



Victoria Fish and Game Protective Association

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ELECTIONS COMING UP IN MARCH 2015

Members, please think of who you would like on the VFGPA Board for 2015. Please show up at the March 16th, 2015 Member Meeting for the Elections.

A MESSAGE FROM THE 1st VICE PRESIDENT

Hello fellow members! And a special welcome to new members who have joined us for 2015!

I hope you had a wonderful Christmas and were able to relax and enjoy moments with your friends and family.

Tis the season to plan for the upcoming year and reflect on the past, and as usual, I am amazed at how much actually goes on in a year. So, I thought a recap of highlights from the past year would be informative – especially for our new members!

Check out the newsletter for the Year in Review highlights I've put together. It appears that we as hunters, recreational shooters, and firearms owners are facing a lot of challenges. Between the proposed changes to the societies act, the challenges of Saltspring Island Rod and Gun Club, the Common Sense Firearms Act, and recently the Wildlife Allocation Policy, there is a call to action.

It's natural to watch out for injustice. All of us have the same gut reaction when we hear of something that just doesn't seem right. So, if you want to make it right, you can contact your Municipal, Provincial and Federal representatives, make your voice heard, get involved. Remember we have the Federal elections coming on Oct 19, 2015. Come on out to our meetings held every third Monday (except on holidays) at 7:30 at the Strawberry Vale Community Hall to learn how you can become more involved. We hope to have a federal candidate come to speak in the very near future. See the calendar for meeting dates.

I look forward to seeing new faces around, happy shooting!

2015 MEMBERSHIPS ARE FOR SALE

ADULT \$130

FAMILY \$170

SENIOR \$80

JUNIOR \$35

ALL NEW MEMBERS MUST ATTEND A FREE MANDATORY ORIENTATION COURSE BEFORE SHOOTING AT THE RANGE!!

More information about the Discounts on Page 6

Next Member Meeting will be on Monday, January 19th. Hope to see you there!

**MEMBER INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR 2015**

1. The liability insurance coverage provided for Victoria Fish and Game Protective Association members no longer (effective January 1, 2015) provides coverage for ATV users. The primary reason for that is the cost of providing the coverage.

2. The previous insurance carrier (through HUB Insurance) was no longer willing to provide the coverage due to the volume of claims. The insurance provider that BCWF was recommending (through Capri Insurance) was willing to provide limited coverage, i.e., for operation of ATV's that are not required to be insured under the BC Motor Vehicle Act, only while involved in hunting and fishing activities.

3. The decision was made to stay with the existing insurance provider. Our Club insurance costs are over \$24,000.00 each year, and rising. Changing insurance providers would have cost the club an additional \$5,000.00.

There were a number of additional reasons for the decision:

- a. The option to change providers was not presented to the club until early December, and even in late December, the details and ramifications of the potential change were not available to the club.
- b. the coverage that was available as stated did not appear to be adequate, and could result in members having a "false sense of security";
- c. there were higher priorities for the funds (note, we also saved an additional \$1,400 on our property insurance by staying with HUB;

4. It is recommended that VFGPA members who use ATVs obtain personal coverage. Coverage can be arranged by contacting HUB International Barton Insurance Brokers (250) 753-4169. See attachment on page 4.

5. For 2015 VFGPA members will have \$5,000,000 of Excess Personal Liability Insurance coverage while engaged in (i) hunting and fishing activities; (ii) shooting at competitions or for recreation at Gun Clubs, (iii) archery at a range, (iv) use or ownership of a watercraft up to 26 feet in length with motors of not more than 100 hp while engaged in (i).

6. Due to the late receipt of insurance renewal options from BCWF and HUB, we were not able to engage in extensive consultation with members regarding our options and made the decision on the best information available to us at the time. Members are encouraged to attend the upcoming members meeting on January 19, 2015 if they have questions.

Submitted by
Vic Skaarup, Treasurer

Questions and Answers**Q. Was a member survey conducted regarding use of ATV's?**

A. A formal survey of members was not done due to time constraints. A "straw poll" of members at the December meeting was conducted and the owners of ATV's were a minority of those in attendance.

Q. Why were members not consulted regarding changes to coverage?

A. We did not receive information regarding insurance options, until we were into December, due to the timing of BCWF decision to endorse a different provider. With our coverage expiring on Dec 31, there was not enough time to conduct a member consultation process.

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**Q. Are the savings from not providing the ATV coverage significant?**

A. The savings work out to approximately \$1.50 per member on the liability insurance and \$1,400 on the property insurance. While a \$1.50 is only 1% of the membership fee, \$5,000 represents 10% of our budget to develop and improve our facilities.

Q. Why is liability insurance coverage provided for members?

A. As a club, our primary objective in purchasing liability insurance is to protect the club and members while using our facilities. Providing protection to our members from liability for their actions while hunting and fishing is secondary. We post on our web site info on what insurance coverage is in place, we do not make commitments as to what it will be in the future.

Q. Why is the use of boats for hunting and fishing covered but not the use of ATVs?

A. Insurance companies bundle different coverage into their policies which have different costs, sometimes immaterial due to low risk. We do not know what the boat coverage costs are and there was not enough time to obtain this information for this year. This is something to review for next year.

Q. Why are we members of the BCWF?

The primary reason we are members of BCWF is to support conservation. The provision of BCWF individual member benefits is secondary. Insurance coverage is not included in the membership fee we pay to BCWF. We believe we receive good value for money from BCWF's conservation work, the provision of individual membership is a bonus.

Q. Will the coverage change in the future?

It is our intention to review our liability insurance coverage for 2016 in the fall.

