



# Victoria Fish and Game Protective Association

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## PRESIDENT'S NOTES

### Game Dinner

Preparations for the Game Dinner are going well. Perry Chow is the overall event organizer. This year, various people have stepped forward to help. Largely through the efforts of Gary and Sybil Kangas most of the tickets have been sold. A few tickets are still available through Gary and Sybil (250) 474-3244, Perry Chow (250) 479-2279 or Island Outfitters.

As this dinner is the major fund-raiser for the year, volunteers may still be needed to canvass for items for the silent auction. In addition, many auction items can be donated by club members - so if you can help in this way, please contact Perry Chow at 250- 478-2279. More information about Game Dinner on page 10.

The meat for the dinner is donated, for the most part, by club members who are hunters. Commercial interests also contribute. Dennis Strobbe is the person to contact if you have game meat to donate. His contact number is (250) 382-2909

In addition to heading up ticket sales, Gary and Sybil have collected photos showing the club's history. These they are scanning and having made into a presentation which will be shown at the dinner. Barry Goodwin and Wayne Zaccarelli provided most of the photos. Dennis Strobbe (250)-382-2909 is looking after donations of game.

### Talks

Remember the General Meeting for February (Monday, February 21/11) will feature the Conservation Officer Service. Peter Pauwels and the C.O. Service Director will be on hand to give us an overview of what's new, what's coming, how are outdoors people affected and how can we help.

### Life Memberships

Having received few suggestions from the general membership as to who they would support being awarded a life membership, the executive has agreed on a person very deserving to be so honoured. As such awards must be approved by the general membership, this person's name will be presented at the February General Meeting for acceptance. A life membership conveys to the person so awarded full access to all club facilities – both present and future – in perpetuity without the requirement to pay membership dues.

The second life member position will be left open for the next executive to award if and when they see fit.

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### **Range Officer Group**

A group of 14 interested club members attended a very well organized and informative course on the responsibilities and practise of being a Range Officer for the VFGPA. People of this group will be certified as general Range Officers whose primary responsibilities will be to maintain order during times of heavy range use, to back up the authority of the Match Range Officer during sanctioned events and to introduce new members to the protocols of range use.

The course was very capably presented by Dave Michaud and included a discussion of range templating and general firearms law by Bob Turple of the office of the Chief Firearms Officer.

The interest in firearms law was significant and it may be worth while to invite Bob back to give a talk to the general membership.

### **Election**

To date few names have been put forward as candidates for the various positions required to allow the club to be run in an equitable and efficient manner. Fortunately, many of those who held office this past term are willing to stand for re-election. Positions for which we do not have a commitment from a person willing to stand for election are:

1 <sup>st</sup> Vice President	Trap	Member – at - Large
Rifle	Archery	Asset Management

If you are interested in serving on the Board please let your interest be known to any board member.

### **“Shooting Experience”**

Over the past year or so we have been contacted by various people who, as individuals or representing a group, want to gain an exposure to shooting – both firearms and, to a lesser extent, archery. We have accommodated most requests to the total delight of the participants. If you would be interested in working with the group that handles most of these requests, please mention your interest to anyone on the executive. There are several requests in the works.

### **Fishing**

As above, a fishing experience is also being sought by interested groups. For the most part, these are groups of school children who come to the range to try their hand at archery but to round out the day's experience we give them a quick lesson in spin casting and the chance to catch a fish. If you can donate some time during a weekday please call me at 250-479-3828.

Cheers, Bob Macdonald

### **Membership Report**

Last year we had a total of 1025 memberships with an additional 625 dependents for a total of 1650 members. That is quite a jump from when I first started doing memberships when there was a final total of 694. The membership has grown! Along with that growth has come an increasing amount of time to get the data entry completed so that we can send you your newsletters and forward your addresses to the BC Wildlife Federation for your copies of Outdoor Edge and insurance coverage.

So far this year, almost 65% of the memberships have been purchased since November 1st (3 months to now). This was quite a deluge of cards so we have had a bit of a backlog, but are almost caught up with the data entry and sending out Family cards. I would like to thank Perry Roemer for his help with this task.

