

“THE PRIMER”

BOISE GUN CLUB NEWSLETTER ISSUE #1 (NOVEMBER) FOR 2007-2008.

Holiday greetings fellow Club members!

Well, here we are starting another shooting year at the Boise Gun Club. A good place to start this newsletter is with an introduction of the present board of directors who have been hard at work since August.

President – Drew Jossis

1st Vice President – Marty Anderson

2nd Vice President – Sue Hahn

Treasurer – Gayle Carlson

Secretary – Duncan Goundry

Director – Andy Smith, Club grounds and maintenance, trap.

Director – Chris Pomeroy, advertising and misc.

Director – Ernie Richardson, Club grounds & maint., 5 stand & sporting clays.

Director – Lonnie Eads, Club grounds and maintenance, skeet.

Please welcome the new board. These directors have put in much time and effort already on the activities and projects of the club and there is much more being planned to be done. It will take a lot of help on the part of the club members if we are going to be successful and reach all of our goals for the year. You don't have to wait to be asked to help. If you hear of something you would like to help with, please contact any of the directors or leave a message with Debbie at the club.

The Boise Gun Club has survived and grown for well over 100 years because of the dedication and efforts of its members. This will be another busy year for the club and it will take the efforts of many members to ensure success in all that we hope to accomplish. 2008 looks to be a very active, hectic, and gratifying year for a club that prides itself on what it has to offer the shooting community.

I have been asked to write the Boise Gun Club Newsletter by the board of directors. It is my intent to put as much club news and items of interest in it as possible. To do this I will also need help from the members. Let us know what you would like to see in the newsletter. In the past we have had things such as member profiles, member classified ads, and much more. Let us know what you'd like to see and we'll do our best to get it in. ALSO if you have anything you would like to see included in the newsletter – SEND IT IN! Items can be sent by mail to: Kent Harris 3717 Custer

Dr. Boise, Id. 83705 or phoned in to: 345-0711 or emailed to:
kentdeadapair@cablone.net

SHOOTING EVENT RESULTS SINCE AUGUST

Club Championship Shoot – HOA – Russ Westerberg – 275 x 300. HAA – Art Voorhis – 147 x 150. High Vet – Jim Ripley, High Lady – Diane Westerberg, Rookie Champ – Gayle Carlson, Junior Champ – Kyle Stevens, Singles – Champion – Art Voorhis – 50 x 50. Class winners – Jeff Dupuis, Chester Carter, George Stevens, and Kyle Stevens. Handicap – Champion – Gary Wright – 50 x 50. Yardage winners – Bill Sturdivan, Brad Dick and Jeff Dupuis. Doubles – Champion – Kent Harris – 49 x 50. Class winners – Art Voorhis, Chris Pomeroy, Mike Smith and Shon Ashley. Wobble Trap – Champion – Mike Smith – 49 x 50. Class winners – Dean Sorensen, George Stevens, Sue Hahn and Drew Jossis. Skeet – Champion – John Bott – 49 x 50. Class winners – Doug Mclean, Dean Sorensen, Roger Seiber and Gayle Carlson. Sporting Clays – Champion – Bill Sturdivan – 38 x 50. Class winners – John Bott, Andrew Smith, Rich Hahn and Mark Lorimor. **SPECIAL THANKS TO DALE, JOHN, ABE AND ALL THE OTHER MEMBERS WHO HELPED WITH THE SHOOT AND THE DINNER. IT WAS GREAT!**

Labor Day Registered Trapshoot – ATA. Thor Fin-Kelson used his big hammer and pounded everyone to win the H-O-A championship for the three day event with a fine 765 x 800 Targets. Other winners included: Chester Carter, John Keppinger, Tom Scott, Cal Kidney, Mike Strong, Helen Keppinger, Virgil Perry, Kent Harris, Jim Maughan, George Stevens, Cheryl F. Miller, John Aschenbrener, Tony Davidson, Richard Stack, Pam Wehking, Dell Hartley, Richard Wehren, Norm Foster, Diane Westerberg, Dean Sorensen, Kyle Stevens, Sam Turpin, Leonard Wehking, Jason Hillman, and Tanea Welton.

