



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

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**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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**February 2023 Newsletter**



President's  
Message  
Howie Grant

Its February and the days are getting noticeably longer if only by a very few minutes. The snow load hasn't been too bad since Christmas, but winter is far from over.

I would like to take this time to welcome Jordan Braun to the NDRGC Executive and Ron Lee as our new Project Maple Seed coordinator.

Jordan was elected as a director at our recent AGM and was subsequently elected as our Vice-President. Jordan is an avid archer who currently oversees the indoor range with Greg Seidelin and is in the process of organizing the Provincial 3D Archery shoot for our Club. Jordan along with Dana Sittler are taking the lead for the menu and meal for our wild game banquet.

Ron Lee is well known around the Kootenays as a shooter and for organizing many fun events. He is looking forward to Project Maple Seed and developing other shooting challenges for our members including some family shooting events.

A special thank you to our member and previous Project Maple Seed coordinator, Andrew Woodward. Four years ago, Andrew worked hard to bring Project Maple Seed to the NDRGC outdoor range, and it was an immediate success. Andrew's hard work and dedication to this event is appreciated by everyone at the NDRGC

#### SHEEP FEEDING PROGRAM

This program is progressing nicely this winter. To date there have been 15 sheep at the site, 3 full curl rams, 2 immature rams, 3 lambs and 7 ewes. This is a slight improvement over last year when we had 12 animals at the site.

Recently a local biologist visited the site and informed our volunteers that in her opinion the ewes appeared to be pregnant. This is good news, providing predators don't impact the lambing season.

#### WILDGAME BANQUET – March 11, 2023

Our committee is full steam ahead with our banquet, which is scheduled for Saturday March 11, 2023. This will be the first banquet in 2 years and is our biggest fundraiser for our Club. Fundraising for the night will consist of 50/50 draws, silent auction, and a live auction. Let me know if you have anything suitable for either auction.

If you can volunteer your time before or during the banquet or if you have meat or fish that you can donate, please contact Jordan.

GUN SHOW – March 31, April 1st, and 2nd, 2023

37 Tables available - 33 booked to date

Volunteers needed

This is shaping up to be a great event and the display tables are going fast. If you have any questions, please contact coordinators Dave White 250 505-6007 or Hoge Tyler 250 551-7645

#### MICKEY McEWEN HALL UPDRADES

Our hall has recently received some improvements over the past few months. In the evening, you'll notice new exterior LED lighting all around the premise. This adds increased security and better visibility for all.

Our second upgrade is an improved Security Alarm System. A new annunciator panel has been installed which should help reduce the false alarms.

The other pending improvement for later this year is replacement of the interior lights in the main hall. We hope to have this done within the next few months and then we can focus on the grounds around the building.

#### NDRGC SHOTGUN RAFFLE

Starting Feb 1, 2023, there will be a raffle on a new Remington Model 870 Express 12-gauge shotgun.

There are only 200 tickets available, and they are \$10 each.

The draw will take place on the final day of our Gun Show April 2, 2023 @ 2:30 pm at Mickey McEwen Hall.

Tickets will be available at the Banquet, the Gun Show, or from most NDRGC Executive and Directors.

Howie Grant

#### **A MESSAGE FROM THE BANQUET COMMITTEE**

The annual Wild Game banquet is back! After an unfortunate two-year hiatus, we will be having our banquet fundraiser on Saturday, March 11th. As many of you know, this event is a primary fundraiser for our club, with the lion's share of profits going toward our conservation efforts around the region.

The banquet committee relies heavily on donations from local grocers to put on this event. However, there is a key ingredient they cannot supply us with, that being, all natural, wild caught and humanely harvested game meat. We would be grateful for any donations from our many skilled hunters, trappers, and anglers. If you have a fish, roast, or loin taking up valuable freezer space we would be happy to help you make room! These donations will go a long way to helping us host another great (and greatly missed) event.

We would also like to ask anyone who would like to volunteer, either in the kitchen or out front, to please contact Alan Bond or myself. We are always looking for dedicated individuals to support our historic organization. If you want to get more involved, either with the banquet, one of our conservation efforts, archery, trap, or sport shooting, please reach out to the directors. We would be happy to get you involved.

Thank you

Jordan K Braun

## **CRESTON RIFFLE RAFFLE**

The Creston Valley Rod and Gun Club has an online raffle running right now until mid-February to raise money for improvements to our shooting range. The grand prize is a hunting package valued at \$5300, tickets are only \$20. Tickets must be purchased online at <https://cvrgc.rafflenexus.com/> . Could you please send this out to your member clubs and help make our fund raiser a success. It's a great prize for a great price. Just click on the link, check it out and buy a ticket. (Gerry Bond)

Richard Green

## **PAL AND CORE COURSES**

Dorian Boswell is providing PAL, RPAL and CORE training courses at our Mickey McEwen Memorial Hall in 2023.

Those interested in the safe handling of long rifles and shotguns, need the Canadian Firearms Safety Courses (PAL, for unrestricted long rifles and shotguns) at a cost of \$140. Safe handling of all common firearms and safe shooting techniques are taught. Classes are limited to 12 persons per instructor. Minimum age for PAL is 12. These are one day courses, including testing time. The next scheduled courses are February 24 + 25, 2023.

