



SES Sporting Clays Tournament

Our Sporting Clays Tournament will be held on Monday, March 21st at 1:00 PM at the Bushy Creek Sporting Clays. This is an excellent facility with multiple stations for shooting enthusiasts with any level of experience. More information on the facility can be found at www.bushycreekclays.com.

Please note the range is 50 miles from the hotel and driving time is approximately 1 hour and 15 minutes each way. Please plan accordingly. No transportation is included. We will rideshare where possible.

Background:

Sporting Clays emulates hunting using clay targets instead of live game. Clay targets can be thrown to simulate the flight patterns of low-flying ducks, teal coming off the water, or woodcock zipping through the trees. They can even replicate the pattern of a hopping rabbit.

The game is comparable to golf in two ways. 1) Just as a golfer goes from hole to hole, a Sporting Clays shooter goes from one station on the course to another. At each station, the shooter encounters a different kind of shot which mirrors the wild game of the area. 2) The layout and design of the Sporting Clays grounds depends on the natural habitat and terrain of the area, providing each course with its own challenges and character. Sporting Clays takes shooting one step farther than its cousin shooting sports, Skeet and Trap, by removing the predictability of the clay's path and offering the shooter variety that changes at each station. This makes the sport challenging enough to be stimulating, but it is not so difficult that it becomes discouraging. A shooter does not need to have a brilliant score to get a terrific amount of satisfaction. Perfect scores are extremely rare.

Upon the shooter's call, targets are released and can be thrown as single targets, simultaneous pairs, or report pairs where the second target is launched upon the report of the shot at the first target.

Registration fees of \$85 per shooter will include 50 targets, ammunition, gun rental, range assistance, scorecards, cart rental, and water/non-alcoholic beverages. PPE is required and is available for purchase at the range (if needed) as follows: \$1.00 for ear plugs and \$7.50 for safety glasses. Shotgun rental for the event is limited to 20 participants renting, so if you have a favorite boom stick, you may want to bring it along. Last year, we had 33 participants.

Format: Four-person teams; four-person scramble; team starting positions will be assigned upon arrival.

- Teams will be setup based upon entrants' shooting experience. Teams will include experienced shooters as well as novice level participants.
- The range coach at each station will launch "show birds" before the first shooter begins.
- Shooters in a team will rotate starting positions (the first shooter at the first station will shoot second at the next station, etc.).
- Targets will be presented in a mix of individuals, report pairs and true pairs. The range coach at each station will inform shooters and launch targets accordingly.

Teams will be determined by Hospitality Management Services and finalized by Ron McCulloch and Tommy Leach. No appeals will be allowed.

The team with the highest number of clay targets broken will be 1st place. In the event of a tie the team with the highest individual score will be determined as the winner.

The official score keeper will be a member of Tucson Trap and Skeet. Score sheets must be turned in to Ron or Tommy at the end of the round.

Registration fees are due by **February 14**.

Additional Rules:

- Observe all club safety rules at all times.
- All shooters must wear hearing and eye protection. A mandatory safety briefing will be held prior to the event.
- No alcohol is allowed on the range.
- Shooters may only load a shotgun after taking position in the booth with the muzzle pointed down range.
- Shotguns are to be carried between stations with action open, and muzzles pointed in a safe direction, per club rules.
- Each shooter in a team will attempt each target.

Sporting Clays Tournament Entry Form

Monday, March 21st

1:00PM

Name: _____

Company: _____

Shooting Level Experience (please check one):

- Experienced clay shooter or bird hunter
- Occasional Shooter
- Inexperienced Shooter / Novice

Mail your check (sorry, no credit cards) for \$85 to:

c/o Antoinette Chartier
SES Sporting Clays
6508 Camino Carreta
Carpinteria, CA 93013

A 48-hour cancellation policy is effective.