

Diablo Rod & Gun Club

January 2018 Newsletter

Happy New Year to you and your guns!

This upcoming year, 2018 will have plenty of things for you to do, to exercise that little extra fat off your trigger finger after this last holiday.

Thanks to Diablo, your air gun opportunities will continue even as the cold wind blows!

Metal Silhouette Shooting – 1st Sunday of the month, rain or shine. We meet at the APR range, starts at 1:00 pm. Please arrive a little earlier, and we can get the paperwork out of the way and get to making those steel animals dance that much sooner. First match of the year is January 7th.

Field Target – 3rd Sunday of the month, rain or shine, starts at 9:00 am. You'll have a 15 minute sight in period after the safety briefing, so you can bring that old springer or PCP with the questionable zero and still shoot well. January 21st is our first FT match for 2018.

Indoor 10 Meter – Season starts in January, 2nd and 4th Friday of every month. Inexpensive, indoors, Friday nights. Rifle, Pistol– one hand and two hand. Open sights, telescopic sights, red dots– I've even seen a laser used. Meet up at the Club House, times to be announced. The Diablo calendar currently doesn't have the events posted, but they will be, so look to it for updates.

https://diablorodandgun.com/calendar/action~month/exact_date~12-1-2018/

Don't have a gun, we do! – Let me know before an event and we'll get you strapped.

Need air? – Club members can get their tanks, with a current hydro test, refilled at many club events, for no fee.

Need more opportunities to shoot? – Wednesday mornings at the MPR, 9:00 –12:00 pm.

Thursday, Saturday and Sundays– when the Business Office is open, the MPR is open to Airgun shooters (pellet, .25 cal and below) and .22 Rimfire.

Looking forward to 2018!

Martin O'Connor

**UNITED SPORTSMAN INC, CONCORD, CA.
OPEN FOR 22'S**

**The Multi-Purpose Range is OPEN
to the PUBLIC and Members!!**

.22 rimfire (long rifle) ONLY (no magnums.)

Saturday 10am – 6pm

Sunday 10am -6pm

DENNIS's Summary Procedure/wishlist for the MPR

CURRENT 22'S ONLY MPR :

Appropriate portions of Labash's old procedure could be incorporated into the new USI procedure. The USI effort needs to reflect new approaches to things such as filling air guns on the line.

SECTIONS

C 1.1 On non designated shooting days, Air gun shooters may move the benches and create a shooting line that allows multiple shooting positions from each bay.

Air Gun Field Target is shot from sitting at appropriate field targets placed at different distances on the ground from 8 to 55yds.

C 1.2 RSO's on designated USI Shooting days, are employees of USI. On non designated shooting days, an RSO from one of the USI clubs can oversee the safety and well being of club members.

RSO's should be allowed to open when the range is not scheduled. The MPR used to be available most of the time because the public range was open from like 9 to 5 tues – sun. Since RSO's collect their own money, an RSO can open when it is not scheduled. Since the operations manager is on site wed - sun from at least 9 - 5. I think we could seek these expanded hours of wed and fri 9 – 5, rather than the posted hours for shotgun: (which is basically when the office is open - when Velda is there): **1:00 PM – 8:00 PM Wednesday & Thursday, 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM Friday, & 10:00 AM – 6:00 PM Saturday and Sunday.** Otherwise, since USI runs 22s on sat, sun and thurs from 10 – 6 (when the office is open since members must pay at the office) that would only leave wed from 1 - 8? and fri 10 - 3 for the RSO's to run 'OPEN TO MEMBERS' on the MPR as a USI event. The operations manager, Steve McConnell, requested that an RSO email him or leave a voice mail when he opens. Hopefully, we can incorporate those requests into the new calendaring feature that the new USI Secretary is initiating.

C 2.2 On non designated shooting days, the RSO will collect the fees, and follow the proper procedure for getting the fee's to the USI office.

FUTURE PUBLIC RANGE

On the prospective rifle and pistol range, the part for the yet to open future public range mentions sitting only, for rifle, and standing only, for pistol. Hopefully, some accommodation will be made for offhand (and prone) as the public baffles are designed for position shooting. Of course that range will be run by paid staff. However, it will be the only open range for a long time so some consideration should be given to members.

FUTURE MPR

It is important to consider the future MPR when it is rebuilt with baffles for centerfire. For example, position shooting will continue to be allowed along with muzzle loaders, etc, but probably not 50's. I believe it is critical to include our desires as RSO's for a future MPR to provide shooting competitions as well as open to members sessions as before the closure. Possibly, it can serve as a guide to its design.



Boy Scouts of America

Mt. Diablo Silverado Council

presents our Sixth Annual

Sporting Clays For Scouting

Benefiting Scouts in Alameda, Contra Costa, Lake, Napa and Solano Counties

Saturday, March 3, 2018

Quail Point Hunt Club

29625 County Road 14, Zamora, CA

Individual: \$150 & Youth: \$100 Team of 4: \$550 until 12/31/17
EIN 94-1156249

Includes:

Continental Breakfast
a Goodie Bag with Snacks / Beverages
100 Rounds of Shotgun Shells
100 Clay Pigeons / "Birds"
BBQ Lunch
Plus more!



SCHEDULE

8:00 AM - Check In, Team/Station Assignments
9:45 AM - Welcome & MANDATORY Safety Speech
10:00 AM - Course opens / Shotgun Start
1:00 PM Lunch followed by Awards & Raffle



For questions and/or more information:

<http://www.mdscbsa.org/events/sporting-clays-2018/>
Anne.Herriage@Scouting.org or (925) 674-6154

ACTIVITY INFORMATION

ALL ACTIVITIES ARE POSTPONED at the DIABLO ROD & GUN CLUB

EXCEPT:

**AIRGUN, ARCHERY, ALL SHOTGUN ACTIVITIES
AND IMPALEMENT ARTS UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE**

Please check with your activity chairmen for other locations

ACTION SHOOTING : Shooting at Richmond. Check time with chairman

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 \$12.00 members and \$17.00 for Guests. Juniors cost \$7.00. per day.. Contact Patrick Radler pr599@comcast.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 some shooting experience is required. 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: Are held at the Action Pistol; Range Matches are for air rifles and pistols, shooting is at the METALLIC chickens, pigs, turkeys and rams. Matches cost is \$14.00 for members and \$21.00 for Guests. Juniors are \$7.00. 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 Martin ,O'Connor 415.203.4686

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

NEW AWARD CHAIRMAN: Al Mabanag trophyawards@diablorodandgun.com

DIABLO SOCIAL: The next Social will be the on **Tuesday, January 16, 2018** - 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: CHAIRMAN NEEDED

IMPALEMENT ARTS: The "Impalement Arts" is the art throwing of knives and 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 andre.lepage@sbcglobal.net

MUSKETEER SHOTGUN: FFI Lee Halverson email: speedelee@gmail.com

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 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 COMMITTEE: If you have any information about the passing or the serious illness of a Diablo Rod & Gun Club Member please contact our **Bart McGlothlin** president@diablorodandgun.com **925-405-5871.**

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, February 1 2017
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 <http://diablorodandgun.com/amember/>

Questions? email us: membership@diablorodandgun.com

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OF DIABLO ROD & GUN CLUB

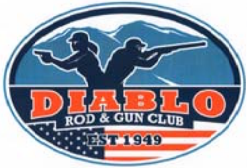
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Feb Newsletter Deadline—Feb 3 2018

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

Starts up January Friday 12 and 26, 2018
to be held at the Club House

sign up 6:30 pm - shooting 7:00 pm

FFI Ken Rogers 925-831-1037.