



Victoria Fish and Game Protective Association

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PRESIDENT'S NOTES

Christmas General Meeting

The annual Christmas Social will be held on December 20 at the Strawberry Vale Community Center. All members, including families are welcome. The club will be providing food and drink but to increase the variety you are asked to bring a little something extra. This event is one of the few opportunities during the year to meet with a cross-section of members and find out what each does. Who knows, you may open up a totally new interest.

Tickets to the Annual Game Dinner (March 05, 2011) will be on sale during the social.

Game Dinner

As mentioned, the Annual Game Dinner will be held on Saturday March 05, 2011 at the Olympic View Golf Course. The chefs do an amazing job of preparing a wide variety of game in the most delicious ways. This is truly a gourmet event. This evening is also a fund raiser, primarily through a silent auction. Local stores and industry, the club and club members donate the items to be auctioned. Tickets will be available at the Christmas Social for an early bird price of \$39/adult and \$19/child (12 years or younger). After February 10 the prices will increase to \$45 and \$22 respectively. The Olympic View facility can accommodate 150 people.

Property Work

A need developed to bring an excavator on to the property for a variety of reasons.

The most pressing reason was to prepare for the rebuilding of the dam which creates the fishing pond at Frog Hollow. The dam is failing and the pond level now drops quite rapidly after a rainfall. It has always been an idea to change the property access road from the present location to one which captures all traffic entering the property and allows an unobstructed view of the sign-in kiosk from the caretaker's house. These two needs are being combined ie. the new access road will also be a new dam. The road is being built now and will come into use in the New Year. Next summer, when water levels are low, water level control culverts will be installed and the pond side of the road will be lined with clay to waterproof the structure. The old dam will be removed. The dam/road will be wide enough to accept two-way traffic and will also incorporate an area from which people can fish – thereby increasing access to the pond.

Other projects receiving machine time are the archery range where fill was placed and levelled to extend the target range. Also, the left hand side of the rifle range will be levelled and berms constructed to reconfigure the silhouette range.

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Power

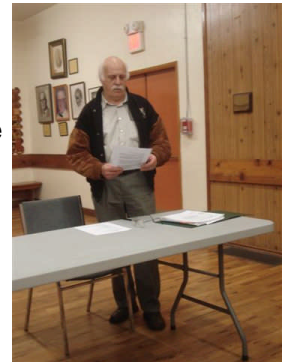
The club executive is in the process of getting quotes from various power line installation companies to run power to both the archery and M/P ranges. Power to each of these ranges will be a major step in their development. Heat and light are the primary issues as the structures at both sites are suffering from the effects of our cold/wet winters and the lack of lighting compromises their use at all times.

Talks

The club members who attended the last General Meeting were given a good insight into the issues presently receiving attention from the B.C. Wildlife Federation. Rod Wiebe, president of the BCWF, discussed a variety of concerns including insurance, the halibut fishery, access to private lands etc. The BCWF is doing a good job in representing our interests.

As yet, we do not have a speaker for January, so any ideas are welcome.

For February we hope to have both the Director and an officer from the B.C. Conservation Officer Service. Last year's talk by Peter Pauwels (Officer-Southern Vancouver Island) was well received and I look forward to hearing from him again. Maintaining a close and cooperative relationship with the CO's is very much in our best interest.



Range Use

Following from above, the Conservation Officer Service for B.C. has taken 12 recruits into their ranks. Four other recruits are coming from other provinces. These recruits, before being hired as full time officers, must pass a rigorous training process. A significant portion of this training involves the use of firearms. The VFGPA has been asked by the CO Service to rent our facilities to them for this training. The training period will run from January 06 to 19, 2011. There will be limited access to ranges during this period. Tentatively, the rifle/pistol range, shotgun range and some of the multi-purpose range will be closed during weekdays. The rifle/pistol range will be open weekends unless there is a club function. The shotgun range will be closed on weekends – in part for the CO Service and in part for club usage. Some of the multi-purpose range will be open on weekends. This schedule is tentative and so one should go to the website for the final details. The decision to try to accommodate the CO Service with renting this much time in a block is extraordinary and was made only after considerable thought. The decision brings a significant amount of money to the club but, more importantly, aligns us solidly in support of this important service. We hope that this range usage will be of minimal impact to most members.

