



# Bay Point Rod & Gun Club

*Newsletter - February 2015*

**P.O. Box 535  
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## **Message from the President:**

*Dear Friends,*

*Our biggest event of the year, our annual crab feed, is now only a few weeks away. Tickets have been selling fast and only a handful still remain available at this time. The event is on Saturday February 28th, and if you want to attend, contact either myself or Steve McConnell for tickets. Our Board of Directors and some other members have been working very hard securing donations for our raffle on the night of the crab feed. That raffle is one of our biggest revenue-generating activities of the year, and the proceeds from that raffle help us to support our junior shooter programs and the events we hold throughout the year to help our local disabled veterans. I think you will agree that these are two very worthwhile activities and I'm asking everyone to please help out in some way, by either contributing something to our raffle or by buying your own raffle tickets. Tickets can be purchased in advance of the crab feed and you need not be present to win.*

*At our February meeting I announced that we would not have our March meeting at the beginning of the month as usual, but that we would have it on Saturday, March 14th. However, I have moved the date of the March meeting once again. **THE MARCH MEETING WILL BE ON SATURDAY MARCH 21st.** Please mark your calendars accordingly. On that evening we will be having our annual club-provided corned beef and cabbage dinner, followed by our regular meeting and the presentation of this past year's fish and game trophy awards. There will be no free trap and skeet shooting before this meeting. Social time will begin at 6pm and dinner at 6:45. I hope you can make it.*

*Warm Regards,*

*John Thomas  
President*

## **Minutes from the last General Meeting**

President Thomas called the meeting to order at 7:34 p.m. and closed at 8:03 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Bruce Winship. There were 32 members and associates in attendance.

The President called for new members and visitors to be introduced and Dan Tank a guest that intends to become a member was present. Welcome Dan.

The minutes of the previous meeting were presented and needed to be amended as the cost for the Crab feed without crab is \$20. The January minutes read like the Crab feed was \$20. After this change the minutes were approved.

**Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Rick Fend**

No report as Rick was ill and not at this meeting.

**Club Membership Report: Chairman Steve O'Connell**

No report as Steve O'Connell was recovering from a hernia operation and was not present. However John Thomas reported that we had two new members in December. Unfortunately the names were unknown at this time.

**Correspondence** None

**Committee Reports**

**Skeet report: - Chairmen Tim Hutchison, Steve O'Connell, Wayne Tooker**

Tim Hutchison is passing the torch as chairman of Skeet. The new chairmen are Steve O'Connell and Wayne Tooker. Thank you Tim for all your hard work and dedication. It has been very much appreciated.

April 4<sup>th</sup> there will be a 100 target skeet shoot. More information on this at the March meeting.

**Trap Report: -Chairman Wayne Tooker**

Wayne reported that dates for Trap are being set.

March 29<sup>th</sup>, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. there will be a 100 bird singles trap shoot. The cost is \$25.00 and includes lunch.

Plus there will be 2 more Trap Shoots through the year. When the dates are set you will be informed.

2 vet Trap Shoots and 1 vet rifle shoot will be scheduled... The Trap shoots are loosely scheduled for April 2015 and October 2015. More info will be provided in the near future.

**Multi Purpose/Rifle Pistol Range Report: Chairman Joe Baptist**

February 15<sup>th</sup> from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. we will share the Range with Walnut Creek Gun Club. February 28<sup>th</sup> is a member open and March 1<sup>st</sup>. Please come out join us and have some fun.

The Multi-Purpose Range will be used for the vet rifle shoot and is scheduled for August 29<sup>th</sup>

Any questions please contact Joe Baptist at email: [joedogboy68@yahoo.com](mailto:joedogboy68@yahoo.com)

**Fishing Report: - Chairman Neil Bennesen**

No report from Neil

**Trophy Report: - Chairman Gary Leroy**

The 2014 year for trophies ended with the March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2015 meeting. So as of now a new year has started. So start saving your information, pictures and tags and submit them to Mr. Leroy.

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## **Pheasant Chair: – Chairman Ed White**

No report but all the pheasants at Birds Landing were harvested on January 31<sup>st</sup>.

## **Unfinished Business:**

Nothing to report

## **New Business:**

February 28<sup>th</sup> will be our annual Crab Feed. There will be 120 tickets available at \$45 per ticket. If you do NOT plan to eat crab, you can purchase a ticket for \$20, which entitles to you to everything on the menu but the crab. This is for a several course meal and is always good. There will be raffles. Please come out and enjoy this great event. This is our main fund raiser for the year so we need your support. Also please consider contributing something to be raffled.

Most of our raffle items in the past have come from various companies and are gotten by the work of a few club members. We are asking that each club member consider donating something to the raffle this year. It should be a new item. We also ask that you ask your business or some business that you deal with to donate something.

This Crab Feed is our major annual event to raise money. Most of the money raised goes to our junior shooter programs and the events we hold throughout the year to help our local disabled veterans. So please consider donating to this good cause and please ask people you know or businesses you know to help us out. You can contact any board member or Steve O'Connell at the club for more information. Thank You.

Also we need help in setting up and cleaning up. If you are willing to help please contact Dorothy

**FIREARM SAFETY COURSE FOR OUR LADIES ONLY.** Held by the Tri-Valley NRA Member Council on April 4<sup>th</sup> at the Concord Police Range on Avila Road, Concord across the freeway from our range. Please contact the Tri-Valley NRA Member Council for more information.

**NRA RSO Training** Joe Baptist stated that an NRA certified trainer is willing to conduct NRA Range Safety Officer training at cost. Such a class can unusually cost around \$100 but this is expected to cost around \$35. It is a great deal and will provide our range with trained RSO's that are needed for all shooting event. No dates have been set as they need to get a good idea of how many people and who will want this training. Please contact Joe Baptist at for further information at [joedogboy68@yahoo.com](mailto:joedogboy68@yahoo.com).

**CPR / First Aid class** has been offered for *free* to member of the clubs. This is a 3 hour course that is being offered and taught by Bruce Winship. The time frame is fluid but sometime in May is what is anticipated. Bruce needs to know how many people are interested in this class so please contact him and let him know if you are interested. You can email Bruce at [brucewinship@yahoo.com](mailto:brucewinship@yahoo.com).

## **Next Meeting:**

***Our next Bay Point Rod & Gun Club meeting will be on Saturday March 21st, 2015.***

*The club will be supplying a Corn Beef and Cabbage dinner. Please bring something to share for dessert. The social hour begins at 6 p.m. and the President will call dinner around 6:45 p.m*

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**Since this is on a Saturday and the club is open to the public there will be NO FREE SKEET OR TRAP SHOOTING at this meeting.**

### **Good of the Club:**

If you are getting your newsletter in hard copy via the U.S. Postal Service we ask that you contact the secretary and give him your email address. The cost of sending out hard copies is over \$100 per month and we would like to eliminate or cut down drastically this expense. You can contact the secretary, John Gatsos, at johnnyg3820@gmail.com

### **February Board Meeting**

There was no board meeting in February as there were not enough board members to do anything.

More photos wanted, please send for future newsletters to [Secretary@baypointrodandgun.com](mailto:Secretary@baypointrodandgun.com).

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

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