

## Victoria Fish and Game

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### **Notice of Annual General Meeting** Join your Board of Directors! 2020 Elections Coming this Month!

It's that time of the year again, time to plan for the election of your new Officers of the Board to be held on March 16th, 2020. The meeting will be at Strawberry Vale Community Hall, 11 High St. (off Burnside Rd. West), 7:00 pm.

The following is a list of positions up for election:

\* President

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- \* 1st Vice President
- \* 2nd Vice President
- \* Treasurer
- \* Secretary
- \* Membership Chair
- \* 6 Members-At-Large Positions (These positions are expected to take on a portfolio such as Fishing/Big Game, BCWF representative, Game Dinner Chairperson, Access, Juniors, Volunteer Coordinator, etc)

We are looking for members who are motivated to make good things happen, and are prepared to make the commitment to help manage our volunteer-run club. Contact the Nominations Committee chairperson, Dom Piluso at *pastpres@vfgpa.org* (Nominees will be expected to provide a biography to be published in the next newsletter).

### Just want to help, but don't want to be on the Board? We Want YOU even more!!

Do you want to help the club grow and develop? Would you like to make a positive contribution to the club? Below is a list of items we have identified in the Official Range Plan which are available to be completed by members. These items are easily accomplished if you have a bit of a handyman inside of you!

Contact Dom Piluso at *pastpres@vfgpa.org* if you want to help out. If you want to see the entire Official Range Plan including all of the things your board has been working on since 2013, it can be found here: *www.vfgpa.org/official-range-plan* 

\* RP Range - See through mesh or solid barriers to prevent semi automatic ammo being thrown into the

- person beside you.
- \* Enhance path to Range House from the Archery Range for washroom access in conjunction with knife and hawk trail
- \* MP Range Repair and expand deck and incorporate a ramp and railings for the clubhouse
- \* Clearing for expanded camping and parking north of Frog-Hollow Pond
- \* Build fencing along the road to the Multi-Purpose Range

\* Refurbish RP building

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\* Build fishing pier at Frog-Hollow Pond

--- more projects are in the range plan. .....



#### 2019 - 2020 Board of Directors

#### **Officers (Executive)**

President : 1st Vice President: 2nd Vice President Secretary: Treasurer: Membership Chair: Past President:

### Lisa Nichols Doug Bancroft vi Paul MacNeill <u>via</u> Ben Gudewill Dom Piluso Justin Sain Dom Piluso

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Member meetings are on **the 3rd Monday of each month** at **NEW TIME 7:00pm**. in the Strawberry Vale Hall at 11 High Street, off Burnside Road West. Justin/ Adam is at the meetings every month selling memberships, in case you don't have yours yet.

Club House and Ranges are located at 700 Holker Place off Malahat Drive - about 20 minutes North of Victoria on Highway 1 opposite Spectacle Lake turn-off.

#### Information Phone: (250) 743-3504

Recorded Range Scheduling Information—updated every morning

Web: www.vfgpa.org E-mail: inquiry@vfgpa.org Mail: PO Box 93, Victoria BC V8W 2M1

### Memberships available from:

**Victoria Fish and Game Range** 700 Holker Place, Malahat, B.C.

Membership Chair Justin Sain - <u>membership@vfgpa.org</u>

#### Annual 2020 Membership

\* Adult \$200 \* Family \$235 \*Students \$120 \* Senior \$100 \* Junior \$50

We have a new number for the information line: 250-743-3504

The existing *Firearms Marking Regulations* under the *Firearms Act*, scheduled to come into force on December 1, 2018, are being deferred until December 1, 2020

### The Vital Four ACTS of Firearm Safety

Assume every firearm is loaded Control the muzzle direction at all times Trigger finger must be kept off the trigger and out of the trigger guard See that the firearm is unloaded

### **PROVE** it safe.

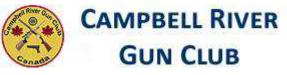
Point the firearm in the safest available direction Remove all ammunition Observe the chamber Verify the feeding path Examine the bore each time you pick up a firearm

### **IMPORTANT NOTICE**

WARNING- DO NOT throw anything into the pond for any reason. It floats down to the overflow tubes and can plug them up !! (last time \$10,000. to fix the M/P road when the pond overflowed.)

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*	<b>NOTICE TO MEMBERS: CANNABIS IS NOW LEGAL!</b>	*
*	( as if you might have missed that little detail in the new Canadian Society )	*
*	The new rules in Canada that now allow legal use of Cannabis have prompted your Board of Directors	*
*	to update a couple of our Range Rules to ensure that 'common sense' will still be prevalent on our	*
*	ranges.	*
*	The Property Use Policy; Under 'General'; has been updated to the following;	*
*	14. Absolutely no consumption of alcohol or cannabis on any shooting or archery range. Anyone that	*
*	appears to be impaired, for any reason, while using the ranges, will be asked to leave the property.	*
*	Also, Under 'General Range Rules - Number 14; has been updated to the following;	*
*	Rule # 14 – The consumption of alcohol or cannabis is <b>NOT</b> permitted on an active range.	*
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*	"Your Board of Directors is working on a policy for Cannabis use while camping on the property. Expect an updated policy soon!	*
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### https://riflematch.com/

Saturday and Sunday March 28 and 29 2020 at the Campbell River Gun Club 600 yard range starting at 09:00

Paper, Steel and Electronic targets from 100 yards to 600 Yards

### Sporting rifle Light and Heavy and Open class scoring

Space is limited to the first 24 registrations so please see the website to register or call, text or email for further information. prmshootervi@gmail.com (Preferred)



### We are still looking for a few volunteers for this match. We could use the following:

### **Shooting Volunteers:**

shooting 3 Squad Leaders. (There will be 3 squads or teams and each will need a person to keep the timing and

understand the targets.)

### Non Shooting Volunteers:

1 person to keep track of scoring on a computer, (I will supply the computer) 1 person to operate the Electronic target (It is pretty easy and I will help) and one photographer. Text or call Frank @ 250 951 6780



# GIVE IT A SHOT

Your club is run by volunteers. Give a little back by becoming a Range Safety Officer!

> Two-day course on March 28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup> 8am-5pm

For questions, contact: David Michaud, Chief RSO crso@vfgpa.org



NEWS FLASH: WHISTLIN" WILL WINS IT ALL.



