



Victoria Fish and Game Protective Association

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PRESIDENT'S NOTES

October Greetings, fellow VFGPA members. Beginning of fall is a good time to tidy up some reminders / memory refreshers. Any that I miss now will be sent out as needed.



Range Safety Officer (RSO) Program

Latest news is that we now have a vest available at the Rifle/Pistol for you if you have to serve as a non-trained RSO. This is a definite possibility, as our Range Rules state:

"The first VFGPA member to arrive at the range will assume the responsibility of Acting Range Officer or if mutually agreed, the most experienced shooter who is a member may assume that task. The position of Acting Range Officer is to monitor safety procedures and ceasefires."

Of course, you knew this, didn't you ...because you've downloaded and familiarized yourself with the Range Rules at: <http://vfgpa.org/uploads/Rules,%20Policies,%20Insurance,%20etc/VFGPA%20Range%20Rules.pdf> ?

The vest has been hung on a nail inside the R/P range to be used by the acting Range officer when a trained RSO is not present. If you don't see it, please check with the Caretaker/Manager. When you are done your shift and hand over range control, give the vest to the person who takes over, unless your successor is a trained RSO, sporting a new red & black vest & cap.

Range Safety Orientation

A second Orientation course, was presented Wednesday, Sept. 05 at the clubhouse. Six people attended, which brings our **total** of newly **Range-qualified** people to **20**. Since we presently have over 670 **new** memberships, most of which include extra family members, it's realistic to estimate that **over 800 people** still need to attend an Orientation in order qualify for Range access after January 01.

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***President's information continues***

A reminder from the two previous months: ***If you were not a member in 2011, you will be welcome to join VFGPA again for 2013, but you will not be granted access to any ranges until you have completed the Orientation Course.*** Find Orientation dates at:

<http://vfgpa.org/news/79/15/Range-Orientation-Sessions-Drop-In/>

Growing Membership = Increased Space Sharing Concerns

AS you are continually hearing, the fact that there are so many more of us is creating new pressures on the space we share. Previously, we could afford to be flexible about rules and policies that have been in place for a long time, provided that safety and comfort were not threatened. This is no longer the case, and unfortunately, it is we "old-timers" who will be having the most trouble adjusting.

This month's reminder is: While on the property, dogs must be on a leash. Most of you know that I'm a total dog-lover. I hope we'll always be able to welcome them on the property, but the fact is, there are people who are not – whether due to allergies or lack of experience. We have to adjust.

RANGE CLOSED
DUE TO NO CARETAKER OR RANGE
SAFETY OFFICER COVERAGE

How would you like to drive up for a day of enjoying your favorite activity and find this news posted? It ALMOST happened on **September 05!** Roby's scheduled Wednesday off had no coverage due to lack of volunteers after the scheduled volunteer suffered a back injury.

We all owe a BIG THANK-YOU to two of our members for stepping up at the last minute: Perry Roemer, our overworked Executive Secretary for morning duty and Art Archer who took over after his morning dental appointment!

HINT: YOU ARE NEEDED AS A VOLUNTEER. TAKE YOUR TURN OR YOU WILL BE TO BLAME FOR YOUR OWN INCONVENIENCE AND DISAPPOINTMENT!

Looking Ahead

The next Members' General Meeting will be held **September 17**, and will be a regular **Business Meeting**. As usual, the meeting is planned to be held at Strawberry Vale Community Hall, 11 High Street, beginning at 7:30 p.m.

We'll be conducting draws for some of the gifts received from the BC Wildlife Federation for selling over 100 tickets in their Conservation Lottery. Also planned is that Al Page will be conducting the fundraiser draw for the support of Salt Spring Rod & Gun Club.

Happy Halloween!
Myrna Francis,
VFGPA President



Petition: Reverse the Decision to Cancel Hunting-related Shows from Global TV

Dear Members:

A petition was recently created in the hopes of reversing Global TV/ Shaw Media's decision to cancel all hunting shows from their 2013 line-up.

If you believe that Canada's hunting heritage should continue to be reflected in television programming, sign the Petition at: [http://www.change.org/petitions/globaltv-shaw-media-reverse-the-decision-to-cancel-hunting-related-shows-from-globaltv?](http://www.change.org/petitions/globaltv-shaw-media-reverse-the-decision-to-cancel-hunting-related-shows-from-globaltv?utm_campaign=friend_inviter_modal&utm_medium=facebook&utm_source=share_petition&utm_term=28136925)

utm_campaign=friend_inviter_modal&utm_medium=facebook&utm_source=share_petition&utm_term=28136925 and help bring hunting shows back on air.

If you also wish to **share your thoughts** with Global regarding their decision, please email viewercontact@globaltv.com as well as glynis.prystae@sjrb.ca and greg.mclelland@shawmedia.ca or call 1-877-307-1999.

The **BCWF** is a province-wide voluntary conservation organization representing British Columbians whose aims are to protect, enhance and promote the wise use of the environment for the benefit of present and future generations. For more information on the BCWF, please visit our website at www.bcwf.bc.ca.

