

NELSON DISTRICT ROD & GUN CLUB

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October 2022 Newsletter



President's Message Howie Grant

With the first month of hunting season behind us, I would like to congratulate the fortunate few who were able to cut their elk tag and fill their freezers early. However, there is still a little time left to chase those bulls and maybe, just maybe, some of us will get a chance to cut a tag.

However, looking ahead, October promises to be a busy month.

SHEEP FEED HAY LIFT

A reminder that Saturday, Oct 15, 2022, is the date for the annual sheep hay lift on the Salmo Creston Highway. Again, we will be assisted by the Salmo ATV Club, and the West Kootenay Big Game Trophy Association to deliver 60 hay bales and 4000 lbs of pellets. We can always use some extra hands so come and enjoy a BBQ lunch afterwards. Contact me if you're interested.

SHEEP FEED PROGRAM FUNDRAISER

On Oct 22, 2022, from 6pm – 8pm, at Finley's Bar and Grill, we will be having a burger and beer fundraiser (see poster in this newsletter) with the proceeds going to the Sheep Feed Program. Tickets are \$25 and are available from Erin at Nelsons Farmer Supply 250 352-5375, and from Howie Grant 250 551-1077. I hope to see you there.

MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Our next membership meeting will be held Sunday, Nov 6, 2022, at 10:00 am in Mickey McEwen Hall. Part of our agenda will be to organize a Banquet Committee, so it is important to attend if you want this wildlife Banquet to continue.

BUSH LEAGUE .22 MATCH

Club member, Ron Lee is organizing a .22 match for Saturday Oct 22, 2022, at the outdoor range. This promises to be a lot of fun with Teams of 2 (shooter/spotter) and an entry fee of only \$5 each. The match is a combination PR and SIL and 100 rounds per shooter will get the job done. Attached to this newsletter is the score sheet titled "Silhouette and Precision Rifle Shoot" that Ron would like you to print off and bring to the match.

If you want to do some practice shooting, show up at the outdoor range @ 9:30 am. Practice targets will be set out at 100 yd. The match starts at 10:00 am and the course of fire will be explained during the match.

Contact Ron if you have any questions: 250 357-9984, or email canadasteeldust@gmail.com.

MEMBER RECOGNITION

At this time, I would like to recognize and thank long time member Vic Learmonth for his efforts this past week in cleaning up the weeds at the Outdoor Range. Vic used his own equipment and mowed the knap weed along the 100 yd and 200 yd ranges. I know we will all appreciate this.

I also want to thank our Trap Shoot coordinator, Jim Brown. Jim donates his time during the week to ensure the trap range is clean and ready for the Sunday shoots. He conducts regular maintenance on the grounds and on the trap machine relying on other shooters when there is a complication.

PACK RAT

A huge thank you to Dave White for trapping the pack rat that was running wild at the covered shooting area. There is still more of the pests to get but not nearly as much mess as before.

Be safe and good luck hunting everyone and remember:

"PROTECT OUR HERITAGE"

Howie Grant

Mickey McEwen Hall Security Upgrade

For anyone with a security code for the Mickey McEwen Hall (Rod & Gun Club), you will notice the new annunciator panels that are at both entrances to the building. Red lights indicate the zone is armed; green lights indicate the zone is disarmed.

Access to the individual zones has not been changed. Whatever your code could arm/disarm before, is the same now. The annunciator panels indicate the status of the individual zones. This should help reduce the number of alarm soundings.

When first entering the panel will show all zones armed, as indicated by the red lights in the left picture. Enter your code and the annunciator panel will show which zones have been disarmed. If your code provides access to all zones, they all will be disarmed, as indicated in the right-hand picture.



If your code does not provide access to all zones, the ones that remain armed will continue to show the red "armed" light, as shown in the lower pictures, when your code is activated. An example is all renters' codes do not provide access to the Range, so renters will see the lower right picture whenever they disarm the building.





If you enter the building and there are any green lights showing, it is a strong indication someone else is in the building or on the grounds. Please say hello to whoever you are sharing the building with and arrange who will arm the system when leaving.

