

NELSON DISTRICT ROD & GUN CLUB

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Newsletter January 2019

Happy New Year! Welcome back **returning members**! And welcome to the following members who have joined since Sept/18: Chris Baumann, Sebastian Chart, William Connoly, Drew Desjardins, Shane Graham, Rosslyn Milne, Rocky Jamson, Dan & Stephanie Mullaly, Koale Newbery, Alexandra Black, Jesse Pratt, Laurence Faraggi, Jim Reynolds, Justin Ryan, Keri Whitfield, Chris Channing, and Todd Williamson! The club is thrilled to have newcomers and we are sure you will enjoy the upcoming events and benefits of the Nelson and District Rod and Gun Club.

News:

All members are invited to the Annual General Meeting



January 8/19 at 7:15 The meeting is open to all members and is the meeting at which we select (nominate and vote) the slate of directors for 2019. Volunteers are welcome.

Outdoor enthusiasts win one!!!

The long and expensive struggle that the Nicola Valley club has waged against the Douglas Lake Cattle Company may be coming to an end. The club fought to regain public access to two lakes inside Douglas Lake ranch - two lakes that had fish and had been enjoyed by the public for decades.

This court ruling sets a precedent. Justice Joel Groves criticized the provincial government for its inaction over nearly three decades. He ruled that the fish in the lakes were public property and so the public had to be allowed to access the lakes.

This ruling - as long as it does not get overturned - will help other clubs in BC who have, or will have, issues with access because of illegally locked gates. The Nicola Valley club deserves a huge thanks from us!

-by Richard Green, with help from Neil Sorsdahl

The following is a link to the full court discussion.

BC Fish and Wildlife ID numbers

Submitted by Paul Jacobsen

I was reading on the Hunt BC forum that the BC Fish and Wildlife ID numbers have an expiry date to them now. It is the Gov't way of ensuring BC residency. Likely very few of our members are aware of this. Simply log into your BC FWID account and on the far right there will be an expiry date. Most will be in the year 2019. Hunters must upload a current BC driver license as proof of residency. The new expiry will be three years from date of proof. The following is the link.

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Bighorn Sheep Feeding Program:

Fhoto submitted by Heather Beaudoin. Dec 16/2018.	A small work party attended the feeding site Dec 7, got the job done. Beautiful weather. A bighorn sheep assessment was done, with full co-operation of the sheep! Counted: 19 Bighorn in the area, ten came in to feed on the one bale of hay immediately. Salt licks were well used, but in order. There was four lamb-of-the-year counted. A good start. Brown collar ewe, green collar and blue-collar rams were there. Only one collared ewe not accounted. The "unihorn" lamb of last year appears to have had re-growth of the broken stub, giving it a shorter, but functional right horn. No confirmation obtained as yet that a ram was actually killed in roadkill near the site. Pending. Anyone learning of a roadkill please try to determine: Date, Sex, and location, and please pass info on to me for forwarding. Photos if possible.	Feather and Brain Beaudoin fed 19 sheep on Dec 16, 2018.
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Indoor Firearms Range:

Submitted by Marvin Paisner

Over the last number years, with the help of a group of volunteer range officers, we have been able to expand the regularly scheduled indoor shooting opportunities to three sessions a week. Unfortunately, some of the range officers find they are no longer able to take part and this has resulted in cancelled shoots, a problem I expect will continue in the coming months.

Because of this I recommend that shooters check the Indoor Firearms Range page on the club's website for notification of any last-minute cancellations before coming to the range.

http://www.nrgcbc.ca/indoorrange

Winter travelling conditions can also be a problem leading to last minute range cancellations as at present all the active range officers live a good distance outside of Nelson, coming from as far as Kaslo and the East Shore. Some good news is that we have a few people interested in R/O training.

Ladies Shooting:



The ladies' target shooting group had 5 members participating in a shoot. Sarah Beaudoin was the winner!

The group had a fantastic potluck which included smoked salmon, chili, pulled moose sliders, mac and cheese and marble cake. The ladies report there wasn't a vegetable in sight! The evening included a gift exchange with the gifts being sotlen multiple times by the participants. Lot's of fun! Thank you Heather Beaudoin for the pictures.

Gun Show: Zach Burleson, the 2019 Gun Show Coordinator, is looking for folks interested in volunteering for the Gun Show planned for April 13 and 14, 2019. Contact Zach at 250-551-7899 or zachb123@gmail.com

ARCHERY: Indoor 3D Christmas Shoot



Wes helping Amelia, Dez, and Cooper with scoring.

