

# *In Sights*

## **Manteca Sportsmen Inc.**

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**AUGUST 2008** • Next Member's Meeting: **TUESDAY, AUGUST 5th AT 7:30 PM.**

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**W**ith the recent landmark decision of the Supreme Court re-affirming the *Second Amendment*. We should look back to the men who developed our *Constitution and the Bill Of Right*. Have you ever wondered what happened to the 56 men who signed the *Declaration of Independence*?

*Five signers were captured by the British as traitors, and tortured before they died.*

*Twelve had their homes ransacked and burned.*

*Two lost their sons serving in the Revolutionary Army, another had two sons captured.*

*Nine of the 56 fought and died from wounds or hardships of the Revolutionary War.*

*They signed and they pledged their lives, their fortunes, and their sacred honor. What kind of men were they?*

*Twenty-four were lawyers and jurists. Eleven were merchants, nine were farmers and large plantation owners; men of means, well educated. But they signed the Declaration of Independence knowing full well that the penalty would be death if they were captured.*

*Carter Braxton of Virginia, a wealthy planter and trader, saw his ships swept from the seas by the British Navy. He sold his home and properties to pay his debts, and died in rags.*

*Thomas McKeam was so hounded by the British that he was forced to move his family almost constantly. He served in the Congress without pay, and his family was kept in hiding. His possessions were taken from him, and poverty was his reward.*

*Vandals or soldiers looted the properties of Dillery, Hall, Clymer, Walton, Gwinnett, Heyward, Rutledge, and Middleton.*

*At the battle of Yorktown, Thomas Nelson, Jr., noted that the British General Cornwallis had taken over the Nelson home for his headquarters. He quietly urged General George Washington to open fire. The home was destroyed, and Nelson died bankrupt.*

*Francis Lewis had his home and properties destroyed. Then John Hart was driven from his wife's bedside as she was dying. Their 13 children fled for their lives. His fields and his gristmill were laid to waste. For more than a year he lived in forests and caves, returning home to find his wife dead and his children vanished. A few weeks later he died from exhaustion and a broken heart. Norris and Livingston suffered similar fates.*

*Such were the stories and sacrifices of the American Revolution. These were not wild-eyed, rabble-rousing ruffians. They were soft-spoken men of means and education. They had security, but they valued liberty more. Standing tall, straight, and unwavering, they pledged: "For the support of this declaration, with firm reliance on the protection of the divine providence, we mutually pledge to each other, our lives, our fortunes, and our sacred honor."*

*They gave you and me a free and independent America. The history books never told you a lot of what happened in the Revolutionary War. We didn't just fight the British. We were British subjects at that time and we fought our own government! Some of us take these liberties so much for granted...We shouldn't.*



## Kid Shoot

Bill McElfresh

4<sup>th</sup> of July (*TOTALLY AWESOME*) Kid Shoot!

The 4<sup>th</sup> of July celebratory Kid Shoot was a BLAST! We shot 4 relays with a random number of "kids" attending. Age is an attitude, isn't it? Anyway, there were 4 first time Kid Shoot shooters. Ezekiel Gookins earned two Gold Stickers! Outstanding! Others performed very well and I know of one shooter (Josiah) who shot at least two relays using his non-dominant hand and eye. Wow! That is what personal achievement is all about; challenging yourself to do better based upon your own desire for self improvement. Very commendable.

As many of you already know, Brian Gookins has accepted a new position with his company in another state so I will be taking over the Kid Shoot again. Brian said he thoroughly enjoyed running the Kid Shoot and hopes he will be able to attend some future shoots. Thank you Brian for stepping up and taking the reins for a while. We wish you good luck with your new job and hope you will keep in touch.

As much as I would like you to believe it was all just ME making the Kid Shoot happen, the truth is I had outstanding help from Lee Williams, Marvin Mello, Joe Kroeze, Brian Gookins and Dave Fabiano. These guys are the key to an easily flowing and fun filled shoot. Thanks!

