

NELSON DISTRICT ROD & GUN CLUB

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: <u>www.nrgcbc.ca</u>

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

August 2023 Newsletter



President's Message Howie Grant

LEGACY PROJECT:

The outdoor range Legacy Project continues to move forward. We are pleased to announce that the contract has been awarded to NDRGC member Ryan Coates of Coates Custom Carpentry. Ryan is a talented and well-respected contractor, and we are very excited to have him on board with us. We hope to begin construction in the fall.

The fundraising for this project is ongoing. I am encouraging all members to think about contributing and having their names on the Legacy Board which will be posted on the completed building. There are three donor levels to consider: Platinum: \$1,500.00 Gold: \$1,000.00 Silver: \$500

If you wish to donate, please contact Wally Penner 250-551-6699 or Howie Grant 250-551-1077.



2023 SHEEP HAY LIFT

The sheep hay lift for this year is Saturday October 14th, 2023. So, mark your calendars to come and help members of the NDRGC and WKBGA and the Salmo ATV Club put out sixty bales of hay and 3500 pounds of sheep pellets. Afterwards, there will be hot dogs and refreshments available. Call Howie if you have any questions.

OUTDOOR RANGE FIRE PROTECTION

A special thanks to Vic Learmonth who recently delivered three forty-five gallons barrels full of water to the outdoor range. They have been placed at the north end of the sea can along with several buckets to assist those with the fire watch after shooting. This is great timing considering the hot dry weather we have been experiencing these last few weeks. And remember, in case of a fire, call 1-800-663-5555 or *5555 on a cell.

When at the range, please be aware of the restrictions that have been imposed to assist in fire prevention. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to call me.



HUNTING BUDDY WANTED:

I had the pleasure the other day of meeting Cole Marshall, one of our newer and younger members of the NDRGC. Cole is ready for hunting season but is new to the challenge and is asking if someone in our membership can partner up with him. Cole's contact information is 250-777-2735.

Cole has lots of questions, so give him a call. You'll be glad you did.

Howie Grant President NDRGC

PAL, RPAL 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, or who 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 twelve people per instructor. Minimum age for PAL is twelve years old. These are one day courses, including testing time. The next scheduled courses are September 9th & 10th, 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 license. The minimum age is ten years old and the cost is \$160 per student. The CORE course is scheduled for September 16th & 17th, 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 twelve people 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 eighteen years old, and the 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) email-dbozconsulting@gmail.com

Wanted:

Boat trailer suitable for 12-foot boat.

Phone 250-352-5609 if you have one for sale.

SOCIAL GAMING

Rolling into the warmer months we always see a drop off in attendance, so we are going to our 'Summer Program' for June, July, and August. With that, on Tuesday or Wednesday of each week we'll post on the Face Book page "Nelson Social Gaming" if any Games/Events are being scheduled for Friday or Sunday of that week. Reply to the post if you are going to attend. If we don't get any responses, we'll cancel on the morning of Friday or Sunday. This stops us from planning poorly attended events due to camping or beach related factors. In

September we'll strike again with weekly planned events for both Magic and Tabletop play.

Stay cool out there, Gamers!

Calvin Haking

ARCHERY

I would like to congratulate David Kowalchuk for passing the Archery Canada Safety Officer course. If you practice archery at the NDRGC, you know David: always welcoming, eager to volunteer his time for the club, and happy to help fellow archers.

3D Canadian Nationals will be held in Cranbrook from August 4th to the 7th; followed by Outdoor Target and Field Nationals in Victoria, from August 8th to the 12th. https://archerychampionships.ca/event-information/

Typically, in 3D archery, we shoot two courses of twenty targets per day and repeat on day two. Scores accumulate over the weekend and the highest three totals in each division are the winners of their division. The format for 3D Nationals is slightly different than standard 3D shoots. This new format is in alignment with World Archery regulations, so Canadian archers can better prepare for international events. We shoot three qualifying rounds of twenty targets on three different courses, and the final round is shot in a field at five targets of unknown distance.



Scoring is the same for the qualifying round as it is for a shoot: one arrow per target and cumulative scoring. An arrow that breaks the line takes the highest value. In the final round, a bullseye scores fourteen points but a line breaker scores an eleven.

I look forward to writing about my experience shooting barebow in next month's newsletter.