Fourteen archers of all ages: compound and traditional, came together for a fun evening of 3D archery! Archers wore their festive "ugly Christmas sweaters" Followed by dinner at Itza Ristorante & Pizzeria. Dec.18/18



Ella and the Cheetah







Stuart



Our Compound Crew all shooting with a PSE Stinger. Gord, Eli, Alex and Mike.



Cooper and Kelly Gord and Ella Amelia and Matt

Darcey and Mike



55+ BC Games:

Warren Russell provided the following information for archers who are 55+ and would like to participate in the BC Games to be held in Kelowna, September 10-14, 2019. We are Zone 6 and are not required to have a qualifying competition. The fee is \$85.00 which includes a membership fee, participant fee, plus sports fee. You can check out the website, <u>www.55plusBCgames.org</u> or please contact: Warren Russell for information at: <u>warren@WSRussell.ca</u>

Archery

1. Age Categories:

Men and Women: 55 to 62 63 to 69 70+

2. Equipment Category:

- (a) Compound bow with sight (fixed or moveable) with release aid
- (b) Recurve bow with sight
- (c) Recurve bow without sight
- (d) Longbow

3. Participation:

- (a) One man and one woman in each age category per equipment category. If any of these events are not filled, then additional Archers, men or women, may be allocated to any of the **four** categories until a maximum of 24 Zone Men and Women Participants is reached.
- (b) In each age category, an Archer will only compete in one equipment category.

4. Competition:

- (a) The format for the three-day competition will be decided by the local Archery club, in consideration of their particular shooting facilities.
- (b) For example the suggested standard format:

Day 1: Two x 20 animal targets, marked distances, in a 3D flat field Round, on the same field used for

the Canada 900. If the local club does not have 3D animals, paper targets of animals may be used.

Day 2: A Canadian-900 Round.

Day 3: A half field round shot on 12 targets of varying distances with 3 arrows per target.

The number of X's obtained during competition will determine placings. If a tie occurs, then a predetermined shoot-off format will be followed.

(C) Participants may wear whites, clothing that represents their Zone colours, or clothing suitable for Archery competition.

5. Medals:

- (a) Gold, Silver, Bronze medals will be awarded to top finishers in the 3D competition in each equipment and age category.
- (b) Gold, Silver, Bronze medals will be awarded to top finishers of the cumulative two-day target & field competition (day two and three combined) in each equipment and age category.

6. Qualifying at the Zone Level:

Each Zone will hold a Canada 900 Round qualification, even though there may be insufficient Archers to make a full team. The qualification round will be shot before May 15. Trials are required so that inexperienced Participants may be familiarized with tournament procedures, prior to the actual 55+ BC Games. If unable to attend a Zone shoot-off, a Participant may, with prior permission, attempt to qualify for the 55+ BC Games through participation in another Zone's shoot-offs, but he/she cannot represent that Zone in the Games.

Annual Banquet, Awards, and Fundraiser:

We have a large membership of very skilled and talented people who care about the success of our club. The annual banquet is scheduled for March 16, 2019 and we are without someone to be the lead in organizing this important event. **Richard Green** will gladly assist the member who is willing to take on the leadership role. Please consider becoming more involved with our club and working with other awesome members. Contact: **Richard Green** @ 250-352-5609



Buy and Sell:

Wanted; a rear 'open' site for a Canadian made Lee Enfield 303. Do not want a fixed rear site but one that is adjustable for distance. Please call **Jim** @ (250) 352-3933

Report from Howie Grant:

Howie and his wife were out on their ATV recently, miles away from where they parked their truck, in the middle of nowhere and met a conservation officer who checked their licences and insurance – he cautioned them as while Heather was wearing her helmet, Howie was not – apparently now they check for that item and it must be a Dep of Transport approved helmet, not a bicycle helmet. He checked for their liability insurance (**that's the certificate we include with the membership cards**) – they had the document. Good thing as it is a \$600 dollar fine if you do not have it with you. He also asked for a drivers licence – apparently that is the latest thing the CO have to ask for – luckily Howie had it on his cell phone and even luckier, there was cell phone reception. Howie wants to pass this info on to members. As per the wording on the liability certificate, you should have a copy of the certificate with you while actively engaged in hunting or fishing.

