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UPCOMING EVENTS

F-Class National Championships - August 13-15, 2014

America Match - F-Class - August 16, 2014

National Black Powder Championships - August 14-16, 2014

Canadian Fullbore Rifle Championships - August 15-23, 2014

America Match - TR - August 24, 2014

National Service Conditions Championship - August 28 - September 6, 2014

Canadian Armed Forces Small Arms Concentration - September 8-20, 2014

ENTRY/APPLICATION FORMS

Online entry forms for the DCRA competitions listed below are available on the association website (www.dkra.ca/shooting.php). If a hard copy is required, please contact the office by phone or email.

Canadian Fullbore Rifle Championships (CFRC)

Black Powder National Championships (BPNC)

F-Class National Championships (FCNC)

National Service Conditions Championship (NSCC)

Under 25 Bursary Application

DCRA APPROVED MEMBERSHIP FEES - 2014
Membership year 1st April 2014 - 31st March 2015

Life	Sliding scale	Meeting :	
Under 25 Term	\$ 265.00	Non-Canadian	\$ 55.00
Annual	\$ 130.00	Postal	\$ 16.00
Under 25 Annual	\$ 90.00	Pavilion Club (GBP)	£ 15.00
Associate (Note 1)	\$ 55.00		
Limited Associate (Note 2)	\$ 30.00		

DCRA LIFE MEMBERSHIP FEES (SENIOR)

Age	Rate	Age	Rate
25-30	x30 annual rate	53-54	x18 annual rate
31-32	x29 annual rate	55-56	x17 annual rate
33-34	x28 annual rate	57	x16 annual rate
35-36	x27 annual rate	58	x15 annual rate
37-38	x26 annual rate	59	x14 annual rate
39-40	x25 annual rate	60	x13 annual rate
41-42	x24 annual rate	61	x12 annual rate
43-44	x23 annual rate	62	x11 annual rate
45-46	x22 annual rate	63	x10 annual rate
47-48	x21 annual rate	64	x 9 annual rate
49-50	x20 annual rate	65 and over	x 8 annual rate
51-52	x19 annual rate		

Age calculated as of 1 April

Note 1 - This rate is for members competing in BP or FCNC matches only (not full entry in the Canadian Championships OR for members who do not compete but wish to support the DCRA. Both will receive two issues of the Canadian Marksman.

Note 2 - Includes insurance but does not include the Canadian Marksman.

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F-Class shooters Jonathan Laitre (left) and Barry Price on the line at Connaught Ranges

EXECUTIVE VP REPORT

Is it just me or has this been a long drawn out winter? I'm not one to normally complain about the weather but this season reminds me of never-ending winters experienced as a kid when the snow seemed a lot higher and skating on outdoor rinks was never an issue. The extreme temperatures have created interesting conditions for all but I'll be happy when it starts to warm up.

In the meantime, office staff, Committees and Team officers have been busy preparing for the upcoming season. I would especially like to thank Keith Bornn, our Match Director, as he has done a wonderful job of leading the office through numerous detailed projects this winter.


We have several teams competing internationally this coming season and we wish them all the very best. Serge Bissonnette will start off by leading a group to Jamaica in May to compete in the West Indies Fullbore Championships followed by Commandant BGen Romses with Vice-Captain John Chapman taking this year's National team, which includes a full complement of TR and F-Class members, to Bisley in July. They will enjoy the upgraded appearance of the living room which includes new carpet and furniture purchased through generous member donations organized by Dr. Roger Mullin, the MacDonald Stewart Foundation and the Canadian Pavilion Committee. Peter Westlake, Canada's Senior Palma Team Captain will also be leading a team to Camp Perry, Ohio in early August to compete in the US Fullbore Championships in preparation for next summer's World Championships, plus we will be represented at this summer's Commonwealth Games being held in Glasgow, Scotland by Jim Paton and Des Vamplew. Dr. Jim Thompson (Fullbore) and Steven Spinney (Smallbore) will also be in attendance at the games as officials. Connaught Ranges will again be very busy throughout

August and into September as the DCRA hosts the National Championships for Target Rifle (CFRC), F-Class (FCNC), Black Powder (BPNC) and Service Conditions which includes combat pistol, precision rifle and service rifle (NSCC). In addition, the office can expect to be busy supporting the Canadian Armed Forces Small Arms Concentration (CAFSAC) again this year following NSCC. We anticipate over the next few years to see F-Class entries dramatically increase as members from across Canada and around the world will want to expose themselves to the challenging conditions Connaught Ranges offers in preparation for our hosting of the 2017 F-Class World Championships. Unfortunately, we may not see the Cadet National Rifle Team competing at this year's CFRC due to a redistribution of cadet funding for the next few years but we look forward to having them return, as there are over 90 years of tradition and training experience the NRT cadets have been able to include at the Canadian Championships.

Committees continued to work and communicate throughout the winter on many fronts. Activities like the Postal program, the National Training Program and the Electronic Target Committee were ongoing throughout the winter months while our discipline shooting chairmen, business development & fund raising, international teams, Canadian Pavilion, membership, finance committees, etc. are constantly in communication with the office.


With a busy PRA schedule just around the corner please get out and make the most of another successful shooting season.

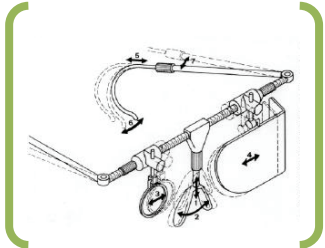
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SECRETARY-TREASURER/MATCH DIRECTOR REPORT

With almost a year behind me as Match Director, I've experienced a complete shooting season and participated in the planning for the 2014 season. Although I've spent many years North of Shirley, on the range staff, this was my first involvement in the whole process. What an eye-opener! Now feeling somewhat more comfortable in this new role, I've taken on the additional duties of Secretary-Treasurer; a move welcomed by Aaron Daley. I extend to Aaron my whole-hearted thanks for staying on for an additional year and assisting with my acclimatization. From here on, things done poorly are through my error and things worthy of commendation are through the hard work of Kathy, Linda and our many volunteers.

In this edition of the Marksman we are attempting to do two things. First, those pages traditionally devoted to competition entry forms have been used for more articles of interest to readers. Instead we have referenced the DCRA website where the entry forms for all our national competitions are located. They are available for download, completion and submission. Printing those entry forms in the Marksman was becoming a significant and unnecessary financial burden. Anyone wanting hard copy of any entry form need only contact the office and they will be mailed out. By next year, our aim is to have all entry forms in an interactive format that will permit paperless download, completion and submission to the office.

The second change has to do with our upcoming 150th Anniversary in 2018. That event, as well as the nation's 150th in 2017, will be marked through special competitions and events. Leading up to those dates, I thought it might be interesting to take a look back at some of the historical events that brought us to where we are today. The National Archives and several forward thinking Canadian universities have made available, on-line, many historical documents that previously could only be assumed to exist. In fact, the number of online documents is now so large that they threaten to once again become the proverbial haystack in which we're trying to find a needle. Nonetheless, we have located a number of most interesting articles dealing with the founding of the Dominion Rifle Association, our incorporation through a special act of parliament, and the move from Rockcliffe to Connaught that allegedly granted us "use in perpetuity". That document still eludes me, but the search continues.

For this edition, I selected Bill 169, an "Act to Incorporate the Dominion of Canada Rifle Association", which was signed into law on 07 July 1900. While the text has been available through the years, the original document was buried in the Archives. Additionally, although they have not been published here, all three readings in both Houses of Parliament and its debate in committee during second readings are also now available. Despite recent changes in Canadian corporate law that have forced many sporting and charitable associations to undertake a laborious review and amendment to their articles of incorporation, Bill 169 stands impervious and will continue as the cornerstone of our activities.

Future editions of the Marksman will see additional documents unearthed from both the National and Association archives.

Keith Bornn

ACT TO INCORPORATE DCRA

No 169.

5th Session, 8th Parliament, 63 Victoria, 1900

BILL.

An Act to incorporate the Dominion of Canada Rifle Association.

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An Act to incorporate the Dominion of Canada Rifle Association.

