

# Diablo Rod & Gun Club

April 2016 Newsletter



### FROM THE PRESIDENT

**USI Range update** 

By Bart McGlothin, President

Hi Everyone,

Here is an update regarding the USI public Rifle and Pistol range upgrades;

- USI is working with Milani and associates engineering firm who were out at the range for two days surveying the beginning of April. The surveys include the range placement, Range shack, and service access. They have sent this info to Kramer (USI Architect) and structural engineering for inclusion in the preliminary plans. The preliminary plans have been submitted to the county and are in the initial review process...this may take 8 weeks. They also have a meeting planned with environmental health on the septic issue.
- Milani also contacted Mark Rueb (County Planning) on the five stand issue and receive the same results that Gary did. They were going to follow-up again last week. USI believes that the smart thing to do is to retain Milani to finish the 5 Stand project as well since it is holding up the new range development too. Their firm has an additional structural engineer they can use as an alternate person to work with the County.
- Gary Contacted mobile modular on replacing the Range Masters shack. The first phone estimate is around \$100 per square foot, this makes it about \$70 k for a drop in unit. Mike (Contractor) evaluated the existing building and believes it was constructed without permits and estimated the cost to bring it up to date and fix rot would be in the same \$70K range of the drop in modular solution. This was just a quick look and USI has yet to decide on this. The USI board was interested in expanding this building so that checkin and safety training could be conducted in a quieter environment.
- Dave Monnens from Contra Costa electric is coming up with budgets for upgrading the electrical
  to the range including; CCTV, downrange, and under canopy lighting. He has Met with PG&E on
  the matter already. Dave continues this work without a contract, or any commitments from USI.
- The plumbers and pipefitters union was out asking if we needed any help with getting county approvals. They said they have a lot of members who use the range and are willing to use their clout to get the county moving on the project. Gary exchanged contact info.

Pete Llama leads the USI MPR committee. This group is looking at low cost ideas that can be implemented to improve safety and allow low power .22 caliber shooting on the MPR while other range development continues.

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Time to renew your membership for 2016-2017
For Memberships Expiring June 30, 2016
Membership form is inserted in this newsletter
Renew NOW and avoid the \$25.00 late charge

#### **AIR GUN ACTIVITES CALENDAR**

Air Gun Benchrest-MPR- 1:00 PM, May 29th, July 31st, Oct 30th.

Air Gun Silhouettes-MPR- 1:00 PM 1st Sunday of every month May 1, June 5, July 3, August 7, Sept. 4, Oct. 2, Nov. 6, Dec. 4.

Air Gun Field Target-Action Pistol Range- 9:00 AM third Sunday of every month March-November May 15, June 19, July 17, August 21, Sept. 18, Oct. 16, Nov. 20.

For more information contact Patrick Radler pr599@comcast.net,

#### INDOOR AIRGUN SHEDULE

FRIDAY, MAY 14 & 28 2016 SIGN UP 6:30PM SHOOT AT 7PM AT THE CLUB HOUSE

THE INDOOR AIRGUN EVENT IS ALWAYS HELD ON THE SECOND AND FOURTH FRIDAY

THE EACH MONTH JANUARY THRU MAY



## IMPALEMENT ARTS SCHEDULE

SUNDAY, MAY 29 KNIFE CLUB 10AM—1PM

NEXT COMPETITION

CATURDAY, WAS 25 AKTA COMPETITION 10AM.



SATURDAY, JUNE 25, AKTA COMPETITION 10AM-1PM

to be held at the Impalement Range
The Knife Club is an informal "Fun Day" with Demonstrations—Instructions and Snacks

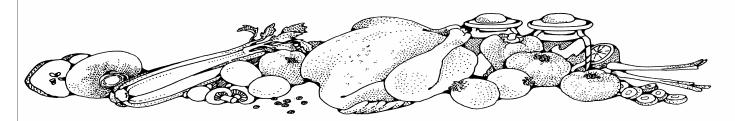
\$2.00 fee for members or guests

The Impalement Competition will have lunch available for \$5.00

for more info contact Andre Lepage at <a href="mailto:andre.lepage@sbcglobal.net">andre.lepage@sbcglobal.net</a>

