



NELSON DISTRICT ROD & GUN CLUB

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Outdoor Range: 124 Porto Rico Rd (off of Hwy 6), Nelson BC
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CITY SPORTSMEN ORGANIZE CLUB

Elect Officers for New Rod and Gun Club—Will Hold Shoot During Fair.

Seventeen sport lovers of the city met in the city hall last evening and organized what is to be called the Nelson and District Rod and Gun club with Mayor McQuarrie, president and A. M. Black, secretary-treasurer. R. F. Green, M.P. was elected honorary president and Dr. W. O. Rose, M.P.P., honorary vice-president. An executive committee consisting of George Steele, Howard Bush, J. Long, C. D. Blackwood and G. A. Potter was appointed by the president.

After some discussion the secretary was instructed to write R. F. Green, M.P., requesting that a fish inspector be appointed for this district.

It was decided to hold a club game dinner in December next.

L. Drake, George Steel and James Brassfield were appointed a committee to arrange for a practise shoot to be held during the fair.

Those present were: Mayor McQuarrie, George Steele, Chief Long, G. A. Potter, Howard Bush, A. M. Black, H. E. Dill, J. H. Dunham, R. R. Reisterer, S. Hayden, H. Crosby, L. Drake, Roy Sharp, C. I. Archibald, W. E. Wasson, C. D. Blackwood and George Benwell.

Happy 100th Birthday to the Nelson and District Rod and Gun Club!

August 22, 1918.

Thank you, **Marvin Paisner**, for the newspaper clipping.



Club profile: *Wally Kampen*

Nelson Rod & Gun Club was organized on the 22nd day of August 1918. The first meeting was advertised in the Nelson Daily News to start at 8:00 PM and was in an office in the Nelson City Hall. Twelve men attended the first meeting. Annual membership subscriptions were \$1.00. The club was organized for "the conservation and propagation of fish and game". The original clubhouse was opened on the 25th day in February 1974 and was named the Mickey McEwan Memorial Building honoring a local conservationist. It burned down, and a new Mickey McEwan club house was built in its place.



Welcome to **returning** and **new members**! Whether you are returning after an absence or have just joined, we look forward to your participation in our club! Mike Graham, Roger Barrie, Brad Bennett, Nicole Bond, Bob Bourke, Don Caissie, Dragos Cristei and Deborah Seville, Tom Deighton, Gerald and Vicki Erickson, Jonathan and Amy Foley, Kumar Hitesh, John Hudec, Craig Kinsella, Mark Lankin, Chase Leushner, Geoff Lucas, Blaine McAllister, Stu Pedersen, Scott and Karen Pentecost, Brent Petrick, Brien Thomas.



1 - The Firing Line

Nelson Mapleseed 2018: After-Action Report

By Andrew Woodward

This year is Project Mapleseed's second year of bringing solid rifle marksmanship to thousands of Canadians all across the country, and the first Mapleseed shoots were held in BC. Though there were a few out in the coastal towns of Campbell River and Mission, among others, Nelson was host to the **only Mapleseed in the BC interior!**

Ten shooters were in attendance, and the steady drizzle stopped just as we were stepping out toward our firing line at the 75-metre mark. Though Mapleseeds are run at 25 metres to make changing targets easier and to better allow for .22LR rifles, the shooting is still a challenge!

Our scaled targets simulate shooting out to 400m, and though many of us shot well – and shoot better now than we did before – the



2- The author firing the only centrefire rifle on the line, a Ruger Scout Rifle in .308 Winchester

only Rifleman

that earned his patch was a visitor all the way from Osoyoos! I'm very much looking forward to welcoming Rick back next year, when hopefully some proper Nelsonites will become Riflemen. Thanks to Rick Katibak (who was the only instructor at our shoot) and the rest of the organizers of Project Mapleseed for making this possible!