Comprehensive Update of Range Safety Rules and Regulations

The Board of Directors approved update of the Range Safety Rules and Regulations. The update is intended to help make your experience on the range safer and more enjoyable. The updated safety rules and regulations are available at the ranges and on the web site. Please remember that members are responsible for ensuring they are familiar with the range safety rules and regulations. Ignorance is no excuse. Stay safe.

Year in Review - January / February

We purchased the property at 751 Trans Canada Highway with the intention of; creating an additional buffer between the shotgun range and neighbours; and providing members with additional area to recreate in at the Malahat Outdoor Recreation Facility.

During the process we learned that the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure (MOTI) were completing the Malahat highway safety project which required a parcel of our property. This presented both opportunities and challenges.

- * The two obvious opportunities, the provisions attached to the land sale were very valuable (i.e. MOTI will be topping part of the road to the Multi-Purpose Range, you may even have noticed they have stored some of the material by the Archery Range until they do the work) to the tune of around \$55,000 dollars worth of work, and the revenue generated on selling the parcel of land would help to pay down the mortgage we had to take on in purchasing the property.
- * The challenge, the proposed reconfiguration of Holker Place would negatively impact most members who were traveling from the Greater Victoria area by directing traffic leaving the range to travel northbound for a while in order to get to a turn-around.

By Lisa Nichols



Canadian National Sportsman Insurance Program



Off-Road Vehicle Program



We have partnered with Beacon Underwriting LTD to provide ATV and Recreational coverage at discounted rates exclusive to you!

Program Features and Benefits:

- **Annual Policy**
- **Two physical damage options: "All Risks" or "Specified Perils"**
- **\$1,000,000 and \$2,000,000 Liability Options**
(Either standalone or with physical damage coverage)
- **Agreed Value, based on current market value includes:**
 - \$1000 Limit for Trailers/Truck Decks
 - \$1000 Limit for Riding Gear
 - \$250 Limit for Safety Maintenance Equipment
 - Lock Re-keying or Re-coding
 - Travel Protection & Loss of Use
- **Broad Coverage** (no theft restriction)
- **No Age Restrictions** (no reduction in Liability limits)



IMPORTANT MESSAGE

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



Victoria Fish & Game Protective Society

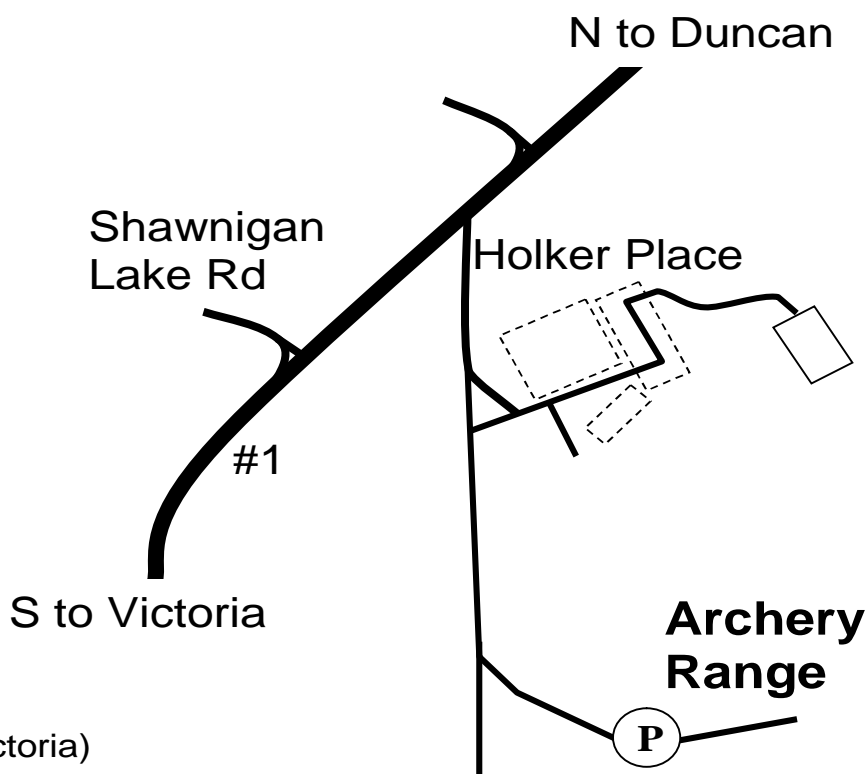
Archery 3D Shoot

1 March 2015

Be ready for 0900, arrows fly at 0930

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

A hot lunch will be available



Directions (coming from Victoria)

Travel north from Victoria on the Trans Canada Highway #1 to the top of Malahat Mountain. Turn right on to Holker Place (approximately 1 kilometer past Shawnigan Lake Road & opposite the turnoff to Spectacle Lake Provincial Park) and the paved road takes you to the Range. Park on the left, and walk up to the log clubhouse.

Archery Range Events

0900 Sat 24 Jan - Work Party, Spring clean up

0900 Sat 21 Feb - Archery Meeting, select your new director and plan the year + 3D shoot planning

0900 Sat 28 Feb - Work Party, Set up for 3D shoot

0900 Sun 1 Mar – 3D shoot

0900 Sat 25 Apr – 3D shoot planning

0900 Sat 2 Mar – Work Party, Set up for 3D shoot

0900 Sun 3 May – 3D shoot

0900 Sun 6 Dec – 3D shoot



MEMBERSHIP DISCOUNTS

What are they? How do I get them?

