



# Bay Point Rod & Gun Club

*Newsletter - June 2014*

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## **Message from the President:**

*Hello Everyone,*

We've got a special trap shoot coming up on June 28<sup>th</sup> for disabled veterans. Joe Baptiste is spearheading this event and is in need of volunteer helpers to act as shooting coaches/safety officers during the shoot, as well as help inside preparing lunch. These events are always very rewarding for everyone involved, so if you can come out and lend a hand, please do so. Activities begin at 9:30am.

Our Fishing Chairman, Neil Benessen, has scheduled a saltwater fishing trip for Sunday, July 13<sup>th</sup>. We'll be meeting at the Emeryville Sportfishing Marina aboard the C-Gull II at 5:30am. Everyone is invited. If you'd like to come along, sign up and send your fee in to the Treasurer to secure your spot. We're limited to 24 people aboard the boat.

Lastly, if you haven't yet renewed your club membership now's the time to get that taken care of. Single-year memberships will expire on June 30th.

*John Thomas, President*

## ***Minutes from the last General Meeting - June, 2014:***

The meeting was called to order at 7:36pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by member, Tim Hutchison. The President welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked all in attendance for their contributions to the dinner that evening.

Any new members or guests were asked to stand and introduce themselves. All were welcomed by the club. We had a total of 38 in attendance at the meeting.

Everyone was asked if they received last month's minutes and if there were any corrections. One member said that the last month's minutes failed to include that a Trap Chairman had been filled which is now Wayne Tooker. This was noted and no other corrections noted the minutes of May were approved with the above correction.

### ***Treasurer's Report:***

Rick Fend gave his report for May; we had our typical expenses on club social, shooting and newsletter expenses, etc. There was very high revenue as we are in membership renewal time and we received more than \$6,000 in membership dues alone making our month a net of \$5,190.00. We are just under \$100,500 in total assets at month-end, \$4,500 of this was approved for the Diablo Valley Youth Shoot team which will be drawn from throughout the next several months.

### ***Club Membership Report:***

Kim Bennesen reported on membership renewals giving us our totals for May. There were 10 new full members, 7 associates who gave us a total of 867 members; this breaks down as follows: 539 full, 295 associates and 33 life members.

There are still 185 that need to renew, and you only have until the end of July or you will have to re-up on initiation fee as well as restart your count towards life membership (20 consecutive years in good standing).

A lot of the renewals that came in this year were for multiple-year.

***Correspondence:*** Periodically we receive magazines on the hunting and fishing or gun activities and the Treasurer picks these up at the PO Box. From now on these will be brought to meetings for any club members to look at and their leisure but it is asked that they stay at the club for all to view when they come up.

### ***Committee reports:***

#### ***Skeet report:***

Tim Hutchison reported on our shoot that was happening on June 14<sup>th</sup>. Lunch and 100 targets for just \$30.00, make sure you plan to be at the next one if you didn't make this shoot. They are a lot of fun and a great price and we always give out some kind of rewards.

**Trap Report:**

No Report – Wayne Tooker is now Trap Chairman and will start giving a report.

**Multi Purpose/Rifle Pistol Range Report:**

Joe reported that June 15<sup>th</sup> is Members Open at the Multi-purpose range.

Several other events held by other clubs on the schedule which we are able to go to. Check the website for the specific dates.

There have been several public meetings in Pleasant Hill regarding the local gun sales laws. Several members of various USI clubs have been attending. Please stay abreast of what is happening and if you can come to represent it is much appreciated.

**Fishing Report:**

Our new chairman, Neil Bennesen briefed everyone that we have a planned fishing trip for the 13<sup>th</sup> of July. The plan is to go for Salmon but we always go where the fish are so everyone has a good time. Please sign up at the clubhouse if you are interested in going. This trip is open to members and non-members. Fees are \$71 for members and \$96 for non-members. There are 24 spots on the boat.

1 day fishing license are available at the marina tackle shop just make sure you arrive early to get this before the boat leaves.

No report on Delta fishing but Lake Berryessa is spotty at best.

**Trophy Report:**

No report

**Old Business:**

Annual nominations:

Floor will be opened for final nominations then a vote will be taken.