500 Bird Fall Doubles Marathon – ATA. Mike Miller shot well all day in a cool breeze to win the championship by seven target with 474 x 500. Other winners included: Steven Taylor, Jay Frasier, Tony Davidson, Mike Stapleton and Esther Stapleton.

Paralyzed Veterans of America Shoot – Non-Registered. The Boise Gun Club had the honor of being selected to hold the final shoot of the 2007 PVA Series. Despite a nasty wind which kept the scores down, the paralyzed vet shooters had a great time and have selected Boise to hold this shoot again in 2008. Thanks to all club members who helped with getting the club ready, the planning, and the execution of the shoot. It was a gold star job for the club. **We would like to thank Roger Seiber, Best Bath and the trap help for making this shoot a HUGH success.** The shooters absolutely loved the paved trap shooting pads and the other improvements made to the club. The entrance door thresholds were a problem that we plan to have corrected by next year.

Steve Young Memorial Shoot – PITA. Good weather (for a change) brought out a good crowd. Mike and Esther Stapleton made the long trip over from Pocatello worthwhile as they won both of the beautiful buckles up for grabs. Club members Virgil Perry and Charlie Whipple donated the buckles for the shoot in honor of their good friend Steve Young who passed away suddenly in 2005. (donations for the 2008 Steve Young are being taken now. Contact Kent Harris) Esther topped the handicap going away with a fantastic score of 98 and Mike (not to be outdone) did some really clutch shooting in the twilight by running all of his singles and handicap targets to win the Super H-O-A shoot-off buckle with a score of 58 x 60 over Kent Harris, Gary and Ron Wright. Other winners included: Mike Miller, John Booth, Brad Thomas, Cheryl F. Miller, Kyle Stevens, Dick Clark (over John Aschenbrener), Harris, Ron Wright (over Gary Wright), Cal Kidney, George Stevens (over son Kyle), Greg Sabol, Jeff Dupuis, Helen Keppinger, Lahoma Hooft, Dell Hartley, Tracy Dursteler (over Don Moormeister), and Liz Sasser.

The 35th anniversary of the Boise Gun Club at the present Kuna-Mora location was also celebrated at this shoot with a cake and displays for shooters to view.

UPCOMING SHOOTING EVENTS

Thanksgiving and Christmas Meat Shoots! This is our #1 fundraising event of the year. Please come out and show your support for the club and win a turkey or ham. We can always use volunteer help for this event also. The Thanksgiving meat shoot will be held Wednesday evening, November 21 from 5 p.m. to Midnight. It is really **“THE BIG ONE.”** Our Christmas meat shoot is growing every year and last year it was the biggest we have ever had. It will be on Sunday, December 16th from Noon until 5 p.m. **Come out and have fun on one or both of these days!**

- Gun Safety is #1
- No alcohol on the shooting line
- Meat shoot tickets are \$5.00
- No Refunds
- No checks accepted. We gladly accept cash, debit, or credit (Visa/Mastercard)
- Shoot ends at Midnight
- Turkeys, 12-14 pounds
- Hams, Bone in
- Beginner, intermediate and expert shoots
- Move up into the next class after one win in Beginner or Intermediate

Super Bowl Fun Shoot – Was a big success last year with almost 50 shooters. Look for details later (but mark February 3rd on your calendar!)

League Shooting – The Fall Trap and Skeet league is going hot and heavy. Plan to come out and shoot the next league. Winter League starts January 2nd, 2008. We always have room for individuals or teams.

SRTA League – Starts in January (the 23rd). Great prizes to shoot for (without extra cost) and the finals will be in Twin Falls April 18-20, 2008.

CLUB INFORMATION AND “ODDS AND ENDS.”