By Gary K. Kangas Whistlin' Will from Courtenay wins every category at one of the two most prestigious Cowboy Action Shooting Matches in the world. Phoenix, Arizona, Ben Avery Range February 2020. Will Gee, quiet unassuming 18year old, member of the Courtney Fish & Game competed in a 12 stage main match at Winter Range firing 280plus rounds in the fastest time to win Top Gun, Will also won speed rifle, speed pistol and speed shotgun plus the one on one competition. This athletic feat was accomplished by firing a minimum of 24 rounds from 2 revolvers, 1 rifle and 1 shotgun while moving across 3 sets of targets in an average of 17.42 seconds without missing any targets. We congratulate Will on his grand accomplishments competing with just under 700 world class participants and "WINNING IT ALL". A short note that Members are encouraged to sign the e-petition to save Craigflower Creek through this link. https://www.victoriabowmen.com/2020/02/10/petition-save-craigflower-creek/ **Online Membership Renewals** If you have been a member with us in 2018 or 2019, you are already in our online system! Go to https://members.vfgpa.org/otp/ and enter your email to have a login-link sent to you. Click the Renew Membership button on the right. Verify your information is correct, and select your desired membership type. We can also now mail your card to you! Click the "send card by post" box. Click the payment button and enter your payment information into PayPal. If you do not have a PayPal account, you can enter your information normally by clicking the "Pay with credit card" button. If you need any assistance renewing your membership, or have any questions, please email Adam at admincoor@vfgpa.org **New Members Registration** If you have not been a member of the range in the past two years, you can register at our range office or online at https://members.vfgpa.org/signup/

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### **CAMBELL RIVER PRECISION RIFLE MATCH**

Hi, We are hosting a precision rifle match at the Campbell River Gun Club on March 28 and 29 and would like to invite your members to register at <u>https://riflematch.com/</u> Poster on page 4

## Not everyone has a Dorothy to tackle oil spills

The Gorge Waterway has native oysters, herring, salmon and birds, not to mention people. A co-

ordinated response among jurisdictions to oil streaming out of Gorge Creek for about a week only happened on Friday, largely because of the efforts of one particularly tenacious community advocate — otherwise Esquimalt would still be battling the problem on its own with insufficient crew and resources.

The initial official story, completely implausible but promoted by those in charge of response, was that the spill came from a derelict vessel over a mile away downstream. Subsequent work by Esquimalt failed to find the source of the oil, and failed to contain the spill to the creek.

A week-long telephone campaign by Dorothy Chambers finally brought the Western Canada Spill Response and a professional spill-containment contractor to the job.

We are told that we are in a centre for oil-spill-response expertise in Victoria, with fancy boats hanging around to promote the safety of oil shipments.

This is not the first spill in our area, but it seems like the same story every time.

What does it take to learn from these events and mobilize collaborative effort in a more timely fashion? What happens in the areas where there is no Dorothy?

Sounds like we still need a whole lot more collaborative effort and professional responsibility in case Dorothy takes a holiday.

Joachim Carolsfeld,

Executive Director, World Fisheries Trust, Victoria.

\*\*\* This letter appeared in the Victoria Times-Colonist on January 30, 2020.

Submitted by Wayne Z.

**SIAS Report** 

We kicked off our season on March 1<sup>st</sup> with our first match and we smashed our previous attendance record of 60 shooters! We had 80 competitors from all over the island, and even some from the mainland, come out to "knock the rust off", everyone was eager to get out and shoot after a long winter hiatus! The weather was...inclement, as it often is at this time of the year! Rather than our usual 7 Stages we decided to give people some extra trigger time by increasing it to 8 for this match. A number of the Stages were by first time designers, members who want to increase their knowledge of our sport beyond just competing. To encourage them and others who want to try their hand at designing, Ji, one of our members, has offered to put on an "Introduction to Sketch Up", the software program that is used, on March 14<sup>th</sup>.

A huge thanks goes out to Jay Y who stepped up to be our first Match Director of the season, Dom P who acted as our CRO, Zach J and Andrew B who took care of stats, our Stage designers and the many volunteers who came out on Saturday to set up all of the props, as well as all of those who stuck around to tear them all down again.

Submitted by Cheryl.

### HOUSE KEEPING

Hello Members, a few house keeping items:

### ALL NEW MEMBERS MUST TAKE THE ORIENTATION COURSE BEFORE THEY ARE ALLOWED TO USE THE CLUBS RANGES.

### **EVERYONE NEEDS TO SIGN IN WHEN AT THE RANGE!!**

### You cannot sign in anyone (for Free) on your Memberships. (if you don't have a Membership Card you have to have a Day-Pass displayed on you)

Sweeping your brass/steel/empty hulls off the concrete and/or leaving them on the ground is <u>not acceptable.</u> Please clean up after yourself. We have a lot of range users that do not know the rules (Day-Pass Users or New Members that haven't taken the mandatory "Orientation Course") please educate anyone not cleaning up after themselves. Extra buckets have been put at each range, these are not garbage buckets they are to be used for Brass Cartridges (recycle) on the R/P and M/P Range, shotgun shells on the S/G Range. All garbage (paper, plastic, cardboard) goes into the garbage cans.

Please print your Name/Member Number when you sign in, we **NEED** to be able to read what you **Write / Print**. YOU MUST INITIAL THE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT THAT YOU KNOW THE RULES OF THE CLUB

If **4:45pm** is Closing Time the last shot is **4:15pm**, you have 1/2 hr. to clean up and be past the main gate before it is locked. You need to be on the other side of the main gate by **4:45pm**. Range staff have already worked their 8 hours and would like to go home and see their families.

### CLOSING TIMES VFGPA 2020 (gate locked)

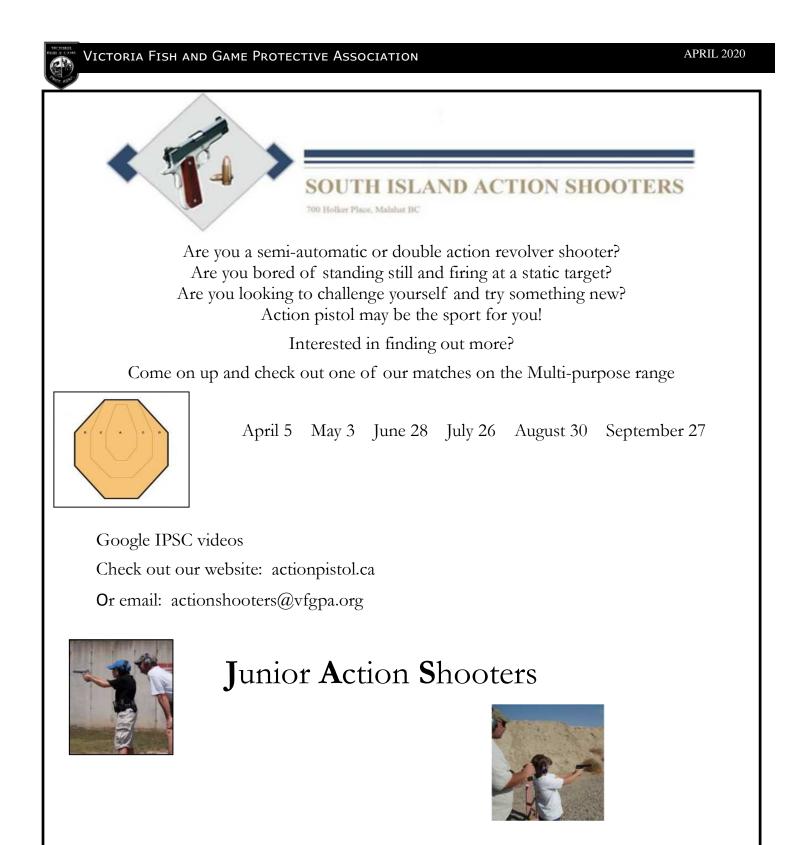
Mar 01-09	6:15pm
Mar 10-15	7:15pm
March 16-31	7:45pm
April 01- Sept 15	8:00pm
Sept 16-30	7:30pm
Oct 01- 15	7:00pm
Oct 16-31	6:30pm
Nov 01-03 (Last D	ay Daylight S) 6:00pm
Nov 4-15	4:45pm
Nov 16-30	4:30pm
Dec 01- 31	4:30pm

### Wish to Place an Ad?

Copyright© 2008 Victoria Fish and Game Protective Association Business Card: \$10.00 per issue, or \$100.00 for 12 issues Quarter Page: \$15.00 per issue, or \$120.00 for 12 issues Half Page: \$25.00 per issue, \$200.00 for 12 issues Full Page: \$50.00 per issue, or \$500.00 for 12 issues

#### **Classified and For Sale Ads**

Members - FREE classified ads, but for Commercial ads please see the above For more information or to purchase ad space please contact Jodi at: vfgpanewsletter@telus.net



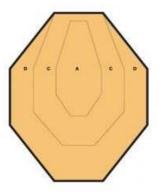
Is there a Junior in your life between the ages of 11 and 16 years of age who might be interested in coming out and shooting Action Pistol but isn't ready to shoot 9mm?

