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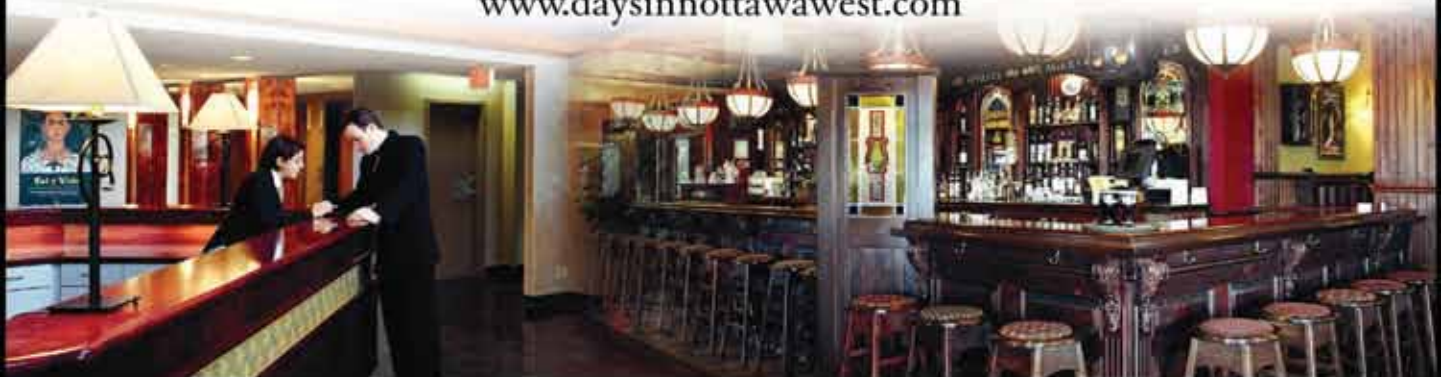
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**The Canadian Championships
August 13 to August 23, 2010**

DCRA APPROVED MEMBERSHIP FEES - 2011

MEMBERSHIP YEAR, 1ST APRIL 2010 - 31ST MARCH, 2011

Life	Sliding scale	Non-Canadian	\$ 50.00
Under 25 Term	\$260.00	Service	
Annual	\$125.00	(CF Personnel-NSCC only)	\$ 32.00
Under 25 Annual	\$ 85.00	Postal	\$ 16.00
Associate (Note 1)	\$ 50.00	Pavilion Club	15.00 GBP
Limited Associate (Note 2)	\$ 25.00		

Meeting:

DCRA Life Membership Fees (Senior)

Age	Rate	Age	Rate
25-30	x30 annual rate	51-52	x19 annual rate
31-32	x29 annual rate	53-54	x18 annual rate
33-34	x28 annual rate	55-56	x17 annual rate
35-36	x27 annual rate	57	x16 annual rate
37-38	x26 annual rate	58	x15 annual rate
39-40	x25 annual rate	59	x14 annual rate
41-42	x24 annual rate	60	x13 annual rate
43-44	x23 annual rate	61	x12 annual rate
45-46	x22 annual rate	62	x11 annual rate
47-48	x21 annual rate	63	x10 annual rate
49-50	x20 annual rate	64	x09 annual rate
		65	x08 annual rate

Age calculated as of 1 April

Note 1 - This rate is for members competing in BP or NSCC 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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Who are they???

Dave Letson was cleaning out his old files and came across a picture of this clay statue.

It was done by George Chase on the 1993 Bisley Team. He was forever doing these statues.

It is sitting on team dining room table at Bisley.

Do you know who they are?

On the cover:

Daniel Chisholm of Keswick Ridge, NB being chaired off the range after winning the Governor General's Final.

Photo by Scott Fulmer

The DCRA Annual General Meeting

Schedule of Events - APRIL 2010

- 10 April Council Meeting at discretion of President - 0930 hours
- 10 April Annual General Meeting - 1000 hours
- 10 April Annual Dinner (time and location to be determined)
- 11 April New Council Meeting - 0930 hours
- 11 April New Executive Committee Meeting,
following Council Meeting

Location: Connaught Range, Building to be announced later

Dinner Saturday

Saturday evening will feature the traditional blazer and tie dinner at a local restaurant. Please let the DCRA office know if you plan on attending the dinner so reservations can be made.