Greg Seidelin

PROJECT MAPLESEED EVENT

On Saturday August 19th, 2023 the Nelson District Rod & Gun Club is once again hosting the Project Mapleseed rimfire rifle training event at our outdoor range.

There is still one opening left for the Project Mapleseed event. Information and registration can be found here:

https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/nelson-bc-project-mapleseed-22 lr-rimfire-eve-tickets-647046803407

Arrangements have been made so that the Mapleseed training session will go ahead as scheduled at the range even if the outdoor range is shut down due to wildfire risk.



NDR&GC Coordinator: Marv Paisner 250-229-5710

For Sale:

Utility trailer, good shape. Holds up to three ATVs. Asking \$200.00

250-505-5006

Pacific Partners Boating Bulletin

August 2023

ATTENTION BOATERS: FOLLOW SAFE BOATING PRACTICES DURING WILDFIRE SITUATIONS

• Stay away from water bomber planes

• Follow directions from your local authorities and emergency responders

- Obey waterway restrictions that are in effect
- Failure to comply could result in fines or convictions
- Before you head out, please check:

EMERGENCY INFO BC: <u>https://www.emergencyinfobc.gov.bc.ca</u>

BC WILDFIRE SERVICE: <u>https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/safety/wildfire-</u> <u>status</u>

Report wildfires to *5555 on a cell or 1 800 663-5555 toll-free

Boating Safety Contribution Program (BSCP)

The Boating Safety Contribution Program (BSCP) helps organizations promote boating safety or conduct research on the most effective ways to change boating behaviors in Canada.

The BSCP supports organizations that work to raise public awareness about boating safety; advance knowledge of boating

safety issues, practices and behaviours in Canada; and support regulatory compliance.

The BSCP funds projects that:

- increase the number of pleasure craft users following safe boating and navigation practices;
- improve access to national boating incident data that will improve stakeholder's capacity to deliver evidence-based awareness and education initiatives; and
- help reduce deaths, injuries and property damages due to boating accidents.

If you have any questions about this program, contact us by email.

Eligibility for funding

Eligible recipients include:

- not-for-profit non-governmental organizations (NGO)
- public Safety Organizations
- educational institutions
- enforcement services
 - proposals received from these applicants must clearly demonstrate that the project is not part of their regular law enforcement duties
 - $_{\circ}$ for more details, please contact us
- provincial, territorial and municipal governments
- Indigenous groups and communities

Contact us

Boating Safety Contribution Program (BSCP) Email: <u>bscp-pcsn@tc.gc.ca</u>

Lifejackets and Personal Flotation devices (PFD)

It is mandatory that boats have one Canadian-approved lifejacket or PFD of appropriate size for each person on board. It is strongly recommended that a lifejacket or PFD be worn at all times by everyone onboard, including children, particularly in smaller and open boats. Before heading out on the water, boaters should make sure their floatation devices are in good working order.

A lifejacket or PFD is the boaters most important piece of equipment and must be checked carefully and regularly during the season. For added safety, chose one that is a bright and visible colour and attach a pealess whistle.



Ready. Set. Wear it!

Fire Prevention Checklist for Boaters

Keep your boat fire-safe by using the following checklist:

Safety equipment

- Check the gauge on all fire extinguishers to ensure they are fully charged
- Shake the fire extinguisher to keep the powder inside loose and ready to use
- Install smoke and carbon monoxide alarms

Electrical

- Use marine-grade wiring and inspect your cords, plugs, and batteries for signs of wear
- Replace the voltage regulator on older outboard motors
- Know the capabilities of your batteries and install a gauge to make sure you do not over draw your power. Do not use a power strip
- Buy marine grade heaters and make sure they have a fail switch
- Never leave a heater on while you are asleep or away from the boat
- Ensure shore power cables are secured tightly and locked in place

Engine

- Check the cooling and exhaust systems
- Install an audible engine temperature alarm and observe temperature gauges
- Run the blower for a minimum of four minutes prior to ignition to dissipate any fumes that may have built up

Cooking and fuel burning appliances

- Only cook in a well-ventilated area if you are using fuel burning appliances
- Secure fuel tanks and portable appliances when not in use
- Do not leave the fuel burning appliances unattended when in use
- Follow the manufacturer's recommendations for use and installation

Fuelling

- Be sure all motors and electrical items are off during fueling
- Run blower after the fueling process
- Install gasoline vapor detectors

Other

- Check the bilge for any smells or leaks related to a build-up of propane or butane
- Clean the bilge and use oil absorbent pads
- Keep your boat clear of clutter, especially near exits

The Office of Boating Safety (OBS) helps boaters stay safe on the water and publishes the Safe Boating Guide.

