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CHICKEN SHOOT!

.22 Rimfire Fun – Public Welcome

Mark your Calendar: Sunday, 18 May 2014

9 AM to 4 PM-ish

Only \$10 each person, \$5 for age 12 & under

\$5 for lunch only (non shooting visitors)

Bring .22 rim fire & ammo – limited ammo available for sale.

The Chicken Shoot does not involve live chickens, or even grouse "chickens". It is all about having family fun shooting .22 rimfire at paper and re -active targets. All ages, all skill levels, all types of .22 rimfire firearms (legal, of course) are welcome to come and have fun. Sorry: .17 HMR and .22 magnum are too powerful for our targets - use .22 rimfire only at this event. Targets are very variable, from actual .22 scale metallic silhouettes, to balloons, to bi-athlon metallic, to spinning gizmos and gongs. Clay birds (not thrown) are also used for instant-gratification accuracy, particularly to more youthful or inexperienced shooters. Paper targets precisely record your groups. Ranges may vary from about 20 yds to 200 yds! "Equipment" shooters also welcome – this is not a competition except with yourself. Our outdoor range is covered from the weather, with solid benches to shoot from. Range Safety persons are always present during "Chicken Shooting", for guidance and instruction. Volunteers for everything are welcome!!!!!

We have a range hut for food & shelter, outhouses as required, and lots of parking. Easy to find, we are off Hwy 6 between Salmo and Nelson, just turn onto Porto Rico Rd and in about 200 yd you are at the range entrance. See you there!

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Next General Meeting

May 6, 2014

Meeting begins at 7:15 PM

Directors Meetings as called for

Upcoming Events

Spring Chicken Shoot May 18, 2014

.303 British Heritage match August 16, 2014

Ongoing Events

Handgun Night every Wednesday at 6:30PM. Line Shooting and PPC.

Contact Calvin @ 250-825-9385

Ladie's Night at the Indoor Range Thursdays, Angela @ onthetarget@hotmail.com

Have something for the Newsletter? Please call or email: Derek Ludwar @ 250.352.6006 derekludwar@gmail.com

BC Wildlife Federation

Phone <u>1-604-882-9988</u> Toll free <u>1-888-881-2293</u>

Fax <u>1-604-882-9933</u>

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www.nrgcbc.ca/

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A HAPPY 90th BIRTHDAY TO JACK FLOYD

A special note to Jack:

Happy birthday pa, Thank you for always being there for me. Lotsa love Roseanne and kids and grandkids.

Outdoor Range News

ALL GOOD!

By the time most members read this access to the outdoor range will be drive-able again! Snow is receding fast and the winter Sunday morning gong shooters have called it a season. The gong season ended well, and with a surprise. The gong that had been removed from its 200 yd bracket has been returned! When the replacement was being removed for the summer, the old gong was discovered lying underneath. Anyone's speculation is as good as another's as to why someone would take a 30lb gong with customized support bracket and walk away with it in deep snow. But we are happy someone walked back with it! Our club now has a very good spare, should accurate rifle fire ever damage the original! Thanks to member and gong-shooter Ron Lee for fabricating a replacement gong on very short notice! Accurate is an important word here. It was noted as the snow receded at the 200 yd berm, a considerably large number of bullets melted out of the snow! Most were pretty intact, but some were "shaved" where they were sliced by impact with the very edge of the gong. Deep snow has a marvelous ability to catch bullets and hold them in cold storage until the sun retrieves them! Many gong shooters would readily recognize their snow-preserved cast and jacketed bullets! Any bullets that fully impact our gong shatter on impact. See you at the range! Dan Danforth, Active Member

Improvements to the Trap Range --

The Club has applied to Columbia Basin Trust for funds to purchase a new trap machine and to build a shelter for shooters and equipment. We will work on this project in May; call Bob to assist.

Come and join the 2014 R & G Club / Cottonwood Creek Conservation Society shrub planting event and BBQ. Help to plant native shrub vegetation near the mouth of Cottonwood creek to improve fish and wildlife habitat there.

When: Saturday July 26, 2014 starting at 9 am.

Where: At west end of the Nelson dog-walk trail, where the foot bridge crosses Cottonwood creek.

What to bring: good work boots, safety glasses, gloves, perhaps also a shovel (a proper planting shovel if you have one) – but planting tools will also be provided.

For more info contact Thor at: treebear29@hotmail.com In partnership with the Kootenay Native Plant Society

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West Kootenay Guns & Antique Show 2014

Aftermath

The West Kootenay Gun and Antique Show ran the weekend of 5-6 April 2014. It was our fourth consecutive successful show! About 600 interested people came through the doors and departed later with all sorts of not-to-be-found-anywhere-else items. There were current firearms, antique firearms, and whatzat!? firearms too. Archery competed with rifles for attention, with state-of-the art crossbows & gear. You could find a generous number of antiques of all sorts, special crafted glassware from a local artisan, rare books, and memorabilia of any kind. Leather goods, knives, and rare hand tools shared people's attention. For myself, a pair of hand-knitted pure wool socks, knitted on site, made the show much more comfortable to walk around. Of course I put them on!

Food was varied, plentiful, and very tastily prepared by volunteer members who put in long hours to make sure it was all good! Even the big-urn coffee tasted just fine!

A team from Canadian Firearms Program was on hand throughout the show, and provided better than excellent service for transfers and permits, and lots of accurate information. They also provided a free trigger lock to each purchased firearm that went out the door. You've got to like that!

Close to the end of the show, a rifle was sold by lottery, and won by a grateful (lucky!) shooter.

Nelson Police again provided superb service, keeping a frequent, but low-profile presence throughout the show. Our show was again without any significant incidents of any kind.

A general consensus of those who volunteered, sold stuff, attended, and participated, was that this was another fine West Kootenay Guns and Antiques show. The show provided a nice revenue boost to club finances.

See you next year!

Dan Danforth, Active Member

The "West Kootenay Gun & Antique Show" was a great success!

A BIG "THANK YOU" to the many volunteers who make this event a success story. A busy weekend for vendors, support staff and customers. Thank you ALL for your participation!

Can we improve it ?? Comments please! Sign up for next years event , now ...

Gun Show Coordinator, Gerry Vliet



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Hall and Range Scheduling

The Indoor range is closed on May 2, 2014 - 9 am to 3 pm for the youth Police Camp.

Outdoor Range CLOSURE--- Tuesday, May 27 to Friday, May 30, 2014 -- 8:30 am til 4:00 pm

From May 5th to May 21st, the hall (upstairs) will off limits while we give the floor an extensive cleaning, caulking and re-finishing. Thanks for your cooperation. Garth, (Custodian) and Raya, (Hall Manager).

A notice to <u>ALL</u> **Range users:** You must sign the log book every time you use the ranges. Both the indoor and outdoor. If you do not sign, you are not covered by the insurance.

For outdoor range keys: Please call - Lorne Trickett 250-825-4219 or Bob Vliet 250-357-9309

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

Wednesday night pistol shooters: If you wish to shoot before 6:30 pm, please call Bob to arrange early access to the indoor range.

For Sale: 7 X 57 Hornady regular die set. Alan at 250-352-2289



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Hours 9:00 am to 5:00 pm, Tuesday to Saturday Best to call ahead







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City or Town:		Postal Code:
Telephone: Home		Work:
E-Mail		
Membership: New: Type of Members		
	Family \$85	_ Senior: \$60
Donation \$	A Pa is rec	ors(18 and under) \$25 rent/Guardian Signature quired for Juniors:
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