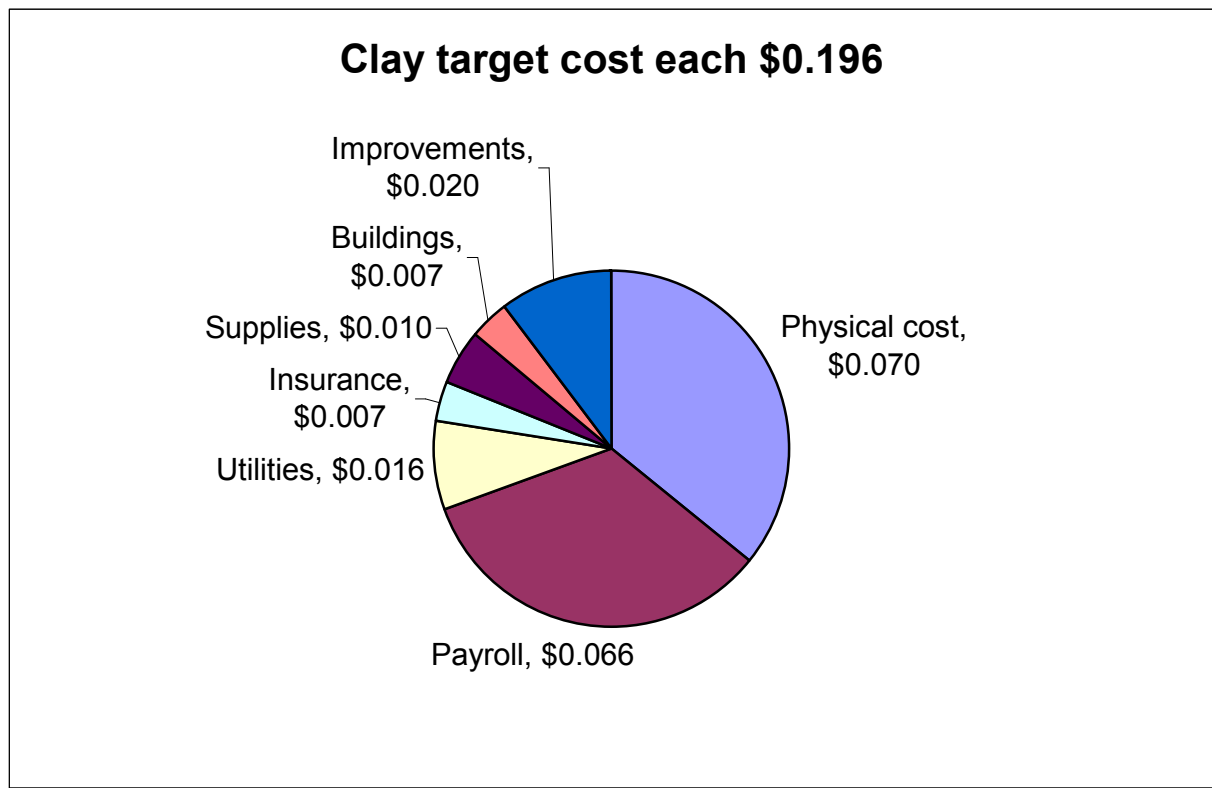
Saturday Closing. Remember! The club has gone to its winter schedule and is no longer open on Saturdays. Winter hours until April 2008 are:

Wednesday – Noon to 9 p.m.

Sunday – Noon to 5 p.m.

Club Financial Information. Financial statements are posted at the club on the Director’s Bulletin Board (west wall). If you have questions, ask. Remember! It’s your club – stay informed.

Target Cost



The chart above shows the cost breakdown for an individual target.

