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Port Bay Club Newsletter

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Dear Port Bay Club Members,

Hello everyone. Our first hunting season in the new and refurbished club has come to an end. Despite the continuing issues with COVID in Texas and throughout the country, I think we had a very successful season at the club. Overall, the club was busy throughout the season and I hope many of you got the chance to return to the club and enjoy the club and some duck hunting. I am especially gratified to hear from a number of members that “the club is back” and that, while our facilities have been substantially upgrades, people felt like the spirit of the club

and the “Port Bay experience” remained largely the same. Thanks to everyone who worked so hard to get the club back in operation. Thanks especially to Tye and Lisa for making everything run amazingly smoothly under difficult COVID circumstances. Thanks to Jeremy hard work getting all the blinds ready and for running the day-to-day hunting operations, and to all the guides who put in such effort for us to focus on the enjoyment of duck hunting. Thanks also to Miguel for all the things he does at the club. As is our usual practice, the club closed immediately after duck season so that everyone can catch up on rest and do necessary post-season maintenance on the facilities. The club will reopen on February 17. Fishing will be picking up soon, and I hope people will get the chance to use the club during the late winter and spring months.

Annual Meeting May 8 at the Club:

As long as I have been a member of the club, we have always had our annual meeting at the club, at least until Harvey came along. I know many of you look forward to these annual gatherings and a chance for a little club business and a lot of camaraderie. We have decided to attempt to hold our annual meeting back at the club this year. In order to do this, we decided we needed to push the meeting back so that (hopefully) the COVID situation will die down to acceptable levels. Therefore, the date for the annual meeting has been set for Saturday, May 8, at the club. As before, we plan on having drinks and hors d’oeuvres on Friday, the annual meeting on Saturday, followed by dinner Saturday night. I hope as many of you as possible can make it in person. We are going to try to set up a Zoom link for those members who want to participate in the Saturday meeting but do not want to be physically present at the club. Be on the lookout for more information, including the agenda for the meeting.

Membership Remains a Priority:

Rebuilding membership to pre-Harvey levels remains a priority for the club. In that regard, as COVID conditions permit, we would like to have potential membership events again soon in various locations, including potentially, Houston, Austin, San Antonio and Corpus Christi. The event we had at Levi Goode’s Armadillo Palace in Houston prior to COVID was well-received and I would like to have more of those types of events soon, conditions permitting, to show off what we have to potential new members. Also, if you have any friends, neighbors, or business acquaintances, etc. who may have an interest in the club, I encourage you to reach out, bring them for a visit, or have them get in touch with Nathan Allen, our membership director.

Dues Notices Coming Soon:

It is time again for dues notices to be sent out. Keep an eye out in the next few weeks for dues notices to arrive. Dues will remain the same as last year, and I hope we can count on you to continue to support the club with timely payment.

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