

In Sights

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IT HAS COME TO OUR ATTENTION THAT MEMBERS AND GUESTS ARE STAYING ON THE CLUB PROPERTY WELL PAST THE RANGE CLOSING TIME. PLEASE BE REMINDED THAT ALL MSI RANGES ARE CLOSED AT CLUBHOUSE CLOSING TIME UNLESS A SPECIAL EVENT IS PLANNED. CLUBHOUSE HOURS ARE STATED ON THE CALENDAR PAGE OF THIS NEWSLETTER AND THE CLOSING TIMES MAY VARY BY THE TIME OF YEAR. ALL MEMBERS AND GUESTS ARE ADVISED THAT THE RANGES SHOULD BE SECURED BY CLOSING TIME AND FOLLOWING A REASONABLY SHORT CLEANUP, ALL MEMBERS AND GUESTS MUST VACATE CLUB PROPERTY.

WE MUST ALSO INSIST THAT ALL MEMBERS AND GUESTS SIGN IN UPON ARRIVAL TO THE CLUBHOUSE. FAILURE TO DO SO IS A VIOLATION OF OUR CLUB POLICY AND CAN NOT BE TOLERATED.

YOUR COOPERATION IN THESE MATTERS IS GREATLY APPRECIATED.

ART SMITH

ARCHERY CHAIRMAN / BOARD MEMBER

MSI YOUTH PROGRAMS

Manteca Sportsmen has a number of programs designed specifically for the youth. These include activities for 4-H, Sea Cadets, Junior ROTC, Scouts, religious groups, and our own open activity for youth under 18.

Our most popular program is our Kids Shoot. This is a no cost safety and shooting activity for all youth under the age of 18 years. The Kids Shoot is held on the first Friday of every month beginning at 6:00 PM. Youth must be accompanied by a parent or guardian and will learn gun safety and how to safely shoot .22 rifles on the club indoor range.

Those affiliated with youth programs interested in offering their group an activity related to the shooting sports are encouraged to contact the club and set up a date and time. Nearly all these youth activities are at no cost and may use MSI club equipment.



High Power Match – Quick Introduction

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Welcome to our High Power Competition. Since you may be new to this sport, don't worry about your score... it does not matter. Just handle the rifle in a 100% safe manner, follow the range officer's commands, and you'll be fine. The other competitors will not look down upon you if you have a lower score.

There are four shooting stages in our match: (all stages are at 100 yards)

We begin with a 5 minute – up to 5 shots, any position, sight-in period. This is a slow fire (loading one cartridge at a time) period. Most shooters use the prone position for sighting in. Use the sighter shots to see where the bullets are hitting and then adjust the sight settings to hit in the center.

Stage 1, 10 shots slow fire, standing, 10 minutes.

Stage 2, 10 shots, rapid fire sitting, 60 seconds.

Stage 3, 10 shots rapid fire, prone, 70 seconds.

Stage 4, 20 shots, slow fire, prone, 20 minutes.

In the slow fire stages (including sight-in) load one cartridge at a time!

In the rapid fire stages, we will start in position, with a clip of 8 rounds lying within reach for later, we load 2 rounds on the load command, with an M1 rifle, the bolt is closed, with other rifles, the bolt is open! At the command "commence fire" we shoot 2 then load and shoot 8 in the time allotted. (You can load 2 rounds in the M1 by crossing 2 rounds in a standard clip, using a special clip, or inserting the standard clip first, then pushing the two rounds straight down into the magazine and carefully closing the bolt.) With bolt rifles, like the Springfield 1903, you will first load 5 rounds and then reload with another 5 rounds.

Things you may want to bring with you to a High Power Match:

- ⊕ Hearing and eye protection are required.
- ⊕ A mat or something to put on the ground under you for your prone and sitting positions.
- ⊕ A spotting scope or field glasses to check your target during the slow fire stages.

Feel free to ask for help from any of the experienced shooters, and welcome to our sport. We shoot the first Sunday of every month, we expect to see you!

