



## **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 October 2021**



## **President's Message Howie Grant**

### **Sheep Feeding Program**

Our sheep feed program will start on Oct 16<sup>th</sup> @ 10:00 am with the annual hay /feed lift to the shed on the Salmo Creston Highway. The NDRGC will purchase 60 bales of hay and the West Kootenay Big Game Trophy Association will be picking up 4000 pounds of pellets. We will be working with the Salmo Sr ATV Club, but we can always use a few extra hands. Afterwards, we will enjoy some social time with BBQ hotdogs courtesy of Glen McKen. If you're interested in helping, give me a call 250 551-1077.

### **Cottonwood Creek Fish Habitat Stewardship Workshop and Improvement Project**

I am proud to announce that the NDRGC will be co-hosting an educational fish habitat stewardship workshop with the BC Wildlife Federation on Aug 12, 13 and 14<sup>th</sup> 2022 at Mickey McEwen Hall. This workshop will be open to the public and we hope to have a large turnout.

Also, during that weekend, we will be working on a project on the lower portion of Cottonwood Creek to improve the spawning and habitat for kokanee salmon and trout.

But we need help from our membership to make this work.

Richard Green and Alan Bond are heading up the committee for the workshop at Mickey McEwen Hall. Give them a call if you would like to get involved.

The second phase of this joint effort is the improvement project on Cottonwood Creek, which will be spearheaded by Alan Thomson. While this will not be a huge project, it will require some heavy equipment and additional bodies are always appreciated. Please contact Howie Grant if you would like to help.

Finally, the first month of the 2021 hunting season is behind us but there is still plenty of time left. So be safe out there, be wise, enjoy your time with family and friends and hopefully, as a bonus, you'll be able to cut a tag or two.

And above all, Protect our Heritage.

Howie Grant

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

*Alan Bond*

### **PAL/RPAL/CORE courses**

The Nelson District Rod & Gun Club is again sponsoring a suite of training courses for folks interested in the safe handling of firearms and/or hunting. There is surprising continued interest, these courses will fill up.

The Canadian Firearms Safety Course (PAL for unrestricted long rifles and shotguns and RPAL for restricted firearms like pistols) will be offered during the period January 15 - 23, 2022. These are one day courses with a minimum age of 12 years old for PAL and 18 for RPAL. Safe handling of all common firearms and safe shooting techniques are taught. Cost \$125 for PAL and \$90 for RPAL. Classes limited to 12 persons per instructor. We have engaged more than one instructor when required.

The PAL course (3 separate courses) are on January 15, 16 and 22, 2022. It is looking like we may need a second instructor on one of the dates (probably Sunday January 16) to meet the demand.

The January 23, 2022 RPAL course is looking like it also may require two instructors. Please note the new low price of \$90 for RPAL. This is in keeping with our commitment to be the least cost provider in the community.

The Conservation and Outdoor Recreation Education (CORE) two-day course includes practical firearms handling and a written examination on conservation ethics, Indigenous peoples and hunting in BC, BC law and regulations, first aid and survival, firearms safety and animal and bird identification. This course is required to obtain a hunting licence. Minimum age is 10 years old. Course cost is \$150 and will be offered January 29-30, 2022.

These courses will follow the current written COVID-19 provincial orders on the date of the training. If interested in either the training or hall rentals call Alan Bond at 250 352-2289

## Coming soon to a shooting range near you.....

Last spring the BC government passed Bill 4, the “*Firearm Violence Prevention Act*” and is now engaged in writing the regulations that will be required in order for the act to have an effect.

One of the chapters deals with the need for enhanced record-keeping at shooting ranges and our club was invited to comment. We did so July 30 and received a reply which responded to questions we raised concerning the recording of personal information which is going to be legally required when the regulations are put into effect.

It appears that the record-keeping requirements will be satisfied if, at an unstaffed shooting range, a logbook or drop box is available and properly used by all range users. The exact information to be recorded is not yet specified and the date of implementation is not yet known.

Bill 4 resulted from the 2017 Illegal Firearms Task Force Report, which addressed gang and gun violence.

Oddly, Bill 4 has no mention of gangs and only once in passing mentions firearm violence.

The intent of the enhanced record-keeping at shooting ranges is intended (according to the reply we received to our comments) to deter gang members from using shooting ranges.

- Richard Green



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

Newsletter Coordinator:


*Greg Seidelin*

I look forward to all the great hunting story submissions for next month’s Newsletter.

Please submit your Novembre submission by Friday October 22<sup>nd</sup> at

[NelsonBCarchery@gmail.com](mailto:NelsonBCarchery@gmail.com)

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

 Beginner time:  
Tuesdays 6-7:30pm  
Sundays 10-11:30am  
Please contact  
Range officer

**Social Gaming:**  
Sunday 3-10pm  
Thursday 4-11pm



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












Board of Directors  
6:30pm

**TRAP**



Sun. 9am -12pm  
Contact: Jim Brown

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 <b>Indoor</b>  		 <b>Indoor</b>		  	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>  <b>CORE</b>
<b>3</b> <b>CORE</b>   <b>Indoor</b>  	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>   	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>    	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>10</b>  	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>   <b>Indoor</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>    	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>  <b>Nelson Box Club</b>
<b>17</b>    <b>Nelson Box Club</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>   <b>Indoor</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>    	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>
<b>24</b>   <b>Indoor</b>  	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>   <b>Indoor</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>    	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>  <b>Outdoor Range Closed!</b> 0800 to 13:00

## 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=ZWw2Y3JuZWxsZTA0dnJraGYwdnE0MnQ0NThAZ3JvdXAuY2FsZW5kYXluZ29vZ2xlMnVbQ>

# Who Can Help?

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