

Victoria Fish and Game Protective Association

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New "Lifetime Member' Gary Kangas



Author, Historian, Mechanic; restorer of classic Hot Rods, past Board of Director member, known & recognized internationally. He is a man of distinctive style & taste. Although, he was probably born a century or two late, as he rejects many of our 'modern ways' ... Of Course I am talking about Gary Kangas.

Gary has always been a huge fan of vintage and antique firearms and was a founding member of the original Malahat Marauders black powder club here in Victoria long before that club joined the VF&G as their Black Powder section. Gary was also a founder of the "Victoria Volunteer Rifles" a historical re-creation group complete with uniforms, arms, and accessories duplicating the original local Victoria Volunteer Rifle militia of the late 1800's.

Gary organized and ran a re-created version of a Frontier Wild West Show for several years which performed throughout BC. Gary had a Norwegian Fjord horse, which he rode

on a regular basis and he trained to perform in his Wild West Show. Everything in the show had to be late 1800's compatible.

In the mid 1990's Gary was instrumental in hosting the first Cowboy Action Shooting matches that were ever held in Victoria. He inaugurated the annual Head-Quarters Match (now in its 28th year). He then went on to organize the "Western Canadian Frontier Shootists Society" which was patterned after (The Single Action Shooting Society in the USA).

Gary has held positions on many of our past club Boards, and was Membership Chairman for a few years. Along with Duncan Haydon (another Life-Time Member) he co-chaired the Inaugural 'Out-Door Discovery Day' which we hold every year in June on Fathers Day.

Gary has organized and run many different events at the Victoria Fish & Game and still shoots and competes in many of our club events including

- * our Black Powder shoots,
- * Military Recreation shoots,
- * 'Truce-In-the-Trenches',
- * our Cowboy Action matches,
- * and our Edwardian period shotgun event.

(Gary and Sybil have also hosted the High Tea served at the Edwardian Shotgun shoot since that Edwardian era shotgun match's inception.). He is volunteering still.

Gary and his wife Sybil have been heavily involved in championing the cause of Canadian firearms owner's rights and privileges and have worked very hard on an ongoing basis to prevent the passing of needless and useless Canadian firearms laws and regulations.

Gary has had an influence on more than just our range. In 1974/75, Gary arranged much of the paperwork, legals and meetings to buy the property that the North Saanich Rod & Gun club is now situated on.

Those of you who get the 'Canadian Firearms Journal', will know that Gary is a regular contributor to that publication (although, I am sure that Sybil has a hand in the prose....) (you know what they say;

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.... behind every successful man is a woman that keeps him in line)

Being the cowboy born in the wrong century never stopped Gary in his adventure through life. Everything Gary does, every decision he makes, every promise he makes, is guided by the 'cowboy code':

- 1. Live each day with courage
- 2. Take pride in your work
- 3. Always finish what you start
- 4. Do what has to be done
- 5. Be tough, but fair
- 6. When you make a promise, keep it
- 7. Ride for the brand
- 8. Talk less and say more
- 9. Remember that some things aren't for sale
- 10. Know where to draw the line

On March 18, 2019, at our AGM, the members of the Victoria Fish & Game Protective Association voted unanimously to award a 'Life-time Membership' to Gary Kangas.

Congratulations Gary!!

New "Lifetime Member' Murray Charlton



Most of us know him, or know of him. His name is known across Canada. His products & skills are known across Canada, and even Internationally.

Murray Charlton retired (the first time) a number of decades ago, after a career in the RCMP.

He moved here to Victoria and continued to do repairs and custom gunsmithing work when he began working for "Spikeblock Emergency Equipment", a police supply company that was based in the Esquimalt / Vic West area.

In the mid 1970's, Murray left "Spikeblock" and started his own police supply company; "M.D. Charlton Co." based out on Keating Cross Road. "M.D. Charlton Co." was a S&W warranty depot, custom gunsmith and merchandise shop. He grew to supply many police departments across Canada with accessories. He became renowned for his Custom Firearms, and his 'Distinguished Tune' Custom tuning on S&W revolvers.

He sold M.D. Charlton Co. about a decade ago, and while he had thoughts of retiring a second time, Murray couldn't seem to stay idle for very long, so he then started Murray Charlton Enterprises, also located in Central Saanich. As well as repairing firearms, Murray has legally and skillfully deactivated a large number of guns that are used by many Canadian Firearms Safety Course

Instructors as they give their courses.

Murray is a Master Instructor for the Canadian Firearms Safety Course, and has also volunteered & taught many of our members the finer points of handgun target shooting. Murray has always recognized youth and young shooters as well. Our club helps support NSRG's Junior's program, and their chairman Al Hargreaves, along with our Bob Macdonald, do a spectacular job with the Juniors Program.

Murray has always been a huge supporter of the PPC revolver competition section of the Victoria Fish & Game, and also supports our Cowboy Action Shooting section as well. Murray has been a steady and generous contributor of prizes for our various club matches and events, and especially our club's fund-raising Game Dinners, as Al Page can testify. As well, it is because of Murray that we have the large wooden beams on the rifle range. With those beams, we were able to form the backstops for the Silhouette targets, and also the heavy wooden shooting tables.



Murray just recently closed Murray Charlton Enterprises for a very well earned rest, and another stab at retirement. It may now be possible to see some of Murray as a spectator, or possibly as a participant and competitor at many of our various club matches and events! His name is on quite a few trophies from years ago.

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Congratulations Murray!!

SURVEY ON FISHING POND

If you go fishing at the Club pond, please answer these questions and email to pchow4570@shaw.ca

- 1. How many times have you fished at the club property?
- 2. Are you fishing with a child or children, how many children?
 - 3. How many fish are you keeping?

VFGPA 100th Anniversary Celebration 15 June 2019 This year, we are celebrating the VFGPA 100th anniversary. The last day of our first hundred years is Saturday, 15 June. This event will be marked by a celebration BBQ and pig roast at the clubhouse and trap field afternoon and evening from 2-10 pm. There will also be live bands, 100 years of memorabilia on display, and so much more. This event is for members and their guests. Tickets are \$40, and are available for purchase at the caretaker office at the range, or by sending a cheque to Doug Bancroft at 1126 Munro St, Victoria BC, or by electronic fund transfer to doug.w.bancroft@gmail.com (make sure that you include a mailing address). Tickets are limited to 350, so purchase yours soon to avoid disappointment. By coincidence, this is the Fathers' Day weekend, and on Sunday, we will start the first day of our second hundred years with a very special Discovery Day event, open to the public. We will also host some trade booths on Sunday. Finally, we are seeking volunteers for both the Anniversary Celebration and the Discovery Day. If you can assist in any capacity, please contact Doug Bancroft.

NEEDED

We really need Members to Volunteer to present the Orientation Courses, Trap Access, Holster, And Handgun Essentials Courses. Not a huge commitment, as we present the Trap Access Program (about 40 min.). Trap is at 6 pm every Wed except during the winter.

Orientation is every Wed at 7pm, all year long Plus the odd Sat/Sun during the month.

We are doing the Holster Course and Handgun Essentials 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 dayidmichaud333@gmail.com



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.

