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General News

CLUB SPOTLIGHT ... A Big Club Thanks to those **Generous Members** who donated to the Scholarship Fund – Donations totaled \$2289.

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2015 ELECTION RESULTS ... The following Proprietary Members were elected to the 2015 Board of Directors at the January 2015 Meeting: Bruce Barchenger, John Lutch, and Jay Miazga. The Board of Directors for 2015 consists of the following members: Bruce Barchenger, Ron Brown, John Dorsh, Jack Healy, John Lutch, Mike McInerney, Jay Miazga, Steve Mooney, and Dave Shupe. The elected officers are: Jay Miazga, President; Mike McInerney, Vice President; John Lutch, Secretary; and Dave Shupe, Treasurer.

SUPER BOWL PARTY ... The club is holding a Super Bowl Party February 1, 2015 starting at 3 PM. There will be special Super Bowl Tacos for \$1.25, drink specials, prizes, and of course football. Come out and join us.

PRESIDENT'S BALL ...The annual President's Ball will be held on Saturday February 21. Come out and meet your 2015 Board and Officers and enjoy a fantastic dinner. The kitchen will be serving your choice of Prime Rib or Chicken Dejon. The Weatherside Whiskey Band will provide Dance Music. Cost is \$20.95 for Prime Rib and \$14.95 for Chicken Dejon. Reservations are Required - Please call the club for reservations.

DUES & MEMBERSHIPS ...It's a new year and the dues notices for 2015 have been mailed. Be sure to get your dues paid so you will receive your new key card before the door lock is changed on February 15. There are a few Proprietary Memberships available for sale. Contact Steve Mooney for information.

NEW MEMBERS ... Welcome to New Members: Garth Bacigalupi, Barry Dale, Brandon Guempel, Robert Long, Jana Madrigali, M. Marshall Marston Jr., David Mulcahy, David O'Neill, Puanani Santiago, Marsha Sloan, Tara Thomas, Randy Wilcox, Robert Teel, Hans Christensen, Daniel Grimm, and Tom Moore. Total membership is now 979.

SUNDAY FEB 1` SUPER BOWL PARTY 3 PM	FRIDAY FEB 6 DINNER DANCE PRIME RIB MUSIC - SNAKEBITE	FRIDAY FEB 13 VALUE MEAL NIGHT BEEF STROGANOFF \$8.95	FRIDAY FEB 20 DINNER SPECIAL HONEY GLAZED HAM
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First, I wish to issue an apology on behalf of myself and my fellow Board members. The dues increase came as an unpleasant surprise to most of you, and that was because we simply screwed up. The Board had been working hard at the end of last year to communicate the need for the increase to the Proprietary members, who are the people who make the actual decision via ballot. Once this was done and the votes counted (of 147 Proprietary members, 93 returned ballots - 62 voted for the increase, 31 voted against), we dropped the ball on getting this information and decision to the rest of the membership. Hopefully the information that was sent out after the fact via the Target was enough to satisfy the "why", but that understanding doesn't make up for the ham-fisted "how". Better communication is a goal for this year's Board.

That said, one of the first things I want to communicate is the structure of the decision making for the club (per the Bylaws). At the highest level are the Proprietary members, who are the actual owners of the club. They are asked to vote on large, impactful decisions like the dues increase, property purchases or other large expenditures, who is elected to the Board, etc.

The Board then makes the next level decisions - for example, the decision to spend \$40k to remodel the trophy room, to what extent and who will remodel the bar, etc. Also many smaller things, like who is mentioned in the Target's Spotlight for their volunteer efforts. Three of the nine Board positions are up for election each year in January. Once the new Board is formed at the January General Meeting, the Board then elects officers - President, VP, Secretary, and Treasurer.

The next decision making level is that of the Committees, which are formed from Board and other members as appropriate. The House Committee is responsible for many of the day-to-day decisions necessary to run the club, and generally for establishing rules and regulations for the club in general (although not specifically for the ranges - which is the purview of the Range Committee), and specifically for the Clubhouse (including the Pine Tree Room).

