

POSC BULLETIN

6 Oct 20

Next Executive meeting 3 Nov 20

*****NOTICE*BoD*ELECTIONS*ARE*ON*FOR*2021*****

Presidents Message

1. Good morning all members of POSC, as we all know understand by now that these are exceptional times, noting that day to day activities has been thrown sideways and this includes the yearly elections for your BoD.
2. It's impossible to have a normal election. On that note, we are going to do the election a little unorthodox, but the BoD believes that this would work. The hardest thing about operating the club on your behalf is not having you the members there at the general meeting, because of this pandemic and the concerns to social distancing.
3. I ask you please take the time to vote, because we volunteer our time and effort on your behalf to continue to make this the most economical and best shooting club in the valley. I also ask you to stand up and support these groups by becoming a member. These groups continue to fight on our behalf, the OIC that was imposed on legal gun owners across Canada. I'm sure there are other groups, I ask you to get involved in any way possible. The ones I hear about a lot and that come to mind to me are CSSA, CCFR and the NFA.
4. I also ask you to please volunteer your time to keep the club running. This can be done by submitting your info to the Volunteer chair, who will put your name on a list. When there are property projects that need volunteers, he will contact you. Please remember that all positions are filled by volunteers, and we need more to get involved.
5. I ask you to be vigilant when it comes to scams during the pandemic. I say this because there have been several email attempts from outsiders pretending to be member of the BoD asking them to go out and buy gifts cards etc. and they will be reimbursed later on. At no time will a BoD or Committee Chair canvas the membership to spend out of pocket. When you do receive anything like this, please contact that BoD or Chair immediately to let them know what is going on.

From the BoD and Committee Chairs, we want to wish you and your families a Happy Thanksgiving

Range Operator

1. The following came from the CFO, so I'm send it to you
"Gun Club/Range Executives: On September 2, 2015, the government passed a new "Bill" called the "**Common Sense Bill C-42**", which changed the way we look at Authorization to Transport Permits.

As the Firearms Act changed in 2015, the old Authorization to Transport Permit that I use to issue to you on behalf of your members are not needed. The government changed the permits into a condition that will be electronically add to the members license, when an individual gets a new/renewal license with restricted privileges, and possesses at least one restricted firearm.

I have been receiving many calls and emails from members all over the Province asking for Authorization to Transport Permits to go back & forth to their respective Gun Club / Ranges, so please forward this information to your members and Post at the Gun Club/Range."

Range Safety Officer

1. I have spoken to the RCD Health unit about the number of personnel allowed in the building. They referred me to Ontario Regulations 364 Sections 4 & 5

Section 4 covers Meetings and Events Space

Section 5 covers In-person teaching and instruction, both have the following amounts, taking into effect that all safety rules are followed:

50 persons, if the meeting or event is indoors; or

100 persons, if the meeting or event is outdoors.

Here is the link

<https://www.ontario.ca/laws/regulation/200364>

Stanley Mercredi

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Elections Chair

1. As mentioned at the top, there will be an election for the Board of Directors (BoD). Every year IAW your POSC constitution and Bylaws No. 15.0 ELECTIONS, you the ordinary members select and vote in your BoDs to operate and make administrative and financial decisions on your behalf.

2. If you are wondering if you have ordinary member status to vote or interested in running for the BoD, you must meet the following prerequisites (passed your **six months'** probation, attended at least **one meeting** & the **range orientation course**). If you are unsure, please contact the membership chair for confirmation, please include your membership # in your query to make searching easier. The chair can be reached at poscmembership@gmail.com.

3. Here are your Current BoD

President - Stanley Mercredi, **Vice President** - Gerald Hoffman, **Treasurer** - Deborah Mercredi, **Secretary** - Debra Hopmans, **Director1** – Vacant, **Director2** - Joseph Simms, **Director3** - Dennis Murphy & **Director4** - Kelly Ponewas.

3. If you meet the minimal requirements listed above and are interested in any of the BoD positions you can nominate yourself or someone you know that may be interested. The only caveat is that your membership has got to be current and runs you into the new year.

4. If you are nominating someone, please ensure that you provide his / her contact info to me. As the Elections Chair, I will contact that *ordinary member* and ask their intentions and if things are good, I will then put that members name on the ballot. If I'm unable to reach that member before the deadline of their intent to run the, their name will be dropped from the ballot.