EVERYONE NEEDS TO SIGN IN WHEN AT THE RANGE!!

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 RA 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 **4:45pm** is Closing Time the last shot is **4:15pm**, 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 4:45pm. Range staff have already worked their 8 hours and would like to go home and see their families.

CLOSING TIMES VFGPA 2019 (gate locked)

April 01- Sept 15	8:00pm
Sept 16-30	7:30pm
Oct 01- 15	7:00pm
Oct 16-31	6:30pm
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Nov 01-03 (Last Day Daylight S)6:00pm

Nov 4-15 4:45pm Nov 16-30 4:30pm Dec 01- 31 4:30pm

Last Shot ½ hr before above time

Gate dummy locked ½ hr before Last Shot

Thank you, Club Manager, David M.

VFGPA CORE Course

The Victoria Fish and Game Protective Association (VFGPA) will be holding a CORE Course on Saturday and Sunday, September 14 and 15, in the VFGPA Clubhouse, 9 am to 5 pm.

At the end of Sunday, all students should have the documents they need to apply to the BCWF for their CORE certificate.

To attend, you must register in advance. To register, please send an email to vicepresident@vfgpa.org The CORE course fee is \$150 (cash), payable at the door.

Course size will be limited to 20 students.

About David the instructor:

- B.C. Hunter Training/CORE instructor/examiner, since 1981.
- Canadian Firearms/Restricted Firearms instructor/examiner, since the program's inception (instructor certification card # 0007)
- Active hunter since 1967 with bow, shotgun, and rifle, multiply successful for: deer (both), bear, moose, sheep (both), bison, predators, waterfowl, and upland birds
- B.Ed, UVic, 1981
- Current membership in B.C. College of Teachers, and a continuing member in good standing from that college's first day.
- Teacher in rural schools, 1981-1997, outdoor education, and biology.
- Commercial/coastal float pilot since 1990.
- Industrial ambulance/medic, since 1997.
- Nurse (emerg, med/surg, O.R., rehab) 2001-2013.

By Doug

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Archery

Black Powder

Frontier Shootist

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Administration Co

Other Club Contacts

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Adam Piluso

Meeting & Club Information Board meetings - 1st Monday of the Month @ 7:30pm, **Esquimalt Anglers Lounge 1101 Munro Street Member Meeting**

Strawberry Vale Hall 7:00pm.

Member meetings are on the 3rd Monday of each month at NEW **FIME 7:00pm**. in the Strawberry Vale Hall at 11 High Street, off Burnside Road West. Adam 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.

Information Phone: (250) 743-3504

Recorded Range Scheduling Information—updated every morning

Web: www.vfgpa.org E-mail: inquiry@vfgpa.org

Mail: PO Box 93, Victoria BC V8W 2M1

Memberships available from:

Island Outfitters

3319 Douglas Street, Victoria, B.C. 250-475-4969

Pullen's Gunsmithing

1698 Millstream Rd. Victoria, BC (250) 474-2512 (Friday—Sunday)

Langford Canadian Tire

Westshore Town Centre, *Mondays to Sundays 12-5pm*) 855 Langford Parkway, Victoria, BC (250) 474-2291

Robinson's Outdoor Store

1307 Broad Street, Victoria Downtown (250) 385-3429

Victoria Fish and Game Range

700 Holker Place, Malahat, B.C.

Membership Chair

Eileen Bancroft - membership@vfgpa.org

Annual 2019 Membership

* Adult \$170.00 * Family \$205.00 *Students \$100 * Senior \$90.00 * Junior \$40.00

We have a new number for the information line: 250-743-3504



Island Outfitters Monthly Savings for VFGPA Members!



Remington
22LR Golden
Bullet "Bucket
O' Bullets" 1400
rounds
Reg \$124.99
Sale \$99.99

Remington Sportsman 27pc Gun Cleaning Kit Reg \$34.99

Sale \$26.99





Viper Commando
Thanks for T6 (syn) .410
Shotgun
Shopping local!



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.



The next Members meeting is April 15th at 7PM
At the Strawberry Vale Hall at 11 High Street, off Burnside Road West.
Hope to see you there!







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If we successfully close a deal together, or you refer someone that does, then Realty-Match makes a \$400 donation to conservation organization of your choice AND pays for your 2019 VFGPA Membership!

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The existing *Firearms Marking Regulations* under the *Firearms Act*, scheduled to come into force on December 1, 2018, are being deferred until December 1, 2020



Victoria Fish & Game protective Association

Main Clubhouse, 700 Holker Place, Malahat, BC





SHOW

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Sunday - July 21st, 2019

8:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Display & Sale Tables available!

Admission \$5.00 per person Women & Children under 12 free!

All Federal firearms regulations & the usual gun show regulations apply!

(PAL / POL firearms licence required for all firearm or ammunition purchases)

CASH ONLY – NO ATM ON SITE

For a map & more info on how to locate the club's location please see "vfqpa.orq"

For vendor information please contact – Laurie Page @ 250-388-0705 or email to: page.laurie@rocketmail.com



VANCOUVER ISLAND GUN SHOWS FOR 2019

May 5th in Courtney at 3780 Colake Road Contact: Rick McClure (250) 703-0223

May 26th in Parkville at 1014 Ford Road, Coombs Contact: Grahram Alexander (250) 752-1855

July 21st at Malahat VFGPA Club house, Contact: Laurie Page (250) 388–0705

August 18th in Duncan at 4295 Robertson Road Contact: Steven Desilva (250) 701-2231

September 15th in Parkville at 1014 Ford Road, Coombs Contact: Grahram Alexander (250) 752-1855

October 20th in Courtney at 3780 Colake Road Contact: Rick McClure (250) 703-0223

October 26 & 27th in Victoria at 1528 Stelly's Cross Road, Saanichton Contact: John Pullen (250) 474-2512

November 24th in Duncan at 4295 Robertson Road Contact: Steven Desilva (250) 701-2231 December 1st in Nanaimo at 1325 Nanaimo Lakes Road Contact: Doug Miller (250) 758-1303

MEMBERSHIP NOTICE:

If members do not put their email on their membership form, I will assume they do not want us to have their email. If you want the newsletters each month, please be sure to add your emails into the membership forms for now on. If you have already done your membership for 2019 but didn't put your email address, please let Jodi know and she can add your email address into the system. jbrugge63@gmail.com

Replacement Card Fee

Effective immediately there will be a \$20 service fee to replace lost cards (e.g., membership cards, orientation cards).

TO MEMBERS

One of our members is needing a Kidney Transplant. If you know of anyone or you can donate, please email Perry at pchow4570@shaw.ca for more info

Merchandise- for General Membership NOW AVAILABLE in the office.