Please, if we have mis-spelled your name or have something wrong in your address, please either inform Jodi Sturgill 250-383-4622 (newsletter) or myself (Val at 250-479-3828) so we can make the necessary corrections. We get handwritten information on the stub of the membership card and some writing (even some printing) is poor, so we have to guess. When we cannot decipher the writing, we cross-check with a directory, the old VFG database, road maps and then we take a stab in the dark. It could be humorous, unless it is your name!

I will be contacting some of our members who purchased family memberships but did not leave any family names on the back of the card. Waiting to get this information will delay sending the cards. Thank you for your patience and understanding.

Val Macdonald, Membership

**To all VFGPA Members:**

In accordance with the recommendations of the Multi-Purpose Range Use Committee, all members of the VFGPA are advised that commencing March 1st 2011, the newly constructed secure gates to the MP Range will be securely locked, thereby limiting access.

Upon payment of the necessary deposit of \$25.00, only current members in Good Standing of the VFGPA, will be eligible to obtain a key to the gate.

Information included to obtain a key will include Name and VFGPA Membership Number, as well as PAL Expiration Date.

Numbered keys will be available to members at any Executive or General Meeting, as well as at the MP Range during any VFGPA sanctioned event.

VFGPA Key Holders to the MP Range, are reminded that 'Signing In' at both the Caretakers Kiosk AND the MP Range will be mandatory from the 1<sup>st</sup> March 2011.

The Caretaker will have a limited number of keys available to VFGPA Members, however it is the preference of the Committee that Members wishing to obtain a key, do so at a General Meeting.

As a reminder, any Day Pass holder who is NOT under the direct supervision of a VFGPA Member with a key, is NOT eligible to use the MP Range facilities nor eligible to obtain a key to the secure gates.

The findings of the Multi-Purpose Range Use Committee deemed it necessary that a secure locked gate to access the MP Range should be put in place.

While not hindering the use of the MP Range to VFGPA Members in good standing, this action is in no small part a direct response to protecting, and thanking, those dedicated volunteers who have spent many, many hours of their own time at the MP Range, giving of themselves to increase our enjoyment of a first class shooting facility.

On behalf of the Committee, I wish to thank ALL VFGPA members for their understanding and support in this matter, and wish all members a very prosperous and happy 2011!!

Tristan Baty  
Chairman, Multi-Purpose Range Use Committee.

**NEW 6<sup>TH</sup> EDITION BIG GAME RECORDS BOOK**

A new 6<sup>th</sup> edition **BIG GAME RECORDS OF BRITISH COLUMBIA** has been published by the Wildlife Records Club of B.C. The 480 page hardcover book features a fall Grizzly painted by Prince George wildlife artist, Ken Ferris, on the front cover.

The book contains more than 9000 entries in 19 big game categories and lists over 1900 new entries received since the 2003 edition. Included are feature articles of general interest along with a wide variety of pictures and hunting stories related to the more recent entries.

The Wildlife Records Club of British Columbia was formed in Kamloops in 1969 with the objective of maintaining a perpetual record of trophy class big game taken in British Columbia. Using the Boone & Crockett scoring system, the Club has scorers throughout the province for the convenience of hunters. Since 1982, directorship of the Club has been based on Vancouver Island.

The Club is dedicated to wildlife conservation, selective hunting and fair chase. Copies of the 6<sup>th</sup> edition Records Book are available from Wayne Zaccarelli (250-382-8502) or from Island Outfitters in Victoria.

**CRAIGFLOWER CREEK UPDATE:**

The latest update from James Craig of the B.C. Conservation Foundation concerning the release of water from Thetis Lake to Craigflower Creek is positive. He notes that project stakeholders have engaged the public and Regional Parks Committee members in order to inform them of the issues. These efforts have been successful as the CRD continues to move towards the release of water from Thetis Lake despite the corporate review of dam/reservoir management currently underway.

CRD Parks management will be advising the CRD Parks Committee early in the new year on their plan to address the remaining liability issue around swimming/diving at Thetis Lake. CRD Parks has cancelled the planned underwater assessment of hazards at Thetis Lake as the study is inappropriate at this time. CRD has received a letter from DFO Habitat Management stating they support the project and confirming that, during the proposed multi-year trial release period, there would be no obligation to release water.

