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PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

We start a new club year with a couple of new faces on the Executive; I hope you will give them the support you have given their predecessors! On that note, I would like to offer my thanks to David and Angela Oickle, Joey Stonehouse and Lindsey Garnett for their hard work over the previous years. The car park and new driveway are just about complete, we are waiting for the gates to be installed and then the new access will be opened. The AGM was well attended and several motions were made re late renewals and range safety. It was decided that rather that make a decision then, we would allow the membership as a whole to have their say (If they wished) at the next quarterly meeting. The motion is that new memberships should reflect the time and money invested by the existing members and it should be double the renewal i.e. \$120.00 for a single and \$160.00 for a new family. The problem is that this will mean that any existing member who doesn't renew by the end of October will have to pay the full new member fees as the firearms office considers any member, more than a month in arrears, not to be a member of a club! So get your renewals paid. It was agreed that the Exec would spend an appreciable (but unknown) amount of our balance on resurfacing the rifle berms to bring them up the standard. This is due to a serious safety infringement which occurred on the morning of the AGM, prior to it starting. Our neighbor behind the rifle ranges was at her sugar shack/camp when she and her guest heard a ricochet. The bullet must have left our land for her to have heard it and whilst it's unlikely that the bullet could have harmed her, she contacted the police to make a complaint! I have spoken to the RCMP detachment officer and he appears satisfied that there were no offences. We are required to do three things to ensure this does not happen again. Re-contour the front of the rifle berms so that the sand stays on the shooting area, ensure that any bullet that hits the ground before the berm is captured either in the ground or by the berm and lastly the use of steel targets, except with a qualified RO, will be restricted to those tight to the berm with overhead cover. There will be a work party to remove the steel. I have been told that I am insulting when I speak or write about these problems, but please let me be clear about this. One of the safety issues mentioned, or targets set at 50yds on the 100yd range almost caused the Clubs closure. I am not directly accusing anyone, but will state for the record that anyone found engaging targets in an unsafe manner will be given a written warning from the Executive on the first occasion and will be excluded from the Club should it happen again. To help ensure that everyone is fully aware of the safety rules, a booklet is being compiled which will be issued to every member of the Club ASAP. I'm sorry to sound like a dictator, but a few members either through lack of knowledge or disrespect have the potential to destroy our club.

Regards
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MESSAGE FROM THE SECRETARY:

It is Adam Dillman the one that won't shut up about housekeeping and safety again. I decided to hang around for one more session, due to the changing in the Executive. I thought I would stay and help the "newbies" if I can.

There are going to be changes happening at the gun range, some that we won't like and others that we will. Be patient!

I have some thanks to make. Thank you again Dave Oickle our past Treasurer for taking the new drive head on last session. Joey Stonehouse, for helping to get the membership paper work moving and lastly Angela assistant treasurer and my Angel, she helped proof my work when asked. Thank you again people for your assistance.

Maybe they will soon finalize this long gun registration and make it go away for good. Adam Dillman

Secretary

FROM THE TREASURER:

Not much to report on the treasury front at this time so I will give you the details for the LSB. Our bank balance at the AGM was \$55791.22. I wrote a cheque to Terry Cox for his driveway work for \$22971.25 which brought us to \$32819.97. I will be putting in a deposit on Dec 1, for \$540.00which should give us a balance of \$33359.97. For the LSB 22, I would mention the balance and the payment and at the same time say that Wendy and I are getting familiar with the whole position, thanks to those that had the faith to put us in the position and we are currently having the mail sent to us so we can process the renewals and get the monies in the bank. Again not a whole lot to report, so that's it.

Regards, Doug Morash. Treasurer

SPORTING CLAYS:

The clay section continues to have a good response to the shoots. The electric throwers have been giving some problems. We hope to have this resolved. The next clay shoot is set for 11th December at 10am. Please arrive early to assist with the set up

Email lloydralph@rogers.com

Thank you PP Lloyd Ralph Sporting clays Director.

From The Maintenance Director:

What's the old saying? Out of the frying pan and into the fire! As most of you know I resigned my position as Treasurer at the AGM because the job had grown too large for me to deal with, or I should say for us to deal with as my wife Angela did all of the hard work and made me look good at the meetings. I have agreed to try to look after the maintenance at the club but it is certainly going to be a big job. As such I would ask that anyone willing to help organize and/or supervise a Work-Day please contact me as due to my business I am not

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always able to make long range plans, now on to business. I am pleased to say that the new driveway and parking area has been completed and will be able to be used as soon as the gate is installed. Please note that once the new driveway is in use the old one will be for emergency use only. We were extremely lucky in building the parking area and driveway as we found some really high quality shale which could be used to surface them. This and some very able work by Terry Cox and his crew resulted in the job coming in significantly under budget. All of the excavating work completed since the beginning of June cost \$22 971.25 instead of the budgeted cost of \$26 055.55. This bill also covered moving all the extra fill to the 400m range. I am also pleased to say that the driveway has been inspected and approved by the DOT and they have returned the \$300 deposit. Unfortunately due to some major safety work needing to be done on the ranges we are again going to have to postpone the completion of the 400m Range. Once we know better what this work will cost the decision on when to continue can be made. There have also been some other range/building upgrades raised such as a dedicated storage shed for the IPSC section as well as the possible building of a Skeet Range. These and any other projects will be appraised and presented at a meeting for your decision. As the berm work is a safety issue and needs to be done ASAP to keep us open we will have to start when we can but will give you as many details as quick as possible. Also due to the new parking area we have lost a significant amount of our Sporting Clay positions which means we will need to help design and set up new ones. Finally as I am not able to be at the range all that often I need you to be my eyes. If anyone sees anything which needs to be repaired please let myself or any member of the executive or directors know so that it can be dealt with.

David Oickle Maintenance Director

OTHER INFORMATION:

As a reminder to those who aren't already aware, Membership Forms are available in .pdf format to download from the web and can be completed on your computer before being printed off, (the information you enter on the forms cannot be saved to your computer); there is a link at the bottom of the home page as well as on the "About Us" page.

The By-laws have also been posted as a link, (although there are a couple of typos). These are "external" links and direct you to our "other" web site; this is due to some limitations with our web hosting company. If you've noticed a less than desirable experience with your browser, this is why. Adobe Acrobat Reader is required to open and download forms and by-laws; it is available for download free from the internet at www.adobe.com/products/reader/

ADVERTISING:

Members are invited to send for sale or trade notices to me and I will print them in the newsletter and post them on the web though I will not take any role in any transactions. You can use the "Contact Us" link on the web to send your information, be sure to fill in the "Subject" line with something appropriate so it isn't misidentified as Spam. I ask that you write it as you want it posted so I can cut and paste it, because I make typos too. Keep it

concise so I won't have to edit for brevity. Also, please let me know if the item(s) sold so I can pull the ad down.

FOR SALE:

For Sale .44 mag, Smith & Wesson revolver, Model 629 Deluxe, 6 rounds, satin stainless steel frame & cylinder, rosewood checkered handle, 6 inch barrel, elevation & wind age adjustable rear target sight, front red ramp sight. Like new condition. \$675. Call Mark at 957-2020

MCRRC Event Schedule						
Start Time for all shoots is 10am sharp! Note, as per membership request, some shoots may be held on Saturdays						
Date	Event	Information				
7 th Jan 2012	IPSC Practice	1 st Sunday each month at 10am				
11 th Dec	Sporting clays	2 nd Sunday of each month at 10am				

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