



Bay Point Rod & Gun Club

Newsletter – February 2010

Message from the President

Hello everyone,

First up I want to remind everyone that the Crab Feed tickets are nearly gone. Those who have not gotten there tickets yet will want to do so as soon as possible while they are still available. Gene Bayer has been working hard on getting donations for the raffle this year and has a lot of nice stuff. There is a list of most donations posted in the clubhouse. If you have time check it out.

U.S.I. is looking into replacing the cash register system with a new and improved version. The last system they had in place never seemed to work quite right. This new system should work very nice for us. Look for this upgrade in the next month or so.

Brentwood Rod and Gun is very close to being or next and newest club at U.S.I. They just have to approve the sales agreement and transfer the funds and there in. This will be a nice addition to U.S.I. and we are all looking forward to this taking place.

Hope to see you all at the Crab Feed.

Tim Hutchison

Minutes from the Last General Meeting

The February 2nd general meeting was called to order at 7:25 p.m. Fred Lutz led the 35 members in the pledge of allegiance. New member Taylor Blair introduced himself and was welcomed by the

members. A motion was made, seconded and approved to accept the minutes from last months meeting.

Treasurer's Report

Bill Spring read the treasurer's report. Our club made a \$300 profit on the Hangover Open skeet shoot. Bill also announced that we had 3 new members join our club. We now have 30 lifetime, 292 full, 134 associates for a grand total of 456 members.

Committee Reports

- Skeet - 100 bird Bay Point event on April 10th
- Trap - 100 bird Singles on April 11th and a 100 bird Wobbles on May 23rd.
- Rifle/Pistol- 9:00am-12:00pm February 21st at the multi-purpose range.
- Sporting Clays- no report
- Fishing- no report

Old Business

A motion was made, seconded, and approved for a "Veterans" trap shoot sponsored by Bay Point Rod & Gun with a \$750 spending cap. Dick Hay and Bud Onstott are heading a committee to organize this event, tentatively scheduled April 17th. Stay tuned for more information next month. The following is the donation criteria that will be voted on at the March general meeting:

PURPOSE

- To promote and enhance outdoor activities, including hunting, fishing, shooting and archery consistent with the Club mission
- To preserve wildlife habitat for outdoor sporting purposes
- To protect gun owners' rights to bear arms under the Constitution

CRITERIA

- The organization should serve the Clubs mission of fostering, promoting and perpetuating any of the sports of archery, fishing, rifle, pistol and shotgun shooting
- The organization should serve the Clubs mission to encourage the proper use of first aid, safe handling of firearms, conservation of all natural resources and wildlife, and support the state and federal fish and game laws
- The organization should seek to preserve the Constitution of the United States and/or California, including to preserve the right to own and bear arms
- Due to the limited resources of the Club, the selected organization should provide meaningful results and impact for the Club and public

SELECTION PROCESS

- A subcommittee will be appointed by the Board of Directors and will prepare a list of recommended organizations for potential donations and annually present the list to the Board of Directors
- Any member may submit a request to the subcommittee on behalf of a worthy organization to be considered by the committee
- The Board of Directors will review the final list, discuss the recommendations and select the organizations for donations
- The board of Directors will advise the Club members of the selections and the recommended amounts to be made by motion to club members
- Following motion and discussion, Club members will vote on the donations

- The Club treasurer will then disperse the donated amounts to the worthy organizations

New Business

Tim Hutchison is getting the lawyer that worked on updating the U.S.I. by-laws to go over Bay Point's by-laws for free. If we have to change the by-laws to meet current legal standards then we will incur a fee. This step is being done to ensure our tax exempt status.

Tim asked for and received commitments for volunteers to work this months crab feed. Anyone who still needs tickets, or would like to help work the crab feed should contact any board member.

John Thomas reported that the 2008-2009 audit was finished and in order, also we now have a website from which any member can order club tee-shirts. The club will be getting a discount on the cost of setting up the site for the first year. The discount is related to how many shirts the members buy, so let's show some pride in our club and wear these new shirts. The web site to order these shirts from is: Baypointrodandgun.imprintsite.com

The membership observed a moment of silence honoring long time member, Donna Young, who recently passed away.

Jack Bernardi passed the hat for the junior shooters that Rod Guyette recommended for Monday Night Skeet league. There were 35 very generous members present at the meeting who donated \$291 as a group in support of the 6 junior shot gunners that are participating in our skeet league. Any member who wishes to contribute to this worthy cause can make a check out to "Monday Night Skeet League", C/O Jack Bernardi, 4700 Evora Road, Concord, Ca. 94522. Please write in the memo portion of the check "Junior Shooters"

Meeting adjourned at 8:08pm.



Board of Directors Meeting

The need to purchase supplies and food for the crab feed was discussed.

The possibility of the club volunteering to keep the road side property litter free was discussed.

Monday Night Skeet League

Monday night skeet league is tentatively scheduled to start March 29th. There will be 50 spots available this year. Start times will be changed to 6:30 & 7:30 pm . Anyone who participated last year can reserve their spot with \$20 deposit prior to March 3rd. Every squad must have a team captain who is responsible for getting his team's deposits to Jack Bernardi or Kevin Anderson before March 3rd. On March 3rd an open sign up list will be placed on the bulletin board at the club house with the remaining open spots to be filled on a first come first serve basis. Please call Jack Bernardi at 925-639-7267 with any questions.