There are **TWO** kinds of discounts that can be applied towards the purchase of a membership in the Victoria Fish & Game Protective Association. Through our vendors, Robinsons', Island Outfitters, Pullen's, and Eagle Eye Outfitters, who have **volunteered** to sell our memberships in their establishments.

Please note: **ALL MUST BE TURNED IN AT TIME OF PURCHASE.**

1-Day Pass

New members who have purchased a **\$50.00** day pass (*Not the \$20 guest pass*) may use it **within 30 days**, towards their membership. **One only.**

2-BST BUCKS

A **\$5.00** volunteer incentive program designed to be an intermittent reward. They are not issued for every instance of volunteerism within the club. Otherwise the club would owe some extraordinary volunteers far more than we bring in, in revenue! (You know who you are!)

You may use up to a **maximum** of **5 BST bucks = \$25** towards a membership number.
remember

NO VOLUNTEERS=HIGHER FEES

Any other discounts towards memberships must be approved by the membership secretary (Sonya Bell) and purchased from her or through the caretakers.

VANCOUVER ISLAND GUN SHOWS FOR 2015

Feb. 8 - Nanaimo - 1325 Nanaimo Lakes Road, Nanaimo
Contact: Doug Miller (250) 758-1303

March 29 - SVI Rangers - 3498 Luxton Road, Victoria
Contact: Jim Whyte (250) 478-5787

April 12 - Duncan - 4295 Robertson Road, Duncan
Contact: Geoff Maxwell (250) 746-7812

May 3 - Courtenay - 3780 Colake Road, Comox
Contact: Al Lapp (250) 338-5982

May 31 - Parksville - 1014 Ford Road, Coombs
Contact: Grahram Alexander (250) 752-1855

August 16 - Duncan - 4295 Robertson Road, Duncan
Contact: Geoff Maxwell (250)-746-7812

Sept. 20 - Parkville -
Contact: Grahram Alexander (250) 752-1855

Oct. 18 - Courtenay - 3780 Colake Road, Comox,
Contact: Al Lapp (250) 338-5982

Oct 31 - Nov. 1 - Victoria - 1528 Stelly's Cross Road, Saanichton
Contact: John Pullen (250) 474-2512

Nov. 15 - Nanaimo - 1325 Nanaimo Lakes Road, Nanaimo
Contact: Doug Miller (250) 758-1303

Nov. 29- Duncan - 4295 Robertson Road, Duncan
Contact: Geoff Maxwell (250)-746-7812



"New to our Range: Holster Training Course"

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

Holster Training Courses (a 2 hour short course) will be held at the club on:
January 18th, February 15th, March 15, April 12, May 17, June 14
and July 12



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

NEEDED

We really need Members to Volunteer to present the Orientation Courses, Trap Access, Holster Courses.

Not a huge commitment we present the Trap Access Program (about 40 min.) at 6pm on the first Wed. of every month and usually one Sat and or Sunday at 9am. The Orientation Presentation (about 2 hrs) on the first Wed. of every month at 7PM and usually one Sat. and or Sun. at 10am.

We are doing the Holster Course once a Month (usually on Sun.) but some Saturdays would be good as well. Very easy to do, training provided, just send me an e-mail
davidmichaud333@gmail.com

SKEET AND 5- STAND NOTICE

Skeet practice is held on Tuesdays with shooting starting at 10am.

Skeet is \$5.00 per round of 25 targets.

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

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

For inquiries, call Tony at (250)818-1256 / (250)658-2355 or email aghackett@shaw.ca



VFGPA Hosts it's Annual Fundraiser

Wild Game Feast

**Calling
All
Ladies
&
Gentlemen
(SAVE THE DATE)**



**Saturday
March 7
6pm**

**Located At The
Olympic View Golf Course**

Enjoy a meal like no other. A glorious feast, silent auction, draw prizes, 50/50, cash bar and great company at just \$60/ticket.

If you have any wild game or draw prizes you would like to donate or would love to attend this fantastic event, contact Angela Long-Greene at (250) 886-7523.

You don't want to miss out!



HOUSE KEEPING

Hello Members, a few house keeping items:

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

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

Sweeping your brass/steel/empty hulls off the concrete and/or leaving them on the ground is **not acceptable.** Please clean up after yourself. We have a lot of range users that do not know the rules (Day-Pass Users or New Members that haven't taken the mandatory "Orientation Course") please educate anyone not cleaning up after themselves.

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

If **4:15pm** is Closing Time the last shot is 3:45pm, you have 1/2 hr. to clean up and be past the main gate before it is locked. You need to be on the other side of the main gate by **4:15pm**. Range staff have already worked their 12-14 hours and would like to go home and see their families.

Closing times for the Range 2015 CLOSING AND LAST SHOT

Jan 01 to Jan 15th Closing at 4:30PM (last shot 4:00PM)

Jan 16 to Jan 31st Closing at 4:45PM (last shot 4:15PM)

Feb 01 to Feb. 15th Closing at 5:00PM (last shot 4:30PM)

Feb 16th to Feb 28th Closing at 5:30PM (last shot 5PM)

Thanks for your help.
Club Manager, David M.

DAYPASS AMOUNTS for 2015

As of January 1st, 2015

NON MEMBERS \$50.00

GUEST WITH MEMBERS \$20.00

JUNIORS (18 & under) \$5.00

"Hand throwing Clays will be banned" **as of January 1st, 2015**

As of January 1, 2015, on the shotgun range, hand throwing clays will be banned. All shotgun sports enthusiasts should take the trap access program to obtain use of our trap machines. Times and dates are posted on the website event calendar.



**Year in Review - March**

To protest the highway reconfiguration, a call was put out in the March 2014 newsletter imploring all members to send letters and contact their MLAs, MPs, and MOTI representatives to voice concern about the safety and inconvenience of the proposed change.

