



## Richvale Hunting Area Members

Thank you for joining Richvale Hunting Area, Inc. for the 2012 pheasant hunting season. Welcome! We anticipate this year to be one of the best hunting seasons Northern California has seen in a long time,

Enclosed in this mailing you should have received your member and associate membership cards, arm bands, hunting area map, parking pass and Hunting Rules and Regulations. If any of these items are missing please call the Richvale Hunting Area, Inc. at (530) 882-4263 immediately so that replacements can be issued.

In this issue of the Fall Update you will find pertinent information about this

year's hunting season, including im-

portant dates and information to help make your hunting season a success!



Remember, the Richvale Hunting Area, Inc is open the first 3 weeks and 4 weekends of the regular State approved hunting season. Richvale Hunting Area, inc.

follows all rules and regulations issued by the California Fish and Game.

## Richvale Parks and Recreation

Richvale Park and Recreation District was formed in the 1950's in order to allow our district's tax dollars to stay local. If we had not elected to form the district, the local tax revenues could have gone directly into other surrounding Recreation districts and thus, Richvale would have lost valuable input on how these taxes were spent.

Richvale Hunting Area, Inc. has been a big part of keeping RPRD solvent. Accomplishments include: upgrading the

school playground equipment, the building of the school auditorium, 4-H room, tennis courts and the local park..

Richvale Park and Recreation District is just one of the many local programs that the Richvale Hunting Area, Inc. supports with your membership dues. Thank you, for helping to make our community a more enjoyable place to live and raise our families.

## Annual Spaghetti Feed!

Make plans to join us for the Richvale Elementary School's Annual Spaghetti Feed and Raffle on Saturday, November 10, 2012, from 4:30 to 8:00 p.m. See the enclosed flyer for additional information.

All proceeds will benefit the Richvale Elementary School and raffle prizes including a membership pass for the 2013 Hunting Season!

We hope to see you there!

### IMPORTANT REMINDERS!

- ◆ Birds will NOT be banded!
- ◆ There will be no non-hunting days
- ◆ Releasing of the birds on Friday planting days will commence at 1pm at the Grell Shop located on Richvale Highway and Church Street. For all other planting days, releasing of the birds will occur at 6am at the Grell Shop.

# Hunt and Plant Schedule

The following is a tentative schedule of both hunting and planting and is dependent upon California Fish & Game final hunting rules.

Friday, Nov. 9, 2012—First Plant Day

Saturday, Nov. 10, 2012—Opening Day

Saturday, Nov. 17, 2012—Plant Day

Thursday, Nov. 22, 2012—THANKSGIVING—Plant Day

Saturday, Nov. 30, 2012—Plant Day

Sunday, Dec. 2, 2012—Last Day of our Season

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Find us on Facebook and become our Friend! We would love to hear from you.

## NOTICE!

As many of you have noticed, the fields where we hunt pheasants are changing. This is due in part, to the stringent EPA and burn permit regulations. The Clean Air Act of 1990 has eliminated 75% of the rice straw burning. Since rice straw does not decompose as fast as other grain straws, it can take up to 5 years for the rice straw to completely decompose.



Burning was an inexpensive and effective way to rid the fields of rice straw and to help control the diseases that grow in that straw. Now, because of the Clean Air Act and other EPA regulations, we work the rice straw into the soil and then flood the ground with water to help the straw decompose.

If you come across a flooded field in the Richvale Hunting Area we ask that you have understanding and patience. You may still hunt in the banks along the flooded field and many times birds congregate in these areas due to their closeness to the water.

## Donations

Richvale Hunting Area, Inc. contributes heavily to the local community. Some of these contributions have included:

- ◆ Biggs High School Band
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- ◆ Biggs Middle School
- ◆ Butte County Search and Rescue
- ◆ Butte County Sheriff's Posse
- ◆ Richvale Parent's Association
- ◆ Richvale Recreation & Parks
- ◆ Richvale Volunteer Fire Department
- ◆ Durham Park and Recreation District
- ◆ Little League, 4-H and Softball programs
- ◆ Community Band
- ◆ Gridley Youth Football

*Remember to wear your arm bands and use your parking passes! Security will be patrolling the area!*