WHEREAS the voluntary association now existing under the name of the Dominion Rifle Association has, by its petition, prayed that it be enacted as hereinafter set forth, and it is expedient to grant the prayer of the said petition: Therefore Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate and House of Commons of Canada, enacts as follows:—

1. Lieut.-Colonel the Honourable J. M. Gibson, Lieut.-Colonel Sam Hughes, the Honourable R. R. Dobell, Lieut.-Colonel Edwin B. Beer, Lieut.-Colonel C. J. MacDonald, Captain the Honourable Hugh John Macdonald, Lieut.-Colonel the Honourable E. G. Prior, Lieut.-Colonel J. A. Longworth, Lieut.-Colonel Fred Massey, Lieut.-Colonel John Tilton, Lieut.-Colonel W. E. Hodgins, and Lieut.-Colonel John Macpherson, members of the voluntary association mentioned in the preamble, together with such persons as become members of the association hereby incorporated, are incorporated under the name of "The Dominion of Canada Rifle Association," hereinafter called "the Association."

2. The officers and council of the said voluntary association at the time this Act is passed shall be the officers and council of the Association until the first general meeting of the Association or until their successors are elected, and the constitution, by-laws, rules and regulations of the said voluntary association at the time this Act is passed shall continue to be the constitution, by-laws, rules and regulations of the Association, so far as they are consistent with this Act, until repealed or amended in the manner prescribed by this Act.

3. All property, real and personal, now belonging to the said voluntary association is hereby transferred to and vested in the Association, its successors and assigns.

4. The head office of the Association shall be in the city of Ottawa, in the province of Ontario.

5. At the first general meeting of the Association, and at each annual general meeting, the Association shall elect a president of the Association, a vice president for each province and a council composed of members of the Association elected to represent each province, the number of such representatives to be fixed by by-law.



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Powers of
council.

6. The Council may, in all things, administer the affairs of the Association and may make any description of contract which the Association may, by law, enter into, and may make by-laws for the following purposes:—

- (a) To regulate the number of members of the council. 5
- (b) The number of members of the council to represent each province and the method of their election.
- (c) The appointment, duties and removal of all officers and servants of the Association and their remuneration.
- (d) The time and place of holding all meetings of the 10 Association, council and committees and the quorum thereof and voting thereat.
- (e) The fees and membership of the Association.
- (f) To fill vacancies occurring in the council and committees.
- (g) The conduct in all other particulars of the affairs of the 15 Association and for carrying out its objects and powers.

Executive
committee
of council.

7. The council may elect from among its members a committee to be called the Executive Committee, and the council may, by resolution, delegate to the Executive Committee power to make by-laws for any of the purposes mentioned in section 6 of this Act, which by-laws shall thereupon be of the same force and effect as if made by the council. 20

Objects of
Association.

8. The objects and powers of the Association shall be,—

- (a) to promote and encourage rifle shooting throughout Canada; 25
- (b) to establish, regulate, control and carry on annual prize competitions at or near the city of Ottawa;
- (c) to affiliate and unite with other associations and clubs having for their object the promotion of rifle shooting;
- (d) to acquire, hold and dispose of such real property as is 30 necessary or desirable for the purposes of the Association;
- (e) to erect and furnish such buildings as are deemed necessary for its purposes and objects, and alienate, lease, and dispose thereof;
- (f) to borrow money on mortgage of its real estate, or upon 35 any other security, for such time and for such purposes as it sees fit;
- (g) to become a party to promissory notes and bills of exchange for the purposes or objects of the Association, as the council considers necessary or advisable. 40

By-laws.

9. Every by-law, rule or regulation made by the council, or by the Executive Committee under its authority, shall have force until the next annual general meeting of the Association, and in default of confirmation thereof shall cease and become void; provided that any by-law, rule or regulation passed by 45 the council or the Executive Committee may be repealed or amended by the Association at any annual general meeting or any special general meeting called for the purpose.

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SHOOTER PROFILE - ALIXANDRA VOORTHUYZEN

I started shooting with cadets when I was 13 using the Daisy air rifle and had no idea when I started what I was getting into. As a cadet everything is free which is great, once you turn 19 you can struggle to keep shooting while in university, unless you reach out to your Provincial Rifle Association.

Getting to go with the cadet Bisley Team is an amazing opportunity, but after you've gone once, you always hope you can go back, at least I did! I was lucky to be selected as a returnee to go back with the team the following year. Most cadets only get to go to Bisley once in their cadet life but cadets really gave me the taste of shooting. I needed to keep going and strived to go to the next level.

The BCRA really helped me get on my feet by supplying me with the equipment, helped with my training and supported me financially. With their help I was able to be part of the Under 25 team that went to Australia in 2011 to compete in the Palma World Championships, where we won the Bronze medal! They also helped me get to Ottawa the first summer out of cadets, which was a great opportunity to meet the rest of the shooting community. The DCRA also helped keep me going in the sport by getting me in contact with the right people who continued to fund me as an Under 25 competitor and helped me continue with my shooting goals. The DCRA has really

helped me get on my own feet to be able to keep competing.

This past summer I had the privilege of being on the Senior Bisley Team where I competed in team matches as well as in the Commonwealth Shooting Federation Championships where I placed 6th in the Under 25 classification. The experience from last summer alone helped me immensely and will benefit me in the future as the Under 25 Captain for the 2015 Palma Team.



Alix with Commandant Ron Ellis in Bisley

I have recently joined the Army Reserves and hope to also progress within the military shooting world with the skills I've acquired through all the support of the BCRA, DCRA and many others.

Alix Voorthuyzen



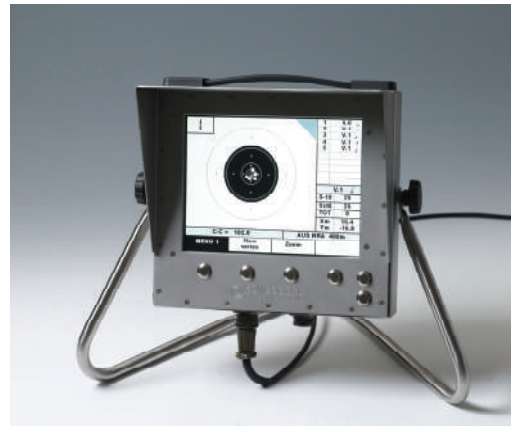
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ST KITTS NEVIS CADET CORPS COMPETES IN THE DCRA POSTAL PROGRAM

On a balmy weekend in November 2013, sixty cadets from the St Kitts Nevis Cadet Corps gathered in Camp Springfield, Basseterre, St. Kitts for a weekend of training and competition. They had recently taken possession of six Daisy Air Rifles, along with pellets and targets arranged through the benevolence of Major Justin Schmidt-Clever, Deputy Commandant of the Connaught Ranges. A ten meter range was set up and following safety and air rifle familiarization briefings, the first practice shots were fired. When competition commenced, it followed Match 1.4 - Cadet Air Rifle Prone Individual Match of the DCRA Postal Program. To the best of our knowledge, this is the first cadet corps from outside Canada to participate in the DCRA Postal Program.

Regrettably, the sights for the air rifles were lost in transit; hence the shooting could not reflect the true talents and skills of these enthusiastic cadets. Nonetheless, a good time was had by all.

Major Schmidt-Clever was on hand for the competition and assisted in its conduct. On return to Canada, he submitted the targets to the DCRA office for inclusion in the 2013/2014 Postal Program. However, without rifle sights, the scores were not competitive. Hence it was decided that the scores would stand on their own merit and constitute the first St. Kitts Nevis Cadet Corps Air Rifle

Championship. Our congratulations go to cadets Cadville Rogers, Akeo Bailey, and Malieq Queeley, the first, second, and third place finishers who have received appropriate DCRA medals for their efforts.

As of the writing of this article, the lost sights have not been found and efforts are underway to replace them. Hopefully, by next winter, the sights will have been replaced and the cadets from St. Kitts Nevis will be able to fully participate in the Postal Program alongside their Canadian counterparts.

