



NELSON DISTRICT ROD & GUN CLUB

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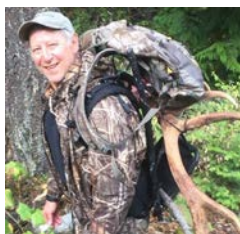
Indoor Range & Clubhouse: 801 Railway St, Nelson BC

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

Website: www.nrgcbc.ca

Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/NelsonDistrictRodAndGunClub/?ref=br_rs

April 2023 Newsletter



President's
Message
Howie Grant

WILD GAME BANQUET

WOW...WOW...WOW... If you didn't attend our annual wild game banquet you missed one of the best meals, you could ever imagine. Our VP Jordan Braun and Dana Sittler managed a team of hard-working volunteers to put together an amazing spread of fish, bison, moose, cougar, elk, and deer. The presentation and flavours were remarkable.

A big thank you to the many volunteers that worked tirelessly before, during and after the banquet to source all the silent and live auction items along with door prizes. They also assisted with the set up and take down of the hall. Without this team of volunteers, there would be no banquet.

I want to take this time to thank you, our membership, for attending and supporting this event. The MC, Reg Clarkson was simply super and made it a fun night for everyone as he worked his way thru the silent and live auctions and made sure everyone was included.

Of course, we wouldn't be able to have the event without the support of the many businesses in Nelson and area who donated an exceptional number of prizes. I am very pleased to see the Club being received in such a positive light by this community. We certainly have a lot to be thankful for.

Next page top photo: Glen McKen receives the President Award from Howie; bottom photo: Howie Grant receives the Conservation Award from Warren Russel and Richard Green.



SHEEP FEEDING PROGRAM

The sheep feeding program was a huge success this winter. We had a few more animals than last year including 3 mature rams that showed up for the first time. We were able to raise awareness of the program with our fundraising efforts as well as a bit of local advertising.

We had students from several elementary schools and Selkirk College for a tour of the site as well as a contingent of Nelson Rotarians.

I want to recognize and thank the handful of volunteers who drove many an icy road this winter to ensure the sheep received their feed. Also, many thanks to West Kootenay Wild Game Association who partner with us in the program and to the Salmo ATV Club for their assistance every fall with the hay lift.

MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

Make sure you put the following dates on your calendar for the next 2 Membership Meetings:

Saturday May 13, 2023, 10:00 am at Mickey McEwen Hall.

Calvin Hacking is hoping to arrange activities after this meeting so look for his submission in this newsletter.

Saturday July 15, 2023, 10:00 am at the Outdoor Range.

Howie Grant
President
NDRGC

CLUB TALK #2

A Nelson Daily News article from October 5th, 1954, reported that Club President Fred Whiteley announced that the club was switching back to its original name.

"The Nelson Fish and Wildlife Protective Association" would once again be called "The Nelson Rod & Gun Club". The news article does not mention when the name "Nelson Wildlife Protective Association" was first adopted by the club.

Marvin Paisner

ARCHERY

On behalf of the archers from the Nelson Rod and Gun Club, I would like to thank Uli Lehnert of Heron Mark custom bows. Uli donated a beautiful 3 piece take down Hybrid Longbow, with 50 pounds at 28 inches, this is a perfect hunting bow. Uli is a skilled archer, bowyer, and a long-time member of the NDRGC. I shot with Uli a few years ago at our indoor range and instantly noticed his bow; a beautiful, silent piece of functional art. We will be selling the bow at the Gun and Antique show April 1st and 2nd at the Mickey McEwen Memorial Hall. The Bow will be at the Archery table, available to members to sell archery equipment, come say hi. All proceeds will be donated to the Archery group to invest in new range equipment. Thank you Uli!



3 piece Take down hybrid Longbow
50# draw @ 28", 64" length
Riser :
Zebrawood and Paduak, with Paduak and Maple
Burl overlays
Limb mount laminate is Purpleheart
Grip is medium wrist
Sight window cut 1/8" past center, with radiused
shelf
Limbs:
Shallow reflex/deflex form
Back is clear glass over Wenge and Yew laminate
Core laminates are maple and bamboo
Belly is black glass
Tip overlays are black and white phenolic under a
riser matching
Limb butt overlay is Maple Burl

Included is 12 strand High Speed string, cat
whisker silencers, single nock point
Arrow rest installed
The bow has a very smooth draw, quiet, and very
fast!

I look forward to outdoor season with this great group of archers. Plenty of fun 3D shoots coming up all over the province, here is a short list of the closer ones: Creston April 2, Kamloops April 15-16, Cranbrook April 23 – 24, Trail April 29-30, Cranbrook May 28 – 29, Nelson June 3 – 4, Kamloops Provincials June 17-18, Cranbrook Nationals August 4-7; with so many more in the province. Competing, especially 3D is a great way to gain confidence in your shot for hunting season. We are currently looking for volunteers to help out with our club 3D shoot on June 3 - 4, please email jordanxbraun@gmail.com if you can help before, during or after the shoot.

