

# BILLINGS TRAP CLUB NEWS LETTER

February, 2007



Happy New Year from the Billings Trap Club! We had a fine 2006 and it's now time to make plans for a great 2007. The **Annual Meeting** will be held **March 12, 2007** at **7:00 p.m.** at the **Billings Trap Club** clubhouse. Please plan to come hear what's new and participate in decisions involved in the changes we are going through. We need your input!

It's time to get your teams together for another exciting league season. The **League Opening Sunday** will be **April 1<sup>st</sup>**. All teams must be signed up with shooter and sponsorship fees paid before you may shoot. Practice traps will open at 10:00 a.m. with League squads going out at 12:00 Noon. First squadded and paid will shoot first. 50 targets and you are done!

**League** will start the following **Wednesday, April 4<sup>th</sup>, at 6:00 p.m.**, and continue each Wednesday through **August 22<sup>nd</sup>**, with the **Shoot Off** on **Sunday, August 26<sup>th</sup>**. The sponsorship fees for 2007 are \$75.00 per team. Membership is \$25.00 per individual and \$10.00 for additional family members under the age of 19. Any youth shooter under age 19 may buy an individual membership for \$10.00.

We are looking for help again this year from teams to keep the club clean and traps loaded. Captains, remember that you are the Safety Officer on the line. Make sure all guns are pointed down range and open at all times when not in use. Safety is very important and the last thing we all want is to have an accident where someone gets hurt, so let's make sure we are safe out there! With all the new and old members, make sure to be polite and help everyone out by teaching them the rules and safety of the game.

New shooters should be made aware of the trap shooting lessons taught every other month, in alternate months. Lessons will take place for 4 Saturdays in a row, in February, April, June, August, and October. The class includes 8 boxes of shells and 8 lessons for \$65. Contact Bill Crago (wk: 252-7770; hm 248:3867).

The scholastic youth shooting program will be building youth teams again this year for league and state. This includes youth from 4<sup>th</sup> grade through Senior in High School. We also need adults interested in helping coach youth shooters. Interested youth and adults please contact Bill Crago (wk: 252-7770; hm: 248-3867).

The **Darryl Graff ATA Shoot** is **Saturday, February 17<sup>th</sup>**, with shooting to start at **10:00 a.m.** Remember, the club is open every Saturday at 12:00 Noon. Come out and practice! You can sign up for League any Saturday at the club before April 1<sup>st</sup>. Hope to see you there and let's have a good, *safe* year. If you have any questions, feel free to call Paul Even at 406-672-9807, or any of the other Board Members.

Thanks!

The Billings Trap Club Board of Directors