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TARGET RIFLE MASTER CLASS FOR 2013

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Alexander, Gary	UK	Frost, Stan	SK	Pugsley, John	UK
Anderson, Judy	BC	Fulmer, Scott	USA	Purdy, Matthew	UK
Ball, Nigel	UK	Glenn, Terry	USA	Ramsey, Kelvin	UK
Bell, Angus	AUS	Golaszewski, Henryk	UK	Rankin, Jacqui	UK
Bell, Barbara A	AUS	Griggs, Peter	UK	Reeve, Kent	USA
Barnes, Andy	UK	Haley, Alastair	UK	Robertson, Iain	UK
Beaulne, Nicolas	QC	Hardin, Carlton	USA	Rolfe, Oliver	UK
Best, RG	BC	Henry, Gary	USA	Romses, Roger	ON
Betts, Antony	ON	Hockley, Christopher	UK	Rossignol, Nicole	ON
Borland, Jonny	UK	Hogg, Ian	PEI	Rudge, John	UK
Brooks, Charles	UK	Hunt, Stephen	ON	Ryan, Lewis	AUS
Bullock, Bruce	ON	Hunter, Samuel	UK	Sekellick, Ronald	USA
Calvert, David	UK	Jackson, JJ	USA	Shaw, Ian	UK
Chad, Michael	AUS	Jeens, Ed	UK	Silver, Mick	UK
Chisholm, Daniel	NB	Jeens, Richard	UK	Smeltzer, Ray	NS
Church, Peter	USA	Langley, Jeremy	UK	Solis, Felix	USA
Clark, Charles	USA	Lewis, James	UK	Southall, Alice	UK
Coello, Arrmando	USA	Logan, Bruce	UK	Stewart, Craig	UK
Coleman, Danny	UK	Luckman, David	UK	Stewart, Gale	QC
Coleman, Don	NB	Matthewson, Tom	UK	Teglasi, Mirko	BC
Crispin, Dave	UK	McCullough, Holly	UK	Tremblay, Paul	QC
Daw, Andy	UK	McKerrell, Linsey	UK	Tremlett, Nick	UK
Dawson, Ronald	MB	McLean, Alwyn	UK	Tuck, Jeremy	UK
Day, Henry	UK	McLeod, Angus	UK	Underwood, Jon	UK
DeVere, Dom	UK	Moeller, Thomas	ON	Vamplew, Des	ON
Deane, John	UK	Mohideen, Fazal	ON	Vamplew, Patrick	ON
DelCotto, Mark	USA	Montreuil, Zackery	ON	Ward, Steph	UK
Dix, Rupert	UK	Mullin, Roger	ON	Watson, Chris	UK
Dowley, Seth	UK	Murray, Scott	ON	Watson, James	UK
Drain, Nelson	AUS	Negus, Donna	AUS	Webster, John	UK
Dugas, Jacques	QC	Paquette, Renee	ON	Westlake, Peter	ON
Dyson, David	UK	Patel, Parag	UK	Westlake, Shannon	ON
Ellis, Fred	ON	Paton, Jim	BC	Whalen, Ronald	AUS
Ensor, Matthew	UK	Patsky, Brian	AUS	Woodman, Geoff	NL
Fitzpatrick, Chris	UK	Peden, Lindsay	UK	Wlodarczyk, Alexander	ON



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Ambrose, C.E.	BC	Marion, Alain	QC
Andrews, E.S.W.	BC	Mutch, A.K.	NS
Barwise, Robert	PEI	Page, Peter	BC
Bayne, Charlie	NS	Pitcairn, Robert	BC
Bissonnette, Serge	ON	Richardson, T.A.	QC
Brown, Colin	ON	Robertson, Ian	ON
Cathline, Ralph	ON	Sewell, Doran	MB
Daines, Derek	BC	Surette, J.R.A.	NB
D'Amour, Leo	QC	Thompson, James	ON
Harper, George	ON	Varve, Vaino	ON
LeBlanc, H.A.	NB	Verchere, W.F.	BC

THE VICKERYS - FATHER AND SON

Some of our "older" shooters may remember Major C.H. Vickery and his son Dr. Jack Vickery who, for many years, were Range Officers at the DCRA and ORA. It has been said to me that Major Vickery was a commanding figure who really RAN the range. I never met the Major, but had the pleasure of meeting Dr. Jack when he was presented with his 70-year membership badge by the ORA. Dr. Vickery, a retired dentist living in Toronto, is now 87 years young, and still enjoys fishing and plays a mean game of golf. He sent me two letters earlier this year, from which I have compiled these notes. Reminiscences from/of others of our long-time members would be very welcome.

"I want to brag a bit – Dad and I have between us been members of the ORA and DCRA for over 100 years, except when my Dad was in the Army in World War I and II. He started in 1912 and I in 1937. We met many wonderful and interesting people on the range, from Privates to an Admiral and a Field Marshal. Dad was a school principal and when World War II started he was asked to be in charge of the range at Niagara-on-the-Lake for three months a year. I went there with him and helped at the range from 1940 on, when I was 14. He made me an Acting Sergeant, I had my own little tent next to the officers' compound, and ate at the Sergeants' Mess.

There I began to discover that women *both drank and swore and smoked*. What a shock that was to the innocent young lad! I shot the .303 Lee Enfield and Bren gun over the years, and helped around the range. My wife thinks I'm going a bit deaf – I wonder why? On a hot day in the late afternoon the troops would go behind the butts

and swim in Lake Ontario. The story goes that a lady with a cottage down the way phoned the camp and complained about seeing all those naked men. They moved down the shore but she phoned again: 'I can still see them with my binoculars!' There were lots of pheasants around the range. They were not afraid of the shooting, but on the opening day of the hunting season they all disappeared. Such is Nature! I took lead out of the butts and cast anchors for 25 decoys that I made. I still have them. I took my Dad duck hunting when he was 93. Many years ago, I went fishing at Great Bean Lake and met John Power, who was the Outdoor writer for the Toronto Star. We became firm friends and hunted and fished all over the country and the Caribbean."

Jim Thompson

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AN ADVENTURE FROM THE FAR SIDE - PART 2

We ended part one at the point where after the first trials, we reduced the number of candidates from 47 to 20.

The next phase was to be all smallbore, starting from square one. None of the candidates had ever had marksmanship training other than with military firearms. There was not much to do for the next couple of weeks except wait while the preparations were being made for the smallbore camp. It was to be held at a UIT shooting complex in a city named Kota Bharu which is located in the north east corner of Malaysia right next to the border to Thailand. The ranges were rather old but everything functioned alright. The 50m targets for the rifle range all went out on a close line sort of thing and the shooters lay on shooting tables about waist high to match the height of the targets. As mentioned in part one, the Malaysian Sports Council was hiring foreign coaches to help develop local athletes for the 98 Games. The ranges at Kota Bharu had two coaches who were from Russia. A husband and wife who were coaching rifle and pistol. The wife spoke a little English, the husband, none. It made for an interesting time.

We were to spend three weeks there and then reduce the numbers to 10. Talk about fast track!. We were now using my training plan and everyone was shooting smallbore rifle. We were loaned some brand new leather shooting jackets, slings and an assortment of .22 rifles. I had my own rifle and scope to help. And they had spotting scopes!! There was my scope, and one other Spacemaster scope. Along with these two, we had four scopes that were made in Russia.. I saw some of that type for sale at the night market in K.L. and sold for a few dollars. The body of the scope was shaped like the directors voice horns used in the silent movies and had small opera size binocular eye pieces fitted at the back. It also had a flip up sight to help you aim the scope. At 50m it can be focused on the ten ring so if you shot an eight ring you could not see the hit. When I tried to set one up I was heard to say "these scopes are really Mickey Mouse" (When we returned to this complex for more training later, I asked one of the shooters to check on how many scopes we had. His answer was "We have your scope, one from the base, and four from Mickey Mouse") My laugh for the day.

On our first day we set up a few of the 50m shooting tables in the 25m pistol range and shot groups at 10m. The resident rifle coach from Russia came and

looked at what we were doing, looked at me, shook his head in disbelief and walked away. I didn't have to wonder what was going through his mind. In the beginning, I spent a lot of time showing them how to wear a sling, how to hold and aim, how the sight picture worked, all that stuff. We carried on this kind of training until each shooter knew how to set up his position and could shoot a one hole group. It took five days of shooting six ten shot groups per day to reach this goal. Setting up their position and understanding the basic elements of marksmanship were the main points.