Any questions feel free to contact Alan Bond, Hall Rental Manager, 250 352-2289

Hello Nelson Rod and Gun Club Members,

A Local Conservation Fund is being proposed for the Slocan Valley (RDCK Area H). A Local Conservation Fund is a local government service where landowners pay \$15/parcel/year to a dedicated fund for high priority conservation projects. Local organizations and Indigenous communities can then apply for funding for conservation projects that benefit wildlife, habitat, and water.

A Local Conservation Fund service has been in the East Kootenay in the Columbia Valley since 2008 and has been so successful that the Directors there voted unanimously to remove the sunset clause that would have had this service expire in 2008. This fund has invested over \$2.2 million towards projects that brought in over \$22 million in additional funds. There is also a Local in the West Kootenay on Kootenay Lake in RDCK Electoral Areas A, D and E.

There have been many benefits from these funds including supporting priority projects (e.g., fish habitat enhancement, wetland restoration, grizzly bear co-existence, incentives for farmland stewardship, wildlife habitat enhancement, etc.). Examples of projects supported by the Kootenay Lake Local Conservation Fund can be viewed here: https://kootenayconservation.ca/kootenay-lake-local-conservation-fund-projects/. This Fund has provided grants totalling almost half a million dollars, serving as seed money to obtain four times that amount in additional funding and in-kind support (e.g., each \$15 turns into \$75), and creates jobs, work for local businesses, and purchase of materials and supplies.

This service could be expanded to include the Slocan Valley (RDCK Area H) based on a referendum on October 15. You can learn more by visiting this website: https://kootenayconservation.ca/lcf-area-h-referendum/.

Kootenay Conservation Program will be hosting the following information sessions:

- Saturday, October 1 from 3 4 pm at the Crescent Valley Hall
- Monday, October 3 from 7 8 pm at the Winlaw Hall
- Tuesday, October 4 from 7 8 pm in New Denver at the Bosun Hall

Voting on this service will take place on October 15 at Hills Fire Hall, New Denver Bosun Hall, Silverton Hall, Winlaw Hall, or Crescent Valley Hall. Vote early on October 5 or 12 at New Denver Bosun Hall or Winlaw Hall. If you will be away for all of these dates, you can request a mail-in ballot from elections@rdck.bc.ca (you need to include your name, phone number, email, mailing address, and physical address if different).

Please share with your contacts in the Slocan Valley. Thank you in advance for helping spread the word on this important local topic!

Sincerely,

Claire Peyton (Former NRGC Board Member) E: ClaireGPeyton@gmail.com P: (250)777-2955 Silverton, BC

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 for recreation and /or hunting.

The Canadian Firearms Safety Courses (PAL for unrestricted long rifles and shotguns and RPAL for restricted firearms like pistols) will be offered during the period September 10 - 25, 2022. These are one day courses, including testing time. Minimum age for PAL is 12 and RPAL is 18. Safe handling of all common firearms and safe shooting techniques are taught. Cost \$125 for PAL and \$90 for RPAL. Classes are limited to 12 persons per instructor.

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 get a hunting licence. The minimum age is 10 and cost \$150 per student. CORE courses are September 17-18 and October 1-2.

For further information and registration contact Alan Bond @ 250-352-2289.

Alan Bond

Social Gaming

Social Gaming is proud to announce: Thursday Night Magic!!

Every Thursday we'll be running a Magic event, starting with a fall Modern League. Events will start at 5:30 and our first game night will be September 22nd. We'll have a few nights to shake the rust loose before kicking off the league in October. We will have lots of room for commander and free play.

In addition, With fall approaching Social Gaming will also start meeting weekly on Sundays to game at the Rod and Gun Club, 04:00 til 09:00 pm, Starting on September 25th

What is "Social Gaming"

It is a family orientated time and place to socially interact playing your favorite non-electronic game (Board games, card games, table top games). To find opponents to play your game or for you to join in and play their games. Games like Catan, Agricola, Risk, Scythe, Magic, Warhammer 40K, Age of Sigmar, X-Wing, Battlegroup, and D&D just to name a few. Just bring out your favorite game or show up to see what is being played and if anyone needs another player to join in.

For more information and Registration: calvin.hacking@gmail.com

or "Nelson Social Gaming" page on Facebook



Outdoor Range and Closures

NOTICE REGARDING THE TRAP RANGE

Until a safety plan is in place for the 3D archery trail and trap range, there will not be any trap shooting during the week.

