SMOKE SIGNALS

BY President John Stone March 2012

The Board and I hope that you have noticed the many positive range improvements. We want you to know that there are more to come. We have a healthy growing membership thanks to an increased participation in our programs and activities. I look forward to being your President again this year. I am always happy to talk to members and get their suggestions about improving our range to provide an even more healthy and safe shooting experience.

Officers and Directors 2012-2013

John Stone _ President, Ron Sechler- Vice President, Joe Novak - Secratary, Robbin Phillips- Treasurer

Directors- Darrell Barton, Blake Bennett, Pat Chladek, Lisle George, Walt Green, Randy Kelly, Greg Little, Chuck Murray and Mike Phillips.

Range Hours

Starting March 11th, the range will be open for spring hours until 6:00PM.

2012 CRAB FEED

The 2012 Annual Crab Feed is history and it was very successful. It is difficult to thank all who helped but Thanks, Thanks and many Thanks. A special thanks to our staff who certainly had their plates full! The range was filled everyday, they had to collect the annual dues and execute the complexities of the crab feed all at the same time. If you missed out remember next year will be bigger and better and we will see you there.

SWAP MEET

Plan to attend our Swap Meet March 31 from 9AM-2 PM. It's time to clean out all the "**shooting**' stuff you have been planning to sell. Contact Terri in the office and purchase a table for \$5.00. Or just come to browse and buy that widget you can't live without.

Cowboy Action Shooting

River City Regulators will be hosting their Annual Match March 29-April 1, 2012 at YSA's specialty range. Information can be found on their web site: http://www.rivercityregulators.org/ANNOUNCEMENTS.html

NEW SIGN

Check out our new sign when you enter the range for reminders of upcoming events.

SPEED LIMIT

Please keep an eye out for shooters, families and pets. To help you, the speed limit is **5 MILES PER HOUR**.

OPEN HOUSE

June 30, 2012 – Join us 10 AM to 2 PM for demonstrations and hands-on activities presented by the clubs that use our facility. Participants include: the **Civilian Marksmanship Program**'s .22 cal Junior Rifle Team and High Power Rifle Shooting Program; the **Putah Creek Clay Busters**' Junior trap and sheet; the **River City Regulators**' Cowboy Action Shooting; **Target Masters**' Action Pistol Shooting; and the **Yolo Frontloaders**' Black Powder Shooting.

RANGE OFFICERS

Our range officers are certified ROs and are identified by the orange vests that they wear at the metallic ranges and clay bird fields. If you have concerns about other shooters or questions relating to safety rules and regulations please talk them. Remember they are certified by the NRA and their rulings are informed and final.

JULY 4, 2012

The range will be open Wednesday, July 4 and the staff is planning some special events, including food and fireworks. Mark your calendar and please attend.

SPORTING CLAYS

Our weekly sporting clays activity will start again Thursday afternoon April 5 from 3 PM to 6PM. It is scheduled every Thursday and the season lasts until winter.

HUNTERS' EDUCATION

The first of the summer's hunter education programs is June 23-24. All interested parties are to contact the office and register prior to the classes. By registering in advance you will receive your study booklet before attending the class. Our current 2012 schedule are classes in June, August and September. See the calendar for specific dates during those months.

VEHICLE PARKING

Please park your vehicle in the designated parking areas and <u>not on the grass</u>. The next couple of months the ground will be soft and vehicles cause ruts which damage our equipment during the mowing season. Thank you for your co-operation.

SPECIALTY RANGE

Eye and ear protection are required by all shooters and visitors in the metallic ranges and clay bird fields; also from the gate entrance into the specialty range. You are welcome to watch the shooting activities in the specialty range, but must have eye and ear protection once you go through the gate.