

# OSC Golden Pheasant September 2015



## **President's Corner, September 2015**

As some of you may know, I am an almond farmer. This has been a tough year to be an almond farmer in many ways, with the limited amount of water the irrigation district has allotted to me being one of the toughest. I have had to really stretch my irrigation timings out and stress my trees a little, to try to have enough water. I had my almonds shook just the other day, the earliest I have ever had them shaken. Hopefully I will get them harvested; then the "warmest El Niño ever" will kick in and we will have a wet winter to fill up our reservoirs.

I have some great news for all the members. The board has voted to keep the dues the same as they have been, \$84.00 per year. If you have looked into other sportsman clubs, what they have to offer and what they are charging, you are really getting a bargain here at Oakdale Sportsman Club. The board has done a great job keeping expenses down and in line with the amount of revenue the club is bringing in. With that being said, something the board has been discussing is increasing the price for the monthly dinners. Many times, the money brought in at the door does not cover the cost of the meal, but the revenue brought in from the

raffle helps cover the difference. If you attend the monthly dinners and don't want to see the cost increased, then you need to pull out your wallet and buy some raffle tickets. Good luck!

Your boards continuing effort to keep your club safe has resulted in a rule change for the pistol bays. There are to be no long guns (Rifle or Shotguns) shot in pistol bays #1 or #2. There still will be a 35 yard sight in bench that can be used to get your rifle on the paper. It will only be allowed to be used when a Rifle range safety officer is present; they have the key to unlock it. The main reason this change is being made is the confusion members are having with having seen members in the past shooting .22 caliber rifles in those bays; then thinking they can shoot their high caliber rifles in there. The board has had to suspend memberships for this very reason.

Speaking of getting your rifle on paper – the rifle section has decided that they will only be offering time to sight-in your rifles Monday through Thursday, September 14<sup>th</sup> through September 17<sup>th</sup>, from 5pm until 8pm. In the past they had Saturday sight-in days that were poorly attended. Remember this club is run by volunteers, and you need to make the most out of the time they dedicate to your club.

Your board continues to want your club to be safe. If you see anything unsafe, please bring it to the attention of the on duty Range Safety Officer (RSO) or any board member. If you have any concerns about your club, please don't hesitate to contact me at: 209-541-7420 or email me at: [cabugman@fire2wire.com](mailto:cabugman@fire2wire.com).

Wayne Elam

### **Pistol Section Report - By James Grassmidt III**

At our Fun Shoot on August 2, we had 100 guns. It was a little warm, but we still had a great turnout. On August 8 at our Cowboy Fast Draw Shoot, we had 26 guns. We are seeing a lot of new shooters and are really excited about the sport growing. At our U.S.P.S.A. Match on August 16 we had 86 guns. We had 5 DQ's

due to safety infractions of breaking the 180 rule.

The U.S.P.S.A. buckle races are going strong. Remember that you need to shoot at least 8 matches to qualify.

Next Shoots

Sept. 6 - Fun Shoot Match

Sept. 12 - Cowboy Fast Draw Match

Sept. 20 - U.S.P.S.A. Match

### **Shoot Fast! Shoot Straight! Be Safe!**

**Oakdale Sportsmen's Club Schedule:** Members' Dinner: The September Dinner is Steaks!! The Board hopes you are all having a good summer with family and friends. Annual menu: Jan—no meal; Feb—Cioppino; March—Corned Beef and Cabbage; April—Steaks; May— Mexican; June—Past President's meal, steaks; July—no meal; Aug—Steaks; Sept—Steaks; Oct— German; Nov—Fish Fry; Dec—Whole Pig. Always Social hour 5:30p. Dinner 7:30p

Hall Rentals—Sept-None— Oct 10, 17

Cowboy Fast Draw—Sept-12th

Rifle Competition— Sept-12th at 9a

Rifle Cowboy – Sept—12th at 10a

Pistol Fun shoot—Sept—6th at 10a

USPSA Match—Sept—20th at 10a

CCW Classes—Contact [WWW.Madison-Society.org](http://WWW.Madison-Society.org)

Trap Wednesdays 2p and Saturdays 10a to 2p

Archery Shooting Monday Nights 5:30p

Rifle Range Open Thursday and Saturday 9a to 1p

The Kitchen Section—Wed 5:30p to 8:30p

Board of Directors Meeting—Sept 8th -7:30p

**New Rules for Pistol Bays #1 & #2 and the 35 Yard "Sight-In" Target:**

- 1) With the exception of below rules #2 & #3, there are NO long guns (rifle or shotgun) allowed in Pistol Bays #1 & #2.
  
- 2) Rimfire rifles can only be used in Pistol Bay #2 when a Rifle Range Safety Officer (NOT a regular Range Safety Officer) is present, or during sanctioned events.
  
- 3) The 35 Yard "Sight-In" target can only be used in Pistol Bay #2 when a Rifle Range Safety Officer (NOT a regular Range Safety Officer) is present, usually 9:00am - 1:00pm Thursdays and Saturdays.
  
- 4) The table for the 35 Yard target will remain locked and unusable when there is no Rifle Range Safety Officer on duty.

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