We then started to train on the 50m range. Here again, we only shot groups. Each shooter shot three twenty shot groups per day for the next few days. It was a bit of a juggle all the time as we only had ten rifles, ten jackets and six scopes but everyone worked together and understood the problems and adapted. A lesson for me, seeing how they never got frustrated but just did what had to be done. I had my big Unertl scope so was able to keep track of who needed help.

It took a week before the groups did not include too many eight rings. It was a real eye opener for me and pointed out how effective a concentrated training camp can be. Here I had twenty young men who had no previous training, shooting what I thought were very good groups. Once the groups were reasonable, we had a lecture on how to move the sights but the lack of good scopes made things difficult.

The final week of the camp was devoted to actual competition. The shooters were very serious in their first ever competition of this type, knowing that at the end of the camp, there would only be ten remaining. The scores that came in quite good I thought. No one was below 560 and the high was 575. We were using some brassy colored ammo from Remington. I don't think it was very high on the accuracy list for 50m UIT targets. (The Russian coach came to watch, gave a positive nod and walked away).

At the end of this camp we had another four days of competition to decide who would be the ten to move on. There were a couple of gentlemen in from the Sports Council watching. When it was finished I was asked who would I keep. My reply was that I would keep them all. And that is what they did. Sigh!!

AN ADVENTURE FROM THE FAR SIDE - PART 2

Smallbore training camp number two a month later. We now had moved up to a better grade of puluru (Bahasa name for ammunition). Eley ClubX. Now the scores were moving into the 580's At the end of this camp we were allowed to enter six of our shooters into the monthly National matches at the UIT ranges in Kuala Lumpur. Here, we would compete against shooters from all the states (13) in Malaysia and members of the Malaysian national smallbore team. It was a very interesting experience. The attitude of the local club and the UIT officials was strange. For some reason we were unwelcome guests. Something to do with being Fullbore Rifle and not UIT I think.

When the dust had settled after the 50m match, one of our shooters was tied for first at 584.. I made myself even more unpopular by asking for a score check. We were awarded one more point so going into the Final our shooter was ahead by one. When the 'Final' was finished we had won the Gold. How could this be? These shooters had only been shooting small-bore for eight weeks... We took the medal and left.

In many ways, this was a very exciting weekend for me. The day of our Gold medal was also the day that my wife Margaret arrived in Malaysia. We hadn't seen each other for three and a half months. During that time I had been living alone in hotel rooms and barracks and not really having anyone to talk to. Now I got to live in hotel rooms with my wife. Needless to say, once Margaret arrived, all of the frustrating things that had been happening (that is another story) somehow seemed to diminish in size. Life improved. We even bought a car. Earlier in my stay I was being driven to the K.L. UIT range by a fine gentleman named Loh San Wah. He was a UIT official who lived north of K. L. in a city named IPOH (ee-po) . During the drive he said..."coach you need a car,, I sell you this one" I thought about it and replied that I would buy it if he bought it back when I returned to Canada... He agreed, so Margaret and I were the temporary owners of a 1978 Mercedes 280SE. A beautiful old car in very good condition and big enough to defend ourselves with in the chaos that takes place on the streets of Kuala Lumpur.

A few weeks later we trekked up to Kota Bharu for the final smallbore camp. Before telling you about the training I will turn you over to Margaret's narrative which covers our first trip in our new car.

From Margaret: Our drive up the East coast of Malaysia in our 'new' car was very enjoyable - once Sandy became used to the mad men on the roads (he politely called them idiots) There are literally millions of motorcycles on the roads, none of them with much more than 70 to 90 cc of power, but most of them carrying two or even up to 5 people. It is not uncommon to see a small child sitting in front of the driver with its' feet in a small basket, another child behind the driver and then the mother holding a wee baby, It is unbelievable what chances they take also, weaving in and out of traffic with the children not wearing helmets either.

Before we left on our trip. We enjoyed a 'Hari Raya' lunch with Sandy's boss and family. (a real introduction to authentic Malaysian hospitality and food). Kol. Hussin and his lovely family are Muslims and were having their traditional open-house for friends and family after their morning prayers at their Mosque. This luncheon celebration really was for those who had performed their pilgrimage to Mecca, a trip all Muslims are expected to perform once in their lifetime.

To get back to our trip up north; we broke the 650km trip with an overnight stay in the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Kuantan- just like a second honeymoon! If we hadn't known otherwise, we could have been in Hawaii - warm, gentle breezes, rolling surf, beautiful sandy beach, palm trees, bougainvillea, musicians in Hawaiian attire entertaining in outdoor dining and our view of the South China Sea! We had a wonderful time and will always look back on it fondly when we're back in our hotel in the Chinese section of K.L.

We continued on up the coast past huge palm oil estates, rubber tree farms, coconut and pineapple plantations, flowering trees and shrubs, rice paddies and, all along the route, frequent Mosques and little Kampung (villages) with their homes built on silts and chickens, cows and goats roaming free.

We will leave you there for now. See you next edition.

Sandy & Margaret Peden

The 3rd Annual Canadian F-Class National Championship
Wednesday 13 August – Friday 15 August, 2014
and
The 132nd Annual Canadian Fullbore Rifle Championship
Friday 15 August – Saturday 23 August, 2014
and
America Match 2014 (TR & F)
Connaught Ranges, Ottawa

The centrepiece of our shooting this year will be the 2014 America Match, one of the top matches in the ICFRA international team shooting rotation. Every four years the America Match is fired in Canada and this year it is our turn to be the host again. So far we have confirmed attendance of TR teams from Great Britain, Canada, the USA, and Japan. F-Class will include teams from Canada and the USA, and we also have several more possible team entries.

The **America Match (F-Class)** will be fired Sat-16-Aug, immediately following the Canadian F-Class National Championship. And the **America Match (TR)** will be fired Sun-24-Aug, immediately following the Canadian Fullbore Rifle Championship. We hope you are able to attend as a shooter, coach or spectator.

Please note that the **F-Class National Championship** begins one day earlier than usual this year, on Wednesday 13 August, in order to allow the America Match (F) to be fired on Saturday. We are expecting by far the largest attendance to date at this FCNC.

Our TR event, the **Canadian Fullbore Rifle Championships**, spans the nine days of 1st-Friday to 2nd-Saturday followed on the tenth day with the firing of the 2014 America Match. The biggest change for CFRC in 2014 is that most of the matches will be squadded with **three shooters per target**. An exception will be made for 15 shot matches fired at long range, where we'll continue to squad in pairs. Squadding in "threes" allows us to use our target markers a bit more efficiently and helps hold down the cost of running our matches.

While the CFRC is principally a TR event we still accept F-Class entries, after all this is where F-Class shooting started in the world. We will squad F-Class shooters in with TR shooters, so don't be surprised to see an F-Class shooter in your shooting squad at some point during your week of shooting.

To help CFRC shooters plan their practice and warmups, here is what is available prior to the start of the Grand Agg (please note that the Gooderham course of fire has changed in 2014)

- Squadded Practice targets will be available on the 1st-Friday AM and PM.
- The Ottawa Regiment warmup match

2ss15@800m will be fired the 1st-Friday evening.

- The Gooderham will be fired the 1st-Sat-AM, 2ss10 @ 500y plus 2ss10@600y
- The Army & Navy Veterans match will be fired the 1st-Sat-PM, 2ss15 @ 900m

The **Macdonald Stewart Grand Aggregate** starts on the afternoon of Sunday 17 August and finishes the morning of Friday 22 August 2014. Good luck and good shooting to all!

Please consider attending our "**Meet and Greet**" dinner on the first Saturday evening, a great opportunity for TR shooters to start off the social gatherings of the week.

Please **get your entries in well before the 24 June 2014 deadline**. After that, we can only accept entries on a space-available basis.

I'm looking forward to seeing you in August, and would love to hear any comments, questions or suggestions you might have (email me at daniel.chisholm@gmail.com).

