



Bay Point Rod & Gun Club

Newsletter – April 2010

Message from the President

Hello everyone,

We have a trap shoot coming up next month that Dick Hay put together to benefit the veterans. This shoot will be held May 15th and we have about 10 shooters from the Veterans Hospital signed up. The shoot will include a lunch for those who participated as well as a couple of rounds of trap at no cost to the veterans. Dick has put a lot of work into getting this organized and anyone who can help out please give Dick a call @ 963-8046.

The club is currently looking for people who would be interested in running for office on the board. This includes President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. Anyone interested please contact myself, Steve McConnell, or Jan Young. We desperately need people to fill these positions. Step up and show your commitment to Bay Point by running for one of these positions. Elections will be held at June's monthly meeting.

U.S.I. had a safety issue with the wobble board that was being used at the Action Pistol venue. At the last U.S.I. meeting the wobble board was demonstrated to all the clubs present and was deemed that it could be used in a safe manner. Thanks to Jim Endress for the demonstration and bringing in the video of how the wobble board is used.

Tim Hutchison

Minutes from the Last General Meeting

The April 6th meeting was called to order at 7:18. There were no changes requested from the minutes of the last meeting. A motion was made, seconded and passed to accept the March meeting's minutes.

Treasurer's Report

Bill Spring announced we had 15 new members and 8 new associates for a grand total of 491 members and associates.

Committee Reports

- Skeet – 100 bird Bay Point event On April 10th \$25 entry fee
- Trap – 100 bird event at 16 yards on April 11th \$25 entry fee
- Rifle/Pistol – April 11th is Bay Point day at the multi-purpose range. Fun shoot, June 20th.
- Fishing – Possible salmon fishing trip in the near future.
- Nominating Committee- Dick Hay has been nominated for the position of Vice President.
- Correspondence- No report.

Old Business

Tim Hutchison announced that the changes necessary to bring our by-laws in compliance with current law were very minor. Mike McDonald has volunteered to do this free of charge.

Dick Hay announced the Veteran's Trap Shoot will take place on May 15th.

New Business

Tim Hutchison announced that nominations for the U.S.I. board of directors were now being taken for anyone interested in running.

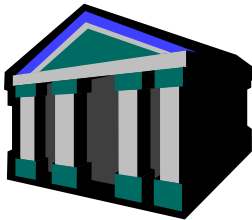
Good of the Club



Gene and Dorothy Bayer were recognized by the members in attendance for their outstanding efforts with the crab feed activities.

Meeting adjourned at 7:47pm.

Assembly Bill 1810 Mandatory Registration of All Guns



The following article was submitted by Mike McDonald .

Sam Paredes, Executive Director

If Assembly Bill 1810 isn't the issue that finally unifies ALL gun owners, nothing will!

For many years we've heard some gun owners say, "Oh, we don't care about those black military style assault weapons, they'll never come after our

sporting shotguns," or, "we don't care about those cheap Saturday Night Special handguns, they'll never come after our target and hunting rifles." Well guess what? They were WRONG!

AB 1810 by Assemblyman Mike Feuer (D-Los Angeles) of "microstamping" fame, has gutted his bill that originally dealt with graffiti and vandalism and amended it to call for registration of all shotguns and rifles, just like handguns. On April 13, 2010 the bill passed out of the "graveyard-of-freedom-and-justice" known as the Assembly Committee on Public Safety on a straight party vote. 4 Democrat Ayes and 2 Republican Noes.

Should this bill pass the legislature parents will no longer be able to give their long guns to their kids without registering the transfer with the Department of Justice (DOJ). Law abiding citizens moving into CA will now have to register all of the rifles and shotguns they bring with them along with their handguns. The bill will require the DOJ to keep all new purchase or private-party transfer registration information in a database, something that present law prohibits them from doing. The penalty for violating the registration requirements is a misdemeanor with up to a \$1,000 fine and a year in jail. Of course, that's for now, their next step will be to have you lose your right to own or possess ANY gun for 10 years, then they will raise it to a felony and so you will lose your gun rights for life. Do you have any doubts about this?

