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The official newsletter for the Musquodoboit Valley Rifle and Revolver Club

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President's report:

The last quarterly meeting was held on Sun., 14th March and we had a few more attendees than normal (thank you) remember that the decisions made at these meetings affect you all, so try to attend if you want to have any say in how your club is run.

I have bad news to pass on to the membership; the indoor range is on hold (perhaps permanently!) The HRM planning dept. has at last found a way to beat us. The range is on land owned by a corporation (Neiforth Steel) not the club; therefore in the opinion of the planners, as we don't own it, it is a commercial project!!! with all of the planning requirements that entails. This includes a full fire retardant system (sprinklers), two egress points even though the federal range safety requirements specify one only!, and the final insult, the ceiling clearance has to be 9 feet. As we only have 7ft 3inches and the floor is solid concrete, we can't jump through THAT hoop. Danny and I haven't completely given up yet, but it's looking very black.

On a more positive note the ranges are starting to look better and the work party two weeks ago was very well attended (thank you) and lots of work was done. We will shortly have several new steel targets, courtesy of Archie Adams and these should be completely impervious to rifle fire as they are being made of dozer blade steel!

The next project will be to extend the side berms between ranges and the mini sand berms in front of the 50 and 100yd target positions on the 100yd range.

There will be a holster course on Sat., 22nd May; any one interested should email me at ballisticservice@eastlink.ca

Due to low interest, the organized shoots will only take place at the request of the members. The clay section will still be holding matches at least once a month and the IPSC/combat section will continue to hold practices. If you would like to see ANY comps, I would be happy to organize or help you to organize them, let me know what you want and we will do our best to get them on. There will still be our major comps (3 gun combat, 5 gun shoot, a level one IPSC match and the Gauntlet Challenge).

Finally, I have been asked to remind the members that we have to fill in the range log in LEGIBLE ENGLISH! not the spider crawl a lot of you are using, this sheet is both a legal document for the federal firearms office and our proof of attendance should you ever be injured on the range, fill it in clearly.

Regards,
Peter Eliot

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Notice. The next quarterly meeting will be held on the 13th June at 1400.

Message from the Secretary

Hi, it is Adam your secretary;

Any concerns field them to me and I will find an answer for you. I have a couple of notes:

First is the sign in sheet, it is a legal document recommended by the firearms office to have at all ranges. It is an important record incase information is needed for insurance and legal matters that you print your name clearly so I can read it. I have had a call from the RCMP about a member.



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They asked had that person been at the range on a certain day between a certain time and luckily for them, they printed clearly enough I could read their name, sign in time and sign out time, that was probably a good thing because if there wasn't any record, how would that person prove they where at the range? It is soon going to be law for this sheet to be kept on file at all times. The club is already doing that.

The other thing is the lack of house keeping done on the range. If the garbage bag is full, put a new bag in and take the full bag to the end of the road, just like home. My daughters and I and other members are getting tired of cleaning up brass and messes left behind by other members. Make time in your shooting schedule for clean up, it really doesn't take that long. I bet you don't leave that kind of mess in your own yard!

P.S. Stop using centre fire rifles to shoot pistol targets or using centre fire rifles on the pistol ranges, and it is not safe.

From The Treasurer:

Please find attached a copy of the Budget which was accepted at the meeting held on March 14, 2010. There were a few minor changes made from the Proposed Budget which was sent out with the last newsletter. These changes reflect actual expenses and revenues which changed in the meantime. Also please find attached a copy of the Current Financial Statement as presented at the meeting.

David Oickle,
Treasurer MVRRC

Other information:

The next work day is on June 5th, at 0900 we are really hoping for a great turn out again. Work to be carried out; repairs, range clean up etc, so chainsaws, power tools, saws to cut wood etc. The work on extending the berms will depend on a big heavy machine being there (confirm with Peter). If anyone has a wood splitter they could bring please contact David Oickle, (902)568-2408. Everyone is reminded that whilst the workday is in progress all ranges will be closed for safety reasons.

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.

There is some confusion about the membership form; the option to pay extra for an extended membership is a one time offer for new members joining in the middle of the Club year. It is NOT an annual renewal option. The membership form will be amended to reflect this.

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



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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) has sold so I can pull the ad down.

| MCRRC Event Schedule | | |
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| Start Time for all shoots is 10am sharp! Note, as per membership request, some shoots may be held on Saturdays | | |
| Date | Event | Information |
| Monthly | Clay pigeon shoots | 2 nd Sunday of each month |
| 8 th May | IPSC practice | Start 1100 |
| 22 nd May | Holster Course | Contact Peter Eliot – (902) 758-1754 ballisticservice@eastlink.ca |
| 5 th June | Workday | All welcome, Range closed for shooting, Details in “other information” |
| 13 th June, 1400 | Quarterly meeting | Please attend if at all possible |
| TBA | 3 gun shoot | |
| TBA | 5 gun shoot | |
| TBA | Gauntlet challenge | |
| TBA | IPSC level 1 | |

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| Contact Peter or Joey for: Peter: ballisticservice@eastlink.ca Joey : grouned_101@hotmail.com | New Membership/Membership renewal, Verification for Authorization to Transport, (ATT) |
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