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"Again, the Victoria Fish and Game Protective Association remains a non-partisan organization. Our goal is to ensure that the issues important to our members are recognized and addressed by candidates in this election, and that our members have the tools they need to make an informed decision at the ballot box. The federal election is scheduled to take place on [October 21, 2019](#). "

"Are you about to lose your firearms?" Please read below and take action.

It is critically important that each of us exercise our democratic duty to vote in this upcoming federal election. There has been an unprecedented focus by all of the Parties during the campaign, and in the lead up to it, on firearms policy and proposed legislation. Each of us; every hunter, competitive and recreational shooter, collector, and firearms enthusiast along with all of those that support us must step forward and VOTE. We must ensure that we are able to continue our lawful ownership of firearms in support of our chosen sport and hobby.

As of March 31, 2019, there were approximately 2.2 million registered firearms owners in Canada possessing almost 20 million legally registered firearms, including over 1 million handguns and over 75,000 AR15 style rifles.

Together we represent almost 3 million voters; a large and powerful voting block. Now more than ever we must stand up and make our voices heard by those campaigning to lead this country and establish firearms policy and legislation. Our strong unified voice must be heard during this election; it is now or never.

The following is an overview of each parties platform relating to firearms. Please review them carefully and reflect on how they would impact you, your hobby, your family, and your club.

LIBERAL

Liberal Leader Justin Trudeau announced last month that a re-elected a Liberal government will "move forward with the strongest gun control measures in years in this country." He outlined the following steps towards stricter gun control in the party platform:

- ☐ Ban military-style assault weapons like the AR-15.
- ☐ Start a gun buyback program for legally purchased assault rifles. Budget equates to approximately \$800 per rifle for buyback program (source: CCFR analysis 4 Oct 2019)
- ☐ Give municipalities the authority to restrict or ban handguns in their communities.
- ☐ Commit \$250 million over five years directly to cities to help develop "on the ground" solutions to gang violence.
- ☐ Will not bring back the long gun registry.
- ☐ Require people importing ammunition to show a valid firearms license.
- ☐ Strengthen safe-storage laws to prevent thefts.
- ☐ Work with the RCMP to create a purchase-flagging system when someone buys guns in bulk and to detect straw-man purchases.
- ☐ Limit advertising and marketing of guns to limit the glorification of violence.
- ☐ Strengthen gun-smuggling penalties.
- ☐ Address intimate-partner and gender-based violence by suspending licenses of people suspected of being dangerous to prevent them from possessing or buying guns.

It should also be noted that the Liberals previously introduced Bill C-71, expanding firearm background checks and re-imposing restricted firearm transport limitations just prior to the election.

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CONSERVATIVE

Conservative Leader Andrew Scheer has said that a Conservative government will target illegal firearms and how they get into the hands of criminals.

Scheer is proposing the following measures to counter the influx of guns into Canada:

- ☐ Create a Canada Border Services Agency task force to work with colleagues in the United States to disrupt gun smuggling routes.
 - ☐ Make it an offence to possess a smuggled firearm with a mandatory sentence of at least five years.
- Other gun-related measures include requiring the RCMP to ask for and check references when issuing gun licenses, and introducing better ways for police forces to share information to go after illegal guns. Scheer also said most shootings have street-gang connections and put forth stricter penalties for gang activity:
- ☐ End bail for repeat gang offenders.
 - ☐ Label gangs as criminal entities in the Criminal Code, to simplify criminal prosecutions.
 - ☐ Revoke parole for offenders who maintain ties to gangs.
 - ☐ Create new offenses with mandatory minimum sentences specifically for committing and ordering violent gang crimes.

Leader Andrew Scheer is strongly against a handgun ban, arguing it punishes lawful gun owners. He's proposing lifetime bans for those convicted of violent crimes or gang activity, and for those who buy firearms in bulk and resell them on the black market. Conservatives also promised more money for police to combat gun and gang violence and would impose 5-year mandatory minimum sentences for gang members.

NEW DEMOCRAT

NDP Leader Jagmeet Singh focused his public safety policies on keeping vulnerable young people away from gangs and preventing guns from getting into their hands. Singh proposed the following steps to tackle gun violence:

- ☐ Create a \$100 million fund dedicated to keeping kids out of gangs through youth programs.
- ☐ Support innovative models of community policing.
- ☐ Ensure funding for anti-gang and anti-extremism youth projects.
- ☐ Immediately ban carding by federal law enforcement including the RCMP and work with municipalities to end the practice.
- ☐ Initiate a review of how carding info has been shared across jurisdictions.

In addition to policies targeting youth Singh also outlined broader safety policies:

- ☐ Ensure major cities have dedicated hate crime units.
 - ☐ Convene a national working group on countering online hate.
 - ☐ "Work to keep" illegal handguns and assault weapons off the streets.
 - ☐ Tackle gun smuggling and organized crime.
 - ☐ Increase restorative justice programs including victim support services in and out of court.
- The party has not endorsed a national handgun ban but has called for cities to be given the power to ban handguns. It also wants to crack down on illegal guns and combat smuggling. The party has pledged \$100 million over five years for after-school, sports and drop-in centre programs, to prevent youth from getting into violence.

GREEN

Greens are in favour of both a handgun and an assault rifle ban. To make it happen, they would run a confidential buy-back program. The party wants to make sure they are "kept out of our cities." It would permit handguns if "restricted to secure shooting ranges."

BLOC QUÉBÉCOIS

The party has not released a policy on this issue. But guns have been a big talking point in Quebec since the 2017 mosque shooting that claimed six lives. The province instituted its own gun registry a year after the shooting, though most guns still have not been registered.

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PEOPLE'S PARTY

The party has criticized any moves to make gun ownership more complex and supports lifetime firearm certifications after proper vetting and training. It promises anyone who legally bought a gun and had to relinquish it to the government due to new rules would be reimbursed. It wants future regulation of firearms to be handled by Parliament, not police or cabinet.

Sources:

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3. <https://thegunblog.ca/facts-stats>

[Advance Polls Open 11-14 Oct from 9am to 9pm](#)

[Ordinary Polls Open 21 Oct from 7am to 7pm](#)

[VOTE!](#)

[Make your voice heard](#)

**THE NEXT MEMBER MEETINGS WILL BE TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22nd
At 7pm**

**At the Strawberry Vale Hall at 11 High Street, off Burnside Road West.
Hope to see you there!**

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

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Meeting & Club Information

**Board meetings - 1st Monday of the Month @ 7:30pm,
Esquimalt Anglers Lounge 1101 Munro Street
Member Meeting
Strawberry Vale Hall 7:00pm.**

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. 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:**Island Outfitters**

3319 Douglas Street, Victoria, B.C.
250-475-4969
(selling online memberships now)

Pullen's Gunsmithing

1698 Millstream Rd. Victoria, BC
(250) 474-2512 (Friday—Sunday)

Langford Canadian Tire

Westshore Town Centre, *Mondays to Sundays 12-5pm*
855 Langford Parkway, Victoria, BC
(250) 474-2291

Victoria Fish and Game Range

700 Holker Place, Malahat, B.C.

Membership Chair

Justin Sain - membership@vfgpa.org

Annual 2019 Membership as of April 1st

*** Adult \$185 * Family \$220**

*** Students \$110 * Senior \$95**

*** Junior \$45**

2020 Memberships available Nov. 15, 2019

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

**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 **not acceptable**. 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 2019 (gate locked)

Oct 01- 15	7:00pm
Oct 16-31	6:30pm
Nov 01-03 (Last Day Daylight S)	6:00pm
Nov 4-15	4:45pm
Nov 16-30	4:30pm
Dec 01- 31	4:30pm

Last Shot 1/2 hr before above time

Gate dummy locked 1/2 hr before Last Shot

Thank you, Club Manager, David M.

Wish to Place an Ad?

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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:

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Dr. Randall Pewarchuk
Your Esquimalt-Saanich-Sooke Conservative Candidate

FIREARMS

The overwhelming majority of firearms are used for the peaceful practice of recreational target shooting and hunting. I know that many VFGPA members are enthusiastic competitive and recreational sports shooters. While there are over a dozen recognised Olympic shooting sports; I believe that the frontier and cowboy action folks have more fun than most.