The BCCF notes we look forward to finalizing details around a release of water from Thetis Lake with CRD Parks' field staff in the spring of 2011.

It is unfortunate that cooperation from the CRD was not forthcoming earlier in 2010 as this could have prevented the mortality of thousands of Coho fry rearing in Craigflower Creek.

Wayne Zaccarelli.  
Fishing Committee Chair.

**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

***The following news release concerning the illegal shooting/poaching of urban deer was sent to the local print, radio and television media. Thanks goes to Dave Narver for initiating this news release with a motion which was approved at the January general meeting. The text was finalized by Wayne Zaccarelli and forwarded to the media on January 30.***

**VICTORIA FISH & GAME PROTECTIVE ASSOCIATION  
P.O. BOX 93, VICTORIA, B.C., V8W 2M1  
ESTABLISHED JUNE 16, 1919**

**News Release**

January 23, 2011

The Victoria Fish & Game Protective Association condemns the illegal killing and mutilation of urban deer. This activity by poachers in the Greater Victoria and Nanaimo regions has been widely reported in the print, radio and television media over the last several months.

These individuals are rash, careless and thoughtless in their activities and display a potential disregard for public safety. These poachers must be dealt with by the full extent of the law.

Even more appalling to our more than 1600 members is that these poachers are often mistakenly referred to as 'hunters' in the media. It is obvious from the reports that these individuals have no intention of recovering the deer which they have shot at. Many have been mutilated with antlers taken away and the rest of the animal left behind. Others have been shot at and wounded by target arrows which were never designed for the purpose of hunting.

True hunters are law abiding, ethical and obey fair chase principles. They have taken and passed the Conservation & Outdoor Recreation Education (CORE) course which qualifies them for a Hunter Number Card. The Hunter Number is a requirement to purchase a provincial hunting licence and necessary attached species licenses. Hunters respect open seasons and closed to hunting areas. Hunters recover their game animals - in this case Blacktail deer. They care for the meat and edible organs and consume a nutritious, free-range product.

Robert Macdonald,  
President  
250-479-3828



## LETTERS REQUESTED TO SAVE TRADITIONAL COASTWIDE RECREATIONAL HALIBUT FISHERY

Letters to the Minister of Fisheries & Oceans are requested in efforts to change the management parameters of our halibut fishery so that early season closures do not happen again. Here are some points to consider and use in your letter.

- the Sport Fishing Advisory Board position is for an 11 month (February 01 to December 31) season with a daily limit of 2 and a possession limit of 2.
- former Fisheries Minister Robert Thibault in 2003 implemented a halibut allocation policy which split the Canadian Pacific coast halibut catch between commercial and recreational fisheries 88/12, respectively.
- the total allowable catch (TAC) is set each year in January by the International Pacific Halibut Commission (IPHC). This catch allows the fisheries to be managed on a sustainable basis.
- according to DFO catch estimates, the sport fishery exceeded its 12% quota in 2010 and was closed on October 18. In 2008, the fishery was closed November 01 for similar reason.
- DFO says we exceeded our quota by 71,000 lb to October 18, 2010. This amount will have to be paid back by subtracting from our 2011 quota. This could result in an even earlier closure in 2011 if an alternative management regime cannot be agreed upon for 2011 and the future.
- the early season closure in 2010 was in spite of the fact the commercial fishery left 750,000 lb of their quota still in the ocean to be caught at a later date.
- the approximately 100,000 recreational halibut anglers generate a large economic return to both the province and the country. The early closure of our halibut fishery is not justified based on either allocation, conservation or economic considerations.
- we oppose the gifting of halibut quota to 435 commercial halibut license holders. This common property public resource is only fished by about 1/3 of the license holders while the remaining 2/3 choose not to fish but to lease their quota to the others and make huge profits in doing so.
- a halibut allocation process has been set up to address various halibut allocation options aimed at resolving the 88/12 split which does not work for the recreational fishery. A favored option is for a set number of pounds per year for the sport fishery which would allow it to continue for the full 11 month season.