Publishers Note

Deadline for each month is the Wednesday after the Executive meeting (the first Monday) 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

Thank You, Jodi Sturgill (250) 383-4622

A CHARITY FUNDRAISING
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Attend Ducks Unlimited Canada event

Saanich Peninsula Chapter
13 th Annual Banquet & Auction
Saanich Fair Grounds

Location: 1528 Stellys Cross Road, Saanichton

Date: Saturday November 17, 2012

Tickets: **\$45.00 / Person**

Information: Daniel Wanda

250-652-6203 or 250-888-6947 250-652-4860 or 250-419-3937

Doors Open: 5:30 PM
Dinner: 7:30 PM
Time: Live Auction: 9:00 PM

Advance ticket sales
Round tables of 8
buffet dinner service
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Conserving Canada's Wetlands

Purchase your tickets
online at ducks.ca/event



Calendar of the Orientation Sessions

Wed Oct 3 at 7pm and Sat Oct 20 at 10am
Wed Nov 07 at 7pm and Sun Nov 25 at 10am.
Wed Dec 5 at 7pm and Dec 22 Sat at 10am

All in the Clubhouse.

Thanks,
David

SKEET AND 5- STAND NOTICE

Now that it is September and fall is approaching, practices may not be quite so regular and the times may change. We do intend to keep running the Tuesday practices as often as possible if there is interest. If it is raining practices will be cancelled without notice. Check the Club web-site calendar for future times and watch for the 5-stand email letter for updates. Go here to signup <http://eepurl.com/jllEr>

For inquiries, suggestions and requests, call Tony @ 250 818-1256 / 250 658-2355 or email aghackett@shaw.ca



For safety reasons no other activities are allowed on the shotgun range during skeet practice.

Thanks, Tony Hackett

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

- David Michaud; (250) 385-3658 or (250) 389-8897
- Dave Degrassi; (250) 474-3483

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

GUN SHOWS COMING UP

October 21 - in Courtenay - information contact Bob M. at 250-339-1179

October 27 & 28—in Victoria - located at the Saanich Fairground at 1528 Stelly's Crossroad, Saanichton, BC.
Information contact John Pullen at 250-474-2512

November 25 - in Duncan - information contact Geoff M. at 250-746-7812

Orientation Session

By the time you receive this newsletter we should have had our first Clubs Orientation Session in the Clubhouse. A good place to have any of your questions answered, we will be going through the latest rules/ regulations and policy as well as included photos of places you might not have seen as yet. A quick walk about to the Rifle/Pistol and Shotgun ranges.

Next Orientation Session Sept 23rd at 10 am.

David Michaud

CRSO

david_michaud@shaw.ca



JUNIOR TRAP INSTRUCTION ON AUGUST 22, 2012

Our first juniors shoot was a great success. We had five new trap shooters and five instructors. We started off shooting straight away one at a time but before long we had progressed to shooting a full round as a squad. Everyone had a great time and is keen to continue with trap. We are hoping to have one more juniors shoot during the remainder of the summer and the early fall. I think that we will be seeing some of these new shooters at our September shoot. Stay posted for more information about our next shoot.

Thank you,

Jeremy Osborne

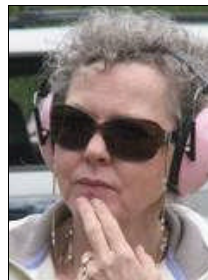




WOMEN'S SHOOTING CLUB TRYING SKEET

The Victoria Women's Shooting Club was back up at the range August 19th, this time to try our luck at Skeet! BIG THANK-YOU'S to our male volunteers who spent their morning instructing us and making it all happen- Tony Hackett, Al Page, Michael Vaux, and Nick Bardon- You guys rock, Thanks again!

Ten people attended with varying levels of experience from a first timer with a firearm to those who had tried Skeet and knew what we had gotten ourselves into. It was a great day with most of us breaking at least a few clays, and all had fun doing something a little different on a Sunday morning. We had planned to shoot from 9-11 but were having too much fun and kept going into the afternoon (helped in part by the fuel supplied by Al Page- homemade Chocolate and Lemon Biscotti's!).





THE VICTORIA WOMEN'S SHOOTING CLUB EVENT

The Victoria Women's Shooting Club will be representing the VFGPA at the upcoming Women's Expo at Pearkes Arena September 22 and 23rd and is looking for female VFGPA members to volunteer for a few hours. Volunteers will get free entry to the expo and will be asked to do a 3 hour shift if possible. Feel free to grab a friend or family member (kids welcome) to help if you don't feel comfortable coming on your own- the more the merrier!

The booth display is also in the works and if any women have pictures of them shooting their specific discipline (Skeet, Cowboy Action, Black powder etc) that you will give permission to be used we would love to have a copy as it would ensure all of the available shooting sports and VFGPA ladies are represented!

If able to volunteer please e-mail victoriawomensshootingclub@gmail.com with "Expo Volunteer" in the subject line and specify in the message when you are available.

If you've got a great picture to contribute to the display simply send it to the same e-mail address above.

Thanks in advance for any help or material you can provide!