The fact that criminals use firearms illegally is not justification for taking away your right to enjoy your lives as you see fit, within the lawful boundaries of society. This is entrenched in Canadian Law paragraph 7 of the Constitution Act (Charter of Rights and Freedoms), which reads "Everyone has the right to life, liberty and security of the person."

By banning firearms, one infringes on the liberty of close to a million law-abiding Canadians because of the actions of criminals. Should the majority have the right to take away your liberty because of their prejudice directed at law-abiding, peaceful, fun-seeking citizens all in reaction to the actions of criminals and murders?

If so, where does this stop? How about banning snowmobiling, rock-climbing, hockey, football and soccer because of the potential for injury especially to young players. According to Statistics Canada, our country saw about 125 handgun deaths per year in this century compared to about 190 annual stabbing deaths, 2,850 car-related deaths, more than 4,000 alcohol-related fatalities and 45,000 deaths connected to smoking.

A Conservative Government will not deprive Canadian Citizens of legally owned firearms.

A Conservative Government recognises that civilian firearms ownership is a Canadian Heritage.

A Conservative Government will order a review of firearms related laws to identify parts of these Acts that make no contribution to public safety.

A Conservative Government is committed to sensible programs to keep guns out of the hands of criminals while respecting the rights of law-abiding Canadians to own and use firearms in a safe and responsible manner.

A Conservative Government is committed to repeal Bill C-71.

FISHERIES

We need a fisheries plan that saves Chinook Salmon and our iconic killer whales, but also our almost 100% BC owned local fisheries enterprises. Clean, healthy and productive oceans, lakes and rivers are essential for our recreational enjoyment. We want it to be sustainable for future generations.

Anglers by nature are conservationists. Volunteers in BC spend much of their own money and devote hundreds of thousands of hours annually toward habitat enhancement projects. I know that your club has invested tens of thousands of dollars on such projects annually. Many of your members volunteer hundreds of hours of their precious time to these activities.

Endangered Southern Resident Killer Whales and stream-type Fraser River Chinook are interconnected. Over two decades ago that run started a downward spiral of decline due in large part to the shutdown of small local hatcheries and the neglect of habitat maintenance and restoration due in part to lack of federal funding.

The Department of Fisheries and Oceans relied upon fishery restrictions as a principle recovery tool. It has been an abysmal failure. Our fishery infrastructure is collapsing. If we lose it; we may never get it back.

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How can we address this potential catastrophe? The federal government must work with the Province of British Columbia, coastal communities and First Nations. We must transition to a selective marked fishery, while the wild Chinook stocks of concern recover. We must deliver strategic enhancement and restoration of the habitat and streams of the Upper and Middle Fraser Chinook stocks must begin immediately. We should consider incremental release of Chinook fries, as well as keeping them in hatcheries until they are better able to survive the ravages of predators. We need an evidence-based study to see if a First Nation predator management could help increase salmon survival rates.

We must also protect public and private fishery infrastructures and sustain the employment and economic benefits that derive from it. Chinook attract thousands around the world to BC yearly. A close to 100% BC owned and operated billion-dollar business is at stake. Small communities like Sooke need this for their life blood.

HUNTING

One of my sons and daughters in law are passionate hunters, as well as one of my young grandsons. I myself am not a hunter, but respect those of you who are, and especially your commitment to sustained ecosystems essential for hunting.

Sincerely,

Dr. Randall Pewarchuk

Dear Members of the Victoria Fish and Game Protective Association,

Thank you again for hosting the local federal election candidates last Monday night at your AGM. I appreciated the opportunity to introduce myself as a past DCRA and BCRA competitive shooter, and commander of our special operations forces in Afghanistan. I also welcomed the frank questions about Liberal policies regarding firearms from experts who understood the issues thoroughly.

On the 20th of September, Justin Trudeau made it clear that there would be no long-gun registry and that efforts such as the \$330M being spent on the national Guns and Gangs Strategy would be enhanced with more steps to keep guns out of the hands of criminals.

He also announced that a re-elected Liberal government would move to ban military-style assault rifles. Over the next two years, an amnesty will remain in place and the details of a fair market value buy-back plan will be worked out with law-enforcement agencies.

I do support the intent of these policies, which is to protect Canadians from incidents such as the Danforth shootings, the Quebec City Mosque and the Dawson College shootings. I also commit myself to working closely with your gun owners to address several matters that are still being developed, such as a clear definition of a military-style assault rifle, the details of the buy-back program and the negotiations with provinces and territories over handgun restrictions in municipalities.

I believe that having a Member of Parliament who understands firearms, and shares your perspectives, will be of great value as policies are refined. I hope I can count on your support on election day.

If you have any questions, please contact my office at 250 880 3636, or email contact@votejamie.ca

Jamie Hammond

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



Call to Action: Let's Decide to Win

After a quarter of a century of many intelligent, exhaustive efforts to introduce reality, law-abiding sports shooters continue to constantly face a glut of misinformation and wild, impassioned rhetoric. Obviously our methods need revising. Twenty-five plus years should be long enough to figure that out. First of all, we must forget our diligent search for the right facts/data that will finally result in a great epiphany for our opponents whose mindsets are entrenched in emotion only.

As a group, the sports shooting community appears to include a large percentage of analytical people who investigate and consider information, and then form conclusions. This explains why we keep doing the research, pointing out political and media misinformation, and stating the facts. Then we're incredulous when our audience just doesn't "get it".

When we have two such different perspectives, it's important for us to accurately identify the nature of our target audience and proceed according to *their* mindsets. This will be a challenge for those who have made the effort to overcome that human tendency to cling to what one wants to keep on believing, no matter what the cost. We need to understand that it's *all* about the emotions. Commercials and political campaign ads illustrate this perfectly.

Effecting change is always a tall order, but if we're going to introduce some sanity into this gun debate, we must change our approach because some hard-wired human traits do not operate in our favour. We especially need to consider three of the hard-wired human weaknesses most detrimental to our struggle: 1) **ignoring and discounting of facts/reality**; 2) **confirmation bias**; and 3) **freeloading** (Yes, freeloading is an integral part of our human nature!)

All are related, so let's discuss the futility of facts. The problem of human discounting of fact is clearly described by cognitive scientists Mercier and Sperber, "*Habits of mind that seem weird or goofy or just plain dumb from an 'intellectualist' point of view prove shrewd when seen from a social 'interactionist' perspective*".¹

As an illustration, eminent American Psychologist Dr. R. Scott Peck describes these universal human mind differences as follows.

"Our view of reality is like a map with which to negotiate the terrain of life. If the map is true and accurate, we will generally know where we are, and if we have decided where we want to go, we will generally know how to get there. If the map is false and inaccurate, we generally will be lost. While this is obvious, it is something that most people to a greater or lesser degree choose to ignore.

*They ignore it because our route to reality is not easy. First of all, we are not born with maps; we have to make them, and the making requires effort. The more effort we make to appreciate and perceive reality, the larger and more accurate our maps will be. But many do not want to make this effort. Some stop making it by the end of adolescence. Their maps are small and sketchy, their views of the world narrow and misleading..."*²

This is a mere glimpse of what we're up against, but it is a place to start. Success will be proportional to how well we identify the basic "life-maps" of the anti-gun population, and devise ways to address them effectively. Let's keep our own maps updated and work on understanding the maps of the "other camp".

Obviously it's impossible to effectively deal with any situation if we tell ourselves that Situation A is really Situation B and thus we devise a response to Situation B, (which doesn't even exist). Then we charge into the real problem (Situation A) hoping that it will be altered by our efforts. In effect, we're showing up with the wrong ammo! That's why changing *our* efforts is more likely to be effective as long as we identify Situation A correctly.

Problem #2. Confirmation bias

Confirmation bias is "the [human tendency] to embrace information that supports [a person's] beliefs and rejects information that contradicts them".¹ This innate human trait is a huge challenge for our objectives.

Problem #3. "For any individual, freeloading is the best course of action."²

Dr. Peck's map quote (See above) ends with a sort of parallel to freeloading – especially where intellectual activity is concerned.