Mugs \$25.00 Crest etched into Mug Hats \$20.00 Embroidered T Shirts \$16.00 XXL \$21.00 Screen Print Polo Shirts \$45.00 XXL \$48.00 Embroidered



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Contact: gord@yarrowgunworks.com 778.676.7253



VWS Handgun Shoot March 17, 2019





Airsoft News

This month's article starts with a little housekeeping. We've noticed a number of non-biodegradable BBs being left on the field. So, a reminder to everyone they must use biodegradable BBs on the Airsoft range. The rule applies whether you're a casual drop in user or a regular player and includes any guests you bring. The non-biodegradable BBs are easy to spot in many cases since they're often made of brightly colored plastic such as blue, red, neon green, yellow, etc. In extreme cases they're very poorly made with visible moulding seams and can actually damage your airsoft gun as well as not being good for the environment. Airsoft BBs sold at a number of hardware stores and department stores are the non-biodegradable type: i.e. the type we do not allow. The packaging will say "Biodegradable" on it if it's the right kind. If it doesn't, it isn't and you should not purchase them for use at our club regardless of what the salesperson tells you. It's also time to remind everyone about the rule regarding smoke grenades and other pyrotechnics since we've found the remnants of marine smoke markers on the range. The only time people are allowed to use smoke grenades (or other pyrotechnic devices) on the property is when they are explicitly authorized during an organized event. They are *not* automatically approved for our events and they are prohibited at all other times.

With the improved weather, Airsoft activities got back on track in March. Our regular events on March 10^{th} and 24^{th} were well attended. To our delight we received the new team armbands in March and were able to use them during the games on the 24^{th} . Being wider they have much better visibility for improved game play and our club Airsoft logo is printed on them so they look great. We have regular game day events coming up on April 7^{th} , April 21^{st} , May 5^{th} and

May 19th along with our first scheduled work party of the season on April 14th. We have a fair amount of winter damage to address and we would also like to build some new simple structures for defense. We hope to have a great turn out for the work party. Please check our Facebook page for the event details: https://www.facebook.com/groups/vfgpaairsoft In the meantime, I look forward to seeing you on one of our game days in the near future.

Rick Rutherford



Help wanted at VFGPA Casual on call Employees leading to Part Time. Must have Restricted PAL. Physically fit, (must be able to handle and lift a sheet of plywood by themselves, load Trap houses 40lb boxes) work involves working out in all kinds of weather includes weekends and holidays. and interacting with our 3700 Members suitable for retired people and Students. E-mail David at: davidmichaud333@gmail.com or call (250)888-5315



The Vital Four ACTS of Firearm Safety

Assume every firearm is loaded Control the muzzle direction at all times Trigger finger must be kept off the trigger and out of the trigger guard See that the firearm is unloaded

PROVE it safe.

Point the firearm in the safest available direction Remove all ammunition Observe the chamber Verify the feeding path Examine the bore each time you pick up a firearm



TRAP / SKEEP FUN SHOOTING LEAGUE - SUMMER EVENINGS

The club will run a Summer Evening Trap/Skeet Fun Shooting League. Shooting will be every Thursday night commencing the 27^{th} of June 2019 and ending the 5^{th} of September 2019. Total of 10 weeks (skipping the 22^{nd} of August due to a Frontier Shootists Event). Shooting will start at 5:30pm and end at 7:15pm. Each evening's shoot will consist of one round of trap followed by one round of skeet. Scores will be handicapped, recorded, posted at the clubhouse and published via email to each participant. Total evening shoots 10, total targets 500, cost will be \$80.00 per shooter. The League will be limited to 20 shooters registration is to be via email: trap@vfgpa.org

At the end of League get together Patches/Pins will be awarded to those who posted a 25 round either trap or skeet and a patch/pin for those who post a perfect 50. Club trophies (Top Score and Most Improved) will be awarded (trophies will be displayed in the clubhouse). The rules, procedures and handicap system are posted at the clubhouse; any questions can be directed to Mike King the Trap Director at the above email address.

Hope to see you this summer.

Submitted by Mike King



MEMBERSHIP NOTICE

"The membership director would like to remind all members to fill out the membership form fully and legibly. Items written on last years form will not necessarily carry over to the this year. If your address, email, phone or courses have changed, this is the place to correct them. We also need to be able to read the information on the form so it may be entered into our data base."





Kdwardian 6th Annual Shotgun Shoot

at the Victoria Fish & Game Protective Association 700 Holker Place Malahat, BC.

Shooters meeting at 9:45 AM, shooting to start at 10:00 AM.

This event is a celebration of the classic double barrel shotgun, however, all shot guns are welcome. Edwardian or Victorian dress is recommended. Everyone is welcome, wear your shotgunner best, in whatever era you choose!

Event is classic trap shooting. Certificates will be awarded for best smokeless cartridge, black powder cartridge & muzzle loader, both male and female shooter categories. There will be best dressed male & female shotgunner, any era and best dressed Edwardian/Victorian era.

Registration is \$10.00 which includes lunch and tea. Cost for shooting is \$5.00 per round of 25, shot as many rounds as you like. Bring your own ammo, eye & ear protection is mandatory.

Please pre-register as it is important to know how many people we need to buy food for lunch. Bring your family and friends to cheer you on. Make sure to pre-register them too if joining us for lunch. Best dressed guest certificate will also be awarded.

To pre-register please contact Tom & Jodi Sturgill at 250-383-4622 or e mail at jbrugge63@gmail.com. Please register early for this fun event.

VICTORIA FISH AND GAME PROTECTIVE ASSOCIATION WEBSITE http://vfgpa.org





MALAHAT MARAUDERS SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

EASTER RENDEZVOUS APRIL 19TH, 20TH, & 21ST

Location: Victoria Fish and Game Protective Association at 700 Holker Place Camping open @ 8:00 am Thursday

Time: Dawn to Dusk, actual event times will vary throughout the weekend. See schedule Shooters meeting at 9:15 am sharp - first shot at 10:00 am

Events: Trappers Challenge Trail Walk – Team of 6 Hawk and Knife, Silhouette, Hydro Shoot Fort Shoot – Team of 3, Pistol, Squirrel Shoot (40 cal. & Under) Shotgun Sunday Morning.

Costs: \$25.00 per shooter, \$20.00 per extra family member/shooter. \$10.00 for juniors. Children are free.

Potluck dinner on Saturday night!! Bring your favorite recipe along with a salad or dessert item to share. Contact Donna (email dl.sainsbury@shaw.ca) Club will provide dinner/rolls/ butter for the potluck

For more information contact; Steve Southin 250-213-2584 (email: ssouthin@shaw.ca)

Thursday

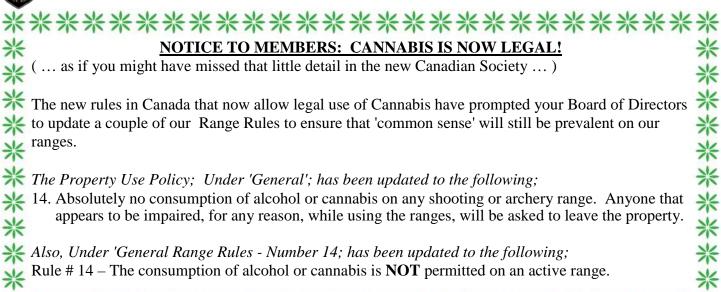
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Friday

7:30 to 9:00 am Registration. 9:15 am Safety Meeting - SHARP 10:00 to 1:00 Trappers Challenge 1:00 to 2:00 Lunch. 2:00 to 4:00 Silhouette 4:30 to 6:30 Hydro shoot

8:30 to 10:00 Pistol & Squirrel shoot. 10:30 to 12:30 Fort Shoot 12:30 to 1:30 Lunch 2:00 to 4:30 Elimination round 6:00 to 9 ish Potluck - Awards and Entertainment





BRASS PROGRAM

"I'm very happy to report that a new club volunteer has stepped up to take over the club's Brass Recovery program from me". Brad Woollven will now collect, sort, and sell our club's recovered range brass as of mid-December. You can contact Brad at 250-727-9175 or by email at leonardwoollven@gmail.com regarding any calibres of reloadable brass that you might be looking for.