UNITED SPORTSMEN, INC.

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS' **MEETING**

DATE: January 11, 2010

CALLED TO ORDER: By Kevin Anderson at 7:30 PM.

PLEDGE: Jim Endress led the pledge to the flag.

ATTENDANCE: President – Kevin Anderson; Treasurer – Tammy Thomas; Secretary - George Washnak; along with 5 Directors and 19 other delegates and guests. Total number in attendance was 27.

INTRODUCTION OF NEW DELEGATES AND GUESTS – Jack Marvin and Mike Thrall attended as representatives of Brentwood Rod & Gun; Mr. & Mrs. Joe Calim attended as guests.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: The minutes of the December 2009 meeting were approved as submitted.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Tammy Thomas – Financial reports for the month of November 2009 were distributed and discussed. The report showed a \$17,000 profit for the month, however, Tammy advised that \$15,000 of that was due to adjustments to our inventory balances. There is a \$33,000 profit for the six months ended November 30, 2009.

Notice of Member Club Delegates: Pursuant to Section 5.3 of the newly revised USI By-Laws the following individuals were named as the voting Director for each club: Bay Point: Tim Hutchison; Concord: John Labash; Diablo: Scott Belmore; Walnut Creek: Fred Gobbell; and Brentwood: Jack Marvin (non-voting until BR&G is incorporated into USI).

Appointment of USI Vice-President: Pursuant to Section 5.2(a) of the USI By-Laws, Terry Seymore was nominated and unanimously elected as USI Vice-President to fill the vacancy left by Mike Anderson's resignation. Fred Gobbell swore Terry into office.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Trap/Skeet and Pullers – Steve McConnell – In December there were 18 shoot days and 770 shooters with an average of 2.7 rounds per shooter. The Toys-For-Tots shoot had 32 participants with \$994 and over 100 toys being donated.

Rifle/Pistol – Dave Agazzi – In December there were 1,103 shooters; 46% were members.

L.E.T./Hunter Ed. Bldg/NRA Training – Jim Endress – there were 12 billable hours last month, and 8 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 – The Rifle/Pistol range house floor was installed; the trap distance markers are installed; and the wobble trap machine has been repaired.

Action Pistol – Jim Endress for Bruce Fitch - The January Orientation Class is full, the March 27 & 28th class is already half full. Since the last meeting we've conducted 2 USPSA matches and one Steel Challenge match. Jim also advised that one of our long time members, Bob Gunther had passed away last Thursday.

Environmental – Robin Wendt – the 2009 year end report was distributed and discussed, including the status of meeting five goals that have been set: Goal 1 – Limit the distribution of lead to USI land: Completed; Goal 2 – Avoid shooting over and into water and wetlands: Completed; Goal 3 – Periodically reclaim & recycle lead and prevent its migration off USI land – Partially Completed; Goal 4 – Discourage ingestion of lead by birds and wildlife: Completed; Goal 5 – Maintain the Environmental Stewardship Plan – Completed.

Hunter Education – Jim Clark - No report.

Youth Programs – Rod Guyette advised that there was no activity with Mike Lilygren's monthly USI youth shoots; there were two Diablo Musketeer shoots; two Youth Shotgun shoots; and there were no scheduled 4-H shoots this past month. Rod also distributed and reviewed the 2009 year end report of Youth Shotgun activities.

Webmaster: Manuel Newman - no report.

OLD BUSINESS: Jack Marvin advised that Brentwood Rod & Gun was meeting tomorrow night, 1/12/10; that everything was back from their attorney; and that he expected the Membership Purchase Agreement would be voted on at that meeting.

NEW BUSINESS: (1) Motion by Scott Belmore, second by Tim Hutchison to accept the Environmental Stewardship Report submitted by Robin Wendt; agree that we do not need a professional to delineate wetlands or surface waters on USI property; that we would evaluate the need for lead recycling again in the fall of 2010; that we would evaluate the soil pH again in the fall of 2010; and that we would reschedule to 2010 any work on lead settling areas (Goal 3, Action item #8). Motion passed unanimously.

(2) The Board agreed with Kevin Anderson's proposal to change the Trap & Skeet winter hours on Wednesday and Thursday to Noon until 7:00 PM on a trial basis for the next four weeks.

FROM THE FLOOR: Joe Calim, a licensed FFL, made a verbal proposal to rent a portion of the USI property, the old land fill building, to refurbish it at his own cost, and to operate his firearm sale and repair business there. The business would primarily be directed towards shotguns. He will submit a written proposal to the Board for their consideration at a future meeting.

REQUEST FOR GROUNDS: Bay Point requested 1/27/10 for their annual Crab Feed; Diablo requested 1/30/10 for their annual Crab Feed.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM

Submitted by, George Washnak, Secretary

NEXT MEETING IS MONDAY February 8, 2010



Upcoming Events



March 14th (Sunday): Bay Point general club meeting. Dinner will be Corned Beef and Cabbage thanks to Ernie Miller and the club. Ernie does a great job with this dinner and deserves a big thank you from all of us. The club will supply dessert. Also, don't forget, the fish and game trophy presentation will be during the meeting.



February 27th: Crab Feed, tickets are \$35 and available from any club officer or member of the board of directors. Volunteers are needed to work this event. Tickets are getting scarce as usual for this event so get them while they last!



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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