*"...By the end of middle age," (and often much earlier) "most people have given up the effort [to review and change their life navigation maps]. They feel certain that their maps are complete and their [view of life] is correct (indeed, even sacrosanct), and they are no longer interested in new information. Only a relative and fortunate few continue...exploring the mystery of reality, ever enlarging, refining and redefining their understanding of the world and what is true".*²

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For the average citizen this may mean freeloading their safety via laws and law enforcement. For many members of clubs, this third problem consists of harboring an attitude of anger and frustration and waiting until our faithful, and somewhat battle-wearied volunteers - i.e. the “THEY” bunch – finally solve all the problems. But “THEY” is not a big enough group for the challenges we face as a recreational shooting community. A “WE” group is necessary, and that means all +3 million of us. This may well be our last chance to get things pointed in the right direction. We have been losing ground for a long time. Bill C-71 is certainly another indication of that!

In closing:

This message contains well researched facts and a generous helping of reality. Are you personally considering any revisions to your life-map after reading it? Have you become aware of how much you dislike the idea of changing what you think? What you’re experiencing is the usual human response we’re facing whenever we confront the group we’re trying to educate. To finally get to where we crave to be will require all of us, not just “THEY”. It will require continuing careful analysis of our own beliefs to ensure that we are constantly facing – and dealing with - reality.

Most of us know there is only ONE major political party that understands - and has acknowledged - the need for reforms on our issues. With our numbers, we have the power to carry this election! Just imagine how much *ALL* of the parties will suddenly decide they like us if that happens.

We can start by getting comfortable about opening our minds and admitting that we need to commit to our chosen sport to make sure we grant it enough room to grow. This means taking *action*. We are a powerful number, but we have never faced the enemy as a united force of over 30 million. It’s time to abandon a tradition of division, mostly based on our own closed minds, e.g. against other disciplines or those who serve and support us through various organizations. A divided body has no power.

Thought for the day: If you’re sitting at home, too comfortable to make the effort to go and vote on Election Day, you are sabotaging your heritage and everyone else’s. We have to face the reality that this could be our **one last chance** - for all gun owners OR it can be a new beginning. That’s up to you, and to each one of the rest of us.

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Can’t hit your target consistently?

Always shooting left or low??

Shotgun patterns have tighter groups???

2019 Handgun Safety and Introductory PPC Course

The Police Pistol Competition section of our club is sponsoring another ‘Introduction to handgun’ course on the evening of Friday, November 1st, and Saturday November 2nd, 2019. It is a total of approximately 8 hours of both classroom and practical instruction that covers everything from safe gun handling to holster training, sight picture and trigger control. If you are interested in shooting your handgun accurately, learning to shoot a handgun, or just plain fun and enjoyment, contact the Website of the Colwood PPC Club, at <http://www.colwoodppc.com/index.htm> and click on ‘Intro to PPC’ and ‘Training’ to get more information.

This is an ‘Introduction’ course, so you do not need to supply anything; we will supply all equipment, firearms, targets, etc. The total cost is \$135.00 including 3 boxes of 38 special ammo. See web links for more information.

For more information about the Shooting Sport of PPC and the Colwood PPC Club, email colwoodppc@shaw.ca or visit the website: www.colwoodppc.com





ESQUIMALT ANGLERS' ASSOCIATION

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October 08, 2019.

Claire Trevena,
Minister of Transportation & Infrastructure,
Parliament Buildings,
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The Esquimalt Anglers' Association is concerned regarding a B.C. Transit proposal to establish a Handy Dart maintenance yard at 2401 Burnside Road West, adjacent to Craigflower Creek.

The Association was formed in 1952 and has an annual membership of around 500. Our volunteers have operated a fish counting fence in this area since the early 1990's. The EAA is attempting to improve stream habitat, secure a guaranteed minimum flow and enhance a naturally spawning population of coho salmon and cutthroat trout. Recent work conducted by our partners, Peninsula Streams Society and World Fisheries Trust, has included habitat restoration work at two sites and removal of two small log jams restricting spawner access.

Members are dismayed that the B.C. government has overruled the mayor and council of the Township of View Royal, whose citizens have expressed strong opposition to citing this facility so close to the critical and fragile salmonid habitat of Craigflower Creek. Our concerns revolve around environmental protection; specifically the riparian streamside zone and runoff management.

Despite assurances and guarantees to the contrary, degradation of stream habitat and contamination through sedimentation continues to occur during construction of infrastructure projects. One has only to look at the McKenzie Avenue interchange where several such incidences have occurred. This past August there were two stop work orders issued for the sewage treatment project pipeline crossing of Colquitz River at Marigold and Interurban. This was a result of an environmental management plan which failed to avoid excessive sedimentation of the fish bearing waters.

Our members believe that similar failures at this proposed Handy Dart facility will occur and will result in water quality degradation and possible fish kills. Therefore, the Esquimalt Anglers' Association cannot support this facility being built at 2401 Burnside Road West.



Yours truly,

Wayne Zaccarelli,
Secretary,
Esquimalt Anglers' Association

cc. Mayor & Council, Township of View Royal
John Horgan, Premier, Province of B.C.
John Horgan, MLA Langford-Juan de Fuca
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Jonathan Wilkinson, Minister of Fisheries, Oceans & Coast Guard
Laura Brown, DFO South Coast Area Director
Brad Beaith, DFO South Coast Recreational Fisheries Coordinator
Al Martin, Director of Strategic Initiatives, B.C. Wildlife Federation
Board of Directors, Victoria Fish & Game Protective Association
Victoria Bowmen

A SIGHT TO SEE

Every Bullseye and pistol or iron sights shooter will know that the ten ring will be elusive if the front sights are not crystal clear.

Many of us are at an age where we support eye ware. Eye glasses are of course marvelous. We can see near and far, shift from reading and to the mountain tops instantaneously. We have bifocals, trifocals, graduated lenses and transition lenses. And therein lies the challenge for us as shooters. These all work well day to day until we desperately want to consistently try to maintain a 36 inch focal point and crystal clear front sights.

That quest led me to meet Dr Stephen Taylor at the Mayfair Optometric Clinic.

When I arrived everyone was very welcoming. First order of business was an eye health exam and the Optometric technician has access to state of the art diagnostic equipment.

All that complete and time to meet Dr. Taylor. He reviews the diagnostic work up data and completes a comprehensive "let's have a look at your eyes" session.

Then a summary of clinical findings and a reality check on vision as a senior.

Then things change. Dr. Taylor is an excellent and well respected Optometrist but he is also an active participant in a number of shooting disciplines. He pulls out a pad and paper and demonstrates the vision complexities of light entering the retina and our challenge to focus the 36 inch sight picture. He then brings out these strange looking set of glasses and from the examination data he begins to calibrate the settings I will need to achieve my goal.

We walk over to a nearby room where a target is already fixed to the wall and he unboxed a toy but realistic looking pistol. You just know he has done this before! Try this he says. I position myself to test this out and quite happy at first glance. He does a little more adjustment and whow perfect front sight clarity. This is the Holly Grail for most pistol shooters.

We wrapped up the visit with a great chat about our shared passion(s), he is a car guy as well.
Specs arrive next week and eye have great expectations.



SEPTEMBER SILHOUETTE MATCH

There was a good level of participation at the September Silhouette match. We welcomed a new shooter, Lyle, and a returning shooter, Justin, who's been away from the sport for far too long. Hope to see you again soon!

Competitors shot two, 40 round matches in Smallbore Silhouette Rifle, and two, 40 round matches in Smallbore Silhouette Hunting Rifle. Rick Jeffery was match winner in both categories - congratulations Rick!

Smallbore Silhouette Rifle results:

- * Unclassified – 26, Lyle MacGregor
- * B – 21, Todd Horn
- * A – 26, Marc Leduc
- * AA – 46, Steve Shulhan
- * AAA – 43, Matthew Quenet
- * Match Winner – 48, Rick Jeffery
- * Pin Awards: 5-in-a-row Chickens – Steve Shulhan; 5-in-a-row Pigs – Todd Horn; 5-in-a-row Rams – Blair Desjardins and Rick Jeffery
- * Qualifying scores: Lyle MacGregor promoted to A class – congratulations Lyle!

