



Victoria Fish and Game Protective Association

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****ELECTIONS COMING UP MARCH 16th****



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.**



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.

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 11

Next Member Meeting will be on Monday, March the 16th. Hope to see you there!



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**The Firearm Department is Open
Daily:**

**Mon. to Fri. 12:00 to 8:00
and on
Sat. and Sun. 9:00 to 5:00**

***Coming soon: Firearms and ammo
department will be expanding 3x!***



**OBITUARY****Alfred H. Lohr (December 25, 1924 - March 02, 2015)**

Alfred Harold, eldest of 7 children born to Harold and Kathleen Lohr. Survived by his wife Jean, daughter Catherine (Scott), son Michael and 3 grandchildren, Matthew, Meghan and Jesse. Predeceased by sisters, Kathleen and Edith. Also survived by sister, Muriel and brothers George, Douglas and David and many nieces and nephews.

Alf loved the outdoors and spent his life hunting and fishing. He was a long time member of the Saanich Inlet Anglers Assoc., Vancouver Island Fish and Game Club, and the Greater Victoria Horseshoe Club. He will be in our hearts forever. No formal service will be held.

Alf was a long time member of Victoria Fish & Game Association. He will be missed by many people. We are thinking of his family at this difficult time.



Phase Line Green Tactical Pistol Course - 2 day



Victoria Fish & Game: April 25/26

This course focuses on building fundamental skill sets leading to advanced skills.

Course size is limited to 10-12 shooters. Cost: \$400 + GST = \$420

To sign up and for more information follow the link below:

<http://www.phaselinegreentactical.ca/pistol-2-day.php>



The Victoria Fish & Game Protective Association hosted their annual Game Dinner Banquet on March 7th, at the Olympic View Golf Course. It was a sold out event with 220 people, fantastic prizes and a glorious feast. Tons of draws, silent auction pieces and 50/50 made it a very exciting evening. We even had a signature drink called the Huntsman's Punch which all the proceeds went to our club.

I would like to thank everyone who donated to this event as this banquet wouldn't of been possible without you. And to all the volunteers and people who believed in me in pulling off this event, thank you so much, I couldn't of done this without you.

A smashing success with raising over \$7000 towards club projects, junior shooting and conservation. This was a fantastic event to host and I hope to make next years event even better.

Thank you,
Angela Long Greene
Member At Large





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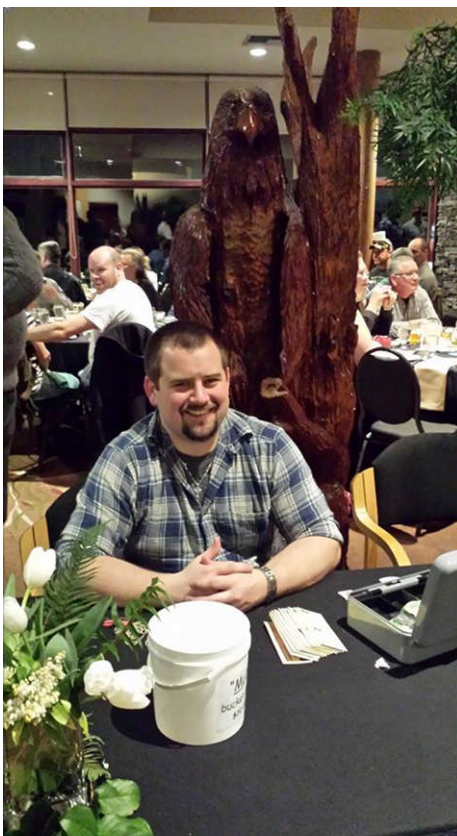
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*Russ Kronstrom
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*Bernard Stuart
*Derek Gooch
*Darren Wright
*Ian White
*Gordie Simpson





Thank You!

- ** Art Moore**, for your very generous donation of new shotguns for the club.
- ** Angela Long Greene**, for a top-notch job on organizing this year's Game Dinner Fundraiser. It was a beautiful event, and the food was absolutely fantastic. Without you, the event would not have happened!
- ** Tim Currie and staff at Westshore Canadian Tire**, for the generous donation of \$1,000 toward our youth program.

