



Aloha, Fellow Club members and all Shooters who receive this Newsletter,

This month I have the privilege of writing this letter to you from beautiful Hawaii.

First order of business is to update the membership on recent improvements made to the Club.

Last month we discussed the advantages of purchasing an HD TV for the Club, that project has since been accomplished. The Club has now entered the 21st Century! Members will be able to use the TV as a teaching aid, viewing instructional Shooting DVDs and short training videos. We will use the TV to post shoot scores during our registered shoots. Also we will be able to actually view sports and entertainment at the Club.

Back in the 80's the Club owned a Hot Dog cooker and we had Hot Dogs and chili available for purchase in the kitchen, shooters could count on having something to eat while at the club, without having to leave when they got hungry. The Club has come full circle, we now own a Hot Dog Steamer which steams dogs and sausages, while also warming the buns! From now on you will never have to leave hungry. Tonya intends to have the Steamer going every day the Club is open along with chili or stew in a crock pot as long as there is demand for something to eat. (I doubt if that demand will ever go out of style).

Shoots:

The **St Patrick's Shoot** is fast approaching. The **PITA** Shoot starts on Friday, March 11th and runs through Sunday March 13th. Friday is the first PITA shoot for 2016 that includes the Oregon Doubles Classic. You can shoot up to 500 doubles targets on that date. Five 100 bird events start at 10:00 AM on 3/11/2016. Saturday 3/12/2016 at 9:00 AM the Club is hosting a full day of events and fun. 100 Singles, Handicap and Doubles events followed by a FREE Corned Beef and Cabbage dinner followed by a happy hour and Calcutta event. Sunday 3/13/2016 at 9:00AM finishes the weekend with 100 Singles and Handicap events.

The Clubs program is available on our own website at www.hillsborotrapandskeet.com and on www.shootpita.com also you can presquad at www.pre-squad.com .

Hillsboro **WRITA** shoot will be hosted by the Club on the following weekend Saturday

March 19-20th. Starts at 9:AM. This is a Club Team event, come out and shoot for Hillsboro! 50 Handicap, 60 bird backer and a 60 bird Challenge shoot on Saturday. Sunday will see 50 singles and 50 handicap targets. Sunday is the Team event. Programs are available at the Club.

Last month we discussed the need for volunteer Club Members helping as scorers and assisting around the Club during these two income generating shoots.

Please call Tonya and she will schedule you for specific duties. We will need help in the Kitchen for the WRITA Shoot.

Programs:

Living in the electronic age as we seem to be doing, the Club finds that the cost of printing and mailing out Shoot Programs is very cost intensive.

In the upcoming shoots in 2016 we will be moving to control the program costs. This will result in fewer printed programs mailed and more programs transmitted via our website and the PITA website. The Club will begin with asking you whether or not you desire to have a program mailed or if you have the capability to view and print your own program off of one of the websites. By elimination of 90% of all mailed programs the Club will be able to move the money that was previously being spent on printing and postage into several hundred dollars added money at each shoot.

Please notify Tonya or reply to this email if it is not necessary that you receive a mailed program. The Club will also be notifying you of this change again prior to our June Shoot.

Skeet Representative: The Club has a new Skeet Representative who will act as a liaison, working with the Board and the Club Manager dealing with any issues that may need attention at the skeet range. The Board recognizes Neil Kozlowski for his past efforts and welcomes him in working with all members for the betterment of the Club.

Pacific Northwest Sportsman's Show:

For those of you who had an opportunity to attend the Sportsman's Show you may have had to opportunity to chat with Club representatives who manned the Hillsboro Trap and Skeet Club booth for the entire run of the show. Our purpose was to revive a tradition of the Clubs presence at the show to promote Trap Shooting , Skeet Shooting and Clay Target shooting in all of its aspects. Letting everyone know who we are and that we support all forms of Clay target shooting from our Youth teams, High School teams, Family League teams, WRITA teams and PITA Registered Shooting Competition along with our Bunker Shooting. Hillsboro Trap and Skeet Club is the largest Clay Target facility in the State of Oregon. We are proud of our past and look to the future for even greater involvement in the Clay Target Sports. Thank you Vice President Beryl Terry for taking the time and effort to revive this Club tradition.

Multiplex:

The PITA winter Multiplex went out with a bang! Director Scott Julian finally put a couple of scores together (in between loading and fixing traps) and ended up with the HOA score of 136 x150 for the final shoot. We knew you could do it Scott!

Donations:

Last month we asked for donations of tools and equipment and it appears as though many

members actually read the newsletter! The Club would like to thank Dennis Lowenthal for his generous donation of a large Craftsman roll around tool chest and top box. Now we have someplace to put those tools for working on the traps! Thank You, Dennis!

With the new year we have seen an increase in Club membership. We welcome all the new members who have joined the club for the first time.

Thanking all the members who have renewed your membership.

Glad to see all the new faces at the Club!

Time for me to take a break, don't like to work too hard in paradise!

Until next month,

Sincerely,

Steve Kaufman

President

Hillsboro Trap and Skeet Club