The South Island Action Shooters is offering a Junior Action Shooters course that will teach safe gun handling, holstering and how to safely move through a course of fire using 22 rimfire pistols.

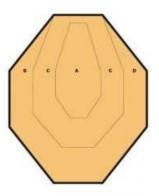
A parent or guardian must be present during the training course which will be approximately 5 hours and be required to provide a rimfire pistol for the Junior to train with. They will also need at least 2 magazines a sturdy belt, a holster and 2 magazine pouches.

Please email sias@vfgpa.org for more information or to register your Junior.

### SOUTH ISLAND ACTION SHOOTERS (SIAS) RANGE SAFETY COURSE







2020 SUNDAY MARCH 29 SATURDAY APRIL 25 SUNDAY JUNE 14 SATURDAY JULY 18 SUNDAY AUGUST 16 SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 13

### SIGN UP AT THE OFFICE

IF YOU HAVE HANDGUN EXPERIENCE, ARE HOLSTER TRAINED AND ARE LOOKING TO DO SOMETHING OTHER THAN SHOOTING AT A STATIC TARGET, ACTION PISTOL MIGHT BE THE SPORT FOR YOU

### QUESTIONS?

CHECK THE VFGPA WEBSITE AND EMAIL Actionshooters@vfgpa.org

# Malahat Marauders Easter Rendezvous

### April 10, 11 and 12, 2020

Location:

Victoria Fish and Game Protective Association, at 700 Holker Pl.

### Schedule of Events\*

Thursday, April 9 Camping opens

### Friday, April 10

8am	Registration
8:45am	Shooters Meeting
9am to noon	Trail Walk
9am to 4pm	Hawk and Knife Trail
9am to 3pm	Pistol and Rifle
4 pm	Hawk and Knife at Frog Hollow (new event)

### Saturday, April 11

9am to 3pmHawk and Knife Trail10amSilhouette @ Rifle/Pistol Range1pmFort Shoot4pmHydro Shoot9am to 3pmPistol and Rifle6 pm to ?Potluck

### Sunday, April 12

10am to noon Shotgun 12 noon End of rendezvous

\*Times and events subject to change.

### Potluck dinner on Saturday night.

Contact Donna (email: <u>dl.sainsbury@shaw.ca</u>) to let us know what you are bringing.

### Costs

\$25 per shooter\$15 per extra family member/shooter\$10 for Juniors.Cubs are free.

For more information contact; Steve Southin 250-213-2584 (email: ssouthin@shaw.ca)



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FOLKS:
The following statement relates to a petition brought forward today by MP Glen Motz of Alberta. It is with respect to the Trudeau governments intent to ban a variety of firearms, property of 2.2 million, daily vetted, government licensed, law abiding citizens of Canada. This is most likely the last time we may be able to sway Ottawa into re-thinking their plan to seize private property from law abiding Canadians. It reads as follows
Whereas:
<ul> <li>The Government of Canada has expressed its intention to ban, what it refers to as "military-style assault rifles", through an Order in Council;</li> <li>Public Safety Canada's information notes this is not a legal definition in Canada;</li> <li>The use of an Order in Council is an egregious overreach of executive authorities, bypassing the democratic process of the House and the elected representatives of Canadians;</li> <li>This executive order would strip law-abiding Canadians it has approved through the RCMP Canada Firearms Program, of their legally purchased property;</li> <li>The use of an Order in Council ignores the Government's survey on firearms where "the majority of respondents did not support further limiting access to firearms &amp; assault-style firearms";</li> <li>The proposed buyback of legal, licenced firearms could cost the Canadian taxpayer over \$250,000,000 which could be better spent on initiatives that have an appreciable positive impact on public safety such as: deter youth from gangs, addiction treatment, mental health, strengthened border security, and increase police anti-gang capacities;</li> <li>An Order in Council ban on "military-style assault rifles" would fail to take firearms away from criminals; and A ban would unfairly target Canadian firearms owners who are already among the most vetted in Canadian society.</li> <li>Possession and Acquisition License (PAL) and Restricted PAL (RPAL) holders are subject to daily screening and are statistically proven to be less likely to commit crimes than non-PAL &amp; non-RPAL holders.</li> </ul>
We, the undersigned, citizens of Canada, call upon the Government of Canada to put any new firearms laws, bans, buyback programs or changes to licencing before the House of Commons to be debated.
FOLLOWING IS THE LINK TO PETITION.
FOLLOWING IS THE LINK TO FEITHON.
https://petitions.ourcommons.ca/en/Petition/Details?Petition=e-2341
Instructions:
Once you've gone to the link
1. Go to the bottom of the screen and click on the "sign the petition box".
2. The next page is a form to fill out, 3 boxes to agree to,
3. Fill out the "scrambled word" to prove you're not a robot.
4. Hit the "sign" button and you'll receive an email within 5 minutes
to verify who you are.
5. Follow that emails instruction and you'll have signed the form.
FINALLYPLEASE SHARE THIS PETITION/EMAIL WITH OTHERS WHO YOU BELIEVE WILL SUPPORT IT.
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The course for 2020 will be held March 28/29 Sat./Sun. at VFGPA in the Club House 8am-5pm each day.

If interested send an e-mail to CRSO David Michaud <u>davidmichaud333@gmail.com</u>

### Do you fish?

If so, then you may wish to spend a few minutes taking part in Transport Canada assessment of social and economic impacts of regulations on you.

Transport Canada wishes to assess the economic and social impacts of some of their measures put in place to protect the Southern Resident Killer Whales (SRKW).
 <u>https://www.tc.gc.ca/en/campaigns/whales-initiative-protecting-southern-residen-killer-whale.html</u>

 A Transport Canada project introduction letter provides some background information. <u>https://gallery.mailchimp.com/e4accede0630e63f0a4aa747d/files/51c23ec4-6553-4381-b4aa-</u>\_7e8bdba4ba9b/TC\_Project\_Intro\_Letter\_West\_Coast.pdf

Transport Canada is now seeking feedback from marine stakeholders on how these protection measures may have affected them, their businesses and their communities.

The VFGPA is sharing this letter and survey link to you in case you would like to share your point of view by completing this online survey.

https://www.quicktapsurvey.com/survey/b00336a6b648409ffa94ef109ccb8156

Your participation will help ensure that the magnitude of impacts of the protection measures are communicated to enable informed recommendations to Transport Canada. The survey is completely anonymous and takes about five minutes to complete.

