting Championships our own Larry Marvier brought home the veterans trophy for the WSRC doubles event of August 12 with a 99. Next year he’s going to bring us a senior vet trophy, right?

NRA DATA

One of the benefits of belonging to the NRA is its endowment programs in which clubs and other organizations with 100% NRA membership are eligible for substantial cash (which is just as good as money) grants to be used for improvement projects as each club sees fit. To that end and because we are an NRA club, we need to be sure that we are all current NRA members either annual or life. To that end the club has been enabled by NRA to enroll and re-new memberships and at a savings of \$10 per member.

Since Brad Marriott got us all together on the computer we have discovered some gaps and duplications in NRA numbers in our data base. A lot of this is from some new members joining NRA at the same time they joined the club and then forgetting

(been there done that) to let the club know the member number when the card showed up. So in the next few weeks if you don’t know if we have your NRA, let Brad or Marv know by e-mail or phone or if you happen to be at the club when Brad is there he might even have his lap-top with him and can update on the spot.

Thursday Nights

Due to a lack of interest, the Thursday night shoots have been discontinued.

However, Brad has expressed interest in starting a Saturday shooting program. If you are interested let us know or come on out on Saturday morning and if and when enough people show up we’ll make it a public day with tickets, parades and the whole deal.

VOMTC.ORG WEBSITE

Good news, this 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 space in your snail-mail box for junk-mail, and save us a .41 cent stamp, please let one of us (Janet, Brad or Marv) know and we’ll delete your name from the newsletter mailing list.

New Work Party Coordinator

Brad Marriott has agreed to assume the job of Sunday duty roster coordinator. His phone number and e-mail address are listed under key numbers in the intro page of this issue. Please help Brad get started by calling, signing up on the club house calendar or e-mailing your preferred work days.

Remember it is your responsibility to be there on your assigned day and if you are unable to do so you must find another club member to replace you or pay a \$50.00 fine per club rule. If you want to pick your own dates, call or e-mail Brad. Brad has done a fantastic job of putting together a spreadsheet with every member on it so it won’t be so easy to slip through the cracks now. We need at least three members to work each Sunday and 15-20 people for events such as meat shoots (November 18, December 16) so let Brad know early and beat the rush.

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COMPONENT 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.

Work Dates for September

2nd: Barbara Spataro,

9th: John Murphy, Scott Pace, Todd Steuterville, Don Glatzer

16th: John Spence

23rd: Todd Steuterville

30th: Jerry Aman

We need 2 more people for the 2nd, 16th, 23rd & 30th

Work Dates for October

7th: Joe Burroughs, Ralph Campana, Ernie Piantinida

14th: Gene Anderson, Dick Marchant, Jerry Routh

21st: Joe Burroughs, Barbara Spataro, Ernie Piantinida

28th: Gene Anderson, Dick Marchant, Jerry Routh

For Sunday Work Party & Duty Roster call

**Brad Marriott at 707-337-0617 or
Email: trapshooter2@comcast.net**

Welcome New Members

Ron Gordon and Tom Lesniewski

Got a Question? Got an Idea? Got a Beef?

The first Tuesday of each month, starting at 8pm is the monthly general membership meeting where “ALL” members are invited to voice their views, ideas, beefs, questions or whatever you have to say, be it good or bad. The club holds these meetings each month to hash-out and plan for what needs to be done for upcoming events, and just keeping the club running smoothly in general.

The board members themselves hold their segment of the meeting from 7-8pm. Everyone that arrives before 8pm are asked to please wait in the barroom area until the board finishes with their segment, At 8pm, the doors will open and all members are welcome to attend the “general meeting” from that point-on.

The general meeting at 8pm is where ALL members are welcome to voice their opinions, ideas or even problems directly to the board, and trust us, we DO like hearing from our members. It's YOUR club and the board likes to know what YOU think so we know what needs to be done, added, omitted or changed to make this an even better place for everyone, so come-on out and let YOUR voice be heard.

Don't Argue With Safety!

ALWAYS practice gun safety. ALWAYS consider the gun is loaded! ALWAYS point the gun in a safe direction (even if it's not loaded), and ALWAYS have consideration for others around you while on the shooting range.

Miscellaneous Stuff

A Reminder: Club members please help. If it's late in the shooting day and it looks like things are about done shooting wise, help the club by putting away the voice calls and closing up the trap house if every one is through shooting. Now that we are using wireless voice calls it's a relatively simple job that takes 5 minutes if you stretch it out. Remember to remove the receiver module from the trap house and place it in the black canvas bag on the microphone cart along with the control box. Mixing these units up is non-productive!!

Have a Safe and Sane Labor Day !!!!!

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