3 - Rick (L) presenting the day's only Rifleman, Jim Arnold of Osoyoos, with his hard-earned patch



4. Only seven stayed to bear the banners at the end of the day

Bull Trout

Submitted by Wally Kampen

At the last expert meeting it was realized by all, that kokanee egg plants alone, weren't going to turn the lake around and for kokanee to start increasing in numbers, we need to plant eggs and cull bull trout that continue to do okay and continue to prey on kokanee. Here are the salient points on this issue:

1. Kokanee---they are the primary food source for Gerrard rainbow trout, bull trout (BT) and most other predators in the lake. They have numbered over 1.5 million in good times and nowadays number less than 20,000. Meadow Creek is the primary spawning stream as well as the Lardeau River.
2. Gerrard rainbow trout eat kokanee and used to grow to a size of 30 lbs. They have always been low in numbers ranging from 1500 spawners to less than 100 over the last 60 years. Their numbers today are less than 200 spawners but their size is now less than 5 lbs. The same story for BT although unlike the Gerrards they do eat other fish species. Today their numbers are on the low side and size is less than 10 lbs, average around 3-4 lbs. Overall, the BT are doing okay compared to Gerrards.
3. Issue---The numbers of predators (Gerrards and bull trout) increased in the early 2000s because the lake was fertilized starting in 1992 the result of which was significantly increased kokanee numbers from lows

of around 200,000 in the early 1990s to well over 1 million by the late 1990s. The decline of kokanee in the early 1990s was due to nutrient uptake in upstream reservoirs (Duncan & Libby) that used to flow into KL. Fisheries management failed to recognize that increasing the kokanee numbers would predictably result in increased numbers of predators (Gerrards and BT). The end result was that by 2009 it was evident that the large predator numbers were eating down the kokanee numbers and certainly by 2012 kokanee numbers declined precipitously low. Management did not adjust the fishery to remove (harvest) the predators. The end result has been that the predators have eaten themselves out of “house and home”.

4. Despite my advice management has been loath to reduce predator numbers and now kokanee are < 20,000 spawners for the entire lake. Reduction of BT is necessary to permit kokanee numbers to increase. If predator reduction on a large scale isn't conducted the kokanee will remain low in numbers and all wildlife that depend on them will be continue to be negatively impacted. The same situation happened on Pend O'Reille Lake just south of you in Idaho. Management there implemented a predator suppression program and kokanee egg plants and within 10 years kokanee numbers went from < 100,000 back to 1 million or more.

5. The world-famous Gerrard rainbow fishery is now a mere shadow of itself and there are none that exceed more than about 5 lbs. It is very simple---to increase kokanee numbers we have to suppress BT and suppression must be intensive for 3-5 years. I doubt our fisheries managers are committed to this course of action.

6. Only two weeks ago we advised John Krebs that the Ministry needs to inform the public about the need to cull bull trout. Nothing was done and now they have a protest on their hands due to lack of public information.

7. The BCWF supports the Ministry's efforts to reduce bull trout.

Hall Rental Manager: Alan Bond has a big enough team (his wife and daughter) to make the Hall Rental Manager work. Thank you, **Team Bond**, for accepting this very important function of our club. It is appreciated by all.

Annual Banquet, Awards, and Fundraiser Night: The club is still looking for someone to fill the position of organizing this fundraiser. Richard Green will assist anyone willing to take on the job. Please call Richard to discuss. 250-352-5609

FOOD SAFE COURSE- If anyone is interested in occasionally helping in the kitchen and wishes to take the Food Safe course, the club will reimburse the cost of the course. Contact: Glen McKen 250-505-5006



2018 Kootenay Heritage Match

Sunday, August 26th, 2018

The centrepiece of the Nelson Rod and Gun Club's rifle shooting events is back! Bring your .303 British-chambered rifle out for some fresh air and good competition. Add your name to the legacies of our trophies or win other glory!