Annual General Meeting - Agenda

1. Opening Remarks by the President
2. Statutory Declaration of Notice of Annual General Meeting
3. Approval of Agenda
4. Adoption of Minutes of the DCRA AGM, 4 April 2009
5. Annual Report
6. Reports from Provincial Rifle Associations
7. Committee Reports
8. Vote of Thanks
9. Adoption of Financial Statement and Reports
10. Approval of Budget for 2009-10
11. Approval of Actions of Council and Executive in FY 08/09
12. Report of the Nominating Committee
13. Date of next Annual General Meeting
14. New Business
15. Adjournment

Costs

Registration \$ 15.00
Accommodation \$ 5.00 / night

Nominations for DCRA Council

In this issue of the Marksman you will find the call for nominations for the DCRA Council. In addition to positions filled by appointees from the Provincial Rifle Associations, ten places at-large are available for full members of the DCRA, with those elected serving a two-year term. If there are more than ten nominations, an election will be held by mail. Council members whose term is expiring are eligible for re-nomination and re-election.

The Nominating Committee strongly encourages all those with an interest in the affairs of the DCRA to consider making nominations and/or standing for Council. It is through the Council that the members can influence the policy and direct the future course of the Association.

It is also from the Council that the members of the Executive Committee will be drawn. The By-Laws require that voting members of the Executive be members of Council. This adds additional importance to the nominations about to be made.

We urge members to take a serious interest in the nomination process. Those with dedication and commitment to the DCRA are warmly encouraged to offer their names for election. Only full (not Associate) members of the Dominion of Canada Rifle Association are eligible for nomination and election to Council.

WINNERS OF THE EARLY ENTRY DRAW FOR 2009 WERE:

PAUL TREMBLAY	KEITH SKJERDAL
RON DAWSON	LEO D'AMOUR
STAN FROST	JOHN CHAPMAN
ROGER MULLIN	DON COLEMAN
NORBERT YAKEY	PIERRE TREMBLAY

REGISTRATION FORM

RSVP BY 5 MARCH 2010

Name: _____

I will will not attend the PRA/DCRA workshop. Province: _____

I will will not attend the AGM. Registration fee is \$15.00

I will arrive on _____ at _____ hrs I will depart on _____ at _____ hrs

Means of Transportation _____

- I require quarters on the range for the following nights: _____
- I do not require quarters
- I will attend the annual dinner on Saturday.
- I will not attend the annual dinner on Saturday.

TO: ALL VOTING MEMBERS OF THE DCRA

**COUNCIL MEMBERS AT LARGE
ELECTED BY THE GENERAL MEMBERSHIP**

NOMINATIONS FOR 2010-2011 COUNCIL

This official notice solicits your nominations for 10 new members to replace those elected in *April 2008*.

The list of names in bold font indicates the members of Council who were elected in 2008 for a two-year term until 2010 and who require replacement. These individuals may be nominated for re-election if available and willing to stand. The list also contains the names of those who were elected in 2009 for service until April 2011.

All PRA's are asked to also submit the names of their Designated Council Members for 2010/11 so that we can avoid nomination conflicts with the elected list.

Nominations must be received or postmarked no later than 19 February 2010.

Aaron Daley
Secretary-Treasurer

Elected by acclamation in 2009, term of office expires April 2011
Mr. Des Vamplew, Ontario
Mr. Robert Harrison, Alberta
Mr. Alan Clarke, Ontario
Mr. Steven Stewart, New Brunswick
Mr. Roger Romses, Ontario
Ms. Laurie Hearn, Newfoundland
Mr. Peter Dobell, British Columbia
Mr. Greg Perron, British Columbia
Mr. Andy Kolenko, Ontario
Dr. Roger Mullin, Ontario

Elected by acclamation in 2008, term of office expires April 2010

Mr. John Chapman, Manitoba
Major George Harper (Ret'd), Ontario
Mr. Alain Marion, Quebec
Mr. Ric Melling, Ontario
Mr. Paul Tremblay, Quebec
Mr. Patrick Vamplew, Ontario
Mr. Edson Warner, Quebec
Mr. Peter Westlake, Ontario
Mr. Don Coleman, New Brunswick *
Mr. Dale Rathwell, Quebec *

(*replacing Julie Belanger and Chris Jones who resigned)

NOMINATIONS FOR DCRA COUNCIL 2010 (form may be copied or facsimile submitted)

The undersigned members of the DCRA hereby nominate _____
for election to the DCRA Council at the Annual General Meeting to be held on Saturday, April 10, 2010.

