

Klamath Sportsman Park Association
Newsletter
January/2010

Election News:

New officers were elected to the Park Board in December. Officers for the 2010 are as follows: President – Phil Doddridge

Vice President – Phil Hodge

Secretary – Leon Williamson

Treasurer – Tom Robison

Please feel free to contact any officer with concerns or suggestions.

Remember, Leon Williamson is the Delegate At Large and truly represents **any** park member.

Address your concerns or suggestions to:

Klamath Sportsmans Park Association, Inc.

P.O. Box 596

Klamath Falls, OR 97601

If you don't want to use “snail mail,” here is a list of the new officers and their e-mail addresses:

President, Phil Doddridge

president@sportsparkkeno.org

Vice President, Phil Hodge

vicepresident@sportsparkkeno.org

Secretary/Delegate At Large, Leon Williamson

secretary@sportsparkkeno.org

Treasurer, Tom Robison

treasurer@sportsparkkeno.org

Improvements at the Park:

The main road at the park got a new face lift this summer. The road was graded and the problem at the bottom of the hill, water, was addressed. A

new culvert was installed which should move the standing water out of the corner. The soggy area on the way to the gun ranges got new rock, which should solve that problem.

Finally, another existing problem that is being addressed concerns the original park fence which was put in 25 years ago. It seems many of the fence posts were in bad repair....reminds me of my own body....Anyway, two volunteers, Tom Harris and Walter Haup, have spent many hours fixing the fence. There is a rumor their wives actually volunteered them...something about getting them out of their hair. Other wives, take note! We always need volunteers – you or your husbands.

Membership:

We have 173 Charter and Life members and 262 Annual members. Assuming everyone rejoins, dues generated will be just under \$16,000.00 a year.

The board has worked diligently to reduce the cost at the park. Fixed overhead for 2008 was \$25,386.00. The same fixed cost for January, 2009 was \$20,740.00 This resulted in a \$4,646.00 annual reduction. You might notice that total dues do not generate enough money to pay the bills.

The balance of the expenditures are paid for with day use fees and money generated from other events.

Get your friends to join! The more members we have, the less chance of having future dues increase. If you check the due fees for other parks in the state, you will find that you get more bang for the buck here than at any other place.

Park Loan Status:

Many people have inquired about the park loan status. The park association borrowed approximately \$53,000.00 from Klamath County to complete the purchase of the park from PP&L.

Charter and Life Members donated enough money to make the first payment of \$6,200.00. Our gratitude was and still is unbounded for their generosity. Anyone that still wants to donate to this special fund may still do so. We will

gladly accept the money. The good news is 25% of the money owed to Klamath County has been paid off!

Donations and raffle sales are paying off this loan. The annual raffles bring in almost enough per year to make the payment. Raffle money plus some well timed donations make up the difference. We accept checks or cash.

Raffle tickets are available. The cost is \$5.00 per ticket or six for \$20.00. Contact our park host or an officer to get yours. The prize is \$1000.00 cash.