

In Sights

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JULY 2008 • Next Member's Meeting: **TUESDAY, JULY 1ST AT 7:30 PM.**

Victory In The Supreme Court!

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June 26, 2008, the Supreme Court affirmed, in a 5-4 decision, the ruling of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit that the Second Amendment protects a pre-existing, private, individually-held Right to Keep Arms and to Bear Arms, without regard to a person's relationship to a militia. In its opinion in *District of Columbia v. Heller* the Supreme Court ruled that the amendment does not protect a right to possess arms only while serving in a militia, or a "state's right" to maintain a militia. In fact, no dissenting justice endorsed the "state's right" theory. The decision strikes down the District's ban on handguns and on having a gun in operable condition at home, as violations of the Second Amendment. However, the decision does not strike down other gun laws in D.C. or elsewhere, which were not at issue in this case.

Gun control groups have claimed to take heart from the Court's comments suggesting certain types of restrictions could still be constitutional, such as "laws prohibiting the carrying of firearms in sensitive places such as schools and government buildings, or laws imposing conditions and qualifications on the commercial sale of firearms. However, those groups should take little comfort in the opinion as a whole, which thoroughly rejects all "collective right" interpretations of the Second Amendment, and recognizes the Second Amendment protects a right that existed before the Constitution itself and that encompasses protection of individual self-defense.

This is a major victory and the door is open for pro-Second Amendment lawsuits to follow. Stand strong and proud! For more highlights, and links to the full opinions and the briefs in the case, go to <http://www.nraila.org/heller>

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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: \$15.00

2008 Dates: • July 5 • 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.

***Class Participants will receive a Half Price Pass to shoot at Manteca Sportsmen Club on any one day during the month following your class participation date!**



Kid Shoot

Brian Gookins

On Friday, June 6, 2008, we had 34 kids participate in the Manteca Sportsmen's Kids Shoot. Along with many of our regular Kids Shoot attendees, we had quite a few brand new shooters join us as well.

Each of the kids received safety instruction so that they understand the primary rules of shooting. Dave Fabiano gave further instruction about general firearms safety and spent time hosting the kids and their parents while they awaited their opportunity to shoot. Thank you to the Fabiano family who provided sweets for these kids!

Bill McElfresh did an excellent job conducting Marksmanship Training. Teaching the kids to hold the rifle, aim the rifle, and shoot the rifle achieves the priceless rewards of happy faces and excited 'thank you's' when it helps them to score a bulls eye! Joe Kroeze, Lee Williams, and Marvin Mellow along with Bill and myself worked at coaching the shooters. Coaching receives it's own special reward when a first time shooter works through their fears and you see them catch the spark for shooting sports. I encourage you all to experience this!

Thank you Bill, Dave, Joe, and Marvin for your support, coaching, setting up, and cleaning up.

This is a good opportunity for our members to bring their children, their grandchildren, and even friends of their children to introduce them to shooting!

We look forward to seeing you at the July 4th Kid's Shoot!



Pistol Fun Shoot

~Bill McElfresh~

What a great day for shooting! If you weren't here, you truly missed out. The high scoring center fire contenders on the inside track were **Tom Wheeler** (338), **Wayne Burns** (323) and **Bill Kirk** (311). Rim fire challengers were **Wayne Burns** (394), **Mike Maciel** (376), and **Bill Kirk** (323).

Good job guys!

Most people actually shot better on their second time through the course but unfortunately, only the first time through in each category counts.

You'll get another chance on Sunday, July 13th.
Sign up starts at 0845; orientation and shooting at 0900.



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Two Rivers Posse

"Down By The River"

SHENANDOAH

May 25, 2008 • Durham Ferry — It was a day for the seasoned veterans of our glorious game. Aply led by our pard, **Sweet Tooth Kelly**, fully three fourths of our shooters either were or could have been in an age based category. After a mite of a stumble on stage one, **Sweet Tooth** fairly blazed through the remaining stages winning stage two, four, five and six. He was able to accomplish that through more smoke than you can see in a Vegas bar. **Lefty Eastman** was never able to establish a firm, friendly relationship with his guns but took stages one and three and was the only gunslick to shoot stage one in the thirties or better. **Cherokee Knight**, **Whiskey Rivers**, **Blackhawk** and **Gordon Twoshirts** shot the match clean. That's how it was Down By The River.

Top Guns

The Fastest Guns
1st Gunfighter
1st Duelist
1st Senior Duelist
1st Frontier Cartridge Duelist
1st Frontier Cartridge
1st Traditional
1st Modern
1st 49er
1st Silver Senior
1st Senior

Men
Sweet Tooth Kelly
Double Draw Dave
Quicksilver Slim
Dragon
Lefty Eastman
Sweet Tooth Kelly
Boots
Cisco Pike
Fuzzy Bushwhacker
Whiskey Rivers
Cherokee Knight

Women
Miss Myra

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The Cowboy Way—A cowboy spent the bulk of his wardrobe budget on his most personal possession, his hat. Sometimes he'd spend a season's wages on a single fancy lid to protect his head from the sun, snow and low branches. It served as a bucket, basket, and bowl and of course, made his most important fashion statement. The size, shape, and style of a cowboy's hat gave away his home territory long before anyone got close enough to ask.