# NEXT SOCIAL— MAY 17 AT THE CLUB HOUSE

Gather and help set up at 5:15 eat at 5:45 PM. The Club will provide the food and drinks, including sodas, beer, wine, and spirits. Diablo members, family, and guests are invited to come by, and visit with other club members. Socials are always on the third Tuesday of the month. FFI call Ellison Dunlap (510) 465-3699



Gary Wilds, the Baypoint Club president was leading all of this work as an employee of USI. Tuesday April 12th he sent out an e-mail stating that he is quitting effective immediately, so there will be some transition to a new project leader.

I know this is a tough time, and we will get through it. We are working diligently with USI to try and re-open the public ranges by the end of this year. But the planning is not fully completed, so I cannot substantiate any firm dates. USI has a web page where you can follow the progress: <a href="http://unitedsportsmen.com/range-updates/">http://unitedsportsmen.com/range-updates/</a>

That is all I know right now, we only seem to get updates at the monthly USI meetings. I have requested several times for the USI Board to meet more often and stay up to date on things, but did not get sufficient support from the other USI board members.

# T SHIRT PICK UP FOR THE MEMBERS WHO HAVE PAID FOR THEIR T-SHIRTS PLEASE PICK THEM UP FROM CHRIS

#### **Diablo Rod and Gun Sporting Clays Schedule**

Date/Time	Place
Saturday, May 21, 10:00 AM	Sun Mountain Gun Club Coarsegold, CA
Saturday, June 11,10:00 AM	Raahaugees, Dunnigan, CA
Saturday, July 23, 10:00 AM	Rooster Ranch Wings and Clays, Newman, CA
Friday August 26, 1:00 PM	*Walker River Resort, Smith, NV
Saturday August 27, 10:00 AM	*Carson Valley Sporting Clays, Gardnerville, NV
Sunday August 28, 10:00 AM	*Capitol City Gun Club, Carson City NV
Sunday, Sept 17, 10:00 AM	Camanche Hills Hunting Preserve, Ione, CA
Saturday, Oct 22, 10:00 AM	Birds Landing Sporting Clays, Birds Landing, CA

For more information please contact Dan Ashe (925) 808-5782

#### **ACTIVITY INFORMATION**

# ALL ACTIVITIES ARE POSTPONED at the DIABLO ROD AND GUN CLUB EXCEPT: AIRGUN, ARCHERY, ALL SHOTGUN ACTIVITIES AND IMPALEMENT ARTS UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

#### Please check with your activity chairmen for other locations

AIR GUN FIELD TARGET: Held on the third Sunday of the month we shoot Air Rifle Field Target (and Air Pistol) at the Action Pistol Course at 09:00. We shoot "knock down" type targets at ranges from 10-55 yards. The matches follow standard AAFTA rules and classes. We foster a collegial type of shooting environment where one can learn and develop skills at their own pace. Airguns vary from inexpensive \$150 spring guns to full blown Anschutz match rifles. Airguns for this sport are limited to 20fpe of energy. Protective eye wear is required. Cost for the match is \$5.00 per day, juniors shoot free. We usually have a POTLUCK BBQ with grilled hotdogs or mild link sausages for lunch. At the conclusion of the FT match we host an open shooting session or pistol match. Contact Patrick Radler pr599 at Comcast dot net

AIR GUN: (Indoor) Shoots are held on the **second** and **fourth Friday nights** each month from January through May. All shooting is done offhand (standing) at paper targets so <u>some shooting experience is required</u>. 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. Initiation Fee is \$5.00 and \$2.50 for each match. Sign-up starts at 6:30 PM and shooting starts at 7:00 PM. FFI Ken Rogers: 925-831-1037.