In addition to discussions at the monthly members meetings, some of the VFGPA officers, including myself, held a number of meetings with MOTI staff on the issue. Alas, despite all efforts, the plans were not changed to meet our concerns.

By Lisa Nichols

MEMBERS LEARN TO USE THE TRAP MACHINES

The Executive is happy to announce the TRAP MACHINE ACCESS PROGRAM.

This Course will allow you to sign out keys to access the token machines and our \$15,000 Trap Machines.

The Course is FREE to Members (ONLY). Successful completion OF THE COURSE gets your name on the "Authorized List" letting you sign out the keys and use the token box and Trap machine. (Tokens are available from the Manager/Caretaker for \$5.00 per round of 25 targets plus 1)

There will be a classroom portion as well as hands-on training. Course length is approx. 1-2 hrs. "There will be a Trap Access Program at 6pm, before the Wednesday night Orientation session that is held at the beginning of each month. Check the Website calendar for specific dates."

Next Course dates:**JANUARY 2015**

Wed. Jan. 7th 6pm
Sat. Jan 24th
Sun. Jan 25th

FEBRUARY 2015

Wed. Feb 4th
Sat. Feb 21st
Sun. Feb 22nd

MARCH 2015

Wed. March 4th
Sun. March 22nd
Sat. March 28th

APRIL 2015

Wed. April 1st
Sat. April 25
Sun. April 26

If you have questions about the Program please ask the Manager, David, Trap Director, Andre, or Relief Caretakers Neil, Art, Lisa, Andrew, or Bob.

Year in Review - July

We actively supported the Saltspring Island Rod and Gun Club in defense of court cases threatening their operations. Our newsletter chairperson, Jodi Sturgill, sent out an email on behalf of your VFGPA executive on July 24th encouraging members to write or contact the CRD regarding the proposed noise by-law which intended to instate a limit of 70 decibels which is about the level of a normal conversation (check it out on your smart phone – there's an app for that!)

The CRD received a significant number of responses in support of Saltspring Island.

By Lisa Nichols



CHRISTMAS 1914 TRUCE IN THE TRENCHES **DECEMBER 7TH, 2014**

AT THE VICTORIA FISH & GAME PROTECTIVE ASSOC. RIFLE RANGE

Members of the Victoria Fish & Game with the co-operation of some members of The Victoria & Esquimalt Military Re-enactors Association organized a very special event.

The commemoration of a unique occurrence in World War 1 where the human spirit and simple humanity prevailed, the unplanned and spontaneous Christmas Truce in the trenches.

The day was a resounding success. The early morning fog set the ambience for the rifle match. Piper Nathan Roberts piped the squads to the competition. Then the sun came out and Piper Nathan Roberts piped the troops back from the field of combat.

After the spirited rifle competition Victoria Fish & Game members, Branko Diklitch, Bruce Gold and Gary Kangas held a hands on World War 1 firearms demonstration.

Spirits were high for the trench lunch as Piper Nathan Roberts serenaded the attendees. Winner medals, certificates, Christmas gifts and draw prizes were distributed.

Rifle match winners were, Piper Nathan Roberts, Conan Roberts, Connor Thomas, Dan Dalby, and Fish & Game members, Branko Diklitch, Sarah Johnston, Angie Gold, Daryl Drew, Andrew Tyler, Josh Lambert and Jacques van Bodegraven.

Event report by Gary & Sybil Kangas



Squad #1 on the firing line



Squad #2 on the firing line



Piper Nathan Roberts piping the participants to the rifle match

To members: Perry Chow is doing well. Perry Chow is staying at the Ross Place at 2638 Ross Lane, and he is in # 809. His number is (250) 412-1528. **The Malahat Marauders Meeting will be held at the Ross Place this month on Monday, January the 26th at 7:30pm in the Country Kitchen. Hope to see you there.**

TRAP PRACTICES

Trap practices will still be on Sundays and some Saturdays, but not every one. Please check the calendar on the website or contact: Andre Desautels 250-701-5468

**Year in Review - September**

I represented our club and its members at the CRD board meeting on September 10th to:

- * Communicate to them what our club is all about and how target sports are a growing activity - as evidenced by our steady increase in membership;
- * Most importantly, to request the by-law be rescinded. It is inherently unjust that the long held property rights can be extinguished or impaired as a result of a handful of people moving into the area, and engaging in noise complaints and SLAPP lawsuits (A Strategic Lawsuit Against Public Participation - a lawsuit that is intended to censor, intimidate, and silence. The plaintiff's goals are accomplished if the defendant succumbs to fear, intimidation, mounting legal costs or simple exhaustion.); and
- * Invite them to come up and join us to see how much fun we really are having!

During that meeting, the noise by-law was rescinded which put a stop to the CRD's action against Saltspring Island. The CRD chose to let the court system handle the neighbour's complaint (who appears to be a developer). Sadly; as a result of the court action, Saltspring has had to restrict its hours and property use significantly. Visit their website to find out more here: <http://www.saltspringislandrodandgunclub.ca/>

By Lisa Nichols

BCWF NOTES**2015 BOW Weekend (Becoming an Outdoors Woman)**

Registration forms for the 2015 BOW program which will be on May 1-3rd, will be available by the end of January. The curriculum has yet to be finalized but will be very similar to that of other years. The program fee will be \$350. for non-members of the BCWF and \$300. for members. The BCWF offers a scholarship of \$175. (50% of non-member fee) to those who may find it difficult to work this program into their budget. To apply for this support one must write a letter outlining their circumstance and motive for wishing to attend. Contact: Joann Bosch at jojo05@telus.net They are also doing a Women's Trade Show in Nanaimo the first weekend in March to promote the BOW weekend.

