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The official newsletter for the Musquodoboit Valley Rifle and Revolver Club

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Work day 14th July

Quarterly meeting Sunday 26th August 2012 AT 2PM

Renewals Due by 30th September

PLEASE RENEW BY 30TH SEPT OR YOU ARE A NEW MEMBER AND MUST PAY FULL PRICE

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Since my last report, the repair work on our berms has been completed and the new 100yd berm on rifle one has been built to stop ricochets caused by low impacts on the 200yd range. The recontouring of the bullet trap areas has buried the drainage pipes, so the members approved money to replace them and for a couple of safety issues that need addressing. The meeting was well attended (over 30!) and the completion of several projects was discussed. It was agreed to spend the remaining cash which had been previously voted for the 300yd range and for the 400 to be completed using containers rather than berms with overhead cover to stop over shots. I have contacted the firearms office and given them the option of either containers or large concrete pipes to direct the fire. When they get back to me, I will bring the club up to date. The good news is that should the Province OK our plan, we will be able to finish, on budget and this fall!

Other discussion revolved around the previous decision to completely drop pro-rating the membership fees. I was approached by a potential new member, who wanted to join, but thought that \$80.00 was too much for 2 months! I agreed and put it to the members that while complete pro-rating was too complicated, we should allow a new member to join in July and pay an extra \$20.00 and give that individual 14 months membership. We have to ensure the Treasurer and Membership Secretary are given sufficient info to process the application properly, but this would appear to be the fairest system available.

Additionally, the point was raised that the number of members means that very few of us actually know the other active members. As the club has a legal obligation to stop the unlicensed use of our ranges (especially with restricted firearms), it was proposed that committee members and RO's should be able to check membership cards. To assist in this it was further proposed that we all wear our cards and that clips and lanyards be purchased by the club so that members can display their card. Additionally the RO's card would now be red to differentiate it from a club card. These proposals were all approved and the committee will start to provide the clips etc. so that we can abide by the proposal.

It was suggested that we have a summer time work party, we normally don't do this as the turnout is normally low and our maintenance director is very busy during the summer months. The purpose of the work day on July 14, is to try and get clay lanes cut so that the sporting clay section can operate without closing several ranges, as this is to the benefit of



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all members, I ask for as many volunteers as possible. By the end of the summer, we should have all of our ranges open and up to code, thank you for your continued support.

The RO's course was a success and we now have 36 new RO's! At the quarterly a number of people asked for a second RO's course and a holster course, so RO 15th July 10am start, pistol and 50rds required. Holster course 29th July, pistol, suitable holster, mag pouch and 300rds.

Regards

Peter Eliot

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MESSAGE FROM THE SECRETARY:

I am having less time to spend on the minutes and other few duties I have. This will be my final year for this position; it is time for me to take a break. Hopefully someone will step forward and assist the rest of the Executive and Directors by taking my position. They are a good team.

I want to thank again all the workers on the workdays it is making our Club property look like it is getting the respect it has so deserved for years. Our facility is becoming very appealing to the various types of shooters; this is very good for us as a Club.

To the persons who have contacted me about the fee increases. This is not in effect until after the Renewals in August 2012. Many did not seem to understand this, sorry! We have already made changes to this as we have seen a problem. Please ask at the next AGM.

We have had to deal with the idiot factor with steel targets. We got it hopefully dealt with, so members can still use steel targets while being supervised by a MVRRC approved RO. Now we are dealing with a shotgun "idiot factor", where the heck is the common sense of these people? Can we get some kind of injection for this stupidity?

What has been brought to my attention is out right vandalism with a shotgun to our Clubs' property.

On a better note, now that I have cooled down. I have been seeing many new faces at meetings and work parties, keep it up, I love it. Many new ideas are coming out because of this. More volunteers are stepping forward to assist with projects.

Till next time; thank you.

Adam Dillman

Secretary

FROM THE TREASURER:

Please see Quarterly report for comments.

Doug Morash.

Treasurer



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FROM THE MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY:

Please see quarterly report for comments and Life members please send the form as requested below:

MVRRC, Executive requests that all members holding a Lifetime membership complete and mail a membership application so that your information can be updated in our membership files.

For Family memberships please include all family members, in your household, that wish to be on the membership list. Please provide PAL numbers for any family members that have completed the Canadian Firearm Course so cards can be issued.

Please, clearly indicate at the top of the application that "THIS APPLICATION IS FOR INFORMATION UPDATE - LIFETIME MEMBER" and if you require a replacement card(s).

Douglas McLeod
Membership secretary

SPORTING CLAYS:

Sporting Clays will continue throughout the summer on the second Sunday of each month. I asked at the last meeting that a new trap be bought for all club members to use as the one that was being used was unsafe and has been removed. The sporting clays section will be looking for help on the next work day to cut some shooting lane in the section of woods on the down range side of the old driveway so that conflict with the other ranges will be eliminated. Also if anyone has access to some pallets we are in need of a half dozen or so in good shape than can be used as safe shoot points.

Range day / Open house at MVRRC.

I am looking for volunteers that would be interested in helping organize a range day / open house for late July or some time in August. I am looking for people to act as RO on the pistol range and rifle range and the sporting clays. If we can make this happen Lequille country store is willing to bring their mobile store to the range and set it up. If you are interested in helping please contact me at:

Email lralph212@gmail.com

Make the email subject line "range day"

Lloyd Ralph
Sporting Clays Director

FROM THE MAINTENANCE DIRECTOR:

Hey all, Just a short note this time as I don't have a whole lot of upcoming work to talk about. A work party was held on June 2 during which an amazing amount was accomplished. We had 11 people in attendance and I would like to say a big thank you to everyone for all of their hard work. The sign and flag were moved to the new driveway which means that as of now the old driveway will be for emergency use only by members of the board. The gate was also painted orange, for visibility, which I would like to thank Lloyd Ralph for as when he was finished the overspray had him the same color. We had another hard working crew painting/pentoxing everything in sight and I feel that it made a



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FROM THE MAINTENANCE DIRECTOR (CONTD)

remarkable improvement in the appearance of the facilities. We also had people cleaning up garbage as well as one diligent person who cut all of the small trees off of the floor of the 200m range by hand. Again to everyone who came and helped thank you very much. Now on to a couple of requests. PLEASE clean up after yourselves! I realize that most people do but some don't and it makes the ranges look terribly neglected. We have also had an incident of outright vandalism where someone shot one of the shotgun safety boxes apart with a 12 ga. As a club it is our responsibility to police the ranges. If anyone saw the person who did this please let any member of the board know so it can be dealt with. We won't be having another general Club workday until the fall as it is hard for people to attend over vacation time. I have been informed however that the Sporting Clay section plan to hold a workday on July 14 to begin work on their new setup. If anyone sees anything which needs to be repaired please let myself or any other board member know and we will try to deal with it. So much for the short part but it needed to be said. Safe shooting and enjoy the summer.

David Oickle

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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.



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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
14th July	Workday	Start 10am
15 th July	Club safety briefing	Starts at 11 am sharp
19 th August	Club safety briefing	
15 th July	RO Course	Starts at 10am
29 th July	Holster Course	Starts at 10am
8 th July	Sporting clays	2 nd Sunday of each month at 10am
12 th August	Sporting clays	

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