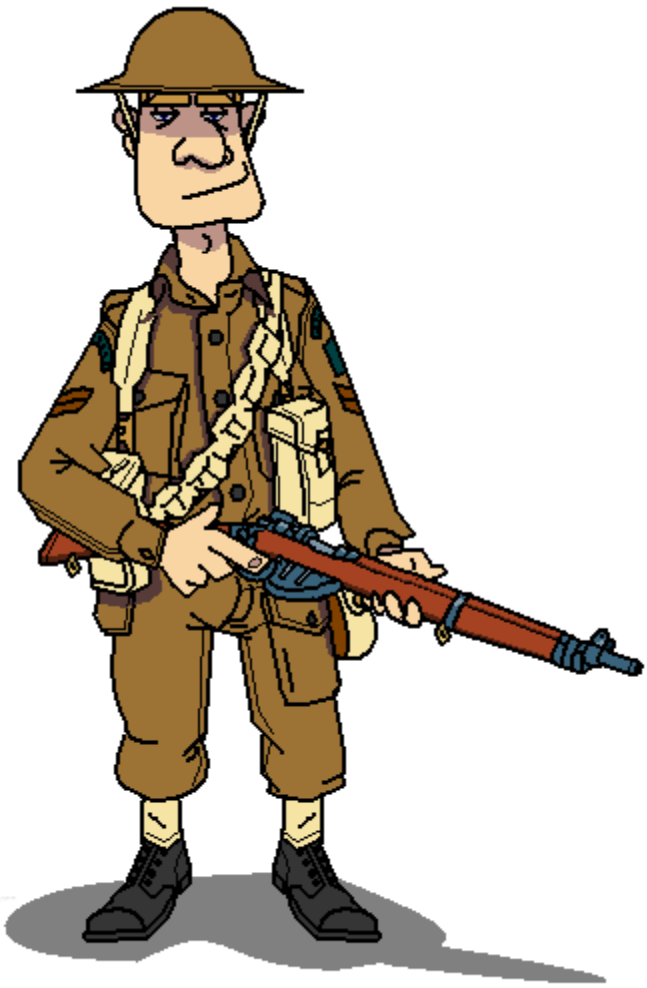
Registration at 0900hrs – shooting starts at 10 O'clock sharp!

Entry Fee: \$25 (includes lunch; non-shooters' lunch \$10)

Any rifle chambered in .303 British is welcome, military or sporting. No scopes or target sights. Any safe ammo is acceptable (approx. 55 rounds needed).

Bragging rights are available for any shooter who participates in period uniform!

Please direct questions to Andrew Woodward at Andrew.g.woodward@protonmail.com



My apologies. I didn't reflect the change made to the date of the Heritage Match under "Upcoming Events". The correct date is Sunday, August 26, as indicated in the above poster. I'm so sorry for any confusion this may have caused.

Nelson District Rod & Gun Club

Ongoing Events:

August 2018

Members Meeting

All members are encouraged to attend.

First Tuesday of the month at 7:15pm (Does not take place in January due to AGM)

Indoor Archery

Tuesdays at 6:00pm-7:30

Contact: Wes Smith

250-304-7521

Trap

Every 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month 9:00am-12:00pm

Weather permitting

Contact: Jim Brown

250-352-3933

Ladies Shooting

Thursday at 6:00-

7:00pm* New shooters

are invited on the first

Thursday of the month.

Contact: Anita Bowers

See email contact below.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2 	3	4
5	6	7  	8	9 	10	11 Outdoor Archery Range Clean up
12 	13	14 	15	16 	17	18
19	20	21 	22 	23 	24	25
26  And Heritage Shoot.	27 Indoor Range Closed	28 	29	30 	31	

*Check the website, <http://www.nrgcbc.ca/indoorange/>, regularly for schedule changes and last-minute range closures. *



Please note: Ladies will shoot all summer on Thursday from 6-7pm. Sometimes indoors and sometimes at the outdoor range. Contact Anita Bowers for information. The group will continue to encourage new members to try out shooting on the first Thursday of the month year-round. Ladiestargetshooting.nrgc@gmail.com

2018 Calendar of Events:

Heritage Shoot Sunday, August 26, 2018***

Outdoor Range:

Trap Shooting and the Heritage Shoot are both scheduled for Sunday, August 26, 2018. The two events will run simultaneously.

A reminder, that **exploding binary targets** are **prohibited** from use at the outdoor range.