There may be opportunity to participate in more focused interviews, if you wish to explore economic and operational impacts further.

Thanks in advance for your consideration of this request.

Douglas Bancroft 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President VFGPA

### WOMEN'S PIONEER SKILLS WEEKEND

Port Alberni Fish & Game July 10th to 12th, 2020

### Registration

There is a registration limit of **60 Women** on a First Come - First Serve basis.

Registrations will not be accepted by phone or without payment.

**Register by mail only** - Deadline is when full.

(Westcoast Rangers, Port Alberni and click on the left for the Women's Pioneer Weekend)

### **Registration Fee**

Includes instruction in all 3 sessions, program materials, wine & cheese night, and camping throughout your stay.

Adult - \$60.00 (\$45 USD)

Junior (13-18) - \$50.00

Some workshops may require extra materials or extra fees payable to the instructor at the class. See "Workshops" page.

Please fill out a separate registration form for each person attending. However, you may combine payment into one cheque, if desired. Make cheques payable to ''West Coast Rangers''.

Mail form and payment to West Coast Rangers Box 1262 Port Alberni, B.C. V9Y 7M1

> Merchandise- for General Membership NOW AVAILABLE in the office.

Mugs \$25.00 Crest etched into Mug Hats \$20.00 Embroidered T Shirts \$16.00 XXL \$21.00 Screen Print Polo Shirts \$45.00 XXL \$48.00 Embroidered

### **TO MEMBERS**

One of our members is needing a Kidney Transplant. If you know of anyone or you can donate, please email Perry at pchow4570@shaw.ca for more info



### GORD FROST INSTRUCTOR/EXAMINER

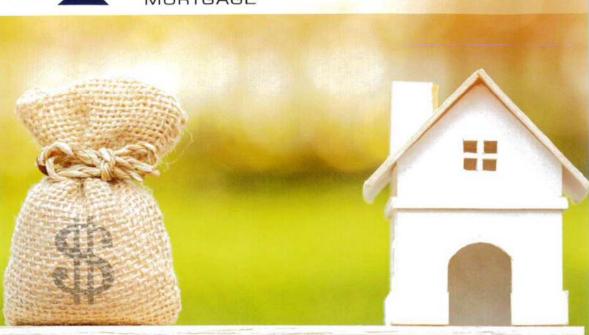
Canadian Firearms Safety Course Canadian Restricted Firearms Safety Course CORE Program Wilderness Authorization to Carry For Protection of Life Proof of Proficiency Exams Live Fire Exercises on Request

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### VICTORIA FISH AND GAME PROTECTIVE ASSOCIATION

Hurrah for Liberty is a new novel by Vancouver Island resident writer, avid Black powder shooter, hunter, magazine writer and history enthusiast Oran Brucks.

RAN BRUCKS

CRITISH SPEN WASHINGTO

Follow the exciting story of two brothers, the sons of a famed Pennsylvania gunsmith who embark on an epic journey down the Ohio River looking hoping to find some adventure and excitement. Adventure finds them and their idyllic trip becomes a deadly pursuit by ruthless enemies who are prepared to use any means to stop the brothers. Hurrah for Liberty is available at Amazon.ca and in distribution to book sellers worldwide.

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### **NEEDED**

We really need Members to Volunteer to present the Orientation Courses, Trap Access, Holster, And Handgun Essentials Courses. Not a huge commitment, as we present the Trap Access Program (about 40 min.). Trap is at 6 pm every Wed except during the winter. Orientation is every Wed at 7pm, all year long Plus the odd Sat/Sun during the month. We are doing the Holster Course and Handgun Essentials Course once a Month (usually on Sun.) but some Saturdays would be good as well. Very easy to do, training provided, just send me an e-mail

davidmichaud333@gmail.com



### 6th Annual Edwardian Shotgun Shoot - Sunday, July 5th

at the

### Victoria Fish & Game Protective Association

700 Holker Place, Malahat, BC

Shooters Meeting 9:45am, shooting starts at 10. This event is a celebration of the classic **Double barrel shotgun**, however, all shotguns are welcome. Edwardian or Victorian dress is recommended. Everyone is welcome, wear your shotgunner best in whatever era you choose!

Event is classic trap shooting. Certificates will be awarded for best smokeless shooter, black powder cartridge shooter, muzzle loader shooter, categories for both male & female, plus best dressed shotgunner any era, male and female, best dressed shotgunner Victorian/Edwardian era. Registration \$10.00 includes tea and lunch. Cost of shooting is \$6.00 per round of 25. Shoot as many rounds as you like. Bring your own ammo. Please pre-register as <u>it is important for us to know how many people</u> we need to buy food for at lunch.

To pre-register please contact Tom & Jodi Sturgill at (250)383-4622 or email jbrugge63@gmail.com Eye and ear protection is mandatory. Bring your family and friends to cheer you on. Make sure you pre-register them as well if they want to join us for lunch.

Best dressed guest certificates will also be awarded. Victoria Fish & Game Protective Association website <u>http://vfgpa.org</u>

CORE Course
The Victoria Fish and Game Protective Association (VFGPA) will be holding our next CORE on Saturday and Sunday, 25-26 July 2020, in the VFGPA Clubhouse, 9 am to 5 pm.
<ul> <li>The Victoria Fish and Game Protective Association (VFGPA) will be holding our next CORE on Saturday and Sunday, 25-26 July 2020, in the VFGPA Clubhouse, 9 am to 5 pm.</li> <li>At the end of Sunday, all students should have the documents they need to apply to the BCWF for their CORE certificate.</li> <li>To attend, you must register in advance. To register, please send an email <u>core@vfgpa.org</u></li> <li>The CORE course fee is \$150 (cash), payable at the door.</li> <li>Course size will be limited to 20 students.</li> <li>About the instructor:</li> <li>* B.C. Hunter Training/CORE instructor/examiner, since 1981.</li> <li>* Canadian Firearms/Restricted Firearms instructor/examiner, since the program's inception (instructor certification card #0007)</li> <li>* Active hunter since 1967 with bow, shotgun, and rifle, multiply successful for: deer (both), bear, moose, sheep (both), bison, predators, waterfowl, and upland birds</li> <li>* B.Ed, UVic, 1981</li> <li>* Current membership in B.C. College of Teachers, and a continuing member in good standing from that college's first day.</li> <li>* Teacher in rural schools, 1981-1997, outdoor education, and biology.</li> <li>* Commercial/coastal float pilot since 1990.</li> <li>* Industrial ambulance/medic, since 1997.</li> </ul>
To attend, you must register in advance. To register, please send an email <u>core@vfgpa.org</u>
The CORE course fee is \$150 (cash), payable at the door.
Course size will be limited to 20 students.
About the instructor:
<ul> <li>About the instructor:</li> <li>* B.C. Hunter Training/CORE instructor/examiner, since 1981.</li> <li>* Canadian Firearms/Restricted Firearms instructor/examiner, since the program's inception (instructor certification card # 0007)</li> <li>* Active hunter since 1967 with bow, shotgun, and rifle, multiply successful for: deer (both), bear, moose, sheep (both), bison, predators, waterfowl, and upland birds</li> <li>* B.Ed, UVic, 1981</li> <li>* Current membership in B.C. College of Teachers, and a continuing member in good standing from that college's first day.</li> <li>* Teacher in rural schools, 1981-1997, outdoor education, and biology.</li> <li>* Commercial/coastal float pilot since 1990.</li> <li>* Industrial ambulance/medic, since 1997.</li> </ul>
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Nurse (emerg, med/surg, O.R., rehab) 2001-2013.