**AIRGUN SILHOUETTE:** Matches are for air rifles and pistols, shooting is at the METALLIC chickens, pigs, turkeys and rams. Matches cost \$7. It is an offhand game but shooters are welcome to shoot off the bench in VARMINT CLASS. AIRGUN Silhouettes (1st Sunday at 1pm). For more information contact Pat Radler <a href="mailto:pr599@comcast.net">pr599@comcast.net</a>,

APPAREL/MERCHANDISE: Diablo Rod & Gun Club Attire is available for purchase from 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. CHAIRPERSON NEEDED Will the members that have paid for their t shirts please pick them up from Chris (925) 405-5054

ARCHERY: New chairman is Ryan DeAmaral - archery@diablorodandgun.com

**DIABLO SOCIAL:** The next Social will be on **Tuesday, May 17, 2016-** Gather and help set up at 5:15 eat at 5:45 PM. The Club will provide the food and drinks, including sodas, beer, wine, and spirits. Diablo members, family, and guests are invited to come by, and visit with other club members. Socials are always on the third Tuesday of the month. FFI call Ellison Dunlap (510) 465-3699

FISHING— new chairman is Joe Denton - fishing@diablorodandgun.com,

**IMPALEMENT ARTS:** The "Impalement Arts" is the art throwing knifes, tomahawks, Tomahawks available as loaners if you don't have your own. If you would like to learn this craft, come down to the throwing range. The Impalement range is well lighted and we will be open during USI Business Hours. Come and enjoy our Knife Club every other Sunday of the month. Anyone interested in the impalement arts contact Andre Lepage at <a href="mailto:andre.lepage@sbcglobal.net">andre.lepage@sbcglobal.net</a>

MUSKETEER SHOTGUN: FFI Lee Halverson email: <a href="mailto:speedelee@gmail.com">speedelee@gmail.com</a>

MUSKETEER .22LR: .FFI CHAIRMAN RON SAVIONI CELL (925) 200-1205

**SKEET:** NEW ACTIVITY CHAIRMAN NEEDED . If interested please contact the president at (925) 405-5871.

**SPORTING CLAYS:** The 2016 Sporting Clays schedule is here. The cost to shoot is approximately \$40.00, for the club fee at each place. Junior's fees are paid by Diablo Rod and Gun Club. No need to register ahead of time. Just come on down for some fun. Learn from more experienced shooters in a casual environment. HOA = \$50 and Lewis Class Prizes = \$30 (must belong to a USI Club to win) For more information contact Daniel at (925) 335-9193 or Email diablo sporting clays@yahoo.com.

**SUNSHINE COMMITTE:** If you have any information about the passing or the serious illness of a Diablo Rod & Gun Club Member please contact our **Bart McGlothin** <a href="mailto:president@diablorodandgun.com">president@diablorodandgun.com</a> **925-405-5871.** 

TROPHY AWARDS: Jackets are awarded to first time winners, runners up will now get t-shirts. 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 Glenn or Barbara 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 2014 are: Coast Deer (Early Season, Calif), Late Season Inland Deer, Calif., Pheasant, Trout, Turkey, Elk, Pig, Duck Wing, Steel Head, Large Mouth Bass. Awards are given for all categories. Juniors are the future of all outdoor sporting activities, so get 'em out to learn about the great outdoors. Runners up will now get t-shirts. FFI call Glenn or Barbara Ashworth (925) 395-6647 or email trophyawards@diablorodandgun.com

**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. Shotgun events are at the Skeet Fields and shooters need their own shotguns. FFI PLEASE CONTACT RON SAVIONI (925) 228-4814...

#### **NEXT CLUB MEETING**

Thursday, May 5 2016

7:30 pm at the Club House

Club Meeting held every first Thursday of each month

#### Membership Renewal

Please renew sooner rather than later.

You can renew online at <a href="http://diablorodandgun.com/amember/">http://diablorodandgun.com/amember/</a> Questions? email us: <a href="mailto:membership@diablorodandgun.com">membership@diablorodandgun.com</a>

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#### April 2016 Newsletter Deadline—April 9

Please submit any articles, letters, schedules, activities, and photos to

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AT THE CLUB HOUSE
AS IT IS TIME
FOR CHAIR NOMINATIONS

