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2017-2018 SEASON

The Pheasant Season officially begins on Saturday, **September 23, 2017**. We would like to remind everyone of several important things that make your check-in process much easier and get you out in the field in a smooth and rapid manner.

Regular prices are now in effect until September 30, 2017. The Early Season Card remains the best deal for 20 pheasants at a significant discount in exchange for a shortened time for hunting. Please remember, this Card's hunting season ends on **December 15, 2017**. You will not be allowed to hunt pheasants after that date, even as a guest. You are still welcome to use the Club facilities for trap shooting, fishing, or Chukar hunts after the cut-off date.

Bird cards that are paid in full will be available for pick-up beginning Saturday, September 9, 2017. New Members cannot pick up Bird Cards until they complete the New Member Orientation. All Bird Cards must be paid in full by **September 30, 2017**. Starting October 1, 2017 the price for unpaid cards will automatically increase to the Late Season rates, and we will only be selling the 20 Bird Late Season Cards after that date. If you are an existing member, please see enclosed the Statement for your account balance and a record of any payments made through August 18, 2017 on your Bird Card.

The Club does not sell Hunting Licenses, Upland Game Bird Validations, or Fishing licenses. If you need a close-by location to buy your licenses and validations, please call the Club Office before you come up to get your Bird Card and Field Passes and we can give you a list of businesses that are in our surrounding communities. You can also purchase your license needs online at the Department of Fish and Wildlife website: www.wildlife.ca.gov. Every hunter, Member and Guest, must have both a valid 2017-2018 Hunting License and an Upland Game Bird Validation.

PRE-SEASON ROOSTER/CHUKAR SHOOTS

September 6, 7, 9, 13, 14, 15, and 16 are scheduled for Pre-Season Rooster Shoots from 8AM to 1PM. The fee for a 4-Bird Pre-Season Rooster Shoot is \$125.00, or a discount price of \$200.00 for 10 Roosters. Bird cleaning is available at the regular cleaning price (prepaid cleaning does not apply to Pre-Season Shoots). The Coffee Shop will be open for Pre-Season Shoots serving a limited menu. Please call the Club Office to schedule your date for a fun morning on Roosters. This is a great way to get in some last minute training before the Season begins.

Moreover, this year, the Club also offers Pre-Season Chukar Shoots. The discounted price gives you 8 Chukar for only \$120.00. The Pre-Season Chukar Shoot dates are the same as the Pre-Season Rooster Shoot, but you will receive your own reserved field for these special hunts. You can even combine these Pre-Season events to create a mixed-bag day of hunting at the Club.

Participating in the Pre-Season events, as well as bringing your dog to the fields before the season starts, is a great way to ensure both of you will be ready to enjoy the entire hunting season.



JACK AND GEORGETTE KLINGLE WERE MANAGERS OF HASTINGS ISLAND HUNTING PRESERVE FROM 1969 TO 1982. THESE THREE LADIES ARE THEIR DAUGHTERS WHO KNEW THE CLUB AS THEIR HOME (LEFT TO RIGHT: KATHY, LYNN, AND GAIL). WHAT A GREAT TREAT THEY CAME BY THIS SUMMER! WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING THEM AGAIN SOON!

SPECIAL CLUB CLOSURE IN FEBRUARY

Please note – in addition to our regular closure dates, the Club will be closed to all activity on Wednesday, February 21 and Thursday, February 22, 2018.

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER	
New Member Orientations begin	September 9th, 2017
Bird Cards Ready to Pick Up	September 9th, 2017
Club Annual Trap Shoot	September 9th, 2017
2017 - 2018 Season Begins	September 23, 2017
Last Day to Pay Off Bird Cards	September 30, 2017
Becoming and Outdoors Woman Thanksgiving Day	October 14, 2017
Club closed	
Early Season Cards End	December 15, 2017
Christmas Day & New Year's Day	Club closed
Special Club Closure	February 21-22, 2018

NEW MEMBER ORIENTATIONS

New members (as well as anyone who has not been an active member for the last 2 years) are required to attend a New Member Orientation, prior to their first hunt or before picking up their Bird Cards. We provide these free orientations to familiarize our new members with the Club's facilities and employees, the Rules and Regulations you will be expected to follow, as well as explaining some extra benefits of your Bird Card membership.

Orientation classes will be held every Thursday, Saturday and Sunday beginning September 9, 2017 through December 31, 2017. All orientations begin promptly at 8AM and last approximately 45 minutes. Remember to sign the class register in order to receive credit for attending. After the dates mentioned above, the orientations will be given by advance reservation only through the Club Manager. In such a case, please make sure to call the Club Office at least 2 weeks in advance.

If you are a new member, please note that you may use the Club's facilities during the Off Season, but you will not be able to pick up your Bird Card until you have attended the orientation. If you plan on hunting or picking up your paid-in-full Bird Card the same day, please be sure to bring your hunting license with an Upland Game Bird stamp.