The Archery Canada Indoor Mailmatch is coming to an end. The Archery Canada Outdoor Mailmatch will be from June 1st to September 30th. The Outdoor Mailmatch is shot at 50 metres, we shoot a 720 round or 12 ends of 6 arrows. For more info or to register <https://archerycanada.ca/national-competitions/outdoor-mailmatch/>

Target and Fields, Archery Canada Nationals will be in Victoria, August 8 - 13, and BC Archery Provincials will be in Oliver, September 1 – 3.

I am sending you this newsletter early, as I will be having surgery at the end of this month and won't be shooting for a few weeks. Unfortunately, March 26th will be the last Sunday shoot until late April.

Greg Seidelin



2 Day Spring Archery shoot

Date: April 29th & 30th 2023

Location: Casino Range

3-15 Target Courses

Saturday April 29th- 8am-5pm shoot all 3 courses

Sunday April 30th- 8am-5pm shot 2 courses

(SCORE CARDS MUST BE IN BY 3PM)

SHOOT FEES: Adults: 2 Day \$40 / 1 Day \$20 (18+)
Youth: 2 Day \$20 / 1 Day \$10 (13-17yrs)
Cubs and Mini cubs FREE (12 yrs>)
Family: 2 Day \$80 / 1 Day \$40
Mulligans- \$2 each or 3 for \$5
Extreme Shooters (15 Targets) \$15

**-Concession on site
-Raffle and Door prizes**

For more info WestKootenayarchers@gmail.com

Follow on Facebook for more updates.

KOOTENAY HERITAGE .303 MATCH

The Kootenay Heritage .303 Match was last held at our Barrett Creek Range in 2019. The club would like to revive this event for late August or early September of this year and is looking for volunteers to organize this historic match.

Please contact Marvin Paisner at 250-229-5710 if you would like to be involved.



A Kootenay History Event
**KOOTENAY HERITAGE
303 BRITISH RIFLE MATCH**
sponsored by the Nelson District Rod and Gun Club



*Compete for the historical
cups and trophies from the
1900 to 1914 era of the Kootenay Region*

See and shoot for such treasures as the Annable Trophy, the Home Loan Trophy, the CPR Cup and the Partington Challenge Cup. As well there is the prestigious City of Nelson Challenge Shield for the team match.

Or try the Mad Minute...that's 15 rounds in a minute at 200 yards!

The match is open to all shooters. Ranges to be one, two and three hundred yards. All prone shooting: restricted bench shooting considered. At Barrett Creek Range of the Nelson Rod & Gun Club. The range is 20 km south of Nelson towards Salmo on Porto Rico Road. Public Welcome.

Marvin Paisner

MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Our next Membership meeting will be held on Saturday, May 13, 2023, at 10:00 am in McEwen Hall. Immediately following the meeting, we are planning to have an Open House for the following events:

- The Archery Range will be open for members wishing to shoot a bow
- The Firearms Range will be open for members wishing to shoot a .22 Caliber handgun or rifle
- There will be a fly tying demonstration
- There will be a Social Gaming display with demonstration games and an opportunity to play

** Check the next Newsletter for conformation and a complete list of all events scheduled

Calvin Haking

SOCIAL GAMING

Schedule for the month of April Events calender as follows:

Sunday, April 2nd, No Gaming

Friday, April 7th, Prized Commander Magic

Sunday, April 9th, Warhammer 40k Play Day

Friday, April 14th, Modern Magic

Sunday, April 16th, X-Wing Play/Demo Day

Friday, April 21st, Sealed March of Machine Magic

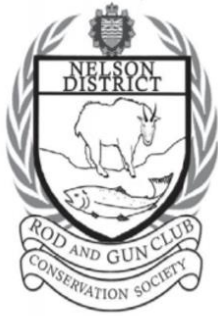
Sunday, April 23, No Gaming

Friday, April 28th, Pauper Magic

Sunday, April 30th, D&D Introduction, downstairs

Check out our "Nelson Social Gaming" page on FaceBook or e-mail calvin.hacking@gmail.com for more information

Calvin Haking



WEST KOOTENAY

Gun and Antique Show

Buy Sell and Trade

Hunting, Fishing, Shooting and Collectables
COME FIND A GREAT DEAL!

April 1st & April 2nd

Admission \$5.00

Children 12 and under are free (Must be accompanied by an adult)

Saturday April 1st 9:00am - 5:00pm

Sunday April 2nd 9:00am - 3:00pm

MICKEY McEWEN MEMORIAL HALL

801 Railway St., Nelson B.C.

For more information contact Dave @ (250)-505-6007

Email: ndrgcgunshow@gmail.com

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 April 22 + 23, 2023.

The Conservation and Outdoor Recreation Education (CORE) two-day course includes practical firearm 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 costs \$160 per student. The CORE course is scheduled for April 29/30, 2023.

These will be the last PAL and CORE courses before Limited Entry Hunting draws close for this hunting season and the last courses offered until September (after the fall hunting season starts).

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 a 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; 250-265-8323 (cell), 250-265-9911 (home), email-dbozconsulting@gmail.com

Alan Bond

NEWSLETTER

Please submit your May submission or any suggestions for the letter by Wednesday April 26th at NelsonBCarchery@gmail.com

Do you have a neat fact or history about our Club? Submit it for our new Club Talk section on page 3 of this newsletter.