Daniel Chisholm

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THE 2014 NSCC SUMMARY OF SCHEDULE

28 August

Set up pistol ranges 3 and 4
 Set up other ranges as available
 Pistol competitor's meeting

29 August

Pistol matches Series "A"
 Last One Standing Match

30 August

Pistol matches Series "B"
 Falling Block match
 Pistol matches prize presentations
 Sniper/Precision competitor's meeting

31 August

Sniper/Precision Rifle range set up
 Basic Zeroing (if time allows)
 Sniper/Precision matches 60, 61, 62

1 September

Sniper/Precision matches 63, 64, 65
 Sniper/Precision matches 66, 67
 Sniper/precision presentations
 Service Rifle competitor's meeting

2 September

Service Rifle matches 1, 2, 3, 4
 Service Rifle matches 5, 6, 7, 8

3 September

Service Rifle matches 9, 10, 11, 12
 Service Rifle matches 13, 14, 15, 16

4 September

Moving Targets Match 17
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THE 2014 DCRA BLACK POWDER NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

REGISTRATION: No later than Wednesday, 13 August 2014, 1900 hrs at DCRA Headquarters

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Thursday, 14 August - The Short Range Aggregate

Range briefing and announcements for all shooters at the 200 metre firing point on "C" Range at 0730 hrs. All shooters **MUST** attend. Competition will commence at 0800 hrs. Please schedule your arrival accordingly. Squadding will be in threes with partners assigned on your match tickets. Latecomers should note that matches may start without you.

WILF BLACK	10 rds at 200 metres	"C" Range	0800-0915
VICTORIAN	10 rds at 300 metres	"C" Range	0945-1030
CREEDMOOR	10 rds at 500 metres	"C" Range	1100-1200

LUNCH 1200-1315

WIMBLEDON I	10 rds at 600 meters	"C" Range	1330-1445
WIMBLEDON II	10 rds at 600 meters	"C" Range	1500-1630

BP COMPETITOR'S MEETING - LOCATION TO BE ANNOUNCED

Friday, 15 August - The Long Range Aggregate

BLACK POWDER 700	10 rds at 700 metres	"C" Range	0800-0915
LONG RANGE I	10 rds at 800 metres	"C" Range	0945-1030
LONG RANGE II	10 rds at 800 metres	"C" Range	1100-1200

LUNCH 1200-1315

BP1000 I	10 rds at 900 metres	"C" Range	1330-1445
BP1000 II	10 rds at 900 metres	"C" Range	1500-1630

AWARDS CEREMONY - TBA

Saturday, 16 August

INTERNATIONAL TEAM MATCH	30 rds at 900 metres	"C" Range	0800-1200
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BLACK POWDER COMPETITOR'S LUNCHEON - LOCATION TO BE ANNOUNCED

Note: Events are open to all three DCRA BP Rifle classes: Cartridge, Muzzle Loading and Scoped Cartridge. Squadding will not be based on class. Team composition, at the discretion of the individuals or team captains involved may consist of combinations of competitors in any class, if desired.

INTERNATIONAL TEAMS

The International Teams section of the DCRA web site contains information about future events. The procedures for selection of the Bisley Team, both TR and F-Class members, have recently been revised and updated. Please refer to the site often for the most recent information on our Teams.

This will again be a busy summer for Canadian shooters. What with Bisley, the pre-Palma expedition to Camp Perry, and the International Matches at Connaught, including the America Matches for TR and F-Class, our shooters and officials will be fully occupied. There will also be a goodwill Canadian group in Jamaica this spring.

The 2014 Bisley team list is to be found elsewhere in this issue of *The Canadian Marksman*, as is a report from Peter Westlake on Camp Perry 2014 and preparations for the World Championships in 2015. I've also written a few notes on Bisley 2015.

Team Captains:

America Matches

The Executive Committee has appointed Eric Bisson and Peter Westlake as Captains, respectively, of the F-Class and TR Canadian teams in the America Matches to be held on 16th and 24th August.

Bisley 2015

Jim Thompson and Anna Paton have been appointed as Commandant and Adjutant respectively. Please see my notes elsewhere in this issue.

F-Class World Championships, Connaught 2017

Eric Bisson has been appointed as Captain of the Canadian Team for these F-Class World Championships; Scott Bissett has accepted the position of Chairman of the Organizing Committee; Kenny Proulx is the DCRA F-Class representative to ICFRA as well as the ICFRA F-Class Chairman; Matt Wolf is now Chairman of the DCRA F-Class Subcommittee.

Nominations for Team Officers

This is a repeat of information in the last issue. During this coming winter, nominations are being sought for the following positions:

- Captains of the Canadian Teams at the 2014 Canadian Championships, to be voted on by DCRA Council on the Sunday following the AGM in March, 2014:
 - o Commonwealth Match
 - o Canada Match
 - o Under 25 Matches
 - o International F-Class Matches at the FCNC
 - o International Service Rifle Match

Commandant and Adjutant of the Canadian Rifle team to Bisley, 2016. Nominations for these will close on 15th March 2014. Any full member of the DCRA is eligible for nomination, but nomination forms must be signed by two members of Council. The DCRA Executive Committee will review the nominations at its meeting on the Sunday following the 2014 AGM. A postal vote by members of Council will be held if required.

By the time you receive this issue of the *Marksman*, decisions on the above may have been made. Appointments will be posted on the web site as soon as possible.

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INTERNATIONAL TEAMS

Commonwealth Games 2014

Planning is now underway for Glasgow 2014. The Fullbore Team consists of Jim Paton and Des Vamplew, with Pat Vamplew as Manager/Coach. Unfortunately, it appears as if there will be very little funding for the fullbore and some of the other shooting events. This will place a serious burden on the DCRA and on our shooters themselves. It is possible that the total cost may be \$10,000 or more. Part of the DCRA fund-raising strategy will include these events, but, in view of the relatively short time span and in the effort to support our shooters, we urge all members and friends of the DCRA to contribute to their success. If possible, please send a special donation to the DCRA, asking that it be assigned to the Commonwealth Games Fund. Where appropriate, receipts for income tax purposes will be issued. Updates will be posted on the web site.

Commonwealth Games 2018

The Games will be held in Queensland, Australia, probably in April 2018. Fullbore shooting will be on the Brisbane Belmont Range. It is highly likely that the CSFC will be held one year earlier at the same venue. Based on this schedule, there will be a two-year selection trial at the CFRC in 2015 and 2016. This is a preliminary notice, with details to be announced over the next 18 months.

I am always happy to receive information about our international activities and will report on them in future issues.

Jim Thompson

CANADIAN RIFLE TEAM TO BISLEY - JULY 2014

The Dominion of Canada Rifle Association is pleased to announce that the following individuals have been selected to represent Canada at the 2014 Imperial Meeting at Bisley:

Commandant Ray Romses
Vice-Commandant John Chapman
Adjutant Murray Sloane

COACHES
Paul Dudzinski
Daniel Chisholm
Bruce MacDonald
John Marshall - Head Coach/Armourer

TR TEAM

Serge Bissonnette	Barry Langille
Gary Cassidy	Tom Maynard
Ronald Dawson	Roger Mullin
Peter Dobell	Scott Murray
Gian Garro	Jim Paton
Darrell Grant	Ray Smeltzer
Jeffrey Jenkins	Suzie Taillefer
Alpar Katona	Geoff Woodman
Frank Lalear	George Wright
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CANADIAN RIFLE TEAM TO BISLEY - JULY 2015

I am honoured and delighted to have been appointed as Commandant, and I'm equally delighted that Anna Paton has agreed to be our Adjutant. It will be a great pleasure to work with Anna and to be back at Bisley again.