The Kid Shoot is open (free) for all kids under 18 years old. It is on the 1<sup>st</sup> Friday of each month starting at 6 P.M. Eye and ear protection, rifles, ammunition, safety and marksmanship instruction are all provided free of charge. The next Kid Shoot will be on Friday, Aug 1<sup>st</sup>. Hope to see you there!



## Pistol Fun Shoot

~Bill McElfresh~

Little rim-fire pistols go bang. Large high-pressure center-fire pistols go BANNNGGGG! We had a full array of different calibers and power levels at the last Fun Shoot. Shaun Damerell played with varying power levels at each station to add some excitement during the 4<sup>th</sup> relay. Jason Hill competed in the center fire class with a 100 year old S&W 32-20 wcf. Some people had a strategy but most came out to have fun and enjoy the morning.

Event High Shooter and 1<sup>st</sup> place in the Center-Fire category is Robert Ries who shot a 447 1X. 2<sup>nd</sup> place goes to Jason Hill with his 100 year old revolver. Jason scored an impressive 412. 3<sup>rd</sup> place goes to Chuck Castle scoring 382 1X. In the Rim-Fire category, Jason Hill whooped butt with a 436 2X. Chuck Castle was not far behind with a 424 and Robert Ries modestly accepted 3<sup>rd</sup> place with his 415.

When the smoke had cleared, there were 16 shooters and 4 FULL relays. Special thanks to John, Jason, & Desi Hill, Robert Ries, Mike Maciel, LP McElfresh and Ale Barboza for helping with the set-up, tear-down and operation of the Fun Shoot. The next Fun Shoot will be on Sunday, August 10<sup>th</sup> at 0900. Come on out and enjoy the fun and camaraderie with us!

## 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: • 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!**

# Two Rivers Posse

## "Down By The River"

### SHENANDOAH

July 5, 2008 • Durham Ferry — It was a great day to honor "Ol' Glory" flyin' over the cow camp with our pledge of allegiance. Another year into this fantastic adventure of liberty and opportunity that we are privileged to enjoy in these United States of America. Five wise jurists in Washington, DC have clarified the law of the land to be what we have known all along. We have the individual right to possess and use our guns to protect ourselves from those who would do us harm. Today it was from that piratical varmint Black Steel and his ruthless gang of bandits. They started right off on Stage 1 by highjackin' the Durham Ferry and tryin' to get away. We fought them up and down the line from the dock to the jailhouse without even a stop for a haircut. Nate Clayton, Wobblin' Bob, San Joaquin Shootist, Fuzzy Bushwhacker and JW Trader

led the skirmish backed up by Dirty Pete, Blaz N Bill, Boots, Cherokee Knight, Shenandoah and a bevy of other heroes. German Jim and Niles Canyon with their naval artillery contributed heavily to the battle. Nate Clayton, JW Trader, Shenandoah, Dragon, Colma Johnny Slogun, Talon Hawke, Smiley Cook and Mariposa Slim stopped one of those pirates with every shot. It was a battle down to the end with only the assurance that right would prevail. Ultimately Captain Steel and his band of ne'er do wells were seen slinking away down the river vowing to hit us again another day. That's how it was Down By The River.

#### Top Guns

	Men	Women
The Fastest Guns	Nate Clayton	Cherokee Doll
1 <sup>st</sup> Duelist	Soapy Smith	
1 <sup>st</sup> Senior Duelist	Dragon	
1 <sup>st</sup> Frontier Cartridge Duelist	Greezy McNasty	
1 <sup>st</sup> Traditional	Nate Clayton	Curly Anna
1 <sup>st</sup> Modern	Cisco Pike	
1 <sup>st</sup> Buckeroo		Spitfire
1 <sup>st</sup> 49er	Fuzzy Bushwhacker	Cherokee Doll
1 <sup>st</sup> Silver Senior	Dirty Pete	
1 <sup>st</sup> Senior	Wobblin' Bob	Madam Ya Ya
1 <sup>st</sup> Elder Statesman	Hangin' Hank	



*The Cowboy Way—A cowchip is paradise for a fly..*

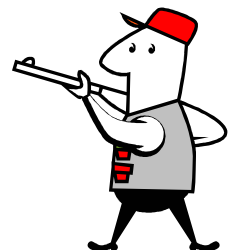
Our next shoot will be Saturday August the 2nd.