Game Allocations

Of late this has been a hot topic – as well it should be. If adopted by the Government the guide/outfitters would be getting up to 40% of the allowable annual harvest of some game animals. The BCWF has been working on this issue for many years. In 2007 there was a game allocation agreement between all the stakeholders. However for various reasons these splits were never adopted. The outlandish numbers now being put forth by the present Government are unacceptable and the BCWF will be pushing to adopt the 2007 agreement. As part of the campaign to bring the Government to its senses there are “town hall” meetings being set up in many towns in B.C.

The first meeting announced for the Island will be held in Nanaimo. This meeting will take place on January 21, 2015 starting at 7:00 pm. The location will be the Nanaimo Fish and Game clubhouse at 1325 Nanaimo Lakes Road. Several MLA's have been invited with 2 having already accepted.

A second meeting, to be held in Victoria, is in the early planning stage. The timing and location will be announced to club members via VFGPA email and to the public by the media. As this meeting will be on the Government's doorstep it is important that it be strongly supported.

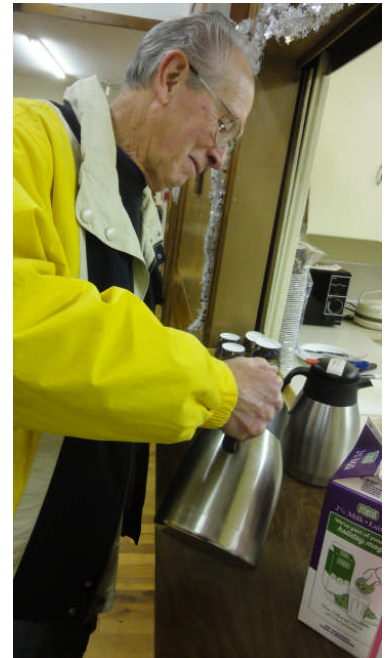
This notion held by certain departments in both the Provincial and Federal Governments that they can unilaterally allocate increasing percentages of wildlife resources to the private sector for the profit of these private interests is wrong. Various studies have shown that the rate of return via the public sector significantly exceeds that through the private sector. Game allocation must be the result of input and agreement of all stakeholders.

As most know, but it bears repeating, there is a petition to be signed on the BCWF website. Please sign. As well, Minister Thomson of the MFLNRO recently stated that he had heard little from Vancouver Island people - so hunters (and fishers) - give him a full broadside of emails and letters. There is already evidence that the government may be realizing that it has made a significant mistake in its recent stand on game allocation.

By Bob Macdonald, email bob@biologica.bc.ca



THE CHRISTMAS SOCIAL



Hey Everyone,

It's that time of year again and I am back at it selling BCWF Lottery Tickets

Amazing prizes to be won! \$10/ticket and you have a chance to be the grand prize winner of a 2015 Honda Pioneer 500 Side X Side (Valued at over \$13,000)

*2nd - \$3000 Cash

*3rd - Airfare for 2 Anywhere WestJet Flies

*4th - Scorpion Optics Package

*5th - \$500 Italian Sporting Goods Gift Cert..

*6th - Toshiba 29" LED TV

*7th - BCWF Framed Artist of the Year Print

****Don't forget about the Early Bird Prize**

- \$500 Wholesale Sports Gift Certificate

Send me a message and lets make you a winner! Thank you, Angela Long-Greene, Member At Large

leeward49@hotmail.com or phone(250) 886-7523



P.A.L. (Possession Acquisition License) Canadian Firearms Safety Courses are coming back to the Victoria Fish and Game Protective Association (VFGPA).

GET THE COMPLETE COURSE, 4-5 HOURS OF HANDLING PRACTICE, PowerPoint Presentation, Course Video. 38 rifles/shotguns/handguns to practice on.
2 tests Written and Practical 80% pass Required.

Course Dates:

Feb 7 & 8
March 7 & 8
April 11/12
May 9 & 10
July 3/4

Time: 8AM to 5pm each day
Location: VFGPA Clubhouse
700 Holker Place
Malahat, BC

Master Instructor, M.David Michaud
davidmichaud333@gmail.com Cell 250-858-8342 or Pager 250-389-8897

To All Members of the VFGPA,

Next Member Meeting will be on Monday, January 19th. Hope to see you there!

CALENDAR REMINDER

IF YOU WANT TO SEE THE CALENDAR, PLEASE CHECK OUR WEBSITE AT: www.vfgpa.org AND CLICK ON THE EVENT CALENDAR TAB.

ALSO, BEFORE HEADING UP TO THE RANGE, PLEASE CALL THE WEEKLY RANGE CLOSURES AND EVENTS HOTLINE AT: 250-478-2411 TO SEE IF THERE ARE ANY CHANGES TO THE MOST RECENT VERSION OF THE EVENT CALENDAR POSTED ON THE WEBSITE.

Closing times for the Range 2015 CLOSING AND LAST SHOT

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TO ALL NEW MEMBERS

It is mandatory for ALL NEW MEMBERS to take the ORIENTATION COURSE. We keep track of who has taken it on a spread sheet by the Membership Director.

Usually these free sessions are held the first Wed of each month at 7pm in the Clubhouse, or we alternate on Saturdays and Sundays at 10am. Check the Calendar on the Website for Dates and also below in this newsletter.

David M.
Chief Range Safety Officer
VFGPA.



