

Nelson District Rod & Gun Club Conservation Society

PO Box 16, Nelson BC V1L 5P7

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The Nelson District Rod & Gun Club Annual General Meeting

will be on **Tuesday, Jan. 14** at 7:15pm in the downstairs meeting room.

This is an important meeting - directors will be chosen to replace those whose terms are expiring. Come if you feel that you have something to offer!

NOT A POLAR BEAR SWIM !

What did YOU do on the first day of January 2014 ? Being in Salmo, we had a choice of polar bears swims in Trail, or Nelson, or steward the bighorn sheep in Kootenay Pass! Not much contest: going up a snowy mountain was a better choice than going down into icy water! So, Jack Floyd, Bob Vliet, and myself headed up to see how the sheep were handling the change of the year. Not too surprisingly, none appeared hung over, and none were wearing party hats, unless you count the “snow caps” on some! But, in fact one may have had a serious headache – there had been a little blood observed around the feeder. It turned out one of the seven new lambs had got a serious gash on the right forehead that had also knocked off the right horn button. Cause unknown, but the lamb has been recovering very quickly and appears otherwise healthy. Please see pix. The new hay shed is working out fine, saving much labor on the thrice-weekly treks, and making it possible for a wider group of people to do the feeding. Guests are welcome at every feeding **Mon-Wed-Sat, ten-ish**, just park in the big pull-out 1-2 km uphill from the “Caution Sheep Sign” in Kootenay Pass. We’ll find you, if you don’t know the trail! Bring your camera, but please leave dogs at home! Our friends & neighbors, Trail Wildlife, in the persons of Laurie Bursaw and Ken Moon are still providing weekly re-supply of the feed pellets, trekking the heavy sacks up for distribution over the following week. There are 28 sheep this year, so far, with the biggest crop of lambs for some years: 2012 – 0 survived, 2013 – 4 survived , 2014 – 7 so far so good! The herd has not been growing significantly, but at least holding its own very well. All appear healthy, with few injuries, no sign of cataracts, and normal vigorous activity. Note: This is probably Jack Floyd’s 30th year stewarding these bighorn sheep, longer than many people’s whole careers! His own journals don’t go back to the start! I think that’s called commitment!

[Dan Danforth, Active member](#)



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End of year report from the Outdoor range coordinator.

We had a very productive and busy year at the outdoor range. Lots of shooters. Even though some forgot to put their names down, the sign-in book has been filled. Until recently it took several years of signatures before we'd replace it.

Thank you to all the trap shooters for their dedication and support. It was great fun !!

Gong shooting will start as soon as there is enough snow for a "white" backdrop -- Sunday mornings at 9 am. Twenty shots plus some extras for king match rounds at 200 yards, free standing; cost is \$5.50 with most of the money returned to those who ring the 'GONG'. Jacketed or cast bullets allowed. Bring a snack and have a great morning warming by the fire.

There's been lots of work done on both the rifle and trap ranges. Some volunteers and Donors this year;

- Wade Critchlow - with his excavator
- Rob Arnott - YRB - sand & bull rails supplied and hauled
- Tommy Jolicoeur - with his excavator
- Bev Pinney - Cast Bullet Assn. - supplied material & labour for 100 & 200 yd. target frames
- Ken Ellis - brush cutter
- Marven Paisner - weed wacker
- Dan Danforth, Dennis Hanson, Clare Palmer, Dragos Cristei, Drew Dejardins, Ron Lee and Bill Winegarden were hands on and much appreciated, as volunteers do so much to maintain and improve the club.

Yours truly,
Bob Vliet
Outdoor range director

Match results from the .303 British Rifle Heritage Match held August 17, 2013.

Rangemaster - Ron Lee
Tramway Trophy - Brian Gagnon
Captain Carrie Cup - Jonathan Demers
C.P.R. Cup - Brian Gagnon
Home Loan & Contract Trophy - Jonathan Demers
Annable Cup - Ron Lee
Agricultural & Industrial Trophy - Colin Kenning
Partington Challenge Cup - Bob Vliet
Fred Watson Memorial - Jonathan Demers
City of Nelson Challenge Shield - Jay Colley, Dennis Hansen & Ron Lee (Team Event)

These awards will be presented at the Annual Awards Banquet and Fundraiser Night on March 15, 2014

The indoor range is reserved Tuesday, January 21, 2014. For a private group.

