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Greetings Idaho Trapshooters,

The 2017 target year is almost over. Idaho has one more scheduled ATA shoot at the **Grangeville Gun Club** on August 26th & 27th. Hopefully many of you can attend. It is always a great shoot, nice club, incomparable hospitality. The Saturday night feast is always delicious with great conversation and a lot of laughter.

A few news items:

The Board of Directors met on 8/10/2017, with all but one members present. It was a work meeting with an emphasis on planning the 2018 shoot. It was open to guests and several persons joined us and provided input to ISTA activities. We are actively seeking sponsors for events, looking for great trophies, planning on added shoot features such as draw scores, added money Lewis Purses, planning a silent auction etc. We hope to have some evening social each day so people have a chance to renew old relationships and form new friendships. The shoot will be in Boise and we are looking forward to seeing everyone there.

I have received notice from the ATA that the All American Point system is being overhauled. Final rules are pending but the main feature is that points will be award on SCORE and not connected to the trophy package. More to come on this, but the change will allow more flexibility in the trophy planning.

The ISTA Board of Directors approved a request by the ID-PITA to utilize this website as a shared communication service, so you will be seeing shoot schedules, contacts and general information about both ATA and PITA shoots in the state. We’d like have clubs begin to send us an e-file of shoot programs and we will create a way to view programs from the website.

I have placed an update on the ISTA state pins on the home page. This has been a confusing situation; however it is close to resolved. As I said in the update, feel free to contact me about questions on the 2014, 2015 & 2016 Idaho State Team awards. To prevent calculation errors in the future the ISTA has created a formal policy & procedure on determining State Teams. We will get in on the webpage, as well as a draft of the minutes as soon as Joe returns from fishing in Montana.

I hope everyone is enjoying this great summer, staying safe and shooting well. Hopefully many of you can make it to Grangeville!

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