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

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.

Hey Everyone,

The Victoria Fish & Game Protective Association Decals have arrived. These lovely interior and exterior decals are only \$5 each and available to purchase at the caretaker's office up at the range:) Get yours today!

Thank you, Angela Long
Member At Large





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.



2015 Boat Show report

Over the weekend of February 20th, 21st and 22nd the VF&GPA once again hosted our air rifle and air pistol shooting booth and indoor target range at the 2015 Boat Show located in the Pearkes Arena at Tillicum Mall.

We have been involved with the Boat Show for several years now and our booth has always been very popular with the attending public so they keep asking us to come back to do it again! We organized a crew of club volunteers to set up our booth and staff it for the 3 days of the show and thanks to the hard work of a dedicated crew of our club's volunteers the Boat Show and our air gun shooting booth were a huge success again this year.

For three days we hosted kids, Moms, and Dads who shot our paper targets with air rifles and air pistols and then got to keep them as souvenirs of the event. Several new prospects were added to the contact lists for our Juniors Program and the Victoria Women's Shooting Club and a number of the participants showed an interest in joining our club as regular members. The proprietary targets that we generated for this event included our club's web address and the club's general information email address, so the participants will now be able to have a look at our club's website, see the photos of our facilities, and learn more about the various activities that we are involved in.

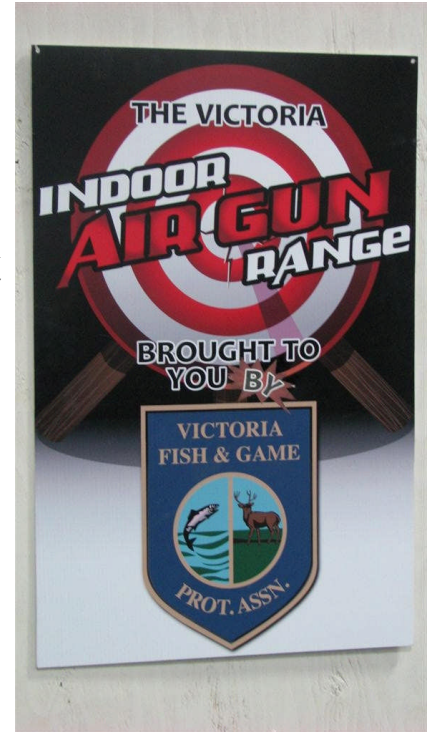
Of course an undertaking of this magnitude doesn't just "happen" all by itself, in fact it takes a LOT of effort. Our ongoing success at the Boat Show is completely due to the dedicated work of our club's volunteers and I would like to extend my sincere thanks to the Fish & Game volunteer crew that made this year's undertaking another successful reality. They brought all of the supplies down from the clubhouse (using their own vehicles of course) and then set it all up in the Pearkes Arena on Thursday the 19th, manned our booth for the next three days of the show, and then tore it all down and took it back up to the club and put it all away into storage again. Many thanks to our hard working crew for 2015 which were: Al Page, Brad Woollven, Dom Piluso, Wayne Zacarelli, Art Archer, Sue Bender, Perry Roemer, Doug Linton, Bob McDonald, Steve Norton, Dave & Chad Becker, Catherine Fryer, Tim Hoffman, Gary & Sybil Kangas, Branko Diklitch, Sarah Johnston, Nathalie Dube, Marc Fournier, Scott Willans, Kathleen Knowles, Owen Strachan, Lisa Nichols and her sons Dustin and Ozzie, and Jacques Van Bodegraven. (And if I accidentally missed anyone from the above volunteer list then please accept my apologies for the oversight!)

A very special thanks goes out to our club's generous and long-time supporter (and VF&GPA life member) Ward Morran of Graywood Sales who supplied us with our .177 Gamo air rifles and the .177 calibre air rifle pellets which we use for these shows.