Not mentioned in the Bylaws is the role of club Manager. The Bylaws were written when the club was much, much smaller. As the club has grown, the Board has understood and supported the need for a Manager. The Manager reports to the House Committee, and is given responsibility for many of the day-to-day decisions that are made to keep the club running.

Frankly, this reporting structure and decision making has gotten confused at times, and has resulted in some muddled communication. Not many read the Bylaws, so my hope in describing this structure is that members will know how decisions get made, and who to go to with issues or suggestions. If you're still not sure, start with the Manager (Ursula), and work up. You are also free to contact me (president@hhrodandgun.com), although be aware that the President has very little decision making authority (I don't even get a vote at the Board meetings). All I can do is field questions and comments, and talk to people. I have no idea if this is going to result in me getting 2 emails a week or 200, but I'll try to be as responsive as I can.

Thanks for reading through this. I think 2015 will be a great year for the club. Cheers, -jay

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Range News

Range Hours 9:00 AM until Sundown 7 days a week unless closed for a special function.

Trap & Skeet Thursday at 12 Noon / Trap & Skeet & Sporting Clays Saturday at 12 Noon

Range Orientation Class: Remember that the Board has determined that the use of our ranges, except for organized events, will require attendance at a Range Orientation & Safety Meeting and confirmation of that by wearing your membership badge with the yellow sticker given out at the meetings when you use the ranges. Our next Range Orientation & Safety class will be Tuesday February 3, 2015 at 7:00 pm.

Range Report: We are pleased to announce that our “Shooter of the Year” Award for 2014 was won by Jay Miazga.

February Events: Shooting events for February are: (1) Air Silhouette Shoot & Winter League on February 21 at 9 AM on the Riffle Range (Riffle Range closed to other shooters); and 2) A Steel Fun Match on February 28th at 9 AM in the Action Pistol Bays.

Restaurant News

Restaurant Hours Tuesday – Thursday 2 to 8 / Friday 2 to 10 / Saturday 12 to 8 / Sunday 12 to 6

News: RESERVATIONS - RESERVATIONS - RESERVATIONS ... As you may have noticed the club is growing and many nights are very busy – You can help us improve our diner service by making a reservation several days in advance.

Value Meals: We are now featuring “Value Meals” on Wednesday Nights and on the Second Friday of each month. These meals are a mouth-watering favorite at an irresistible price of \$8.95. This months Second Friday Value Meal is Beef Stroganoff with Dinner Roll and Caesar Salad, and on Wednesdays the Value Meals switch between Beef Stew, Taco Salads, or Sausage & Pepperoni Pizza, and Chicken & Rice Stuffed Pepper. Check the calendar for the schedule.

February Events: This month we have some exciting events planned. February 1st is the Club Super Bowl Party starting at 3 PM; On February 6th we have our now famous Prime Rib Buffet and Dance with music by Snakebite; and on February 21th we have holding are annual Presidents Ball Dinner Dance with your choice of Prime Rib and Dijon Chicken, and music by the Weatherside Whiskey Band.

February Tuesdays Nights: Tuesday nights in January will feature our regular menu.

February Wednesday Nights: Our kitchen staff is featuring our Famous Four Piece Fish & Chips for \$1.00 off in addition to our Value meals for \$8.95. Check the schedule for our Beef Stew, Taco Salad, Sausage & Pepperoni Pizza, and Chicken & Rice Stuffed Pepper offerings.

February Thursday Nights: Our kitchen staff will be preparing these mouth watering favorites: Beef Chimichanga, Beef Sliders, Pan Seared Scallops, and Wimpy Burgers with BBQ Beans. Check the calendar for the schedule.

February Friday Nights: On February 6th we have our now famous Prime Rib Buffet along with a limited menu; On February 13th we are featuring the Club Value Meal – Beef Stroganoff with Dinner Roll and Caesar Salad in addition to our regular menu; On February 20th, we are serving Honey Glazed Ham in addition to our regular menu; and on February 27th, we are serving our always popular Chicken Fried Steak in addition to our regular menu.