SPORTING CLAY

For any info contact Paul at (250) 710-5303 or email at paulhagel@hotmail.com



VANCOUVER ISLAND SHOOTING LEAGUE

The Vancouver Island Shooting League (VISL) has both a trap division and a centerfire rifle division. Shoots are conducted on a regular basis with each participation club hosting. The trap division of VISL is part of the Pacific International Trap Shooting Association (PITA) further information can be found on the PITA webpage or contact Mike King email: trap@vfgpa.org In addition our club is a member of the British Columbia Trap Association (BCTA) information can be found on their webpage as well. The centerfire rifle division of VISL conducts regular 3 position shoots with each participating club hosting. This group has a Facebook page and the contact is Tammy Sanne: tammypo17@telus.net.

Regards Mike King Trap Director





IMPORTANT MESSAGE ABOUT VOLUNTEERING

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

"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 10-12pm) will be held at the club on:

April 21st, July 6th, Aug. 11th, Sept. 14th, Oct. 6th, Nov. 23rd, Dec. 15th

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



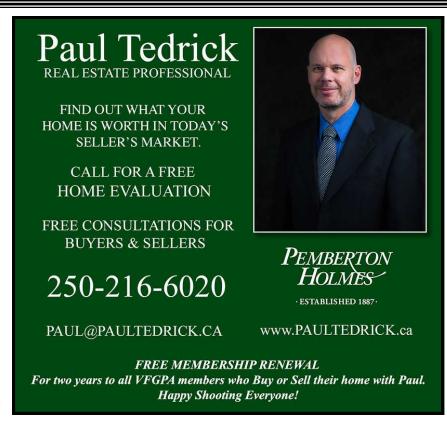




Victoria Fish & Game Club Chronograph is now available for rental!

The club recently bought a basic Model F-1 Chrony which will be available for rental to our paid, card carrying club members. (We will not be renting the club chronograph to day pass users.) We will be charging a nominal fee of only \$10 for the use of the club's chronograph, which will be available to be signed out from the Caretaker's office. We will have a simple form to record the renting member's information and it will be the responsibility of the renter to return the chronograph to the office before they leave the range property. Since we suspect this will be a very popular club program I would suggest that you contact the office in advance to book your rental of the club Chrony by date, to ensure that someone else hasn't arranged to rent it on the same day. We now have a club camera tripod that can be used with the rental Chrony.

By Al Page





To All Members of the VFGPA.

The next General Meeting is April 15th

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: 250-743-3504 TO SEE IF THERE ARE ANY CHANGES TO THE MOST RECENT VERSION OF THE EVENT CALENDAR POSTED ON THE WEBSITE.

We now have a new number for the information line: 250-743-3504

Reminder - Day Pass Fees for Non-Members

Anyone who attends the range with a member needs to purchase a \$20 Guest pass. If a non-member is a current member with the BCWF, or an affiliated club (valid cards **must** be shown) they are eligible for a \$20 **Special day pass**. All non-club membership holders and are not attending with a member pay the \$50 Day Pass.

All range rules must be strictly followed. Non-Members must sign in with their Day-Pass number and keep and display the yellow copy of the day pass while using the range facilities. Only one \$50.00 Day Pass can be used as a credit towards a membership purchased within 30 days and must be surrendered at time of purchase.

Salt Spring Island Rod and Gun Club

We continue to support our friends over on Salt Spring Island and they face challenging times. Please show your support by purchasing a membership at SSiRG or visiting their range.

Official Range Plan

If you have any suggestions for major capital improvements to the range, please submit your ideas to info@vfgpa.org

Hello Members,

Just a reminder ALL targets MUST be placed below "the orange lines on the Rifle Pistol Range" this prevents the target holders from getting shot up. If you see someone not doing this please mention it to them (nicely).

Thanks for the help. David M.



2019 CORE Hunting Safety Course



Instructors:

Robin Pike M.Sc., P.Ag., Certified CORE Examiner.

Murray Kilshaw, Certified CORE Examiner, Certified CFSC instructor.

Location:

Classes are hosted in the Westshore. Courses run Saturdays/Sundays from 8:20 to 4:30 p.m.

2019 Schedule:

Jan 19/20	Apr 13/14	Jul 20/21	Oct 19/20
Feb 16/17	May 11/12	Aug 17/18	Nov - Off Hunting!!
Mar 16/17	Jun 15/16	Sept 21/22	Dec 14/15

Course Content:

SATURDAY

- Principles of Conservation
- Hunting Ethics
- Hunting Laws and Regulations
- Firearm Safety
- Practical Firearms Examinations

SUNDAY

- Outdoor Safety and Survival
- First Aid
- BC Game Animal Identification
- BC Game Birds
- Written Exam

Additional Instruction:

- Use of the BC Hunting Synopsis
- Field dressing, Skinning and Butchering
- Knife selection
- How to make Game meat taste it's best
- Bullet selection for hunting
- Water wading safety

- Wilderness emergency communication
- How to approach a car accident
- How to make free topographic maps
- Dominate Eye identification
- Successful hunting strategies
- Archery and bow information

Contact:

Robin Pike	250-812-4316	Robin.G.Pike@gmail.com
Murray Kilshaw	250-382-1029	Coreexaminer@shaw.ca

Canadian Tire in Langford has new hours for their pro shop and will process membership forms during the following hours:

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday - noon to 5pm

Friday - noon to 6pm

Saturday & Sunday - 9 am to 5pm



SILHOUETTE MATCH MARCH 17th

To help celebrate St. Patrick's day, Art and Sue painted the targets green. It was a fun way to resume our monthly matches after February's snow-day cancelation.

We had a good turnout from club members and guests from up-Island for 2 relays, along with 3 on-lookers who I hope will return with rifles and full magazines.

Competitors shot two, 40 round matches in Smallbore Silhouette Rifle, and two, 40 round matches in Smallbore Silhouette Hunting Rifle. Steve Shulhan was match winner in Silhouette Rifle, and Rick Jeffery tied with Jim Goble for match winner in Silhouette Hunting Rifle. Congratulations Steve, Rick and Jim!

Smallbore Silhouette Rifle results:

B - 30, Dan Daigle

A - 22, Nick Fairweather

AA – 37, Art Archer

AAA - 36, Sue Bender

Match Winner – 46, Steve Shulhan

Dan Daigle, Jonathan Daigle and Marc Leduc all shot A class qualifying scores and are well on their way to promotion to A class – well done guys!

