



Diablo Rod & Gun Club

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NEXT B.O.D. MEETING: AS CALLED FOR, IN THE CLUBHOUSE

NEXT MEMBERSHIP MEETING: THURSDAY, APRIL 7th, 7:30PM IN THE CLUBHOUSE

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Youth Promotions:	Ronald Savioni (Rifle)	228-4814	Membership:	Glenn Ashworth	437-2945
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Airgun Field Target:	Greg Tobler	938-4782	Archery:	Greg Tobler	938-4782
Silhouette/Benchrest:	John Labash	709-9199	Trap:	OPEN	
Action Pistol:	Jim Endress	820-5958	Fishing:	OPEN	
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<http://www.diablorodandgun.com>

SCHEDULE OF UPCOMING EVENTS

March

11 Fri.	Airgun League Shoot; sign up times...	6:30 - 7PM	Club Hse
12 Sat.	Centerfire Rifle & Pistol Match; sign-up....	9 -10:30AM	MP Range
13 Sun.	Multi-Purpose Range Open (Members Only)	9 AM – 1PM	MP Range
	Musketeers Youth Shoot	1PM – 3:30PM	MP Range
	Action Pistol USPSA Match – (Qualified Shooters)	8:00AM - ?	AP Range
15 Tues.	Diablo Social	5:30 - 9:00PM	Club Hse
19 Sat.	Diablo .50 cal. BMG Benchrest Shoot; sign-up times	9 – 9:30AM	MP Range
20 Sun.	Black Powder Shoot – Primitive	9:00AM	MP Range
	Airgun Metallic Silhouette Shoot; sign-up times...	1 – 1:30PM	MP Range
	Field Target Airgun Match; sign-up....	9:00AM	AP Range
25 Fri.	Airgun League Shoot; sign up times...	6:30 - 7PM	Club Hse
26 Sat.	Musketeers Youth Shoot	9 AM – 1PM	MP Range
	Multi-Purpose Range Open (Members Only)	1PM – 3:30PM	MP Range
	Action Pistol Orientation Class	8:00AM	Huntr Ed
27 Sun.	Varmint Hunter's Challenge/Benchrest Match; sign-up times....	12 – 12:30AM	MP Range
	Action Pistol Orientation Class	8:00AM	Huntr Ed
	Action Pistol – IDPA (Qualified Shooters Only!)	8:00AM -?	AP Range

April

2 Sat.	Small Bore Metallic Silhouette Shoot; sign-up times....	9 – 9:30AM	MP Range
3 Sun.	Musketeers Youth Shoot	1PM – 3:30PM	MP Range
7 Thu.	Diablo Membership Meeting in Clubhouse	7:30PM	Club Hse
8 Fri.	Airgun League Shoot; sign up times...	6:30 - 7PM	Club Hse
9 Sat.	Rimfire/Airgun Rifle & Pistol Match; sign-up....	9 -10:30AM	MP Range
	Action Pistol Orientation Class	8:00AM	Huntr Ed
10 Sun.	Low Power Rifle –Cowboy Lever Action Rifle Silhouette	9 – 9:30AM	MP Range
	Action Pistol Orientation Class	8:00AM	Huntr Ed

	Action Pistol USPSA Match – (Qualified Shooters)	8:00AM - ?	AP Range
14 Thu.	Musketeers Youth Shotgun Orientation	6PM – 8 PM	
16 Sat.	Multi-Purpose Range Open (Members Only)	9 AM – 1 PM	MP Range
	Diablo Skeet Shoot; sign-up times....	9 –11:00AM	
17 Sun.	Black Powder Shoot – Formal	9 AM – 1PM	MP Range
	Airgun Metallic Silhouette Shoot; sign-up times...	1 – 1:30PM	MP Range
	Musketeers Youth Shotgun Shoot	1PM – ?	
	Action Pistol – 3-Gun Match (Qualified Shooters Only!)	8:00AM -?	AP Range
19 Tues.	Diablo Social	5:30 - 9:00PM	Club Hse
22 Fri.	Airgun League Shoot; sign up times...	6:30 - 7PM	Club Hse
23 Sat.	Musketeers Youth Shoot	9 AM – 1PM	MP Range
	Multi-Purpose Range Open (Members Only)	1PM – 3:30PM	MP Range
24 Sun.	High Power Metallic Silhouette Shoot; sign-up times...	9 – 9:30AM	MP Range
29 Fri.	Grant Hammond Memorial Skeet Shoot		
30 Sat.	M-1 Garand and Military Rifle Matches; sign-in times....9 – 9:45 AM and 11:30 – 12PM		MP Range
	Grant Hammond Memorial Skeet Shoot		