### **IMPORTANT MESSAGE**

This is just a reminder that by law if you own a restricted firearm you must have a gun club membership (any gun club) or you may be subject to having your restricted firearms confiscated by the RCMP. Also make sure your PAL has not expired. As life gets busy we all know how easy it is to forget things. If you have firearms you want to dispose of, contact the club if you require assistance.

### BRASS PROGRAM

Brad Woollven will now collect, sort, and sell our club's recovered range brass. You can contact Brad at 250-727-9175 or by email at leonardwoollven@gmail.com regarding any calibres of reloadable brass that you might be looking for.

# Province taking steps to prevent deadly deer disease in B.C. ろくてんくてんくてんくてんくてんくてんくてんくてんくてんくてんくて

The Province is implementing a mandatory sampling program that requires hunters to submit the heads from deer harvested in wildlife management units 4-1, 4-2, 4-3, 4-4, 4-5, 4-6 and 4-7 in the Kootenay Region, after Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks discovered five animals with Chronic Wasting Disease 60 km south of the B.C. border.

The Province has been monitoring for the disease since 2002, targeting the Peace and East Kootenay Regions as high-risk areas for disease entry due to its presence in Alberta and Montana. No infected animals have been found in B.C so far, however, more sampling is needed to inform any additional response.

The provincial Wildlife Health Program is calling on all hunters, especially those in the Peace and East Kootenay, to bring deer, moose and elk heads to drop-off locations for testing. Starting September 1, 2019 and ending December 20, 2019, hunters will be required to submit the heads of mule deer and white-tailed deer harvested in specific wildlife management units along the southern BC border in the Kootenay Region.

Anyone encountering an animal exhibiting the symptoms of Chronic Wasting Disease (thin, drooling, poor coordination, stumbling) should report it to the provincial Wildlife Health Program at 250-751-3219 or the Report all Poachers and Polluters hotline at 1-877-952-7277.

For more information on Chronic Wasting Disease in B.C., and for drop-off locations and Instructions, visit: www.gov.bc.ca/chronicwastingdisease.ca

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SPORTING CLAY For any info contact Paul at (250) 710-5303 or email at paulhagel@hotmail.com



### VANCOUVER ISLAND SHOOTING LEAGUE

The Vancouver Island Shooting League (VISL) has both a trap division and a centerfire rifle division. Shoots are conducted on a regular basis with each participation club hosting. The trap division of VISL is part of the Pacific International Trap Shooting Association (PITA) further information can be found on the PITA webpage or contact Mike King email: trap@vfgpa.org In addition our club is a member of the British Columbia Trap Association (BCTA) information can be found on their webpage as well. The centerfire rifle division of VISL conducts regular 3 position shoots with each participating club hosting. This group has a Facebook page and the contact is Tammy Sanne: tammypo17@telus.net.

Regards Mike King **Trap Director** 

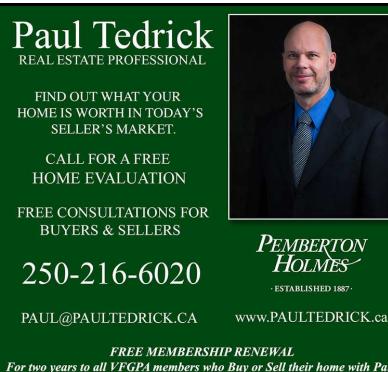




### Victoria Fish & Game Club Chronograph is now available for rental!

The club recently bought a basic Model F-1 Chrony which will be available for rental to our paid, card carrying club members. (We will not be renting the club chronograph to day pass users.) We will be charging a nominal fee of only \$10 for the use of the club's chronograph, which will be available to be signed out from the Caretaker's office. We will have a simple form to record the renting member's information and it will be the responsibility of the renter to return the chronograph to the office before they leave the range property. Since we suspect this will be a very popular club program I would suggest that you contact the office in advance to book your rental of the club Chrony by date, to ensure that someone else hasn't arranged to rent it on the same day. We now have a club camera tripod that can be used with the rental Chrony.

By Al Page



For two years to all VFGPA members who Buy or Sell their home with Paul. Happy Shooting Everyone!



AGM is on Monday, March 16th at 7pm. Hope to see you there.

**CALENDAR REMINDER** 

IF YOU WANT TO SEE THE CALENDAR, PLEASE CHECK OUR WEBSITE AT: <u>www.vfgpa.org</u> AND CLICK ON THE EVENT CALENDAR TAB. ALSO, BEFORE HEADING UP TO THE RANGE, PLEASE CALL THE WEEKLY RANGE CLOSURES AND EVENTS HOTLINE AT: 250-743-3504 TO SEE IF THERE ARE ANY CHANGES TO THE MOST RECENT VERSION OF THE EVENT CALENDAR POSTED ON THE WEBSITE.

We now have a new number for the information line: 250-743-3504

### **Reminder - Day Pass Fees for Non-Members**

Anyone who attends the range with a member needs to purchase a **\$20 Guest pass**. If a non-member is a current member with the BCWF, or an affiliated club (valid cards **must** be shown) they are eligible for a **\$20 Special day pass**. All non-club membership holders and are not attending with a member pay the **\$50 Day Pass**.

All range rules must be strictly followed. Non-Members must sign in with their Day-Pass number and keep and display the yellow copy of the day pass while using the range facilities. <u>Only one \$50.00 Day Pass can</u> <u>be used as a credit towards a membership purchased within 30 days and must be surrendered</u> <u>at time of purchase.</u>

### Salt Spring Island Rod and Gun Club

We continue to support our friends over on Salt Spring Island and they face challenging times. Please show your support by purchasing a membership at SSiRG or visiting their range.

### **Official Range Plan**

If you have any suggestions for major capital improvements to the range, please submit your ideas to info@vfgpa.org

Hello Members,

Just a reminder ALL targets MUST be placed below "the orange lines on the Rifle Pistol Range" this prevents the target holders from getting shot up. If you see someone not doing this please mention it to them (nicely).

> Thanks for the help. David M.



### 2020 CORE Hunting Safety Course Schedule



Instructors:

Robin Pike M.Sc., P.Ag., Certified CORE Examiner. Murray Kilshaw, Certified CORE Examiner, Certified CFSC instructor.

**Location:** Courses are held Saturday/Sundays from 8:20 to 4:30/5:00 p.m. Classes are hosted in the Westshore.

### 2020 Schedule:

Jan 18/19	Apr 18/19	Jul 25/26	Oct 17/18
Feb 22/23	May 23/24	Aug 22/23	Nov - Off Hunting!!
Mar 21/22	Jun 20/21	Sept 19/20	Dec 12/13

### **Course Content:**

### SATURDAY

- Principles of Conservation
- Hunting Ethics
- Hunting Laws and Regulations
- Firearm Safety
- Practical Firearms Examinations

### Additional Instruction:

- Use of the BC Hunting Synopsis
- Field dressing, Skinning and Butchering overview
- Knife selection
- How to make your game meat taste it's best
- Bullet selection for hunting
- Water wading safety

### SUNDAY

- Outdoor Safety and Survival
- First Aid
- BC Game Animal Identification
- BC GAME Birds Identification
- Written Exam
- Wilderness emergency communication
- How to approach a car accident
- How to make free topographic maps
- Dominate Eye identification
- Successful hunting strategies
- Archery and bow information

### Contact:

Robin Pike	250-812-4316	Robin.G.Pike@gmail.com
Murray Kilshaw	250-382-1029	Coreexaminer@shaw.ca

### TO ALL TRAP SHOOTERS

You can now shoot Trap at the same time as a Skeet Practice is taking place under some new strict conditions.

