



## **Mt. MADONNA BOWMEN NEWSLETTER**

### **Summer 2008**

#### **Presidents Message**

Threats of fire, and lack of rain did not affect the archery range. The range is in the best shape I can remember. The work party in May cleared all the range trails, cleared shooting lanes, replaced bad target hay bales and remarked shooting hubs in preparation for the State Hunter/Field and Animal (H/F/A) round in June. All the hard work also set us up for the Bug Shoot on July 20<sup>th</sup>. Mt. Madonna Bowmen and Santa Cruz Archers had many 3D Animal shoots on Saturday mornings in May and June. Turn-out for the 3D's was similar to last year but those of you who shot had a good time. The Bug Shoot on July 20<sup>th</sup> is our next big event and we need help to make the shoot a success. Rich Sandkuhle

#### **Range Activities**

I want to thank the following people for participating in the May work party: Brad Gulan, Amy Steers, Kathy Gulan, Bradley Gulan, Nicholas Gulan, John Rossini, Tim Owens, Otto Wenzel, Rich Regan, Stan Jarocki, Mike Clark, Mike Pierce, Curtis Campisi, Ricardo Fortuno, Ken Gardner, Kay Gardner, Kris Barton, Rob Barton, Jonathan Adam, Stephanie Adam, Jim Martinez, Candace Douglas, Ralph Adams and Linda Adams. This work party accomplished a lot on the range. We cleared all the trails, did trail maintenance, replaced 12 target bales repainted target shooting positions and cleared shooting lanes in preparation for the State shoot and the Bug shoot. We purchased materials and installed a new bridge on the trail on target 15 trail. Plywood was purchased to put an all weather roof on the practice butts. Matt Russo re-roofed several target roofs. Even though the range is in good shape we need to continue to look for improvements. Inspection work by Linda and Ralph Adams and other club members will give us more areas for possible improvement. Rich Sandkuhle

#### **Club Shoot Participation**

Club Shoots on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of each month in the spring were replaced by 3D shoots on Saturday and the State Shoot. Now that we are in our summer period, the next big club activity is the Bug Shoot. Hopefully we will have a couple of club shoots in August and September.

## **State Hunter/Field/Animal (H/F/A) round at Mt. Madonna**

Mt. Madonna Bowmen hosted the State Hunter/Field/Animal (H/F/A) June 8<sup>th</sup>. We had 42 shooters, some driving from the southern Calif. area to shoot. It was a great turn out and resulted in a additional revenue for the club. High score was shot by Jimmy Martinez. The weather was ideal for a spring shoot and all shooters enjoyed the event. Rich Sandkuhle

## **Bug Shoot**

The Bug Shoot is just around the corner (July 20<sup>th</sup>). Quite a bit of work has been completed in preparation for the Bug Shoot, as mentioned earlier. We still have some minor range work to complete and we need to do some touch up on the Bug targets. We plan to have a small work party on July 12 along with some volunteer work during the week prior to the shoot. Preparation for the Bug Shoot is way ahead compared to previous years. Club officers will be contacting club members between July 7 and 9<sup>th</sup> for help on the Bug shoot. We need people to set up targets on Saturday morning July 19<sup>th</sup>, run the shoot and help with target take down and cleanup on Sunday July 20<sup>th</sup>. Some of us will have to work the whole day of the shoot. We have some Sunday AM and PM jobs for members who cannot help out all day Sunday. PM clean-up helpers would be greatly appreciated on Sunday. The more help the easier it will be on all who work the shoot. Remember, members who help out on the Bug Shoot get to shoot the large Bug targets free on Saturday afternoon. Curtis stated in the last club meeting that we have gotten several pre-registrations for the shoot. Rich Sandkuhle

## **3D Shoots this spring**

Mt. Madonna Bowmen and Santa Cruz Archers alternated 3D shoots at their ranges in May and June for interested bowmen. Attendance was low but those who participated really had a good time. Overall we did not see an improvement in attendance from last year when the shoots were on Friday night. We will look hard at how we want to run the 3D shoots next year. Rich Sandkuhle

## **IBEP Class**

On September 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> Jimmy Martinez and I will be teaching the IBEP class. This class is for archery hunters and teaches hunting methods, safety, rules, ethics and survival skill for those who hunt with a bow. Attendees in the class have gotten lots of good information about bow hunting. This class is not required to bow hunt in California but many states do require a certificate of class completion to hunt in their state. Last year we had 20 students in the September class. Several students were from southern California, finding at the last minute they needed this class to hunt in states like Idaho, Colorado or Alaska. The class is for interested hunters ages 13 or older. Class will be held at Predators and cost \$20. Interested bowmen please sign up at Predators. Rich Sandkuhle

## Calendar of Events 2008

Date	Activity	Location
Ap thru Sept.	Bowhunters Unlimited 3D league Tuesday's	
Every Sat.	King's Mountain Archers 3D fun shoot	Kings's Mt.
July 13	Bug Shoot	Mt. Madonna
Aug. 23-3	San Francisco Archers 1,000,000 BC 3-D	San Francisco
Aug 17	Bowhunters Unlimited Primitive Shoot	Cupertino
Aug 25	Diablo Bowmen Red Devil 3-D 28 Targets	Mt. Diablo
Sept 12-13	IBEP class	Predator's
Sept 13	Lodi Bowmen Host CBH/SAA 900 round	Lodi
Sept 21	Briones Archers Big Game Open 28 paper targets	

For additional information check following web sites: CBH: [www.CBASAA.net](http://www.CBASAA.net) , NFAA: [www.nfaa-archery.org](http://www.nfaa-archery.org), SAC: [www.calarchery.com](http://www.calarchery.com) or contact Predator Archery (408-842-7733)

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