- Our next **LIVE Shooting Event** is a Handgun Shoot on Sunday September 16th 10-2pm. *****Adult Men are welcome on this shoot** so don't be afraid to bring your husband, boyfriend, co-worker, uncle etc who may get a kick out of trying a day at the range! As always feel free to bring a gal friend along as well. There are **20 spots available**, cost is 25\$ to cover Ammo and Day Pass for non-VFGPA members, 15\$ for members. Sign up is first come first serve and is mandatory, if interested please reply with "Handgun Shoot" in the subject line and let me know how many guests you will be bringing.
- Our list of members interested in ordering a shirt is growing and we are getting close to placing an order. If you would like a Victoria Women's Shooting Club Shirt and are not already on the list please e-mail with "Shirt Me" in the subject line and the size you'd like. We will confirm cost and specifics before the order is placed.
- Reminder: There is a Women's Only PAL (firearms possessions licensing course) being offered in town by Murray Charlton September 17-22nd for more info contact Murray at [778-426-3884](tel:778-426-3884).



THE 21ST ANNUAL HEADQUARTERS "THE PIG WAR AT SALMONELLA GULCH"

An International gathering of enthusiastic pistoleros convened for the 21st Annual Headquarters. "The Pig War at Salmonella Gulch". The event was hosted by the Victoria Frontier Shootists of the Victoria Fish & Game Protective Association. Participants were from Germany, the U.S. and Canada. The theme was a slight distortion of an actual historical incident.

The attendees hotly contested the various categories to take home the gold. There was also the much coveted Schuetzen Target that has been supplied annually for 17 years by VF&GPA member Holger Dittberner. The Schuetzen and mid range competition was a sell out with a record number of participants.

For the main match Top Gun was TR from Oregon, 2nd overall was Al Wilson of the VF&GPA, 3rd overall was Joleen Wilson of the VF&GPA, 4th overwall was Rick Garrick of Oregon, 5th overall was Doug Binkley from Alberta.

The mid range competition was won by Adam Peterson from Courtenay. The Schuetzen Target was taken home by Garnet Shamess.

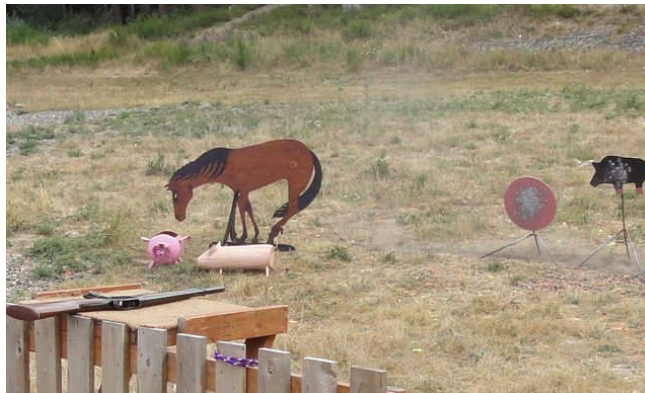
The couples costume award was won by Wayne & Debbie Guthrie of Courtenay.

The weekends events were topped off by a sumptuous dinner from Goldstream Catering who have catered the affair for 20 out of 21 times.

A huge and valued prize table was distributed by random draw.

The participation by 15 Ladies and 5 Juniors was exemplary.

Report by Sybil and Gary Kangas





IMPORTANT INFORMATION on the BCWF Wilderness Watch Program



Attention ALL BCWF members:

Please find the Wilderness Watch membership application form at : http://www.bcwf.net/images/stories/Programs/Wilderness_Watch/Wilderness_Watch_Application_Form_October_2009.pdf

BCWF will be issuing **NEW Wilderness Watch member ID cards** in September and require *ALL existing and new* Wilderness Watch members to complete and return the application form to the BCWF office as soon as possible.

BC Wildlife Federation- Wilderness Watch Program
c/o Kerry Smith, Program Assistant
101-9706 188 Street
Surrey, BC V4N 3M2

Fax: **604-882-9933**

Email: core_assistant@bcwf.bc.ca coreassistant@bcwf.bc.ca

BONUS: All applications received by September 30, 2012 will receive a FREE Wilderness Watch cap.

As you may be aware, Wilderness Watch is a province-wide BCWF program designed to assist federal and provincial resource enforcement agencies in their protection of BC's fish, wildlife and habitat. While on patrol, Wilderness Watch volunteers visit areas used for hunting, fishing, hiking and other outdoor recreational activities to look out for any infractions of environmental legislations (fish and wildlife poaching, pollution, vandalism etc.). Wilderness Watch volunteers (who must also be BCWF members) are needed now, more than ever, to be the extra eyes and ears in partnership with resource agencies.

For more information on the Wilderness Watch program, [click here](#).

Thank you for your support of this important BCWF program.

Jim Helsdon
Wilderness Watch Provincial Coordinator
BC Wildlife Federation
E jhelsdon@shaw.ca

**MALAHAT MARAUDERS RENDEZVOUS August 4 - 6th, 2012**

The 40th Malahat Marauders Rendezvous took place over the Canada Day weekend under brilliant sunny skies at the VFG Range. There were 46 adult shooters, with a further 12 cubs, plus various camp-followers and spectators. As usual, the hot weather necessitated shooting on the R/P range, but few complained about having to be in the shade!

We sat about 70 for dinner, and Perry provided a fine lunch (by donation) on Sunday as well. Huge thanks to those who Donated raffle prizes and those who stepped up to take on the many tasks associated with putting on the event; you know who you are, so give yourselves a pat on the back!

Those who distinguished themselves:

Cubs: Dawson Valgardson
Top Mountain Woman: Dogspit (Sue Bender)
Smoothbore: Firefox
Pistol: Donna Sainsbury
M/L Shotgun: Ken Cornish
Cannon: Robie Petrie & Co.

