



Bay Point Rod & Gun Club

Newsletter – January 2017

Message from the President:

Dear fellow members,

I hope everyone enjoyed the Holiday's and are enjoying the New Year (weather permitting).

I would like to encourage Bay Point members, their families and guests to attend the annual crab feed on February 25th Saturday. Anyone who has donations and/or suggestions for the crab feed raffle auction they would be appreciated, please contact a Board member. We always need volunteers to help on these events.

The Bay Point board has discussed as in years past that the March club meeting will be the annual Corned Beef and Cabbage dinner on Saturday March 18th. It is also our annual Trophy awards night. This is last month to turn in your tags for any hunting and fishing awards. **There will be no club meeting on March 7th**

The Hangover open on January 1st was a great time for all, we had 58 shooters who shot in great weather after a phenomenal breakfast prepared by our Bay Point volunteer kitchen crew led by VP Laura Shaw, special thanks to Dorothy Bayer, Dorothy Findley, AJ Romo, Kim Parsley and Don Cole.

Hangover Open HOA winner: Macgregor Douglas with a score of 97, he is a student at Berean Christian High School who shoots on their shooting team. High Lady was Quincy Winship with a score of 94, she developed her shooting skills at USI and is currently attending and shooting competitively for Lindenwood University. High junior was Franklin Williford with a score of 93 he also attends Berean Christian High School and competes on their shooting teams. Congratulations to our winners and thank you to all shooters and volunteers who participated in our annual Hangover Open.

As the president of Bay Point I want send condolences to Ernie Miller's family from the entire club. Ernie had been a BP member since 1981 and many members have told me he was a great person that donated his time to Bay Point, other USI clubs and to USI itself. He was well liked by all that knew him and he will be missed by many. The BP board has discussed having a skeet shoot this spring in Ernie's memory, all proceeds would be donated in Ernie's name to Parkinson's research.

Rifle- pistol range update: USI had a setback on the rifle pistol range re-building process, the range is too expensive to build as it was designed. Our Construction Manager, Bruce Winship informed the USI board at Jan 11 meeting that preliminary bids from contractors was well over three million to rebuild the R&P as designed (not including any electrical, shooting dividers, benches or a range shack). Our budget is two million.

With that news the CM immediately started to proceed with a value engineering option to make alterations and cuts to salvage the existing plans as there is much time and money spent on that design.

The current USI board has been very dedicated and diligent since November in getting this project on track to open in mid-2017, we are having BOD meetings as needed more than once a month to get things done. As our CM is one of our own, his knowledge of our facility and the rebuilding process to get it back to a full active shooting facility is invaluable. I cannot understand why his construction, engineering experience and leadership talents were largely ignored since this project started. How much valuable time and money could have been saved if he had been asked to be the project CM from an early stage of this process? What he has done in the short time as CM is amazing.

After 2 USI board members returned from the Shot Show this past week with information on alternative range design ideas that may cut costs on designing and rebuilding our facility it was decided on Jan 23rd to suspend any redesign of our existing design for up to 10 days to review alternative designs that may be more cost conscious of our two million budget before we proceed with our dedicated architects and engineers in value engineering our current plans. The plan-check and review process with CC County will be delayed as there will be significant changes to civil and structural plans. We can't reliably drill 30ft piers in heavy rain so if we continue with altered current design plans, we will be starting this project after the rains subside, the ground dries out some and firms up. I wish news was better, please don't give up, other directors and I are spending our time for the betterment of USI. The demolition of the current R&P facility is still on schedule to be started by end of January, demo equipment is onsite.

Our Feb 7 meeting dinner theme is "Italian" the club is providing Lasagna, members are asked to bring salads, side dishes and desserts to complement our Italian dinner.

Best Regards,

Peter Llama

President Bay Point R&G Club

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Minutes from January 3rd, 2017 General Meeting

President Peter Llama called the meeting to order at 7:37 p.m. There were 24 members and 1 guest signed in. Rudi Millan led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Board roll call was done and in attendance were Laura Shaw, John Thomas, Kim Bennesen, Dorothy Bayer, and Neil Bennesen. David Kasimatis was excused.

Guest Mario Mignani introduced himself to the membership and was welcomed to the meeting.

The fact that the officer's contact information was no longer provided in the newsletter was brought up and this will be handled for the future.

Ed White asked if there had been a club Board meeting in December and the Secretary answered that there had been one and gave a summary of the topics covered. The minutes for that meeting are attached at the end of this newsletter.

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Treasurer's Report: Peter Llama

Peter has been covering the Treasurer position while the Board finds an eligible person to fill the void. The November report shows the club made a slight gain in total income for that month, while December was down. However, the club is still financially solvent and strong. Peter then introduced member Tiffany Lantz as the proposed new Treasurer. Tiffany addressed the membership and gave a short history of her background and why she would be a good choice for the job. The Board will discuss her possible appointment later tonight.

Club Membership Report: Peter Llama

David Kasimatis was ill and not able to attend, so Pete gave the report. We currently have 358 full members, 145 associates, and 34 life members.

Correspondence

The club received a letter from an anonymous member regarding how some members are coming to the potlucks and not bringing any food to share. There was a letter received from the Chief of the Fire Department in Rio Vista thanking the club members for the Toys for Travis donations during December. The Food Bank of Contra Costa County and the Gun Owners of California sent us requests for donations.

In Memory of Lifetime Member Ernie Miller

Amid many health issues attributable to his late stage of Parkinson's Disease which were causing Ernie a great deal of discomfort, he passed away at about 3:00am on Thursday, December 22nd. He had been attended by hospice nurses in his final days, as well as the tireless efforts of his loving wife, Pat. Ernie is survived by his wife, Pat, their 3 daughters Vicki, Sherri, and Laurie, and many grandchildren. There will be a memorial service held on April 8th at 1:00pm at the New Hope Church in Concord (2120 Oliver Court, near the Hillcrest Community Park).

