



THE RIDGEDALE ROD & GUN CLUB

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Range: East END of Harris Road (35655), Abbotsford, BC

Archery • Pistol • Rifle • Black Powder • Trap • Fishing

Newsletter January 2016

Membership Renewal

Kudos to all who renewed their membership already! As membership runs from January 1 until December 31, if you have not renewed by December 31, the Excess Liability Insurance that's part of your BCWF membership may not cover you!

Therefore, if you have not yet renewed consider doing it now! You can pick up a form at the range, or use the 'fillable' copy at http://www.ridgedale.net/documents/2016_Membership_Application_Form.pdf

About the Range Improvement Fee - Important

As you may recall, at the September 9, 2015, General Meeting we passed a motion to replace the "\$ 25.00 **Donation in lieu of one day's volunteer work**" with a \$ 20.00 **Range Improvement Fee** all membership categories must pay. Since then, it was brought to our attention that the motion was invalid, because any changes to annual membership dues and fees can only be made by passing a resolution at an annual general meeting. Therefore, with our sincerest apologies for any inconvenience this may have caused, the Executive hereby declares the motion invalid.

To correct the situation we have:

- Restored the 2016 Application Form to include the "\$25 Donation" as before
- Replaced the 2016 Membership Form and 2016 Fees Overview on our website
- Destroyed all hard copies of the 'old' 2016 Application Form at the range

If you already paid the RIF, please send a message to president@ridgedale.net or call (604) 557-0978 to let us know which of the following options you prefer.

1. Consider it a "\$20 Donation in lieu of one day's volunteer work"
2. Credit \$20 to your 2017 membership dues
3. Send you a \$20 refund

When contacting us, remember to include your membership number.

What about Financing Future Capital Projects?

As explained at the September 9, 2015, General Meeting, the purpose of introducing the Range Improvement Fee was to create a dedicated fund to finance future projects without putting demands on general revenue needed to pay the day-to-day expenses. Projects may range from renovating the archery shed, paving the upper parking lot to building a permanent outdoor washroom and other.

As it makes good business sense to create a 'fund' to finance capital projects, we hereby give notice that we will submit a motion at the Annual General Meeting, "... **to replace the '\$ 25.00 Donation in lieu of one day's volunteer work' with a \$ 20.00 Range Improvement Fee each membership category must pay. Members putting in one day's of volunteer work will receive, once a year, a \$20 credit towards their membership dues for the following year.** Watch your mail and our website for details.

Calendar

- **General Meeting - Wednesday, January 13, 2016**

When attending, remember to wear your Photo ID Card. Only members in good standing are entitled to vote.

- **Annual General Meeting - Wednesday, March 9, 2016**

Watch your mail and our website for a detailed agenda.

When attending, remember to wear your Photo ID Card. Only members in good standing are entitled to vote. Associate Members, Junior Members, and new members who haven't been a member for a full club year yet are not entitled to vote; see our *Constitutions & Bylaws: Part II – Membership*.

- **Annual Game Dinner - Saturday, March 12, 2016 – Live Entertainment**

Members in good standing and their guests only! Doors open: 6:00 p.m. - Dinner: 7:30 p.m.

Tickets are \$25 p.p. When you bring a dish that serves as least six (6) persons, you only pay \$15 for yourself. There are only 110 tickets available. Watch your mail and our website for further information.

Come for the food, and stay for the entertainment!

Get Your Ridgedale Raffle Tickets

Our PR/Fundraising Director, Loreal, has organized another raffle. Proceeds will be used to develop a comprehensive Youth Program. The 1st prize, a Weatherby Vanguard rifle (matt silver finish) in 30-06 SPRG with a Leopold VX 1 3-9x40mm scope, leather sling, Plano aluminum case and one box of ammunition, valued at over \$1,400.00, will be on display at coming meetings.



Chances are 1 in 800 to win a grand prize.

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Tickets (\$10 each) will be for sale at the January 13 and February 10 General Meetings, as well as at the AGM on March 9. As there are only 800 tickets available, the odds of winning a prize are excellent. The draw takes place at the Annual Game Dinner on March 12, 2016.

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