Write your letters to:

Gail Shea, MP,  
Minister of Fisheries & Oceans,  
Parliament Buildings,  
Wellington Street,  
Ottawa, Ontario,  
K1A 0A6

Please also send copy to Sport Fishing Institute of B.C., 8014 Webster Road, Delta, B.C., V4G 1G6. They need the letters to track the effectiveness of the lobbying efforts. More information can be found at the SFIBC website - [www.sfibc.com](http://www.sfibc.com)

**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](mailto:thepikes@shaw.ca) and Murray Kilshaw (250)382-1029 (9-5 PM) [coreexaminer@shaw.ca](mailto: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.



### **South Island Action Shooters Report**

Happy almost-SPRING, everyone! Some of our shooters were lucky enough to get up to the Multi-Purpose Range a couple of Thursdays ago. For some reason, a beautiful, sunny day presented itself, and a group of people just couldn't ignore the call. That's the reason for the semi-optimistic greeting, above. It even seemed like the old' place was glad to see us, as well.

It was especially great to see a couple of our newer members, Brian Price and his guest, Marlon, and then Sean Williams & friend, Steve. These guys seem to be a touch hardier than some of the rest of us. Apparently they've been up there making a lot of noise at other times during the winter season. We extend a hearty welcome to Marlon & Steve, who were enjoying our Range as guests of these two active new guys. It's truly exciting to see new members who are so enthusiastic about sharing our sport with their friends.

Other welcome news for our Club: Long-time member, and Pillar-of-the-Pistol-Clubs, Dave Gerow is back among us. Our Club has many "pillars" but it's worth celebrating when one has been missing and we get him back! Welcome home, Dave!

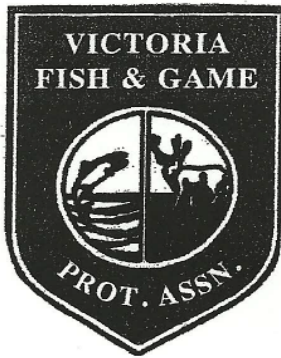
### **Our first Club Match of the season will be on Saturday and Sunday, March 05 and 06.**

**March 05** -Set-up (no competition) from noon-3:00 p.m. Bring your own refreshments & snack to enjoy later, while you're admiring your handiwork after set-up. It's always a good idea to have some of your equipment with you, as there's often time to do a little practicing after the targets are set up. Setting up the stages, and the friendly atmosphere, are important learning times for new shooters, and a chance for the long-time members to enjoy providing some encouragement and support.

**March 06** - Match Day (LOTS of shooting!) Registration begins at 08:30, walk-through 09:00. Match begins at 9:30

### **Set-up Gangs & Their Handiwork**





**VICTORIA FISH & GAME  
PROTECTIVE ASSOCIATION**  
P.O. BOX 93, VICTORIA, B.C., V8W 2M1

January 17, 2011

Gail Shea, MP,  
Minister of Fisheries & Oceans,  
Parliament Buildings,  
Wellington Street,  
Ottawa, ON  
K1A 0A6

Dear Minister:

The Victoria Fish & Game Protective Association is concerned regarding the imposed quota system which is threatening our recreational halibut fishery in the tidal waters of British Columbia.

When former Fisheries Minister, Robert Thibault, imposed a quota of 12% of the Canadian Pacific halibut total allowable catch to the sport fishery, he guaranteed that the fishery would remain open until the end of our traditional 11 month season. In two of the last three years our season has closed early despite reductions in daily and possession limits.

This allocation is obviously not sufficient to sustain a vibrant and healthy sport fishery which contributes significantly to the economy of British Columbia. Jurisdictions to the north and south of British Columbia have realized the value of a strong recreational fishery to the economy of their states. Alaska allocates 20% of their TAC to the sport anglers while Washington state allows 36% of their total allowable catch to be harvested by recreational anglers.

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Gail Shea - Sport Halibut Allocation

January 17, 2011

Our members are also dismayed that, despite halibut being a common property public resource, the Department of Fisheries & Oceans has gifted 88% of Canada's total allowable catch of Pacific halibut to 436 commercial halibut quota holders.

The estimated 100,000 anglers who fish for halibut are having their opportunity and expectations severely curtailed for reasons which do not include conservation or economic contribution to both the province of British Columbia and Canada.

