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This is the first report from the Clubhouse since Angie retired. Things don't seem the same. We are just now finding out all of the things Angie did for the Club. I think it will take several people to handle all of the tasks she handled. First of all, I would like to pass on a big Hello from Angie. She is doing very well and getting settled in her new apartment.

Several recent tasks were finished and I would like to thank Joe Kroeze, Ava and Ned Nelson for helping in the final cleanup of Angle's. Special thanks to Ned and Ava for delivering Angle's car, it only took a few days and it was there.

JOE KROEZE'S MOTHER IS BACK IN THE HOSPITAL SO PLEASE KEEP HER IN YOUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS.

THANKS TO JASON HILL FOR FILLING THE POTHOLES IN THE ROADWAY GOING TO THE ARCHERY AND COWBOY AREAS. JUST TO MAKE SURE EVERYONE KNOWS, THERE WERE APPROXIMATELY 58 KIDS AT OUR LAST KIDS SHOOT. WHAT A GREAT JOB BY BILL, ROY, JOE, PAUL, DAVE AND BRIAN. SPEAKING OF BRIAN, HE HAS ACCEPTED THE POSITION AS CHAIRMAN OF THE KIDS SHOOT, CONGRATULATIONS BRIAN, WE HAVE ANOTHER NEW CHAIRMAN; KERRY JOHNSON HAS ACCEPTED THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE HUNTER SAFETY CLASSES. THEY WILL BEGIN IN APRIL. CONGRATULATIONS AND THANKS, KERRY. ANY ONE INTERESTED IN HELPING IN EITHER OF THESE TWO PROGRAMS PLEASE CONTACT KERRY OR BRIAN.

THANKS GARY, GLORIA, CHUCK, CHRIS, STEVE AND THE WHOLE TRAP GROUP FOR RUNNING THE MONDAY, WEDNESDAY, AND SATURDAY TRAP SHOOTS. THESE SHOOTS ARE BECOMING VERY POPULAR.

I HAVE RECEIVED SEVERAL VERY FAVORABLE COMMENTS ABOUT OUR NEWSLETTER, THANKS TO ROSANNA, GREAT JOB.

THE CLUB IS STILL SEEKING A RETIRED COUPLE TO BE THE GROUNDS KEEPER AND CLUBHOUSE SUPERVISOR. IF YOU KNOW OF A COUPLE THAT MIGHT BE INTERESTED IN THESE POSITIONS PLEASE LET ME KNOW.

LEN SIPE

HUNTER SAFETY CLASS

(California Department of Fish & Game)

Course required of any individual wishing to purchase a California Hunting License and Game Tags.

Registration Fee: \$20.00

<u>2008 Dates</u>: • April 5 • May 3 • June 7 • July 5

• August 2 • September 6 • October 4 • November 1

Please mail your registration fee to: MSI Hunter Safety, 30261 South Airport Way, Manteca CA 95336. You may call 823-7919 with any questions or to confirm your scheduled date.

Kid Shoot

Bill McElfresh

Well, we started out the year a little rough with having to cancel the January shoot due to a power outage but you all sure made up for it in February.

Talk about a BIG TURNOUT! It was THE FABULOUS FANTASTIC COLOSSAL KID SHOOT! Well over FIFTY kids (and their support staff) showed up. Every one of the kids who were willing to stick around had an opportunity to shoot. Dave Fabiano appeared to be in his element giving the safety brief to all the groups. Brian Gookins was kept busy with the sign-up and line-up. Coaches Roy Boyd, Joe Kroeze, Lee Williams, and Marvin Mello had lots of new shooters to help out on the firing line. Cookies and snacks magically appeared and then mysteriously vaporized. Roughly 1000 projectiles were pushed through rifle bores and sent speeding toward their targets. Lots of noise, lots of fun and safety always.

Starting in March 2008, the Kid Shoot will have a new chairman. Brian Gookins has stepped up to take the reins and continue our tradition of providing an evening of outstanding training and shooting opportunities for our area's youth. Please join me in congratulating Brian in his new position.



