

In Sights

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JANUARY 2009 • Next Member's Meeting: **TUESDAY, January 6th @ 7:30 PM.**

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ANNUAL INSTALLATION DINNER

Saturday, January 10, 2009 • Social Hour 5:00 pm • Dinner
6:00 pm

Please come help us celebrate the installation of our
Manteca Sportsmen Club Officers and Board Members!

We will enjoy appetizers, barbecue tri-tip, and chicken
courtesy of the Club. We'll also have coffee, soda, and water. Please do bring an
entree, side dish, salad, or dessert to share. And don't forget to bring your families!!

Volunteers for setup and decorations are more than welcome on Friday evening starting
at 5:00 pm. Can't wait to see you there!



Kid Shoot

By Bill McElfresh

It was a little chilly and dark on that memorable Friday eve when 31 kids showed up to have their chance at putting 10 rounds into the classic NRA target. For their next string of 10 rounds, I explained that a lot of people have snow at this time of year and we usually don't get any here in the valley. I asked who would like the opportunity to shoot at a little snow and almost everyone raised their hand. I then produced Frosty T. Snowman paper plates and the kids smiled. Mr. Snowman stayed jolly throughout the evening and everyone had a great time.

The Kid Shoot is a free event for kids 17 and younger. Rifles, ammunition, targets, eye & ear protection are available for the kids to use. The kids must also attend our Safety and Marksmanship classes.

The safety class was given by Dave Fabiano. Hospitality, sign up and line up was provided by Dave Fabiano and Brian Gookins. Cookies were provided courtesy of Joe Kroeze. Shooting coaches were Paul Milligan, Joe Kroeze, Jim Young, Manfred Kohler, Lee Williams and Marvin Mello.

The next Kid Shoot is on Friday, January 2nd at 6 PM. Grab a kid or two and come on out to give them a super New Years present. See you there!



TWO RIVERS POSSE

"DOWN BY THE RIVER"

SHENANDOAH

December 28 • Durham Ferry — When you wish, wish for what you want. We wished for a bluebird day and there it was. Forty six intrepid cowpokes took their shot at glory and the ones that didn't have a good time weren't really trying. There we were in the sunshine playing with our friends in one of the finest gun games devised by mankind and the fun was there for the having. It was a day to choose your category wisely. Nate Clayton prevailed on stages two, four and five; the Diamondback Kid took stages one and three and Crusty Jim smoked stage six. A couple of "W" boys, Wobblin' Bob and Whiskey Rivers lashed through all of the stages without a miss or penalty. Hangin' Hank once again aced the Old Figs category in spite of a little brain fig at the barber shop. Hank helps us to remember that if we don't have fun playing with our friends we've probably missed the point. That's how it was Down By The River.

Top Guns

	Men	Women
1 st Duelist	Quicksilver Slim	
1 st Senior Duelist	Dragon	
1 st Frontier Cartridge Duelist	Lefty Eastman	
1 st Frontier Cartridge	Sweet Tooth Kelly	
1 st Traditional	Nate Clayton	Molly Magoo
1 st Modern	Ricky D	
1 st B Western	Diamondback Kid	
1 st Old Gun	Hangin' Hank	
1 st 49er	Snapshot Dualin	Cherokee Doll
1 st Silver Senior	Crusty Jim	
1 st Senior	Wobblin' Bob	Pocket Change
1 st Elder Statesman	Harry Morse	



The Cowboy Way: Cowboys laugh when you laugh, cry when you cry, know when you're sick and care when you die.

January 3 • Durham Ferry — It may be noted that the third of January is pretty much in the middle of the WINTER. Can you say shiver? Thirteen of thirty categories were represented today. Nearly sixty per cent of our shooters chose an age based category and the competition was stiff among them. There were five of them among the top ten times and except for one train wreck there would have been six. Some folks just don't need to be protected. Dragon and Panhandle Place shot a clean match in answer to the challenge of the chill. Nate Clayton was again Mr. Consistency and shot a fine match. JW Trader had a wind assisted third place with the breeze keeping his targets in sight. Fannie Mostly contended with a balky shotgun and backup rifle but contested fiercely and left with a smile. Wobblin' Bob and Shenandoah shared a maverick pocket pistol which spoiled a clean match for both of them. That miss kept Bob from having the best time of the day but Shenandoah had a good time in spite of it. Hangin' Hank continues to reign as king of the Old Farts and protects us from the wrath of seriousness. That's how it was Down By The River.