SMALL FIREARM ESSENTIALS

COURSE OUTLINE

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

RANGE SAFETY

STANCE

GRIP

MUZZLE CONTROL

SIGHT ALIGNMENT

BREATHING CONTROL

TRIGGER PULL

SAFELY CLEARING JAMS & MALFUNCTIONS

TRAINING TIPS

2015 DATES

Sunday Jan. 17th

Saturday, Feb. 14th

Saturday, March 7th

Saturday, April 18th

Saturday, May 23rd

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

**Year in Review - October**

The security of our basic rights to operate and use our property was brought to light by the problems that Saltspring Island is facing. We learned that other clubs have been shut down in similar ways such as North Vancouver, Barnet Rifle Range (Burnaby), and Port Moody. This trend is actually happening in provinces all across Canada.

So, in October VFGPA executive officers met to discuss our options to helping Saltspring Island Rod and Gun Club and what the greater implications of the court case may be. What could we do to prevent the same thing happening to us? How could a club which is properly zoned and licensed be jeopardized by such unreasonable restrictions? What are the other clubs thoughts on these issues?

By Lisa Nichols

Calendar of the Orientation Sessions**JANUARY 2015**

Sat. Jan 24th 10am
Sun. Jan 25th 10am

FEBRUARY 2015

Wed. Feb 4th 7pm
Sat. Feb 21st 10am
Sun. Feb 22nd 10am

MARCH 2015

Wed. March 4th 7pm
Sun. March 22nd 10am
Sat. March 28th 10am

APRIL 2015

Wed. April 1st
Sat. April 25th
Sun. April 26th

All in the Clubhouse

*****WE STRONGLY SUGGEST THAT YOU CHECK FOR A POSSIBLE CANCELLATION IMMEDIATELY BEFORE DRIVING UP TO THE RANGE TO ATTEND, PH. 250-478-2411*****

YOU MUST DO THE ORIENTATION COURSE BEFORE YOU WILL BE ALLOWED TO USE THE RANGE.

Notice:

RSO course will be coming this Fall

Range Use Reminder to Shooters

*****A General Reminder that "The facility's gates are OPEN at 8:30pm AM; Shooting can only take place from 9:00 AM – Dusk / 4:15 PM (which ever is first)" *****
davidmichaud333@gmail.com or 250-858-8342

PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE

Place your targets on backers between the wood 1" x 5" X 10 ft long slats.

Every time you fire directly into the wood slats they have to be replaced at over \$10.00 each. (We are going through a lot of them)

Please attach your targets under the orange lines painted on the plywood sheets. Every time the 2" X 10' s get shot out they have to be replaced.

Please do not sweep your brass off the cement pad onto the ground. Instead sweep into the dust pans (orange ones hanging on the wall) and put into the brass buckets if it's BRASS. Steel/shotgun hulls go into the garbage cans.

Thanks, David M, Range Manager.

**PROPERLY PLACED TARGETS ON THE RIFLE/PISTOL RANGE**

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



The Right Way



The Wrong Way



The Right Way



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Year in Review - October

I began to contact other clubs in the province, asking them for input and what their thoughts were on the issue. Was there a need to form a coalition that could specifically address our property use rights? While the National Firearms Association is active in defending our rights as citizens to own and operate firearms, and the Canadian Shooting Sports Association is active in promoting the shooting sports and defending firearms rights, there was no organized body which was taking on the responsibility of defending the clubs themselves – defending our rights to be gun clubs, and to use the property as zoned and licensed to do. I encouraged the emails to be shared around to anyone who shares the same concerns.

I was delighted to hear from a few of the BCWF reps, and shortly after was contacted by the Director of Operations, Cheryl Johnson who then arranged a meeting to discuss the issue further.

By Lisa Nichols

Publisher's Note

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

NEXT DEADLINE WILL BE ON WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY THE 4th, 2015. Note: Late submissions will be published in the month following. Send all pictures with the event name, date and the names of people in the photo.

Please send all submissions to : vfgpanewsletter@telus.net

Thank You, Jodi Sturgill (250) 383-4622

Year in Review - October

Several of the BCWF reps and VFGPA executive officers met to discuss our property rights. The meeting was very informative, educational and progressive. In short the BCWF is completely in agreement that ranges need to be protected, and are willing to take on this role on behalf of all clubs across the province (regardless if that club is a member of BCWF or not). We also learned that Al Martin, BCWF director of Strategic Initiatives sits on the Federal Hunting and Angling Advisory Panel, and he is willing to take our concerns forward to this Federal level. Check it out at: <http://actionplan.gc.ca/en/initiative/protecting-water-and-wildlife-resources-hunting>

By Lisa Nichols



Year in Review - November

It was announced that the BCWF Firearms Committee is now the Firearms and Recreational Shooters Committee. In their words “We needed to do more for our shooting members and this is a start. It won’t just deal with firearms but now will deal with shooters and shooting sports as well. Each club with a range will be asked to nominate a member to be on the committee. This will give us a huge knowledge base and lots of information to be shared from all corners of the province. This was discussed at the recent BOD Meeting and it’s agreed that this is a step in the right direction.”

– David Parenteau

By Lisa Nichols

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

- David Michaud (250)888-5315 or davidmichaud333@gmail.com
- Dave Degrassi (250)474-3483 davedegrassi@telus.net
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STILL LOOKING

Empty/clean/not greasy 5 gal pails, any colour looking for around fifty (50) of them.

If you work where you can get free buckets we need them at the range. Just drop them off at the Club Office next time you are here. Thank you in advance.