OBS can help you with: Pleasure Craft Licensing, Pleasure Craft Operator Competency, knowing what safety equipment is required on board your vessel, and how to prepare yourself for a day on the water.

Contact OBS: Email: PACOBS@TC.GC.CA Phone: 604-666-2681 Visit the Transport Canada website for more information on pleasure craft regulations and requirements, including safety equipment, navigation and more: https://tc.canada.ca/en/marine-transportation/marine-safety/office-boating-safety











ATTENTION BOATERS / PLAISANCIERS

Follow safe boating practices during wildfire situations:

- Stay away from water bomber planes
- Follow directions from your local authorities and emergency responders
- Obey waterway restrictions that are in effect
- Failure to comply could result in fines or convictions
- Before you head out, please check:





BC WILDFIRE SERVICE <u>https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/safety/wildfire-status</u> Report wildfires to *5555 on a cell or 1 800 663-5555 toll-free





- · Restez à l'écart des avions bombardiers d'eau
- Suivez les directives des autorités et des intervenants d'urgence
- Respectez les restrictions de la voie navigable qui sont en vigueur
- Le non-respect des règles pourrait entraîner des amendes ou des condamnations
- Avant de partir, S.V.P. consultez :





BC WILDFIRE SERVICE

https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/safety/wildfire-status Signalez des feux de forêt en composant le *5555 sur votre cellulaire ou 1 800 663-5555 sans frais par téléphone





WHAT TO DO IF THERE'S A FIRE ON YOUR BOAT



Move to a safe location. **Call 911 or use your VHF radio on channel 16** to contact the Coast Guard. If you can, **use a fire extinguisher** and aim it at the base of the flames to control the fire. Sweep the discharge nozzle from side to side and for a few seconds after the flames are completely out.

immediately.





Keep your back to the exit and the fire in front of you - **do not let the fire block your escape**.

Make sure everyone is wearing

a lifejacket.

If you are underway and can't put the fire out, wear your lifejacket, issue a mayday call, activate an emergency

beacon if you have one, **use your** flares and abandon your boat.

If you are unable to put out the

fire with one extinguisher while

at a marina, leave your vessel





If the fire is engine-related **do not open the engine compartment**. Use the access port.

Always **know where you are** and be ready to describe your specific location.



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RANGES AND CLOSURES

OUTDOOR RANGE

Due to the threat of wildfire, the NDRGC is actively reducing the risk of ignition at their outdoor range. The range will remain open with the following restrictions in place:

NDRGC Club Policy 2017.10.03 - Outdoor Range Restrictions - Fire Season

These restrictions apply to all venues at the outdoor range (Archery, Trap and Rifle range)

- The use of steel jacket projectiles is prohibited.

 Smoking is restricted to areas with concrete floor or gravel only. No smoking downrange or over ground cover with organic material

- Shooting is now limited up to the 200-yard berm

Shooters will maintain a fire watch for 30 minutes after cessation of shooting

The outdoor firearms range will be closed all day Saturday August 19th, 2023, for the Project Mapleseed training session.

The outdoor firearms range will be closed 08:00 to 16:00 Wednesday October 4th and Monday October 16th 2023 for the Nelson Police Department.

INDOOR GUN RANGE

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

ARCHERY RANGE

- Tuesday and Wednesday 5:15pm to 7:00pm Indoor for all ages and disciplines with a maximum of twelve archers. 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.
- Sunday email me at <u>nelsonbcarchery@gmail.com</u>, time and place vary from week to week, usually early afternoon for two hours.
- Monday Outdoor Mailmatch 09:00am to 11:00am.

Sunday 30	Monday 31	Tuesday 1	Wednesday 2	Thursday 3	Friday 4	Saturday 5
Archery Gaming 16:00 – 21:00		Indoor 17:15 – 19:00 Board Meeting 18:30	✓Indoor 17:15 – 19:00	Ladie's Shooting 18:00	Gaming 17:00 – 22:00	
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Club Contact List

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Coordinator	Cottonwood Creek	Alan Thompson		

NEWSLETTER

Please submit your September submission, or any suggestions for the letter by Friday August 25th at <u>NelsonBCarchery@gmail.com</u>

Greg Seidelin