Proposer: _____ Signed: _____

Secunder: _____ Signed: _____

I accept this nomination to serve on the DCRA Council if elected: Signed: _____

To serve on the DCRA Council, if elected, the individual's membership must be renewed and in good standing. Biographical information is to be supplied by the **nominee** in the space below. This and only this information provided will be included in the ballot for the vote.

Life, Full and Under 25 members only are eligible to nominate and vote.
All eligibility will be checked by the DCRA office.

Please return this form to the DCRA, 45 Shirley Blvd., Nepean, ON K2K 2W6 or
Fax (613) 829-0099 Attention: Chairman of the Nominating Committee.
Nominations must be received or postmarked by February 19, 2010

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

CANADIAN F CLASS RIFLE TEAM FOR THE F CLASS "AMERICA" MATCH OTTAWA, AUGUST 2010

It has been agreed with the USA that an F Class International Team Match will be fired alongside the "America (TR)" Match to be held at Connaught on Sunday 22 August 2010.

The course of fire will be 15 rounds at 300 and 600 yards, 800 and 900 metres, on ICFRA F Class targets.

Teams will consist of 8 firers, not more than four of whom may be F(O) with the remainder F(R/TR), Captain, Adjutant, Main Coach, 2 sub-coaches and 2 reserves.

The maximum team strength is 15, although a team may enter and compete with fewer than this.

CANADIAN F CLASS RIFLE TEAM(S) TO THE F CLASS WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP USA, 2013

The next ICFRA F Class World Championship (FCWC) will be held at Raton, USA, in 2013. It is hoped that Canada will have Teams in both the F(Open) and F(TR/Restricted) Classes.

Nominations are now invited from, or on behalf of, individual members of the DCRA to serve as Captain of the one or both of these Canadian Teams. The person(s) appointed will be responsible for the general arrangements for the formation of the Teams and for their attendance and participation in the Canadian Championships and/or the FCWC. For the FCWC, the appointed Captain may exercise discretion in appointing a separate Captain for either the F(O) or the F(TR) Team, but will coordinate the planning for both Teams. The Captain(s) may appoint other Team Officers at their discretion.

Nomination Procedures: Individuals may put their own names forward, or may have others do so on their behalf. In either case, the letter of nomination must include

- a. The full name, mailing address, contact phone numbers and e-mail address of the nominee;
- b. The signature of the nominee, indicating his/her willingness to serve, if elected/appointed, and the name, address and signature of at least one current member of the DCRA Council;
- c. The Team (2010 and/or 2013) for which the nomination is made;
- d. A short summary (not more than 300 words) by the nominee of his/her shooting and team experience, including any other factors that may assist the DCRA in coming to a decision.
- e. Nominations must be received in the DCRA Office not later than 30 November 2009. [This date may be extended if the mailing of the Fall issue of *The Canadian Marksman* is unduly delayed. Notification of any change will be placed on the DCRA web site]

The DCRA International Teams Committee, acting on behalf of the DCRA Executive Committee, will review all nominations prior to the meeting of the Executive Committee in early December. This review is to ensure that those nominated have the ability, experience and enthusiasm to take on this position and are thus eligible for election.

The name or names of eligible nominations will be sent to the Canadian F Class community by e-mail following the Executive Meeting. Canadian F Class shooters will be asked for their views on the nominee(s) and to express their preferences on the nominee(s). Responses will be required to be in the DCRA Office not later than 4 January 2010. In order to reach the widest number of Canadian F Class shooters, all are cordially invited to advise the DCRA of their current e-mail address (or FAX number if no e-mail) by 30 November 2009. Information on the nominees will be sent out by the DCRA.

If required a ballot will be held amongst the members of DCRA Council to choose one person from the list of nominees. Council members will be provided with a summary of the views of the Canadian F Class shooters. It is hoped that the final result will be declared by the middle of February 2010.

In order to have the strongest possible Canadian representation at the 2010 "America" Match, all Canadian F Class shooters are strongly encouraged to compete in the Canadian Championships (13 - 21 August).