SILKE ALBERTS, FRANK AND PATTI ELY, ENJOY A BREAK IN THE PICNIC AREA AT THE GSP/NSV HUNT TEST

PREPAID BIRD CLEANING

Take advantage of the convenience of buying Prepaid Bird Cleaning when purchasing your Bird Card. Just select the appropriate box under Prepaid Bird Cleaning on your Membership Application and you will get the prepaid discounted price of \$5.00 per bird. Individual bird cleanings can still be purchased throughout the Season at the regular price of \$5.75 per bird.

The Club will also offer smoked pheasants for exchange during the hunting season. The pheasants are smoked over alder wood giving them a delicious and unique flavor. It's a true favorite for holidays, family gatherings and parties.

CHUKAR HUNT — FULL SERVICE!

In addition to Pheasant Hunts, the Club also offers Chukar Hunts to our Members. Chukar are available in the amount of 10 birds or more.

We also offer a Full-Service Chukar Hunt of 100 Chukar. The Hunt includes a continental breakfast, a BBQ New York Steak lunch and bird cleaning. Four rounds of Trap and up to three rental dogs complete your hunt. This is an excellent opportunity for family or friends to gather in the field and enjoy a day of hunting.

The Chukar Hunts require a one-week-in-advance reservation through the Club Office.



SANDY MILLER CASTING OFF FOR THE MASTER HUNTER COURSE AT THE GSP/NSV HUNT TEST.

CLUB ANNUAL TRAP COMPETITION

This year our 14th Annual Trap Shoot Competition will be held on Saturday, September 9, 2017. Mark on your calendar and save the date!

As you may know, the Trap Shoot competition is a fast-paced competition for bragging rights. The winner's name is engraved on the perpetual trophy displayed in the Clubhouse, and their picture appears in the next newsletter.

The Annual Trap Shoot Competition will begin at 10:00AM, and station assignments will be drawn by lot at 10:00AM at the Trap Range. All competitors must use a firearm capable of legally harvesting an Upland Game Bird, i.e. no release triggers. Any pump action firearms require a magazine plug. The competition fee is \$20.00 per shooter. Please come prepared to shoot at least 4 rounds of 25 Clays. The competition consists of 3 consecutive scoring rounds and a "Top Gun" round of the 5 best shooters, for a final aggregate score.



THE SECOND ANNUAL BASSETT HOUND RABBIT RUN WAS CONDUCTED AT THE CLUB IN APRIL 2017. PICTURED ARE THE CHAMPION DOGS IN EACH CATEGORY ALONG WITH THEIR HANDLERS/OWNERS

BECOMING AN OUTDOORS WOMAN

Spending a weekend at Hastings Island Hunting Preserve with Becoming An Outdoors Woman is definitely an extraordinary experience. The ladies who participated in the Program over the past years often compare their anticipation with the night before going to Disneyland. Gorgeous sunsets, friendly people, delicious food and thrill of joining the exciting world of hunting is a combination which creates lifetime memories and friendships.

Participants meet at the Club for introduction and a field dog demonstration. Observing hunting dogs working up a field in a coordinated manner is something you will never forget. Afterwards, the B.O.W. ladies are broken up into hunting groups. A dog and a guide are assigned to each group. It takes a short but exciting experience to get hooked on a sport that will last a lifetime.

We look forward to sponsoring this event again this fall on October 14, 2017. A morning hunt, followed by a lunch with a taste of pheasant included, while the birds just hunted are cleaned for the ladies. To sign up for B.O.W or to receive more information on the event, please contact Sarabeth Gonsalves at CWA: (559) 972-3441 or sgonsalves@calwaterfowl.org. You can also visit the B.O.W. website at www.calwaterfowl.org/ca-bow.

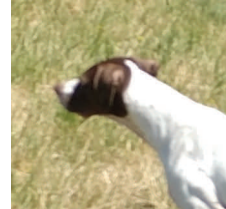


THERESA LAWSON WITH THE NEW ADDITION TO FAMILY BOUGHT AT HASTINGS ISLAND HUNTING PRESERVE. "HARPER" HAS ALREADY BEEN INTRODUCED TO THE FIELDS AT THE CLUB.

INTRODUCING THE ALL-STAR RENTAL STRING FOR 2017-2018 SEASON

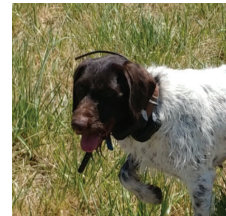
Beginning this Season we are introducing several hunting novices who look forward to accompanying our Members afield after doing a great jobs at trainings.

Our English Pointer "Belle" will be joining us for an inaugural season. This delightful dog is a joy to hunt over, and we highly recommend her for a morning jaunt.