The January Shoot was held outside. It was chilly and clear with an intermittent breeze. There were fourteen participants, four relays and one thousand two hundred rounds of ammunition fired.

Tommy Wheeler took the Match overall high score and 1st place in the Center-fire division with a 434 2X. Center-fire 2nd and 3rd place goes to Robert Ries with a 421 and Mike Dunn with a 361. Sam Okamoto took 1st place in the Rim-fire division and 2nd highest score the Match with a 422. Tommy Wheeler and Robert Ries followed up with 386 and 367 respectively. Susan Manning was the only female participant and therefore gets honorable mention. Susan performed well, scoring a 285, the same as another rim-fire shooter.

At our February Shoot, **Mike Maciel**, **Robert Reis**, and **Sam Okamoto** slammed into 1st, 2nd & 3rd places in the Rim-fire division of the Pistol Fun Shoot on Sunday, Feb. 10th. It was a really nice day for February so we shot outside. That also meant that we could have a Center-fire division. **Robert Ries**, **Bill Kirk**, and **Chuck Castle** earned top honors in the Center-fire division. Targets were smaller and farther than normal. Great shooting guys! We also had some new shooters on the line. Although they didn't place, they all said they had a good time and with a total of 16 shooters, we had to run 4 relays.

Thanks to John & Desi Hill, Robert Reis, Dave Fabiano, Steve Greenberg, scorekeeper-Matthew McElfresh and all of the shooters who helped set up and tear down. Your help is essential and very much appreciated.

The next Fun Shoot will be on Sunday March 9th. Signup starts at 0845, orientation at 0900 and shooting immediately follows. Inside or outside? Watch the weather forecast. Wet = indoors; dry = outside.

Questions and/or comments are always welcome. Thanks, Bill McElfresh 209-825-9456



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TWO RIVERS POSSE

"DOWN BY THE RIVER"

SHENANDOAH

February 2, 2008 • Durham Ferry — Dodged between the raindrops again. Forty one hot shooters played their game on a cold and windy day. Diversity rules as there were eight categories represented in the top ten. Lefty Vaquero was the top gun and led the Modern category. Lefty Eastman with his guns belching copious quantities of white smoke was second and first Frontier Cartridge Dualist. Wobblin' Bob was close behind and the top Senior. 49er JW Trader and Traditional Nate Clayton took the next two slots followed by the Diamondback Kid in B-Western and Silver Senior Whiskey Rivers. Sweet Tooth Kelly creating more white clouds in Frontier Cartridge rounded out the top group. Only Sintree Tulait from that august assemblage shot the match clean. Dragon and Mariposa Slim also caused a clang with every bang. Molly

Magoo was again the top woman but had some spirited competition from Querida who led the lady 49ers. Her consort Tres Pinos championed the Classic Cowboys. Smiley Cook, mentored by Two Dogs Grant, lived up to his handle and appeared to have a grand time in his premier cowboy competition. Like last match, we slipped away just as the rains came. That's how it was Down By The River.

Top Guns

The Fastest Guns Lefty Vaquero Molly Magoo

Ist Confidence

Ist Gunfighter

Ist Duelist

Ist Senior Duelist

Ist Frontier Cartridge Duelist

1st Frontier Cartridge

Ist Traditional
Ist Modern

Ist Classic Cowboy

Ist B Western

Ist Buckeroo

Ist Young Gun

Ist 49er

Ist Silver Senior

Ist Elder Statesman

Quicksilver Slim Big John Durham Lefty Eastman Sweet Tooth Kelly

Nate Clayton Molly Magoo

Lefty Vaquero Tres Pinos

Diamond Back Kid

JW Trader Querida

Whiskey Rivers Wobblin' Bob Mariposa Slim

OUR NEXT SHOOT WILL BE SATURDAY, MARCH 1ST

The Cowboy Way

Just because you've lost your fuzz don't mean that you ain't a peach.



We had a POT SHOOT on February 9th with eight participants. Pat Delano and Mark Barley tied for 1st place and split the pot with a score of 7 out of 10 of Ned's targets. We plan to include a hamburger BarBQue next month on March 8th.

See you there!