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National Service Conditions Championship 2009

Keith Cunningham

The DCRA National Services Conditions Championship (NSCC) was held during the period of 22-30 August 2009. This year due to scheduling problems with the Canadian Forces Small Arms Competition (CFSAC) it was necessary to conduct NSCC separate from CFSAC by a couple of weeks. This caused us all great concern as to whether the usual members of the military would be able to attend. But in the end we had no other choice and had to forge ahead with the timings we had available. As you will see by the numbers below, all went reasonably well.

Appreciation...

With NSCC right on the heels of CFRC the office staff were hard pressed to make everything happen. The behind the scenes work and determination that went into the successful completion of these matches was incredible.

Appreciation is specifically extended to Serge Bissonnette, Bill Molnar, Aaron Daley, Betty-Ann Ferguson with a special thank-you to Kathy Corcoran who was the "go to girl" behind the counter in the office.

But none of this could have happened except for the dedicated volunteers who put in nine days of steady hard work. It was their efforts and will "to make it happen" that actually did make it happen. A special and heartfelt thanks to Dick Smith, Dave Steed, Steven Stewart and Linda Miller.

I would also extend my appreciation to the Connaught Range staff that provided the ranges for us and provided us with the administrative details that allowed the matches to take place.

I wish also to extend my most profound appreciation to the "Senior Shooters" who provided me with the sound and timely counsel when it was required. Each of you by providing the "steadiness in the ranks" made a difference and with your cooperation these matches were the success they were. We cannot do this without you and I thank you.

And finally, I wish to extend my appreciation to all the competitors who gave the extra effort by volunteering for work parties to make sure all of the many little details were accomplished. It is as a result of this willingness to help that we can have these matches.

The E-Mail List...

I have for the past several years been using an e-mail list to contact Provincial Reps, members of the military, range staff and other competitors. I have always received excellent feedback and ideas about the points being raised. I thank you all for your opinions and encourage you keep replying.

The Challenges for this year...

The challenges for this year were primarily as a result of the DCRA not being awarded the contract for CFSAC. We were unable to convince the company that did win the contract to use NSCC as a training opportunity. From what I have heard from many of the senior shooters they would have benefitted from that experience. It was, therefore, necessary to schedule NSCC a couple of weeks ahead of CFSAC. It was most unfortunate that some military teams that routinely attend were unable to do so

because of other commitments during that time of year. While at the same time a team from the "Van Doos" and one from LFWA did attend. As well, the faithful from LFCA were also there and altogether a larger than expected turnout was most welcome.

From an events scheduling point of view, the matches for each of the weapon classes were compartmentalized so that there was no overlap between them. This allowed a competitor to finish one class before moving onto the other. This worked well and will be continued for next year.

Unfortunately, we did have to cancel one day of events due to a storm. The winds were over 30 kph with a heavy rain that was falling almost horizontally. It was a hard decision to make, but the days events involved a lot of hand held targets including movers with figure 11s. We went down range and tried to handle the targets in the wind and found that we could not do it consistently well enough to make it a fair match. It would have been good training but a poor match. The forecast was for this weather to last all day, so we made the decision and for once the weather people got it right.

The Queen's Medal for the Reserve Force and RCMP was again acquired by the DCRA (as it is the DCRA's role to award it) and presented to the reserve champion rifle shot. However, unfortunately the military asserted that the scores used to determine the winner be those obtained from CFSAC. In addition, there were several breaks from tradition this year; neither the company running CFSAC nor members of DAT had sufficient familiarity with CFSAC SOP's to present the Queen's Medal in a manner keeping with longstanding tradition. Our DCRA President was not involved in the presentation, the winner was not chaired in for presentation and the medal was handed to the winner in a box without it being pinned on. All of which was an unfortunate deviation from tradition.

Attendance and results...

As was expected, attendance was down from previous year with a total of 113 individual entries in the service rifle, precision rifle and pistol events.