Please ask Staff to review the new conditions with you when you stop

by the office to sign out Trap Keys.

Trap Practices are held four times a month on Wednesdays and Sundays as marked on the club's calendar.

" If the skeet field is in use the onus is on the trap shooters to ask for a cease fire from the skeet shooters prior to proceeding downrange to your designated trap house also to tell them that you have returned to your firing line". Thank you for your cooperation

Mike King, Trap Director, VF&GPA

# Help your Club by Buying Local!!

# CO-OP PENINSULA

### Member # 9704

Victoria Fish & Game has a membership at Peninsula Co-Op; We are member #9704. We have been a member of Peninsula Co-Op (9704) for many years, and some of our older members have been using our number when making purchases at Co-Op as another way to benefit the club. If you buy gas or food at any of the local Co-Op branches, please consider using <u>our</u> number (9704) when asked for a member number. It is greatly appreciated and helps to move your club 'ahead' as well. In case you might have missed it, our member number is #9704. Thank-you for your support.

If you're retired Public Service,

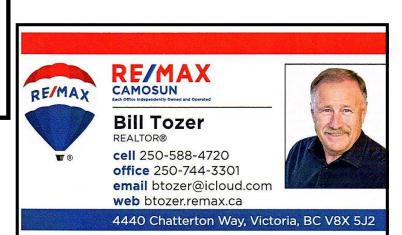
Military or RCMP and you don't

belong, you're missing out!

National Association of Federal Retirees



www.federalretirees.ca Email: service@federalretiree.ca Call toll-free: 1.855.304.4700



	Calendar of the Orientation Sessions				
	Wednesday Orientation is Wednesday at 7pm & on Sat/Sun 2pm				
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*** IM	<i>All in the Clubhouse</i> ***WE STRONGLY SUGGEST THAT YOU CHECK FOR A POSSIBLE CANCELLATION IMMEDIATELY BEFORE DRIVING UP TO THE RANGE TO ATTEND, PH. 250-743-3504 ***				
	YOU MUST DO THE ORIENTATION COURSE BEFORE YOU WILL BE ALLOWED TO USE THE RANGE. <u>Range Use Reminder to Shooters</u>				
	***A General Reminder that "The facility's gates are OPEN at 8:30AM; Check Times for closing on page 2 in the newsletter davidmichaud333@gmail.com <i>or 250-858-8342</i>				

<u>NEW</u> All firewood cutting on the property is now by permit only. Permit available at the office. David M.

Mgr.

### **SURVEY ON FISHING POND**

If you go fishing at the Club pond, please answer these questions and email to pchow4570@shaw.ca

**1**. How many times have you fished at the club property?

2. Are you fishing with a child or children, how many children?

**3**. How many fish are you keeping?





### **BULLSEYE SHOOTING AT VFGPA 2019**

VFGPA Weekly Bullseye Competition Shooting recently opened the 2019 season. We shoot on Wednesday morning at 09.00h. [Setup is 08.45] In addition to the match course of fire we share tips and practices all aimed at improving our marksmanship skills. Bullseye shooting will be of interest to pistol shooters who want to move from fun "Plinking" to Competitive ISSF Pistol shooting. This 22 cal. course of fire emphasizes accuracy as it requires disciplined hand/eye coordination when shooting a 7 inch Bullseye target zone and as with all ISSF pistol disciplines, all firing must be done with one hand, unsupported at 25 yards.

Dom and David (Thank you) have assigned MP Range 7 for us each Wednesday morning. We have several shooters who are steadily advancing their marksmanship skills and our goal in 2019 is to have a full line of competitive Bullseye shooters.



If Precision Competitive Shooting is of interest to you, Please contact:

Gary Byrne at (250)634-8215.

He can share additional details and answer any questions you may have.



### **Publisher's Note**

Deadline for each month is the Wednesday after the Executive meeting (the first Monday) of the month. **NEXT DEADLINE WILL BE ON WEDNESDAY, April 8th, 2020.** Note: Late submissions will be

published in the month following. Send all pictures with the event name, date and the names of people in the photo.

Please send all submissions to: vfgpanewsletter@telus.net Thank You,

Jodi Sturgill (250) 383-4622



### **IMPORTANT NOTICE TO ALL MEMBERS**

A reminder that all members of the Victoria Fish & Game are required to take our Free two hour Range Orientation Course every five years.

We are having a lot of changes & upgrades to the various ranges, and we do not want our members left behind with their knowledge of the range and its requirements.

New members are required to take the course before they are allowed to use any of our facilities. If you are an existing member, and have not already taken the

course, please look at our Website calendar and attend one of our sessions as soon as possible.

We require everyone to have their membership card, and an orientation card with them when attending the range .... so don't take a chance on being asked to leave

if you do not have a card!!

### Canadian Firearms Safety course; Non Restricted & Restricted PAL courses and challenges; Contact;

- David Michaud (250)888-5315 or davidmichaud333@gmail.com
- Dave Degrassi (250)474-3483 <u>davedegrassi@telus.net</u>
- Sue Bender (250) 721-0131 or safeshooting69@gmail.com
- Gordon Frost (778)676-7253 or email: gord@yarrowgunworks.com

### Conservation and Outdoor Recreation Education (CORE) course; Call;

- Robin Pike (250)812-4316 (5-9 pm) thepikes@shaw.ca or

- Murray Kilshaw (250)382-1029 (9-5pm) coreexaminer@shaw.ca

Gordon Frost (778)676-7253 or email: gord@yarrowgunworks.com

### MEMBERS LEARN TO USE THE TRAP MACHINES

The Executive is happy to announce the TRAP MACHINE ACCESS PROGRAM. This Course will allow you to sign out keys to access the token machines and our \$15,000 Trap Machines.

The Course is FREE to Members (ONLY). Successful completion OF THE COURSE gets your name on the "Authorized List" letting you sign out the keys and use the token box and Trap machine. (Tokens are available from the Manager/Caretaker for \$6.00 per round of 25 targets plus 1)

There will be a classroom portion as well as hands-on training. Course length is approx. 40 minutes. Check the Website calendar for specific dates."