The radical leftist anti-gun leadership in the Legislature are surely trying to do all they can to have as many controls on guns and ammo before the Supreme Court of the United States (SCOTUS) hands down their ruling in the McDonald v. Chicago case due to be released this June. It is expected that the court will rule that the Right to Keep and Bear Arms will be incorporated and state and local governments will be prevented from infringing on the right, at least to some extent. To what extent governments will be limited is the issue that SCOTUS is wrestling with.

If we get into a debate with the gun grabbers about whether long gun registration is helpful in solving crime or returning stolen guns are significant or not, we've lost. Engaging in this type of argument immediately puts us on the defensive – it's like accepting their premise that we beat our wives and we are stuck arguing that we don't hit them often and very hard. Here's the deal, there is no justification for long gun registration, PERIOD! That is unless the long term goal is to have the means in place to ultimately get rid of all of them. We must reject their basic premise. There can be no compromise!

For those gun owners who never believed that the government would come after their target and hunting rifles and shotguns, here's another warning, the next step is to take all our guns away little by little. What's that you say? The U.S. Constitution will prevent that from happening? When have you ever known the radical gun-grabbers to care one whit about what the U.S. Constitution says? Think about it!

GOC urges every gun owner in the state to call and/or write Assemblyman Mike Feuer to express their strong opposition to AB 1810. He can be reached at: State Capitol, Sacramento, CA 95814, his phone number at the Capitol is 916-319-2042 and 310-285-5490 in his district.

There is a lot more to come and GOC will keep you informed.

Board of Directors Meeting

The following items were discussed.

- The wobble board to be voted on at the U.S.I. meeting
- Joe Calim's proposed pro shop
- All terrain vehicle for U.S.I. needs
- Food for next meeting



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MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING

- DATE: March 8, 2010
- CALLED TO ORDER: By Kevin Anderson at 7:30 PM
- PLEDGE: Mike Steele led the pledge to the flag.
- ATTENDANCE: President – Kevin Anderson; Vice-President - Terry Seymore; Treasurer – Tammy Thomas; Secretary - George Washnak; along with 5 Directors: John Thomas for Bay Point, John Labash for Concord, Scott Belmore for Diablo and Fred Gobbell for Walnut Creek; and 7 other delegates and guests. Total number in attendance was 16.
- INTRODUCTION OF NEW DELEGATES AND GUESTS: Jack Marvin attended as a representative of Brentwood Rod & Gun Club; and Ernie Miller attended as a guest.
- MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: The minutes of the February 2009 meeting were approved as submitted.
- TREASURERS REPORT: Tammy Thomas – Financial reports for the month of January 2010 were distributed and discussed. The report showed a \$5,000 profit for the month and a \$31,000 profit for the eight months ended January 31, 2010.

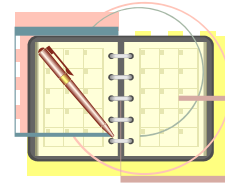
COMMITTEE REPORTS



- Operational Activities – Steve McConnell – Opening at noon on Wednesdays and Thursdays seems to be working, there has been an increase in the number of shooters. We will continue with the earlier hours on a temporary basis. The Trap & Skeet report for February was unavailable.
- Rifle/Pistol – Dave Agazzi – In February there were 1,380 shooters; 45% were members. Gravel has been installed in the Rifle walkways and in front of the targets and shooting benches, allowing shooters to tape targets and pick up brass without stepping in mud.
- L.E.T./Hunter Ed. Bldg/NRA Training – Kevin Anderson for Jim Endress – there were 19.5 billable hours last month, and 11 hours are scheduled for this month so far. There was no NRA activity this past month.
- Multi-Purpose Range: John Labash advised the schedule was full & there were no issues.
- Archery Range: John Labash advised that the range is operational.
- Grounds/Equipment Maintenance/Club House – Steve McConnell – A new starter was installed in the forklift.
- Action Pistol – Kevin Anderson for Bruce Fitch - Since the last meeting there were 2 matches held. The March 2010 Orientation class is full, the next class is on May 22nd and 23rd. There have been no accidents or incidents reported.
- Environmental – Robin Wendt – No report
- Hunter Education – Jim Clark - No report.

