

# Bay Point Rod & Gun Club

Newsletter – November 2009

## Message from the President

Hello Everyone and Happy Holidays!

First up, it has come to my attention that we did not get the donations criteria quite right. We didn't follow section 8 of the By Laws all the way through so we will have to do this again but I'm going to leave it until next year, my apologies for this oversight.

We had a good turnout for the Thanksgiving Dinner and many thanks to all who brought dishes for this festivity. The next meeting will be our Christmas Dinner on December 6th. If you can't remember if you volunteered to bring a main dish I'm sure Jack will send you a reminder. If you didn't volunteer to bring a main dish check this newsletter to see what kind of side dish to bring.

Now that we are full swing into the hunting season I would like to remind everyone about the trophy awards. Be sure that you document what you harvest so that you can be entered into the trophy awards. We give out jackets and rockers for the largest game taken weather it be furry, feathered, or covered in scales. Good luck to all you hunters.

Tim Hutchison

## Minutes from the Last General Meeting

Our November general meeting/Thanksgiving dinner was held after a large meal of appetizers, turkey, ham, side dishes and desserts provided by the members. A huge thank to all who brought food to this well attended event. A special thank you to those that volunteered to bring the specific items that Tim Hutchison requested at our October meeting. Please don't forget to turn your receipts in to Bill Spring if it was an item which Tim specifically requested such as turkeys and hams etc. The meeting was called to order at 7:13pm. We had 61 members and associates in attendance as well as 7 guests.

A motion was made seconded and approved accept the October meetings minutes.

Committee Reports- None

A handout of our pending donation criteria was placed at every table. The matter was discussed, a motion made and seconded to adopt this version of our donation criteria. A vote was taken which resulted in 28 for and 9 opposed. Motion passed and the meeting was adjourned at 7:36p.m.

Section 8.01 part 3 of our by laws states, the change or amendment has to be read at two monthly general meetings prior to voting on it. We have discussed this topic many times, but it has been amended each time. Therefore the specific language has never been the same and read at two general meetings. Tim Hutchison graciously apologized for this oversight in his President's message, but as club secretary it was my responsibility. Fortunately this club has a lot good people who care and it was one of them who brought the matter to my attention. The end result is the vote on this motion is declared null and void.

The December general meeting/Christmas dinner will be on December 13<sup>th</sup>. Cocktails and hors d'oeuvres will be served at 5:30 P.M. and dinner at 6:30 P.M.

The lucky winners of this month's pheasant raffle were Bill Spring, Bob Thomas, Chuck Edmonds, Jeff Walton, and Gary Wilde. All of this month's winners of these 2 bird pheasant cards have 8 weekends to harvest their birds starting October 10<sup>th</sup>. All questions regarding the pheasant raffle should be directed to Ed White at 925-687-5788.

Meeting adjourned at 8:02pm.



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**UNITED SPORTSMEN, INC.**

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

DATE: October 12, 2009

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

PLEDGE: John Labash led the pledge to the flag.

ATTENDANCE: President – Kevin Anderson; Vice President - Mike Anderson; Treasurer – Tammy Thomas; Secretary - George Washnak; along with 15 other delegates. Total number in attendance was 19.

INTRODUCTION OF NEW DELEGATES AND GUESTS – None

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: The minutes of the September 2009 meeting were approved.

TREASURERS REPORT: Tammy Thomas – Financial reports for the month of August 2009 were distributed and discussed. The Rifle/Pistol inventory is off and the difference is being investigated. Tammy advised that the Fiscal 2009 USI State and Federal tax returns were completed and filed.

**INFORMATION FROM THE CHAIR TO THE BOARD:**

1. Lighting Upgrade: Robin Wendt and committee drafted the specification sheet to be used to solicit bids for the desired lighting upgrades. This issue will be discussed tonight.
2. Five Stand Roof: The roof still needs to be repaired by the original contractor, he has not shown up as promised. Mike Anderson will update us under old business.
3. Skeet House and Trap Projects: The new trap machines are fully operational. The metal roofs covers have been installed and the trap houses have all been painted. A part necessary to install the Canterbury voice call system has been ordered. The skeet house doors still need to be painted and locks installed.
4. Brentwood Rod and Gun Club (BRGC): Mike McDonald gave the proposed agreement to an attorney for review. The attorney has some comments and recommendations. Kevin asked him to speak at this meeting, but it appears that he was unable to attend. Kevin advised that he had heard nothing further from Brentwood.
5. Rifle & Pistol Range: The R/P Range is currently unable to accept credit card transactions. It appears to be a data line problem. Steve McConnell will have it corrected as

soon as possible. The floor in the office still needs to be installed.

6. Club House: The Fire Department inspected the club house last week. Some minor items were discovered and are being corrected. Steve McConnell has already replaced the lighted emergency exit signs.
7. Member Appreciation Pig Roast: Attendance was disappointing, but the roast was excellent. Thanks to the volunteers who worked to make the event a success.
8. Members Using Trap Fields During Non-Business Hours: The USI Board previously approved allowing members that are "range masters" to use a trap field on Fridays. Those persons bring their own machine and throw the own clay targets. In order to limit our liability exposure, Kevin believes that this practice should cease.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Trap/Skeet and Pullers – Steve McConnell – In September there were 18 shoot days; 750 shooters; 2,012 rounds were shot or 2.68 rounds per shooter.

