



## **NELSON DISTRICT ROD & GUN CLUB**

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**Mailing Address:** PO Box 16, Nelson, BC V1L 5P7

**Indoor Range & Clubhouse:** 801 Railway St, Nelson BC

**Outdoor Range:** 124 Porto Rico Rd (off of Hwy 6), Nelson BC

**Website:** [www.nrgcbc.ca](http://www.nrgcbc.ca)

**Facebook:** [https://www.facebook.com/NelsonDistrictRodAndGunClub/?ref=br\\_rs](https://www.facebook.com/NelsonDistrictRodAndGunClub/?ref=br_rs)

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**Newsletter July 2021**



## President's Message Howie Grant

### NDRGC AGM: Venue Change

With the new Provincial Health Orders in place, our AGM will now be held at our club house, Mickey McEwen Hall, situated at 801 Railway Street on Saturday August 14, 2021 @ 10:00 am. however, it will be restricted to a total of 50 people.

If you wish to attend the AGM, you must be a member in good standing (paid membership) and register your name and NDRGC member # with Derek Ludwar (derekdudwar@gmail.com) no later than July 31.

A reminder there will be 5 positions available on The Board of Directors (BOD) including the President. If any member is interested in becoming involved in a progressive, insightful and community minded organization, I would encourage you to give these positions some thought.

The Agenda for the AGM will be available on or before July 14, 2021...

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the AGM or any other Club matter, please don't hesitate to email me at [hhgrant@telus.net](mailto:hhgrant@telus.net) or call me 250 551-1077.

### In my opinion:

#### **Annual General Meeting, Saturday, August 14, 2021**

It is not too soon for members who would like to contribute some of their time and effort to their club to give some thought about running for one of the five director positions that will be open at our annual general meeting. There are also a number of coordinator positions that may be available for a well-motivated individual. Some coordinators would appreciate an assistant. Where do your interests lie?

There are three positions that come to mind; an executive position, **corresponding secretary**, which should not be particularly onerous but has been vacant for two years. Secondly **coordinator of the gun show**. With Covid-19 coming under control due to the improving vaccination campaign, it appears that we will be able to conduct a gun show, an interesting and profitable event, in winter/spring 2022. Preparation for a late March gun show should commence by December. Thirdly, **convener of the annual banquet and fundraiser**. This position entails organizing over a period of about three months leading up to mid-March. This person should not do all the work, but rather ensure that others do the necessary actions including fundraising.

My experience has been that there are a goodly number of club members who quietly step up to volunteer for the jobs that make a success of the gun show and the annual banquet. We must resume hosting these two profitable and interesting events in 2022!

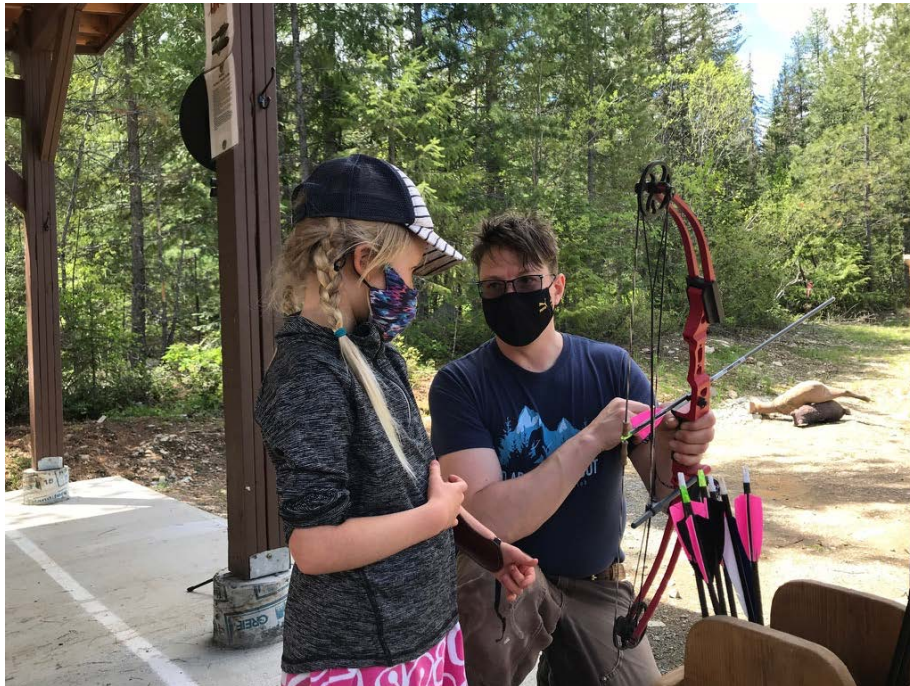
*-by Richard Green*



## Archery News:

To help out beginner archers, I will bring various club bows and arrows to the Outdoor Archery Range on Saturdays from 11am to noon. We still have to respect numbers while gathering, and only have a few club bows, with restrictions on equipment sharing. Therefore, **Please contact Greg** by email, [nelsonbcarchery@gmail.com](mailto:nelsonbcarchery@gmail.com) or text him at, 250-551-4022, if you plan on attending.

