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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

November 2011

A big THANK YOU to all who brought food, appetizers and desert. Thanks Bill for preparing the sausages. Thanks were made to Biruta from Copyland for her sauerkraut as well as for her recipe printout.

Do not forget the November 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting. We will celebrate Thanksgiving and Bill will be preparing Turkey, mash potatoes, stuffing and salad . Please feel free to bring one of your favorite Thanksgiving side dishes or other treat to complete the menu...and wines are always welcome.

Our plan for the December meeting is to have members bring their spouses or other family members as a guest for the special dinner planed. The main course will be prime rib, potatoes and salad with your contributions welcome. Of course wine as well. **NOTE:** please RSVP your attendance plans as well as guest plans to Jim McMilen at [1168@att.net](mailto:1168@att.net). **We need an accurate count so we can buy correct quantities of food.**

Just got back from Clear Lake, the Bass Fishing is great. They are having Bass Tournaments every Saturday and Sunday. I talked to the guy at the bait shop and weight ins are running 20 to 25 pounds per day for some of the top boats.

Columbus Day went to the Duck club, can't beat setting decoys in the rain. Darold was right the valley is loaded with Geese. Good Luck to all on the opening day of the duck season.

## SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

**We are trying to contain costs at all levels. One area is in postage. We know postage will increase a lot soon and to get this expense under control we want to email news letters to as many members as possible (actually ALL of you if possible). So far only about 20 have signed up for this service. If you want this, send your email address to Jim McMillen at [1168@att.net](mailto:1168@att.net) and he will add you to the list.**

Rich

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<http://www.fostercityrodandgunclub.com/>

### FOSTER CITY ROD AND GUN CLUB MINUTES

October 5, 2011

Meeting opened by Pres. Rich and the Pledge led by Joe O'Brien.

Fishing Report: Ken Bertelsen said he has caught several salmon and that Joe O'Brien caught a nice fish on a recent trip. See photo below.



Albacore is slow and the weather has prevented good fishing. Some fish are being caught below Monterey. He said he would move his boat to SSF soon. Jim Robinson did go Albacore fishing on a friend's boat and caught 30 fish with the largest being 31 pounds. They had 5 fish on at one time. He also has been doing well catching salmon but lost a thresher shark. Gene Hoy told of a good trip salmon fishing with Ken where several fish were taken. Keith Jones told of salmon being caught from his Boston Whaler on the lower Sacramento by slow trolling with light tackle.

Gene Hoy said he and his son Matt had a great time at Lake Almanor with the other members of the club. He was on Jim Robinson's 21ft North River and said he thought he was at a Cabela's store as Jim had 'all the tackle'.

Hunting/Shooting Report: Tom O'Rourke shot the goose opener at Edmonton, Alberta and said they limited every day with 8 geese per person daily. The ducks were sparse as the season was early. Their total was 37 honkers, 4 specks and 6 mallards for two hunters. They were lucky enough to hunt an un-harvested pea field. He is asking members who want to go with him in 2012 to let him know. Keith Jones said to look at the last CWA magazine for an order form to order shotgun shells at a discount from Rogers Sporting Goods.

Bill Miller said his group got 3 deer within hours near Garberville. Bob B. got his deer near Stonyford. Gene Firpo and Jim McMillen hunted out of Bassets near Sardine Lake and never saw a legal buck.



Keith's son got a deer locally near Fremont.

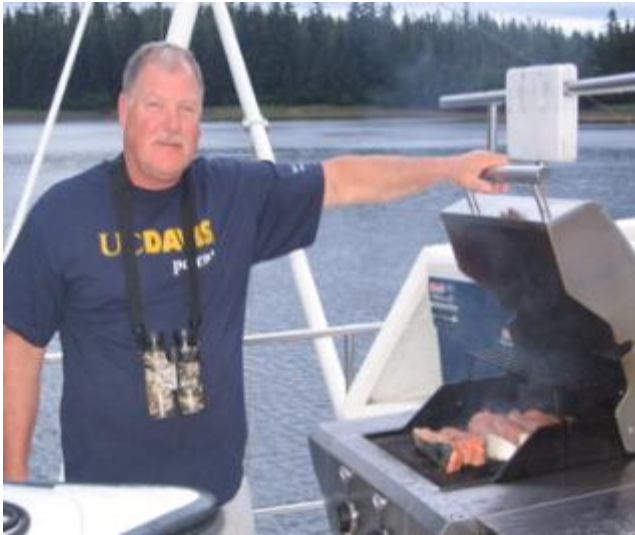
Darold was at the Laughing Mallard duck club and said there are thousands of ducks and geese already there. The rice is still being harvested and the opener has been delayed at Delevan and



Sacramento Refuge for one week. Gene Hoy introduced his son-in-law, Joe to the membership.