Since I have largely been responsible for the latest revisions in team selection procedures, now posted on the DCRA web site, I feel doubly responsible for complying with Paragraph 6 which states: *"In the Spring Marksman of the year before the team in question (i.e. in Spring 2014 for the 2015 Team), the Commandant will write a short article outlining the selection procedures as above, and inviting all those interested to be in touch with him/her."*

It is much in my mind that the ICFRA World Long Range Championships and the International Palma Match will take place at Camp Perry, USA, in 2015, between the end of the Bisley and the start of the DCRA Meetings. As a result, some TR shooters may decide that they are not able to go to Bisley that year and it may therefore be necessary to look beyond the Canadian Target Rifle Championships (Bisley Aggregate) for team selection more than is usually the case. If this is so, I hope we can include on the 2015 Bisley Team as many as possible new and, especially, younger team members. Former Bisley Cadets will be doubly welcome! I would be interested to hear from potential shooters and coaches of their possible interest in going to Bisley in 2015. It would also help in the eventual selection of the Bisley Team if I could hear from anyone who will be going to Camp Perry and who knows that a trip to Bisley would not be possible in that year.

The procedures for selection of F-Class Team members have been significantly changed. Please take a very careful look at these on the web site.

The procedures for both TR and F-Class shooters call for individual applications and expressions of interest not later than 30th September 2014. Even earlier would be better! Peter Westlake's intention is to announce the squads for Camp Perry by 1st October. Immediately after that, we shall have a lot of work to do in a hurry in forming the 2015 Bisley Team!

If anyone has any questions, please write to me at whitevalejim@gmail.com.

Jim Thompson
Commandant



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2013 LETSON 500 INCIDENT

During the 2013 Canadian Fullbore Rifle Championships an incident occurred in the first relay of the Letson 500.

Subsequently, a protest was submitted to the Range Staff questioning the procedures and decisions followed by a competitor and his shooting partner. This protest was rejected by the CRO. The protest was then appealed to the Match Director who rejected the appeal. This decision was further appealed, to the Match Committee, asking that the "protest be seen". The Match Committee determined that the competitor was at fault for not having properly consulted the Range Officer when the problem arose, for permitting his partner to fire single string, and for firing single string himself, thereby possibly gaining an unfair advantage. The Match Committee decided to allow the scores to stand, but fined the competitor \$100 for infringement of the Rules. The competitor then appealed the decision of the Match Committee to the Executive Committee, as permitted by the DCRA Rules.

There was insufficient time before the end of the Championships for the appeal to be heard in August. Hence, it was brought forward to the November meeting of the Executive Committee. Following a full review of all the circumstances, the Executive Committee overturned the decision of the Match Committee, finding that the conduct, actions and decisions of the competitors, the RO, DCRO, CRO and Match Director were appropriate and within the letter and spirit of the rules.

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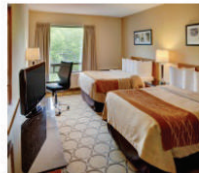
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THE CONNECTING CARTRIDGE

The .303 has been in military service for longer than any cartridge in history. From 1888 to the present it has been in service somewhere and sometime everywhere in the British Empire. Four generations of my family have used the cartridge in military training and competition.

As far as I know, the connection began in 1908 when D Company of the Bombay Volunteer Rifles, including my great-grandfather, won the Gregeen Cup, a regimental or garrison prize, for the fourth year in a row. They sat with their .303 Lee Metfords for a photo to commemorate their success.

Skip forward a generation and my maternal granddad posed for a picture with his service rifle in South Africa. His rifle was a Short Model Lee Enfield .303. I believe he began competitive shooting as an army cadet in about 1921, as I have a bronze medal for the Imperial Challenge Shield Competition, held throughout the British Empire in 1921 for boys and cadets aged 11 to 15. I have also seen a small silver trophy he and his shooting team won in a Mines Brigade competition during World War Two.

In the mid-fifties my Dad did his national service in the Australian Army. They also trained on the Short Model Lee Enfield .303. Unlike Canada and other Commonwealth countries, Australia never adopted the newer No.4 Mk1. Having completed his national service, my Dad moved on to other more sensible pursuits though he remains a competent shot.

In the late fifties, in South Africa, an uncle also did his national service. After training, young men went back home with their uniforms and their rifles. As a boy, I saw my uncle's carefully cleaned and oiled No 4 Mk 1 .303 rifle in the gun safe at my grandmother's house. From my mother's family I inherited a preference for linseed oiled stocks, mostly because of the scent.

I also inherited a sense of the value of marksmanship. In South Africa at that time, even in mixed company, there was prestige associated with the ability to shoot well, or at least there was in my family.

In South Africa, as in Canada, the .303 was the go-to rifle for the utility-minded shooter and over the years the calibre attained a certain allure for me despite its age. I remember being impressed by the brass butt-plated .303 carried by a Kruger Park ranger.

In 2000, I started work as Adjutant of the First Canadian Ranger Patrol Group (1 CRPG) in Yellowknife, NWT. I had spent much of my army reserve time as a member, coach and captain of service rifle teams, competing with the FN C1A1 as a member of my regimental team in 1980. Subsequently I competed in brigade and provincial shoots and along with the rest of the army, converted to the C7 in 1988. I competed in the Canadian Forces Small Arms Competition (CFSAC) at Connaught from 1992 to 1996, and represented Canada at Bisley, as well as

military Skill at Arms Competitions in Australia and Little Rock, Arkansas.

In 2001, as coach/captain of a Ranger team, I fired the Lee-Enfield to gain a better understanding of the difficulties in competing against modern, scoped service rifles with an iron-sighted bolt action rifle made in 1950 (mine was a "new" one!). I won the DCRA's University Cup for top bolt-action rifle and felt pretty pleased to have won prizes with all three of Canada's service rifles used since 1943. Aside from annual qualifications and infrequent use, my rifle spent most of its time in the Patrol Group lock-up between 2002 and 2008.

2008 was the centenary of my great grand-father's Gregeen Cup success and the first year of the CFSAC competition after a four year lull due to operations in Afghanistan.

The Canadian Rangers who made up our team came with their Lee-Enfields from every walk of northern life; two hunters, two guides, an airport maintainer, a business owner, a regional Inuit association executive, and a territorial government manager. Two members had competed at CFSAC a few years earlier but the rest were tyro, first-time competitors. We all met at 1 CRPG HQ in Yellowknife before flying to Ottawa.

The Canadian Rangers did well that year, winning a number of match prizes and gaining experience and confidence. Well down among the field of C7 shooters I was proud to get in under the line as the only Lee-Enfield qualifier for the second stage. When it was all done, I had moved up a couple of spots and won the right to have my picture taken with the University Cup as top bolt-action shooter.



Great Granddad and Lee-Metford: The 1908 D Company, Bombay Volunteer Rifles team (including my great grandfather, Alistair Forbes, front and centre) with their .303s

THE CONNECTING CARTRIDGE

The cup was originally presented for rifle competition between the "chartered universities of Canada". More recently it has recognized the efforts of the few who iron-sighted bolt-guns and contend against the AR 15-based space-guns, C7s and foreign rifles. One of the Rangers noted that the cup had first been presented in 1908, the same year as great-grandad's Gregeen Cup success.

This isn't all to say that my family has not noticed the passage of time or that there have been some improvements in cartridges and firearms. Great grandma dispatched at least three tigers using a 20 gauge loaded with "lethal ball". Grandad owned a good selection of modern rifles and shotguns. My uncles between them owned some of the better work of Mauser, Winchester, Brno and Weatherby to name but a few. Dad collected rabbits with a .22 as a kid and has recently taken up an air pistol. The use of the .303 has been partly a matter of circumstance and time but I'm glad to have been able to be part of both.

If we were to use the cartridge as a measure of time, one cartridge encompasses what I know of my family's

shooting history. Across more than 100 years four continents and four generations, my family is connected through the use of the .303 and the service rifles designed to fire it. With that continuity, the years seem shorter and the time not so great.

Conrad Schubert



CFSAC Team 2008

The 2008 First Canadian Ranger Patrol Group team at Connaught Ranges with the University Cup. I'm on the left at the back.

2015 PALMA TEAM UPDATE

Things are progressing nicely for all 3 teams moving forward towards the 2015 World Long Range Shooting Championships in Camp Perry, Ohio, USA. A Google group has been started to share team information amongst all people who expressed interest in being considered for one of the three teams. Head Coach, Pat Vamplew, has posted the first compilation of training information on the Group page and has also followed up by sending an email to prospective team members. **If you have not received this information and feel that you should be invited to the Group, let Peter (shooterpete@hotmail.com) or Pat (plewiee@gmail.com) know.**

All personnel who have expressed interest in being on one of the 2015 teams are invited to attend an upcoming training camp. Details will follow from the team management.