May

1 Sun.	Small Bore Cowboy Rifle sign-up times....	9 – 9:30AM	MP Range
	Pistol Cartridge Silhouette Shoot sign-up times....	1 – 1:30PM	MP Range
	Action Pistol USPSA Match – (Qualified Shooters) <i>tentative</i>	8:00AM - ?	AP Range
	Grant Hammond Memorial Skeet Shoot		
5 Thu.	Diablo Membership Meeting in Clubhouse	7:30PM	Club Hse
7 Sat.	Small Bore Metallic Silhouette Shoot; sign-up times....	9 – 9:30AM	MP Range
	Musketeers Youth Shoot	1PM – 3:30PM	MP Range
8 Sun.	Multi-Purpose Range Open (Members Only)	1PM – 3:30PM	MP Range
12 Thu.	Musketeers Youth Shotgun Orientation	6PM – 8 PM	
13 Fri.	Airgun League Shoot; sign up times...	6:30 - 7PM	Club Hse
14 Sat.	Centerfire Rifle & Pistol Match; sign-up....	9 -10:30AM	MP Range
	Diablo Skeet Shoot; sign-up times....	9 –11:00AM	
15 Sun.	Multi-Purpose Range Open (Members Only)	9 AM – 1PM	MP Range
	Musketeers Youth Shoot	1PM – 3:30PM	MP Range
	Musketeers Youth Shotgun Shoot	1PM – ?	
	Field Target Airgun Match; sign-up....	9:00AM	AP Range
17 Tues.	Diablo Social	5:30 - 9:00PM	Club Hse
21 Sat.	Black Powder Shoot – Primitive	9 AM – 1PM	MP Range
	Airgun Metallic Silhouette Shoot; sign-up times...	1 – 1:30PM	MP Range
	Action Pistol Orientation Class	8:00AM	Huntr Ed
22 Sun.	Varmint Hunter’s Challenge; sign-up times....	9 – 9:30AM	MP Range
	Diablo Benchrest Extravaganza; sign-up times....	12–12:30AM	MP Range
	Action Pistol Orientation Class	8:00AM	Huntr Ed
	Action Pistol IDPA Match – (Qualified Shooters)	8:00AM - ?	AP Range
	Musketeers Youth Shotgun Shoot	1PM – ?	
27 Fri.	Airgun League Shoot; sign up times...	6:30 - 7PM	Club Hse
29 Sun.	Airgun Fun Day	9 AM – 2PM	MP Range
	Impalement Arts Demonstration & Fun Toss	10 AM - ?	MP Range

AIR GUN: This year's Airgun League is underway. Shoots are held on the **second and fourth Friday Nights** each month through May. 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 shooters who don't have their 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. There are six matches left. Sign-up starts at 6:30 PM and shooting starts at 7:00 PM. This is our 28th consecutive year. FFI: Pam Rogers (831-1037) or Ilene Falkenstein (687-5491).

DIABLO SOCIAL: The next Social will be on Tuesday, March 15th. The Club will provide the corn beef and cabbage, and drinks, including sodas, beer, wine, and spirits. Diablo members, family, and guests are invited to come by, grab a snack, a drink, and visit with other club members. FFI call Mark Hadox (813-2535).

RIFLE AND PISTOL: The next match will be a Centerfire Shoot on March 12th. You need 30 rounds for a match. Shooting is by squads and firearms must be sighted in already. The cost is **\$6.00** 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 offhand (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 matches of the five matches during 2011. This is the second Centerfire Match for the 2011 Season. FFI Dennis Winslow (510) 652-3319 or dmwinslow@aol.com.