Boxing Day Trap Shoot

The Boxing Day Trap Shoot will be held again this year December 26, 2010.. There is a need for more volunteers to help with the running of this event. If you can spare some time on Boxing Day please call Steve Minckler at 250-727-6101 or email minky270@hotmail.com. This is a prize shoot and is open to the public.



Archery 3D Turkey Shoot

The 3D archery group is holding a turkey shoot on Sunday December 19. Starting time is 0930. This event is open to the public. For details call Doug or Sonya Bell at 250-727-9735.





BCWF NOTES

Kid's Camp

2011 will be the 3rd year that the Kid's Camp will be offered to the children of (or related to) VFGPA members. The VFGPA sponsored 2 children to the 2010 camp and by all I hear it was a great success. The 2010 program was better funded and there were more volunteers to make the work easier. The comment was made as to how enthusiastic and well-mannered the children were.

The 2011 camp will be held from July 18 to 21 at the Courtenay Fish and Game Club. This venue has probably the best facilities and location for the camp. Courtenay puts a lot of effort (and money) into this event.

The purpose of this note is to canvass the VFGPA membership for applicants. Any child, whether family or relation, between the ages of 10 and 14 can apply. Preference will be given to children of members who have never attended a "Kid's Camp". Each Island club can send two children to the camp.

Videos made during the camp will be put on a DVD and given to each camper later in the year.

BCWF AGM

The BCWF Annual General Meeting and Convention will be held in Surrey from April 13 –16, 2011.

Elk Hunt Update

In January and February of 2002 five First Nations people killed 8 elk in the endangered Cowichan Lake herd. In court they were found guilty of hunting endangered animals at night using bright lights and night vision goggles. Of the 8 animals, 2 were pregnant cows and 1 was a calf. Convictions were put on hold to allow the judge to hear treaty and aboriginal rights arguments from the "hunters". The natives claimed they had the right to hunt under the Douglas Treaties, had shelter and kinship rights (but no permission from the host Nation) and that there was no legitimate conservation issue pertaining to the elk at Cowichan Lake – even though hunting had not been allowed since 1968. The Crown maintained that the need for conservation trumped all these arguments. An elder testified that using the resource properly meant making sure the animals don't disappear. The natives lost their appeal.

BCWF Zone 1 (Vancouver Island) Meeting

This meeting was held at the Valley Fish and Game Club on Sunday, November 28, 2010. Considerable time was spent discussing resolutions made by local clubs and voting whether or not to pass these on to the BCWF resolution committee for ultimate presentation at the AGM in April. The final package of resolutions to be voted on at the AGM will be discussed at a future General Meeting. A few of the topics discussed included:

- Seals and sea lions – populations at a 100 year high when many salmon runs are at record lows. It is suggested that high quality data is needed to definitely characterize the dietary habits of these mammals and the best way to obtain this data is through stomach content analysis.
- The efficacy of a catch and release coho fishery in a population of wild unmarked fish and marked/unmarked hatchery fish. Many fisherman are catching and releasing large numbers of fish until they catch a fish that meets the quota regulations set up by DFO. There seems to be little real data on the survival of released fish.
- The concept of an "Outdoor Passport" whereby the BCWF has negotiated access to private lands for BCWF members. Other than LEH holders, access to many Island lake areas is not allowed. A list of landholders who support the concept of access for BCWF members should be available soon. One of the principal reasons for landholders denying access is vandalism.