Individuals and teams came from the following areas and Units:

- Land Forces Western Area
- Land Forces Central Area
- Third Battalion Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry
- Royal 22nd Regiment
- Argyle and Sutherland Highlanders of Canada, Hamilton,
- British Columbia Regiment, Vancouver
- 30 Royal Canadian Artillery, Ottawa
- Governor General's Foot Guard, Ottawa
- Canadian Scottish Regiment
- 5 Field Regiment
- National Defense Head Quarters, Combat Small Arms Team, Ottawa
- Naval Combat Shooting Team, Ottawa
- Royal Canadian Mounted Police
- Individuals from British Columbia, Alberta, Ontario, Quebec, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick

I encourage provinces to pry loose some of their service conditions shooters and bring out a team. If they need any assistance in getting one started they have only to give me a call or e-mail and I will assist in any way possible.

These matches are not just for military personnel. Civilians who are interested in this style of shooting are more than welcome to join in the fun. If you are interested contact the DCRA for details. We would also take this opportunity to congratulate PO1 Martin Cashin, MARLANT, who won the Regular Force Queen's Medal. PO Cashin was a member of this year's Canadian Forces Combat Shooting team to Bisley. As near as we can tell he is the first member of the Canadian Navy to win a Queen's Medal.

We would also like to congratulate MBDR William MacKeigan, LFWA, who won the Reserve Queen's Medal.

Some Changes - Current and Upcoming...

This year CFSAC changed the Service Rifle match 4 from a 100 meter standing match to a moving target match. This was made known to potential competitors fairly late, so I made the decision not to change match 4 for NSCC. Even yet, I hesitate to change the match from its traditional form because the last time CFSAC tried to insert a moving target match it lasted for only a year or so and was changed back. This was because of the difficulty experienced by almost everyone to find a range where they could practise a moving target match. I would like to see the NSCC courses of fire stabilize so everyone knows what to expect each year. It is also interesting to note that all of the senior shooters that I contacted who shot this match at CFSAC thought it was easier than the traditional match 4 and that the traditional match 4 was an important marksmanship skill as well.

So appreciating the important skill set required to hit moving target, I am suggesting that rather than change any of the traditional matches, that NSCC have a new moving target match. The exact details need to be worked out, but it would include moving targets at 300 meters from the prone position, at the 200 meters from the kneeling position, at 100 meters from the standing position and finally at 50 meters from the standing. This could include timed run downs from each distance with shoot/no-shoot targets at each distance. Since we already have a FIBUA match, shooting at distances of 100 meters and less (which includes a mover at 50 meters), this new moving target match would fit in very well. It would be a stand alone match, separate from the Canadian

National Service Rifle Champion aggregate so that the difficulty in practicing would not affect the existing courses of fire.

This year Linda and I were coaches for the Canadian Forces Combat Shooting Teams that went to Australia and Bisley. A point that was brought to our attention was the many number of times the competitors had to shoot at 400 meters. Anyone who has shot in NSCC or CFSAC knows that out of all the shots fired in these matches, only two are shot at 400 meters. In fact, at the completion of the matches in Australia, one of the team members commented that he had now shot more shots at 400 meters than he had every done in his life before then. To correct this deficiency we thought that next year would be a good time to include a 400 meter phase in the service rifle course of fire. These matches are already written and have been included in the NSCC rule book for several years, but have not been scheduled for competition. I would suggest that they be included in next year's Championship aggregate.

This year for the NSCC pistol events we used matches selected from the Operational Shooting Association's pistol course of fire as series "A" matches. The series "B" matches were the scenario action type. I am hoping that the NSCC pistol matches can finally stabilize into something that can be the same each year. If anyone has any suggestions, please contact me.

DCRA Service Conditions Hall of Fame...

The DCRA has in place the Service Conditions Hall of Fame. Consideration for entry into the Hall of Fame will depend on a variety of conditions for which the accumulation of points is needed. Details can be obtained from the DCRA.

So what is happening for next year...

At this time it is hard to provide any details about NSCC 2010, other than to say there will be one. The rule book will undergo absolutely minimum changes so should be available much sooner in the year. Stay in touch with the DCRA web site and I will try to make details available through my e-mail list.

Conclusion...

If anyone has any comments or ideas please contact me and let me know what you are thinking.

