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The official newsletter for the Musquodoboit Valley Rifle and Revolver Club

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President's report:

The main news from our last quarterly meeting is that the members have voted to spend an extra \$5 500.00 on upgrades to the berms. This is the quoted amount for an 8ft high dividing berm which will divide the 200 yd range into two. This is necessary as we nearly had an accident when a shooter went forward on the right hand point (right of pistol one) and didn't see another shooter who was about to engage the 200 yd gong from the covered range. This was a potentially fatal incident, so the committee had to either close the second 200yd range or ensure that this could not happen again. Both the committee and the members who attended the meeting agreed that as the club has the money, it made more sense to divide the range thereby ensuring safety without losing ranges. The remainder of the work quoted will be enlarging the car park (this will provide fill for the new berm) and the completion to standard of all the existing berms.

Competition news.

Three gun shoot. Sunday, 4th July. This will be a Three Gun Shoot using USPSA rules. All members who have passed the club holster course or are "Black badge" holders are welcome. There will be loaner rifles and shotguns suitable for the match available on the day. This will be a great shoot so support your club if you can.

Finally, the club has been forced to spend about \$300.00 repairing our steel target stands. I hope that the damage is members shooting through targets and not considering where the bullet will impact? Because if the damage is deliberate, we don't actually deserve to own guns!!! Please consider the range equipment when you shoot and move anything that could be hit by your bullet on its way to the berm.

Regards
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Notice: the next Quarterly Meeting will be Saturday, August 28th, 2010 at 2:00pm immediately following the work day starting at 9:00am. This work day will be range clean-up and minor carpentry. Range will be closed during work day and meeting. Sorry for any inconvenience. All welcome as many hands make light work, and please bring some more cookies..

Message from the Secretary

Secretary:

We are getting a few new faces at the quarterly meetings, which is nice to see. More members are contacting the Executive members to stress concerns or ideas for the Club to consider. More people are using the web site and are asking for more information to be posted. We need this kind of communication among the membership.

We are still having some problems with improper use of materials or firearms on the ranges. It is a major problem and costing the Club money to repair the damage being done on the ranges, it is also a safety issue. The persons responsible will lose their membership with the Club. That's how serious this is.



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House keeping is getting better it still needs improvement with brass, garbage, and target clean up.

A great job was done by the members who came for the work day. The improvements are clearly noticeable. Thanks again guys.

Note: The RCMP and CFO are contacting me quite often for information on members, so please sign that sheet so I can read it.

Remember if you have any concerns or ideas, contact one of the Members of the Board or better yet show up at the quarterly meetings and voice your concerns. To see complete minutes of the last quarterly meeting please refer to the website.

Remember this is "your" range. As a member you have to voice what you want or need for the Club.

Thanks,

Adam Dillman

From The Treasurer:

As can be seen from the attached Financial Statement the club is doing fairly well financially. We still have a substantial number of new members joining which gives a good revenue stream. As seen on the statement we have already exceeded the budgeted income from memberships significantly as about \$3 000 of the outstanding deposit shown is from new memberships. However, we also have some significant expenses coming very quickly with the work which needs to be done on the berms on the rifle and pistol ranges. There was a proposal, which was approved at the meeting on June 13, 2010, to spend up to \$7 000, which was the estimate given by Terry Cox, to extend the berm between the two 200 yard ranges for safety reasons as well as some topping up of other berms. Also included in this amount are the sand berms and extending the pistol berm for which \$1 500 was previously approved. There was also an approval of \$600 to purchase 2 new clay launchers. Unfortunately, we also have to spend a significant amount to get a portable welder in to repair the damage caused to the swinging target on the pistol range by one or more misguided people who insist on shooting rifles at it. Hopefully the new signs will serve as a reminder as we don't need to waste money on redoing things time and again. We have also had to spend \$400 to repair and reinforce the new target stands as they are being shot at ground level and ruined. Please remember that your memberships expire at the end of September after which a \$20 late fee will apply. As well, please don't forget that if you haven't attended a workday since last September a \$20 absentee fee can be sent with your renewal.

David Oickle

Treasurer MVRRC

Sporting Clays

The Sporting Clays schedule restarted in March. Regular shoots are scheduled on the 2nd Sunday in every month. Over twenty members are regular shooters with a usual turnout of twelve at every shoot. The last two work days at the club saw the shed beside the #1 covered pistol range converted for the launchers and supplies. A new door was installed and the rear wall rebuilt. Repairs are being completed on two of the launchers and the club is discussing replacing the two very old permanently mounted launchers. Approval was given at the Quarterly Meeting for the purchase of two new launchers.

Discussions were held at the last general meeting about creating a skeet range on the right hand side of the driveway coming into the club house. It would be nice to have some feedback from the members on this proposal.

Our last shoot June 13 was a great time for those who attended with a few of the shooters scoring their personal best.



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Next shoots are July 11th and August 8th starting at 10:00 sharp.

Hal Hilton

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.

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
4 th July	3 gun shoot	
July 11th	Sporting Clay shoot	10 a.m.
August 8th	Sporting Clay shoot	10 a.m.
TBA	5 gun shoot	
TBA	Gauntlet challenge	
August 28th	Workday	9 am, range closed during work
August 28th	Quarterly meeting	2 p.m. follow workday
12 th September	IPSC level 1	
September 19th	Sporting Clays	10 a.m. Date changed due to the 50 mi yard sale

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