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Blacktail deer antlers from deer taken by members during the 2010 hunting season within Region 1 (Vancouver Island) will be accepted for scoring until January 31, 2011 for entry in the largest antlers competition.

Entries for the Black bear trophy (skull only) will also be accepted until January 31, 2011. Again, this is for Black bears harvested in Region 1 during both the spring and fall 2010 bear seasons.

Would the following trophy winners from last year return the perpetuals to Wayne Zaccarelli by January 31, 2011:

Darcy Rhodes - largest Blacktail deer
Darcy Rhodes - largest scoring antlers
Stu Rhodes - largest Black bear

Trophy winners from this past season will be announced in the March 2011 newsletter and trophies will be presented at the Annual General Meeting in March.

The following deer weigh ins have been recorded since the last newsletter:

Doug Carter	Nov 11	137 lb	antlers 3x2
Trey Cleemoff	Nov 12	76 lb	spike * Jr. member
Stu Rhodes	Nov 14	156.5 lb	2x2
Darcy Rhodes	Nov 18	117 lb	2x2

Fishing Contest:

Would the following trophy winners from the 2009 fishing contest please return the perpetual trophies to Wayne Zaccarelli by January 31, 2011:

Bob Hull - largest Coho
Tom Vaida - largest Chinook
Marlin Lohr - largest Halibut

A new perpetual trout trophy will be available for this year's competition. The club's original trout perpetual has been missing for years.

ELK LAKE UPDATE

I received a letter dated November 17, 2010 from Christopher Causton, chair of the CRD Regional Parks Committee. He states "Thank you for your letters of October 04 and 15, 2010. In your letters you indicate a number of concerns that you have regarding Regional Parks staff and the Elk/Beaver Lake Recreational Use Advisory Group. I would be pleased to meet with you to discuss your concerns further." I will be following up with his invitation.

...Wayne Zaccarelli

Fishing Contest Entry Form			
Chinook___	Coho___	Tyee___	Halibut___
Trout___ Bass___ Steelhead___			
Weight:___ lbs___ oz. Length___			
Date Caught: _____		Area: _____	
Anglers Name: _____		Jr. Age: _____	
Member Number: _____			
Phone Number: _____			
Signature: _____			
Submit to Wayne Zaccarelli - 382-8502			

CRAIGFLOWER CREEK SALMON ENHANCEMENT

In the last newsletter I made reference to the problem with low water flows in summer which are hampering enhancement of Coho in Craigflower Creek. The Esquimalt Anglers' Association monitors their fish counting fence on the creek during the fall Coho spawning migration. So far this year only about 50 Coho have been counted through the fence. We believe the low Coho return to be the result of low water in the creek during the time the Coho fry are rearing there. The EAA has been attempting to get the CRD to release water from Thetis Lake over the summer period without success. It is the CRD's mandate to release water according to the Park Management Plan.

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This matter was raised at the November 17 CRD Parks Committee meeting by CRD director Mike Hicks and was reported in a Times-Colonist article dated November 20. As president of the EAA, I wrote a letter to the editor of the T-C addressing this subject and the letter was published November 28. I have also drafted and sent a similar letter addressed to the CRD Parks Committee who will be making a decision on the release of water from Thetis Lake in the new year. It is important that other letters also be sent to CRD Parks Committee supporting the release of water to sustain and enhance Coho salmon in Craigflower Creek. A copy of my letter appears below.

ESQUIMALT ANGLERS' ASSOCIATION
1101 MUNRO STREET
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November 29, 2010.

CRD Parks Committee,
Capital Regional District,
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P.O. Box 1000,
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The lack of water in Craigflower Creek has been identified as the primary limiting factor to salmonid species production in numerous studies carried out over the years.

The lack of a guaranteed minimum flow in combination with higher than optimal, and sometimes lethal, water temperatures during the critical June 15 to October 15 period results in the mortality of thousands of Coho salmon fry. These fry must rear in the creek watershed through the summer before migrating to the ocean environment the following spring.