Year in Review - November

At the request of the BCWF, VFGPA executive attend a Wild Fish and Game Reception for MLAs at the Grand Pacific Hotel in Victoria. Myrna Francis, Dom Piluso, and myself (Lisa Nichols) were delighted to attend, and took the time to meet with as many MLAs as possible to lobby on behalf of all shooters who enjoy hunting and recreational shooting in our varied disciplines. It was great to experience people who are not familiar with shooting take an interest in who we are and what we do. I think putting a face to people involved really demonstrates the kind of people who enjoy shooting – us, as regular Joes.

By Lisa Nichols





SAFETY REMINDERS--PLEASE READ

FIREARMS--CASES--BENCHES

Firearms are to be cased and uncased ONLY during Live Periods and preferably only at the Firing line (forward wooden benches) Actions open, Magazines removed (empty cases can be returned to rear gear tables)

Firearms are to be Loaded and Unloaded ONLY on the Firing Line (forward wooden shooting Benches)

Muzzles are always to be pointed down range or upwards.

(magazine may be filled or emptied at the rear gear benches and tables).

“CEASE FIRE” ROUTINE/PROCEDURES:

Remove ammunition from the Chamber. Remove magazines from the action

Leave actions visibly open-(a chamber flag helps visibility!)

Then- **Your Choice:**

Leave firearm(muzzle pointed down range, magazine removed, action open) on FIRING LINE bench.

Or

Carry firearm muzzle up and place in rear wall rack- magazine removed action open.

Remember to take needed targets, tape, stapler, beverage, etc. with you when leaving the shooting bench area for the Cease Fire Period. (An RSO can retrieve forgotten items.)

During a Cease Fire DO NOT go within 3 metres of the firearms on the bench or handle firearms on the racks (Remember your P.A.L. Course). Do not touch anything on your shooting table. (An RSO can retrieve forgotten items).

During a Cease Fire the divided concrete slab area around the shooting benches is to be used to walk through only on the way to your target and back. Please remain off the shooting table area concrete during cease fire periods.

Your Cooperation is appreciated! Your Safety is our only concern!

Thank-you
Your RSO Volunteers



New Allocation Policy Means B.C. Resident Hunters Lose Out

By Curtis Ketter, BCWF Staff

BC's Wildlife Allocation policy is one of the most important issues facing the BCWF membership and resident hunters in British Columbia, and has been a constant feature in our conversations with government for more than a decade. BCWF has consistently advocated for fair, legislated splits that provide for the needs of both resident hunters and guide-outfitters that are in line with other jurisdictions in North America.

Unfortunately, it seems that the wishes of the BCWF membership have fallen on deaf ears; the Province of B.C. has introduced sweeping changes to the policy that will dramatically reduce residents' access to wild game and increase the number of permits sold to foreign hunters. These changes could result in fewer hunting permits – many of which would be LEH draws – going to B.C. residents.

The Province of B.C. has also taken bighorn sheep in the Kootenay Region off quota. Decades ago, guide outfitters in the region were placed on quota as a means of limiting harvest, which was a response to an over-harvest which had hurt populations. The B.C. Wildlife Federation is extremely concerned that the new policy could lead to over-harvest of bighorn sheep populations. There is also concern that there will be few, if any, legal rams left for resident hunters. This decision is not consistent with conservation values or resident priority.

Most jurisdictions across North America give foreign hunters 5-10 percent of the harvestable surplus of wildlife. The changes proposed by the Guide-Outfitters Association of B.C. (which represents 210 outfitters who have exclusive rights to guide trophy hunters) and recently put in place by the government would give foreign hunters up to 40 percent of specific game species such as mountain sheep, goat and bear, and up to 25 percent of moose and elk.

In 2007, a new Wildlife Allocation Policy was established in B.C. in an attempt to fairly determine the number of hunting licenses allocated, which gave foreign hunters the best share of the available hunting licenses. Even then, the Guide Outfitters Association of B.C. started vigorously lobbying the government to amend or scrap the new wildlife policy.

"These changes to the Wildlife Allocation Policy are inconsistent with standard practices in other jurisdictions across Canada and in the United States," said BCWF President George Wilson. "There is no justification for these changes and they are not supported by B.C.'s resident hunters."

Over the last 10 years, the number of B.C. hunters has grown by 20 percent, increasing from 84,000 to over 102,000. Over the same period, the number of foreign trophy hunters coming to B.C. has dropped from 6,500 to 4,500, a decline of 30 percent.

B.C. resident hunters spend over \$230 million a year in local communities on hunting related activities and contribute \$9 million a year towards conservation work through license fees. Resident hunters also contribute through donations to conservation organizations such as The Nature Trust, and Ducks Unlimited as well as volunteer for conservation activities. B.C. Wildlife Federation members alone dedicate more than 300,000 hours annually to fish, wildlife and habitat conservation projects across the province.

Moose is the most sought after species by B.C.'s resident hunters. In many areas, demand exceeds supply and hunters are placed on a Limited Entry Hunt (LEH) lottery to ensure sustainability. Approximately 70,000 BC hunters apply for 13,000 LEH licenses each year, meaning only 1 in 5 hunters get to hunt moose annually. Foreign hunters do not need to apply for a LEH license, and can hunt annually, taking moose licenses from approximately 3,000 B.C. hunters each year. The proposed changes would see even more British Columbians go without an opportunity to hunt moose.

"B.C. residents who depend on hunting to help sustain their families should be supported by provincial government policy," said Jesse Zeman, a BCWF director, who hunts with his whole family. "The overriding priority for all hunters is conservation, ensuring there is enough game available for First Nations, and then fulfilling the hunting needs of B.C. families. Any changes to the Wildlife Allocation Policy should meet the needs of the majority of British Columbians who enjoy the outdoors, spend time with friends and family, and hunt for food."

