

## **January 2006 News**

### **Social Dinner**

The Annual Crab & Spaghetti Dinner will be on January 28 th starting with cocktails and appetizers at 6:30 PM. If you do not care for crab, chicken or steak dinners will also be available, but you must let Kathleen know at the time you purchase your tickets. Tickets are \$25 per person and you must have a ticket in advance to attend the dinner. Call Kathleen White for tickets. The February Social will be a Mexican Theme Potluck. Bring your favorite Mexican-style dish to share with 10 to 12 persons. For further information contact [Kathleen White](#) (925) 676-5776 or Kathi Reel (925) 458-7170.

### **Air Gun**

The 2006 Airgun League will begin on January 13 th and will run through May 26 th. 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. Everyone who shoots at least six matches has a chance to win something. 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 Airgun Field Target matches are over for the season. There will be a practice and demonstration shoot on February 19 th at the Multi-Purpose Range, starting at 9:00 AM. The first match of the next season will be on March 19 th at the Action Pistol 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 January 14 th. 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. The results for last year's matches are posted on the bulletin board 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 January 28 th. 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 High Power Silhouette Match is January 29th.

The Small Bore Silhouette winners for December were:

**Match Winner:** Al Bolla

**AA:** Kirk Von Schwinderman

**A:** Paul Muller

**Varmint:** Dee Carter

The next Small Bore Silhouette Match is February 4th.

The 200-yd Rimfire Benchrest (No Bull) Shoot winners for December were:

**A Tie!** : Dee Carter & Chuck Stivers

The December Benchrest winners were:

**Centerfire:** Chuck Stivers

**Rimfire:** John Labash

The next Centerfire and Rimfire Benchrest Shoot will be on February 26 th. 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**

There was no match in December. Watch the next newsletter for the January winners. There will be a Buckle Match on February 12 th. Orientation Classes will be held as needed for Diablo Members. 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 next Spring. 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. 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, and (to silence some whining voices) Turkey, and Jr. Turkey. Junior categories are for kids 16 and under. The 2005 awards winners will be announced at the March meeting. For further information contact Randy Hammond (925) 689-0157.

### **Sporting Clays**

Shoots are over for this year and will begin again next Spring. Watch the newsletter for the schedule.

[Complete season results for all participants](#) are also available. For further information contact Dan Ashe (925) 625-6944

### **Fishing**

If you have any suggestions for trips to take or fish to pursue, call Kathleen.

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

### **Skeet**

Shoots are over for this year and will begin again next Spring. The schedule will be available next month. For further information contact [Mike Anderson](#) (925) 998-7200.

### **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.

### **News Note:**

Ed and Mary White wish to pass along the many thanks for those who contributed to the food and toy barrels. They made four trips to the Children's Crisis Center with the donated toys that were very appreciated.

### **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.

### **Reminder:**

**No children are allowed on the shooting ranges who are not at least eight (8) years old. All children on USI property must always be under the direct supervision of the parents for safety purposes.**

**Notice**

To get your name removed from the mailing list: First, **you must notify [Robert Frost](#)** our membership chairman, so that he can take it off of that list; Next: to get on the e-mail notification list **you must go through the process described in the [diabloupdates link](#).**

**Be Advised: The Speed Limit on USI Property is 15 miles per hour! SLOW DOWN!!!**