

POSC BULLETIN

3 Nov 20

Next Executive meeting 1 Dec 20

Presidents Message

Well it's getting to the end of the year, and I have to say its been the most trying because of this pandemic. There have been several times when we didn't know which way was up, but we trudged through it regardless together.

We still don't know what is going to happen with the pandemic's timeline, the governments OIC, which seems that more firearms are being added on a regular basis. Its hard for us legal firearms owners to really know at this rate which seems to change to what was once non restricted is now prohibited.

I want to thank the Execs, Directors and chairs that have stepped up to the plate to make a difference through this trying time, that has affected how we operate. I also ask you to continue to practice social distancing and wear a mask when you cannot guarantee 6 feet while on POSC property.

In the new year, there will be vacant chair positions, so please if you are an ordinary member. Please let the president for 2021 know that you are interested in a position. Help us to help you

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Membership:

- 371 members total with 34 open spaces available (241 Adult single, 79 Family, 45 Senior single, 6 Senior family),
- Continuing to verifying Ordinary members via past minutes, to ensure members for voting,
- Discussed accuracy of reports for elections,
- OFAH is behind on sending cards for members. Mentioned to look into a different insurance provider for members. Possible increase in OFAH rates for 2021,
- Ensure Membership form is updated to reflect 2021,
- Reminder to notify all life timers to submit new membership application prior to 31 Dec 2020, and
- Renewal memberships are continuing to come in.

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Bulletin:

- Nothing to report, other than if you are having an issue receiving the bulletin or reading it, please contact me directly to eliminate 3rd hand passage of info. He can be reached at poscbulletin@gmail.com

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House/Rentals:

House

- Layman fire came in to conduct annual inspection. About half dozen fire extinguishers replaced as they were expired, and

- Will do some more purchasing for the bathroom supplies.

Rentals

- Has been busy right now with CNL renting. Days are noted on the calendar. There was a conflicting issue with the calendar but has been fixed.
- **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.

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Property:

- Nothing much to report, other than get property ready for winter. Put barricades out going to lower range to keep vehicles off the road as it is soft and muddy due to the snow and warm weather.

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Contracts:

- We have only received one tender so far for snow removal contact for 2020/21,
- Last year cost for snow removal was approx. \$3800.00, and
- Discussion on type of contracts for snow removal: yearly price vs. per snow fall, which would be most beneficial for the club.

Dennis Murphy

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Volunteer:

- Nothing to report, please submit your name to be added to the volunteer list. At the present time we have a very small number of members to choose from.
- I will be stepping down as chair in the new year, due to work and training obligations.

Daniel Haynes

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Lower Range:

- There was an incident that a member has not been adhering to the RO rules when other members are utilizing the range at the same time. Member was suspended for 30 days as an RO and will have to redo the Safety orientation course. No firearms shall be handled or pointed down range or to the side when any member is forward of the firing line.

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Shotgun Range:

- Range Officer schedule ended last Sunday of October,
- Ranges will remain open depending on weather and availability of volunteer RO's,
- Annual year end meeting on hold pending COVID status and safety. Further detail TBA at a later date, and
- Cliche Cabin is basically fully functional. A significant step forward and asset for the club.

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Archery:

- 3D Targets will soon be put away for the season and will be set back up in the spring. However, shooting bullseye pads will be in place to allow members to shoot during the winter months

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Election Chair:

- Names have been forwarded for most position except for some of the Director positions. There are four position available and have only received two,
- According to Corporate profile only three are required but the club has four position avail,
- Hours of when the club house is open on voting day is from 3:00pm to 9pm,
- Canada post office mail box will be checked before end of day on election day, all votes received after 9pm on the 15 Dec 2020 will not be counted,
- For ordinary members, if you choose to drop off your ballot, you can stop by the club house and put your ballot in the green mail box marked "elections", please ensure you put your membership # on the outside of the sealed envelope,
- All nominations for any of the Board of Directors and Execs positions must ensure that their membership is current and carries them for 2021,
- Cut off for nominations for any of the positions has to be forwarded to the elections chair for a position is in before the 15 Nov 2020. His email address is poscelection@gmail.com, and
- Election Chair will be the only person allowed to handle all incoming votes and will secure them until day of election.
- Plan in play is to ensure the safety of all members is taking seriously and will be adhered to the RCDHU. If voting in person masks will be required to enter building, sanitizer will be available and admin area will be sanitized between voters. Please be patient with members that are volunteering their time to make this election happen.

****Important Upcoming Timeline**:**

- All nominations and correspondence for the elections is to be sent directly to poscelection@gmail.com
- **15 Nov 20** - all nominations are due by 7:00pm
- **17 Nov 20** - Bulletin Chair will send out ballots prepared by V. President and Elections Chair. The Membership Chair will pass this email list to the bulletin chair
- **15 Dec 20** – All proxy votes are in a sealed envelope with their membership # on the outside and to be received no later than 9:00 pm by mail or dropped off at the clubhouse and brought to the attention of the "Elections Chair"

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Range Operator/RSO:

There was an inquiry if our RO course is mandated, so I posed this to the CFO and his response was “. There is no legislative requirement in the Firearms Act or the Shooting Clubs and Ranges Regulations to have “club level safety training”. You may consider having your own club safety training if you wish. However, key portions are Section 5:

The operator of an approved shooting range *shall* ensure that the discharge of firearms on the shooting range does not endanger the safety of persons at the shooting range or in the portion of the surrounding area described in paragraph 3(2)(a), by taking appropriate measures, including ensuring that

- (ii) promotes the safety of all persons on the shooting range, including by accommodating any adaptation that may be appropriate given the nature of the shooting activities that may take place and the type and calibre of firearms that may be used there;
- (c) appropriate safety rules for the shooting range are applied that are consistent with the nature of the shooting activities that may take place and the type and calibre of firearms that may be used there;
- (e) if more than one person is simultaneously engaged in shooting activities on the shooting range, a person acts as the Range Officer.

7(1) The operator of a shooting range shall ensure that every person who indicates an intention to use the shooting range for the first time is informed of the safety rules used at that shooting range.

- (2) No person may use a shooting range for the first time without having received the information referred to in subsection (1).

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Treasurer's Report:

- Going to get busy between now and year end with memberships coming in,
- Expenditures for October were high due to a few large purchases for the club. New carpets indoors at all entrances and Norlock installed ice and gutter guards on all shacks outside,
- Not as much income from ranges due to COVID-19 this year and being shut down for a period of time,
- Reminder to President to look into property insurance in the new year as prices have increased,
- Reminder to notify Treasurer via email, text or call if deposits or expenditures are left in safe at club, and
- All ongoing club projects are on budget.

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New Business:

- Provided by Membership Chair: Update on plaques for members that have been with the club for many years and that have made an impact within the club that have since passed away. Going through historical data and finding out lots of information, dates of joining. Going to get a quote from Star Set Jewelry's, only one in the area that I know of that does engraving. More to follow.
- Non-Profit business information provided by Vice President: Takes about reserves monies, there are no set amounts that a non-profit organization can hold in accounts that would be penalized by CRA. Non-profits organizations cannot have profited accounts i.e.: high interest, or GIC's, as that is considered as making a profit. The BOD can make the decision of what is required for reserve to lock in for up to two years for operational expenses and future projects. As long as there is a budget in plan. When we had the GIC's it is probably why CRA flag the club and investigated our Non-profit organization. By planning a reserve that monies are spoken for thus allows it to not be considered a profit. A pamphlet has been left at the club explaining non-profit organization. Come January 2021 there will be a forecasted expenditure completed for the club to reserve monies that are in the account.