The President then asked the nominating committee chairman, Ed White, to report on those currently running.

President – John Thomas has agreed to run for another year.

Treasurer – Rick Fend has agreed to run for another year.

Board Members: Laura Shaw  
Pete Llana  
Dorothy Bayer  
Kim Bennesen

Everyone having accepted the elections process is explained by the President

The President then opens the floor for nominations for the final time:

President – no more stated, Neil Taylor asks for position to be closed.

Vice President – no more stated, position closed.

Secretary – none

Treasurer – none

Membership Chair – none

Board Director – Tim Hutchison nominates David Kasimatis and he accepts. None other stated the position is closed.

There are now 5 candidates for Board Member positions so a vote will be taken on this. All four Officer positions are unopposed so they will be accepted by acclamation, Roberts Rules of Order.

The President then has everyone nominated to stand so everyone in the room could see exactly who had been nominated. The vote takes place by ballot. Then Tim Hutchison and Ed White go to count the votes.

#### **New Business:**

Rudy Milan briefs on last month's meeting and donation request. At that time new member Felix Oeguera donated \$2,00 if someone else were to match it. Dave Kasimatis stepped up and donated and go on Cal Guns and requested more help from friends. The Mule Deer club donated \$2,000 in addition!

Mr. and Mrs. Ron Sample donated as well! So donations to the Diablo Valley Junior Skeet team are going well and all these contributions are extremely generous and supportive of what our club is all about. Thank you so much!

Rudy also stated as new President of USI one of the things on his agenda is to get more women to USI and enjoying the sport and all the facets of USI. Laura Shaw and Felix have already volunteered to help spearhead this as well!

Veterans Shoots – Joe Baptist briefs we usually have two a year. The VA in Martinez is eager to come out again so he would like to put on one this summer. One thing he needs help with is volunteers for organizing it as well as to assist the Veterans at the shoot and to loan guns for it. Please contact Joe Baptist at

Additionally he requested a budget at this time for the shoot to cover the lunch we provide as well as targets and any other minor things for this event.

Joe motions to have a Disabled Veterans Trap Shoot expense up to \$600. Seconded by Barry Cunningham/Rick Fend.

Discussion – then a vote is taken. Motion passes unanimously.

Ed and Tim come back with the results and there was a tie for one Board Member position so a revote was taken between Dorothy Bayer and Kim Bennesen while they stepped outside.

Final results for Board Director Positions were: Laura Shaw, Pete Llama and Dorothy Bayer

Jan Young, former President of Bay Point and Life Member is then asked to swear in the new and continuing officers and Board Members.

At this time the swearing in was done of all existing and new club Officers and Board Members.

**Next Meeting:**

***Our next meeting is Tuesday, July 1st! Social hour begins at 6pm and the President will call dinner at 6:45pm. This month is bring something to BBQ for yourself and then your favorite July 4<sup>th</sup> side or dessert! All members with the last name A – E bring dessert, F – J bring fruit or salad to share for 6 to 8 people. Last name K – Z bring a hot side dish.***

There will be trap and skeet shooting before the meeting, from 5pm to 6pm, no matter where you are on the fields at 6pm you need to end off and help close up the fields. Thank you.

**Good of the Club:**

None stated the President asks for everyone to please assist in cleaning your table and help on bar clean up and 2 people to clean the grills outside.

The meeting was adjourned: 8:19pm.

***June 2014, Bay Point Board of Directors Meeting:***

Start: 8:32pm

Present: All Officers and Board members were in attendance. Ed White was present as a guest.

**Old business:**

The President briefs everyone that the Secretary position still needs to be filled and he needs the remaining Board members to come up with one.

Next Veterans shoot is being proposed as June 28<sup>th</sup>. Hats for vets and shooting towels for volunteers.

Rick briefs on his discussion with a CPA on giving the Officers an increase in annual stipend.

An idea of using a survey company to get an accurate reading of what other clubs like ours do in California.

Our meeting ended at 9:10pm.



Our President, John Thonas receiving his Trophy Awards back in March with our Trophy Chairman, Gary Leroy.

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

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