RIMFIRE & CENTERFIRE METALLIC SILHOUETTE/BENCHREST: Silhouette matches are for rifles and pistols, at silhouette targets, Offhand or Varmint Class, (no slings or jackets). It costs \$6 and you need 60 rounds for a match. The next Airgun Silhouette Match will be on March 20th. There will be a Varmint Hunter's Challenge and Benchrest Silhouette Match on March 27th. The winners of the Small Bore Silhouette Match were: HOA: John Labash; AA: Brian Kelly; A: John Branch; B: Dave Doscia; Varmint: Jeff Atchinson. The next Small Bore Silhouette Match will be on April 2nd. The winners of the Cowboy Lever Action Rifle Silhouette Shoot were: HOA: Steve Fenstress; A: Eric Ko; B: Aaron Ewings. The next Cowboy Lever Action Rifle and Low Power Rifle Silhouette Match will be April 10th. The winners of the High Power Rifle Silhouette Match were: HOA: Al Bolla; Varmint: Eli Remas, Glen Romobiles. The next High Power Silhouette Match will be on April 24th. The next Small Bore Hunter Rifle and Pistol Cartridge Silhouette Match will be on May 1st. Sign-in for matches (except Airgun) begins at 9:00 AM; shooting starts at 9:30 AM. No .50 cal. rifles allowed except at .50 cal. Shoots. FFI: John Labash (709-9199).

ACTION PISTOL: There will be an USPSA Match on March 13th. The cost to shoot is \$15. Results of all shoots are posted on the Action Pistol web page. Sign-in for all matches begins at 8 AM and closes at 8:30 AM. All Action Pistol shooters, including Juniors age 12 to 18, must complete the AP Orientation Course. The March class is full. There are openings for the April class on the 9th & 10th. The fee for these classes is \$30, plus \$15 for the match. FFI Contact Christopher Payne at 323-3322, or to sign up for class visit the easy to use automated registration system at Class@DiabloActionPistol.com. Classes will be held monthly in 2011 and the schedule is posted on the Action Pistol web page. There will be a IDPA Match on March 27th. 3-Gun Matches will alternate with the IDPA Matches this year. FFI – Diablo Action Pistol: Jim Endress: (820-5958) or j-endress@comcast.net or www.actionpistol.com.

FISHING: A new Fishing Chair is needed. The events that Diablo usually holds are cancelled due to the lack of a new Fishing Chair. If you can help out and take over, call Scott Belmore (709-0187).

M 1 GARAND & MILITARY RIFLE: The next M-1 Garand/Military Arms Match is on Saturday, April 30th. Sign-in at 9 AM. Shooting starts at 9:30 AM. Format is a modified DCM at 200-yard targets; iron sights only. NO match or modified rifles are allowed. Sign-in for the Military Arms Match starts at 11:30 AM. This match is for foreign, domestic, bolt, or semi-auto rifles (including M1A standard & pre-ban AR-15) shooting at 100-yard targets. Iron sight rifles only and NO match, modified, or 50 cal. BMG rifles are allowed. Shooting starts at 12:00 Noon. You may **not** use the same rifle in both the Garand Match and Military Arms Match. Each match requires 50 rounds. Cost: \$10 for one or \$15 for both. FFI call Greg Ong (706-7811).

IMPALEMENT ARTS: There will be a Competition Fun Throw and Demonstration on May 29th starting at 10 AM. Lunch will be provided to participants. The "Impalement Arts" is the practice of chucking tools (knife and tomahawk throwing) at tree stumps (wood targets). Practices are held on Wednesdays and Thursdays at the Multi-Purpose range from about 3:00 PM until dark, and on weekends. There are throwing knives and tomahawks available as loaners if you are interested and don't have your own. If you would like to learn this craft, come down to the throwing range at 4:30 PM on Wednesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays, and Sundays. The range is now lit up so you don't have to toss tools in the dark. Books and videos are also available for members to learn more about the tool chuckin'. FFI: John Labash (709-9199).