We have accepted an invitation to shoot in a pair of team matches as part of the US Fullbore Nationals in Camp Perry in August 2014. These matches are being shot on August 7th and August 10th. I am hoping to take a team of 20 Canadians (each match involves 12 shooters). Any prospective team members who would like to attend are to let Peter Westlake know as soon as possible. This is a relatively short tour (Aug 5-11/14) so I hope that shooters can fit it into their summer schedule.

In addition to some of our regular shooting events (the Imperial Meeting in Bisley and the Canadian Fullbore Rifle Championships), there will also be a second training camp in Connaught on Sep 27-28. The 26 person Palma team will be announced on Oct. 1/14. The Veteran's Team and the Under 25 Team will be announced after the Palma team is named, likely in late October. I would like to encourage all prospective team members to continue to train hard during the winter. The hard work you put in now will pay off this summer and in 2015. Good shooting to you all.

Peter Westlake – Captain, 2015 Canadian Palma Team
Roger Mullin – Captain, 2015 Canadian Veteran's Team
Alix Voorthuyzen – Captain, 2015 Canadian Under 25 Team

Peter Westlake

2014 SUMMARY EVENTS CALENDAR

*PLEASE NOTE—WE RECOMMEND CHECKING WITH YOUR PRA BEFORE ATTENDING MATCHES AS
THIS IS A TENTATIVE SCHEDULE*

MARCH 2014

LOCATION	DATE	MATCH	RANGE
ORA	March 16	ATT 1	Langemark, Bay 4

APRIL 2014

ORA	April 12	CQB Match 1	Langemark, Bay 4
Nova Scotia	April 12	Smallbore Benchrest Competition	Bull Meadows C
ORA	April 13	PR Match 1 (300-800 yards)	Mons
NCRRA	April 13	Club Pre-1964 – Traditional Shoot	Connaught Range
Alberta	April 26 & 27	Homestead Season Opener	Homestead Range
New Brunswick	April 26	RSO Training Day	St. Antoine

MAY 2014

New Brunswick	May 3	All Comers Match	Batouche
ORA	May 3	CQB Match 2	Langemark, Bay 4
ORA	May 4	ATT 2	Langemark, Bay 4
BCRA	May 9-11	39th CBG Service Conditions Championship	Chilliwack
Alberta	May 10	Free Clinic/New Shooter Day	Homestead Range
New Brunswick	May 10	Fredericton Centennial Match	Batouche
NCRRA	May 10	5-Stand Sporting Clays	Connaught Range
ORA-SR	May 10-11	SR Match 1	Connaught Range
Alberta	May 11	One Day Match	Homestead Range
Ottawa, ON	May 16-18	NCRRA Target Pistol – Victoria Day Match	Connaught Range
ORA	May 17	Vintage Match	Winona
ORA	May 18	Precision 2 (300-800 yards)	Mons
NCRRA	May 17-19	Victoria Day Matches – TR & F-Class	Connaught Range
SPRA	May 17-19	Victoria Day Matches – TR & F-Class	Nokomis
Alberta	May 24 & 25	May Day Competition	Homestead Range
ORA	May 24 & 25	Service Rifle Match 2 (100-500 yards)	Amiens
New Brunswick	May 25	Memorial/MacGuillvray Match	Batouche
BCRA	May 30	BC Service Pistol Championships	Chilliwack
New Brunswick	May 31	ISSF-Sierra Bullet Match	St. Antoine
Nova Scotia	May 31	Long Range Match	Bull Meadows A
ORA	May 31	CQB Match 3	Langemark, Bay 4
BCRA	May 31—June 1	BC Service Rifle Championships	Chilliwack

2014 SUMMARY EVENTS CALENDAR

JUNE 2014

ORA	June 1	Precision 3 (300-800 yards)	Mons
Alberta	June 7 & 8	Homestead Match	Homestead Range
ORA-SR	June 7 & 8	SR Match 3	Connaught Range
New Brunswick	June 7	Black Powder Cartridge Match	Batouche
New Brunswick	June 8	Intermaritime Trials & Team Training	St. Antoine
Nova Scotia	June 8	Intermaritime Trials & Team Training	Bull Meadows A
NCRRA	June 13-15	58 th Capital of Canada Skeet Championships	Connaught Range
New Brunswick	June 14	RCR Match	St. Antoine
ORA-SR	June 14 & 15	DM Clinic	Connaught Range
Alberta	June 21 & 22	Wild Rose Match	Homestead Range
SPRA	June 21 & 22	ISSF—Palma & Drillers Matches	Nokomis
ORA	June 21 & 22	Service Rifle Match 4 (100-500 yards)	Amiens
New Brunswick	June 21	Intermaritime Match	St. Antoine
BCRA	June 26-29	Western Canada F-Class Regional Championships	Chilliwack
New Brunswick	June 28	Range Work Party	Batouche
NCRRA	June 28 & 29	Long Range Weekend Matches – TR	Connaught Range
NCRRA	June 28-30	Eastern Canada F-Class Regional Championships	Connaught Range
Nova Scotia	June 28 & 29	Irish Team and Canada Day Matches	Bull Meadows A
BCRA	June 30 & July 1	LMR TR & F-Class Team Training	Chilliwack

JULY 2014

Alberta	July 5 & 6	Canada Day Match	Homestead Range
ORA	July 5	CQB 4	Langemark, Bay 4
New Brunswick	July 5	The St. Gabriel 600	St. Gabriel Range
New Brunswick	July 6	Military Rifle Match	Batouche
ORA	July 6	ATT 3	Langemark, Bay 4
Alberta	July 12	ISSF Championships	Homestead Range
New Brunswick	July 12 & 13	RNBRA Annual Prize Match	Batouche
ORA-SR	July 12 & 13	SR Match 5	Connaught Range
Alberta	July 13	Free Clinic/New Shooter Day	Homestead Range
SPRA	July 18 - 20	Saskatchewan Provincial Championship	Nokomis
New Brunswick	July 19	Match TBA	Batouche
ORA	July 19	Precision Match 4	Mons
New Brunswick	July 20	Precision Match	Batouche
Alberta	July 25 & 27	Fullbore Provincial Championships	Homestead Range
ORA	July 26 & 27	Service Rifle Match 6 (100-500 yards)	Amiens

2014 SUMMARY EVENTS CALENDAR

AUGUST 2014

ORA	August 2-4	ORA Long Range Match	Mons
BCRA	August 2-4	BC Target Rifle /F-Class Championships	Chilliwack
NCRRA	August 6-11	55 th Zone 8 Skeet Championships	Connaught Range
ORA	August 8-10	ORA Annual Matches	Mons
Alberta	August 9 & 10	DCRA Alternative Match	Homestead Range
BCRA	August 9	VR IS Service Rifle Championships	Nanaimo
ORA-SR	August 9 & 10	SR Match 7	Connaught Range
New Brunswick	August 9	Long Range Preparation Day	Batouche
Ottawa, Ontario	August 13 & 15	F-Class Championships	Connaught Range
Ottawa, Ontario	August 16	America Match F-Class	Connaught Range
ORA	August 16	CQB Match 5	Langemark, Bay 4
Ottawa, Ontario	August 14-16	Black Powder National Championships	Connaught Range
Ottawa, Ontario	August 15-23	Canadian Fullbore Rifle Championships	Connaught Range
ORA	August 17	PR Match 5 (300-800 yards)	Mons
New Brunswick	August 23	Precision Rifle Match	Batouche
NCRRA	August 23	5-Stand Sporting Clays	Connaught Range
ORA	August 23 & 24	Service Rifle Match 87 (100-500 yards)	Amiens
Ottawa, Ontario	August 24	America Match TR	Connaught Range
ORA	August 24	Vintage Match	Winona
Ottawa, Ontario	August 28-Sept 6	National Service Conditions Championships	Connaught Range
SPRA	August 30 & 31	Prairie Provinces Championships	Nokomis
ORA	August 30 & 31	Cedar Springs Championships	Cedar Springs
Nova Scotia	Aug 30 - Sept 1	Atlantic Championship	Bull Meadows A