### Trap Access is Wednesdays at 6pm, & on Sat/Sun 1pm <u>Next Course dates:</u>

MARCH	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
March 2nd	April 8th	May 2nd	June 6th
March 31st	April 19th	May 13th	June 10th
	April 22nd	May 17th	June 14th
	April 25th	May 27th	June 24th

If you have questions about the Program please the ask the Manager, David, Trap Director Mike or Relief Caretakers



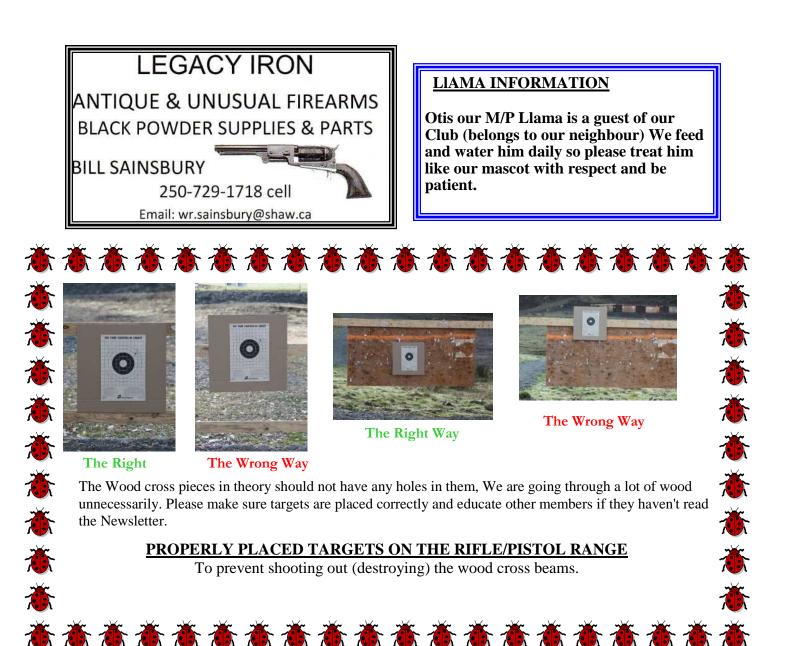
### Safety Tip

Each Range has a Perimeter Flag. If the Red Flag is in the UP position that is a indicator that the range is active. Even if their is a cease fire shooting can start at anytime.

It is a good idea to put your Hearing Protection on at the Perimeter Flag before you get to the active range. (Range Rules require that hearing and eye protection be worn on the Ranges.)

The Federal Licensing Course suggest you wear both in ear and outside ear protection, another option is the "Electronics Earmuffs" Good Christmas List need item. Once your hearing is damage it cannot be fixed and it does not repair itself.

David Michaud, CRSO





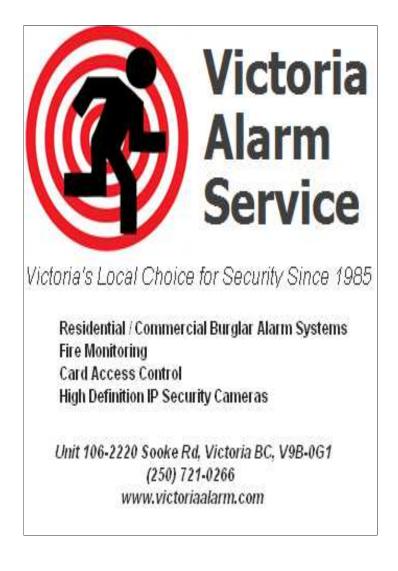
### **SKEET AND 5- STAND NOTICE**

Skeet practice is held on Tuesdays with shooting starting at 10am and now on some Sunday afternoons. For the Sunday practices please check our club website calendar. "Notice, as of the  $1^{st}$  of September 2019 the cost of both a round of Skeet and/or Trap is now \$6.00".

5-stand or sporting clays are held once a month and the dates and times are posted on our club website calendar. 5-stand is \$6.00 per round of 25 targets and Sporting Clays is \$30. per round of 100 targets.

For inquiries, call Paul at (250) 710-5303 paulhagel@hotmail.com

### FOR ANY NEW MEMBERS, FOR THE TURN AROUND COMING OUT OF THE RANGE, IT IS 1.6 KILOMETRES DOWN THE HIGHWAY, JUST FOR YOUR INFORMATION.





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### LIMITED ENTRY HUNTING (LEH) PROPOSED CHANGES

Changes to the Limited Entry Hunting (LEH) system were discussed at the Vancouver Island Region (BCWF) members meeting held in Victoria December 01.

Previous surveys have indicated that hunters are not satisfied with the current LEH system due to the low percentage odds of receiving an LEH authorization for heavily over-subscribed hunts. Hunters generally favour some form of enhanced odds system which continues each year to increase your odds of being drawn. In 2018 there were 160,659 LEH applications for 19,872 authorizations covering nine species. The number of CORE grads has more than doubled in the last 12 years compared to the previous 12 year period. Over 98,000 new hunters have graduated between 2007 and 2018 and over 46,000 between 1995 and 2006. In 2018 there were 105,837 hunting licences sold and 470,000 FWID (Fish & Wildlife Identification) numbers.

In the ten year period between 1997 and 2006, there were 171,003 individual hunt draws. However, more than 1 in 4 draws were not used (ie. hunter did not buy a species licence or tag). Even more disturbing, a total of 15,535 of those authorizations went to people who did not even buy a hunting licence.

To combat some of these problems, the Valley Fish & Game submitted resolutions to Vancouver Island (Region 1, BCWF) which passed unanimously at the meeting.

**MOTION #1:** Therefore be it resolved that the BCWF urge the provincial government to work with the BCWF's Allocations Committee to make changes to the current Limited Entry Hunting draw system. These changes may include a combination of any, or all, of the different systems in use throughout North America (ie. random, pool, priority or points).

Further be it resolved that the BCWF urge the provincial government to look at all other possibilities which will help minimize the number of unused tags (or authorizations) and maximize hunter opportunity, including, but not limited to: - requirements for purchasing a licence before applying for LEH draws - more shared hunt opportunities

**MOTION #2:** Therefore be it resolved that the BCWF and its Allocation Committee urge the provincial government to require all LEH applicants to have purchased a hunting licence for the current year prior to applying for a Limited Entry Hunting draw.

These resolutions will be submitted, with Region 1 support, to the BCWF Annual General Meeting for a vote during the first week of April in Nanaimo.

2020 MEMBERSHIPS ADULTS - \$200 (18 to 64 years of age ) FAMILY - \$235 (Parents & those children under 18 for whom they hold legal guardianship ) SENIORS -\$100 (age 65 & older ) STUDENTS - \$120 (18 years & older; must produce a current year student card with picture ID, or proof of current year enrolment when purchasing a membership.) JUNIORS - \$50 SPECIFIC MEMBERSHIP NUMBERS \*\* If you have asked to retain your specific membership number, it will be available from the Caretaker at the range \*\* Life memberships will be mailed to members

### NEW 7<sup>th</sup> EDITION BIG GAME RECORDS OF B.C.

The new 7<sup>th</sup> edition of the *Big Game Records of British Columbia* is now available at a cost of \$35. The 560 page hard cover book is published by the Wildlife Records Club of B.C. "This is the official records book for exceptional big game species native to British Columbia, based on the Boone and Crockett scoring system." The book lists more than 10,000 entries in 19 big game categories with over 1400 of these being new entries since the previous edition in 2010.

The book includes feature articles, many pictures and hunting stories related to several of the recent entries. "This is a book for all who have an interest in the outstanding diversity and abundance of big game in British Columbia." "The foundation for the Wildlife Records Club of British Columbia was originally conceived in Kamloops in 1967 with the objective of maintaining a perpetual record of trophy-class big game from British Columbia." Since 1982, operations of the Club have been based on Vancouver Island. The Club continues to qualify volunteer scorers located throughout the province. "Dedicated to wildlife conservation, selective hunting and fair chase, the Club invites the membership of individuals with similar ideals."