High Power Rifle Match -January 2, 2011

NRA CLUB # R0562 CMP CLUB #62254

Match Director: Aaron Ewing

Bench	Competitor Name	Class (HighMaster, Master, Expert, Sharpshooter, Marksman, or Unclassified)	Off-Hand	Sitting-R	Prone-R	Prone 1	Prone 2	"X"s	Total
Relay 1									
9	VERNE TAYLOR		92	87	90	83	84		436
Relay 2									
7	AARON EWING		73	84	76	82	85		400
8	FORREST GREENWOOD		82	96	83	86	93		440



Pistol Fun Shoot

~Bill McElfresh~

Be assured the New Year was rung in quite nicely and the good news is that for 2011, everybody achieved their highest scores so far this year 8-) Also, Gloria Schmidt maxed out her 'fun meter' and the full allotment of 'per person' rim fire points. Congratulations!

As for targets, Father Time and Baby New Year made cameo appearances. Champagne and water glasses gave some SPLASH to the visual effects and martini coasters projected the illusion of a classy event. Hearing the shots from Black Powder's Freezearse over on the 'cold' part of the range made me happy that we had the benefit of the awning. It gave us a wind tunnel effect and kept the sun off us too.

Since it's a new year, I took the liberty of assigning random point scores to all the shooters. It's my New Years present to me. Just kidding! However, I did review all the score sheets and corrected some math errors. I have kept the score sheets for your review. See me or the score keeper at the next Fun Shoot. So here is what really happened:

RIM FIRE

Youth Division - Boys: Collin Tyhurst 440 3x, Matt Lavery 240 1x

Youth Division - Girls: Krista Tyhurst 265

Womens Division - Gloria Schmidt 480 4x, Rosie McElfresh 409 5x, Kim Tyhurst 395

Mens Division - Rick James 476 2x, Dave Anderson 459 2x, Mike Maciel 436 1x, Robert Ries 429 5x

CENTER FIRE

Youth Division - Boys: Austin Tyhurst 160 2x

Womens Division - Gloria Schmidt 436 1x, Trina Anderson 322 1x

Mens division - Robert Ries 460 2x, Rick James 437 4x, Phil Lavery 408 4x, Steve Loken 390 4x

Everyone else gets an honorable mention: Peter Azzolini, Mike Fisher, Roger Kuykendall, Chris Lizarraga, Joe Matthew, Ernie Tyhurst, and Ken Tyhurst. Special Thanks to John Hill, Robert Ries, Joe Matthew, Steve Loken, Dave & Trina Anderson, LP, and Rosie for helping with the set up and tear down.

The Valentines Day Pistol Fun Shoot will be on Sunday, Feb 13th at 9 AM.

Bill sez: We'll see you there!

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COWBOY ACTION SHOOTING

The Old West is still alive and shooting at Durham Ferry. Two Rivers Posse, the cowboy action shooting venue of the Manteca Sportsmen's Club, resurrects the spirit of the Wild West on the first Saturday and the fourth Sunday of every month. We also host a major annual four day match. These competitions are called "Shoots" and are gatherings of like minded people for fun and fellowship as well as shooting events.

Two Rivers Posse is an affiliate of the Single Action Shooting Society (SASS) which is the international organization that provides regulation and organization for the hundreds of SASS clubs and nearly 70,000 members from all over the world. The focus is on being safe, having fun, and being safe. A cowboy can shoot at Durham Ferry, Westhampton, New York or Gladstone, New Zealand and the guns, outfitting, and rules will be just like the ones at home.

Cowboy Action Shooting is a fantasy game and multifaceted amateur shooting sport. Contestants compete with firearms typical of those used in the taming of the Old West: single action revolvers, lever action rifles, and side by side double barreled, pre-1899 pump or lever action shotguns or faithful reproductions of those guns. The shooting competition is staged in a unique, characterized, "Old West" style.