SATURDAY FEB 21 PRESIDENT’S BALL MUSIC WEATHERSIDE WHISKEY BAND	SATURDAY FEB 21 AIR SILHOUETTE SHOOT 9 AM	FRIDAY FEB 27 DINNER SPECIAL CHICKEN FRIED STEAK	SATURDAY FEB 28 STEEL FUN MATCH 9 AM
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>1</p> <p>Club Open 12-6 Kitchen 12-6 Trap, Skeet & Sporting Clays 12 Noon Super Bowl Party 3 PM</p>	<p>2</p> <p>Club Closed</p>	<p>3</p> <p>Club Open 2-8 Kitchen 2-8 Regular Menu Range Orientation Class - 7 PM</p>	<p>4</p> <p>Club Open 2-8 Kitchen 2-8 Dominoes 6-8 Value Meal - Beef Stew \$8.95 Wednesday Special - Fish & Chips \$9.95</p>	<p>5</p> <p>Club Open 2-8 Kitchen 2-8 Trap & Skeet 12 Noon Thursday Special - Beef Chimichanga \$9.95</p>	<p>6</p> <p>Club Open 2-10 Kitchen 2-8 Prime Rib Buffet \$20.95 - Limited Menu Music: "Snakebite"</p>	<p>7</p> <p>Club Open 12-8 Kitchen 12-8</p>
<p>8</p> <p>Club Open 12-6 Kitchen 12-6 Trap, Skeet & Sporting Clays 12 Noon</p>	<p>9</p> <p>Club Closed Bd Meeting 6 PM</p>	<p>10</p> <p>Club Open 2-8 Kitchen 2-8 Regular Menu</p>	<p>11</p> <p>Club Open 2-8 Kitchen 2-8 Dominoes 6-8 Value Meal - Taco Salad \$8.95 Wednesday Special - Fish & Chips \$9.95</p>	<p>12</p> <p>Club Open 2-8 Kitchen 2-8 Trap & Skeet 12 Noon Thursday Special - Beef Sliders \$9.95 Langley Men</p>	<p>13</p> <p>Club Open 2-10 Kitchen 2-8 Value Meal - Beef Stroganoff \$8.95</p>	<p>14</p> <p>Club Open 12-8 Kitchen 12-8</p>
<p>15</p> <p>Club Open 12-6 Kitchen 12-6 Trap, Skeet & Sporting Clays 12 Noon</p>	<p>16</p> <p>Club Closed</p>	<p>17</p> <p>Club Open 2-8 Kitchen 2-8 Regular Menu</p>	<p>18</p> <p>Club Open 2-8 Kitchen 2-8 Dominoes 6-8 Value Meal - Sausage & Pepperoni Pizza \$8.95 Wednesday Special - Fish & Chips \$9.95</p>	<p>19</p> <p>Club Open 2-8 Kitchen 2-8 Trap & Skeet 12 Noon Thursday Special - Pan Seared Scallops \$14.95</p>	<p>20</p> <p>Club Open 2-10 Kitchen 2-8 Honey Glazed Ham \$14.95</p>	<p>21</p> <p>Club Open 12-8 Kitchen 12-8 Air Silhouette Shoot on Rifle Range 9 AM - Range Closed Presidents Ball Music: "Weatherside Whiskey Band"</p>
<p>22</p> <p>Club Open 12-6 Kitchen 12-6 Trap, Skeet & Sporting Clays 12 Noon</p>	<p>23</p> <p>Club Closed</p>	<p>24</p> <p>Club Open 2-8 Kitchen 2-8 Regular Menu</p>	<p>25</p> <p>Club Open 2-8 Kitchen 2-8 Dominoes 6-8 Value Meal - Stuffed Pepper \$8.95 Wednesday Special - Fish & Chips \$9.95</p>	<p>26</p> <p>Club Open 2-8 Kitchen 2-8 Trap & Skeet 12 Noon Thursday Special - Wimpy Burger & BBQ Beans \$10.95</p>	<p>27</p> <p>Club Open 2-10 Kitchen 2-8 Chicken Fried Steak \$14.95</p>	<p>28</p> <p>Club Open 12-8 Kitchen 12-8 Steel Fun Match 9 AM</p>