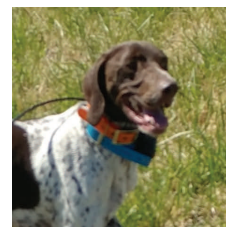
BELLE

Our entry into the German Wirehaired breed is the friendly "Button". This little gal is fun to hunt over and enjoys finding birds in any cover. If you get a chance to hunt some of the fringes, where you might find some heavier cover, try this bundle of hunting joy.



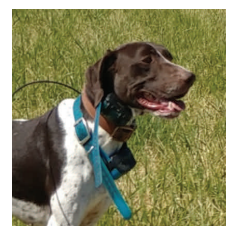
BUTTON

"Bane" comes to the Rental String from Von Steuben Kennels. A field-trial capable German Shorthaired Pointer, this dog has an intensity and style that is a sight to behold.



BANE

Another new addition to the lineup this season is "MJ". A German Shorthaired Pointer that is a pure joy to watch on the hunt. This dog can be summed up in one word — style. You will walk away amazed by a top-notch hunt after four hours afield with this guy.



MJ

CROWDED FIELDS

Dear Members, we are always happy to hear your ideas regarding the Club improvements! If you have any specific suggestions, please feel free to share them with the Club Manager, Danielle Earl. We greatly appreciate your opinion and always give consideration to new ways of satisfying our membership.

One of the concerns mentioned recently was about the number of people in the field and, therefore, we would like to provide some clarification on the subject. Please note that it has been our policy for many years and continues to be that we do not allow more than 125 people in the field at one time.

The Club operates under a free-roam system. However, our experience shows that over time more people have tended to hunt closer to the main road and the Clubhouse. We offer 800 acres of natural cover, as well as 4,700 acres on the entire island. The best hunting is often on the outskirts of the Club. Therefore, we encourage you to use the entire hunting area provided. For example, making slightly longer walks around or driving out on one of the Club's side roads can usually help in finding areas without too many hunters. Please remember that extra few minutes at the beginning of your hunt will most likely make your several-hour hunt more enjoyable.

COOK'S CORNER

Parmesan Chukar Nuggets

Ingredients:

8-10 Chukar breasts cut into bite-size pieces
3 eggs
3 green onions
4 cloves
2-3 whole cloves of garlic
1 cup grated Parmesan cheese
1 cup bread crumbs
2 tbsp olive oil
2 tbsp butter

Directions:

Beat 3 eggs to blend. Add 3 sliced green onions. Toss in a couple of whole cloves. Add 1-2 cloves of minced fresh garlic. Marinate chukar in mixture for 24-48 hours.

Pull the chukar nuggets from the egg mixture. Roll them in fresh grated Parmesan cheese (you can substitute the canned Parmesan if you wish). Then roll the chukar pieces in the bread crumbs. Heat skillet to medium heat. Add the olive oil and butter to the skillet. Put breaded chukar pieces into the pan. Meat should sizzle slightly when added to the pan. Sauté for 2-5 minutes on each side until golden. Be careful not to overcook!

Serve and enjoy with your favorite BBQ sauce or pesto sauce. Be sure to make plenty, they will go fast!

RENTAL DOG RESERVATIONS

The Club maintains an extensive string of Upland Gamebird pointing dogs for our Members to rent if desired. With these top-rate dogs trained by Randy Berry of Von Steuben Kennels, there is always a popularity for the dogs. Our best recommendation is for any Member desiring to rent one of our four-legged hunters is advance reservations through the Club Office. While we strive to provide you with a requested choice each time you rent a dog, please note that on certain days some of the dogs might not be available. What we guarantee with the dog rental reservation is that when you arrive for your hunt, one of our trained dogs will definitely be ready to spend an exiting day with you in the field.

If you will be arriving later in the day, please advise the Club Office when making the arrangement so that it is properly noted on the relevant dog reservation. If you have enjoyed a top-rate hunt with one of our dogs and want to show your appreciation, our four-legged hunters are always amenable to a "dog patty" fresh from the Coffee Shop.

HAVE YOU MOVED RECENTLY?

The Club receives a fair amount of returned mail each quarter from our Members who moved. We always try to make sure we have your updated address on file. Therefore, if you have recently moved, please take a moment to call or write to the Club and inform us about the changes, so we can update your membership accordingly. There is also a checkmark box on the Membership Application where you can note a Change of Address.

Please remember that the forwarding mail/holding mail orders that you place with your post office, unfortunately, do not always function properly.

HOURS

The Club will return to the regular-season schedule on September 23, 2017.

The Club Office and Coffee Shop will be open at 7:00AM. Field Hours will be 7:30AM to 4:00PM. The Club Office will close at 4:30PM.

The Coffee Shop will close on the following schedule:
Mondays: 1:30PM (grill closes at 1:00PM)
Wednesday - Friday: 2:30PM (grill closes at 2:00PM)
Saturday - Sunday: 4:00PM (grill closes at 3:30PM)

The Trap Range will be open from 7:30AM to 4:30PM.

The Club will remain closed every Tuesday.

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