Contestants shoot in multiple stages (courses of fire) in which they engage reactive steel silhouette targets. Scoring is based on speed (a timing device) and accuracy (time added for misses and procedural errors). The ideal is a bang followed by a clang. Every shooter hopes for that to happen. Some just make it happen a lot faster than others.

The truly unique aspect of the game is the premium placed on authentic period or western screen costumes. Each participant is required to adopt a shooting alias appropriate to a character or profession of the late 19th century or a Hollywood western star, and develop a costume accordingly. In the tradition of the Old West cattle brand registries, SASS prohibits one shooter duplicating another's alias. There is only one Tex, one Shenandoah and one Loophole Pettifogger. SASS maintains an alias registry and assures that your alias is uniquely yours.

American history buffs and serious shooters alike agree that the use of vintage firearms, authentic costumes, unique targets and fast action make Cowboy Action Shooting one of the most interesting of all shooting sports for both spectator and contestant.

TWO RIVERS POSSE "DOWN BY THE RIVER" SHENANDOAH

December 26, 2011 • Durham Ferry – Life is good. We had a beautiful day to spend with some of our best friends shooting steel bad guys. The good guys were there and kickin'. Doc Burwood, with guns blazin' took stages one, two three and five and topped the Wrangler category. Lefty Eastman in a cloud of white smoke prevailed in Frontier Cartridge. Rum Walker barely edged Molly Magoo to claim the 49er prize and Lash Larue zapped the Elder Statesmen. Our Valley Girl who hails from Nebraska stopped to shoot with us again on her way to Japan with her Granddad, Jessie's Brother Frank. That's how it was Down By The River.

Top Guns

Men

Niles Canyon

Doc Burwood
Rum Walker
Mudville
Jessie's Brother Frank
Lash Larue
Dragon
Lefty Eastman
Nate Clayton

Ladies

Valley Girl

Molly Magoo



The Cowboy Way

Lost is our old simplicity of times. The world abounds with laws and teems with crimes.

Our next shoot will be Sunday February 5th. Opening day of 2011 at Durham Ferry. Look for our application for **Ambush at Durham Ferry (May 12-15, 2011)** on the California Gunslingers website.

SUNDAY

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

FEBRUARY 2011

		1 Club Meeting 7:30 pm	2 Trap 6 pm	3	4 Kids Shoot 6 & 8 pm	5 Cowboy Shoot Trap 10 am
6 Hi Power Rifle	7 Trap 9 am	8	9 Trap 6 pm	10	11	12 Trap 10 am Black Powder 9am
13 Pistol Fun Shoot 9 am	14 Trap 9 am	15 Board Meeting 7:00pm	16 Trap 6 pm	17	18	19 Trap 10 am
20	21 Trap 9 am	22	23 Trap 6 pm	24	25	26 Trap 10 am
27 Cowboy Shoot	28 Trap 9 am					

MARCH 2011

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27 Cowboy Shoot	28 Trap 9 am	29	30 Trap 6 pm	31		

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! •Open Daily 8am (Tuesdays Open 10am) •Close Daily ½ Hour before Sunset
(Ranges closed/restricted for Club events)

PUBLIC FEES (Daily except Trap) Adults \$15 • Children \$8 • Archery \$8 • Trap \$4.50 per Round

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ARCHERY

We offer two types of shooting target opportunities. Practice and Field ranges. Each range is equipped with yardage markers and Polypropylene butts backed by hay.

Practice Range

The practice range consists of 5 targets ranging from 20-50 yards with two bow stands and a picnic table for relaxing and enjoying the day or tuning your equipment.

Field Range

The field range consists of a 9 target walking path through some of our wooded and grassy areas with shots ranging from 10-80 yards.

Special events

There are several event opportunities at our club. Archery competition and other events set up periodically based on interest. Those who are interested in participating should sign up at the clubhouse

I do the very best I know how; the very best I can; and I mean to keep on doing so until the end.
~ Abraham Lincoln