Indoor we can now have up to 5 archers at a time, masks are mandatory at all times inside the building. The summer 3D archery course has been set up! There are 14 shooting stations with 15 targets. The course stops at the cougar target. And remember, **we do not use the course on Sunday mornings during Trap hours.**



## Trap Starting Up Again:



*James Brown*

Trap is now on for Sundays (weather permitting) starting at 9:00 am until noon. Unfortunately, I have to raise the price for clays, it has been \$4.00 for at least five years that I have been shooting, but with the new shipment of clays received this spring and their increased cost, I now have to charge \$5.00 a round for clays. This has been approved by both Howie & Brian. With current Covid rules around outdoor sport activities, we have to limit the number of shooters to 10, social distance is three metres and we can have no spectators. These conditions may change after the May long weekend, pending Public Health Officer's orders.

## **PAL/RPAL/CORE:**

*Alan Bond*

PAL/RPAL/CORE training will be scheduled again for this fall. Dates are being finalized but expect September/October offerings this fall as well as January 2022.

The hall is available for increased use according to the provincial Step 2 Reopening Plan for Covid 19. There are a number of events scheduled throughout the summer and fall. The increased use was kicked off with the free public Grizzly Bear Safety Workshop held on June 23 which was limited to 50 public attendees plus event staff.

If interested in either the training or hall rentals call Alan Bond at 250 352-2289



3x9x40 Barska Scope  
Mint Condition \$50  
Howie: 250-551-1077

### **In my opinion:**

Our federal and provincial governments are busily drafting legislation designed to troll for votes, although their spokespersons claim that the goal is to foster public safety.

Federally none of the misdirected 'gun control' legislation will actually get passed before the fall at the earliest. The legislation is designed to troll for votes from the big-city voters, especially in the Toronto area. If there is an election in the fall, as expected, then of course all pending legislation will be moot but it will be campaign talking points as 'doing something'.

In one of the current court cases opposing the May 1st attack on legal firearms owners the CCFR, the Coalition for Firearms Rights, requested the evidence on which the government based its claim that the wholesale banning of 1500+ makes and models of firearms will improve public safety. The government has refused to provide and such data. Perhaps it does not exist?

Provincially there is a draft BC Bill 4, "Firearms Violence Prevention Act" which is very timely in view of the recent spate of gang killings in BC and elsewhere in Canada. However, when reading the draft bill, it is notable that the words 'gangs' and 'gun violence' are missing. This legislation has no relationship to its title. It adds paperwork to shooting ranges, details how the province can confiscate vehicles from people who are neither charged not convicted of any offense, removes low-velocity airguns from minors, and expands the current ability of people vaguely called 'appropriate professionals' to report any suspicions they may have about their neighbours with no risk of resulting difficulties such as being sued. It is obvious that this bill cannot affect firearms violence in any way; it is just another stab at trolling for votes from uninformed big-city residents who are understandably wanting the government to 'do something'.

Since the current BC government has a majority, in order to combat this bad legislation many MLAs will have to be made aware that BC Bill 4 should be dropped permanently as it is not a solution to any known problem. To do so, google BC Bill 4, read it, and write a short message either to premier@ [gov.bc.ca](mailto:gov.bc.ca) or (better) to Hon. John Horgan, Premier of BC, Parliament Buildings, Victoria, BC, V8V 1X4.

- by *Richard Green*

**Outdoor Range Closures:**

**All outdoor ranges closed:**


**Shooting Range only closed: Archery and Trap ranges remain open.**

Friday, July 23/2021	10:00am-3:00pm
Friday, August 13/21	10:00am-3:00pm
Friday, August 27/21	10:00am-3:00pm
Monday, August 30/21	10:00am-3:00pm
Tuesday, August 31/21	10:00am-3:00pm

**Newsletter Coordinator:**

*Greg Seidelin*


While Annette still does not have internet, I will be looking after the Newsletter. Please submit your August submission by Friday July 23<sup>rd</sup> at the latest at [NelsonBCarchery@gmail.com](mailto:NelsonBCarchery@gmail.com)

# Ongoing Events:



Events could change depending on recommendations by the PHO.

**Archery:**  
Refer to "Shared Calendar" for dates and times. **(Indoor)**

 Beginner time:  
Saturday 11am-Noon  
**(Outdoor)**

**Social Gaming:**  
Sunday 4-9pm  
Thursday 5-10pm


























**Ladies' Target Shooting:**  
Thursday at 6:00pm  
Contact: Anita Bowers

  
Board of Directors  
6:30pm

**TRAP**  
  
Sun. 9am -12pm  
Contact: **Jim Brown**

**Ladies Target Shooting**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27 	28	29	30	1  	2	3 PAL Course  11: to noon
4 PAL Course  	5	6  Zoom 6:30	7	8  	9	10  11: to noon
11  	12	13	14	15  	16	17
18  	19	20	21	22  	23 Gun Range Closed 10:00am-3pm	24  11: to noon
25  	26	27	28	29 	30	31  11: to noon

# Indoor Gun Range Info Page:

<http://www.nrgcbc.ca/indoorange/>

## Archery Ranges and Indoor Gun Range Calendar:

<https://calendar.google.com/calendar/u/0?cid=ZWw2Y3JuZWxsZTA0dnJraGYwdnE0MnQ0NThAZ3JvdXAuY2FsZW5kYXluZ29vZ2xILmNvbQ>

### Who Can Help?

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