Logging in the Cottonwood-Apex corridor

- An initial group has emerged from the forum held on Wednesday Dec. 19 at our hall. It has started a campaign called "Save Apex to Cottonwood".
- A Facebook page (<u>https://www.facebook.com/apexcottonwood/</u>) and GoFundMe page (<u>https://gofundme.com/save-cottonwood</u>) have been created.

Please go to those pages for information about the effort to prevent the logging of this vital recreational area.

Wolves

If you take a wolf in Region 4, either by trapping or by hunting, you may receive \$500. if you are a BC Wildlife Federation member (belonging to a West Kootenay rod & gun club).

Take the wolf to Hank Scown or Larry Hill for Compulsory Inspection and then contact Richard Green at 250-352-5609. The CI report and your BCWF membership will be needed. You keep the wolf!

Caribou near Mackenzie, BC



Photos by Blaire Louise Smith

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Ongoing Events:

January 2019

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

Indoor Gun Range

Wed: 10:30am-12:00pm* and Wed 1:00pm-3:00pm* Contact: Marvin Paisner 250-229-5710 or paisners@shaw.ca

Ladies Shooting

Thursday at 6:00-7:00pm* New shooters are invited on the first Thursday of the month. Contact: Anita Bowers <u>ladiestargetshooting.nrgc@gmail.com</u>

Sunda Y	Mon day	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 No Archery	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
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*Check the website, http://www.nrgcbc.ca/indoorrange/, regularly for schedule changes and and last-minute range closures *

2019 Calendar of Events:

Annual Banquet	March 16 th
Gun Show	April 13 th and 14 th
Chicken Shoot	May 26 th
Archery Shoot	June 1 st and 2 nd
Fishing Forever	June 15 th
Family Fishing	June 16th
Project Mapleseed	TBA? late June/early July
Heritage Shoot	August 25 th

Note from the Editor:



When I became the newsletter coordinator, I made a few changes to the design of the newsletter. I moved the list of Executives, Board of Directors, and the Coordinators from the first page of the newsletter to the back page. I thought it was more aesthetically pleasing and I wanted the current news to catch your eye. However, since I made this change, I receive many questions that I forward to the appropriate person with the corresponding portfolio. As a result, there is a delay in getting your questions answered. As members, would you prefer the contact information on the first page? Would you find it more convenient? Please let me know.

I am happy to report that members enjoy seeing other members' photos. Please continue to send me your pictures. I'm sorry that I have to shrink the size of the photos, but this is due to the rather large group of club members who receive the newsletter by mail. Please feel free to submit information that would benefit other members, or interesting articles.

Would you like to see a "letter to the Editor" section? Members could voice opinions or concerns.

Do you have any suggestions for improvements to the newsletter?

And as always: the deadline for submissions is the 20th of each month. Contact me, Annette Smith, at <u>newsletter@nrgcbc.ca</u>

Wishing you all a very Happy New Year full of new adventures.

2018 Executives and Board of Directors

Executives

President	Wally Kampen	250-354-4349	wally.k@shaw.ca
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Directors			
Marvin Paisner	Cottonwood Creek/ Indoor Firearm Range	250-229-5710	paisners@shaw.ca
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Howie Grant	Police Liaison/ Outdoor Firearms Range	250-551-1077	<u>hhgrant@telus.net</u>
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Richard Green	Fishing Forever/ Key Master/ 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 <u>hallrental@nrgcbc.ca</u>		
Anita Bowers	Ladies' Shoot	250-354-2998	ladiestargetshooting.nrgc@gmail.com
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Volunteer Coordinator			
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Zach Burleson	Gun Show	250-551-7899	zachb123@gmail.com

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Membership Renewal or Application – after Nov. 30, 201	8 Date:
Please print clearly	
Name:	
Mailing Address: (Street, PO Box, Apartment)	
City or Town: Postal Cod	e:
Telephone: Home E-Mail	
Membership: New: Renewal Type of Membership: (check one)	
Regular \$85 Family \$110 Senior: \$85 Family – covers Children – age 5 to 17 and spouse or part	
DonationPlease indicate If this donation or If this donation is a yearly donation	on is a one-time only
Each application must be accompanied by payment Method of Payment: (check one) CashCheque	eCredit Cd: VisaMC
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If you want to have an automatic dues deduction 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)
For renewing members who have already completed the regist sent your 2019 membership card(s)	- ration and signed the waiver – upon receipt of this form, you will be
For new members and those who did NOT renew in 2016 Once this application has been received, you will be sent the ne completed documents, your membership will be activated and	w membership form, together with a Club waiver. Upon return of
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