- Youth Programs – Rod Guyette advised that there were two Diablo Musketeer shoots; and two Youth Shotgun shoots during February.
- Webmaster: Manuel Newman has asked to be removed as webmaster, Kevin advised that Paul Gatty will resume those duties.

INFORMATION FROM THE PRESIDENT TO THE BOARD



- (1) Jack Marvin advised that Brentwood Rod & Gun Board has approved joining USI and is awaiting advice from their attorney that it is okay for them to sign the USI Membership Purchase Agreement.
- (2) Ed Richards Disking has paid two installments of \$3,500 each for past due rents. To date, we have not received further payments. Steve McConnell will contact them to possibly arrange removal of the concrete foundation for the water tanks in preparation for installation of the new tanks, and to inquire about chipping the large brush debris piles at the 5-Stand field.
- (3) Action Pistol "wobble board" - A USI Board Member, and Club President, brought to my attention the use at the Action Pistol Range of a device known as the "wobble board". This is a platform, suspended by chains, where the shooter stands on an unsteady surface. The purpose is to make shooting "more challenging" for the A/P shooters. I directed that Steve McConnell remove the prop as I deem it to be unsafe. I have spoke to many folks and received some very strong e-mails in support of their activities, as well as a number of folks who refuse to use such a "prop". Jim Endress has asked that this matter be "tabled" until the April USI Board meeting, so that he can

prepare a demonstration before the Board. I have agreed to this, to be fair to all interests at USI. That said, I want it clear that as your President, I shall stop any activity at USI which I deem to be unsafe, or has any "risk management" liability. Any group or club with objection to my decision is welcome to discuss their issue before the Board.

- (4) Cash Register System - I recommend that USI purchase the HP Business Solutions computer cash register system (two) to replace our PC Poll System. I also wish to include the "hand held scanner" for inventory and merchandise deliveries. I will look for a motion to proceed.
- OLD BUSINESS: Motion by Fred Gobbell, second by Scott Belmore to spend up to \$6,000 to purchase the two recommended HP Business Solutions cash register systems hardware and software, including the hand held scanner; a new office computer; and the latest version of Quick Books. The motion passed.
- NEW BUSINESS: Motion by Scott Belmore, second by John Thomas to spend up to \$2,500 to purchase a portable welding unit for use in maintenance of the Rifle/Pistol target frames and other welding maintenance projects on the property. The motion passed.
- FROM THE FLOOR: None
- REQUEST FOR GROUNDS: (1) Walnut Creek requested use of the trap fields on March 14, and March 28, use of the skeet fields on June 26, August 22 and September 5; and use of the 5-Stand field on Sept 26. (2) Bay Point requested the use of the skeet fields on Monday nights from March 29 through June 28 for Skeet League.
- The meeting adjourned at 8:00 PM
- Submitted by, George Washnak, Secretary

- NEXT MEETING IS MONDAY April 12, 2010

Upcoming Events



April 30th – May 2nd: Grant Hammond Memorial shoot. This is a N.S.S.A. registered shoot.

May 4th: General meeting with a Cinco De Mayo themed dinner catered by Mecca.

Last names A-M: Please bring desserts to share.

Last names N-Z: Please bring salads

May 15th: Veteran's trap shoot at 10:30am.

May 22nd: 100 Bird Diablo Skeet Shoot.

May 23rd: Bay Point 100 Bird Wobble Trap Shoot

Club Officers

If you need to contact any of the club Officers for any reason, please feel free to do so.

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