The first fish counting fence monitoring started on Craigflower Creek following the construction in the fall and winter of 1976-1977 as part of a provincial Fisheries Branch initiative to enumerate sea-run Cutthroat trout migrating from the Gorge Waterway. This abandoned facility was replaced about twenty years ago when the Esquimalt Anglers' Association constructed a new counting fence at the present site.

The Association monitors the fish counting fence and records water height, temperature and other physical and environmental parameters daily along with fish enumeration during the fall spawner migration. Coho returns approaching 1000 fish have been recorded in the best year. Normal returns are in the range of 200-300 fish. This year only 30 Coho have been counted and released despite the fact Coho returns to other systems such as Goldstream River and Shawnigan Creek have been excellent.

We can reasonably conclude this low return of spawning Coho salmon to be the result of lethal low stream water flow during the critical summer period when, as fry, these fish were rearing in Craigflower Creek. These annual low water flows are threatening the efforts of the Esquimalt Anglers' Association and our partners to return the watershed's salmonid population to sustainable, historic levels.

CRD Parks Committee / Thetis Lake-Craigflower Creek

We ask that CRD Parks follow their mandate in the Thetis Lake Park Management Plan to work with the B.C. Ministry of Environment and other like-minded partners "...to monitor water levels, maintain water control structures and release water from Thetis Lake to enhance conditions for salmon and trout in the Craigflower Creek system."

CRD Parks should act on the commitment.

Yours truly,
Wayne Zaccarelli,
President,
Esquimalt Anglers' Association

**WHAT \$40,000.00?**

(Hello, everyone,

This report is offered in memory of, and respect for, Ike Connick who passed away a year ago this month, and is still a prime, but sadly missed, motivator for all of us who enjoy and appreciate the Multi Purpose Range. Ike's greatest desire was that the group who brought the dream of the Range to reality should be given the credit they deserve by keeping the membership informed of the actual facts surrounding its inception. Recently it has become obvious that a great deal of misinformation exists, and this article is submitted in an attempt to ensure that the entire membership will now be aware of the facts of this miracle that a few very determined men accomplished for all of us who are members of the Victoria Fish & Game Protective Association.)

During our last general meeting on November 15, the members present were incorrectly informed that the construction of the Multi Purpose Range had cost the Victoria Fish and Game Club a huge sum of money (See title, above). This is a completely incorrect affront to the volunteers and donating individuals and companies who committed their time and resources to bring this facility into being.

The actual fact is that the construction of the Multi Purpose Range **TURNED A PROFIT** in the amount of **\$4070.51**.

According to Club records, the factors that brought about this phenomenal situation were:

1. Due to the never-ending efforts of the volunteers and the many business/service sector individuals who were recognized in the VFGPA Newsletters last year, expenses were kept to a minimum. No-one needs to be reminded that labor, machines, and services are usually formidable unless the project is run by people who are willing to make such sacrifices.
2. Most of the other income for the project was generated by good forestry practices in preparing the site, and then selling the culled logs – all under the supervision of Mr. John Burch who, like everyone involved, donated his time and expertise.
3. Income was also received from Coastland Industrial and other contractors who agreed to dispose of approved construction waste in the areas where the site needed fill, and pay for being allowed to do so.

Many, many other donations as acknowledged in previous Newsletters saved thousands upon thousands of dollars, as well.

The final financial report submitted at the end of the project indicates:

Expenses:	\$24,898.25
Income paid to VFGPA at completion:	<u>28,968.76*</u>
PROFIT:	<u><u>4,070.51</u></u>

*Included in Income was the Club's original start-up investment which had been retained by the construction party, but never needed: \$10,000.00 (NOT the figure quoted at the general meeting, referred to above!)