The Victoria Fish & Game Protective Association has been representing the recreational anglers of southern Vancouver Island since its inception in 1919. The 1650 members of this Association request that you, under your powers as Minister of Fisheries & Oceans, reverse the unfair 2003 halibut allocation policy and provide a recreational quota of 20% of Canada's total allowable catch of Pacific halibut.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "R. Macdonald".

Robert Macdonald,  
President

Cc. British Columbia Wildlife Federation  
Sport Fishing Institute of B.C.

**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<sup>nd</sup> edition (1983) \$20.00

3<sup>rd</sup> edition (1988) \$20.00

4<sup>th</sup> edition (1995) \$20.00

5<sup>th</sup> 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](http://www.wildliferecordsofbc.com)

e-mail: [wildliferecordsofbc@shaw.ca](mailto:wildliferecordsofbc@shaw.ca)

Contact Wayne Zaccarelli for record books or further information. A new 6<sup>th</sup> 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.

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**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.

**Please send all submissions to : [vfgpanewsletter@telus.net](mailto:vfgpanewsletter@telus.net)**

**Thank You, Jodi Sturgill (250) 383-4622**



## ENJOY AN EXOTIC FINE DINING EXPERIENCE



### THE VICTORIA FISH & GAME PROTECTIVE ASSOC. ANNUAL GAME DINNER & FUNDRAISER

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SQUIRREL

as well as the more standard fare of Beef, Pork, chicken, etc.

**THE FESTIVITIES WILL SPOTLIGHT A RETROSPECTIVE OF  
THE VICTORIA FISH & GAME PROTECTIVE ASSOC.**

**DRAW PRIZES, SILENT AUCTION, RAFFLES**

*WHEN & WHERE*

**SATURDAY MARCH 5, 2011  
OLYMPIC VIEW GOLF CLUB  
643 LATORIA ROAD, COLWOOD  
FESTIVITIES BEGIN AT 6:00PM**

*TICKETS*

**\$45.00 per person**

**Tickets available at**

**EagleEye Outfitters, 2051 Anna-Marie, Sooke**

**Island Outfitters, 3319 Douglas, Victoria**

**Pullen Gunsmithing, 1698 Millstream, Victoria**

**VF&GPA 700 Holker Place, Malahat**

**MARCH is ELECTIONS MONTH!!!*****March General Meeting & AGM; Strawberry Vale Hall, 11 High St. off Burnside Rd. West), 7:30pm***

***Are you happy with the direction our Club is going??  
 Would you like more input?  
 Can you work in a group?  
 GET INVOLVED!!***

It is now time to start thinking about becoming a member of the Board of Directors. Talk among the members and encourage all members that are thoughtful, creative, considerate, team players, to consider running for a Board Position. We will need 6 head table officers, (Pres., 1<sup>st</sup> Vice, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice, Secretary, Treasurer, and Membership) and 14 Directors; 12 for each of the Disciplines, and 2 Members-At-Large.

Each of the Disciplines {Action Shooters, Airsoft, Archery, BCWF Rep., Black Powder, Conservation, Fishing, Frontier Shooters, Police Pistol Competition, Silhouette/Rifle Shotgun (Trap), and Shotgun(Skeet)} will need to put forward one or two names to be considered by the Membership for a Board Position.

names so that we can have an actual election. At least two Members-at-Large will be elected from the General Membership (plus any unfilled discipline positions), but again, hopefully we will have interest from many of our members! (We DO have over 1000 members.....!)

If you are involved in any of the disciplines, talk to your organizing committee; talk among all of your group. Encourage those with the needed skills and acumen to run for a Board position. If you yourself do not feel that you are ready to be a voting member of the Board, you could assist the future Board member as a co-chair; or two!

If you have other skills that you can contribute to the club, we need you to get involved in other ways as well.... Our Club is on the cusp of creating some Standing Committees that will help stabilize the long term plans and outlook for the facilities and membership.

***We need to start a 'Membership committee'*** that can assist Val Macdonald with an expanded and enlarged membership services program; a 'New Member Orientation' program and phoning committee.. The idea of a New member orientation program has been brought up before, and would be a great way for new members to feel welcome at the club. It would enable new members to tap into the Clubs resources and programs, and encourage them to get involved in club activities. If you are a 'people-person', then this is where you need to get involved.

