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A NEWSLETTER FOR THE EDWARDIAN GUNNER

## *President's Message*



Hello All,

As many of you may have surmised, the fact that you have not heard anything of a Vintage Cup for 2015 does in fact mean that there will not be one. I should have published that prior to this time but I did not, that is a fault on my part. I did have conversations with people in the industry in my area and came to the realization that the set up and planning of an event was far beyond my abilities. I would not have been proud of what I could have put together and it would not have lived up to anyone's expectations. There is always next year and there will be a new administration to oversee any effort that is put forth to organize it.

The Southern Side by Side Championship is going strong and we have decided to back the efforts of the Carolina Chapter in making this another successful year. I do encourage any member looking for a fall trip and show in 2015 to attend this Championship.

The current Board of Directors, Frank Conroy, Jack Dudley, Chris Gilgun and Ray Poudrier have taken a vote, their last one. On August 14<sup>th</sup> a proposal was made by them to dissolve that Board as it currently stood and transfer Directorship to the Chapter Presidents. The decision has been made that the Presidents of the five largest chapters, (according to National Roll-Call records as of 08/07/2015) would become Directors of the New Board. The New Board will come to power on September 15, 2015. The five largest Chapters on August 7<sup>th</sup> were; Alabama, Carolina, Down East, Leatherstocking and Northeast. So, to the Chapter Presidents falls the honor of being named a member of the Board of Directors of the Order of Edwardian Gunners, Inc.

I offer congratulations to Ronald Wolff of Alabama, Bob Nay of Carolina, Peter Kogut of Downeast, Don Nickerson of Leatherstocking and Ray Poudrier of Northeast. And I ask all members to celebrate with them in their new undertaking to guide our organization.

The first order of business I propose they undertake is the election of National Officers or most importantly, the election of a new President. You will find in this Newsletter the description of the Offices and the letter to be used to seek Nomination for those positions. (continues on pg. 2)

also Georgia  
Matt Haney, Pres.

At this time the position that needs to be filled, is that of President. The process is not cumbersome and should not be prolonged further than necessary. I would like to have all nominations into the National Office (postmarked ) by October 1, 2015. The nominees will be validated and a ballot sent to the Board Members so that the announcement of Presidential progression can be announced by October 15.

I wish Good Luck to anyone that has a mind to run for this position and I am heartened to see that the organization will now progress to electing the National Officers.

Regards,



**Chapters, Contacts, and Upcoming Events**

**VINTAGERS NATIONAL OFFICE**

Contact: John Chudzik, President – 413-320-3636 – [vintagers1901@gmail.com](mailto:vintagers1901@gmail.com)

**ALABAMA**

Contact: Ron Wolff, President – 205-482-0232 – [lobowolff8@hotmail.com](mailto:lobowolff8@hotmail.com)

**Most Tuesdays or Wednesdays – contact Ron to get on the email invitation/advisory list**

**August 29<sup>th</sup> – “Game Simulation Day”**

**October 23-25 – Southern Side by Side Fall Classic**

**January 16, 2016 – Continental Pheasant Shoot**

**April 2016 –TBD – Annual Fun Shoot**

**NORTHEAST (NEW ENGLAND)**

Contact: Ray Poudrier, President – 413-339-5347 – [vintagersray@hotmail.com](mailto:vintagersray@hotmail.com)

**October 16–East Glastonbury Fish & Game, Marlborough, CT\***

**November 13–Peace Dale Shooting Preserve, Peace Dale, RI\***

**December 4–Addieville East Farm, Mapleville, RI\***

**\*Food provided by Chef Andy Lussier of Culinary Connections**

**DOWN EAST (MAINE)**

Contact: Pete Kogut, President – 603-755-3007 – [doubleguncases@peoplepc.com](mailto:doubleguncases@peoplepc.com)

***SUNSHINE (FLORIDA)***

Contact: Hal M. Hare, President – 863-583-4858 – [hal.hare@sbcglobal.net](mailto:hal.hare@sbcglobal.net)

