April 2006 News

Social Dinner

The April Social will be a potluck of Mexican food on Tuesday, April 18th. Bring your favorite Mexican dish to share with 10 to 12 persons.

For further information contact <u>Kathleen White</u> (925) 676-5776 or Kathi Reel (925) 458-7170.

Air Gun

The 2006 Airgun League has begun and will run through May 26th. The shoots are on the second and fourth Friday of each month with events for rifle and pistol. All shooting is done offhand (standing) at paper targets, so some shooting experience is required. The cost is \$2.50 per event. All shoots are held in the clubhouse and there are Club guns available for those of you who don't have your own. Juniors (ages 8 to 18) shoot free, but those over 16 shoot in the adult classifications. Competition is by classification (shooting against other shooters in your class) except for the high overall scores. You must shoot in at least six matches to be qualified for any awards - there are only four matches are left. Sign-up starts at 6:30 PM and shooting starts at 7:00 PM.

For further information contact Joyce Langon (925) 833-9009 or Ilene Falkenstein (925) 687-5491.

Air Gun Field Target

The next match will be on April 16th at the Action Pistol Range starting at 9:00 AM. The next practice Airgun Field Target Match and Quigley Challenge (long range off-hand event) on May 27th at the Multi-Purpose Range, starting at 9:00 AM. This outdoor event uses "sporter-type" air rifles shooting at small game silhouette targets. Airguns have grown up! Give it a try!

For further information contact Greg Tobler (925) 938-4782

Rifle And Pistol

The next shoot will be a Centerfire Shoot on May 13th. This is for any centerfire cartridge except .50 cal. rifles. You need 30 rounds for a match. Shooting is by squads and you must have your firearms already sighted in. The cost is \$7.50 per event. The events are scoped rifle, scoped pistol, iron sight rifle, and iron sight pistol. Shooting is done from 3 positions with a minimum of 10 rounds standing and a maximum of 10 rounds prone. To be eligible for awards at the end of the year you must shoot in at least three of the five matches during the season. This is the third centerfire match. Scores from the first two matches of the year are posted in the clubhouse.

For further information contact Chuck Hunter (925) 932-1772 or LaVerne Livsey (925) 833-8778.

M-1 Garand & Military Rifle

The next M-1 Garand Match is on April 29th. Sign-in from 9 to 9:45 AM. Shooting starts at 10:00 AM. Format is a modified DCM at 200-yard targets; iron sights only. No match, modified, or 50 cal. BMG rifles. Sign-in for the Military Arms Match between 12 & 12:45 PM for foreign, domestic, bolt or semi-auto rifles (including M1A standard & pre-ban AR-15) shooting at 100-yard targets. It will be for iron sight rifles only and NO match, modified, or

50 cal. BMG rifles are permitted. Shooting starts at 1:00 PM. You may not use the same rifle in the Garand Match and Military Arms match. Each match requires 50 rounds plus sighters. Cost is \$10 per match.

For further information contact Greg Ong (925) 706-7811.

Rimfire & Centerfire Metallic Silhouette / Benchrest

Silhouette matches are for rifles shooting at silhouette targets, Offhand or Varmint Class, (no slings or jackets). It costs \$5 and you need 60 rounds for a match. The next Centerfire and Rimfire Benchrest Shoot will be on April 23rd.

The Small Bore Silhouette winners for March were:

Match Winner: Al Bolla

AA: John Labash
A: Paul Muller
B: Mike O'Brien

The winner of the March High Power Silhouette Match was John Labash. The next High Power Silhouette Match is May 28th. Sign-in starts at 9:00 AM and shooting starts at 9:30 AM. No .50 cal. rifles are allowed.

For further information contact John Labash at (925) 709-9199.

Action Pistol

The next match will be a Buckle Match on May 14th.

The partial list of winners of the March Shoot were:

HOA: Alex Tila **Limited:** Ralph Goddard

Senior: Jim Endress

Watch the next newsletter for rest of the winners list. There will be a 2-Gun Match on May 28th. This will be a rifle and shotgun match. Match Directors are needed for the 2006 season.