***We need to start a Building Maintenance Committee.*** Many of our Buildings are aging. We need a group of members to spearhead an assessment of Club facilities, and develop a schedule of ongoing maintenance and repair. The Club will then be able to budget for ongoing maintenance, and avoid any catastrophic repairs. If you have any Construction or maintenance experience, we need you to volunteer here.

***We need to start a Range Improvement & completion committee.*** The M/P range needs water, power, a Shooting shed, bathrooms, etc. The idea of an airgun/22 cal range to the left of the Rifle/Pistol range has been suggested. The Skeet field area could be enlarged. The Club has huge potential, and needs a steering committee to provide ongoing guidance and stewardship in these projects. They are long-term, and require people with long-term vision and knowledgeable contacts and influence.

***We need to start a Fund Raising and Advertising committee.*** All of these ideas, programs, and projects will require funding over a long period of time. If you have experience in areas of fund raising, marketing, or advertising, then the Club will be in need of your skills most of all!

Any other ideas are welcome.  
 Talk to a Board member, and get involved!!

**Remember;**

**"The world is run by those who show up!"**

**The VFGPA**



**Needs YOU!!**



**THIS MONTHS RANGE RULE REFRESHER!!****We have updated our Range Rules!!!!!!**

*Your Board of Directors has been working to keep the Range Rules current and relevant. This month we have the Property Use, Camping, and Fishing Policies, as well as a 'Member Etiquette' refresher. Next month, we will have the updated General Range Rules. The full range rules can be found and downloaded from our website; [vfgpa.org](http://vfgpa.org) under the 'About Us' tab.*

**PROPERTY USE POLICY**

During general range use everyone, without exception, MUST sign in and sign out at the Sign-In Shelter located near the property entrance when visiting the VFGPA Malahat Outdoor Centre.

During all special events everyone MUST sign-in at the Sign-In Shelter OR register at the event headquarters.

When on the property you must have your membership card or day pass on you at all times.

The Victoria Fish and Game Protective Association has general range rules as well as rules specific to the Individual ranges and other sections of the property. Members and non-members on the property must adhere to those rules.

**Member access to the property:**

Upon arrival at the property when signing in, you must write clearly the date, your membership card number, your surname and initial, the range that you will be visiting, and the time of your arrival.

When leaving the property you must sign out by entering the time of your departure.

**Non-member access to the property:**

Non-members may use the property provided they purchase a Day-Pass. Day-Passes MUST BE purchased upon arrival at the Sign-In Shelter. This Non-member DayPass gives you access to the Rifle/Pistol Range, Shotgun Range, Archery Range, and Campground only; it does NOT give the pass holder access to the Multi-Purpose range.

**CAMPING POLICY**

1. Camping at the VFGPA Malahat Outdoor Facilities is a privilege extended to membership of the club and their guests.
2. There is NO ADDITIONAL CHARGE for club members to camp but their non-member guests MUST each pay a \$10.00 per day Campground fee. Children under 14 are free. Our facilities incorporate active shooting ranges, so children must be under supervision at all times.
3. Camping is ONLY permitted in the designated camping areas.
4. Camping on the property is not permitted for more than 7 consecutive days.
5. Water is at a premium so please use it sparingly.
6. Campfires are only permitted in the fire rings provided at each campsite. Do NOT move the fire rings.
7. During extreme dry periods there may well be NO fires permitted. Please check with the Caretaker before lighting a fire in the mid-summer. The property does get posted with fire restrictions as deemed necessary.
8. The club provides firewood for campfires; DO NOT cut wood from the surrounding bush for your campfire or use chainsaws. Store only the amount of firewood needed for the day.
9. Fires must be attended at all times and COMPLETELY extinguished when departing the property or retiring for the night. Please keep a suitable container of water or a fire extinguisher available.
10. Campsites must be cleaned up, fires must be completely extinguished and all garbage must be removed when leaving the property.