September 26 – Robinson Ranch. Ingliss, Fl

October 17 – Tampa Bay Sporting Clays, Land-of-Lakes, FL

***LEATHERSTOCKING (CENTRAL NEW YORK)***

Contact: Don Nickerson, President 607-638-9258 - [negrouse1@hotmail.com](mailto:negrouse1@hotmail.com)

***GEORGIA***

Contact: Matt Haney, President 404-783-0615 - [mmhaney@comcast.net](mailto:mmhaney@comcast.net)

October 23-25

Fall Southern SxS Classic-- Georgetown, SC

***MAGNOLIA CHAPTER (MISSISSIPPI/TENNESSEE)***

Contact: Harry Pasisis, President – 662-295-7224

***CAROLINA***

Contact: Bob Nay, President – 704-796-6364 – [may@carolina.rr.com](mailto:may@carolina.rr.com)

October 23-25–Southern Side-by-Side, Hemingway, SC

December 5, Rocky Creek Sporting Clays and Drummond Farm, Richburg, SC

Feb. 26-28, 2016 – Backwoods Quail Club, Georgetown, SC

(Tower Pheasant shoot on Feb. 27 – sporting clays all three days)

***LONG ISLAND/GOLD COAST (NEW YORK)***

Contact: Randell Beck, President - 515-509-6943 - [beckrandell@gmail.com](mailto:beckrandell@gmail.com)

2015 events pending

***BUCKEYE (OHIO)***

Contact: Mark Douglas, President - [hi-sport@sbcglobal.net](mailto:hi-sport@sbcglobal.net)

August 30 – Cardinal Center Shooting Center, Marengo, OH

September 13 – Cardinal Center Shooting Center, Marengo, OH

October 11 – Cardinal Center Shooting Center, Marengo, OH

## **Nominations for Executive Officers**

Nominations for the offices of President, Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary of the Corporation shall be made by the Board of Directors and Chapter Presidents of Chapters In Good Standing. Any duly recognized Chapter President may make nomination of a candidate from his or her Chapter to the Nominating Committee to be considered and placed on a ballot. Any duly recognized Chapter President may nominate him or herself for the offices of Vice President, Treasurer or Secretary and may serve simultaneously if elected. Any duly recognized Chapter President may nominate him or herself for the Office of President only upon written affirmation that the Office of Chapter President will be divested of his or her duties and position during the term of the elected position he or she seeks.

For such purposes of nomination, the sitting President of the Corporation may endorse the Letters of Nomination of any member in good standing that seeks nomination but is Un-affiliated with a Chapter due to circumstance of locality ,or lack of viable membership to sustain a previously recognized chapter, notwithstanding that it is the purpose of the President through his duties as described to encourage affiliation of Members to Chapters and not to consolidate Un-affiliated members and not being a Director has no electoral Vote granted to him by any of the Bylaws.

G. Qualifications of Nominees. An Officer of the Corporation shall have the following qualifications:

1. Has a sincere interest in the objectives of the Corporation.
2. Is not a paid employee of the Corporation.
3. Is a Member in Good Standing at the time of Nomination and will have been so for At least one ( 1 ) full year at the time of the electoral vote as announced by the Board of Directors.
4. Is able to affirm on the Letters of Nomination submitted to a Member empowered to make such nomination that he or she is duly able to serve for the term proposed in the capacity of the Office as described in Appendix B for which he or she is requesting to be considered.

Any Member so able to swear by signature on Letters of Nomination shall be a valid candidate submitted by a nominating member and may so affix his or her signature of affirmation to said Letters of Nomination for proper submission. In the event of a Chapter President seeking election to President the Sitting President may sign an affirmation as such as would be done for an Un-affiliated member, except in the case when a newly elected Chapter President is available and in agreement that aforementioned Requirements have been met, it shall be his or her pleasure to exercise or defer this affirmation first. In all cases , Letters of Nomination shall be submitted as a real document with actual signatures affixed in ink to the Secretary of the Corporation.