TRAP: A volunteer is needed to run the Trap events. The Trap venue is defunct until we get a replacement. There are usually 3 or 4 Trap Shoots each year. Other members are available to help set up and run the shoots but a chairperson is needed. If you can take over the Trap Events Chair contact Scott or Dan. FFI - Dan Ashe (335-9193).

YOUTH PROMOTIONS: Youth shooters are the future of our sport. Children and Grandchildren of Diablo members, who are between the ages of 8 and 18, may participate in Youth Rifle & Pistol, and Shotgun activities. Rifle & Pistol use .22 cal. rimfire only and shoot at the Multi-Purpose Range. Ammunition is supplied at the rifle events. Some loaner rifles are available, but the shooters should provide their own firearms and parents should help out. During the shoots, a responsible adult, OTHER THAN the range officers, must supervise youth shooters. FFI – Ronald Savioni (228-4814). Shotgun events are at the Skeet Fields and shooters need their own shotguns. There will be a youth shotgun shooter orientation class on April 14th and the first shoot will be on April 17th. FFI – Rod Guyette (934-9455).

AIR GUN FIELD TARGET: The first match this year will be on March 20th, starting at 9 AM at the Action Pistol Range. Field Target shoots will be usually held on the third Sunday of each month. This outdoor event uses "sporter-type" air rifles shooting at small game falling silhouette targets with a trip plate. The cost to shoot is \$5 and classifications include Pre-Charged, Spring-Piston, and possibly Offhand. A Fun Shoot will be held on May 29th and includes a Quigley Challenge's (long range off-hand event) & "Air Sniper" targets 10 shots, any position, no supports, paper bulls, no sighters once you begin, (60+ Yards). Airguns have grown up; try it! FFI call Greg Tobler (938-4782).

SKEET: There will be a Skeet Shoot on April 16th. The cost will be \$25 for 100 targets. Skeet events are posted in the clubhouse. An updated activities page about skeet shooting is available at Diablo's web site. The Grant Hammond Memorial will be sponsored by USI on April 29th thru May 1st. FFI call Rod Guyette (934-9455).

FASHION: Diablo Rod & Gun Club Attire is available for purchase from Lois Campers or any Officer or Director at the Club House (when they are there). Sweatshirts, T-shirts, Hats (2 colors), Club Patches (2 sizes, to sew on jackets, shirts, jackets, or whatever), Polo Shirts, and (if they're in stock) Hooded & Zippered Sweatshirts are available for reasonable prices. There are also some items available in XXL and XXXL sizes. There are several styles of club hats available. Sterling buckles and other items with the Diablo logo are also available. FFI – Lois Campers ((510) 245-3328).

TROPHY AWARDS: Jackets are awarded to those who catch the biggest fish and bag the biggest critters. Weigh fish (& measure the length and girth) at any bait shop or store. 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 at the clubhouse. Always take pictures of you and your critter and bring them in to share with the other hunters and fishermen (& women). The categories for 2011 are: California Deer – Coastal Season, California Deer – Inland (Late) Season, Pheasant (tail), Trout (not steelhead), Turkey (beard), Out-of-State Deer, Goose Wing, Salmon, Catfish, and Halibut. The winners for 2010 will be announced at the March or April meeting. Junior awards are given for all categories and are for kids 16 and under. Juniors are the future of all outdoor sporting activities, so get the kids out there to learn about the great outdoors. FFI call Randy Hammond ((510) 915-3644).

INTERNATIONAL AIRGUN: International Air Pistol & Rifle Matches will be scheduled for this year. Members of USA Shooting may submit their scores for a national ranking. Entry fees are \$10 with an additional \$5 to submit the scores. USA International Rules will apply. FFI: Rodolfo Soncuya ((707) 554-0360) or Elliott Dushkin (9391142).

SPORTING CLAYS: Sporting Clays shoots are over for this year. Shoots will be scheduled beginning in the Spring of next year. Watch the newsletter for the schedule. FFI diablo_sporting_clays@yahoo.com or Dan Ashe (335-9193).

NOTICE: The schedule for USI sponsored **Hunter Safety Classes** is posted on the USI Website.

NOTICE: A Newsletter Editor will be needed after this coming June. After 19 years, I'm "retiring".