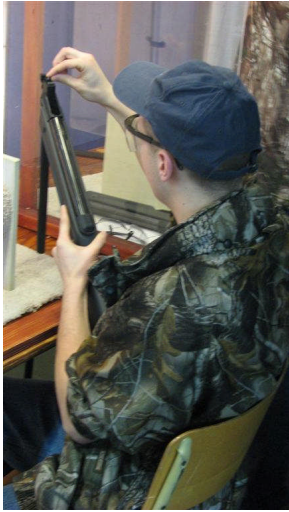
Our further thanks go to Ward Bond and Darren Wright of Island Outfitters for their ongoing support of our club and for supplying all of the targets that we shot again this year. Also, our thanks to Kevin Blackburn of CanWest Productions who was the host of the Boat Show again this year. Kevin supplied us with all of the materials that were used to originally construct our portable air gun shooting range (which is ours to keep for other future club events) plus he supplied us with all of the drinks and snacks we had at our booth to keep our club volunteers hydrated and fed!

We're looking forward to attending next year's Boat Show and doing it all again!

Al Page, 2015 Boat Show chairman



More pictures on the next page



Calling ALL Young Shooters, experienced or not....

Mark your calendars for May 31st, 2015... Our Canadian Tire sponsored Young Shooter's Contest at the RP Range. Three age categories, with a winning rimfire rifle as a prize for each! Prizes and a good time promised for all! Sign up at the RP Range starting at 8:30 am (or email me at smreska@me.com in advance). No cost. Practice from 9-11 am, contest starts at 11 am sharp and a BBQ lunch starts at noon.

All youth welcome! Tell your friends and family! Join us on May 31st. More details to come in the May Newsletter.

Sabina



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

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: Graham Alexander (250) 752-1855

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

Sept. 20 - Parkville -
Contact: Graham 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:
March 15, April 12, May 17, June 14, July 12, August 16, and Sept 13th

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

**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

**Archery Range Events**

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

Calendar of the Orientation Sessions**MARCH**

March 18th at 2pm
Sun. March 22nd 10am
Sat. March 28th 10am
Sun. April 26th

APRIL

Wed. April 1st
April 15th at 2pm
Sat. April 25th

MAY

May 6th
May 16th
May 24th

JUNE

June 3rd
June 13th

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



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. Extra buckets have been put at each range, these are not garbage buckets they are to be used for Brass Cartridges (recycle) on the R/P and M/P Range, shotgun shells on the S/G Range. All garbage (paper, plastic, cardboard) goes into the garbage cans.

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

If **7pm** is Closing Time the last shot is 6:30pm, 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 **7pm**. 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

LAST Shot 6:30 pm Range closed 7pm
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

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



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. 40 minutes. "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:

MARCH

March 18th at 1pm

Sun. March 22nd

Sat. March 28th

APRIL

Wed. April 1st

April 15th at 1pm

Sat. April 25

Sun. April 26

MAY

May 6th

May 16th

May 24th

JUNE

June 3rd

June 13th

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

Found this picture on the internet.



**David Busch****Conservative Party Nomination Candidate for Esquimalt-Saanich-Sooke**

I would like your support to be our next MP. I grew up in Northern Ontario where guns and hunting are part of the daily life. Our Conservative government has done a lot to bring some common sense to Canada's gun laws. The registry has been scraped and the billions it was wasting are now being put to better use. Likewise, Bill C-42 once passed will help streamline the regulations around the transportation of pistol regulations and ensure that the RCMP cannot unilaterally make us criminals by changing the gun classifications on a whim. However there is more work to be done and we must remain vigilant.

I know the value of the dollar and that of a hard day's work. Too many Canadians do not have access to proper health care. Having spent seven years on the front lines working as a Critical Care Nurse, I understand the challenges facing our health care system. Having taught for two universities I recognize the need to plan ahead and ensure that our next generation is prepared to face the challenges ahead armed with the skills Canada will need going forward. Finally, for the past nine years, I have effectively represented my clients' as a lawyer, communicating their needs, fighting for their rights, and ensuring our laws are upheld.

Now I am seeking to put my knowledge and skills to work in Ottawa.

A long time Conservative, I have worked with the party helping promote our values for over two decades, across three provinces. I believe:

- * We need to pay our way as we go, and not live beyond our means by borrowing against our children's future;
- * We must ensure that the economy remains strong by investing within our communities to ensure the necessary infrastructure is in place and Canadians have the education and skills needed to obtain good paying and stable employment; and
- * Keep our health care system strong and protect our environment so that we can all enjoy healthy and productive lives.