- **Buildings cost includes – clay machine and voice release parts, Paint, beer license, grounds weed spraying, organization dues, Lawn maintenance, fire safety inspections, etc.**
- **Supplies cost includes – Janitorial, newsletter, program flyers, postage, office paper, toner, pencils, etc.**
- **Utilities includes – Electrical, Gas, website, e-mail, phone, etc.**
- **Payroll includes all liabilities.**
- **Physical cost includes 5% for lost targets, breakage, etc.**

The physical cost of the target continues to increase along with shipping and handling charges. The shipping company has a fuel surcharge that varies upon fuel cost at the time of delivery. The fuel surcharge for our last target shipment was ~\$0.007 per target. We could easily see a shipping cost of \$0.01 per target with the latest trend in fuel prices. The club profit is only \$0.50 per 25 member targets of trap/skeet or put another way our gross profit (margin) is 10%. What else can you buy today that has a markup of 10%? Remember this 10% margin along with donations of member labor and materials allows the club to continue to make improvements for all shooters to enjoy.

Board of Director's Meetings. Held once a month. These are open meetings and concerned and interested club members are always welcome. Notice of upcoming meetings is posted at the club.

Loss of a Friend. The club has been notified that Jim Clayton (long time BGC member and last living in Lewiston) has passed away. Jim was on the club board of directors when the club moved to this location on Kuna-Mora Road. He helped with much of the building of the club here. He put in our first lawn and helped put the first coat of paint on the clubhouse, among many other tasks he accomplished for us. He loved to hunt, fish, and shoot and was a fun guy to be around and to work with at the club. We'll miss you Jim.

Club Improvements for 2007-2008. We accomplished a lot in 06-07 but we don't want to stop there. The Board of Directors has several projects in mind to complete for the coming year and will be asking the members for help with donations of money, materials, and time for these improvements. We have a great shooting facility; let's keep improving it for ourselves and the rest of the shooting community. Please let a board member know if you are interested in any of the improvement projects.

Projects.

We continue to make progress adding power to the east end of the club property. Northwest Lineman College has volunteered time and equipment to set the power poles and run the power line between poles. These additional power poles were purchased from Idaho Power salvage yard at \$1.00 per foot. Crane's West has volunteered transportation services for the poles. Idaho Power should be installing the transformer soon after for a small fee of \$465.

The original proposed budget was \$4000 for adding/upgrading the electrical service to the east end of the club property. With the savings on installation we will be able to install a 400 amp service that will allow us to upgrade the power to the trap/skeet fields on the east end of the property, install lights on skeet fields #3 and 4, and allow for future expansion of the RV parking electrical services. The additional lights will allow night time 5-stand operation.

We could use additional professional guidance on how to wire this new electrical service to the existing trap/skeet field electrical service, the sporting clays club house, and Sports Lights, any volunteers? A HUGE THANK YOU to Bill McIlhargey for donating all the electrical pieces parts to complete the project!!

Look for a winter night only 5-stand league starting in January.

Thank you Debbie Brandel for painting the 5-Stand/Sporting clay hut! Except for the poor color choice by the club president the building looks great!

Revised club website. Brian Johnson has a revised gun club website that he would like member feedback on. Please visit <http://www.boisegunclub.com/newsite/>. Feedback can be provided by emailing the club with comments at boisegunclub@fmtcblue.com.

Waiver Release. All shooters must sign a "Waiver and Release Form" annually. Please come into the clubhouse and sign a current form at the cashiers window. We are sorry for the inconvenience, but this is required by our liability insurance provider.

Firewood. It is that time of year again. The club will gladly accept any firewood donations. The wood burning stove saves us significant heating dollars during the winter months.

Water Fountain. During the upgrade of the bathrooms it was necessary to remove and dispose of the old water fountain. Any members have any ideas on how and where we could get a newer one?

Historical Displays. A reminder that we would like to display any historical material or items you might like to share for a while. They would go in the locked trophy cases at the club and would be returned to you any time you wish. We are thinking more of clay target shooting items (vest, patches, shell boxes, photos, magazines or newspaper clippings, old guns or shells and so on) but would also love to display any hunting or other sporting history items. (our membership is interested in a lot of different things). See cashier Debbie at the club if you have something you would like to share.

Well, I guess that's about it for this newsletter. If there is anything we missed, let us know and we'll get it in next time. Remember, as we mentioned before, the Boise Gun Club is your club. Use it, enjoy it, and get involved with helping it. Shoot straight and break all your birds. Hope to see you at the club!