



NELSON DISTRICT ROD & GUN CLUB

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April 2022 Newsletter



**President's
Message
Howie Grant**

AGM

All of us have been hampered by the COVID pandemic, including the manner in how we hold our club meetings. However, we will be hosting our AGM at Mickey McEwen Hall on Saturday April 9, 2022 at 10:00 am.

The AGM is the first of three membership meetings that we can now have annually which allows the club to review the year, establish a budget, and elect a Board of Directors including the President.

With the pending Elections I encourage you, our members to become involved. The Club needs an infusion of young and energetic minds to continue to protect our Heritage. You have a voice; you can vote and you can get involved. So come on down and enjoy some hot java with other members.

If you have any questions regarding any position that might interest you, please let me know. I would be more than happy to help you out.

Howie



We hope you found something plaid to wear because there has been lots of excitement in the Archery Community regarding our upcoming 3D Archery Shoot, June 4 and 5, 2022. We have been receiving questions from archers both near and far.

Thank you to the volunteers who have been stepping up to help. We still need some help at the registration desk on both days from 10am-12pm and 12pm-2pm. It's not necessary to be an archer to manage the desk.

Also, we need commitments to help with "take down" on Sunday. This year's shoot will be our only fundraiser. Hope to see all our NRGc archers come out and support it.

Feel free to print our poster. Or if you need one, an arrangement can be made to drop them off at the indoor archery range. Thank you to Blaire Smith for updating the poster.

If you haven't joined the Facebook Group, Nelson Archery, it's a good idea to join to help you keep up with archery news.

Any questions, please contact me, Annette

annette.spanky.smith@gmail.com

NDRGC Outdoor Range Cleanup

On Saturday, April 30 and Sunday, May 1 the outdoor range will be closed from 9:am to 3:pm both days to allow for our annual spring cleanup.

The focus will be target rebuild, and general cleanup of grounds and range building.

Those of you who want to help please bring tools such as rakes, pruners, shovels, wheel barrows etc. Any spare 2x4's and 1/2' plywood would also be appreciated.

Glen will be serving up his BBQ hamburgers and hotdogs afterwards.

We hope to see you there.

Hoge Tyler



Pacific Partners Boating Bulletin

Get your pleasure craft operator card

Boating season is on its way! If you are planning on operating a motorized pleasure craft, [you are required to have a Pleasure Craft Operator Card \(PCOC\)](#). This certification is used to make sure that boaters operating a motorized vessel understand the rules and requirements of pleasure boating.

- Always keep your Pleasure Craft Operator Card (PCOC) and a form of valid government photo identification on board when you are operating a motorized vessel, it is required by law.
 - You can earn your PCOC by taking the test through any Transport Canada accredited program. Click [here](#) for a list of accredited programs.
 - If you already have a boating certificate, it might fulfill the requirement of a PCOC card. Click [here](#) for a list of equivalent certifications.
 - Will the person operating your boat be younger than 16? There are age-horsepower restrictions that [boat operators under the age of 16 must comply with](#).
- Would you like to review the content of the PCOC course? Review our [Safe Boating Guide](#), your #1 resource for knowledge on the rules and regulations associated with pleasure boating.
- Further training is always recommended, you can never be too prepared to be on the water. Take extra courses designed for the type of boating that you will be operating and gain valuable knowledge to make your boating experiences safer and more enjoyable.

[Find out more about Pleasure Craft Operator Cards here.](#)

Did you know that you need a certification to drive a motorized boat?

Take a boating course and be prepared.



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[Click here for more info on Operator Cards](#)



WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE?

	Pleasure Craft Operator Card (PCOC)	Pleasure Craft Licence (PCL)	Pleasure Craft Registration
What is it?	For Boaters: A Pleasure Craft Operator Card (or equivalency) is proof of competency to operate a pleasure craft.	For a Boat: A Pleasure Craft Licence is a document with a unique licence number for a pleasure craft. The number (e.g., in the format <i>BC11111</i> or <i>11K1111</i>), serves as identification for the boat. *A pleasure craft must be either registered or licensed.	For a Boat: Registration is a title system for boat ownership. Registration provides you with an official number for your boat, and a unique name. *A pleasure craft must be either registered or licensed.
The law says:	Anyone who operates a power-driven pleasure craft must provide proof of competency.	Any pleasure craft powered by a motor 10 hp (7.5 kW) or more must have a valid licence.	Registration is required if the boat is not used as a pleasure craft (i.e., carrying paying passengers), or if it will be used abroad for extended periods of time.
What is the purpose?	A Pleasure Craft Operator Card is proof of competency that shows you understand the basic rules for safely operating a pleasure craft. The most common proof of competency is the Pleasure Craft Operator Card.	A pleasure craft licence allows search and rescue personnel and other agencies to quickly identify who to contact if your pleasure craft is found or in an emergency. The PCL is not proof of ownership.	You may choose to register your pleasure craft with the Canadian Register of Vessels if you wish to have an approved name and port of registry for your boat, to get a marine mortgage, or show proof of ownership.
How do I get it?	You can get a Pleasure Craft Operator Card by taking a boating safety course in-person or online with a Transport Canada accredited course provider, and passing the test at the end of the course. https://tc.canada.ca/en/marine-transportation/marine-safety/proof-competency-recreational-boaters#s2	A pleasure craft can be licenced online on the Transport Canada website or by mail. https://tc.canada.ca/en/marine-transportation/marine-safety/licensing-pleasure-craft	A pleasure craft may be registered by submitting an application form and supporting documents with payment to Transport Canada's Vessel Registration Office. https://tc.canada.ca/en/marine-transportation/vessel-licensing-registration/registering-canadian-register-vessels-first-time-registration
What is the cost?	Fees for the course and exam are set by the course provider.	There is no fee for a Pleasure Craft Licence.	There are various fees to register a boat, amend registration information, and add or discharge a marine mortgage from the registry.
How long is it valid?	A Pleasure Craft Operator Card is valid for life.	A Pleasure Craft Licence is valid for ten years.	Registered information is valid for three years.
Where should I keep it?	A Pleasure Craft Operator Card must be carried when operating a powered pleasure craft.	A Pleasure Craft Licence must be carried and the license number displayed on both sides of the pleasure craft's bow above the waterline, in block characters that are at least 3 inches high, and in a contrasting colour that stands out.	The Certificate of Registry must be on board the boat at all times. The boat must be marked (name, port of registry, registered tonnage, and official number) according to the requirements noted on the back of your Certificate of Registry.