Please note that as of December 31st 2013 your membership has expired.

If you have not already please sign up for another year.

Thank you for your continuing support!

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Meals on Wheels volunteers needed

Your club has been asked by Rose at Nelson Jubilee Manor to provide twelve volunteers to deliver Meals on Wheels during the month of February 2014. For three months volunteers have been solicited and we have, so far, seven - from a membership of over 500!

The task is not onerous. Each Wednesday during February a team of two people and one vehicle are needed to deliver two meals in Nelson - perhaps an hour of 'work', four times during the month? Six such teams are required. We have, so far, three and a half teams!

If you are willing to help please phone Richard at [250-352-5609](tel:250-352-5609).

Junior Delegate to BCWF AGM April 2014

The BC Wildlife Federation Annual General Meeting will be held in Kelowna April 10-12, 2014. Any junior member aged 15-18 who would like to be considered for regional youth delegate should contact Richard at [250-352-5609](tel:250-352-5609).

A reminder that the **BCWF Conservation Lottery tickets** are available now, \$10 each. First prize: a quad. Booklets of 10 tickets to sell available from Richard Green 250-352-5609.

The Club has a new Archery Coordinator, Owen Ulrich has taken over for Cherry Johnson. If you have any questions regarding the archery range or scheduling please contact him at [250-608-0700](tel:250-608-0700).

Upcoming Dates for your calendar!

Annual Gun and Antique Show - April 5 & 6 , 2014. To book tables or to volunteer for this event -- contact Gerry @ rgvliet@telus.net or [250 357 9309](tel:250-357-9309)

.303 British Heritage Match --Saturday August 16, 2014 For information contact Bob @ rgvliet@telus.net or [250 357 9309](tel:250-357-9309)

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Indoor Pistol Shooting: Wednesday nights @ 6:30 pm -- contact Bob Vliet @ 250 357 9309

For outdoor range keys: Please call - Lorne Trickett [250-825-4219](tel:250-825-4219) or Bob Vliet [250-357-9309](tel:250-357-9309)

NOTICE TO HANDGUN SHOOTERS.

I know it's hard for you to find a gun that is what you want, in good condition, at a price you can afford to pay. If you will let me know what your needs are, I'll do my best to help you. Unless you are satisfied, I won't be either, and if & when I find a gun to your specifications, you'll be free to pass it up without explanation. Email me with your wants, and lets see what happens.

jennings@netidea.com (Jim Jennings-[250-353-2402](tel:250-353-2402))

There is a new place to trade, sell and swap gear in the West Kootenays, on Facebook look for the the West Kootenay Gear and Tackle Swap group. Join up and start buying, selling, and trading.

Junior Hunting Trophy

Any junior hunter who bagged an animal this fall and wishes to be considered for a junior hunting trophy should immediately contact Richard at [250-352-5609](tel:250-352-5609) or Bob at [250-357-9309](tel:250-357-9309) with the information. A photo would be appreciated as well.



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Membership Registration/Application

Date: _____

Please print clearly

Name: _____ Occupation _____

Mailing Address: (Street, PO Box, Apartment) _____

City or Town: _____ Postal Code: _____

Telephone: Home _____ Work: _____

E-Mail _____

Membership: New: _____ Renewal _____

Type of Membership: (check one)

Individual \$60 _____ Family \$85 _____ Senior: \$60 _____

Donation \$ _____

Juniors(18 and under) \$25 _____

**A Parent/Guardian Signature
is required for Juniors:** _____

Names of family members:

Spouse: (must occupy same residence): _____

Children: list children between ages of 5 and 18 -- including age (for additional space – use reverse)

1. _____ age _____ 3. _____ age _____

2. _____ age _____ 4. _____ age _____

For new members:

Are/were you a member of the BCWF , if so # _____ **or** date of birth _____

Method of Payment: (check one) Cash _____ Cheque _____ Credit Cd: Visa _____ MC _____

Account # _____ Exp Date: Mo _____ Yr _____

If you want to have an automatic dues deduction made
from your credit card **EACH YEAR** please sign here _____

Areas of Interest (please check off as many as are applicable)

Archery Camping Conservation ATV Hunting Fishing
 Social Rifle Hand Gun Trap Shooting Hiking Access/Land Use
 Volunteer Other: _____

Do you require a key to the outdoor range? _____

How do you wish to receive the Club Newsletter? e-mail _____ or post _____