Awards: 5-pin Chickens - Art Archer. 5-pin Pigs - Steve Shulhan

Smallbore Silhouette Hunting Rifle results:

B – 26, Jeff Eisen

A - 28, Jonathan Daigle

AAA – 43, Jim Goble

Match Winner – 43, Rick Jeffery

Upcoming Silhouette Rifle matches:

April 14 - smallbore on the Malahat

April 28 - smallbore in Nanaimo

May 5 - high power in Port Alberni

May 19 - smallbore on the Malahat

Match day schedule:

8:30 target setup and shooter registration

9:00 sight-in and practice

9:30 match start

40 round Smallbore Silhouette Rifle

40 round Smallbore Silhouette Hunting Rifle

15 minute lunch break

40 round Smallbore Silhouette Rifle

40 round Smallbore Silhouette Hunting Rifle

3:00 update scorebooks, collect targets, cleanup and awards presentation

New shooters are welcome to join us and we'll help get you started – please arrive by 8:30. Before shooting your first match you should know your scope settings for the 4 distances we shoot (40m, 60m, 77m and 100m).

Entry fees are \$5.00 per rifle (i.e. \$10 for four, 40 shot matches). 2019 Score/Classification booklets are now available for \$5.00

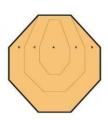
By Steve Shulhan











Are you a semi-automatic or double action revolver shooter?

Are you bored of standing still and firing at a static target?

Are you looking to challenge yourself and try something new?

Action pistol may be the sport for you!

Interested in finding out more?

Come on up and check out one of our matches on the Multi-purpose range

2019

* April 7th * May 5th * June 30th * July 28th * August 18th * September 29th

Google IPSC videos

Or email: actionshooters@vfgpa.org



Junior Action Shooters



Is there a Junior in your life between the ages of 11 and 16 years of age who might be interested in coming out and shooting Action Pistol but isn't ready to shoot 9mm?

The South Island Action Shooters is offering a Junior Action Shooters course that will teach safe gun handling, holstering and how to safely move through a course of fire using 22 rimfire pistols.

A parent or guardian must be present during the training course which will be approximately 5 hours and be required to provide a rimfire pistol for the Junior to train with. They will also need at least 2 magazines a sturdy belt, a holster and 2 magazine pouches.

Please email sias@vfgpa.org for more information or to register your Junior.



Timberwest Access

The Kapoor gate is equipped, and the 2019 Timberwest access agreement is now open for registration.



Step 1: Register and pay online. https://vfgpa.org/access

Step 2: Call the range office and schedule to sign the new waiver and have your key assigned.

I'll be attending the BCWF AGM in Ft. St. John in June to advocate adoption of our Timberwest key as a universal roaming key standard that will access other controlled gates such as Eagle Ridge in Coquitlam, Norrish Creek east of Mission, and others that may appear on the landscape. I don't want to have to deal with 20 different keys, clubs, and access agreements as I travel around the province, so that's an initiative for a provincial body to support.

Fees have gone up to help cover the program costs. The 2019 registration fee is \$50 VFGPA members, \$75 non-VFGPA.

Some of you may be aware of an educational initiative I have connected to the access program, that being the Caveman Engineers. A number of threads have come together: The Kapoor gate opening a circle route around the Malahat through the back country, Timberwest opening discussion of ATV use for hunting, the 100 Year celebration coming up on Father's Day weekend in June, the massively growing Airsoft discipline needing room, and board approval to rezone the 20ha property north of the trap range at 751 Trans Canada Hwy (751TCH) for club use.

We are also supporting the VIDRA group with the Tansky parking area improvements to add an east/west layout to the access prgram for those that like free camping, and legal ATV access to some highly productive hunting areas while we wait for Timberwest to sort it out. Additional support has been contributed to our friends at the Charters River Salmon Interpretive Center for the move of the Jack Brooks hatchery, and I am investigating the feasibility of occupying the hatchery site, once the move is complete, as our first Timberwest campground and ATV staging area. For those that have never travelled Boneyard up the west side of the Sooke River, you have a special treat waiting.



1Tansky base camp



2Fun in the snow - Tansky basecamp

I have adopted 751TCH as a Caveman Engineer project, and I expect to have grant funding approved for two full time Canada Summer Job positions July-August. I invite an early expression of interest from anyone qualified for CSJ employment that has an interest in pursuing an education in civil engineering or a related field, and can pack a shovel and chainsaw to lay out multi-purpose trail system. Past activities of the Cavemen and the 751TCH project as it develops can be viewed on the web site here: https://cavemanengineers.org (Thanks again 2'nd VP Paul MacNeil

for the DND tours!)

Who wants to get paid to play outside all summer and associate with professionals from the engineering community?

I have proposed calling 751TCH the Malahat Outdoor Skills Park, and with the Caveman relationship to youth oriented outdoor-placed STEM Education (Science, Technology, Engineering, & Math) we will connect with the affluent, outdoorsy, influential demographic of the professional engineering community. It's a natural sponsor space in good company to get a brand in front of.

If you are connected to a business that markets into that demographic, I invite sponsor proposals for custom programs tailored to your commercial objectives. While in-kind donations are indispensable, we can leverage cash with matching grant funding, and we're currently working on developing relationships with registered charities, which have the potential to return a sizeable tax refund through charitable contribution tax receipts.

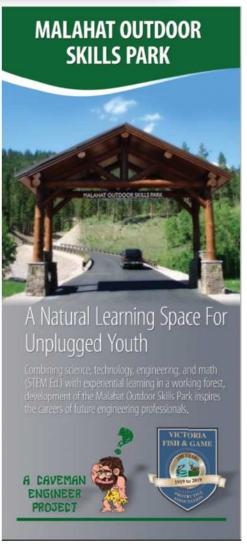
With Timberwest proposing ATV use on their property we need to know what we're talking about, so we have proposed an ATV demonstration circuit be laid out on 751TCH. In addition, the property is a natural base-camp to stage excursions around the Sooke-Shawnigan circle route, and if you've never participated in an airsoft event you don't know what you're missing. The opportunities for free camping will more than pay your entire membership!

Come join us and find out!

Best regards,

Terrance Martin
Director, Access Chair
Victoria Fish and Game Protective Association
BCWF Director – Outdoor Recreation Council
250-642-2917
http://vfgpa.org/access@vfgpa.org/access@vfgpa.org

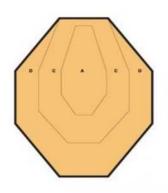




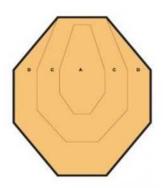


SOUTH ISLAND ACTION SHOOTERS (SIAS)

RANGE SAFETY COURSE







2019

SATURDAY APRIL 27
SUNDAY JUNE 9
SUNDAY JULY 21
SATURDAY AUGUST 10
SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 15

SIGN UP AT THE OFFICE

IF YOU HAVE HANDGUN EXPERIENCE, ARE HOLSTER TRAINED AND ARE LOOKING TO DO SOMETHING OTHER THAN SHOOTING AT A STATIC TARGET, ACTION PISTOL MIGHT BE THE SPORT FOR YOU

QUESTIONS?