If you want an MP who will work hard for you and keep the lines of communication open, please support me in my bid to be your Conservative Candidate. For more information, or to contact me please see my webpage: <http://davidbusch.ca>.

Sincerely,

David Busch

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 online now. 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.

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



Come one - Come All -
To a Good Old Fashion

Edwardian Shooting Party

at the

Victoria Fish & Game Protective Association

700 Holker Place, Malahat, BC

Sunday 28 June 2015

Shooter's Meeting 9:45 Shooting Starts at 10 am

The Shooting event of the year! A celebration of the era of the classic **Double Barrel Shotgun!** If you like to shoot side by side shotguns here is a chance for you to pull out your old classic doubles and shoot them - just for fun! We hope you will immerse yourself in the past and dress in period Edwardian or Victorian costume. For those of you who watch Downton Abbey or Out of Africa you will have a good idea what kind of style of dress to look for. Ladies may prefer the sophistication of the Victorian era with long flowing gowns and wide brimmed hats.

Everyone is Welcome! Visitors are also encouraged to dress in period attire! Come even if you're not interested in shooting! Make sure to bring your spouse there will be other Edwardian games to play like croquet & bocce. Come just for the fun and the old fashion atmosphere!

The event is comprised of **Five Stand and Trap Shooting**, (Side by Side Shotguns, Smokeless & Black powder) displays of vintage double guns and Victorian games. Maybe you would like to come just for the Edwardian Style "High-tea" (lunch!)

-Cost -

Visitors - No charge (You don't have to be a club member to attend)

Spectators & volunteers welcome - especially those in period costume!

Shooters \$15.00 entry fee and \$6.00 a round

(Supply your own ammunition, Safety Glasses and Hearing Protection)

Lunch/High Tea - please RSVP for the Lunch part of the event. Cost – **TBA** (contact me)

-Contact -

For more information please e-mail tradegun@shaw.ca or phone 250-478-0069



"Paddle for the Kids" - Saturday, March 28th 2015

Please will you make a pledge on my behalf?

Club member Laurie Page here. I am currently training and preparing to participate in the "Paddle for the Kids" which is a 10/12-hour long paddle, circumnavigating the Saanich Peninsula from Brentwood Bay to the Gorge Waterway on March 28th, 2015.

This is a fund raiser for the BC Lions Society "Camp Shawnigan", which is an amazing place where children with physical and cognitive disabilities are able to go for a week of fun with their peers and fabulous camp counsellors. While the kids are at "Camp Shawnigan" the main focus is on all of their abilities, not their disabilities; they are able to do so many fun and adventurous things that they normally wouldn't be able to do in their day to day life. The cost for one child is \$2,500 per week and is just not affordable for most families these days.

There are two ways to make a donation. You can pledge online or directly to me in the form of cash or a check (payable to the BC Lion's Society as you will be issued a tax receipt for tax purposes.) To contact me directly you can email me at: page.laurie@rocketmail.com

Online donations can be made online: <http://www.lionsbc.ca/default.aspx?PageID=1042>

- Click "Donate Now" and then specify "Make a One-Time Donation or Give to an Appeal"
- Complete the information, and specify VCKC Paddle for the Kids – Laurie Page under the "Tell us about your gift" portion.

Please help me share my goal to send one or more children to "Camp Shawnigan" this year. I'm so thrilled to know I was part of one of their memorable experiences!

Thank you for your generous support!

Laurie Page

Here is the link to a short YouTube video about "Camp Shawnigan".

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CGR6QBbrVLE>

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:

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, March the 16th. 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

LAST Shot 6:30 pm Range closed 7pm

VOLUNTEER RELIEF CARETAKER TRAINING

LOCATION: VFGPA PROPERTY, TIMES: 0730- CLOSING (7:00pm)
(1 DAY ONLY, must attend the whole day)

MARCH 18TH WED **OR** MARCH 26TH THURS

TOPICS TO INCLUDE :

- | | |
|----------------------------|--------------------------|
| * OPENING/CLOSING ROUTINES | * JANITORIAL DUTIES |
| * OFFICE PAPERWORK | * MAINTENANCE |
| * KEY / MONEY CONTROL | * RANGE OPERATION/SAFETY |

Please contact David the Manager at davidmichaud333@gmail.com if interested.