## SUMMER TRAP LEAGUE

DATES: (Sundays) July 13, July 27, August 10, August 17, August 24 TIME: 9:00 AM  
(Makeup shoots on Saturdays or Sundays)

COST: \$20.00 per shooter

16-Yard Singles, 21-Yard Handicap and Doubles



## AWARDS CEREMONY - AUGUST 24, 2008

(Awards for every participant!)

## FOLLOWED BY BBQ AND FUN SHOOT

Coordinated and Organized by  
Shane Hutchings, Chuck Vanderpool, Chris Lizarraga, and Jason Hill

For more information call Gary Schmidt at 209-627-5611

# SUMMER TRAP LEAGUE

JULY 13, 2008 (1)

PLACE	NAME	16-YARD	HANDICAP	DOUBLES	TOTAL
1	Randy Sims	25	25	25	75
1	Don Shipley	24	24	27	75
2	Gary Schmidt	24	22	27	73
3	Juan Mendoza Sr.	24	23	22	69
4	Chuck Vanderpool	23	19	23	65
5	Chris Lizarraga	23	23	18	64
5	Scott McKinnon	23	17	24	64
5	Dale (?)	21	22	21	64
6	Todd (Toad) Dickerson	22	21	20	63
7	Ruthie Sims	22	19	18	59
8	Douglas Justice	21	20	16	57
9	Vincent Cisneros	22	19	15	56
9	Paul Vanderpool	19	18	19	56
9	Mitch Waterman	16	19	21	56
10	Larry Barr	22	13	20	55
11	Kelly Shipley	18	21	14	53
12	Rich Belhler	20	16	16	52
13	Louis Parafina	21	11	19	51
14	Jeremy Stricker	11	16	18	45
14	Dave Wagner	14	17	14	45
15	Gloria Schmidt	15	14	12	41
16	Nick Lyons	16	13	11	40
17	Chris Messer	15	12	11	38
18	Rich Trader	11	10	16	37
19	Manuel Costa	12	8	8	28
20	Shayne Gazmin	10	6	4	20

RIFLES \*SHOTGUNS\*HANDGUNS\*GUN  
SALES

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# High Power Rifle Match

July 6, 2008

NRA Club #: R0562 CMP Club #: 62254

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									
1	Roy Martin	ex	83	94	93	95	96	5	346
2	Joe Kroeze		49	65	30	55	54	1	339
3	C. Taylor		56	78	82	66	64		210
4	Steve Lorenz		56	76	66	80	61	1	183
5	Tom Castle	u	51	59	50	22	28		405
6	Will Castle	u	33	63	49	13	25		358
7	Kerry Johnson		84	84	78	85	74	4	308
8	Sharon Abbott		80	81	60	60	77	3	342
9	Tony Abbott		84	76	87	55	6	4	416
10	Mark Nelson	u	45	68	84	72	73	1	0
11	Jim Young		85	87	84	77	83	1	432
Relay 2									
1	John Rock II		85	90	88	83	86	1	270
2	Steve Fenetress		84	91	91	97	100	9	371
3	Mike Maciel		72	56	48	52	42		150
4	Verne Taylor		64	82	88	70	67		211
5	Tom Castle	u	44	48	30	13	15	1	449
6	Will Castle	u	51	50	25	45	40		417
7	Chuck Castle	mk	81	96	95	90	87	3	326
8	Lyecc Williams		81	85	88	86	77		309
9	Chris Lizarraga	u	65	89	71	63	38	1	0
10	Mark Nelson	u	62	58	57	78	54		0
11	Roy Ewing								0

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).