Smallbore Silhouette Hunting Rifle results:

- * Unclassified – 23, Lyle MacGregor
- * A – 29, Nick Fairweather
- * AA – 38, Blair Desjardins
- * AAA – 46, Steve Shulhan
- * Match Winner – 54, Rick Jeffery
- * Pin Awards: 10-in-a-row Pigs – Steve Shulhan
- * Long Runs: 11 Pigs – Steve Shulhan

Upcoming Silhouette Rifle matches:

October 20 - smallbore on the Malahat
October 27 - smallbore in Nanaimo
November 3 – high power in Port Alberni
November 17 - smallbore on the Malahat

Match day schedule:

8:30 target setup and shooter registration
9:00 sight-in and practice
9:30 match start
 40 round Smallbore Silhouette Rifle
 40 round Smallbore Silhouette Hunting Rifle
 15 minute lunch break
 40 round Smallbore Silhouette Rifle
 40 round Smallbore Silhouette Hunting Rifle
3:00 update scorebooks, collect targets, cleanup and awards presentation

New shooters are welcome to join us and we'll help get you started – please arrive by 8:30.

Before shooting your first match you should know your scope settings for the 4 distances we shoot (40m, 60m, 77m and 100m).

Entry fees are \$5.00 per rifle (i.e. \$10 for four, 40 shot matches).

Please contact Steve at silhouette@vfgpa.org for more info.



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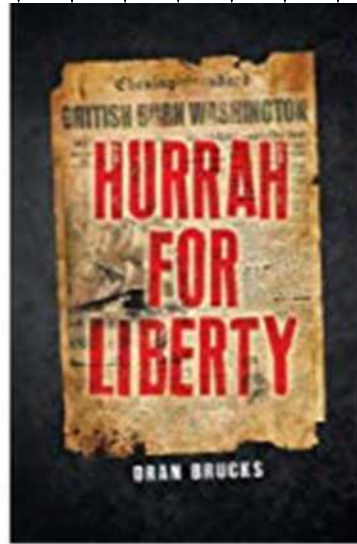
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Hurrah for Liberty is a new novel by Vancouver Island resident writer, avid Black powder shooter, hunter, magazine writer and history enthusiast Oran Brucks.

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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



Victoria Fish & Game Protective Association

Archery 3D Turkey Shoot

▢ **Set up Sat. Nov. 30 08:30 – Please help out!**

Shoot Sunday Dec. 1, 2019

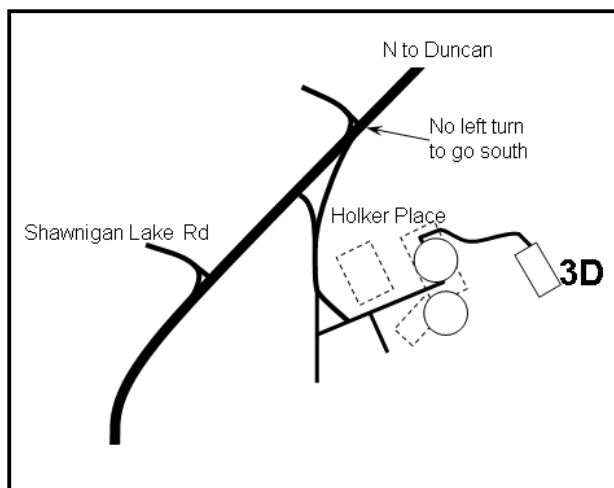
**Be ready for 0900, arrows fly at 0930
(on the shotgun range)**

Contact Archery co-chair Ellen Vander Hoek vanderhoek.e95@gmail.com

Adult	\$20
Family & Family	\$40
Seniors	\$10
Juniors (under 18)	\$10
13 & Under	Free

Spectators welcome!

A hot lunch will be available

**Directions** (coming from Victoria)

Go north from Victoria on the Trans Canada Highway #1 to the top of Malahat Mountain. Turn right on to Holker Place (approximately 1 kilometer past Shawnigan Lake Road & opposite the turnoff to Spectacle Lake Provincial Park) and the paved road takes you to the Range. Go left at the end of the road then right up the hill to the shotgun range.

NOTE: Due to “highway improvements you cannot turn left into or out of Holker Place:

Arriving from the north – go past, Holker Place and use Shawnigan Lake Road to U-turn.

Leaving to go south – turn right onto Trans-Canada (only option), go north to the U-turn point (2KM).

If the traffic is heavy, take the Bamberton Park exit, (about 8 KM, at the bottom of the hill where the double lanes start) then turn right onto Mill Bay Rd, it takes you under the highway, stay right to go south back to Victoria.



Hansard voting results for Bill C71 for Vancouver Island

This information is an excerpt from the September 24, 2018 Hansard for Bill C-71. The Hansard is an official parliament record of voting on all Bills. I will put the MPS name first, their political party and riding they represent.


Elizabeth May	Green Party	Saanich-Gulf Islands
Murray Rankin	NDP	Victoria
Gord Johns	NDP	Courtenay-Alberni Added Sept 15/19
Alistair MacGregor	NDP	Cowichan-Malahat-Langford
Randall Garrison	NDP	Esquimalt-Saanich- Sooke
Sheila Malcolmson	NDP	Nanaimo-Ladysmith
Rachael Blaney	NDP	North Island-Powell River

All of the above MPs voted yes to Bill C-71 which is a direct attack on Firearm ownership and yes affects us all. If you voted for these MPs you are destroying your own ability to own firearms.

We as a club with our membership numbers along with non member friends, families and others pack a major political clout. You have to protect yourselves, don't rely on the NFA, CCFR and other groups to do your work. If you choose to be apathetic not fighting for your firearms then you deserve the consequences,


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Airsoft News

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We had a couple of nice donations to the Airsoft Range during September. Coast Environmental, the company which provides our port-a-potties, donated another recycled and refurbished unit for us to use as a “safe zone” where people can safely remove their eye protection on the field to clear fogging or fix other issues without the risk of being hit by a BB. This is the second unit Coast Environmental has donated. Like before, they gave the unit a “camo” paint job and installed a bench for us. The first unit was placed on the west side of the field where players commonly gather to “respawn” during our games and the new unit has been placed on the east side of the field in our staging / alternate respawn area. Also, one of our club members, Russel Cumpstone, donated a sizeable pile of new lumber in various dimensions for use during our future build projects. I really want to thank Coast Environmental and Russel for their generous donations to our club.

Our next event on October 20th is our third annual Halloween event. Sure, we’ll still be having Airsoft battles, but this is an opportunity for our participants to dress up in something other than fatigues, have a good laugh with a ghoulish twist and possibly even win some prizes. Then, in November we have two regular airsoft events on the 3rd and 17th. Also in November on the 9th we have our last “Swap n Shop” of the year in the main club house. If you’re looking at getting into Airsoft it’s a great event to attend because there are often some good bargains on used equipment. If you’re interested in a sales table for the Swap n Shop please let me know either through Facebook (<https://www.facebook.com/groups/vfgpaairsoft/>) or via email to airsoft@vfgpa.org.



MEMBERSHIP NOTICE

“The membership director would like to remind all members to fill out the membership form fully and legibly. Items written on last years form will not necessarily carry over to the this year. If your address, email, phone or courses have changed, this is the place to correct them. We also need to be able to read the information on the form so it may be entered into our data base.”

Malahat Adventure Skills Park (Concept Plan)

Submitted by Terrance Martin, Director

As previously announced, the board is developing a plan for use of the property north of the shotgun range. In view of the litigation assault on the operations of the Salt Spring Island range and other clubs, the board is also considering new acquisitions for sound buffer.

With board approval, for rezoning purposes and general convenience of reference, the public face of the initiative has been conceptually called the “*Malahat Adventure Skills Park*,” into which I have bundled the access and archery portfolios. Additional room to operate is clearly required to mitigate the threat to firing range operations from lead and noise, but I see these as symptoms of the real threat, which is the long-term social assault on the legitimacy of firearm ownership and rural way of life generally.