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

2015 DATES

Saturday, April 18th

Saturday, May 23rd

MUZZLE CONTROL

SIGHT ALIGNMENT

BREATHING CONTROL

TRIGGER PULL

SAFELY CLEARING JAMS & MALFUNCTIONS

TRAINING TIPS

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

**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



The Wrong Way

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

Ladies interested in the “Women’s Pioneer Skills”:

Registration is now open for Women’s Pioneer Skills 2015, to be held July 10-12, 2015, Port Alberni.

This year we are asking you to register for courses in the three time slots available. Please make your selections in order of preference for each time. You will get your #1 choice in each unless it is full. First to register, first to get the course you want.

Registration this year is limited to 60 ladies. You’re in when Linda, our registrar, gets your cheque.

To register:

- 1). Google “West Coast Rangers” and open that website.
- 2). On the left, scroll down to “Women’s Pioneer Skills” and open that
- 3). On the left, scroll down to “registration” (information on each workshop is on the “workshop” place)
- 4). Click on “here” to open the registration form.

If you’re not getting current, 2015, information and dates HOLD DOWN CONTROL AND PRESS F5 to update.
If anyone has trouble with this, e-mail me.

Hope to see you in July.
Bev Denning
Workshops Coordinator
WPS 2015

To members: Perry Chow is doing well. Perry Chow has moved to room #605 at the Ross Place at 2638 Ross Lane, and his number is 250-478-2279



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.



This is freaking scary. As you know I was alone when I downed this elk in North Dakota. I was using my camera's timer attached to my shooting stick to give me enough time to get into the picture. I knew there were a lot of cats in the area but had no idea they would come in this close to people. He had to be within 10 feet of me and I didn't even know it. I about crapped my pants when I looked at the pictures the next morning and saw he was there.



8th Annual Emergency Preparedness Fair and Display



FREE EVENT

Westshore Parks and Recreation (JDF Sr. Activity Centre)

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11am – 3pm

Sunday May 3rd, 2015

A showcase of emergency responders and supporting organizations highlighting safety,
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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.

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BIG GAME RECORDS BOOKS

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.

Copies of previous editions are also available as follows:

1 st edition (1970 - reprinted 2011)	2 nd edition (1983)
3 rd edition (1988)	4 th edition (1995)
5 th edition (2003)	

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

Website: www.wildliferecordsofbc.com

e-mail: wildliferecordsofbc@shaw.ca

A new ninth edition of the Vancouver Island Columbian Blacktail Deer Records will be published in late 2015. Deadline for entries will be March 31, 2015. If you have a large set of antlers which could score 100 or more Boone & Crockett points, now is your chance to have it scored and entered. There is no charge for this.

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

FISHING COMPETITION TROPHY WINNERS ANNOUNCED

Trophies will be presented to the winners of the 2014 annual fishing competition at the March 16 Annual General Meeting as follows:

Victoria Fish & Game Chinook Perpetual for largest chinook salmon entered by member
(donated by Victoria Foundries; established 1973) Tom Vaida 23 lb.

Victoria Fish & Game Coho Perpetual for largest coho salmon entered by member
(donated by Howard English; established 1973) Tom Vaida 11 lb.

Victoria Fish & Game Trout Perpetual for largest trout caught in a lake by member
(established 2011 with winners from 2000) James Mace 6 lb. 7 oz.

Victoria Fish & Game Halibut Perpetual for largest halibut entered by member
(donated by Mel & Marlin Lohr; established 2008) Mel Lohr 36 lb. 8 oz.

There were no entries received from junior members so the Jack Hiscock Memorial Trophy for junior fisherman of the year will not be awarded.

The 2015 fishing competition for Victoria Fish & Game members is now underway. Remember to send in your entries with a picture of your catch, if possible. Suitable pictures may be used in the club newsletter or on the club website.

Catch and release entries are acceptable. Widely recognized formulae will be used to determine fish weights. Measure fork length and maximum girth to nearest ¼ inch.