Top Mountain Man: Firefox (Vic Gucho)
Rifle: Dave Lee
Hawk & Knife: Dylan Fast
Cartridge Rifle: Dave Lee
Cartridge Shotgun: Jack Morgan
Table Cannon: Richard Crossley

**Can't hit your target consistently? Always shooting left or low??****Shotgun patterns have tighter groups???****2012 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 2nd and Saturday November 3rd, 2012. 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 \$110.00 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, call Dom at 250-386-0620 or visit the website: www.colwoodppc.com or Email: colwoodppc@shaw.ca





2012 Vancouver Island Combat Championships

The 36rd Annual Edition of the Vancouver Island Combat Championships will be held at our Rifle Range on the Thanksgiving weekend of October 5th, 6th, and 7th. This is a three day PPC event, and this year we hope to have competitors from BC, Alberta, Saskatchewan, Quebec and the USA in attendance.

For registration and information, go to the Website of the Colwood PPC Club, at <http://www.colwoodppc.com/index.htm> and click on 2012 VICC Match booklet is up! October 5-7 to get more information. For more information about the Shooting Sport of PPC and the Colwood PPC Club, visit the website: www.colwoodppc.com or Email: colwoodppc@shaw.ca



50 yards with a pistol is a long way away.....



This is a little closer....



Lying down on the job....



Praying to the PPC Gods!



The South Vancouver Island Anglers' Coalition has recently been registered as a society.
Following is an update from Chris Bos, one of the principals in the organization.

Being part of the angling community on south Vancouver Island, you well know we have witnessed our salt-water fishing opportunities decline considerably in the past decade. For a long time I have held strong feelings that we have to do something different and be more effective to avert any further decline. Back in mid-June Christopher Miller, Terry Anderson and I hosted an angling focus-group meeting about the challenges facing our year-round saltwater public fishery. At the meeting the three of us also made a presentation to the 20+ respected anglers who attended, outlining several lobbying-focused solutions. It is important to us that you know we are very grateful to all of you who attended our meeting.

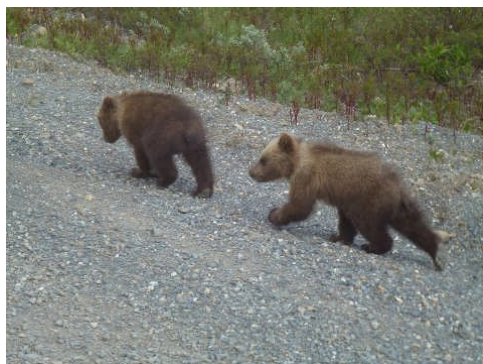
The response we received at that meeting was unanimous; there is clearly an urgent need to organize a strong and effective *proactive* lobbying initiative to protect our local fisheries. Besides securing approval in principle at the meeting to move forward with the formalization of the South Vancouver Island Anglers Coalition, we also heard many valuable suggestions from the attendees. Since the meeting this advice has guided the three of us as we moved to establish our new lobbying-specific society.

So today, on behalf of Christopher and Terry, I want to provide this brief update on how things have progressed since the June meeting. I am pleased to report to you the following:

- A vision and a mission statement for guiding our lobbying efforts have been created;
- A comprehensive constitution and bylaws document has also been completed;
- Five willing and respected local anglers have been selected for the inaugural Board of Directors of the society (*FYI: those five individuals are: Christoph Moch, Kelly Wagner, Gary Cooper, Tom Cole and Chris Bos*);
- The South Vancouver Island Anglers Coalition Society has been officially registered and incorporated with the BC Registry Services branch;
- A bank account for the new society is in the process of being established;
- An angling issue questionnaire, to inform and ground-truth the development of a draft business plan for the society, is almost complete;
- A first rough draft of a three-year business plan has been prepared; and,
- A society fund-raiser and membership drive function is in the planning process (*potentially to take place in mid to late September*).

As noted above, Christopher, Terry and I are currently preparing an all-inclusive business plan to direct the society through its early stages. Once ready it will be presented to the new Board of Directors for discussion and approval. We really do respect the viewpoints and broad understanding of our fishery of all who were invited to and/or attended our June meeting. For that reason, the three of us invite you to continue to act as advice-givers, especially as we develop the business plan. Originally our thoughts were to hold a 20 to 30 person face-to-face visioning session but we realized that amassing a group of that size during the busy summer months would most likely be unachievable. However, we must start our proactive lobbying campaign *as soon as possible*, in order to positively influence the upcoming 2013 Area 19 and 20 fishing season. That's why we are asking you to read through and answer our angling questionnaire, which will be emailed to you in the near future, once it is ready. We do hope you will share your wisdom with us as a strong and widely supported lobbying action plan is developed, thus providing the new society with trusted and informed advice.

Christopher, Terry and I are confident you are pleased with our progress so far and anticipate you will continue to support our efforts as we build a formidable lobbying organization. By uniting our knowledge, expertise and resources, we are confident the new society can pressure government to re-establish and maintain our important local fisheries and be a strong voice for abundant wild fish populations.



Found this picture on the internet.
Thought it was a cute picture.

**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 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 or Wayne Zaccarelli to make arrangements.