In addition to its +\$4000. initial financial contribution to the VFGPA Club treasury, the Multi Purpose Range continues to be a significant contributor through rentals to various law enforcement groups, security companies, as well as private groups and individuals. A conservative estimate of rental income from the MP Range would be approximately \$10,000.00 per year. This can be considered to be a direct contribution from the original group of people who gave all they could to bring this facility into existence.

As we look forward to 2011, there is little doubt that the planned improvements to the M-P Range, i.e. power, flush toilets, and related amenities, will increase future revenue by rendering the facility more attractive as a venue for provincial – and perhaps, even national – events which were previously impossible to support.

**BIG GAME RECORDS BOOKS**

Copies of the newly published eighth edition (2010) of the Vancouver Island Columbian Blacktail Deer Records are available at a cost of \$5 each. The issue contains a brief history of the records which were started in 1972 by Byron Mason and Charles Veasey. Byron Mason has written another excellent article on the history of hunting on Vancouver Island from 1900 to 1920. The previous seventh edition (2000) contained Byron's piece on blacktail deer populations and hunting on Vancouver Island from 1843 to 1899.

The current records list 1824 entries scoring 100 or more Boone & Crockett points. Several old hunting photographs have been reproduced for the first time in the Vancouver Island deer records booklet.

Some copies of the seventh edition (2000) are still available at \$4 each. Contact Wayne Zaccarelli @ 250-382-8502 or at general meetings to get your copies.

Big Game Records of British Columbia books are also available as follows:

2 nd edition (1983) \$20.00	3 rd edition (1988) \$20.00
4 th edition (1995) \$20.00	5 th edition (2003) \$30.00

These are hard cover books containing records of all big game native species, hunting stories and photographs. Check out the **Wildlife Records Club of B.C.** website or e-mail to:

Website: www.wildliferecordsofbc.com

e-mail: wildliferecordsofbc@shaw.ca

Contact Wayne Zaccarelli for record books or further information. A new 6th edition is currently being compiled and should be available around year end.

Entry fees are \$20 per animal. If you have a harvested or found big game animal which you would like scored as a potential record book entry, please contact Fred Pringle @ 250-478-1862. Fred is an official Club scorer and also a Boone & Crockett scorer.

Non restricted, restricted PAL courses and challenges call Lucky Jhagra (250)361-8692 or visit him at Island Outfitters. David Michaud (250) 385-3658 or (250) 389-8897 Instructor for the Canadian Firearms Safety Course both Non restricted, restricted PAL courses. Have been teaching the since 1994, Master Instructor in the Program.

CORE course call Robin Pike (250)812- 4316 (5-9 PM) thepikes@shaw.ca and Murray Kilshaw (250)382-1029 (9-5 PM) coreexaminer@shaw.ca David Michaud (250) 385-3658 or (250) 389-8897 Instructor for the Canadian Firearms Safety have been teaching the since 1994, Master Instructor in the Program.

**Final Membership Report for 2010**

VFG ended the year with 1650 members. We had an increase in all membership categories. In this summary, the parentheses will be the 2009 numbers for comparison. We had 299 Family memberships (271) we had 582 Adult members (521) we had 125 Senior members (110) and 10 Juniors (4) and our 10 Life members decreased by one with the passing of Harry Gladwell.

71% of our memberships are sold at Island Outfitters, 18% through the Caretaker and 11% by the other outlets, Pullens, Robinsons, Westshore Sportfishing and Eagle Eye Outfitters.

Of interest in various shooting venues, there were some changes from 2009. Not all membership cards were turned in with Members' interests marked off. For those who marked their preferences, thank you. This enables the club to have an idea of the amount of interest or participation in each venue. This information can be helpful for planning future range improvements.

Air Soft 8% (10%) Archery 27% (25%) Black Powder 15% (22%) Conservation 23% (30%) Fishing 40% (46%) Camping 30% (29%) Hunting 47% (58%) Pistol 71% (74%) Rifle 80% (86%) Shotgun 65% (69%)

Please bear in mind that these percentages have an error because of the ratio of cards filled out varies by year. They are approximate indicators only. The bright point is that we have increased membership in 2010. This is good news.