E-mail all pertinent information to the VFGPA fishing chairperson.

**BIG GAME COMPETITION WINNERS ANNOUNCED**

Trophy and deer button winners from the 2014 hunting season will be presented with their awards at the March 16 Annual General Meeting as follows:

McIlwaine Van & Storage Perpetual for largest Blacktail deer (established 1955)

Darcy Rhodes 150 lb. / Cody French 150 lb.

Victoria Fish & Game Association Antler Perpetual for largest Blacktail deer antlers (established 1966)

Jiri Rol 101 5/8 pts.

Bob Hollingworth Memorial Perpetual for largest Blacktail buck taken by a junior (established 1983)

Cody French 150 lb.

There were no entries for the following trophies:

Robinson's Sporting Goods Perpetual for largest Blacktail deer taken by bow & arrow (established 1970)

Malahat Marauders Perpetual for largest Blacktail deer taken by muzzleloader (established 1990)

Victoria Fish & Game Bear Perpetual for largest Black bear taken by a club member (established 1998)

I received and measured the following sets of antlers:

Jiri Rol R5 L5 101 5/8

Darryll Walmsley R4 L3 98 1/8

Don Swindell R3 L4 91 6/8

Jiri's antlers qualified for the Vancouver Island Columbian Blacktail Deer Records which has a minimum score of 100 Boone & Crockett points. His entry will appear in the new ninth edition of the Records which will be published later this year.

The following deer were weighed in at the Club scales this past hunting season:

Cody French (junior)	150 lb.	Sept.	(bronze button)
Darcy Rhodes	150 lb.	Nov. 11	(bronze button)
Jiri Rol	137 lb.	Nov. 23	
Colton Walmsley (junior)	132 lb.	Oct. 26	
Don Swindell	130 lb.	Nov. 22	
Ryan Mace (junior)	112 lb.	Sept.	
Wayne Zaccarelli	102 lb.	Nov. 09	

Congratulations to the successful junior hunters this past season. For the second year in a row juniors showed prominently in the awards.

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

- David Michaud (250)888-5315 or davidmichaud333@gmail.com
- Dave Degrassi (250)474-3483 davedegrassi@telus.net
- Sue Bender (250) 721-0131 or safeshooting69@gmail.com
- Ken Cornish (250) 656-7885 or safetycourse@shaw.ca

Conservation and Outdoor Recreation Education (CORE) course; Call;

- Robin Pike (250)812-4316 (5-9 pm) thepikes@shaw.ca or
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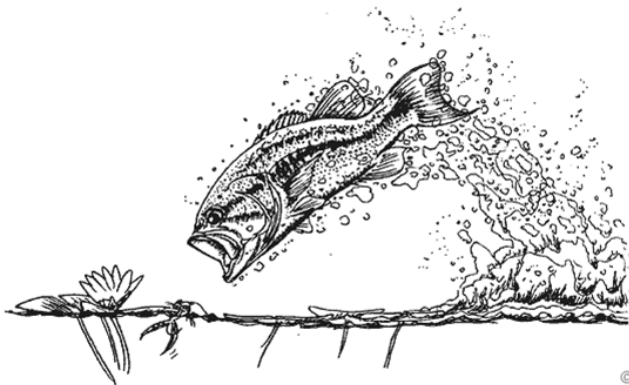
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Fishing Contest Entry Form

Chinook___ Coho___ Tye___ 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



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Classified and For Sale Ads

Members - FREE classified ads, but for Commercial ads please see the above

For more information or to purchase ad space please contact Jodi at:

vfgpanewsletter@telus.net

IMPORTANT MESSAGE ABOUT VOLUNTEERING

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Meeting & Club Information

**Executive meetings - 1st Monday of the Month @ 7:30pm,
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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Annual 2015 Membership

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FOR SALE: Para Ordnance LTC 1911 45 ACP 4.25" barrel. Complete with carry case and 2x7round mags \$800
Norinco AR15 223 cal, 14.5" barrel. Bushnell Trophy red dot scope \$650
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WANTED: Looking for a quantity of clean lead suitable for bullet casting. Please call John at : 250-743-8687

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, APRIL THE 8th, 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



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