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:

	<u>RIFLE</u>	<u>BOW & ARROW</u>
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.

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**PROPOSED ROWING FACILITY ON LANGFORD LAKE**

The following letter from the Amalgamated Conservation Society, in response to a proposal to build a rowing facility on Langford Lake, was sent to Langford Parks Department via e-mail on August 20.

In response to widespread opposition from anglers, in particular, and lakeside residents, the City of Langford issued a letter dated August 21 as follows:

"Council instructed the applicant (St. Michael's University) to consult with residents on Langford Lake regarding the proposed rowing facility. This consultation process revealed that 2 out of every 3 residents were not in favor of the proposal. Therefore, the City will not proceed with the proposed rowing facility on Langford Lake. Thank you for participating in this democratic process."

Thanks,
Wayne Zaccarelli

AMALGAMATED CONSERVATION SOCIETY**1101 MUNRO STREET, VICTORIA, B.C., V9A 5P2**

REPRESENTING THE ANGLING COMMUNITY OF SOUTHERN VANCOUVER ISLAND

August 20, 2012.

Parks Department,
City of Langford,
2nd Floor 877 Goldstream Avenue,
Victoria, B.C.,
V9B 2X8

The Amalgamated Conservation Society is an umbrella organization representing currently ten fishing oriented associations involved in angling, conservation, enhancement and management of the resource. Our roots date back to 1954 and we have been operating continuously since then. The ACS was largely responsible for the formation of the Sport Fishing Advisory Board in 1964.

We have recently been made aware of a joint proposal by the City of Langford and St. Michael's University School to build a rowing centre on Langford Lake. Budget documents of the City of Langford show \$350,000 in donations (presumably from SMUS) and \$300,000 reserve funds from Langford. Brochures describing the proposal note that the facility will be built by St. Michael's University School.

Our members oppose the construction of this private facility in a public park. The ACS believes that Langford Lake is too small to accommodate organized, competitive rowing. If this facility is built it will result in an increased number of schools, and increased number of hours per day with rowing use and probably year round as well. As has been the case on Elk Lake, other lake user groups will be negatively impacted.

We are concerned that coach/spotter boats which are being proposed to operate with electric motors will not be fast enough nor powerful enough to effectively carry out a rescue. Because the lake is currently restricted to electric motors only, the ACS would be opposed to any exemption for rower coach boats. We are also concerned regarding the excessive noise emanating from loud hailers used by the coach boats and/or coxswains. The Amalgamated Conservation Society is sure that the wildlife, lake residents and other lake users would also be upset with any such disturbance to the tranquility they currently experience.

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Rowing is inherently unsafe as rowers proceed at a high rate of speed, blindly. They are rowing in a direction in which they are unable to safely travel. The situation at Elk Lake is such that numerous collisions, and countless near misses, have occurred over the years. This is a direct result of the Victoria Rowing Society facility at Eagle Beach which has resulted in significant growth in rowing activity and a subsequent increase in the number of rowing caused incidents.

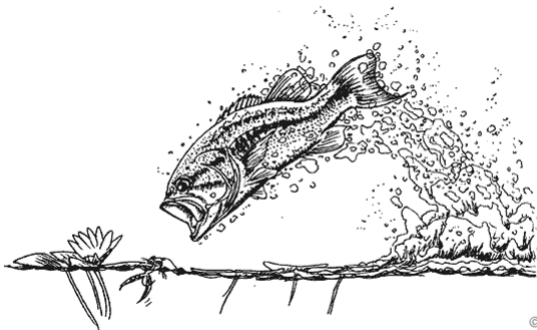
The ACS is vehemently opposed to the installation of permanent rowing course lanes as this would be disruptive to many other lake users. It also would create safety issues with the public recreational use of the lake. We would also be against the restriction of the public's right to use the lake in order to conduct a rowing regatta or other such event.

The Amalgamated Conservation Society is concerned that, should this rowing facility be built, the resultant rowing activity could lead to a decline in other lake recreational use - particularly fishing. In recent years this has begun to happen on Elk Lake. It would be a shame were this to happen on Langford Lake, especially in light of the installation of a new lake water aerator on August 19. This approximately \$260,000 project is for the principal benefit of trout and the angling community. The Freshwater Fisheries Society of B.C. stocks Langford Lake several times per year with Rainbow trout from their Duncan trout hatchery. Freshwater anglers contribute in excess of 50% of their license fees annually to this worthwhile program.

The ACS finds it regrettable that the City of Langford did not consult lake users, the local residents or the public prior to including this proposal within its budget documents. This apparent lack of transparency is not conducive to getting either user group or local resident support for the project. We also note that no public meeting is being contemplated. A public meeting should be required.

Yours truly,

Wayne Zaccarelli,
Secretary-Treasurer,
Amalgamated Conservation Society

**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



LANGFORD LAKE AERATOR

The City of Langford recently installed a new, larger lake aerator in Langford Lake. The new unit, weighing 12000 pounds, was placed with the aid of a helicopter on August 19. The cost of the unit and its installation was valued at \$260,000. This aerator replaces an older unit which was not large enough and which had operating problems.

The new aerator will improve water quality through the summer by inducing artificial lake circulation during times of the year when the lake waters are normally stratified. This will increase oxygen levels in the hypolimnion (deeper waters below the thermo cline) which will be a significant benefit to the resident trout.