5. Here are the timelines imposed to ensure that we have our elections

6 Oct 20 - Bulletin to call for nominees to be provided to our Elections Chair at poscelection@gmail.com

15 Nov 20 - all nominations are due to the Elections Chair NLT 7:00pm

17 Nov 20 - Bulletin Chair will send out the ballot, that was prepared by the Elections Chair & Vice-President. A hard copy to be mailed out to members that don't have an email address.

15 Dec 20 - All hand carried proxy votes are to be in a sealed envelope with their membership # on the outside and received or mailed in proxies are to be at the club and addressed to the "***Election Chair***" NLT 6:00pm. The mailing address is **Attn: Elections Chair**, Pembroke Outdoor Sportsman Club, Pembroke. On, K8A 6X6.

15 Dec 20 - Voting day is from 9:00am to 6:00pm in person at the club. Please have your Membership card with you; no card, no vote. There will be someone there to receive you ballots and put that ballot in a locked box, under the control of the Elections chair

15 Dec 20 – after counting ballots with 2 extra set of eyes for transparency, results will be communicated to the BoD and then the membership by the Elections Chair.

If you have any other questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me

Daniel Haynes
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Membership Chair

1. 373 members total with 27 open spaces available (243 Adult single, 79 Family, 45 Senior single, 6 Senior family)
2. Verifying Ordinary members via past minutes, to ensure all have been voted in
3. Motion to retire membership numbers of lifetime members who are deceased and commemorate them with shooting vest shaped plaque plates and display in clubhouse. Each plate to cost no more than \$40
Motion by Director4; 2nd Director3

Ashley Ponewas
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House / Rental Chair

House

1. Thank you to the Treasurer for washing clubhouse floors while I was laid up in my sling.
2. New mats received and installed
3. Need to wax floors

Rentals

1. CNL training has been sporadic; there will be 'low light' shoot next week (date not in calendar yet) from 9-10pm, so will be providing notice to local residents.

REMINDER. Please check the posc.biz calendar for range availability before coming out! We cannot have members coming out when we have rentals shooting – you cannot shoot on the same range as renters/agency training and should not be asking them if it is alright to shoot beside them.

Joe Simms
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Property Chair

1. Avalanche guards on now installed and completed on the lower and shotgun ranges and also on the garage.
2. Some of our damaged barricades has also been fixed.

Sean Budden
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Contracts Chair

1. Call going out for 3 quotes in reference to snow removal/sanding 2020/2021 season

Dennis Murphy

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Volunteer Chair

1. The chair will be stepping down 1 Jan 21, he is moving out of the area in March to pursue career opportunity; will complete his roles and responsibilities documentation before he leaves to hand off to new Chair.

Daniel Haynes

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Youth Chair

1. Still shut down for 2020
2. MNR planning to ramp-up again in December for 2021; waiting for them to call a meeting

Kelly Ponewas

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Indoor Chair

1. The indoor chair will be preparing a proposal to correct RO procedures on the indoor range

James Brush

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Lower Range

1. Wanting to complete installation of gong house within next 14 days; will work with Volunteer chair for bodies to help
2. The Vice President will be donating some used conveyor belt for use on lower range as it becomes available

Steve Morrow

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Shotgun Chair

1. Financials as reported by the treasurer. To date, income positive and projects within approved budget.
2. Our two (2) 5-Stand events were a success in generating new and renewed interest in the sport clay type targets. Hopefully next year will see more regular 5-Stand events.
3. Identified task for the 2020 major projects have all but been completed with the installation of the counter top and cabinetry. A big thank to Paramount Kitchens for their support in this effort.
4. Still on the books, is the clearing of some trees and brush on the west side of Range #1.
5. Our target inventory is less than 45 cases so additional cases might be purchased to cover the rest of this year and be ready for next year plus we best take advantage of the current 2020 price. Target purchase will be equal to or less than \$1,200.

6. The two (2) heavy rubber mats requested with the lower range purchase can be redirected to other needs, if the club sees a better use. The mats were originally requested as a possible need for the rabbit targets to minimize breakage on release, but all seems good without a mat.

7. Cliche Cabin is really starting to come together, there are few minor house keeping things, but all is good.

8. Thank you for the proactive installation of the avalanche arrests and the continued executive support in this project.

John Aikin

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