Rifle/Pistol – Dave Agazzi – In September there were 2,007 shooters; 44% were members.

L.E.T./Hunter Ed. Bldg/NRA Training – Jim Endress – there were 14.5 billable hours last month, and 32 hours are scheduled for this month so far. The NRA insurance premium information has been received and is being reviewed. A recommendation to the Board will be forthcoming.

Multi-Purpose Range: John Labash advised the schedule was full, there were no issues. John also distributed a copy of the proposed 2010 schedule

Archery Range: John Labash advised that the range has been cleaned up and is operational.

Grounds/Equipment Maintenance/Club House – Steve McConnell – The Rifle/Pistol data line is being looked at new 50 yard berms are being built at the rifle range.

Action Pistol – Jim Endress for Bruce Fitch - Eleven members completed the September Orientation Class.

Environmental – Robin Wendt – No report.

Hunter Education – Jim Clark - No report.

Youth Programs – Rod Guyette - there was no activity with Mike Lilygren's monthly USI youth shoots; there was one Diablo Musketeer shoot; 57 youths and 8 adults participated in the USI youth shotgun program; and the Contra Costa 4-H Club held no shoots in September.

Webmaster: Manuel Newman - Kevin advised that the site upgrade was progressing and that Manuel will present them for review by the USI staff and venue chairs shortly.

OLD BUSINESS: (1) 5 Stand roof - Mike Anderson - The roof problems are cosmetic in nature and Mike believes we may be better off leaving it as is rather than having a patchwork job done to correct the cosmetic flaws. Shingles have been ordered and Mike is scheduled to complete the perimeter roof next week. Roofing paper has been put down so the rain shouldn't cause us any problems.

NEW BUSINESS: (1) Rod Guyette voiced his concerns that the USI business computer hasn't been backed up in awhile. He agreed to look into the situation and to bring a proposal to the Board. (2) Motion by John Labash, second by Scott Belmore to spend up to \$1,700 to build a 20' x 30' waterproof cover for a Multi-Purpose BBQ area (3) In order to limit our liability, the Board unanimously directed the President to discontinue the practice of allowing USI Range Masters to use the trap field during non-business hours (4) speaking for the lighting committee, Tim Hutchison advised that we need an assessment of whether or not our current electrical supply is adequate to support the proposed lighting upgrade. Scott Belmore is to see if a contact of his would be willing to give us such an evaluation.

FROM THE FLOOR: None

REQUEST FOR GROUNDS: (1) Diablo requested use of the club house on the second and fourth Friday of each month from January through May for their "indoor airgun" shoots (2) Diablo requested 12/19/09 for their Christmas party (3) Bay Point requested use of the club house on 11/8 for their Thanksgiving Dinner and 2/27/10 for their Crab Feed. They also requested use of the skeet fields on 1/1/10 for the Hangover Open.

The meeting adjourned at 8:25 PM

Submitted by, George Washnak, Secretary

NEXT MEETING IS MONDAY November 9, 2009

## **Results from the Competition Scene**

### **Home**

Sporting Clays - no report

Rifle/Pistol- no report

Trap – no report

Skeet – no report

## **Away**

Sporting Clays - no report

Rifle/Pistol- no report

Trap – no report

Skeet – Congratulations to Gordon Cort on his 100 straight in the 28 gauge event at this years Western Open. This was Gordon's first 100 straight. Sorry for missing this Gordon, but better late than never.



## **Condolences**

I'm sorry to inform the membership of the recent passing of Jan Van Westrop. Our thoughts and prayers go out to the family.

## **Christmas Dinner**

The following people have volunteered to bring these items:

Jack Bernardi - Turkey    Tim Hutchison – Ham

Bud Onstott –Ham    Dorothy Bayer – Turkey

Matt Brady – Turkey    Dorothy Findley – Appetizers

Bill Spring – Potatoes    Tammi Wildes – Yams

Paul Fahje – Turkey    Paula Yamamoto – Potatoes

Dave Blackwell – Vegetables    Ed White – Dinner Rolls

Celeste Reisman – String Beans    Annette Onstott – Desert

Bonnie Seymour – Desert    Tammi Wildes – 2 Pumpkin Pies

Celeste Reisman – Chocolate Layer Cake

That is quite a bit of food, so with that in mind any member who wishes to bring a side dish to complement the above list may do so.

The appetizers and refreshments will start at 5:00 P.M. with dinner at 6:00P.M. on December 13<sup>th</sup>.



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## Skeet Clinic

Ginny Fazier held her annual George Weigand clinic at the Stockton Trap and Skeet Club. Tim Hutchison graciously donated his time and skills at this clinic representing our club. A good time and some valuable free lessons were had by numerous people from the various U.S.I. clubs including Rod Guyette and some of our musketeer shot gunners.



## Upcoming Events

**December 13th: Bay Point general club meeting and Christmas dinner.**

**January 1<sup>st</sup>: The Hangover Open**

## 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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