Further information about the project, as well as pictures, can be seen on the City of Langford website.

Wayne Zaccarelli

LIMITED ENTRY HUNTING 2012

Here are some interesting stats from LEH applications selected this year.

50645 applicants received 0 authorizations
20264 applicants received 1 authorization
3005 applicants received 2 authorizations
326 applicants received 3 authorizations
30 applicants received 4 authorizations
2 applicants received 5 authorizations

Both of the individuals receiving 5 authorizations applied for at least one undersubscribed hunt.

JUNIORS GROUP NEEDS PHONE BOOKS

If anyone has extra or old phone books please hand them in to the range for the Junior Group. They are great for the kids for sitting on to aim for the targets and as backstops for the targets.

Thank you,
Editor, Jodi Sturgill



Found this picture on the internet.
Thought it was a nice picture.



SEPTEMBER 2012

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
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2	3 • <u>Labour Day!</u>	4 • <u>Board Mtg:</u> 7:30pm • <u>5 Stand:</u> shotgun range 1pm till 5.30pm	5 • <u>Range Orientation Session; Drop-In!!</u> 7pm Clubhouse	6	7 • <u>Trap Practice & PITA Setup:</u> SG; noon - 6pm	8 • <u>PITA; 500 Bird Event; SG & Clubhouse.</u> • <u>Frontier Shootists; "Wild Bunch" Setup;</u> 3pm; MP closed
9 • <u>PITA; 500 Bird Event; SG & Clubhouse.</u> • <u>Frontier Shootist; "Wild Bunch"; MP Bays</u> 6/7 Closed till 4pm	10	11 • <u>SKEET PRACTICE: shot-gun range 1pm till 5.30pm</u>	12	13	14	15 • <u>C.O.R.E. Course; CH</u> 8am-6pm • <u>MP Bay 7</u> closed 9-4pm
16 • <u>C.O.R.E. Course; CH</u> 8am-6pm • <u>MP Bay 7</u> closed 9-4pm • <u>Silhouette; RP</u> closed 9am-3pm	17 • <u>General Mtg: Strawberry Vale Hall</u> 7:30 pm	18 • <u>RP & RH</u> Closed; 9am to 4pm	19 • <u>MP Bay 7</u> closed 9-4pm	20 • <u>MP Bay 7</u> closed 9-4pm	21 • <u>MP Bay 7</u> closed 9-4pm	22 • <u>Black Powder; RP</u> 9-2pm
23 • <u>Range Orientation Session; Drop-In!!</u> 10am Clubhouse	24 • <u>Black Powder Meeting @</u> 7:30pm	25	26 • <u>RP Closed 9-4pm</u>	27	28 • <u>RP & RH</u> Closed; 9am to 4pm	29 • <u>PPC Work Party R/P Range</u> Closed 9-3 • <u>SIAS; MP Range</u> closed after 1pm; setup for Club Championship
30 • <u>SIAS Club Championship;</u> MP Closed	SUBJECT TO CHANGE:					



OCTOBER 2012

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
	<u>1</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Board Meeting; 7:30</u> 	<u>2</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>RP & RH Closed; 9am to 4pm</u> 	<u>3</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Range Orientation Session; Drop-In!! 7pm Clubhouse</u> 	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>RP, RH & CH closed from noon on; VICC</u> 	<u>6</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>VICC; RP, RH, SG & CH Closed all day</u>
<u>7</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>VICC; RP, RH & CH Closed till 3 pm</u> 	<u>8</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>'Happy Thanksgiving to all'</u> 	<u>9</u>	<u>10</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>RP & RH Closed; 9am to 4pm</u> 	<u>11</u>	<u>12</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>RP & RH Closed; 9am to 4pm</u> 	<u>13</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Frontier Shootists; RP closed from 4pm for setup</u> • <u>C.O.R.E. Course; RH 8am-4pm</u>
<u>14</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>C.O.R.E. Course; RH 8am-4pm</u> • <u>Frontier Shootists; 'Bunkhouse' R/P & RH closed 9-4pm</u> 	<u>15</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>General Mtg.</u> 	<u>16</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>RP & RH Closed; 9am to 4pm</u> 	<u>17</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>RP & RH Closed; 9am to 4pm</u> 	<u>18</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>MP Bay 7 closed 9-4pm</u> 	<u>19</u>	<u>20</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Range Orientation Session; Drop-In!! 10am Clubhouse</u>
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<u>28</u>	<u>29</u>	<u>30</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>RP & RH Closed; 9am to 4pm</u> 	<u>31</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>"Happy Halloween!!"</u> 	SUBJECT TO CHANGE:		

Club Contacts:

2012-2013 Executive

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South Island Action Shooters - Ken Haskell	590-6847
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Trap—

Building & Improvements

Shawn Tyler	888-0463
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ClubHouse Kitchen Manager : Perry C.	478-2279
Newsletter: Jodi Sturgill	383-4622
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Meeting & Club Information

**Executive meetings - 1st Monday of the Month @ 7:30pm,
Esquimalt Anglers Lounge 1101 Munro Street**

General Meeting

Strawberry Vale Hall 7:30pm.

General meetings are on the - 3rd Monday of each month at 7:30pm. in the Strawberry Vale Hall at 11 High Street, off Burnside Road West.

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.