Greg Seidelin



Pacific Partners Boating Bulletin

Locations for Returning Expired Flares in BC

(See attached PDF list for Locations)

Properly disposing of expired flares is a large and growing problem for many recreational boaters in Canada. There are laws that require distributors to take expired flares back from the public, but most retailers are not included as distributors.

Please find the attached PDF document that lists some locations in British Columbia for returning expired flares.

Canadian Power Sail Squadron also conducts flare disposal days and education events in BC. The events can be found on the [CPS website - CPS | Safety Equipment and Flare Disposal Days - CPS \(cps-ecp.ca\)](#). These events collect all brands of flares from the boating public for no cost. Reach out to a local squadron to schedule an event in your area.



(Photo from Canadian Power Sail Squadron)

Distress Flares

When buying distress flares, look for a Transport Canada approval stamp or label. Remember that flares are only good for four years from the date of manufacture, which is stamped on every flare. Store your flares within reach and vertically in a cool, dry location (such as a watertight container) to keep them in good working condition. Always follow the manufacturer's recommendations for safe storage.

Tips on Using Flares

You may use flares only in an emergency when you believe there is a chance of it being seen. Fire aerial flares at an angle into the wind. In strong wind, lower the angle to 45 degrees, at most. Always read the manufacturer's instructions before you use flares.

Invasive Species Council of BC



Calling All Boaters!

At the [Invasive Species Council of BC](#), our goal is to protect biodiversity by collaborating with the people who live and work in British Columbia to address invasive species issues. Boats and other watercraft, including kayaks and canoes, easily and frequently carry invasive species from one body of water to another. As boaters, you play a critical role in protecting BC's aquatic ecosystems from the impacts of invasive species. Join us in protecting and conserving BC's oceans, lakes, and rivers!

Help stop the spread of invasive species by following the steps below:

- **CLEAN** – off all plants, animals, and mud from your boat and gear
- **DRAIN** – all water from your boat and gear onto land
- **DRY** – all parts of your boat and gear completely

Are you looking forward to spending time on your favourite lake this year? Check out our free courses below to make sure that you know how to spot invasive species and stop their spread:

- [Invasive-Wise Marinas](#)
- [Invasive-Wise Anglers](#)
- [Priority Freshwater Invasive Species](#)
- [Priority Marine Invasive Species](#)
- [Tourism and Invasive Species](#) (*You can even get certified if you run a tourism business!*)

Do you run a marina or boat launch, or know of one that could use some signage? Become a Clean Drain Dry Partner and we will provide you with Clean Drain Dry signage free of charge. To learn more email cpatton@bcinvasives.ca.

Boaters, anglers and paddlers can all take action against invasive species by practicing Clean Drain Dry. ISCBC wishes you all a safe and invasive-free 2023 boating season!


Safe Boating Guide



Think you know boating?

Brush up your knowledge – Read the Safe Boating Guide

Pacific Office of Boating Safety
604-666-2681
pacobs@tc.gc.ca



Transport Canada / Transports Canada

TP 511E

SAFE BOATING GUIDE

Safety Tips and Requirements for Pleasure Craft

www.tc.gc.ca/boatingsafety

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RANGES AND CLOSURES

OUTDOOR RANGE

The outdoor range will be closed Monday May 8, 2023 from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm

The outdoor range padlock will be changed in spring 2023.

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

Richard Green

INDOOR GUN RANGE

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


















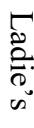
INDOOR ARCHERY RANGE

↪ Tuesday Wednesday 5:15pm to 7:00pm all ages and discipline with a maximum of 12 archers.

↪ Sunday cancelled until mid-May.

Come early if it is your first time or you require club equipment, you will have to sign waiver, get a safety briefing, and try club equipment.

The Indoor range calendar will no longer be used, please refer to the calendar on this newsletter.

Sat 1/ Sunday 2	Monday 3	Tuesday 4	Wednesday 5	Thursday 6	Friday 7	Saturday 8
GUN SHOW		 Indoor 17:15 – 19:00  Special Meeting 18:30	 Indoor 17:15 – 19:00	 Ladies' Shooting 18:00	 Gaming 17:00 – 22:00	
Sunday 9	Monday 10	Tuesday 11	Wednesday 12	Thursday 13	Friday 14	Saturday 15
 Gaming 16:00 – 21:00		 Indoor 17:15 – 19:00	 Indoor 17:15 – 19:00	 Ladies' Shooting 18:00		
Sunday 16	Monday 17	Tuesday 18	Wednesday 19	Thursday 20	Friday 21	Saturday 22
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Sunday 23	Monday 24	Tuesday 25	Wednesday 26	Thursday 27	Friday 28	Saturday 29
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 Gaming 16:00 – 21:00		 Indoor 17:15 – 19:00	 Indoor 17:15 – 19:00	 Ladies' Shooting 18:00		

Club Contact List

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Coordinator	Project mapleased	Ron Lee		