Diablo Action Pistol's web page can be found at: http://www.actionpistol.com. For further information contact John Geisness (925) 229-0504 or George Washnak (925) 673-1271.

Archery

The USI Archery Range is opened when there are two persons shooting on the range and one is a qualified (by USI) Safety Officer. The cost is \$5 to shoot all day. Targets are set at 20, 40, and 60 yards, along with some 3D targets. Twilight shoots on Thursday evenings are on hold until Spring weather begins.

For further information contact Greg Tobler (925) 938-4782.

Trophy Awards

Jackets are awarded to those who catch the biggest fish and bag the biggest critters. Weigh fish at any bait shop (measure the length and girth) or store, and have critters measured at the clubhouse. Make a note of where the fish was measured, with the phone number and name of a witness for verification, along with a picture. Contact Randy to get the birds and antlers measured. The 2006 categories are: California Deer - Early Season, California Deer - Late Season, Jr. California Deer, Pheasant (tail), Jr. Pheasant (tail), Trout (not steelhead), Jr. Trout (not steelhead), Elk, Duck Wing (from the elbow out), Halibut, Salmon, Black Bass, Jr. Black Bass, Turkey, and Jr. Turkey. Junior categories are for kids 16 and under. For further information contact Randy Hammond (925) 689-0157.

Sporting Clays

The next shoot will be an overnight trip on May 20th & 21st to Red Bank Ale & Quail on Saturday, followed by Thunder Hill on Sunday. The cost will be \$37 for Red Bank Ale & Quail and \$42 for Thunder Hill. Lunch is included at Thunder Hill on Sunday. Prizes will be awarded based on the Lewis Class system and first place in each of the three classes plus the HOA will get a payout. The Poker Run cards will be passed out as well with the winner determined at the Birds Landing shoot at the end of the year. A \$10 deposit must be paid at least one week before the scheduled shoot date or there will be a \$5 late fee added to the listed cost of the shoot. Early sign-up is the only way you can be guaranteed a lunch at the shoot.

For further information contact <u>Dan Ashe</u> (510) 385-6846.

Fishing

The annual Diablo Fishing trip to Indian Creek Recreation Area will be held on June 9th, 10th and 11th. Saturday, June 10th is the first free fishing day for this year, when you don't need a license to fish. The fishing derby will be held on Saturday, with prizes for the largest, 2nd place, and smallest. A cookout will be held that evening and the club will provide the meat. Please bring a potluck side dish. There will also be a breakfast the next morning. If you plan to go, call Kathleen in advance. Spaces are limited.

For further information contact Kathleen White (925) 676-5776.

Trap

Chuck needs to resign as the Trap Chair Person. A replacement is needed to keep Trap Shooting events alive in the Diablo activity venue. Chuck is willing to help anyone who takes over the Chair Person position to set up and run Trap Shoots. If you can volunteer contact Chuck Willert (279-4344) or Scott Belmore (709-0187).

Skeet

The next Skeet Shoot will be on April 15th and will be a Singles shoot at 100 targets. The cost will be \$20. Lunch is available at the clubhouse but is not included in the shoot fees. For further information contact Mike Anderson (925) 998-7200.

Reminder

Safety on the shooting ranges is **EVERYONE'S** responsibility. If you see someone doing something unsafe, say something to them. Most people aren't aware of all of the USI safety rules. If they continue, then you should bring it to the Range Officer's attention. The Range Officers can't be everywhere and see everything, so help them out.

Fashion

Diablo Rod & Gun Club Attire is available to be purchased from Joyce Langon or any of the Officers or Directors at the Club House (when they are there). Sweatshirts, T-shirts, Hats, Club Patches (2 sizes), Polo Shirts, and (if they're in stock) Hooded & Zippered Sweatshirts are available for reasonable prices. There may be some photos of the merchandise posted on the web site, so check them out. Some other new items have been procured including different shirt styles and embroidered hats.

For further information contact Joyce Langon (925) 833-9009.

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