Guest Fee Deposit Box: **New!**

A new lock box has been installed at the outdoor range for guest fees. Envelopes are provided. There are posters explaining the guest policies and safety rules. A reminder that all members and guests must register in the sign in book to be covered by insurance.



Found:

Found at Cottonwood Lake, on Fathers' Day weekend, a fishing tackle soft-sided 'box'. To claim, phone Richard at 250-352-5609 and describe it and its contents.



Loon on Kootenay Lake



Calliope Hummingbird

Archery:

The indoor archery lane was closed July 24 and July 31 for some work. Everyone is welcome back on Tuesday, August 7 at 6:00pm – 7:30pm.

A work party is organized for Saturday, August 11 at 9:00am to 3:00pm to clean up the new outdoor archery range. We will be picking rocks, clearing wood debris, raking, and fixing the barb wire fence. Come out and join the group.

Buy and Sell:

Gerald Vaughan-Irving is selling the following:

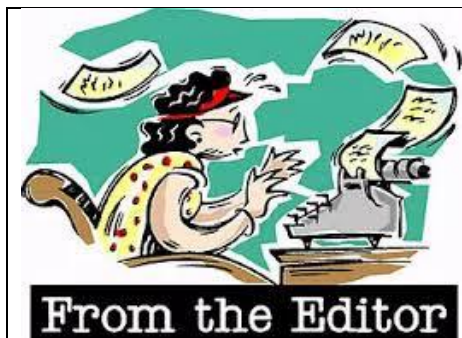
Contact: 250-352-6358

6x5 Mule Deer Head Mount	\$100.00
Jackalope Head Mount	\$50.00
2 Turkey Fans	\$10.00
Large Kodiak Cast Foot Print	\$100.00
3 Point Black Tail Rack Lillooet 1982	\$5.00

Swords, Knives, Bayonets

Year	Description	Price
1859	Sword Bayonet Royal Eng. Richfield B.C.	500
1907	Wilkenson #1 MK111	100
1939-45	Enfield	
	#4 Mk 11 Spike & Case	50
1942	#5 With Case Jungle Carbine	200
	Carl Elkhorn Soligen Mauser 98	100
	AR15 M-7 US M8A1	50
	Enfield Misc.	
	No. 9 Mk 1 D54	70
	No. 9 Mk 1 POF 63	100
1938	Carcano 9414 B10544	150
	Broad Sword & Holster (case)	100
	Dragon Sabre & Holster (case)	150

MAKE	MODEL	Price	SERIAL #	TYPE	ACTION	CALIBRE	SHOTS	BARREL	CERT. #
COLT	AR-15	1000	SP44575	RI	SA	0.223	5	508	L-020716
NORINCO	SKS	50	9422392	CARBINE	SA	762X39	5	521	
NORINCO	M-14-30D	100	1159	RIFLE	SA	762	5	635	
BERETTA	FKF	150	PB2439	RI	SA	30X06	5	610	
RUGER	10\22	100	43435	CARBINE RIMFIRE	SA	.22LR	10	470	
MAUSER	Dewat BOLO, Not Fireable, Relic (apart)	25	40923	HG	SA	7.63	6	99	D-536903
BROWNING	P-35	100	11541	HG	SA	9MM	10	117	DL286294
RUGER	Target	200	21748453	HG	SA	22LR	10	140	84951
LONGBRANCH	NO.4	200	PF337108	RI	BOLT	0.303	10	640	
BNP	NO.5	400	Z-6582	Carbine	BOLT	0.303	5	520	
REMINGTON	721	50	219572	RI	BOLT	300 H&H	3	559	
WINCHESTER	37A	50	C944374	Shotgun	BREAK	20Gauge	1	660	
WINCHESTER	Model 1300	100	L3603522	Shotgun	PUMP	12Ga Slug	5	550	8341203
WINCHESTER	Model 70SP	300	G1770702	RI	BOLT	338Mag	3	610	3144453
REMINGTON	M870 SPS Turkey Mag	500	AB421408A	Shotgun	PUMP	12Ga	3	600	9209631
Sten	Dewat	100		Deactivated Relic					