Copies of previous editions are available at the prices noted below (postage extra):

1 <sup>st</sup> edition (1970 - reprinted 2011) 3 <sup>rd</sup> edition (1988) 5 <sup>th</sup> edition (2003) 7 <sup>th</sup> edition (2017) e-mail: <u>wildliferecordsofbc@shaw.ca</u>	\$20	$2^{nd}$ edition (1983)	\$25
$3^{\rm rd}$ edition (1988)	\$15	4 <sup>th</sup> edition (1995)	\$20
$5^{\text{th}}$ edition (2003)	not av	ailable 6 <sup>th</sup> edition (2010)	\$30
$7^{\text{th}}$ edition (2017)	\$35	Website: www.wildliferecordsofbc.com	
e-mail: wildliferecordsofbc@shaw.ca	<u>1</u>		

### **NEW VANCOUVER ISLAND DEER BOOK**

Copies of the ninth edition (2016) of the Vancouver Island Columbian Blacktail Deer Records are available at a cost of \$10 each. The publication contains an excellent article written by Byron Mason on fifty years with the deer in the Nimpkish Valley. Byron relates the impact of wolf and cougar predation on deer population abundance and hence, hunting success. He also includes 45 years of deer count data from 1970 through 2015.

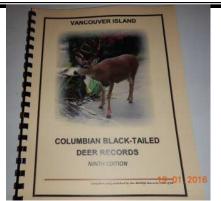
There is also an article on early cougar hunting where the provincial government paid a bounty of varying amounts on cougars taken between 1870 and 1958. The new edition contains numerous colour photographs of harvested deer as well as record heads and antlers.

Copies of the previous eighth edition (2010) are still available at a cost of \$5.00.

The current records list over 2160 entries scoring 100 or more Boone & Crockett points.

Of particular note is the re-scoring of the Norm Hammond buck from 1942. These antlers were the number two head in the previous eighth edition (2010) scoring 139 7/8.

Following a request from the current owner, it was panel scored in March 2015 and is now ranked as the number one Vancouver Island deer with a score of 143 5/8.





BC Transit has established a Working Group which will meet regularly to discuss issues surrounding the proposed HandyDART maintenance facility to be built adjacent to Craigflower Creek. The \$32.4 million facility will accommodate 110 buses with 390,000 trips per year. The Working Group has approximately 15 members and is chaired by a contracted facilitator. The first meeting was held February 19. Our interests are well represented by Doug Ferrier (sportfishing guide and local resident) and Bill Emile (Esquimalt Anglers' streamkeeper). Meeting minutes and other relevant material will be available on the project website located at <u>www.bctransit.com/viewroyal/handydart</u>

A Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) was recently created between View Royal and BC Transit to establish how the two agencies will work together to ensure the development and operations are consistent with View Royal's policies, bylaws and regulations. The MOU will also outline contributions BC Transit will make to the Town in terms of community amenities, permitting fees and development cost charges. It also outlines expectations related to public engagement and plan review by View Royal staff.

The Millstream Fishway Project, undertaken by Peninsula Streams Society, will proceed this summer. Removal of several trees to provide access will start later this month. Fishway construction will start in June and be completed by October. The new fishway will create 14 step pools leading up to the culvert. Twelve concrete baffles will be added within the culvert to aid fish movement. Total cost of the project exceeds \$800,000 with over \$675,000 raised to date. The Victoria Fish & Game Protective Association contributed \$7500 in 2018 by sponsoring one of the 14 steps. An additional donation of \$5000 is being considered which would "adopt 500 metres of habitat". Construction work is being done by Ralmax Group/Chew Excavating.

### 2019 BIG GAME ANNUAL REPORT

No Blacktail deer weigh in entries were received during the 2019 hunting season. Only one set of Blacktail antlers were submitted and measured. Six perpetual trophies are available for annual competition by VFGPA members for animals harvested on Vancouver Island (Region 1-1 through 1-13). The trophies are listed below:

- McIlwaine Van & Storage for largest deer taken by rifle (established 1955) no entry
- Victoria Fish & Game Antler for largest scoring antlers (established 1966) Lorenzo Sforza 102 2/8 pts.
- Robinson's Sporting Goods for largest deer taken by bow & arrow (established 1970) no entry
- Bob Hollingworth Memorial for largest buck deer taken by junior (established 1983) no entry
- Malahat Marauders for largest deer taken by muzzleloader (established 1990) no entry
- Victoria Fish & Game Bear for largest scoring Black bear skull (established 1998) no entry

Lorenzo Sforza will be presented with a keeper trophy for his Blacktail antlers taken with bow & arrow (L5R5 - 102 2/8 pts.) at the March 16, 2020 Annual General Meeting. His antlers have been entered into the Vancouver Island Columbian Blacktail Deer Records which require a minimum of 100 Boone & Crockett scoring points.

Submitted by Wayne Z.





## This column for sale items is provided to our members free of charge. VFGPA is not responsible for any items listed. PLEASE LET EDITOR JODI KNOW WHEN YOU SELL YOUR ITEMS OR WHEN YOU HAVE FOUND YOUR WANTED ITEMS.

### (NEW NOTICE– FOR NOW ON, CLASSIFIED ADS WILL HAVE A 4 MONTH LIMIT AT A TIME)

#### FOR SALE:

#1 Ontario knife company AR15 bayonet/knife, milspec, pretty much new in box \$75 metal sheath included

#2 Canadian army gortex bivy bag, like new condition, \$70

**#3 Canadian army** 64 backpack. Great condition, \$50

#4 US Marine corp gortex bivy bag, \$70 (good deal!) great condition Email: aquariusbaby@protonmail.com

#### (March ns) Mauser Broomhandle Pistols for sale:

**Restricted** Mauser Broomhandle (C96) 140mm Barrel Serial # -227475- Caliber 7.63. Excellent Bore with well defined Land & Groves. Matching Numbers including Grips. Light Pitting in Steel parts. ½ of Fangring missing. \$ 3500.\*\* private Sale noTax. Buyer pays for fully insured Shipping.

**Prohibitet** 12/6 Mauser Broomhandle Bolo (C96) 99mm Barrel Serial # -533013- Caliber 7.63. Excellent Bore with well defined Land & Groves. Numbers don't match. No Pitting in Steel parts. Homemade Fangring . \$ 1800.\*\*private Sale no Tax. Buyer pays for fully insured Shipping.

**Restricted** Mauser Broomhandle (C96) 140mm Barrel Serial # -381158- Caliber 7.63. Excellent Bore with well defined Land & Groves. Matching Numbers. No Pitting in Steel parts. Original Fangring.\$ 3300.\*\* private Sale no Tax. Buyer pays for fully insured Shipping.

**Restricted** Mauser Broomhandle (C96) 140mm Barrel Serial # -425827- Caliber 7.63. Refurbished. Excellent Bore with well defined Land & Groves. Matching Numbers. Slight Pitting in Steel parts. No Fangring. \$ 3600.\*\* private Sale noTax. Buyer pays for fully insured Shipping.

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