**Special Event Camping (Non-members):**

1. Camping is ONLY free for non-members for the evening prior to a special event and the days and nights during the special event UNLESS arrangements have been made with the event organizer due to circumstances. Regular camping fees apply before and after an event.
2. Complimentary special event camping is for the specific event only and does NOT include use of any additional facilities; a Day Pass (\$20.00) must be purchased to use additional facilities.
3. Each person MUST SIGN IN upon arrival and MUST SIGN OUT at the sign-in shelter upon departure from the property to meet our strict range insurance policies.
4. When on the property each person must abide by the VFGPA Property use policies, range rules and member etiquette.
5. Campsites must be cleaned up, fires must be completely extinguished, and all garbage must be removed and placed in the garbage bins before when leaving the property.
6. There is no RV hook up available and the club does NOT provide electricity.

**Please Note:** If you violate these rules you will be asked to leave the property.



### FISHING POLICY

1. Only single barbless hooks are permitted
2. Earth worms and artificial scented bait (i.e. Berkley Power Bait) may be used but other kinds of live bait are not permitted.
3. 'Catch and Release' fishing is encouraged. Please delicately handle any fish caught in order to release it back into the pond. If efforts to release your fish in good condition are not successful, you may retain one trout for your use. 'Catch and Keep' is limited to one fish per day.
4. Any person wishing to take a fish off VFGPA property must have a valid Provincial Freshwater (non-tidal) Fishing License. Persons under 16 years of age and who are B.C. residents do not require a license.
5. When cleaning fish do not throw the entrails in the pond.

**Please Note:** Frog Hollow Pond and the good trout fishing are a benefit for all of the VFGPA members; therefore please be conservative when fishing.

### MEMBER ETIQUETTE

1. People come to the property for fun, relaxation and enjoyment; lets all make a commitment to keep it that way.
2. When using the facilities be courteous and respectful to others.
3. If you witness an infraction or an unsafe act please report it to the caretaker or range officer immediately.
- 4.. Accidents MUST be reported to the Caretaker.
5. When you have finished using the facilities clean up after yourself.
6. Abuse of the property or the VFGPA equipment is NOT acceptable.
7. Dumping of garbage, which includes construction waste, old computer equipment and old appliances is NOT permitted.
8. Members who would like to donate materials or equipment to the VFGPA MUST first get approval from the Caretaker or the inventory control person on the Board of Directors before bringing it on the property.
9. Members are not permitted to remove materials or equipment from the property without receiving the prior approval of the caretaker or the inventory control person on the Board of Directors.
10. If you are unsure of the policies, rules or protocols at the VFGPA ask the Caretaker or an executive member for clarification.

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## FEBRUARY 2011

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
		1 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Skeet Practice 10am start</li> </ul>	2	3	4	5 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>PPC; RP &amp; RH Closed 9am to 3pm</li> <li>RP closed from 4pm; Frontier Setup</li> </ul>
6 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Frontier Shooters "Malahat Ridge" RP closed 9-4pm</li> </ul>	7 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Board Mtg.</li> </ul>	8 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Skeet Practice Shotgun Range 10am start</li> <li>RP &amp; RH closed 9 -</li> </ul>	9	10 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>RP &amp; RH Closed; 9am to 1pm</li> </ul>	11	12 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>MP Bay 7 closed 9 - 4pm</li> </ul>
13 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Frontier Shootists; RP &amp; RH closed 8:30am-12:30pm</li> <li>MP Bay 7 closed 9 - 4pm</li> </ul>	14 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Happy Valentine's Day!!</li> </ul>	15 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>RP &amp; RH Closed; 9am to 4pm</li> <li>Skeet Practice Shotgun Range 10am start</li> </ul>	16	17 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>RP &amp; RH Closed; 9am to 1pm</li> </ul>	18	19 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>C.O.R.E. Course; CH 8am-6pm</li> </ul>
20 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>C.O.R.E. Course; CH 8am-6pm</li> <li>Silhouette; RP Range Closed; 9am to 2pm</li> <li>Gun Show At Nanaimo F&amp;G</li> </ul>	21 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>General Meeting</li> <li>P.A.L. Course in Clubhouse</li> </ul>	22 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>P.A.L. Course in Clubhouse</li> <li>Skeet Practice Shotgun Range 10am start</li> </ul>	23	24	25	26 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Black Powder; RP closed 9-2pm</li> </ul>
27 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Archery 3D Shoot</li> </ul>	28 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Black Powder Meeting</li> </ul>	SUBJECT TO CHANGE:				