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Over the past two decades, there has been a steady erosion of hunting licenses available to B.C. resident hunters in favour of foreign hunters. For example, non-resident hunting licenses for moose in the Kootenay Region have gone from 6 percent in 1991 to 21 percent in 2012, leaving hundreds of Kootenay residents without the opportunity to hunt moose.

The B.C. Wildlife Federation is calling on the BC government to fairly legislate wildlife allocations. The organization does not support giving away more than 10 percent for moose and elk, and 25 percent of mountain goat, sheep, and bears to foreign trophy hunters. Ironically, this gives non-resident hunters the best deal in North America. Several jurisdictions across North America have already set wildlife allocation in law. Saskatchewan limits non-resident moose hunters to 4 percent of the harvestable surplus. Alberta sets non-resident allocations between 2-7 percent with a maximum of 10 percent. Washington State has limited non-resident wildlife allocations to approximately 5 percent.

“Resident hunters firmly believe any policy changes should reflect the best interests of the majority of British Columbians who depend on hunting as a sustainable, healthy food source,” said BCWF President George Wilson. “Our organization is committed to working with the government to protect wildlife and ensure equitable distribution of this resource.”

What You Can Do to Get Involved

It is very important that BCWF comes together as an organization to stand up for the rights of resident hunters in B.C. Make some noise about this issue! Write a letter to your local paper about how resident hunting is a vital part of putting food on your table. Contact your local MLA and let him or her know that this new policy that prioritizes foreign hunters ahead of B.C. residents is unacceptable. Visit www.bcwf.bc.ca for more information on this vital issue and how you can get involved in ensuring your continued right to hunt in B.C.

COLQUITZ & CRAIGFLOWER COHO RETURNS

Colquitz River Coho returns to December 17 were 1584. Of these, 1549 were classified as follows; 221 jacks (2 year old mature males), 820 females and 508 males.

Craigflower Creek had a count of 1821 Coho to January 06. These were made up of 232 jacks, 950 females and 639 males.

Both of these watersheds had record returns this past fall. Given similar ocean survival rates, even greater numbers can be expected in upcoming years as a result of improved water flows and water quality, as well as stream enhancement work.

Submitted by
Wayne Zaccarelli

HUNTING OPTIONS OPEN

Currently, hunting options include Nanaimo Lakes and Comox / Courtenay, and Cowichan Lake area (islandtimberlands blog lists days/times that gates are open. Mostly weekends and stat holidays. The website is good to check for updates)

**BIG GAME COMPETITION / RECORDS BOOKS**

Blacktail deer antlers from deer taken during the 2014 hunting season within Region 1 (Vancouver Island) will be accepted until January 31, 2015 for entry in the largest antlers competition.

Black bear skull entries from the spring and fall 2014 seasons will also be accepted until January 31, 2015 for the club competition. The Boone & Crockett scoring system will be used to determine a final score for all bear and deer entries.

Trophy winners for all categories will be announced in the club newsletter prior to the annual general meeting in March, at which time trophies and buttons will be presented.

Copies of the 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 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 records booklet.

The most recent sixth edition (2010) of the Big Game Records of British Columbia is available for \$35 each. These are hard cover books containing records of all native big game species in B.C. Hunting stories, photographs and a listing, by species category, of entries meeting the minimum score requirements, are included.

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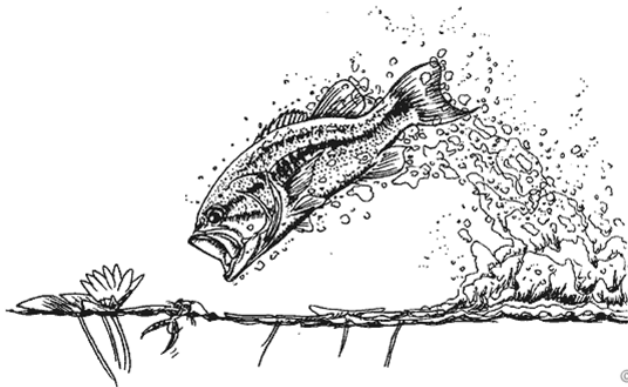
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Check out the **Wildlife Records Club of B.C.** website and e-mail at:

Website: www.wildliferecordsofbc.com

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Contact Wayne Zaccarelli for entries, records books or further information.

**Fishing Contest Entry Form**

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Thank you, Angela Long



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Victor Skaarup is the Volunteer Coordinator. Anyone who is able and willing to help out can contact him at (250) 380-4858 or by email at vicandmaggie@telus.net

**Year in Review - December**

Vic Skaarup took part in the BCWF Strategic Planning workshop, at the request of BCWF. He attended to represent our club, and all clubs, on issues facing us today including our rights to operate and use our property as zoned. The relationship between the club and the BCWF is full of possibilities, and I am looking forward to working with the BCWF further to help secure the future of gun clubs in BC, and across Canada.

By Lisa Nichols



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Meeting & Club Information

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Esquimalt Anglers Lounge 1101 Munro Street**

Member Meeting

Strawberry Vale Hall 7:30pm.

Member 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. *Sonya is usually at the meetings every month selling memberships, in case you don't have yours yet.*

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

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 V8W 2M1

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250-475-4969

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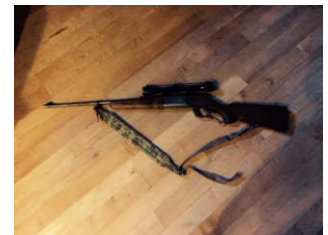
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