Val Macdonald,
Membership Chairperson

THIS IS YOUR FRIENDLY REMINDER

HAVE YOU PAID YOUR 2011 VICTORIA FISH & GAME PROTECTIVE ASSOCIATION DUES?

If not, this will be your last Newsletter!!

Your access to the Club facilities, benefits such as Membership in the BCWF, and liability Insurance ceased on the 31st of December, 2010.

To enjoy fishing at Frog Hollow, shooting trap, rifle, archery, skeet, pistol or using the multi purpose range and re-instating your valued liability insurance, please forward your dues immediately to:

Val MacDonald, Membership Chair 479-3828 membership@vfgpa.org
Island Outfitters, 3319 Douglas Street, Victoria 250-475-4969
Pullen's Gunsmithing 1698 Millstream Rd. Victoria, BC, 474-2512 (Friday—Sunday)
Eagle Eye Wilderness Co., 2151 Anna-Marie, Sooke
Robinson's Outdoor Store, 1307 Broad Street, Victoria
or see Robie & Trudi Petrie, Caretakers at the Range.

Adult \$110.00 Family \$150.00 Senior \$75.00 Junior \$30.00

Publishers Note

Deadline for next month's Newsletter is the 5th of the month. Note: Late submissions will be published in the month following. Please submit all ads by emailing them in text format only. Send all pictures with the event name, date and the names of people in the photo.

We have switched to Telus, please send all submissions to : vfgpanewsletter@telus.net

Thank You, Jodi Sturgill (250) 383-4622

**THIS MONTHS RANGE RULE REFRESHER!!**

This 'Rules Specific to the Shotgun Range' and 'Rules Specific to the Multi-Purpose Range' are from our Range rules. Next month, we will have the rules specific to the Archery Range. The full range rules can be found and downloaded from our website; vfgpa.org under the 'About Us' tab.

RULES SPECIFIC TO THE SHOTGUN RANGE

Please Note: These rules are in addition to the General Range Rules:

1. No discharge of firearms other than shotguns on the Shotgun Range (Except as part of a special VFGPA sanctioned event). This means NO rifles, pistols, or cannons of any caliber or style.
2. Firearms are NOT permitted in the clubhouse.
3. No spectators forward of the designated firing line.
4. No shot larger than No. 7 1/2 shall be used.
5. No gun shall be loaded until the shooter is on a shooting station.
6. Any loaded gun MUST BE pointed in a safe direction.
7. The loading of more than two shells in a gun is not allowed at any time.
8. No "backing-up" shall be allowed while shooting Skeet.
9. Following the use of trap or skeet facilities other than a VFGPA sanctioned event each shooter is required to clean up any spent shotgun hulls and all litter.
10. Please ensure that broken clay target debris does not litter the shooting stands or the trap machine bunkers, it must be cleaned up.

When finished shooting, please clean-up both your shooting station, AND the targets and debris from your targets at the target distance at which you were shooting. Please leave the range cleaner than you found it.

RULES SPECIFIC TO THE MULTI-PURPOSE RANGE

Please Note: These rules are in addition to the General Range Rules:

1. All shooting must be inside the front edge of the berms, towards rear (backstop) and down range.
2. No shooting into the sides of the berms; the berms are designed for Safety, NOT as a bullet backstop.
3. This is a pistol, shotgun, and small caliber rifle range. I.E. pistol caliber and 22 rimfire rifles ONLY. NO large caliber rifles. (SKS rounds can be used if the Rifle/Pistol range is in use.)
4. All targets are to be paper or cardboard.
5. Leave the range clean.
6. The Caretaker has a small supply of targets (small cost involved) which may be used on this range.

When finished shooting, please clean-up both your shooting station, AND the targets and debris from your targets at the target distance at which you were shooting. Please leave the range cleaner than you found it.