The use of the trap range will only be allowed on Sundays between 9:00 am and 12:00 pm.

Only shot shells are to be used at the trap range.

Trap shooting is prohibited on the rifle range

Howie Grant President NDRGC

KEYS FOR THE OUTDOOR RANGE

The Outdoor Range padlock will be changed in spring 2023.

Members planning to use the outdoor rifle range should indicate on their membership application forms that they will require a key.

It will cost \$10 for a replacement of a lost key. Please keep the key secure!

Richard

SEA-CAN SEARCH

The Rod & Gun Club is in need of secure storage beside the shooting pavilion at the Porto-Rico Rd outdoor firearms range, we are hoping to find a sea-can container for this purpose.

If anyone has any leads or suggestions about where we might locate a sea-can at an affordable price, please contact Marvin at 250-229-5710. Thank you.

BUSH LEAGUE .22 MATCH RULES

- The match is a combination of PR and SIL

DATE: Saturday Oct 22, 2022

- No 22 mag and no 17 rim fire

- 100 rounds per shooter

-Shooting positions are:

| Bench |
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| Scaffold |
| Ladder |
| Chair |
| - Distance will be from 20 yds to 100 yds |
| - Fee is \$5 per shooter |
| -Practice shooting starts @ 9:30 am at 100 yd range |
| - Match starts at 10:00 am |
| - Course of Fire will be explained prior to match |
| - Please print off the attached score sheet titled Match Scoresheet |

New hunter in search of second-hand equipment:

-Large backpack that can carry a bow

-Bino harness (for large binos)

-Camo clothing (Size xl)

-Game calls (Turkey, elk)

-dressing knives/bone saw

-rubber boots

-scent blocker

-turkey decoy

-Any other useful equipment

If anyone has or knows someone who is looking to part with some gear, please email jordanxbraun@gmail.com or call 7789089535. Thank you.

NEWSLETTER

Please submit your September submission or any suggestions for the letter by Thursday October 27th at NelsonBCarchery@gmail.com

Greg Seidelin

October Calendar

Please, remember to check the Indoor range calendars and contact the Range Officer prior to attending, as numbers of attendees matters.

Indoor Gun Range Info Page:

http://www.nrgcbc.ca/indoorrange/

Archery and Indoor Gun Range Calendar:

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

| Sunday 2 | Monday 3 | Tuesday 4 | Wednesday 5 | Thursday 6 | Friday 7 | Saturday 8 |
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| Trap 09:00 - Noon Gaming 15:00 – 22:00 | | Board Meeting 18:30 | Indoor 17:15 – 19:15 | Gaming 16:00 – 23:00 Ladie's Shooting 18:00 | | |
| Sunday 9 | Monday 10 | Tuesday 11 | Wednesday 12 | Thursday 13 | Friday 14 | Saturday 15 |
| Trap 09:00 - Noon Gaming 15:00 – 22:00 | | | Indoor 17:15 – 19:15 | SOCIAL Gaming 16:00 – 23:00 Ladie's Shooting 18:00 | | |
| Sunday 16 | Monday 17 | Tuesday 18 | Wednesday 19 | Thursday 20 | Friday 21 | Saturday 22 |
| Trap 09:00 - Noon PRIM Gaming 15:00 – 22:00 | | | Indoor 17:15 – 19:15 | Gaming 16:00 – 23:00 Ladie's Shooting 18:00 | | |
| Sunday 23 | Monday 24 | Tuesday 25 | Wednesday 26 | Thursday 27 | Friday 28 | Saturday 29 |
| Trap 09:00 - Noon 15:00 – 22:00 | | | Indoor 17:15 – 19:15 | Gaming 16:00 – 23:00 Ladie's Shooting 18:00 | | |
| Sunday 30 | Monday 31 | Tuesday 1 | Wednesday 2 | Thursday 3 | Friday 4 | Saturday 5 |
| Trap 09:00 - Noon 15:00 – 22:00 | | | Indoor 17:15 – 19:15 | Gaming 16:00 – 23:00 Ladie's Shooting 18:00 | | |

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