CHECK THE VFGPA WEBSITE AND EMAIL

ACTIONSHOOTERS@VFGPA.ORG



Calendar of the Orientation Sessions

Wednesday Orientation is Wednesday at 7pm & on Sat/Sun 2pm

APRIL	MAY	JUNE	JULY
April 3rd	May 1st	June 1st	July 3rd
April 10th	May 4th	June 5th	July 7th
April 14th	May 8th	June 12th	July 10th
April 17th	May 15th	\ June 19th	July 17th
April 24th	May 22nd	June 23rd	July 24th
r	May 26th	June 26th	July 27th
	May 29th		July 31st

All in the Clubhouse

***WE STRONGLY SUGGEST THAT YOU CHECK FOR A POSSIBLE CANCELLATION
IMMEDIATELY BEFORE DRIVING UP TO THE RANGE TO ATTEND, PH. 250-743-3504 ***

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

Range Use Reminder to Shooters

***A General Reminder that "The facility's gates are OPEN at 8:30AM; Check Times for closing on page 2 in the newsletter davidmichaud333@gmail.com or 250-858-8342

NEW

All firewood cutting on the property is now by permit only.

Permit available at the office.

David M.

Mgr.

TO ALL TRAP SHOOTERS

You can now shoot Trap at the same time as a Skeet Practice is taking place under some new strict conditions.

Please ask Staff to review the new conditions with you when you stop by the office to sign out Trap Keys.

Trap Practices are held four times a month on Wednesdays and Sundays as marked on the club's calendar.

Mike King Trap Director VF&GPA



BULLSEYE SHOOTING AT VFGPA 2019

VFGPA Weekly Bullseye Competition Shooting recently opened the 2019 season. We shoot on Wednesday morning at 09.00h. [Setup is 08.45] In addition to the match course of fire we share tips and practices all aimed at improving our marksmanship skills. Bullseye shooting will be of interest to pistol shooters who want to move from fun "Plinking" to Competitive ISSF Pistol shooting. This 22 cal. course of fire emphasizes accuracy as it requires disciplined hand/eye coordination when shooting a 7 inch Bullseye target zone and as with all ISSF pistol disciplines, all firing must be done with one hand, unsupported at 25 yards.

Dom and David (Thank you) have assigned MP Range 7 for us each Wednesday morning. We have several shooters who are steadily advancing their marksmanship skills and our goal in 2019 is to have a full line of competitive Bullseye shooters.



If Precision Competitive Shooting is of interest to you, Please contact:

Gary Byrne at (250)634-8215.

He can share additional details and answer any questions you may have.



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,

May 8th, 2019. 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



SIAS Report

We hosted the first Independent Shooters League Match on March 24th, we had 70 shooters from all over the island and some from the mainland come out to shoot. The weather was perfect, the Stages were well thought out and challenging and despite it being a very long day, partly due to an early llama delay and some mistakes with squadding, everyone had a lot of fun.

We held our first SIAS range safety course of the year on March 17th, we had to postpone it twice due to snow and icy, unsafe conditions. We had six very enthusiastic students who all proved to be very competent, one shot the ISL Match and 3 others are registered for the next Club match so I expect we have lured another few people over to our sport.

If you want to see what it is we do check the Calendar on the VFGPA website, spectators are always welcome and there is always someone who is willing to answer questions.

By Cheryl H.

Archery News

Watch the newsletter and calendar for other events, Note that airsoft is borrowing part of the range on a few Sundays – check the calendar NEXT 3D SHOOT IS MARCH 3rd

Looking for a 2019 Archery Director

- Current director will be stepping down at the end of March 18 but will not disappear he will be around to help and enable a smooth transition
- Grand daughter is taking a bigger piece of time now
- This is an opportunity for someone to take the range to the next level with their vision for what it could be

Questions to Douglas at 250-727-9735 or douglas.bell@snclavalinom.com



Wish to Place an Ad?

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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 NOTICE TO ALL MEMBERS

A reminder that all members of the Victoria Fish & Game are required to take our Free two hour Range Orientation Course every five years.

We are having a lot of changes & upgrades to the various ranges, and we do not want our members left behind with their knowledge of the range and its requirements.

New members are required to take the course before they are allowed to use any of our facilities. If you are an existing member, and have not already taken the

course, please look at our Website calendar and attend one of our sessions as soon as possible.

We require everyone to have their membership card, and an orientation card with them when attending the range so don't take a chance on being asked to leave

if you do not have a card!!

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 <u>davedegrassi@telus.net</u>
- Sue Bender (250) 721-0131 or safeshooting69@gmail.com
- Gordon Frost (778)676-7253 or email: gord@yarrowgunworks.com

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

Gordon Frost (778)676-7253 or email: gord@yarrowgunworks.com

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. Check the Website calendar for specific dates."

Trap Access is Wednesdays at 6pm, & on Sat/Sun 1pm Next Course dates:

APRIL	MAY	JUNE	JULY
April 3rd	May 1st	June 1st	July 3rd
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April 14th	May 8th	June 12th	July 10th
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If you have questions about the Program please the ask the Manager, David, Trap Director Mike or Relief Caretakers Art, Andrew, or Bob.



Safety Tip

Each Range has a Perimeter Flag. If the Red Flag is in the UP position that is a indicator that the range is active. Even if their is a cease fire shooting can start at anytime.

It is a good idea to put your Hearing Protection on at the Perimeter Flag before you get to the active range. (Range Rules require that hearing and eye protection be worn on the Ranges.)

The Federal Licensing Course suggest you wear both in ear and outside ear protection, another option is the "Electronics Earmuffs" Good Christmas List need item.

Once your hearing is damage it cannot be fixed and it does not repair itself.

David Michaud, CRSO



LIAMA INFORMATION

Otis our M/P Llama is a guest of our Club (belongs to our neighbour) We feed and water him daily so please treat him like our mascot with respect and be patient.













The Wrong Way

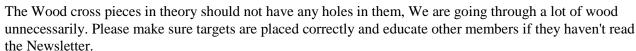


The Right Way



The Wrong Way









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









SKEET AND 5- STAND NOTICE

Skeet practice is held on Tuesdays with shooting starting at 10am and now on some Sunday afternoons. For the Sunday practices please check our club website calendar. Skeet is \$5.00 per round of 25 targets.

5-stand or sporting clays are 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 and Sporting Clays is \$30. per round of 100 targets.



For inquiries, call Paul at (250) 710-5303 paulhagel@hotmail.com

Just a short note. Sheet Sunday shot is starting to bring in some new shooters and we are working on improvement on ours 5 stand setups to challenge the Master class shooters. But also keeping in mind the un experienced shooter.

FOR ANY NEW MEMBERS, FOR THE TURN AROUND COMING OUT OF THE RANGE, IT IS 1.6 KILOMETRES DOWN THE HIGHWAY, JUST FOR YOUR INFORMATION.



Women's Pioneer Weekend - Port Alberni Fish & Game

Planning has begun for WPS 2019. Dates this year will be July 12, 13, 14, 2019. The range will be available for camping before and after the event, so feel free to arrive early and/or leave later.

Once again, we are limited to 60 participants, so register early to avoid disappointment. For Registration: Google, Westcoast Rangers and on the left side "Women's Pioneer Weekend"

Must send in registration with payment to be registered.