Meeting adjourned...Pot-O-Gold

ALASKAN FISHING CRUISE: Part II  
By Bob Kruger and Darold Givens  
Part III



(Continued from October News Letter) The next day it was off to another fishing spot and more of the same successful fishing. Our concern was to not go over our limit as we could only catch 8 silver salmon and 1 king salmon a day per person. In order to make sure that we counted correctly, Darold had jellybeans and would place one for every silver salmon and a red one for every king salmon kept. We were constantly adding up our jellybeans but we did not go over our limit. It was not hard to limit out as sometimes we had 2 or 3 fish on at one time. Bob became proficient at getting two in a net at once. We however did not count the fish that went on the BBQ that Bob cooked.

On one of our overnight stops, we stopped in a quiet cove that was new to Buddy. He always said we could throw out a fishing line after we anchored so Bob put some bait on a line and sent it to the bottom. He left and Darold saw a tugging on the rod. He lifted up a 42 lb halibut, which was a huge bonus. It was netted and the line sent back down and soon a 38 lb halibut appeared. This was quite a surprise to Buddy since we were not in halibut waters but he said he would mark this spot as another fishing hole.

After counting our jellybeans, it was determined that we had caught all the salmon we were allowed so off to another adventure. This time we anchored at Pavlov Bay where we encountered the large National Geographic ship anchored nearby. The area of interest was a beautiful waterfall with a fish ladder. The fish were stacking up as well as the brown bears to feast on fresh salmon. Bob and Harold took the small ketch and motored close to the falls. There Harold caught salmon on a fly and Bob picked up a few on a lure while the bears watched intently. The next day we motored towards Juneau, our final destination. Along the way we saw an active gold mine called the Greens Creek Gold Mine in Hawk Inlet on Admiralty Island.

Our weather was typical Alaska weather with a bit more rain than normal. The boat made even some rough weather seem smooth. Our arrival to Juneau was a wet one. We had reservations at a downtown hotel and made arrangements for all our boxed fish to be placed in the hotel's freezer for the trip the next day. We said good-bye to Rick and Buddy and wished Buddy good luck as this was his last charter on the Susan Dawn but said he is leaving it in good hands. Said if we wanted to come back or tell our friends, to hook up by checking the web at [www.susandawn.com](http://www.susandawn.com)

## **SHOOTING**

*By Wade Bourne*

Many shooters don't apply enough lead and consistently shoot behind their targets. A few use too much lead and shoot ahead of their targets. So how do shooters learn to use the right lead so their shot column and target simultaneously arrive at the same spot?

Here is a review of the travel velocity of a duck at 60 MPH. If a duck is passing in front of you and is parallel to you they would be traveling at a rate of 88 feet a second. If you are 40 yards away (120) feet and you are shooting ammo which has a velocity of 1,200 fps the flight time of the shot will be .1 seconds. The bird will have traveled 8.8 feet in that time. Your lead should be at least that much...maybe a little more since your shot pattern is not only wide but with a full choke it is also long. So that translates to about 10 feet. Shooting at various angels require you to reduce the lead with a good rule being one half the lead for 45 degrees and a little more over 45 and a little less under 45. Make sense? All in the Kentucky windage and your decision making skills in the micro second timeframe.

You can't shoot often enough to master how much to lead your target," says Scott Robertson, who has been an exhibition shooter for Beretta for 16 years. "You have to learn proper lead on the shooting range. You must learn the right sight picture for various shot angles and speeds through good instruction and lots of practice."

Robertson says an instructor will tell students if they are shooting ahead of or behind the target and make appropriate corrections. He will also help them learn proper leads on a variety of target angles, such as 90-degree crossing, 45-degree crossing, incoming/descending, and others.

"After the lesson, the student must practice on his own before the next lesson," Robertson says.  
"I try to pace my instruction so a student can shoot 300 to 400 shells between lessons."

## **REMEMBER THE SHOTGUN BASICS**

**Swing** smoothly and follow through after the shot

**Swinghand** well forward on the fore end to keep it smooth...

**Eyes** always on the bird with no top of the barrel visible, only the sighting bead...

**Shoulder** raise and shoulder the shotgun smoothly and no rapid jerking moves to acquire your target in the quickest smoothest move...

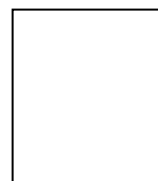
**Stance**, with your feet spread and one forward pointed toward the target allowing easy lateral torso movement.





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October 5<sup>th</sup> General Meeting “Oktoberfest” Harborside Club House

October 18<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting

October 22<sup>nd</sup> Duck season opener and continuing for 100 days

November 2<sup>nd</sup> General Meeting Harborside Club house

November 22<sup>nd</sup> Board Meeting

November 12<sup>th</sup> through November 28<sup>th</sup> Fall Turkey season (Limit 1 either sex)

**November 20<sup>th</sup> Last day to RSVP Xmas Dinner guest attendees to 1168@att.net**

December 7<sup>th</sup> General Meeting Harborside Club House Christmas dinner with guests