**Letter of Nomination for Executive Officers**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, am currently a Member in Good Standing and Having been so for a period of 1 Year, have interest in serving as:

\_\_\_\_\_,  
(Pres./V-Pres./Treas./ Secretary)

I am currently Affiliated with the \_\_\_\_\_ CHAPTER and have made my Chapter President aware of my intent to run for this office.

I have read the section entitled Appendix B and I am aware of the duties required of said Official and will be able to serve in this capacity for a period of two years.

Signed, \_\_\_\_\_

Date, \_\_\_\_\_.

I may be contacted at:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Nominating Official, Chapter or National President,  
Signed, \_\_\_\_\_

Please mail (postmarked no later than 10/1/2015) completed Letters of Nomination to:

Vintagers  
PO Box 2237  
Amherst, MA 01004

## APPENDIX B

### OFFICERS

1. **PRESIDENT.** The president shall be the principal operating officer of the corporation and shall in general supervise and control all of the business and affairs of the corporation. He or she may sign, with the secretary or any other proper officer of the corporation if so authorized by the Board of Directors, any deeds, mortgages, bonds, contracts or other instruments which the Board of Directors has authorized to be executed, except in cases where the signing and execution shall be expressly delegated by the Board of Directors or by these bylaws to some other officer or agent of the corporation or shall be required by law to be otherwise signed or executed; and in general shall perform all duties as may be prescribed by the Board of Directors from time to time.

2. **VICE PRESIDENT.** In the absence of the president or in the event of his inability or refusal to act, the vice president (or in the event there may be more than one vice president, the vice presidents in the order designated, or in the absence of any designation, then in the order of their election) shall perform the duties of the president and, when so acting, shall have all the powers of and be subject to all the restriction upon the president.

3. **SECRETARY.** The secretary shall:

(a) Keep the minutes of the stockholders' and the Board of Directors' meetings in one or more books provided for that purpose;

(b) See that all notices are duly given in accordance with the provisions of these bylaws or as required by law;

(c) Be custodian of corporate records and of the seal of the corporation and, if the corporation keeps a corporate seal, see that the seal of the corporation is affixed to all documents, the execution of which on behalf of the corporation under its seal is duly authorized in accordance with the provisions of these bylaws, and the seal may be attested by his or her signature;

(d) In general perform all duties incident to the office of secretary and such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him or her by the president or by the Board of Directors.

4. **TREASURER.** If required by the Board of Directors, the treasurer shall give a bond for the faithful discharge of his or her duties in such sum and with such surety or sureties as the Board of Directors shall determine. The treasurer shall:

(a) Have charge and custody of and be responsible for all funds of the corporation; receive and give receipts for moneys due and payable to the corporation from any source whatsoever, and deposit all such moneys in the name of the corporation in such banks, trust companies, or other depositories as shall be elected in accordance with the provisions of these bylaws;

(b) In general, perform all duties incident to the office of treasurer and such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him or her by the president or by the Board of Directors.



### THE VINTAGERS ORDER OF EDWARDIAN GUNNERS, ALABAMA CHAPTER

The Alabama Chapter held its Spring Gathering at Selwood Farms on April 11. Twenty-five shooters plus guests turned out for a “Fun Shoot”. We were greeted with fine weather and a nicely designed course for our double guns. It all started with an abbreviated 75 round clays shoot, followed by a 25 shot (or so) “flurry round” that delighted and challenged all shooters. For the “flurry round”, two traps were run up the 75’ tower. Teams of two shooters, each with a loader, shot high fast moving pheasant like clays for one minute, as fast as the trapper could cycle the traps and as fast as the shooters could re-load and shoot. Some of us with older hammer guns learned first-hand, a practical history lesson, about why ejectors all but eliminated extractors for driven pheasant shooting after their perfection around 1890. We extractor users were slooow. After the exciting round of clays, we all retired to the lodge porch for refreshments, heavy hors d’oeuvres, laughing and camaraderie. A terrific day!



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