This handout is applicable to pleasure crafts only. For information about commercial vessel registration, please visit: <https://tc.canada.ca/en/marine-transportation/vessel-licensing-registration/canadian-register-vessels>



Newsletter Coordinator

Really happy to see so many 3D shoots happening in the Province this Spring and Summer. For those interested, Dates for shoots I will be attending or hope to attend with other archers from our Club will be posted on the Archery calendar, follow the link on page 8 of this newsletter. Hope to see archers from our Club at these events.

Please submit your May submission or any suggestions for the letter by Friday April 29th at NelsonBCArchery@gmail.com

Greg

PAL/RPAL/CORE course update

Restricted Firearms Safety Course for handguns (RPAL) and/or the Conservation Outdoor Recreation Education (CORE) course required to obtain a hunting license in BC, we have scheduled additional courses.

There have been two PAL and one more RPAL courses scheduled this spring and there are a few available seats in the April 2/3 CORE:

- CORE course on April 2/3, 2022 - minimum age 10
- 2 X PAL courses on April 24 and April 30, 2022 - minimum age 12
- RPAL course on May 1 20, 2022 - minimum age 18
 - Note; PAL and RPAL courses are Federally regulated to 12 students per instructor which limits class capacity.
 - Bow/crossbow hunters do not need to complete a PAL course but do have to complete the CORE course to obtain a hunting license

PAL courses will lead to a Possession and Acquisition License required to obtain and own a long rifle that is not a restricted or prohibited firearm. Hunting rifles and shotguns require a PAL. RPAL leads to a Restricted Possession and Acquisition License required to own restricted firearms like handguns that are not prohibited. The CORE course will lead to a certificate that will lead to obtaining a Hunter Number required to get a provincial hunting license. Hunting licenses are not transferable between provinces/territories. PAL and RPAL licenses are federal and do cross provincial boundaries.

Anyone interested in any of these courses, please contact Alan Bond at 250 352-2289.

Alan

Range Closure

Saturday, April 30 and Sunday, May 1 the outdoor range will be closed from 9:am to 3:pm both days to allow for our annual spring cleanup

June 2 and 3 for the Archery 3D course set up and closed June 4 and 5 for the 3D shoot.

July 18th & 25th, 9:30am – 12:00pm for the Regional District Kids Archery Summer Camp

Lost and Found

A fob and key found at the outdoor range. If this is yours, contact Howie Grant or Hoge Tyler with a description.

Between March 22 and March 27, person or persons unknown attended the Outdoor Range and stole a 5 gallon bucket of brass and a new Galant snow shovel.

The shovel is very distinct with Nelson Rod & Gun Club written on the upper handle.

If anyone knows anything, please let me know. I'd like to have these items back....no questions asked.



April Calendar





Please, remember to check the Indoor range calendars and contact the Range Officer prior to attending, as numbers of attendees matters for Covid regulations. Please wear a mask and wash/sanitise your hands often.

Indoor Gun Range Info Page:

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

Archery and Indoor Gun Range Calendar:

<https://calendar.google.com/calendar/embed?src=el6crnelle04vrkhf0vq42t458%40group.calendar.google.com&ctz=America%2FVancouver>

Sunday 27	Monday 28	Tuesday 29	Wednesday 30	Thursday 31	Friday 01	Saturday 02
 Indoor  Gaming 15:00 – 22:00		 Indoor 18:00 – 19:30  Board Meeting 18:30		 Gaming 16:00 – 23:00  Ladie's Shooting 18:00		
Sunday 03	Monday 04	Tuesday 05	Wednesday 06	Thursday 07	Friday 08	Saturday 09
 Indoor 10:30 – Noon  Gaming 15:00 – 22:00		 Indoor 18:00 – 19:30	 Indoor 17:15 – 18:30	 Gaming 16:00 – 23:00  Ladie's Shooting 18:00		
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