Top Guns

	Men	Women
1 st Traditional	Nate Clayton	Molly Magoo
1 st Elder Statesman	Dirty Pete	
1 st Senior	Wobblin' Bob	Danville Dove
1 st Gunfighter	Ricky D	
1 st Duelist	Blaz N Bill	
1 st Senior Duelist	Dragon	
1 st Frontier Cartridge	JW Trader	
1 st B Western		Fannie Mostly
1 st Buckeroo		Spitfire
1 st 49er	Sintree Tulait	
1 st Silver Senior	Shenandoah	




The Cowboy Way: It's easy to see things that you're lookin' for. The trick is to see things that you're not lookin' for.

Our next shoot will be Sunday, January the 25th and we'll be 22 days closer to spring!

High Power Rifle Match - December 7, 2008

NRA Club #: R0562 CMP Club #: 62254

Match Director: Kerry Johnson

Bench	Competitor Name	Class <i>(High Master, Master, Expert, Sharpshooter, Marksman, or Unclassified)</i>	Off-Hand	Sitting-R	Prone-R	Prone 1	Prone 2	"X"s	Total
 Relay 1									
3	Verne Taylor		71	89	86	82	68	1	396
4	Roy Martin	Ex	92	88	96	90	92	4	458
5	Tom Castle		36	44	25	36	12	1	153
6	Will Castle		52	62	46	58	64		282
7	Kerry Johnson		82	83	74	82	70	2	391
8	Joe Kroeze		57	71	58	34	52		272
9	Aaron Ewing		81	78	83	77	80	1	399
Relay 2									
5	Tom Castle		39	65	61	43	41		249
6	Megan Wilton		46	57	48	30	25		206
7	Chuck Castle		90	90	88	87	83	4	438
8	Will Castle		62	45	51	58	40		256



Pistol Fun Shoot

~Bill McElfresh~

By the time you read this Christmas will have passed and New Years day will have been the latest Big Event. Everyone here at MSC hopes the New Year brings you health and prosperity!

The Christmas theme Pistol Fun Shoot was very successful. Seventeen people signed up and shot in the 5 relays containing snowmen, a gingerbread man, Christmas trees and small ornaments among other targets.

The top three Jingle Bell rockers in the center fire category were Rick James and Aaron Ewing (tied at 330) and Steve Loken who shot a 290. The top three Sleigh Drivers in the rim fire category were Chuck Castle (430), Mike Maciel (420), and Robert Reis (390).

The next Pistol Fun Shoot will be on Sunday, January 11th. Sign-up at 0845. Shooting starts at 0900. We'll be outside if possible and inside if it looks like rain. FYI - rim fire only in the indoor range.

FREEZARSE RENDEZVOUS

JANUARY 9, 10, & 11, 2009

Special invitation to all you Cowboys and Archers to join us at the earliest and coldest Rendezvous of the year!

TRAILWALK

At least 20 of Ned's creative targets

- Cap or flint or trade gun \$15
- Cowboy rifle (pistol calibers) \$15
- Traditional archery trail \$5
- Pistol \$7
- Junior \$5
- Peewee free
- Camping for weekend \$10
- Trader's fee (includes camp) \$25

EARLY SET UP DURING THE WEEK

REGULAR RANGE FEES APPLY

*Mean kids and dogs on leashes

OPEN FIRES PERMITTED.

WE HAVE THE WOOD, YOU CHOP IT!

Bring your own drinking water. Our'n aint fit fer man nor beast!

TRADERS CAN TAILGATE IN BAD WEATHER.