What we really need is a social buffer. Anyone with children knows the first thing humans do when we need something – we name it. Hence, the **Malahat Adventure Skills Park**.

Rezoning and acquisition of new properties is a long-term initiative, so my plan is to do what we can with what we have in the interim.



While the summer job students put a lot of work into general grounds maintenance that may go unnoticed, the crowning achievement for their effort over the summer is a trail on an old skid road out past the airsoft range to a fantastic lookout with an incredible high-elevation view of the Saanich Inlet. We will be looking at ways to see if it may be possible to descend the cliff and reach the club water-frontage with a rope-assist trail.

We have a kid & mom friendly place to learn and practice outdoor skills, a clubhouse, range, and 3D trail that connects the basecamp to the lookout, and we have waterfront off some of the best prawning grounds anywhere. Contact Terrance for information! access@vfgpa.org mobile: 250-642-2917



COURTENAY TEEN WINS 28TH HEADQUARTERS COWBOY ACTION SHOOT ONCE MORE

BY GARY K. KANGAS

The 28th Edition of Headquarters Cowboy Action competition held August 23,24,25 at the Victoria Fish & Game Protective Assoc. was flawlessly choreographed by Victoria Frontier Shootists of the Victoria Fish & Game member Montana May and her able committee.

The event attracted competitors from Canada, the U.S. and Germany. Whistlin' Will of Courtenay bested them all! This teen from up island has attended the two major cowboy actions shooting contests. This past February Will attended Winter Range in Arizona. June of 2019 Will competed in the World Championships "End of Trail" in Edgewood New Mexico. Will finished 12th overall and 6th in his class.

Headquarters 2019 Will was Top Gun and also won the Scheutzen target that is supplied by Cornelius O'Keefe from Germany. Top Lady was Alberta Annie. Category winners: B Western High Country Amigo, Cattle Baron Grandpa Dillon, Cattle Baroness Miss Mary Spencer, Classic Cowboy Southwest Trapper, Cowgirl Wrecking Ball, Duelist Cornelius O'Keefe, El Patrone Long Wolf, Elder Statesman Teacher "C", 49er Renegade Ron, Frontier Cartridge Whiskey Jack, Frontier Cartridge Duelist Jaybez Cowboy, Frontier Cartridge Gunfighter Killshot Kenny, Frontiersman Blaze Foley, Gunfighter Gifford Gringo, Lady Duelist Saucy Sadie, Lady Gunfighter Montana May, Lady Silver Senior Victoria Diamond, Senior Alberta Jay Hawk, Senior Duelist Highland Whiskers, Senior Gun Fighter Markus True Good, Silver Senior Haweater Hal, Silver Senior Duelist Little Edgy, Wrangler General Sterling Price.

The Wild Bunch competition results Men's Traditional Black Ashley, Men's Modern Markus True Good, Ladies Traditional Dallas Dancer, Mid Range Rifle competition Lever Gun Killshot Kenny, Single Shot rifle Neut Reno, Ladies Lever rifle Alberta Annie.

The Awards Dinner was a full capacity crowd enjoying a wonderful buffet of baked tuna and stuffed roast pork tenderloin and many sumptuous side dishes. High points at the dinner was not only the awards but two important features. One being celebrating Jingle Bob's 92nd birthday and Black Ashley receiving the Shootists Legacy Award for his dedication and contribution to Cowboy Action Shooting and the Victoria Fish & Game. A very special thank you to Wild Horse Jack for his humorous delivery as Master of Ceremonies.

We of the Victoria Frontier Shootists of the Victoria Fish & Game are grateful for the support of the contributors for prizes and services and the dedicated volunteers who devote a great amount of their time to put on a complex event such as Headquarters. Volunteering is what makes the special events at the Victoria Fish & Game Protective Assoc. so successful.

By Gary &
Sybil K.





SIAS Report

First of all, a huge thank you to the many SIAS members who stepped up this season to make sure that Matches happened. Everything from designing Stages to ensuring Matches ran smoothly by volunteering to be Match Director, to tracking Stats and creating matches in Practiscore, our online scoring system, to fixing and building props, teaching the SIAS Range Safety Course, mentoring new shooters and the ever important task of setup the afternoon before a Match. Without ALL of you Matches wouldn't happen and our sport wouldn't be thriving the way that it is!! I would also like to thank the many SIAS members who volunteered their time at Club events this year to help promote our sport and introduce people to handguns; VWS events, Discovery Day and most recently Q/Zone day, you are truly ambassadors of our sport!!



Our Club Championship, the last match of the year, was held on September 29th. We had 53 shooters come out to compete under sunny skies. The Stages were quite challenging and forced people to use some skills that aren't practiced on a regular basis, I'm willing to bet there will be many SIAS members practicing Strong hand/Weak hand and prone shooting over the off season!

The Stenger family was once again in attendance to give the Alec and Peggy Stenger Memorial Award to someone who has contributed greatly to the South Island Action Shooters, this year's recipient was Ted Leung. Ted has been involved with SIAS for 15 plus years and among other things, has often acted as Match Director to ensure that Stages were designed and matches ran smoothly.



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The Stenger family once again laid beautiful autumn inspired tables in the MP Clubhouse and prepared lunch for us, keeping up a tradition started by Matriarch Peggy Stenger.

Our Club Championship match, along with 3 other Club matches shot during the year determine who our Top Gun winners are for the season.

Top Gun winners by Division:

Classic Top Gun-Mike C, 2nd Tim H, 3rd Dave M

Open Top Gun-Vince V

Production Top Gun-Oleg M Jr, 2nd Zach J, Top C Justin S, Top D Lyle M

Standard Top Gun-Oleg M, Top B Sean S, Top C Dave G, Top D Lisa N

Production Optics Top Gun-Danielle L

Congratulations to all of our Top Gun winners!

The last SIAS event of the year is a 3 Gun Match on October 20th, spectators are welcome. If you would like more info email: SIAS@vfgpa.org

Precision Rifle Match



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**Saturday September 28 2019 at the Campbell River Gun Club 600
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VANCOUVER ISLAND GUN SHOWS FOR 2019

October 20th in Courtney at 3780 Colake Road Contact: Rick McClure (250) 703-0223

October 26 & 27th in Victoria at 1528 Stelly's Cross Road, Saanichton Contact: John Pullen (250) 474-2512

November 24th in Duncan at 4295 Robertson Road Contact: Steven Desilva (250) 701-2231

December 1st in Nanaimo at 1325 Nanaimo Lakes Road Contact: Doug Miller (250) 758-1303

MEMBERSHIP NOTICE:

If members do not put their email on their membership form, I will assume they do not want us to have their email.

If you want the newsletters each month, please be sure to add your emails into the membership forms for now on.

If you have already done your membership for 2019 but didn't put your email address, please let Jodi know and she can add your email address into the system. jbrugge63@gmail.com

Replacement Card Fee

Effective immediately there will be a \$20 service fee to replace lost cards (e.g., membership cards, orientation cards).

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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



Province taking steps to prevent deadly deer disease in B.C.

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

NEW 7th EDITION BIG GAME RECORDS OF B.C.

The new 7th 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 st edition (1970 - reprinted 2011)	\$20	2 nd edition (1983)	\$25
3 rd edition (1988)	\$15	4 th edition (1995)	\$20
5 th edition (2003)	not available	6 th edition (2010)	\$30
7 th edition (2017)	\$35	Website: www.wildliferecordsofbc.com	
e-mail: wildliferecordsofbc@shaw.ca			



NOTICE TO MEMBERS: CANNABIS IS NOW LEGAL!

(... 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 **NOT** permitted on an active range.

"Your Board of Directors is working on a policy for Cannabis use while camping on the property. Expect an updated policy in the November Newsletter!"

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.

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

**"New to our Range: Holster Training Course"**

You must be 'Holster Trained' and have a Holster Training qualification Card to use a Handgun Holster on our ranges.