My name is Annette Smith. I am the Newsletter Coordinator! I am looking for your pictures of animals, scenery, and activities for the newsletter. Submissions accepted by the 20th of each month to be published by the 1st of the following month.

newsletter@nrgcbc.ca

Phone: 250-505-2912

Nelson District Rod & Gun Club - 2018

P.O. Box 16, Nelson, BC V1L 5P7

Membership Renewal or Application – after Nov. 30, 2017

Date: _____

Please print clearly

Name: _____

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

City or Town: _____ Postal Code: _____

Telephone: Home _____ E-Mail _____

Membership: New: _____ Renewal _____

Type of Membership: (check one)

Regular \$85 _____ Family \$110 _____ Senior: \$85 _____ Juniors(17 and under) \$30 _____

Family – covers Children – age 5 to 17 and spouse or partner only

Donation _____ Please indicate If this donation is a one time only _____
or If this donation is a yearly donation _____

Each application must be accompanied by payment

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 _____

Outdoor range keys were changed in 2016

If you did not renew or are a new member – and want a key -- you must provide your

Firearms Lic # _____ **Date of Expiry** _____
- (Year and month)
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For renewing members who have already completed the registration and signed the waiver – upon receipt of this form, you will be sent your 2018 membership card(s)

For new members and those **who did NOT** renew in 2016 or 2017

Once this application has been received, you will be sent the new membership form, together with a Club waiver. Upon return of completed documents, your membership will be activated and card(s) and other information will be mailed to you.

Failure to complete registration or sign the waiver will result in a delay in the activation of your membership.

Membership runs January to December of each year and is not activated UNTIL you receive your membership card – simply paying the fee does not activate membership

2018 Executives and Board of Directors

Executives

President	Wally Kampen	250-354-4349	wally.k@shaw.ca
Vice President	Howie Grant	250-551-1077	hhgrant@telus.net
Past President	Richard Green	250-352-5609	scaler1@shaw.ca
Treasurer	Frances Brown	250-352-7406	treasurer@nrgcbc.ca
Recording Secretary	Wes Smith	250-304-7521	wes.smith@shaw.ca

Directors

Marvin Paisner	Cottonwood Creek/ Indoor Firearm Range	250-229-5710	paisners@shaw.ca
Glen McKen	Event Assistant/Fishing Forever	250-505-5006	
Howie Grant	Police Liaison/ Outdoor Firearms Range	250-551-1077	hhgrant@telus.net
Frances Brown	Membership/ Treasurer/ New Society Act/Policies/Bylaws	250-352-7406	membership@nrgcbc.ca
Wes Smith	Archery Indoor	250-304-7521	wes.smith@shaw.ca
Andrew Woodward	Project Maple Seed/Spring Chicken Shoot/Heritage Match	250-551-5050	andrew.g.woodward@protonmail.com
Richard Green	Fishing Forever/ Key Master/ Gun Show/Banquet	250-352-5609	scaler1@shaw.ca
Warren Russell	Archery Outdoor/Trap Range	250-352-0787	warren@WSRussell.ca
Brian Beaudoin	Trap Range/Ladies Shoot	250-551-4549	brian.kootrac@gmail.com

Coordinators:

Alan Bond	Nelson Italian Cdn Society and Hall Rental	250-352-2289	barbalanbond@gmail.com
Anita Bowers	Ladies' Shoot	250-354-2998	ladiestargetshooting.nrgc@gmail.com
Darcey Lutz	3D Archery Shoot	250-354-7247	darcey64@gmail.com
Annette Smith	Newsletter	250-505-2912	newsletter@nrgcbc.ca
Alan Thomson	Cottonwood Creek	250-505-5376	alant2@telus.net
Dan Danforth	Bighorn Feeding Volunteer Coordinator	250-357-9303	dan357@telus.net
Al Walker	Security	250-352-9752	arwalker@telus.net
Jim Brown	Trap	250-352-3933	jandjbrown604@gmail.com

