

## PEOPLE, NEWS AND EVENTS IN THE HEADLINES



### ALL FOR CHARITY

It's not often that clay shooters get a chance to do something to really help their community - but that's what happened on June 10th, 2006, when 149 shooters competed in the 25th Anniversary Club 552 Stag Shoot at Triple B Clays in El Monte, CA.

Club 552 is the all-volunteer fundraising arm of the top-rated Hoag Heart and Vascular Institute in Newport Beach, CA. The Stag Shoot actually began the night before with a fundraising party at Straub Distributing in Tustin, CA. Over 350 people attended the Boot Scootin' for Stag Shootin' Hoedown that featured BBQ from Newport Rib Company, cowboy & western music, and of course ice-cold Budweiser complements of Straub.

Assemblyman Todd Spitzer even stopped by to help tend bar.

After dinner, guests were treated to a casino night and silent and live auctions. The food was top-notch and plentiful, the adult beverages were ice-cold and free flowing, and everyone had a good time. But since about half of those in attendance were shooting in the morning, they were careful not to over do it.

The 25th Anniversary Club 552 Stag Shoot consisted of 180 targets over seven separate events. Sporting clays, Duck Tower, 5-Man Cluster Flush and more were shot. This event was first-class from start to finish. Check-in included an embroidered shooting vest from 'Shoot The Moon,' lunch was again provided by Newport Rib Company, and Straub Distributing was on hand again at the conclusion of the day's events.

The 5-Man Cluster flush was particularly entertaining to watch. Five men/women lined up on the 5-stand. On the call of "pull", 10 targets were thrown. In theory each shooter is supposed to shoot only his/her own two targets. In practice it's pretty amusing to watch shooters frantically searching for their targets.

At the day's end there were individual awards and team awards.



(L-R) LENNY POORE, MIKE SMITH, MIKE KOKAYKO, BILL SKINNER, DON CRISWELL AND TYLER TERRY.

The awards included silver belt buckles and finely etched granite plaques. A raffle was held that included guns, gun-safes and numerous other high quality items. Like I said - this event was first-class from start to finish, they didn't scrimp on anything.

Frank Woods took HOA in the combined events. The team of Lenny Poore, Mike Smith, Mike Kokayko, Bill Skinner and Don Criswell took home the Top Team award.

Co-chairs Bob Adams and Tyler Terry confirm that over \$200,000 was raised for Club 552's charity. That's pretty good for a bunch of shooters just getting together to have some fun.

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### ZONE 1

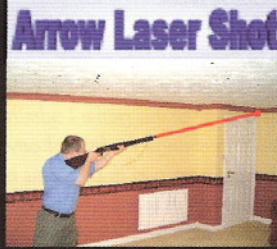
The floating Zone 1 Championship (8th-9th July) docked at Geoff Gaebe's Addieville, Rhode Island, sporting grounds this year. After a year in New Hampshire, and another in mid-New York, it was a pleasure to return to this excellent facility. Readers of this publication are no strangers to Addieville and the A-1 events that they present. From Big Blast to Winter League, this is a venue that can handle every challenge, as Geoff and his crew have proved time and again.

Heat, humidity, but no rain, set the mood, and the menu presented the full range of options for the weekend: Small gauges, Pre-lim, and FITASC on Saturday, followed by the 100 bird Main on Sunday, with

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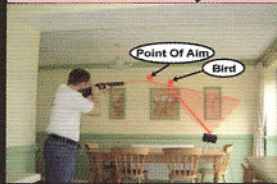
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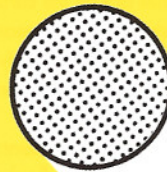


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