VIOLATION OF THE VFGPA PROPERTY USE POLICY OR RANGE RULES

The Victoria Fish and Game Protective Association wishes to maintain a safe environment for all its members and non-members at the Malahat Outdoor Sports Facility. Having the obligation to operate the organization under strict insurance criteria, it is deemed unacceptable to break the rules.

Serious violation will be dealt with severely. Ignorance of the rules is not an excuse.

If accused of violating any the VFGPA rules, members and non-members have the right to a hearing at the next official Board of Directors Meeting.

Please Take Note:

The Caretaker and the Range Officer may demand violators leave the property immediately. The Executive has the right to remove membership privileges or suspend membership and the Executive also has the right to ban violators from future access to the property.



DECEMBER 2010

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
SUBJECT TO CHANGE:			1	2	3	4
				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>RP & RH</u> Closed; 9am to 4pm 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>PPC; RP & RH</u> Closed 9am to 3pm
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Board Mtg.</u> • <u>RP & RH</u> Closed; 9am to 4pm 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>RP & RH</u> Closed; 9am to 4pm 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>RP & RH</u> Closed; 9am to 4pm 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>RP & RH</u> Closed; 9am to 4pm 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>C.O.R.E.</u> Course; CH 8am-6pm
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>C.O.R.E.</u> Course; CH 8am-6pm 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>P.A.L. Course</u> in Clubhouse 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>P.A.L. Course</u> in Clubhouse 				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>SG & CH</u> closed all day; setup for Archery 3D shoot
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Silhouette; RP</u> closed 9am-2pm • <u>SG & CH</u> closed all day; Archery 3D Tur- key shoot; 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>General Mtg.</u> & Christmas Social 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>RP & RH</u> Closed; 9am to 4pm • PAL course in clubhouse 				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Range Closed;</u> Merry Christmas!!
26	27	28	29	30	31	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>"BOXING DAY TRAP SHOOT"</u> 						

RP : Rifle/Pistol Range MP : Multi-Purpose Range SG : Shotgun Range CH : Main Clubhouse RH : Range House



JANUARY 2011

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
SUBJECT TO CHANGE:						1 • <u>"HAPPY NEW YEAR!!"</u>
2	3 • <u>Board Mtg:</u> <u>Esquimalt Anglers:</u> <u>7:30pm</u>	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16 • <u>Silhouette; RP</u> <u>Range Closed;</u> <u>9am to 2pm</u>	17 • <u>General Meet-</u> <u>ing.</u>	18 • <u>RP Closed;</u> <u>9am to 4pm</u>	19	20	21	22 • <u>Black Powder;</u> <u>RP closed 9-12</u>
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

RP : Rifle/Pistol Range MP : Multi-Purpose Range SG : Shotgun Range CH : Main Clubhouse RH : Range House



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- Halibut – The halibut resource is managed by an international commission. The work of this commission is recognized as being about the best there is as halibut stocks have been robust for many years. However, harvest share is determined by DFO. After the native take has been factored out, commercial interests have been given 88% and sports interests 12% of the allowed annual harvest. The commercial interest is comprised of 436 people, many of whom are “slipper skippers” i.e. they lease their permit – never leaving shore. In essence, these few now own the resource, which, in reality, is a public resource. The share going to the public is not enough and the method used to determine when the public has met their quota is arbitrary and quite unscientific. DFO, the architects of this system, are talking of applying this same concept to prawns and crabs. However, for these, DFO will be responsible for all aspects of resource management. DFO’s management of our marine food resources has been, and continues to be, a disaster.

Youth Delegate

The BCWF will fund the participation of a youth member in the 2011 AGM. If we wish to sponsor one of our youth members, we must forward that person’s name to the Zone 1 executive by December 31, 2010.

