



# Bay Point Rod & Gun Club

Newsletter – May 2017

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## **Message from the President:**

Dear Fellow Members,

Hope everyone has been enjoying a dry spring after all the rain we had this winter, our hills are no longer green, skeet targets are getting hard to see again... I hope all our members enjoyed Mother's Day, Father's Day is just around the corner June 18<sup>th</sup>.

Our May meeting was our annual chili and cornbread cook-off, we had a great dinner spread by our many Bay Point chefs, all entries were excellent. Congratulations to Dorothy Findley, Tamra Thomas and Pat Fiore for their award winning entries.

Bay Point club elections are coming up at our June 6<sup>th</sup> meeting, officer and directors positions are available, contact Nominating Chairman Rich Holmes if you are interested 925-626-4442 or [richard.holmes@comcast.net](mailto:richard.holmes@comcast.net)

R&P range update:

AECOM representatives visited USI in mid-May to view our facility, and presented preliminary drawings to USI board members, we had input for changes that reflect what our club members and public shooters want in a range (100-yard rifle and 50-foot pistol) and a range building. Updated plans with alterations are due soon. The best source of truthful information is from the people on the USI design committee. I hope to have a range design update at our June 6<sup>th</sup> meeting. Members have been contacting me about "stories" they are hearing around USI that if we proceeded with the Kramer design plans we could have been using R&P ranges by July, USI would have run out of money building it as it was designed, estimates were 4 million for full size range, the shortened version was over 2 million not including range building. No serious rifle/pistol shooters wanted a shortened range (30ft and 90 yards). USI's budget to build R&P ranges is \$2 million. No contractor accepts a contract without sufficient funds to complete the job. Simple math ...

Summer is here very soon, weather is getting better, enjoy your club.

Best Regards,

Peter Llama  
President Bay Point R&G Club  
[president@baypointrodandgun.com](mailto:president@baypointrodandgun.com)

## ***Minutes from May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2017 General Meeting***

President Peter Llama called the meeting to order at 7:43 p.m. There were 27 members in attendance. Pat Fiore led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

The President thanked everyone who brought a chili or cornbread dish to participate in our annual Chili & Cornbread Cook-Off. The votes for best chili (mild and spicy) and cornbread will be tallied at the results announced at the end of the meeting.

New member Nicholas Hays introduced himself and was welcomed to the club.

There were no corrections to be made to the March meeting minutes, and they were thus approved as issued.

### ***Treasurer's Report: Tiffany Lantz***

Tiffany reported that the club's finances were in order and the club continues to be strong and solvent.

### ***Club Membership Report: Peter Llama for David Kasimatis***

Peter briefed that club membership currently stands at 385 full members and 142 associates. There was no change in the number of life members, however, it was brought up from the floor that as memberships renew next month, we may have some new life members.

### ***Correspondence***

None.

### ***Committee Reports***

#### **Skeet Report**

The Monday and Thursday night skeet league is in full swing, but there are positions still open to fill out teams. If you'd like to shoot or be an alternate, contact Peter Llama.

#### **Trap Report**

No report.

#### **Fishing Report: Chairman Neil Bennesen**

Neil reported that as of May 1<sup>st</sup>, striper fishing in the SF Bay was going well and some halibut were also being caught. Neil has scheduled the upcoming Bay Point saltwater fishing trip for Saturday, July 29<sup>th</sup> aboard the C-Gull II out of the Emeryville Sport Fishing Marina. There is a \$100 fee for club members and \$125 for non-members. The first 18 people to get their money in to Neil will be guaranteed a spot on the boat. The boat leaves the dock at 6:00 AM, so be there early to get your spot. The club will be providing sandwiches, beverages and snacks. If you plan to go on this trip you will need to have a fishing license. If you don't have one, or if you need fishing tackle, please contact Neil @ (925) 698-0820.