In April Sonora Smokepolers has their rendezvous at Six-Bits Gulch on the 11th through 13th, and Mt. Ranch Muzzelloaders has their Rendezvous at Railroad Flat on April 25, 26 & 27.

PATIENCE IS NEVER MORE IMPORTANT THAN WHEN YOU ARE AT THE EDGE OF LOSING IT. O.A. BATTISTA

High Power Rifle Mate	ch
February 3, 2008	

Bench	Competitor Name	Class	Off-Hand	Sitting-R	Prone-R	Prone 1	Prone 2	"X"s	Total
7.1	Relay 1	(High I	Aaster, Mast	er, Expert,	Sharpshoote	er, <mark>Marksm</mark> a	n, or Unclas	ssified)	10
1									0
2									0
3									0
4			8		S			5	0
5	Lyecc Williams		82	65	0	37	19		203
6									0
7	Kerry Johnson	mk	81	78	69	76	83	1	387
8	Mark Nelson		79	46	54	76	59	5 k	314
9	Chuck Castle	mk	85	90	91	87	85	3	438
10	Brian Wingo		56	81	76	75	70	1	358
11									0

AVAILABLE... RIFLE SHIPPING BOXES WITH PACKAGING AVAILABLE TO CLUBHOUSE MEMBERS ONLY. LIMITED QUANTITY AVAILABLE. PLEASE PICK UP BEFORE THE END OF MARCH. SHOULD YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR NEED MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE FEEL FREE TO CALL.



Manteca/Lathrop Firefighter's Association

The Lathrop/Manteca Firefighter's Association is holding it's first ever TRAP SHOOT!

Help your local firefighters help local charities.

Hosted by Manteca Sportsmen Inc. Sunday • March 16, 2008 • 10am to 4pm \$5 per Round

Must be 21 or older to shoot unless accompanied by an adult.

Don't forget to buy a **HARLEY RAFFLE TICKET** for a chance to win a **2007 Heritage Soft Tail**.

March 2008

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 Trap Practice 10-4 Cowboy Shoot
2 Hi Power Rifle 9am New Jerusalem 4H Rifle Training 1-4pm	3 Trap 9am Indoor .22 7pm	4 Club Member Meeting 7:30pm	5 Trap 6pm	6	7 Kid's Shoot 6pm	8 Black Powder 9am Trap Practice 10-4 Women's Pistol IV CB Range
9 Pistol Fun Shoot 9am New Jerusalem 4H Rifle Training 1-4pm	10 Trap 9am Indoor .22 7pm	11	12 Trap 6pm Vernalis 4H Rifle Training 4-7pm	13	14	15 Trap Practice 10-4
16 New Jerusalem 4H Rifle training 1-4pm	17 Trap 9am Indoor .22 7pm	18 Board Meeting 7pm	19 Trap 6pm Vernalis 4H Rifle Training 4-7pm	20 Hotshots 6:30 pm	21	22 Trap Practice 10-4
23 Cowboy Shoot	24 Trap 9am Indoor .22 7pm	25	26 Trap 6pm Vernalis 4H Rifle Training 4-7pm	27	28	29 Trap Practice 10-4
30	31 Trap 9am Indoor .22 7pm					
April 2008		1	2 Trap 6pm	3	4 Kid's Shoot 6pm	5 Trap Practice 10- 4Cowboy Shoot Hunter Safety Class
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27 Cowboy Shoot New Jerusalem 4H Rifle training 1-4pm	28 Trap 9am Indoor .22 7pm	29	30 Trap 6pm			

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MSI RANGE OFFICER CLASS

The course will cover

✓Safety ✓Range Rules ✓Commands ✓Emergency Procedures and more.

Class date is Saturday, April 26th 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm.

CIVILIAN MARKSMANSHIP PROGRAM (CMP) CLASS

The course will cover

✓Rifle & Equipment Care ✓Match Course of Fire ✓Accuracy Techniques ✓Positions ✓Sight Adjustment

Class date is Saturday, May 4th 1:00 pm to 6:00 pm.

Both classes are instructed by Kerry Johnson and all interested members are welcome to attend.