

Pajaro Valley Rod & Gun Club

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Newsletter, May 2011

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*Hall Rentals,
Bill Sanchez
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Abel Campos
Caretaker,
Mark Neher*

Calendar

IPSC Shooters only – Thursday evenings 5:00 PM – 8:00 PM.

Members Meeting – First Monday of each month- social hour 6:30 PM.

Dinner 7:30 PM. Menu for this month – Rib-eye steaks and beans.

Board Meeting – Second Tuesday of each month – applications 6:00 PM, meeting 7:30 PM.

Venture Club 568 – 2nd and 4th Wednesdays 6:30 PM – 8:00 PM. Range closed.

President's Column

Due to our rainy weather the new gate was delayed, it will be installed by the May dinner meeting. We are upgrading the lighting down stairs the improvements should be done in May. Those of you that would like to receive the newsletter by email, please, email Mike Ciglar. Mike's email address is; m.ciggy@sbcglobal.net . The club will save about \$14.00 per member per year for each newsletter that is emailed vs mailing a hard copy. Also the newsletter is posted on our web site <http://www.pajarovalleyrodandgun.org/> however; you will receive the email newsletter the soonest.

Remember we will be putting on the Kids Fishing Derby at Pinto lake on Sunday, May 1st 8:00 AM, anyone wanting to help out will be greatly appreciated.

The club is continuing our assistance to our community by offering our facility free of charge to programs that support the education of our community. We host the Dept. of Fish and Game Hunter Safety course and will continue to offer NRA Certified firearm instruction and in May the 4H Firearm instructor course will held on May 21st and 22nd. We will also be helping out at the Santa Cruz/Monterey youth outdoor day put on by the fish and game commissions of Santa Cruz and Monterey Counties.

This summer we will have some interesting activities. On the June Meeting the VFW Honor Guard will be giving us a flag raising 21 gun salute. And in July we will invite the members to bring their Bikes, hotrods or any vehicle that they would like to show off to the other members. If you have any activities that you would like to see us do, let me know. We have one new club member; Henry Whimpy and two reinstated members; Danny Luna and Brandon Martinez. Welcome to the Club and welcome back.

Bruce Kobara, President bakobara@aol.com – home 724-2902 Cell 254-2902.

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John Maraldo , Bud Severin & Abel Campos



Bob Moresco, Chef &-Abel Campos, Ass't.

Kitchen Crew

Concealed Carry Information

Forty states comprising the majority of the American population, are “right-to-carry” states. Statistics show that in these states, crime rate fell after the right-to-carry law became active as of July, 2006. Nine states deny or restrict the right-to-carry. Crime rates involving gun owners with carry-permits have consistently been about 0.02% of all carry permit holders since Florida’s right-to-carry law became active in 1988.

After passing their concealed carry law, Florida’s homicide rate fell from 36% above the national average to 4%, below and remains below the national average as of the last reporting period in 2008. In Texas, murder rates fell faster than the national average in the year after their concealed carry law passed. Rape rates fell 93% faster in the first year after enactment and 500% faster in the second. Assaults fell 250% faster in the second year. More to the point, crime is significantly higher in states without right-to-carry laws. States that disallow concealed carry have violent crime rates 11% higher than national averages.

The public is 5.7 times more likely to be arrested for violent offences than CCW permit holders and 13.5 times more likely to be arrested for non-violent offences than CCW permit holders. Firearms misuse causes only a small number of accidental deaths in the U.S. Compared to accidental death by firearms, one is four times likely to burn to death or drown; 17 times more likely to be poisoned; 19 more likely to fall, and 53 times more likely to die in an automobile accident.

Range News

Four Reminders

- 1. The target-holding chains are now mounted to the suspension wire with split rings. If you cut a chain, please remove the pieces from the suspension wire and the backstop and put them by the shooters sign-in log for recycle. Replacement chains are available next to the donation box and if you need it, there’s a step ladder in the ready room.*
- 2. The brass bucket below the donation box is only for brass cases. Aluminum and steel cases, and shotgun hulls, are not recyclable and should be disposed of in the trash can.*
- 3. Cartridges which failed to fire should not be put in the recycle bucket nor in the trash. Doing so poses a risk of injury to others. Rather put all your duds in the oil can next to the recycle bucket.*
- 4. When using the target retrieval system, position your target as close to the backstop as possible. If you want to shoot at closer range, advance your bench (as close as the yellow muzzle limit line of you wish).
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Small Mouth Bass

Smallmouth bass have a fairly large mouth that extends beyond their eyes but not beyond the rear edge when the mouth is closed. This characteristic distinguishes it from the largemouth bass where the back of the mouth does extend past the eyes. Young smallmouth and spotted bass have an orange color in the center of their tail; juvenile largemouths do not. The small mouth has dark vertical bars along its side with a brown or bronze colored background. Largemouth and spotted bass differ by having a black stripe that extends laterally down the side of the body and are usually lighter colored with more of a green or silvery background.

Club News for Monthly Bulletins

Since our monthly club bulletins are meant for the membership at large, news articles from members are welcome. Articles should relate to club sponsored functions or matters relating to club activities. Please direct items to my e-mail address on the face page of monthly bulletins. Complaints will not be published here. They should be directed to proper club personnel.

New shooters

All new shooters desiring to use the range, must meet with Range Master, John Maraldo for a shooting orientation. Please phone him at 728-8611 to make necessary arrangements for this session. Guest shooters can use the range for shooting purposes three times after which they must join the club for continued range use.

Range, Grounds & Lake Users

Caretaker "Mark" has stressed the importance of leaving their membership cards in an obvious area on the upper instrument panel when leaving their vehicles unattended at the lake, range or other club premises. And as a reminder, members must check in with Mark when using all of the above. Non-members and uninvited guests could be considered trespassers and in such case, a liability in event of accident or injury involvement.

Candidates for Membership

After attending three meetings, candidates for membership and his sponsors must attend the following session which will be the second Tuesday of the month following at 6:00 PM sharp. Sponsors must phone Bill Sanchez at 724-8620 on the day of the session to confirm attendance of both parties. Dues payment must be made by check or money order. Cash will not be accepted.

2011 Santa Cruz County Hunter Education Class Schedule

Pajaro Valley Rod & Gun Club April 9th & 16th – 8:00 AM - 2:00 PM. Two half-day Saturday classes to complete course. No age requirement – must attend both days - \$15.00 per person. Contact Gary Brenner (831) 421-2450 or Bob Cabral (831) 722-0563.

Classes to follow with all above requirements and information prevailing, are as follows: June 11th - 18th; July 30th – August 6th; October 15th – 22nd and December 3rd – 10th.

Venture Crew News

Venture club 568 is sponsored by our Club as a public service to promote youth firearms safety instruction and recreation. Membership is open to youths, men or women 14 to 21 years of age, whether or not the child of a Club member. Venture members are taught NRA pistol and rifle courses, shoot at our range the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month and enjoy field trips to other shooting venues. All those interested in joining the Crew, call Joe Yetter at 726-1423.

Monthly Meeting Parking

With a marked increase in our membership, parking during high attendance membership meetings, has approached a grid-lock stage. In the event of a critical or hazardous situation where emergency vehicles are necessary, a serious problem would surely exist. Pick-ups with long beds, large vans and all passenger vehicles should park with the front wheels abutting the tire bumpers. This would alleviate the issue somewhat. And lastly, another partial solution – pooling. Give all of the above serious thought. Police and firemen could provide more rapid and adequate service for your safety and well being.

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