Announcements

The annual membership dues period is January-December, making the 2009-year dues payable by December 31, 2008. According to the club bylaws, a General Member must have his dues paid and be in good standing prior to the annual meeting date in order to vote in the 2009 annual general membership meeting. This announcement contains a 2009 membership card for those of you that have renewed their memberships. If you have not renewed (according to our records), then please fill out the enclosed Membership application (note email address if available), **sign** and return to the address noted below. Once again, in order to retain general membership status, you must have your dues paid by **March 2nd, 2009**. Should a current Member neglect to pay dues within the time period allowed, subsequent application to the club will be as an Associate class Member.

Club Relocation Status

All primary development and building have been completed. The result is a clubhouse and storage facility, 9 primary trap fields and 1 combination trap/skeet field. The site development has followed the plan and details outlined at the 2008 annual meeting last March. Our new facility is open for practice and registered target shooting. Practice hours are 930 am to about 1 pm weekly on Thursday and Sundays.

NOTICE!

The road improvement work has been completed. We ask that members and guests please keep your speed under 20 mph. This helps prolong the current road condition and it also is a requirement of the Bonneville Power Authority (BPA) with whom we share the easement for the first half of the roadway.

CARD PAYMENT SHOOTING SYSTEM

The club has implemented a new key card payment system for practice shooting. The credit card sized key system works in a manner similar to a gift card, where money is placed on the card and the cost of shooting is automatically deducted at the trap field. All active shooting members are encouraged to pick up a card on Thursdays or Sundays. **NOTE:** There is a $15 deposit to obtain the card (basically this covers the replacement cost should the card be lost). The deposit is refunded when the card is no longer needed and returned to the club. Club membership is required to obtain a card. Shooting fees ($3 per round via card) are automatically deducted by card readers placed at each of the 4 practice fields.

A shooter may still use cash to pay for the round, but the cash fee has increased to $4 per round effective January 1st, 2009.

Finally, I invite everyone to send questions and comments to the club address (noted below). If you would prefer a personal contact, check the BTC website at www.bendtrapclub.com for email addresses if you have computer Internet access.

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