Committee Reports

Skeet Report

The Hangover Open was held on January 1st and there were 58 shooters. Macgregor Douglas won High Over All with a score of 97. High Lady was Quincy Winship with a 94, and High Junior was Franklin Williford with a score of 93. The breakfast served was outstanding.

Trap Report

No report.

Multi-Purpose/Rifle Pistol Range Report

Nothing to Report (see President's Message for range development update).

Fishing Report: - Chairman Neil Bennesen

No report.

Pheasant Report – Chairman Ed White

Ed briefed that as of January 3rd we still have 8 pheasant unharvested. These birds must be gotten by January 31st. As is usually done if there are remaining birds, a clean-up hunt will be done on Monday, January 30th. If you would like to participate, show up to Birds Landing Hunting Preserve by 7:30am and get signed in and meet up with the other club members.

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Trophy Awards – Chairman Gary Leroy

The yearly trophy awards competition will end on January 31st and any trophy entries must be received by Gary by the end of the day on February 7th to qualify.

Rifle/Pistol Ranges Development

President Llama briefed that a septic system review needed to be done before further progress could be made on planning approval. Our architect is reviewing his initial designs to detail them more. The permit for doing the demolition has been applied for and a contractor has been selected by the USI Board. It is hoped to have the demolition work done by January 31st.

Old Business:

None.

New Business:

Cindi Moises made a motion to not allow club members' personal contact information to be given out. The motion was tabled until the February meeting so that we can contact our attorney to get his input on this matter.

Next Meeting:

Our next membership meeting will be on Tuesday, February 7th. The club will provide lasagna and members are asked to bring Italian dishes for the potluck.

Good of the Club:

We still need someone to volunteer to act as a Donations Chairman for our upcoming Crab Feed, which will be held on February 25th.

A member asked for a clarification on what a Life Member is. In this club, a Life Member is a member who has remained a member in good standing with no lapses in his/her membership for 20 consecutive years. Once a person attains Life Member status, he/she is no longer required to pay annual membership dues.

Walt Wildes asked for accountability regarding the finances for the Thursday night skeet league and the Hangover Open shoot.

Joe Baptist acknowledged all the helpers in the kitchen and out on the skeet fields for the Hangover Open shoot.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:27pm.

Board of Directors' Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 8:40pm by Peter Llama Present were Laura Shaw, John Thomas, Kim Bennesen, Neil Bennesen, and Dorothy Bayer.

The Board discussed and clarified that the names and contact info for the newsletter will be the club executives (Pres, VP, Sect'y, Treasurer, Membership Dir).

Peter made a motion to nominate Tiffany Lantz as the new club Treasurer. Second by Kim. Further discussion then the vote: 6 votes YES. Motion carries. Tiffany will be announced as the new club Treasurer at the February meeting.

It is noted that the club should send a sympathy card to Pat Miller and family.

Suggested donations: Musketeers youth shooting program, Gun Owners of California, the Diablo skeet team (junior shooters). All donations must follow the criteria set forth in the club's Policies and Procedures. (See below)

An idea is discussed to hold a shoot in the spring in honor of Ernie Miller, with the proceeds to be donated to Parkinson's Disease research. We will need to get volunteers lined-up to run the shoot.

Need to check with the attorney regarding the \$25 reimbursement to members who go on chartered fishing trips.

Neil to bring up a plan for the next club fishing trip

Meeting adjourned at 9:37pm.

PP-7.1 DONATION CRITERIA

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

- a) The organization should serve the Club's mission of fostering, promoting and perpetuating any of the sports of archery, fishing, rifle, pistol and shotgun shooting.
- b) The organization should serve the Club's 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.
- c) The organization should seek to preserve the Constitution of the United States and/or California, including preserving the right to own and bear arms.
- d) Due to the limited resources of the Club, the selected organization should provide meaningful results and impact for the Club and public.

SELECTION PROCESS

1. 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.
2. Any Club member may submit a request to the subcommittee on behalf of a worthy organization to be considered by the subcommittee.

3. The Board of Directors will review the final list, discuss the recommendations and select the organization(s) for donation(s).
4. The Board of Directors will advise the Club members of the selection(s) and the recommended amount(s) to be made by motion to club members.
5. Following motion and discussion, Club members will vote on the proposed donation(s).
6. The Club Treasurer will then disperse the approved donation amount(s) to the worthy organization(s).
(Adopted 3/14/2010)

Board of Directors' Meeting – December 15, 2016

Present: Peter Llama, Laura Shaw, John Thomas, Kim Bennesen. (Quorum present). Meeting started at 7:55pm.

Discussion regarding the wording on the letter to be used to request donations from companies for our crab feed.

Discussion regarding getting suggestions for donations for the club to make to worthy organizations. Must follow our Policies and Procedures on this.

The Board reviewed Tiffany Lantz's credentials. We need to find out what her membership start date is because she'll need 8 months of membership before she can be on the Board.

Pete motions "to give Laura Shaw a club debit card to handle purchases for the club." Kim seconds the motion.

Discussion and then vote = 4 YES. Motion is approved. Laura will meet Pete at Wells Fargo on December 16 to get put onto the bank account.

It is noted that we have all the kitchen helpers lined-up for the Hangover Open. Pete will oversee the shoot and get volunteers to score for each squad.

The Hangover Open hats have been ordered and cost \$8 each.

Pete is going to check to see if the club is tax exempt on large purchases.

Meeting adjourned at 8:40pm.