

POSC BULLETIN

4 Aug 20

Next Executive meeting 1 Sept 20

During COVID-19 restrictions the BoD will provide monthly bulletins to the membership

Presidents Message

Good evening all members of POSC

1. The BoD has convened and it was decided that all general meeting due to Covid-19 and unable to reassure social distancing will be cancelled for the time being. The BoD will be meeting to see how elections will be done this year in November. MTF
2. This last 5 months during this on-going pandemic has been hard across the board for local businesses and clubs alike. I ask you all to play your part and spend locally when its feasible and sign all petitions reference this undemocratic gun ban that the liberal government has been skirting around since the 1 May 20.
3. As it stands that I'm tracking there is over 9000 firearms on the ban list. And it seems that they continue to add more daily. A mandatory buyback program that the Liberal government is looking at is just another way of saying confiscation with your money.
4. After COVID-19 we will resume the revised constitution bylaws presentation to the General Membership (w/ Dan Mellon) presenting it. The approvals process of the same (64 pages to 38 pages – page by page review). Need enough members here to discuss and approve
5. Reminder – A modified Open House is off the table for 2020, will put a committee together in the new year for 20201
6. Statement of Work documentation from Executive extended to Summer 2021 (what you do, when and how you do it – expenses, forms, deadlines, codes, keys – what do you need to do your job). Meant to provide role continuity when you move on to another role or off the executive.
7. Smart locks up to a value of \$250 will be purchased, because it's unknown how many copies of keys may be dispersed amongst the membership over the years and now keys are sometimes not available and monies need to be spent to cut more.

Note: There has been a request from a neighbor to stop all shooting activities on the 5 Sept 20 from 4pm to dusk. This request has been approved by me and supported by the House Chair. This request is because they are planning to have a wedding in their back yard and want the peace for the ceremony to good well. This is a small inconvenience to the shooters, but a great PR for the club, knowing that we support them like they support us to be in the area. The house chair will ensure that this is done and enforced during the time frame requested.

Note: the only pers that will hold keys are people in certain positions. The locks that are going to be smart keyed is the garage and indoor chair doors. Other locks will be looked at if needed.

Note: If you want to become a member, just send in your application with payment, because spots fill up fast.

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Treasurer

1. Lawyers' fees on constitution came in and there are still some outstanding amounts.
2. The accountant we had looking into the CRA's request for GST has confirmed that the CRA has provided documentation excusing us from any such taxes as a non-profit club who does not collect GST from its members. This was expensive but worth it and accountant will represent us if it surfaces again down the road
3. We may need to go to market on the Property insurance as premiums have gone up again this year; a new insurer may be the way to go. We'll have to shop around before next April

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Membership Chair

1. 364 members total with 36 spaces available; 3 of which have their cheques "in the mail" after expiration. Still have 18 members to take the RO course, majority are new members
2. Expired members must come off the database the day they expire without the club having received their payment. No holding spots. Codes are sent by President to members and only members, 'in the mail' do not count. Expired members will have to retake the RO course. Instructions for renewal are on the web site. Repeated discussion of alternatives to cheque payment and it was reiterated that the cost and administration is too burdensome for the club, since we are none profit.
3. Memberships can be renewed 6 months in advance if they so desire.

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Property Chair

1. Cub Cadet has been serviced and discharge chute repaired.
2. Getting quote to install avalanche guard on lower range awaiting call backs. Will coordinated with shot gun chair when quotes are in. Push mower repaired, but recommend a new one
3. Please ensure garage is properly secured when you are done.
4. Motion to purchase a self-propelled lawnmower was passed, anticipating between \$500 and \$600 to be spent.

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House / Rental Chair

1. New Petroleum Oil Lubricate (POL) locker and a cabinet for ammunition has been purchased, waiting to be installed
2. KS Security completed all the hardwiring and installation of our security cameras. Only 1 camera is not hardwired, the one in the garage and it is wifi enabled with an extender (much more reliable than what we had, not going to lose

signal, will always record) approx. \$327 more than originally budgeted. An HDMI input component was added to improve the video feed on our monitors – much clearer picture.