## **Old Business:**

Regarding the issue of member inspection rights of the membership list and all contact info, we are still awaiting word back from our attorney. In the meantime, if any member wishes to specifically have their contact info made unavailable to other members, please send an email to the club Secretary ([secretary@baypointrodandgun.com](mailto:secretary@baypointrodandgun.com)) stating such.

Due to a conflict in scheduling, the Blue Star Moms were not able to attend the meeting and brief the membership on their activities.

## **New Business:**

Elections for club Officers and Directors will be held next month at our June meeting. Barry Cunningham nominated all incumbents. Steve Danuzzio seconded. Neil Bennesen stated that he will not be continuing on as Director. Secretary John Thomas stated he will not be continuing on as Secretary nor seeking any other position within the club. Treasurer Tiffany Lantz is willing to remain on until a replacement can be gotten. It was mentioned from the floor that Rudi Millan wants to be Secretary, but as he was not present he has not been officially nominated.

Currently, President Peter Llama, VP Laura Shaw, Membership Director David Kasimatis, Director Kim Bennesen and Director Dorothy Bayer would each like to continue on in their positions for the coming year. Vacancies to be filled will be for Secretary, Treasurer and Director.

New member Nicholas Hays originated wanting to take over the Beverage Chairman position. VP Laura Shaw will get with him to discuss this further.

## **Good of the Club:**

President Llama briefed that USI had hired AECOM, a new architect for the rifle and pistol ranges development. AECOM is based in Portland, Oregon. AECOM was scheduled to present their first draft designs to the USI Board of Directors later this week. More info will be available after the USI Board sees the designs. The budget for this renovations project is \$2 million.

The 5-stand range is openb once again and operating pon Wednesday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Check the USI website for details on hours of operation.

Our next scheduled club meeting will be on Tuesday June 6<sup>th</sup>. Dinner will be general potluck. Everyone to please bring a dish to share on the buffet line. Members with last names A-R please also bring a salad. Members with last names S-Z please bring a dessert.

The results of the Chili and Cornbread Cook-Off: Spicy Chili Winner= Tammy Thomas, Mild Chili Winner = Pat Fiore, Cornbread Winner = Dorothy Findley. All the winners were awarded nice, embroidered cook's aprons.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:24pm.

## **Board of Directors' Meeting**

The meeting was called to order at 8:30pm by Peter Llama. Present were Laura Shaw, John Thomas, Tiffany Lantz, Kim Bennesen and Neil Bennesen.

Discussion about needing to prepare ballots in case they are needed for the elections next month.

Neil reiterated that the first 18 people to get their fishing trip money turned in (not just putting their name on the sign-up list), will be guaranteed a spot on the boat. Fishing trip info to be put on the club website.

Membership renewal notices will be put in the newsletter.

Meeting adjourned at 8:52pm.

### **MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL NOTICE**

Unless you possess a multi-year membership that does not expire this June, your current membership will expire on June 30, 2017. The club gives its members a 1-month grace period, until July 31, to renew their membership without penalty. Memberships renewed after July 31 are subject to a \$25 initiation fee, per our club bylaws. Please realize that although the Bay Point club gives you a grace period to renew your membership after it expires on June 30<sup>th</sup>, USI does not give member pricing for shooting or ammo to anyone with an expired membership.

Avoid any penalty and send in your renewal dues now. It is as simple as filling in the form below and mailing it back to the club Membership Director along with your dues. Dues are \$25 per year for full membership, \$1 per year for each associate membership (spouse/partner, and children under age 18). If you are a current member of the NRA, your membership dues reduce to \$20 per full membership. Just include a copy of your current NRA membership card as evidence.

Fill in the blanks below and mail this page and payment to: Membership Director, PO Box 535, Concord CA 94522. **PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY.**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Name(s) of Associates: \_\_\_\_\_

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The winners of our 2017 Chili and  
Cornbread Cook-Off:

Spicy Chili: Tammy Thomas

Mild Chili: Pat Fiore

Cornbread: Dorothy Findley

Congratulations!