2014 SUMMARY EVENTS CALENDAR

SEPTEMBER 2014

New Brunswick	September 6	Hunter Rifle Championships	St. Antoine
ORA	September 6	CQB 6	Langemark, Bay 4
ORA	September 6	ORA Intro Day/Swiss Match	Amiens
NCRRA	September 7	Club 5-Stand Sporting Clays Championships	Connaught Range
Ottawa, Ontario	Sept. 8-20	CAFSAC	Connaught Range
Alberta	September 13	Free Clinic/New Shooter Day	Homestead Range
New Brunswick	September 13	Mini-Palma Team Training & Coaching Day	St. Antoine
ORA	September 13	Precision 6 (300-800 yards)	Mons
Alberta	September 14	One Day Match	Homestead Range
New Brunswick	September 14	Black Powder Cartridge Match	Batouche
BCRA	September 20-21	Navy Match/Butchart	Nanaimo
NCRRA	September 21	Club Trap Championships	Connaught Range
ORA	September 21	ORA ISU Match	Amiens
ORA	September 27	ATT 4	Langemark, Bay 4
Alberta	Sept 27 & 28	John Howard Memorial Palma Match	Homestead Range
New Brunswick	September 28	The Chisholm Challenge	Batouche
ORA	September 28	Vintage Match	Winona

OCTOBER 2014

New Brunswick	October 4	Smallbore Match & Turkey Shoot	St. Antoine
ORA	October 4	CQB Match 7	Langemark, Bay 4
ORA	October 4	Mons Club Champ (1000 yards)	Mons
ORA	October 5	ORA Intro Day (300 yards)	Amiens
Nova Scotia	October 5	Purdy Match	Bull Meadows A
ORA	October 11	Precision Match 7 (300-800 yards)	Mons
BCRA	October 11	VR IS Precision Rifle Championship	Nanaimo
ORA	October 12	ORA Fall Palma (800-1000 yards)	Mons
New Brunswick	October 13	Any Rifle/Any Sight Match	Batouche

NOVEMBER 2014

ORA	November 1	CQB Match 8	Langemark, Bay 4
ORA	November 8	Precision Match 8 (300-800 yards)	Mons
ORA	November 15	ATT 5	Langemark, Bay 4
ORA	November 29	CQB Match 9	Langemark, Bay 4

IN MEMORIAM

Andrew Kniewasser O.C. 1926 - 2013

A career diplomat, businessman, public servant, avid outdoorsman and enthusiastic if casual skeet shooter, Andrew was a much-loved and respected member of the NCRRA Shotgun Section. He began his career in the foreign service after graduation in economics from Queen's University where he excelled both academically and in sports, in particular football where he was rookie of the year.

He served in postings in Athens, Beirut, Cairo and Caracas and four years in Paris as Canada's Commercial Counselor. In 1963 he was named General Manager of Expo 67, the World's Fair in Montreal and later served in Ottawa as Assistant Deputy Minister and then Senior Deputy Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce. In 1972 he left the public service to become President and CEO of the Investment Dealers Association of Canada where he served for 20 years.

In recognition of his contribution to Expo 67 he was awarded the Order of Canada and subsequently the Investment Industry Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal. He is survived by his wife Jacqueline (nee Delaney), four children, five grandchildren, one great-grandson and his sister Barbara.

As a dedicated Christian, Andrew was active in church throughout his life, both as an elder in the United Church of Canada and later as a Salvation Army Soldier.

George Chisholm Baker 1918-2013

George Chisholm Baker, CM, MBE, D. Eng, DCL, P. Eng., passed away on November 10, 2013 in Kentville, Nova Scotia. Born in Dartmouth on October 29, 1918, he was the only child of Clifford and Edith (Chisholm) Baker. At the age of seven, the family moved to Kentville which he called home for the rest of his life. In 1936 George entered the Royal Military College of Canada from which he received an early graduation in 1939 to go to war. George was commissioned a Lieutenant in the Royal Canadian Corps of Signals and arrived in England in 1940. He rose quickly through the ranks, was promoted to Major and became General Staff Officer Wireless for the 1st Canadian Army in 1943. His work in planning and implementing the signals portion of the D-Day deception plan and subsequent communications for the Canadian Army's advance through Europe earned him an appointment as a Member of the Order of the British Empire. It was in England that George met Ethel Marie Humbert, whom he married in 1942 and loved until her death in 1997.

On his return to civilian life in 1945, George studied electrical engineering at the University of Toronto, from which he received his degree in 1946. After a brief employment with Canadian General Electric Company, he returned to Kentville to take over the family business, the Kentville Publishing Company. During the thirty-three years he owned the company he continued his interest in engineering as manager of the Kentville Electric Commission from 1960 to 1981. In 1968, his expertise in the detailed analysis of complex data brought him as a member and later vice-chairman of the fledgling Nova Scotia Medical Care Insurance Commission that established the provincial Medical Services Insurance program. In 1971, George realized a lifelong dream to harness the tidal power of the Bay of Fundy by becoming a director and later vice-president of the Nova Scotia Tidal Power Corporation, a position he held until 1989. After leaving the corporation, he remained active in the field and developed an international reputation in tidal power and alternative energy sources. For his efforts in the worlds of business and engineering he was appointed a Member of the Order of Canada and was awarded honorary doctorates by the Royal Military College of Canada, the Technical University of Nova Scotia, and Acadia University. Within the profession, he was an honorary life member of the Association of Professional Engineers of Nova Scotia, a Fellow of the Canadian Academy of Engineering, a Fellow of the Engineering Institute of Canada, and a recipient of the Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers' Centennial Gold Medal.

He continued his consulting engineering activities throughout his life. Although at the age of 92 he finally closed his practice, he continued to advise engineering colleagues and old clients up to the time of his death. Always active in the community, George was a chairman of the Kentville School Board, president of the Rotary Club, and president of the Kentville Baseball Association. George was a keen outdoorsman all his life, beginning in his youth as a King's Scout. He was an avid hunter, fisherman and sailor. A championship marksman, he was a member of the 1949 Canadian Bisley team and later competed in Olympic trials for dinghy racing. George is survived by his daughters, Alison (Robert) Reynolds and Catherine (Bryan) Drummond, four grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

IN MEMORIAM

Dennis Jackson Tayler

1930-2014

Dennis Jackson Tayler left the range February 3, 2014. He was vacationing in Malta with his lovely partner Sylvia.

DJ was born in England 14 December 1930. The DEEJ studied hard and became a very accomplished piano player. He served in the British Army and was in the far east for a while. This started his target shooting and after discharge he joined the Altcar range as his home range. He competed at Bisley and in other parts of the world.

Dennis moved to Canada in about 1972 and worked for Pacific Press in Vancouver, BC. He became a valued member of the BCRA and the DCRA actively target shooting within Canada. In the early a1990's he took his retirement from Pacific Press. He stayed in BC for a while and worked as a piano player and teacher before returning to England.

He lived his summers in England and wintered in Spain, Southern France and Malta. In 2012 Dennis met Sylvia in Malta and that began the unfinished chapter in his life.

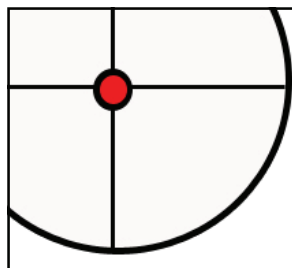
Stewart Walter Harry Trott

1937-2013

Walter was an active member of the Bermuda Target Shooting Association and a founding member of the Coral Reef Rifle and Pistol Club.

As President of the Club for many years, he exhibited his administrative and organizational strengths. He competed in many countries in the Caribbean, the UK, Canada and the United States. Walter was the first Bermudian to be the Vice-President of the West Indies Fullbore Shooting Council. He represented Bermuda in many international and regional competitions, and no fewer than 3 Commonwealth Games.

Walter's last shooting related venture was as the Bermuda Team Manager at the 2011 Small Island Games in the Isle of Wight. Walter was an active member of the Rifle & Pistol Club until his untimely passing.



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