Questions? (please check FAQ first) on the website Contact Diannne Bodnar @ 778-421-2261 or ladydi-rick@shaw.ca







SMALL FIREARM (HANDGUN) ESSENTIALS

COURSE OUTLINE

In-Class and on the Range, 2 hour Course for New Handgun Shooters.

Students must have valid Restricted P.A.L., be VFGPA member,
and bring their own firearm with 100 rounds of ammo.

Course fee is \$20.00 Maximum 10 students per class.

RANGE SAFETY

F/A Essentials are on Saturday at 10am to 1am (as noted a few exceptions)

April 28th, May 19th, June 15th, July 7th, August 24th, September 22nd, November 3rd, December 14th

STANCE

GRIP



MUZZLE CONTROL

SIGHT ALIGNMENT

BREATHING CONTROL

TRIGGER PULL

SAFELY CLEARING JAMS & MALFUNCTIONS

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TRAINING TIPS

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



A Project Mapleseed Event is coming to a Vancouver Island range near YOU!

In 2018, volunteer crews from Ontario came out to BC, TWICE to put on two types of sport shooting events that were hosted by various clubs and associations here on Vancouver Island and elsewhere in Western Canada.

These were Project Mapleseed Events and Canadian Rimfire Precision Matches.

Project Mapleseed is a rifle marksmanship training program that focuses on teaching traditional rifle marksmanship from standing, sitting/kneeling, and prone positions in a one-day shooting clinic termed a "Mapleseed". Project Mapleseed is a non-profit, all volunteer run organization committed to helping Canadians develop fundamental marksmanship skills and safe handling of firearms.

Project Mapleseed first took root in Ontario and is rapidly expanding across Canada. It is a Canadian offshoot of Project Appleseed in the USA. Project Mapleseed offers skills training on the practical side of marksmanship and assists shooters achieve proficiency as a RIFLEMAN.

This program is a great way to bring Vancouver Island shooters out to our Club facilities and to bring them in on the social and family environment. It is an ideal way to introduce new shooters to shooting sports. Even seasoned shooters will benefit from the skills training available at a Mapleseed event.

The Canadian Rimfire Precision Series is a natural extension from the Mapleseed events, putting the skills learned there into practical use in a fun competitive match. While the Mapleseed event is done at 25 yards primarily using rimfire rifles, the CRPS match is Rimfire only and is done at various distances from 25 to 350 yards depending the course of fire and the facilities. Yes, that is correct, shooting a .22 long rifle out to 350 yards!

Here is the 2019 schedule of events on Vancouver Island (links to registration and more info are below each event):

Thursday, June 20, 2019, Mapleseed Event, Victoria Fish and Game Protective Association (contact for more info Kevin at shallon@islandnet.com)

https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/project-mapleseed-victoria-fish-and-game-protective-association-victoria-bc-june-20-2019-tickets59634342925? fbclid=IwAR2ycbKDQmES26ZDsLrn32ZpUb41z7Z7vY0K9WXCemRKToj--u31zT8kUmI

Friday, June 21, 2019, Mapleseed Event, Courtenay and District Fish and Game Protective Association (contact for more info Kevin at shallon@islandnet.com)

https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/project-mapleseed-courtenay-and-district-fish-and-game-protective-association-bc-june-21-2019-tickets59634377027?fbclid=IwAR2iEISBbORbRXMifrfova65TZbWmLBJDsfABx2bhXAUaKCMqH82RheUe2Q

Saturday, June 22, 2019, Mapleseed Event, Campbell River Gun Club (contact for more info Kevin at shallon@islandnet.com)

https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/project-mapleseed-campbell-river-gun-club-campbell-river-bc-june-22-2019-tickets59634560576? fbclid=IwAR1w6LaYiACSsweUWs4keY8DpkAVNETPn6alyzdRQC5OPgmTVkWZlU1gkuw

Sunday, June 23, 2019, CRPS Match, Campbell River Gun Club (contact for more info Kevin at shallon@islandnet.com)

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Monday, June 24, 2019, Mapleseed Event, Port Alberni Fish and Game (contact for more info Dave at yodave@telus.net)

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Shooter can take part in more than one Mapleseed Event. If a shooter is new to the Canadian Rimfire Precision Series, it might be beneficial if they take in a Mapleseed event prior to the June 23, 2019 CRPS Match.

Fees for Project Mapleseed vary from one location to another so check the registration links.

CRPS fees are \$50.00 per adult participant, youth accompanied by a registered adult shooter are FREE.

Additional information on Project Mapleseed Event can be obtained through the website, on Facebook or the contact for each event or the email address below.

Additional information on Canadian Rimfire Precision Series is available on the web and Facebook or by contacting:

Kevin by email at shallon@islandnet.com

A Grown in Canada Marksmanship Program

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Below are some useful links to internet resources with regards to Project Mapleseed.

Project Mapleseed Website: Scroll down on the home page, lots to see and learn here. Cruise around on the rest of the pages.

https://mapleseedrifleman.com/

Project Mapleseed Facebook page. Check out the files section for the monthly Mapleseed Challenge Targets. For rifle, the targets are at 25 yards, for pistols targets are placed at 5 yards.

https://www.facebook.com/groups/876956559007450/

OR

#1 Maple Seed Challenge.pdf

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#3 Maple Seed Challenge.pdf

#12 Maple Seed Challenge.pdf

What is Project Mapleseed?

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jAU4hj5_d2s

Project Mapleseed Brochure

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or Project Mapleseed Brochure - English March 20 2017.pdf

What should you bring to a Project Mapleseed Event https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3-YvCiA02 I

OR Mapleseed Event - What to Bring V2.0.docx

The USGI Sling and why we use them at Project Mapleseed

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CLC6o4ALsmo

What scope do I need for a Mapleseed event? And a little bit about what rifle to use.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=siRL12S86WE







Thank you to those hunters who submitted entries during the 2018 hunting seasons. Competition for the six trophies is open to all VFGPA members who harvest a Columbian Blacktail deer or Black bear within Region 1 (Vancouver Island) subunits 1-1 through 1-13. The following deer were weighed in during the 2018 season:

Jason Smith	111 lb.	Aug 30	R4L4	Crossbow
Gord Adams	140 lb.	Oct 12	R4L3	Bow & Arrow
James Mace	110 lb.	Nov 03	R2L2	Rifle
Parker Gale (Jr)	142 lb.	Nov 19	R3L3	Rifle

Congratulations to junior hunter Parker Gale who receives two trophies for his fine 142 lb. buck.

McIlwaine Van & Storage Perpetual for largest deer taken by rifle (established 1955)

- Parker Gale 142 lb.

Bob Hollingworth Memorial Perpetual for largest buck deer by junior (established 1983)

-Parker Gale 142 lb.

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

-Gord Adams 140 lb.