COME TO THE FOURTH ANNUAL MOUNTAIN MAN ERA  
**DURHAM FERRY RENDEZVOUS**

HOSTED BY MANTECA SPORTSMEN, INC.

**AUGUST 8, 9 & 10, 2008**

**SPECTATORS FREE**

**SPECIAL INVITATION TO ALL  
YOU COWBOYS & TRADITIONAL  
ARCHERS TO JOIN US**

**TRAILWALK** (Starting at 10AM on  
Friday, 8AM Saturday & Sunday)

cap or flint or trade gun \$15

cowboy rifle (pistol calibers) \$15

traditional archery trail: \$5

longbows & recurves & self bows

pistol \$5

junior \$5

peewee \$1

camping \$10

for the weekend

trader's fee (includes camp) \$25

EARLY SET UP DURING THE WEEK

REGULAR RANGE FEES APPLY

BRING YOUR OWN DRINKING WATER

OURN NOT FIT FER MAN NOR BEAST

OPEN FIRES AS CONDITIONS PERMIT

MEAN KIDS AND DOGS ON LEASHES

TRADERS CAN TAILGATE IN BAD

WEATHER

**TRAIL WALK  
TRADER'S ROW  
PRIMITIVE CAMP  
TIN TEPEE AREA  
HOT DOG LUNCH**

**TRADITIONAL  
ARCHERY TRAIL**

**TRAP FUN SHOOT  
SATURDAY AT 4PM**

AWARDS at 1pm Sunday

for 1st, 2nd & 3rd

in each category

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**DRY CAMP - NO ALCOHOL**

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*Manteca Sportsmen's Club*  
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209-823-7919

*Come out to camp and trade and shoot under the cottonwoods. Introduce a pilgrim to the fun of Buckskinning, and tell tall tales around a campfire. Bring out your longbow on the archery trail and then try Ned's targets with your smokepole. Step back in time to the frontier for a weekend of fun for the whole family.*

Questions Call: Ned & Ava Nelson -- 599-2374 or Joe Kroeze --523-7057

SUNDAY

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

# AUGUST 2008

—\*Club Closes @ 8:00 pm

					<sup>1</sup> Kid's Shoot 6pm	<sup>2</sup> Trap Practice 10-4 Cowboy Shoot
<sup>3</sup> Hi Power Rifle 9am	<sup>4</sup> Trap 9am	<sup>5</sup> Club Member Meeting 7:30pm	<sup>6</sup> Trap 6pm	<sup>7</sup> Archery 3-D Shoot 4pm	<sup>8</sup> Durham Ferry Rendezvous 10am	<sup>9</sup> Trap Practice 10-4 Black Powder 9am Durham Ferry Rendezvous 8am
<sup>10</sup> Pistol Fun Shoot 9am Durham Ferry Rendezvous 8am DFR Awards 1pm	<sup>11</sup> Trap 9am	<sup>12</sup>	<sup>13</sup> Trap 6pm	<sup>14</sup> Archery 3-D Shoot 4pm	<sup>15</sup>	<sup>16</sup> Trap Practice 10-4 Trap Fun Shoot 4pm
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<sup>24</sup> Cowboy Shoot	<sup>25</sup> Trap 9am	<sup>26</sup>	<sup>27</sup> Trap 6pm	<sup>28</sup>	<sup>29</sup>	<sup>30</sup> Trap Practice 10-4 NRA Sporting Rifle Match 8:30am

# SEPTEMBER 2008

—\*Club Closes @ 7:00 pm

	<sup>1</sup> Trap 9am	<sup>2</sup> Club Member Meeting 7:30pm	<sup>3</sup> Trap 6pm	<sup>4</sup>	<sup>5</sup> Kid's Shoot 6pm	<sup>6</sup> Trap Practice 10-4 Cowboy Shoot Hunter Safety Class 7am-5:30pm
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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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## ARCHERY

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.