June 7, 2008 • Durham Ferry — Mother Nature sent us a perfect day to play our game. Just enough breeze to stay cool on a beautiful day of sunshine. **Nate Clayton** made the best of those conditions, taking stages 1, 3, 4 and 6 and bested **Wobblin' Bob** for top gun. **Bob** shot his usual consistent match, winning stage 5, for second overall and top Senior. **Blaz N Bill** was the top 49er and winner of stage 2. **Hangin' Hank** again was the Elder Statesman of the day, closely followed by **River City Bob**. Among the ladies, **Molly Magoo** was the top gun and winner of the Traditional category, **Cherokee Doll** was the top 49er and **Brandy Rose** championed the Seniors. It was a great day to be looking at the dirt from the top. That's how it was Down By The River.

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Men
Nate Clayton
Sackett
Soapy Smith
Gus Ashcroft
Greezy McNasty
German Jim
JW Trader
Nate Clayton
Ricky D
Blaz N Bill
Dirty Pete
Cherokee Knight
Hangin' Hank

Women
Molly Magoo

Brandy Rose



The Cowboy Way

Politician: Someone who can borrow \$20, pay you back \$10 and declare you're even because you both lost \$10.

Our next shoot will be Saturday July 5th.



High Power Rifle Match

June 1, 2008

NRA Club #: R0562 CMP Club #: 62254

Bench - Competitor Name		Class (High Master, Master, Expert, Sharpshooter, Marksman, or	Off-Hand	Sitting-R	Prone-R	Prone 1	Prone 2	"X"s	Total
Relay 1									
1	Brian Wingo	u	58	65	68	37	52	1	280
2	Mike Maciel		79	76	64	26	48		293
3	Roy Martin	Ex	79	94	87	75	80	4	415
4	Joe Kroeze		34	50	35	37	18		174
5	Lyec Williams		83	52	48	33	29	2	245
6	Mark Nelson		75	75	73	73	86		382
7	Kerry Johnson		78	94	74	81	80	3	407
8	Will Castle		55	81	69	37	45		287
9	Tony Abbott	MK	81	83	80	91	80	2	415
10	Jim Young	Mk	82	88	86	87	81	1	424
11	Cliff Glidden	Ex	87	99	97	93	92	5	468
Relay 2									
6	Chris Lizarraga	u	71	83	67	72	2		295
7	Chuck Castle	Mk	86	93	94	86	93	1	452
8	Will Castle	u	47	52	48	22	28		197
10	Mark Nelson		60	77	82	66	71	1	356
11	Cliff Glidden	Ex	93	95	96	94	95	9	473

MSI High Power matches are designed to be friendly and welcome the new participants.

We offer the new shooter help and guidance in getting started. We even make available Club owned M1 Garands and Springfield 1903A3s for use by participants (the shooter must purchase and use club ammunition for the match).



CONSIDER THE TORTOISE... HE ONLY MAKES PROGRESS WHEN HE STICKS HIS NECK OUT

SUNDAY

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

JULY 2008

		1 Club Member Meeting 7:30pm	2 Trap 6pm	3 Archery 3-D Shoot 4pm	4 Kid's Shoot 6pm	5 Trap Practice 10-4 Cowboy Shoot Hunter Safety Class 7am-5:30pm
6 Hi Power Rifle 9am	7 Trap 9am	8	9 Trap 6pm	10 Archery 3-D Shoot 4pm	11	12 Trap Practice 10-4 Black Powder 9am
13 Pistol Fun Shoot 9am	14 Trap 9am	15 Board Meeting 7pm	16 Trap 6pm	17 Archery 3-D Shoot 4pm	18	19 Trap Practice 10-4
20	21 Trap 9am	22	23 Trap 6pm	24 Archery 3-D Shoot 4pm	25	26 Trap Practice 10-4
27 Cowboy Shoot	28 Trap 9am	29	30 Trap 6pm	31 Archery 3-D Shoot 4pm		

AUGUST 2008

					1 Kid's Shoot 6pm	2 Trap Practice 10-4 Cowboy Shoot
3 Hi Power Rifle 9am	4 Trap 9am	5 Club Member Meeting 7:30pm	6 Trap 6pm	7 Archery 3-D Shoot 4pm	8	9 Trap Practice 10-4 Black Powder 9am
10 Pistol Fun Shoot 9am	11 Trap 9am	12	13 Trap 6pm	14 Archery 3-D Shoot 4pm	15	16 Trap Practice 10-4
17	18 Trap 9am	19 Board Meeting 7pm	20 Trap 6pm	21	22	23 Trap Practice 10-4
24 Cowboy Shoot	25 Trap 9am	26	27 Trap 6pm	28	29	30 Trap Practice 10-4 NRA Sporting Rifle Match 8:30am
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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)

PUBLIC FEES (daily except Trap)

Adults \$15 • Children \$8 • Archery \$8 • Trap \$4.50 per Round

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Good News! Our targets have recently been updated to compressed carpet bales! And, we have a ...

3-D Shoot! ‡ We are hosting a 3-D Shoot weekly until August 14th. Each session will begin at 4:00 pm and end about 7:30. Cost is \$8 per shooter. The shoot will consist of 14 animals with unmarked yardages and only arrows with field points will be allowed and two arrow shots at each animal! Be sure to come and check it out!

Practice Range

The practice range consists of 5 targets ranging from 20-60 yards with two bow stands and a picnic table for relaxing and enjoying the day or tuning your equipment.

Field Range

The 9 field rounds have 32 shooting markers with yardages from 10 to 100 yards.