Holster Training Courses (a 2 hour short course 10-12pm) will be held at the club on:

Oct. 6th, Nov. 23rd, Dec. 15th

For Details, costs, & pre-registration, call at the Club Office 250-858-8342

**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

Paul Tedrick

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To All Members of the VFGPA,

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at 7pm**

CALENDAR REMINDER

**IF YOU WANT TO SEE THE CALENDAR, PLEASE CHECK OUR WEBSITE AT:
www.vfgpa.org 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. **Only one \$50.00 Day Pass can be used as a credit towards a membership purchased within 30 days and must be surrendered at time of purchase.**

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.**



2019 CORE Hunting Safety Course



Instructors:

Robin Pike M.Sc., P.Ag., Certified CORE Examiner.

Murray Kilshaw, Certified CORE Examiner, Certified CFSC instructor.

Location:

Classes are hosted in the Westshore. Courses run Saturdays/Sundays from 8:20 to 4:30 p.m.

2019 Schedule:

Jan 19/20	Apr 13/14	Jul 20/21	Oct 19/20
Feb 16/17	May 11/12	Aug 17/18	Nov - Off Hunting!!
Mar 16/17	Jun 15/16	Sept 21/22	Dec 14/15

Course Content:

SATURDAY

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

SUNDAY

- Outdoor Safety and Survival
- First Aid
- BC Game Animal Identification
- BC Game Birds
- Written Exam

Additional Instruction:

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

Canadian Tire in Langford has new hours for their pro shop and will process membership forms during the following hours:

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday - noon to 5pm

Friday - noon to 6pm

Saturday & Sunday - 9 am to 5pm



Kate MacQuarrie
Women Shooters of P.E.I.

Today I was asked: Why are you so passionate about the gun debate? My reply: Because I am passionate about evidence-based legislation, human rights and civil liberties.

First, evidence-based legislation. This “war on guns” is based on emotion, not evidence. Statistics Canada tells us that less than one-half of one percent of police-reported crime in Canada involves a firearm. Put another way, more than 99.5% of crime involves no gun. The majority of homicides do not involve a firearm; the majority of suicides are committed without a gun. Further, licensed gun owners are the safest Canadians. The non-shooting average Canadian is more than three times more likely to commit a homicide than is a firearms owner. I could go on. The evidence does not support a need for further restrictions on legal gun owners.

This is also an issue of human rights. Canada was a signatory to – and our human rights laws flow from – the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. Article 17 of that Declaration enshrines property rights and the right not to be arbitrarily deprived of property. And while you may feel that our Government confiscating legally-owned property from tens (maybe hundreds) of thousands of peaceful Canadians is mild in comparison to examples elsewhere, I say there is no sliding scale. Rights are absolute. You have them or you don’t.

Lastly, are civil liberties – the freedom we enjoy from arbitrary interference in our peaceful pursuits. More than two million Canadians have earned the freedom to own firearms. All Canadians are free to put food of their choice on their tables, to expect privacy in their homes, to practice activities they enjoy so long as they don’t harm others. Which of your civil liberties would you voluntarily give up, for arguments of emotion and not evidence of a common good?

I get that you might not care about guns. You may even fear them. But the gun debate isn’t really about guns. It’s about Government over-reach, reactionary legislation, and erosion of our human rights and civil liberties. And that is something to be afraid of.



IMPORTANT MESSAGE

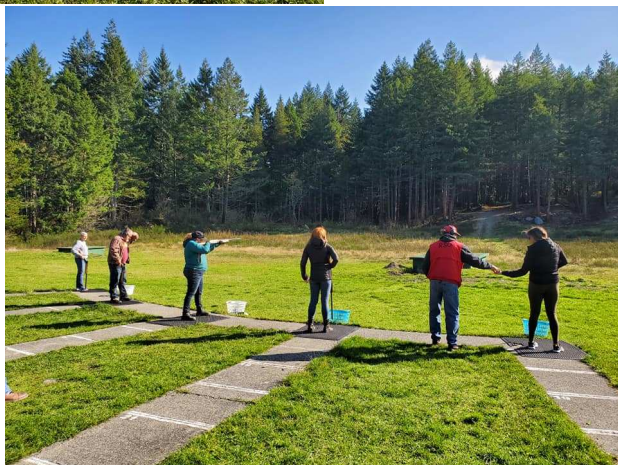
This is just a reminder that by law if you own a restricted firearm you must have a gun club membership (any gun club) or you may be subject to having your restricted firearms confiscated by the RCMP. Also make sure your PAL has not expired. As life gets busy we all know how easy it is to forget things.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



The Victoria Women Shooters

Victoria Women Shooters held an intro to Trap event on Saturday September 28th which was well attended with 25 participants. The shooters consisted of a great mix of people which included youth shooters, senior shooters and some fathers and husbands/partners as well. The Q event took place at the same time and the black powder group graciously offered our group to shoot with them as well. This provided an excellent opportunity for our VWS shooters and we received positive feedback all around. Thank you to everyone who made this day a huge success!

Tina Clark, Director Victoria Women Shooters VFGPA,



**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.

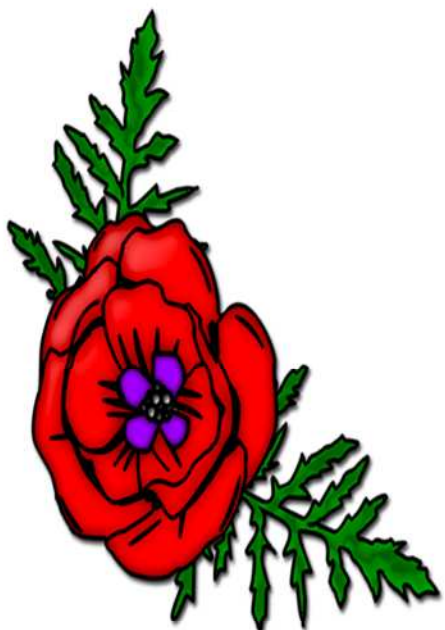
Please ask Staff to review the new conditions with you when you stop by the office to sign out Trap Keys.

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

**VICTORIA FISH & GAME
PROTECTIVE ASSOCIATION
Veterans BENEFIT TRAP MIX-
EM UP SHOOT 2019**



- THE VF&GPA IS PROUD TO ANNOUNCE THE UPCOMING VETERANS BENEFIT TRAP MIX-EM UP SHOOT TO BE HELD AT OUR RANGE 700 HOIKER PLACE MALAHAT, THE 10TH OF NOVEMBER 2019.
- REGISTRATION WILL START AT 8:30AM, SHOOTING WILL COMMENCE AT 10AM. COST \$45.00 PER SHOOTER, EVENT IS OPEN TO ALL SHOOTERS AND SPECTATORS.
- SHOOTERS GUARANTEED TWO ROUNDS OF 80 TARGETS AND ONE ROUND OF SHOOT OFF, TOTAL 120 TARGETS. TOP SHOOTER IN EACH STRING WILL THEN ADVANCE UNTIL AN OVERALL WINNER IS DECLARED
- SHOTS WILL BE AT SINGLE, DOUBLE AND WOBBLE CLAY TARGETS FROM VARIOUS YARDAGES
- IN HONOUR OF CANADA'S VETREANS ALL PROCEEDS AFTER CLUB COSTS WILL BE DONATED TO THE MALAHAT DISTRICT BRANCH 134 OF THE ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION POPPY FUND
- Contact: trap@vfgpa.org
- Trap Director: Mike King, cell # (250)213-5827



THE Q



**Calendar of the Orientation Sessions**

Wednesday Orientation is Wednesday at 7pm & on Sat/Sun 2pm

OCTOBER

Oct. 9th
Oct. 20th
Oct. 23rd
Oct. 26th

NOVEMBER

Nov. 3rd
Nov. 13th
Nov. 17th
Nov. 27th

DECEMBER

December 11th
December 14th
December 22nd

All in the Clubhouse

*****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.

Range Use Reminder to Shooters

*****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 or 250-858-8342**

NEW

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?



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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, November 6th, 2019. 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 davedegrassi@telus.net
- 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

Next Course dates:

OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
Oct. 20th	Nov. 3rd	December 14th
Oct. 26th	Nov. 17th	December 22nd

If you have questions about the Program please 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 there 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

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**LIAMA INFORMATION**

Otis our M/P Llama is a guest of our Club (belongs to our neighbour) We feed and water him daily so please treat him like our mascot with respect and be patient.



