



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 June 2017

We Now Accept Credit Card Payments

We are pleased to advise that we now have activated online credit card payments. This option is available for membership renewals, as well as payment for new membership fees.

For new members, once your application for membership has been approved, you will receive notification of approval as well as an invoice indicating the amount due for membership fees. You then can process your credit card payment online, or pay by cash, cheque/money order or credit card at the time of your Orientation. If you wish to pay at the office directly, office hours are posted in this newsletter and someone will be happy to assist you.

David Oliver, Membership Director

Events

▪ **General Meeting - Wednesday, September 13, 2017 – Starts at 7:00 p.m.**

The next General Meeting will be on Wednesday, September 13, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. As there are no meetings during July and August, we will not accept new member applications. The Range will be open daily from 08:00 a.m. till 9:00 p/m as per the calendar; see the bulletin board at the range or visit

<http://ridgedale.net/full-calendar>

During the summer months, the office hours are:

Tuesdays: 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Wednesdays: 12 p.m. - 6 p.m.

Saturday: 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. on June 24 July 8 July 22 August 12 August 26

▪ **Youth Day 2017 - Sunday, June 25, 2017**

All day from 10:00 a.m. till 3:00 p.m.

An open invitation to youth of 18 years of age and younger! Don't miss this fun-filled day of one-on-one supervised instruction in the responsible use of pistol, rifle, shotgun, archery and fishing equipment.

Download the flyer for this event at http://www.ridgedale.net/documents/2017_Youth_Day_Poster.pdf

News

▪ **Canadian Firearms Program: Information on Receiver Blanks**

Visit <http://www.rcmp-grc.gc.ca/cfp-pcaf/pol-leg/receiver-carcasse-eng.htm> to read an important notice from the Canadian Firearms Program concerning the importation, possession and domestic sale of receiver blanks.

▪ **RCMP Chief Firearms Officer: Relocation Notification**

The head office of the British Columbia and Yukon Chief Firearms Officer is relocating and will be closed Wednesday June 21 to Monday June 26, 2017. Client services will still be available online and by telephone through the toll free number of the Central Processing Site in Miramichi, New Brunswick (1-800-731-4000). As of Tuesday June 27, 2017, the new address will be:

Chief Firearms Officer for BC and Yukon
14200 Green Timbers Way, Mailstop # 501
Surrey, BC V3T 6P3

Toll free number extensions and e-mail addresses will remain unchanged.

▪ **The 2017 Fall LEH Draw is Now Complete.**

To view your results, sign in to your Fish and Wildlife (FWID) profile at <http://www.gov.bc.ca/hunting>. In your Fish and Wildlife profile, under 'LEH Options', click on 'View LEH History'. If the status of your application indicates 'Successful', click on the link under 'Application'.

If successful, you can view and print your LEH authorization from your profile under the LEH Authorizations link or at any Service BC or FrontCounter BC location.

Notice: LEH authorizations are no longer mailed to successful applicants. Hunters do not need to carry their authorization while hunting. If you won a shared moose or bison hunt authorization, you are required to carry the harvest report section of the LEH authorization while hunting.

If you were successful in the 2017 fall draw, you will receive a letter in the mail in the next few weeks, providing you with special instructions about your hunt.

Starting in 2018, successful applicants will be required to go online or visit a Service BC or FrontCounter BC office to view both their authorizations and the special instructions related to those authorizations.

For general information about Limited Entry Hunting in B.C., please refer to the 2017/2018 LEH Synopsis.

▪ **The RRGC Raffle – Just a Few Tickets Left**

Only 500 Tickets Will Be Sold – 7 prizes, 7 winners!

As the draw is this Sunday at 3:00 p.m., there are just a few days left to buy tickets (\$10 each). They are available at meetings, orientations, club events, and at the range during office hours. Thanks to our loyal sponsors, the prizes are:

Cap-It	Camping Collection (2 Adventure Rocker Chairs, 15 quart Grizzly Cooler & Camp Chef Pro60 2-Burner Stove w/BBQ Box)	\$ 850
Italian Sporting Goods	Gift Card	\$ 300
International Shooting Supplies	Gift Card	\$ 200
Quickie Rope	6 Tie-Downs & Handle Bar Straps	\$ 150
Otter Co-op	Gas Card	\$ 100
Fraserway RV	Outland Deluxe Fire Bowl	\$ 100
Canadian Tire	Lagostina Meat Grinder	\$ 100

Chances are 7 in 500 to win a prize.	BC Gaming Event Licence #91448
Problem Gambling Help Line 1-888-795-6111 www.bcreponsiblegambling.ca	Know your limit, play within it. 19+

The winning numbers will be drawn at the **Annual Youth Day on Sunday, June 25, 2017, at 3:00 p.m.** Buy your tickets as soon as you have a chance! Good luck!

▪ **Another Successful Ladies Day**

On May 13, 134 ladies ranging in age from 5 to 85 years had the time of their lives trying their hand at archery, pistol, rifle and trap shooting.



Photo: Troy Barnes



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Photo: Henk Gauw



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For more pictures, visit <http://ridgedale.net/events/ladies-day-20171>

▪ **80th Anniversary Event**

Guests enjoyed range tours and the wonderful appetizers prepared by MasterChef Canada Finalist and Cooking Book Author Tammy Wood. The cup cakes prepared by Jordyn Mooney were equally well received. A very big 'Thank you!' goes to Joanne Oikawa for organizing this event. Troy Barnes shot the following pictures.



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Volunteering at the Ridgedale Rod & Gun Club

▪ **Want to Get Actively Involved?**

Successful events don't happen by accident; they are the result of the time and effort put in by dedicated volunteers. If you would like to get actively involved, know that we have two openings; i.e., Newsletter Editor and Youth Coordinator. If you are interested in taking on one of these challenging yet fulfilling jobs, please contact me (Henk Gauw) at president@ridgedale.net or 778-240-9505 I look forward to talking with you.

Using Our Ranges

▪ How to sign in!

When using one of our ranges, you need to sign in properly to be covered by club insurance! As straightforward as this may seem, occasionally some members get confused. To avoid this from happening, the following may be helpful.

- Sign in at the first range you want to use before using that range. When bringing guests, register and pay guest fees at that kiosk.
- When done shooting at that range, sign out!
- Then, if you want to use another range that day, members and guests must sign in at that kiosk.
You do not pay guest fees again!
- When leaving, do not forget to sign out!

If you're unsure, check the sign in board instructions, or ask for help to ensure you sign in correctly

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