TRAILWALK

(Starting 10am Friday & 8am Saturday and Sunday)

TRADER'S ROW
PRIMITIVE CAMP
TINTEPEE AREA
HOT DOG LUNCH
TRADITIONAL ARCHERY TRAIL
TRAP SHOOT

AWARDS at 1pm Sunday for 1st, 2nd & 3rd in each category and Best Primitive Camp!

DRY CAMP—NO ALCOHOL

Extra Points for Costumes!

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WE ARE ONE OF THE OLDEST RENDEZVOUS ON THE WEST COAST, WE ARE CENTRALLY LOCATED AND ALWAYS A FUN SHOOT.

TRY OUT YOUR COLD WEATHER GEAR, BRING YOUR BOW OUT FOR A TRADITIONAL ARCHERY SHOOT AND WATCH THE COWBOYS SHOOT WITH THE MOUNTAIN MEN.

TAKE YOUR TRADE GUN AND SHOOT TRAP ON SATURDAY AFTERNOON, HAVE A LITTLE FUN. SHOOT THAT FIREARM YOU GOT FOR CHRISTMAS OR GO THROUGH THE TRADERS FOR A NEW ONE! ALWAYS A WARM WELCOME HERE!

QUESTIONS? CALL NED & AVA NELSON @ 209-599-2374 OR JOE KROEZE @ 209-523-7057

SUNDAY

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

JANUARY 2009

—*Club Closes @ 5:00 pm

				1	2 Kids Shoot 6pm	3 Trap Practice 10-4 Cowboy Shoot
4 Hi Power Rifle 9am	5 Trap 9am Vernalis 4H Club 22	6 Club Member Meeting 7:30 pm	7 Trap 6pm	8	9	10 Installation Dinner Social 5pm & Dinner 6pm Trap Practice 10-4 Black Powder 9am
11 Pistol Fun Shoot 9am	12 Trap 9am Vernalis 4H Club 22	13	14 Trap 6pm	15	16	17 Trap Practice 10-4
18	19 Trap 9am	20	21 Trap 6pm	22	23	24 Trap Practice 10-4
25 Cowboy Shoot	26 Trap 9am	27 Board Meeting 7pm	28 Trap 6pm	29	30	31 Trap Practice 10-4

FEBRUARY 2009

—*Club Closes @ 5:00 pm

1 Hi Power Rifle 9am	2 Trap 9am Vernalis 4-H Rifle Training 4-5:45pm	3 Club Member Meeting 7:30 pm	4 Trap 6pm New Jerusalem 4-H 3:30-6pm	5	6 Kids Shoot 6pm	7 Trap Practice 10-4 Cowboy Shoot
8 Pistol Fun Shoot 9am	9 Trap 9am Vernalis 4-H Rifle	10	11 Trap 6pm New Jerusalem 4-H	12	13	14 Trap Practice 10-4 Black Powder 9am
15	16 Trap 9am	17	18 Trap 6pm New Jerusalem 4-H	19	20	21 Trap Practice 10-4
22 Cowboy Shoot	23 Trap 9am	24 Board Meeting 7pm	25 Trap 6pm New Jerusalem 4-H	26	27	28 Trap Practice 10-4

PUBLIC RANGE INFORMATION

Must be U.S. Citizens or legal resident, must not be prohibited from access to firearms (e.g. felon, or under court order) and under 18 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. 18 and over must present valid ID with photo. All local, state and federal laws apply.

HOURS Open 7 days a week! -Tuesdays Open 10am -Daily Open 8am to *Sunset (check in office)
(Ranges closed/restricted for Club events)

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Winter Trap League

**Five-person teams are now forming for the upcoming
Valley Oak Winter Trap League!**

**Shoots will be held every other Sunday starting January 25,
2009 for 8 times. In the past, shoots have been held at several
valley locations, including Angels Camp, Escalon, Livermore,
Oakdale, Stockton, and Waterford. Manteca Sportsmen will be
hosting on April 19, 2009. This is the first time the event has
been held here in many years and we are excited to be included
in the schedule.**

**Contact me at 209-627-5611 for further information. Happy
shooting! Gary Schmidt, Trap Chairman**