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 BC hunting licence. The minimum age is 10 and cost \$160 per student. The CORE course is March 4/5, 2023.

Dorian is also organizing RPAL courses for those interested in the Canadian Firearms Safety Course required to obtain a Restricted Possession and Acquisition Licence (RPAL). Classes are limited to 12 persons per instructor. The RPAL courses will be provided on an "on demand" basis, so you need to contact Dorian for further information. A PAL is a prerequisite to obtain a RPAL. Minimum age is 18 and cost is \$100 per student.

There are manuals available for club members (and immediate family) for these courses. Supplies are limited, a manual is mandatory for the CORE course but not mandatory for PAL or RPAL, although prereading is recommended. Contact Alan Bond at 250 352-2289 to borrow a club manual.


For further information and registration contact Dorian Boswell; Cell 250-265-8323 (cell), 250-265-9911 (home)  
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Alan Bond

## ARCHERY

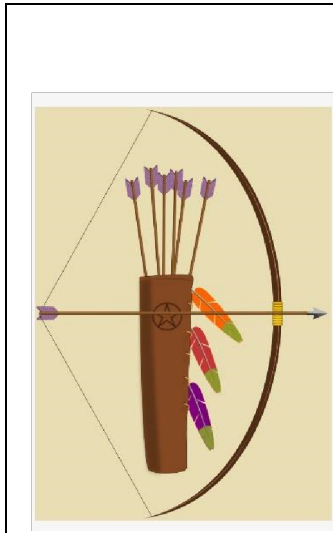
I am writing this newsletter while watching the Lancaster Archery Classic live on YouTube. Next week will be the Vegas Shoot, where a few fellow archers from the lower mainland will compete. Meanwhile, we still have 8 weeks of Archery Canada Indoor Mailmatch to shoot. The live score sheet can be accessed here:

[https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1S-Aq9A4XSLQxWtZnE8Sq\\_2olw588WbM-wG72WEBwy7g/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1S-Aq9A4XSLQxWtZnE8Sq_2olw588WbM-wG72WEBwy7g/edit?usp=sharing)

 Tuesday Target archery 5:15pm to 7:00pm is reserved for Mailmatch participants, doors locked

 Wednesday 5:15pm to 7:00pm and Sunday 9:00am to 11:00am are for all ages and discipline with a maximum of 10 archers. Please come early if it is your first time or you require club equipment as you will have to sign the waiver, get a safety briefing, and try club equipment.

Greg Seidelin



Time to pass on the torch, or should I say Quiver.

It's been my pleasure over the past few years to co-ordinate our club's 3D Archery Shoot. I could not have done it without such amazing help of people like, Warren and Sandy Russell, Doug and James Turner, Doug Shaw, Darcey Lutz, my daughters; Blaire and Baily, and most importantly, my husband Wes Smith. There were other volunteers over the years and though I may not mention you here, your help was noted and appreciated.

I wish success to the new ambitious 3D Coordinator, Jordan Braun. Please volunteer and help make the 2023 shoot a success.

Annette Smith

## SOCIAL GAMING

There is Open play/Commander/Modern Magic and board gaming happening on Fridays throughout the month of February. Miniature and board gaming happening on Sundays throughout the month. There are also the following special events/play days during the month.

Friday, February 10th, 05:30 pm - Phyrexia new release sealed Magic event

Sunday, February 12th, 01:00 pm - Warhammer Play Day

Sunday, February 26th, 01:00 pm - Star Wars X-Wing play day

Check out our "Nelson Social Gaming" Facebook page or e-mail [calvin.hacking@gmail.com](mailto:calvin.hacking@gmail.com) for more information

Calvin Hacking

## NEWSLETTER

Please submit your March submission or any suggestions for the letter by Friday February 24<sup>th</sup> at [NelsonBCarchery@gmail.com](mailto:NelsonBCarchery@gmail.com)

Greg Seidelin

### Nelson and District Rod and Gun Club Facebook Page

Thank you to Jack Berry for taking on the role as the administrator of our club's Facebook page.

Annette Smith

## **RANGES AND CLOSURES**

### **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 Green

## **FEBRUARY CLUB CALENDAR**
































### **Indoor Gun Range Info Page:**

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

### **Archery and Indoor Gun Range Calendar:**

Please, remember to check the indoor range calendars.

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

Sunday 29	Monday 30	Tuesday 31	Wednesday 1	Thursday 2	Friday 3	Saturday 4
 <b>Indoor</b> 09:00 – 11:00  <b>Gaming</b> 15:00 – 22:00		 <b>Target</b> 17:15 – 19:00  18:30	 <b>Indoor</b> 17:15 – 19:00	 <b>Ladie's Shooting</b> 18:00	 <b>Gaming</b> 17:30 Phyrexia new release	
Sunday 5	Monday 6	Tuesday 7	Wednesday 8	Thursday 9	Friday 10	Saturday 11
 <b>Indoor</b> 09:00 – 11:00  <b>Gaming</b> 13:00 Warhammer		 <b>Target</b> 17:15 – 19:00	 <b>Indoor</b> 17:15 – 19:00	 <b>Ladie's Shooting</b> 18:00	 <b>Gaming</b> 16:00 – 23:00	
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