Phone: (250) 478—2411

Recorded Range Scheduling Information—updated every morning

Web: www.vfgpa.org

E-mail: inquiry@vfgpa.org

Mail: PO Box 93, Victoria BC

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Memberships available from:

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

Robinsons on Broad Street Downtown

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

Membership Chair - Sonya Bell - membership@vfgpa.org

Annual 2012 Membership

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

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
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Classified and For Sale Ads

Members - FREE - Ad will run for 2 months - Maximum of 25 words.

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For more information or to purchase ad space please contact:

inquiry@vfgpa.org



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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.

FOR SALE: Magazine for Browning BBR (80's vintage rifle). stamped 300 Win Mag.
\$25.00 4 Forearm spacers for Winchester Cooney Model 840. 12 gauge.\$25.00 for all four.

Parker Hale 1 piece bases and rings. Some very small paint chips on edges.
Model RALS4. Was on an early model BSA. \$75.00 **Robin @ 250-812-4316 or**
thepikes@shaw.ca

**FOR SALE:**

Norinco M14 semi auto rifle, .308 Win caliber, inspected, tightened, and tweaked.
More accurate than most, with a very nice trigger pull. \$ 700.

Bushnell Scopechief VI rifle scope, 4X fixed, good optics,
good clean condition, \$ 80

E-mail to Lazakres@yahoo.com

For Sale: Browning 12 Gauge Auto - 5 Ducks Unlimited Limited Edition 1991, Canvas back engraving includes black and white print, case, and variable choke system. \$900 **Please call Roger Albert Rivard @ (250)-474-8135**

REDUCED PRICES:**FOR SALE:**

New Factory Ammo-Not reloads: Winchester .32-20 100 gr. 50rd box....\$25

Winchester .300 Win Mag 220gr 20rds, Silvertip...\$25,

Federal Premium 7mm Rem Mag. 20rds. 140gr Nosler Partition bullets..\$25,

Imperial .300 Win Mag 180gr Sabre Tip 20 rds..\$25,

Miscellaneous: -Two (2) detachable .300 Win Mags for Browning A-Bolt and BBR action.....\$55 each.

Quantity of good quality collector rounds, Sharps, Winchester, Colt, Remington, Ballard and many others, contact me for list and pricing.

For all of the above contact Keith King keithking@shaw.ca or 250-478-7016

Wanted: Owner's manual for Browning 12ga. Auto 5 Call Bob Roe...250-744-1791

FOR SALE:

No. 4 MK! Lee Enfield .303 Marked BN M1944
Excellent Condition. It has adjustable ladder rear sight. \$350.00

Any questions, please email Tom:

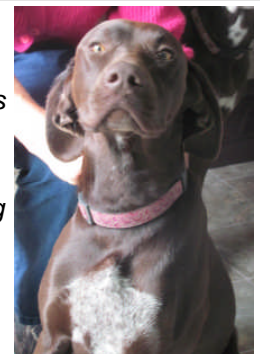
lonerun1@telus.net or call (250) 383-4622



JULIA 11 MONTH OLD FEMALE GERMAN SHORTHAIRED POINTER PUPPY
KEEN TO HUNTING

Lizzie Jatkowski still has one German Shorthaired Pointer puppy left from her last litter. "Julia" is an 11 month old female that is very keen to hunt and truly deserves a good hunting home. She'll need some more hunting training, but she always has her nose to the ground looking for a scent.

Originally she was asking \$1,000.00, but Lizzie really wants this beautiful dog to go to a deserving home so she is very negotiable on the price and will even consider a trade of services or goods instead. Call Lizzie at 250-474-2493 for more details or to arrange to go and see "Julia".





FOR SALE - \$500
LIFETIME FULL-PRIVILEGE MEMBERSHIP
TO PREMEIRE U.S. FIREARMS TRAINING INSTITUTE

Hi All....., I recently purchased a Lifetime Membership in this Organization and part of the deal was they give away a bonus membership that purchasers can sell to recoup costs. They do this as a way to attract new members.

The rules state I'm not allowed to give their name in ads, but you've probably heard of them - they're just an hour east of Las Vegas, Nevada, have hundreds of ranges on a huge ranch, and train thousands of shooters a year. Their focus is tactical and you can train in handgun, scoped-rifle, shotgun, select-fire M-16's, Uzi submachine guns (talk about fun!), and other self-defense type courses.

Their 2 day courses normally cost \$1000 and their 4 day courses \$2000. Kind of pricey right? But this membership will entitle you to attend any of their courses for as many times as you like for the rest of your life. They offer these extraordinary deals because the owner is a millionaire many times over, is an ardent 2nd Amendment supporter, and is on a mission to grow his organization and train as many people as possible in "the comfort of skill at arms."

Give me a call (778-433-5404) or e-mail (lawfor@shaw.ca) if you're interested, and I can give you their website and the number to call to verify my membership, and the extra membership I possess that will be transferred to you - it's all a very simple process.

By the way, if you don't want to transport your own guns across the border for courses, they have an extensive ProShop where you can rent (very reasonably) any gun and all the ammo you need for any course.

So how 'bout it folks, anyone for a lil' shootin' down in the good ol' U. S. of A.? Make a summer holiday of it or.....? Don't know about you, but there's an Uzi down there with my name on it - maybe one for you too?