The Right



The Wrong Way



The Right Way



The Wrong Way

The Wood cross pieces in theory should not have any holes in them, We are going through a lot of wood unnecessarily. Please make sure targets are placed correctly and educate other members if they haven't read the Newsletter.

PROPERLY PLACED TARGETS ON THE RIFLE/PISTOL RANGE

To prevent shooting out (destroying) the wood cross beams.



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 1st 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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SMALL FIREARM (HANDGUN) ESSENTIALS COURSE OUTLINE

**In-Class and on the Range, 2 hour Course for New Handgun Shooters.
Students must have valid Restricted P.A.L., be VFGPA member,
and bring their own firearm with 100 rounds of ammo.
Course fee is \$20.00 Maximum 10 students per class.**

**F/A Essentials are on Saturday at
10am to 1pm (as noted a few
exceptions)
November 3rd, December 14th**

RANGE SAFETY

STANCE

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MUZZLE CONTROL

SIGHT ALIGNMENT

BREATHING CONTROL

TRIGGER PULL

SAFELY CLEARING JAMS & MALFUNCTIONS

TRAINING TIPS

Victoria Fish & Game Association, 700 Holker Place, Malahat BC



ELK/BEAVER LAKE INITIATIVE and WATERSHED MANAGEMENT PLAN

Two plans are currently underway to address high nutrient levels in Elk/Beaver Lake. These plans aim to reduce frequency of blue-green algae, improve fish habitat and manage growth of Eurasian milfoil.

The development of a **watershed management plan** is underway to address external sources of nutrients through a public engagement process. External sources of nutrients come from various land use activities around the lake (urban or agricultural) as well as natural processes that bring nutrients into the lake. CRD staff are currently facilitating a public engagement process to develop the plan to address this source of nutrients.

The development of an **in-lake remediation plan** is also underway to address internal sources of nutrients in Elk/Beaver Lake. These nutrients have accumulated over decades in the lake and bottom sediments and are continually recycled back into the water column under low-oxygen conditions. The in-lake remediation process is guided by expert consultants and an intergovernmental working group. On September 11, 2019 staff brought forward a Staff Report and Business Case to the CRD Board outlining the environmental, recreational, community and economic values of the lake (over \$10 million annually) and a recommendation to remediate the lake.

The CRD Board approved the recommendation to move ahead with the in-lake remediation of Elk/Beaver Lake, subject to receiving at least 50% capital grant funds for the project. This recommendation includes the installation of oxygenation systems in Elk/Beaver Lake to improve water quality at a capital cost of \$1.4 million and ongoing operational costs of \$100,000 - \$150,000 annually. For more details and to watch a video of the Board discussion and decision online, follow this [link](#) (go to Section 8.9 19-755 Elk/Beaver Lake Remediation). Staff are now working to develop a funding plan to support the project and plan to publish a Request for Proposals (RFP) to develop a detailed remediation plan (sizing and siting) this winter.

Lastly, staff are working to conduct a survey of the Eurasian milfoil coverage and abundance on the lake (to collect baseline information), install a hydrometric station at the Beaver Lake dam to measure continuous lake levels and water flow, and update signage around the lake for improved blue-green algae public notices and advisories.

Many thanks again for joining the discussion about Elk/Beaver Lake. For more information about the initiative, visit the website: [Elk/Beaver Lake Initiative](#)

VICTORIA SPORT FISHING ADVISORY COMMITTEE (SFAC) MEETING

A meeting of the Victoria (FMA 19/20) Sport Fishing Advisory Committee will be held Tuesday October 08 at 6:00 PM at the Esquimalt Anglers' ramp. Agenda items include:

- priority messages on regulations for chinook and coho to carry forward to DFO
- halibut update on recreational catch and priority requests for 2020 regulations
- prawn and crab update
- southern resident killer whales (SRKW) - evaluation of regulations and closures in 2019
- enforcement issues from DFO Conservation and Protection
- B.C. Salmon Restoration and Innovation Fund
- new Facebook page at **SFACVictoria**

**NEW VANCOUVER ISLAND DEER BOOK**

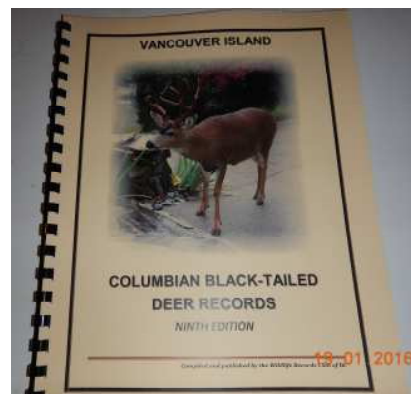
Copies of the ninth edition (2016) of the Vancouver Island Columbian Blacktail Deer Records are available at a cost of \$10 each. The publication contains an excellent article written by Byron Mason on fifty years with the deer in the Nimpkish Valley. Byron relates the impact of wolf and cougar predation 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.

**VICTORIA FISH & GAME ANNUAL BIG GAME COMPETITION**

Hunters are reminded that Blacktail deer taken in MU 1-1 through 1-13 by Victoria Fish & Game members are eligible for the five trophies available each year. Deer must be field dressed which means that the heart, liver and kidneys (edible portions) are the only internal organs which can be included when the animal is weighed.

Deer must be weighed on Club scales by the caretaker/manager or his designate.

The official weigher reserves the right to refuse weighing any deer which arrives in an unrepresentable condition. Lungs must be removed and body cavity wiped dry with a rag or paper towels. Deer 160 pounds and over taken with a rifle and 140 pounds and over taken by bow and arrow must be witnessed by an executive member at time of weighing. Please contact the Club caretaker/manager or Wayne Zaccarelli to make arrangements. Hunters are reminded that access to club facilities is restricted to daylight hours with the gate locked progressively earlier through the hunting season. Please ensure that you confirm the time gates are locked and show up at least a half hour earlier.

Trophies available include:

McIlwaine Van & Storage (est. 1955) largest deer / rifle
 Victoria Fish & Game (est. 1966) largest scoring antlers
 Robinson's Sporting Goods (est. 1970) largest deer / bow & arrow
 Bob Hollingworth Memorial (est. 1983) largest buck deer / junior member
 Malahat Marauders (est. 1990) largest deer / muzzle loader

Gold, silver and bronze buttons are awarded in both rifle and bow & arrow classes for deer in the following weight categories:

	RIFLE	BOW & ARROW
Gold	180 lb +	160 lb +
Silver	160 - 179 ½ lb	140 - 159 ½ lb
Bronze	140 - 159 ½ lb	120 - 139 ½ lb

In addition, the Victoria Fish & Game Bear trophy is awarded annually for the largest Black bear taken by a Club member. Boone & Crockett Club scoring is used to determine the largest entry. Boundaries are again MU 1-1 through 1-13.



Classified

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: (Nov. ns) 600 pieces of 9mm brass accumulated that I would sell for \$20. Contact Rod at (250) 361 5740

FOR SALE: (Aug ns) Like New Franchi Instinct L Over & Under Shotgun 12 Gauge 28 inch barrel for sale \$1400. reduced. Purchased from Cabelas in Nanaimo, BC back in Oct. 2018. Has only 100 rounds through it. Selling because it does not fit me. Please contact John (redstryke@hotmail.com)



FOR SALE :(Sept. ns) 1). SAVAGE Mark 2 FXP .22LR Rifle, Approximately 2 years old, bought from Cabela's. This 22LR, bolt action rifle is a great trainer for young and were young once shooters. Comes with a Barra 4 -12*40 scope w/cover, the original 5 round magazine, plus 3 additional 10 round magazine's, sling and a plano, gray plastic carry case (not shown). Buy all this new from Cabela's for \$550 plus tax, or here for \$300.