CORE

For some time there has been talk of putting a part of the CORE program on-line. That part will be in the form of a teaching aid and will be in addition to the manual and classroom instruction. Classroom instruction has been deemed absolutely essential in qualifying responsible hunters. The delay in putting the teaching aid on-line rests with the Ministry of Environment and their concern with copyright infringement.

Cheers, Bob Macdonald

2011 Memberships are now available!!

Get your renewal before January 1st 2011

and receive a \$10 discount!

2011 memberships are now available from Val at our General meetings (Val Macdonald - membership@vfgpa.org), from the Caretaker at the Range, Island Outfitters 3319 Douglas Street, Victoria, B.C., 250-475-4969, Pullen's Gunsmithing 1698 Millstream Rd. Victoria, BC 474-2512 (Friday—Sunday), Eagle Eye Outfitters in Sooke, and from Robinsons on Broad Street Downtown,

Annual 2011 Membership

Adult \$110.00 discounted to \$100.00 if renewed before January 1.

Family \$150.00 discounted to \$140.00 if renewed before January 1.



South Island Action Shooters Report

The South Island Action Shooters wrapped up the season with a Three-Gun match on Nov 07, 2010. Good weather plus a lot of fun and good-natured competition were the order of the day. Again, Oleg Matveenکو carried off the top honors. No surprise there, but it's worth mentioning that Jim Bell managed to depose Oleg at Stage 3, and Dom Piluso and Mike Egan were close second and third place in the final results. Please enjoy a few pictures of these handgun club members showing off their expertise (and gymnastic ability) with a few other choice firearms:



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Meeting & Club Information

**Executive meetings 1st Monday of the Month @ 7:30pm,
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General Meeting

Strawberry Vale Hall 7:30pm.

General meetings are on the third Monday of each month at 7:30pm. in the Strawberry Vale Hall at 11 High Street, off of Burnside Road West, Victoria BC. Club House and Ranges are located at 700 Holker Place off Malahat Drive—about 20 minutes North of Victoria opposite Spectacle Lake turn-off.

Phone: (250) 478—2411

Range Scheduling Information

Web: www.vfgpa.org

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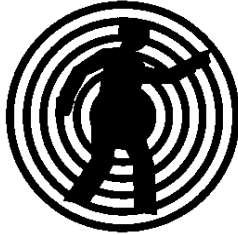
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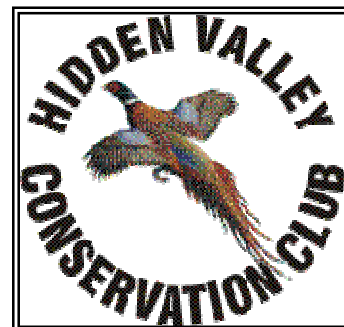
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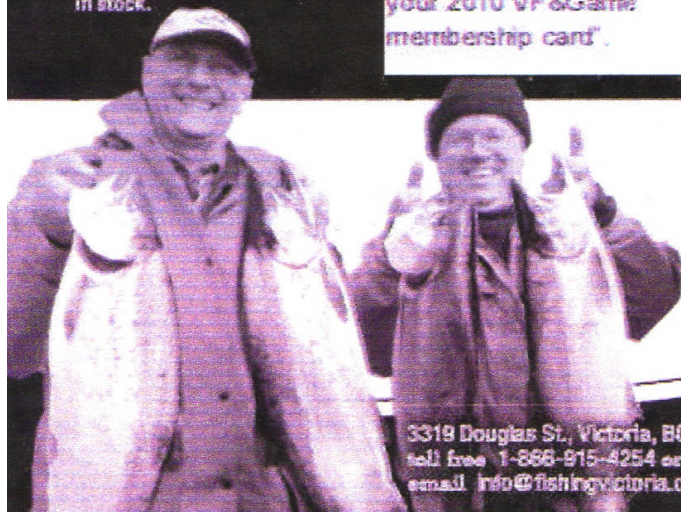
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