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

-not awarded (no entries)

Victoria Fish & Game Antler Award Perpetual for largest scoring antlers (established 1966)

-not awarded (no entries)

Victoria Fish & Game Bear Perpetual for largest scoring Black bear (established 1998)

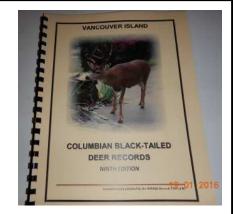
-not awarded (no entries)

In addition, Parker Gale receives a bronze button (rifle-140 to 159.5 lb.) for his 142 lb. deer and Gord Adams receives a silver button (archery-140 to 159.5 lb.) for his 140 lb. deer. Trophies and buttons will be presented at the March 18, 2019 Annual General Meeting.



Copies of the ninth edition (2016) of the Vancouver Island Columbian Blacktail Deer Records are available at a cost of \$10 each. The publication contains an excellent article written by Byron Mason on fifty years with the deer in the Nimpkish Valley. Byron relates the impact of wolf and cougar predation on deer population abundance and hence, hunting success. He also includes 45 years of deer count data from 1970 through 2015.

There is also an article on early cougar hunting where the provincial government paid a bounty of varying amounts on cougars taken between 1870 and 1958. The new edition contains numerous colour photographs of harvested deer as well as record heads and antlers.



Copies of the previous eighth edition (2010) are still available at a cost of \$5.00.

The current records list over 2160 entries scoring 100 or more Boone & Crockett points.

Of particular note is the re-scoring of the Norm Hammond buck from 1942. These antlers were the number two head in the previous eighth edition (2010) scoring 139 7/8.

Following a request from the current owner, it was panel scored in March 2015 and is now ranked as the number one Vancouver Island deer with a score of 143 5/8.



NEW 7th EDITION BIG GAME RECORDS OF B.C.

The new 7th edition of the *Big Game Records of British Columbia* is now available at a cost of \$35. The 560 page hard cover book is published by the Wildlife Records Club of B.C. "This is the official records book for exceptional big game species native to British Columbia, based on the Boone and Crockett scoring system." The book lists more than 10,000 entries in 19 big game categories with over 1400 of these being new entries since the previous edition in 2010.

The book includes feature articles, many pictures and hunting stories related to several of the recent entries. "This is a book for all who have an interest in the outstanding diversity and abundance of big game in British Columbia." "The foundation for the Wildlife Records Club of British Columbia was originally conceived in Kamloops in 1967 with the objective of maintaining a perpetual record of trophy-class big game from British Columbia." Since 1982, operations of the Club have been based on Vancouver Island. The Club continues to qualify volunteer scorers located throughout the province. "Dedicated to wildlife conservation, selective hunting and fair chase, the Club invites the membership of individuals with similar ideals."

Copies of previous editions are available at the prices noted below (postage extra):

1 st edition (1970 - reprinted 2011)	\$20	2 nd edition (1983)		\$25
3 rd edition (1988)	\$15	4 th edition (1995)		\$20
5 th edition (2003)	not avail	able 6 th edition (2010)		\$30
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Fisheries Minister Jonathan Wilkinson was in Victoria on Friday March 15 to announce \$100 million federal funding over five years to protect and enhance wild salmon. B.C. Premier John Horgan similarly presented \$42.8 million over five years for the protection and enhancement of wild salmon. Minister Wilkinson then attended a Chamber of Commerce luncheon along with some sportfishing reps. Indications were that an announcement on additional Chinook fishing restrictions would be made public sometime during mid-April.

The recently completed roe herring fishery in the mid Georgia Strait waters had a quota of 27,500 tonnes. Preliminary catch totals were 7178 T for seiners and 11,300 T for gillnetters for a total of 18,478 tonnes. There was widespread public support for stopping the roe herring fishery with 70,000 signatures collected on a petition. Fisheries Minister Wilkinson had an opinion article published in the March 31 edition of the Times-Colonist supporting the fishery. He noted that the spawning biomass supported the fishery based on science. The quota was set at 20% of the spawning biomass. Previous roe herring fisheries coastwide have decimated local herring populations. Herring are a keystone species which support numerous higher level predators, including Chinook salmon – they, in turn, being the prime food of Southern Resident Killer Whales (SRKW).

Tom Davis (well known previous tackle and bait supplier to the sportfishing sector) also had an opinion letter in the Times -Colonist on March 31. He criticized the assertion of a former Fisheries Minister, Davis Anderson, that the only tool that DFO has to improve stocks of salmon; in this case, chinook – is to curtail fisheries directed on the species. Anderson claimed that fishery cutbacks he instituted in the late 1990's for coho salmon, resulted in an immediate increase in abundance. However, this was a temporary situation. Today, almost 30 years later and with no directed fisheries, these same coho stocks of concern are no better off. Clearly, there is a better approach which incorporates habitat improvement, better water management with increased minimum flows, hatchery enhancement, predator (ie. pinniped) control, etc.

The South Coast SFAB reps met in Nanaimo on March 30-31 for their spring meeting. I attended the Saturday session as an observer. Saturday's extensive agenda included updates on SEP (Salmonid Enhancement Program), Chinook DNA, Chinook & Coho management, 2019 salmon forecasts, SRKW, Sooke Chinook Enhancement Initiative (netpens), Salmon Allocation Policy, Marine Protected Areas (MPA), and management of prawns, crabs, bivalves, herring, rockfish/lingcod, yelloweye and halibut. Sunday's agenda included local SFAC (Sport Fishing Advisory Committee) reports, updates on Integrated Harvest Planning Committee (IHPC), tuna, steelhead, Marine Spatial Planning and decisions on numerous motions to be presented. The day concludes with member organization reports. The main SFAB will meet in Vancouver April 04-06.

For 2019, it is anticipated that 43.6 million Chinook fry will be released from major hatchery facilities in B.C. (more from Vancouver Island than the rest of B.C. combined). The Chilliwack hatchery, using Harrison white Chinook stock, will be increasing its output from one million to two million fry in 2019. These fish have good survival and mainly stay in the Strait of Georgia where they contribute heavily to the sportfiishery. Some 250,000 of these will be adipose fin clipped denoting hatchery stock and coded wire tagged (CWT).

Ideally, all of the hatchery stocks should be clipped where fisheries are based solely on hatchery fish – ie. wild (unclipped) fish release. Due to logistics and insufficient funding, only about 10% of all hatchery Chinook are clipped in B.C. In the U.S., virtually all are clipped – thus the huge number of clipped U.S. Chinook caught in southern B.C. (mainly Puget Sound and Columbia River). DFO has budgeted for two mass marking trailers to increase their rate of clipping and tagging. However, these automated units cost \$1.5 million U.S. each.

As reported April 01, 'L' pod of the Southern Resident Killer Whales, has been sighted in Monterey Bay, California hunting for Chinook salmon. 'L' pod is the most numerous of the three SRKW pods – J, K and L.

By Wayne Zaccarelli





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.

(NEW NOTICE- FOR NOW ON, CLASSIFIED ADS WILL HAVE A 4 MONTH LIMIT AT A TIME)

FOR SALE: (April ns) **M&P AR15 rifle**, .223/556 about 500-600 rounds through it, shoots well, functions flawlessly, less than a year old. One five round magazine included. \$650.00 firm. Restricted rifle so will need to go

through the transfer process.

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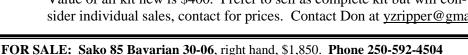
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