2). SIG SAUER MOSQUITO, Approximately 2 years old, bought from Cabela's. This 22LR pistol is a great entry level unit to hone your skills. Comes with all the original equipment, tool kit, carry case, documentation etc. Maybe 1500 rounds of CCI mini mag through it, no issues. 2 Magazines. Asking \$300. Restricted PAL required. **Call or text James at (250) 507-0299.**



RELOADING SUPPLIES FOR SALE (Aug ns)

IMR 4895 11lbs (\$35.00) NEW RCBS 30-06 2 piece Reloading Dies (\$40.00) 1/2 box (462 bullets) Berry's 9mm 124gr Flat Point .356 (\$50) 2 boxes of (1000 bullets/BOX) Berry's 40 S&W 180Gr Round Shoulder .401 (Make an offer) 2 boxes of (500 bullets/BOX) Berry's 45 ACP 200Gr Semi-Wad Cutter .452 (Make an offer) 1 box of 1000 Federal Large Pistol Primers #150 (\$50.00) 1 box of 1000 CCI Large Rifle Primers #200 (\$40.00) 3000 x 38 special ONCE FIRED BRASS already cleaned and deprimed (.10/each) or Make an offer.

SHOTGUNS Beretta A300 Outlander Camo 12Ga excellent condition = \$700.00 Beautiful Beretta O/U 686 Silver Pigeon 1 in excellent condition with chokes & original case = \$1950.00 **Contact Steve at 250-885-2363 or email at stevedube@shaw.ca**

**I have my blacksmith shop set up, and I am starting to take orders for iron work.**

Do you need some throwing knives, tomahawks, a flint striker, fire irons, grills, lantern hooks, fire pokers, bottle openers etc...? I specialize in hand forged 18th and 19th century reproductions, and can make just about anything for your rendezvous camp, or Christmas presents. If you want things made soon and delivered, I will be at the turkey shoot in Victoria on the 26th and 27th and can bring things with me. Please check out my FB page Meška Ironworks to see some of my other stuff. **Contact me at: 604-719-4139 or blcksmithju@hotmail.com**

FOR SALE:

Pietta Revolvers (2) - 45LC 7 1/2 inch barrels Stainless Steel
Seldom used. Close serial numbers but not sequential.
Sell as a pair = \$1300. obo Contact for pictures please.
Chris 250-592-4311

For Sale: (Sept ns) For Sale – 2 cleaning rods, J. Dewey Mfg nylon coated cleaning rod for 223 caliber, extra jags and adapter, and Gunslick 3 pc take down cleaning rod, 22 caliber.

*****Now \$25-***** Ivan -250 893 4826 phone or text

FOR SALE: (Oct. ns) #1 M65 US army coat with hood, medium size asking \$80 OBO, its from the 80s I think, paid 90 it doesn't fit. #2 Canadian army backpack for sale excellent shape, circa 1964. Im guessing its about 60 liters.\$50 firm #3 hardcore bush Sleeping set, inner is a Canadian army cold weather down sleeping bag , outer is a gortex USMC woodlands camo Bivy in amazing shape. \$180 obo. Have good pictures of all these items if you'd like to request, please email aquariusbaby@protonmail.com

FOR SALE: (Nov. ns) **Martin Archery Lynx compound bow with soft case and accessories. Price \$300. Please contact Wolfgang at:**
wkuentzle@gmail.com or call/text 1-204-981-8625



ITEMS WANTED

WANTED: Any Amount of Hodgdon's international powder. Will trade other powders and /or buy. Call Ed at (250) 386-3783

WANTED: SKS-D (with ak-47 mag release) AND Baikal O/U 12ga/.308 Ande 2508891621

WANTED; Birmingham Arms bolt action rifle in 30-06, or 270 caliber. Phone Norm at (250)294-3834

WANTED: Ruger Vaquero or Uberti El Patron in 357 Mag.

Please contact Brian at (250) 882-8495 or bwhit99@hotmail.com



FOR SALE: Sako 85 Bavarian 30-06, right hand, \$1,850. **Phone 250-592-4504**

FOR SALE: (Nov. ns) **1) 12 gauge left handed Thompson Center** New Englander muzzle loading shotgun for sale, mint as new condition test fired only, bought new in the early 90's. Fixed improved cylinder choke. C/W 500 over the powder wads and 500 over the shot wads, just add powder, shot and a cap your ready to go. **\$250.00 lower price**
2). Brand new Springfield Armory M1 Garand barrel for sale, chambered for the 3006. **\$300.00 reduced.** Contact John, bibatoad@hotmail.com

FOR SALE: (Nov ns) **RCBS JR 2 PRESS** with rcbs Press priming attachment & Primer tubes. **Asking \$70.00**
Call John at (778)678-0436

FOR SALE: (Oct. ns) For anyone wanting to get into reloading your own 30-06 cartridges. Brand new Lee Pacesetter dies for reloading 30-06 cartridges. The entire package below can be purchased for \$180.00 or each part sold individually. Everything is new except the brass. If you bought retail here is the price breakdown per piece (includes tax): Lee Pacesetter dies (\$61.59); Factory Crimp die \$24.63; Nosler Ballistic Tip bullets \$49.27/box; Large rifle primers \$7.83/box; 127 used de-primed and cleaned 30-06 rifle brass (new - \$60 for 50 or \$1.12 per casing. Used \$0.50x127= \$63.50). The total if you bought retail separately is \$279.58.



Price for each piece in this ad: Lee Pacesetter dies \$45.00; Factory Crimp die \$20.00; Nosler Ballistic Tip bullets \$35/box; Large rifle primers \$6.00/box; 127 used de-primed and cleaned 30-06 rifle brass de-primed and cleaned \$0.50x127= \$63.50. The total if you bought separately is \$222.50. **Contact Frank Barber at 250-580-7820 or fandcbarber@gmail.com**

FOR SALE: (Oct ns) Olympic Arms, AR-15 for sale. This rifle was made to copy the first Canadian C7 style rifle. In excellent condition. Comes with two scope mounts, a Red Dot scope and a plastic clip on shell catcher. \$875.00. For pictures or more information, email Tom at longun1@telus.net

Gun Collection For Sale: (Oct. ns) Handguns (9), Shotguns (6), Rifles (3); the handguns range from older Webley to modern Sig Sauer 9mm; the shotguns from Beretta SS to Belgian Browning O/U 410, 12 Ga O/U Lightning & Silver Pigeon & A5.....
Contact Tony for List: Phone: (250) 888 - 7834 Email: araybould@shaw.ca

FOR SALE: (oct ns) Swiss GP11 7.5x55 unopened case of 480 rounds \$450 Contact: jmoran@protonmail.com



Reclaimed brass for sale - money goes back to the VF&GPA

"Most of the rifle brass is sorted by calibre and headstamp, while 9mm & 40 S&W pistol brass & .223 Remington brass are not sorted (mixed headstamps) and sold by weight."
"Most calibres of brass 10 cents each, with 9mm, 40 S&W and .223 at \$1.70 per pound."



Please call or email Brad at 250-727-9175 or by email at leonardwoollven@gmail.com

(please make reference to brass)





(Nov. ns)

For Sale**COLT OFFICERS MODEL**

MATCH, 38 Special 6-inch barrel, in NRA Modern Gun Condition Standard "VERY GOOD" \$1,850



ANSCHUTZ 1903 TARGET RIFLE, Low round count single shot 22LR, in NRA Modern Gun Condition Standard "AS NEW" \$1,350.

(does not include scope, rings, or bases)

**WALTHER P38 byf 44, 1944**

WWII German manufactured, WWII German manufactured all numbers match, in NRA Modern Gun Condition Standard "VERY GOOD" \$2,250



LES BAER 1911 Chrome 45 ACP with 4 Magazines, with papers and case in NRA Modern Gun Condition Standard "AS NEW" \$2,450

**CZ 455 SUPERMATCH 22LR, 12**

L&G. With 1 or 2 stocks. \$525 Walnut Stock, \$650 Boyd Evolution Stock, \$700 both. In NRA Modern Gun Condition "New". (Does not include Scope, rings, or base)



455 WEBLEY BRASS, NEW NEVER FIRED STARLINE 455 WEBLEY LARGE PISTOL PRIMER BRASS. \$90 for 100 pieces, \$160 for 200 pieces.



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Please call or text 250-589-5801 or email kbodnarchuk@gmail.com