I look forward to hearing from you.

Best,
Lawrence

Reclaimed brass for sale - money goes back to the VF&GPA
Brass is mostly once fired and is clean and sorted

Calibers available :

223
22-250
270
30-30 308
300 WSM
300 Win Mag
300 Rem Mag
303
30-06
300 Sav
9MM
45 GAP
45 auto

I found these example pictures on the internet



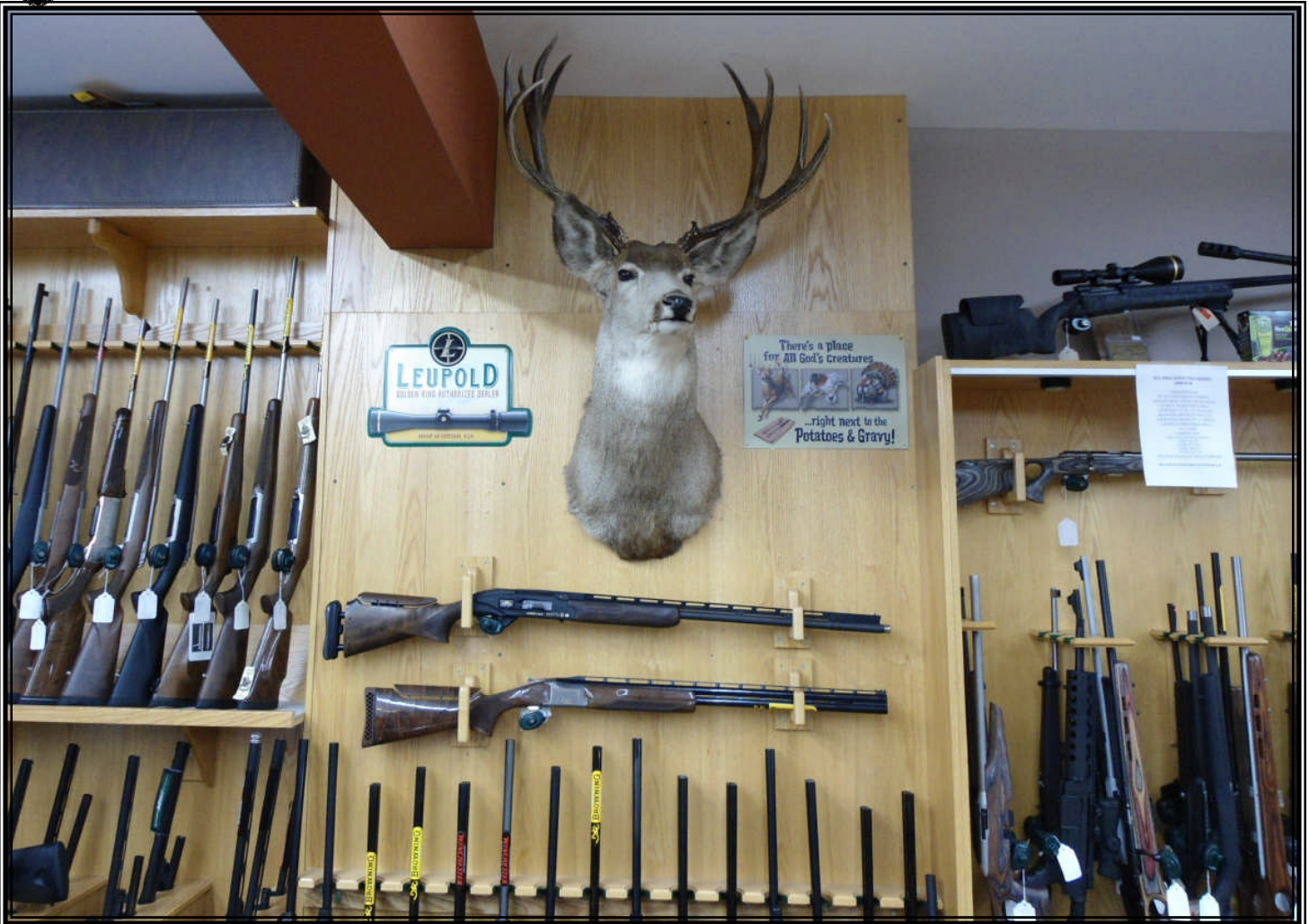
UPDATE: There is a new supply and many new calibers

Lots of 40 S&W

All calibers - .10/case

Please call or email Art Archer 250 721 0131 or benders69@shaw.ca
(please make reference to brass)





ISLAND OUTFITTERS GUN SHOP

The Gun of the month is a Benelli "Nova" 12ga with 2 3/4"-3 1/2" cambers at \$524.99.

The in store Raffle gun is a HI-Point Firearms .45 ACP PISTOL! There will be only 100 tickets @ \$5.00 each! We have less then 20 tickets left... Do you have one? Also the Profits from the Hi-Point will be given to the VFGPA.

We have a Special Raffle happen right now, a 1945 303 British MK V Jungle Carbine. Each ticket is \$10.00, 150 tickets total and 100% of the proceeds are going to the Family of a young girl with stage 4 cancer. To read more on this <http://angelsforhannah.com/>

Also for the hunters reading this, do you have your Butcher Kit? We have a large selection of Kershaw, Butcher-Lite and quite a few others as well.

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