**MARCH 2011**

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
<b>SUBJECT TO CHANGE:</b>		1 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Skeet Practice 10am start</li> <li>RP &amp; RH closed 9 - 4pm</li> </ul>	2	3	4	5 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><u>Annual Game Dinner &amp; Fundraiser!!!!</u></li> <li><u>SIAS Setup on M/P range starting at noon</u></li> </ul>
6 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><u>SIAS Club Match M/P range closed till 4pm</u></li> </ul>	7 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><u>Board Mtg.</u></li> </ul>	8 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Skeet Practice 10am start</li> </ul>	9	10	11	12
13 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><u>Daylight Savings Starts!!</u></li> <li><u>Frontier Shooters; RP &amp; RH Closed till 12:30pm</u></li> </ul>	14	15 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><u>RP Range Closed; 9am to 4pm</u></li> <li>Skeet Practice 10am start</li> </ul>	16	17 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><u>St. Patrick's Day</u></li> </ul>	18	19 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><u>MP; Limited access after noon; setup for ISL #1</u></li> <li><u>C.O.R.E. Course; CH 8am-6pm</u></li> </ul>
20 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><u>C.O.R.E. Course; CH 8am-6pm</u></li> <li><u>ISL Qualifier #1; MP closed till 4pm</u></li> <li><u>Silhouette; RP Range Closed; 9am to 2pm</u></li> </ul>	21 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><u>Annual General Meeting &amp; Elections!!</u></li> <li><u>PAL course in clubhouse</u></li> </ul>	22 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><u>RP &amp; RH Closed; 9am to 1pm</u></li> <li>Skeet Practice 10am start</li> <li><u>PAL course in clubhouse</u></li> </ul>	23	24 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><u>RP &amp; RH Closed; 9am to 1pm</u></li> </ul>	25	26 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><u>Trap setup for VISL</u></li> <li><u>Black Powder; RP closed 9-2pm</u></li> </ul>
27 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><u>VISL Trap Shoot; 150 Bird Event; SG &amp; CH</u></li> </ul>	28 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><u>RP &amp; RH Closed; 9am to 4pm</u></li> <li><u>Black Powder Meeting</u></li> </ul>	29 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Skeet Practice 10am start</li> </ul>	30	31 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>RP &amp; RH closed 9 - 4pm</li> </ul>		

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Treasurer: Dom Piluso	386-0620
Membership: Val Macdonald	479-3828

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- Bob Macdonald	479-3828
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- Al Wilson	920-8707

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Silhouette - Art Archer	721-0131

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Trap - Steve Minkler	727-6101

**Building & Improvement:**

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David Crowe	478-6239
Myrna Francis	479-0101
Graham Shaw	590-8198

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<b>Newsletter:</b> Jodi Sturgill	383-4622
<b>Hall kitchen:</b> Winnie Jones	386-3783

**Meeting & Club Information**

**Executive meetings 1st Monday of the Month @ 7:30pm,  
Esquimalt Anglers Lounge 800 Munro**

**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

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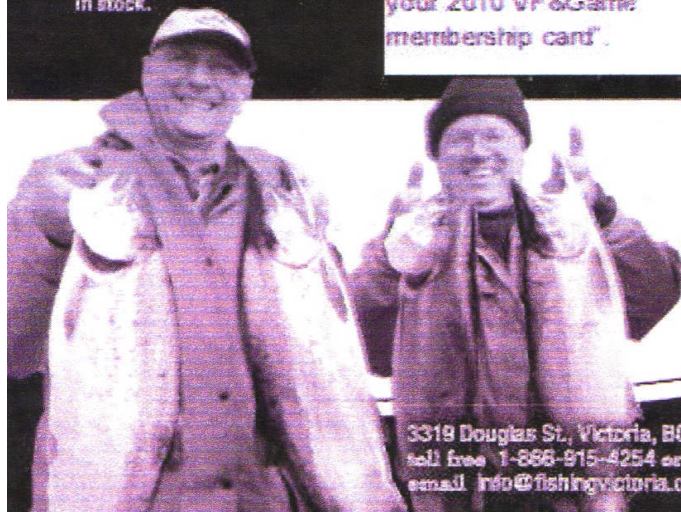
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