3. To order new carpets (runners) through Uline after taking measurements.
4. Still to get battery back-up for our PC & camera system and new soap dispensers in ladies' washroom.
5. Will order motion activated sanitizer dispensers to position in the club and ranges as part of COVID stage 3. Six (6) total for Clubhouse main door, side door outside office, indoor, shot gun range, lower range and one spare; plus 10 large bottles of the sanitizer (if a second wave of COVID hits we will have our supply secured).
6. Also pick up 3 bottles of Sanisol (99% ISO) and spray for our own cleaning and sanitizing pre-meetings and pre-rentals.
7. CNL renewed in January, slow now, seems agencies have caught up on their training, waiting for OPP schedule.
8. Renter interested in playing music for a handful of people "Jam session"; they are looking for venues in Pembroke/Petawawa and they are looking at the club. They are to get back to chair with dates if they intend to rent.
9. Our part is to sanitize before renters arrive, they then have to follow their own protocols to protect themselves and their guests.
10. We will add a COVID disclaimer notice to the top of the rental agreement as a waiver to protect the club; this will be sent to CNL legal to vet before implementation (i.e. "NOTICE by renting these facilities you are responsible to ensure your own personal protection against COVID-19")

Note: House/Rental chair will be out for surgery August 24 and be in a sling for 6 weeks.

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Training

1. President ran the course on the 1 Aug 20. 8 people attended with masks, and it went very well. Allot of questions asked, which is good.
2. Overall there are less errors happening on the ranges to use as training examples at RO course. Reminder to all that minors cannot sign their own waiver on the ranges, only parent or legal guardian are allowed to fill it in. People do have to get their 'procedural memory' back now that we have gone into Stage 3

Note: RO's are responsible to ensure that all sign in sheets and waivers are properly filled in.

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Youth Chair

1. The youth program is Shut down for 2020, it will resume in Spring 2021.

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Indoor Chair

1. Sent note out to 19 Indoor Ros referencing schedule and only 4 responded, communication needs to improve.

2. Only qualified RO's who volunteer indoors may bring guests. If they are qualified, they can come and shoot by themselves.
3. If there is not genuine active participation in the operation of indoor range, it makes no sense to spend money on it. Likely have better response after summer. Some RO's cannot be the only ones who help with operations on this range, they will burn out
4. Training Officer will be consulted about qualifying more RO's for the indoor range – Trainor must be CSSA.

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Lower Range Chair

1. For in the last couple months the same minor errors have occurred when coming and leaving the lower ranges. While a large percentage of the membership is getting things right there is always some room for improvement. Please remember these top 3 items forgotten:
 - a. Open the sign for the appropriate range before beginning with your shooting;
 - b. Properly sign in with your member number only and to have guest legible write their name and also sign the waiver form; and
 - c. Leave the range clean or cleaner than you when arrived.
2. Keep up the good work and I look forward to seeing some new faces at the range.

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Shotgun Chair

1. Atlas Trap machines for *rabbit* and *teal* are operational.
2. BRB Voice Release System is ready for implementation on Range #1.
3. Number of rounds shot (as of the end of July) ~ 540 (~100 cases of targets)
4. New members and shooters have started to participate in the sport
5. An additional new Range Safety Officer (RSO) qualified, Jason McConnell.
6. A big thank you to the volunteers who continue to make the range operational and safe. Their efforts include; grass cutting, trap maintenance, painting, donations, and installations of components, new 5-Stand cages and safe RSO duties.
7. Pending projects include: clearing trees and brush west side of Range #1, swapping trap machine from the Combination Range and Range #1 and

Note: In the coming weeks the shotgun range plan to have *5-Stand* events show casing the new trap machines. So, stay tuned as POSC continues to strive to make your club versatile; a fun and safe shooting environment.

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