Keith Cunningham

E-mail milcun@sympatico.ca



2009 NATIONAL SERVICE CONDITIONS CHAMPIONSHIP

Canadian National Service Rifle Champion
Mr. Keith Cunningham

Canadian National 3 Gun Champion
Mr. Keith Cunningham

Pistol Champion
James Boa Cup
MWO William Martyn

Precision Rifle Champion
Dominion Cartridge Trophy
Sgt. John Philpott

Des Burke Award
Cpl Devon Warner

Service Rifle- Individual Matches

Match 1	Open	CWO David Atkins	50V9
	CF/RCMP	Sdt Jean-François Ethier	49V7
Match 2	Open	Mr. Richard Smith	50V3
	CF/RCMP	Sgt Kurt Grant	49V5
Match 3	Open	Mr. Keith Cunningham	49V4
	CF/RCMP	MCpl Ian Millar	48V3
Match 4	Open	MCpl Kyle Roder	49V5
	CF/RCMP	MCpl Tatyana Danylyshyn	49V4
Match 5	Open	CWO David Atkins	50V7
	CF/RCMP	Pte Paul Caissie	49V5
Match 6	Open	CWO David Atkins	50V7
	CF/RCMP	Sdt Jean-François Ethier	50V6
Match 7	Open	Mr. Richard Smith	50V3
	CF/RCMP	Sdt Jean-François Ethier	49V8
Match 8	Open	Mr. Mark Sevenpifer	49V4
	CF/RCMP	Cpl Devon Warner	49V3
Match 9	Open	Mr. Keith Cunningham	50V7
	CF/RCMP	Sdt David Levesque	49V6
Match 10	Open	Mr. Keith Cunningham	50V6
	CF/RCMP	Sgt Kurt Grant	48V3
Match 11	Open	Sdt Jean-François Ethier	49V3
	CF/RCMP	MCpl Tatyana Danylyshyn	48V4
Match 12	Open	CWO David Atkins	48V5
	CF/RCMP	Cpl Ryan Steacy	48V4
200 Phase Aggregate		Sgt Kurt Grant	193V16
300 Phase Aggregate		Mr. Mark Sevenpifer	193V19
500 Phase Aggregate		Mr. Keith Cunningham	193V17
DCRA 550		Mr. Mark Sevenpifer	564V47
		Sgt Kurt Grant	564V34
		Mr. Keith Cunningham	560V51
		Cpl Ryan Steacy	555V33
		CWO David Atkins	553V62
Deliberate Aggregate - King/Dundonald Cup		CWO David Atkins	150V22
Snap Aggregate - Sherwood Cup		CWO David Atkins	147V14
Rapid Aggregate - Borden Cup		Mr. Keith Cunningham	142V12
Fire & Movement Aggregate - Wills/Morkem Trophy		Mr. Mark Sevenpifer	144V13

Highest Serving Commissioned Officer - Barlow Cup

	Lt Nicholas Fysh	493V21
Top Civilian Stage 1 - NSRA Award	Mr. Mark Sevenpifer	564V47
Stage 1 Aggregate - Helmer Trophy	Mr. Mark Sevenpifer	564V47
Stage 2 Aggregate - Currie Shield	Mr. Keith Cunningham	190V17

Service Rifle Team Matches

Stage 1 Team of 4 - Gascoigne Bowl	LFCA - "A" Team	2162V142
	Atkins, Des Roches, Grant, Ryan	

Service Rifle Champions

Canadian Service Rifle Champion		
1st Place	Mr. Keith Cunningham	750V68
2nd Place	Mr. Mark Sevenpifer	743V56
3rd Place	Cpl Ryan Steacy	743V42

Top Canadian Forces / RCMP

Cpl Ryan Steacy	743V42
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Des Burke Award

Cpl Devon Warner	217V13
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Tyro Service Rifle Champion

Open	MCpl Tatyana Danylyshyn	540V21
CF/RCMP	Cpl Sebastien Levesque	530V28

Precision Rifle- Individual Matches

Match 60	Open	Mr. Keith Cunningham	
		Mr. Thomas Krahn	98V11
	CF/RCMP	Sgt John Philpott	
		Mr. Richard Poaps	92V13
Match 61	Open	Sgt John Philpott	
		Mr. Richard Poaps	97V2
	CF/RCMP	Cpl Ryan Stacey	
		MBdr William MacKeigan	94V6
Match 62	Open	Mr. Chang Yu (Kevin) Chou	
		Mr. Chang Wei (Will) Chou	90V11
	CF/RCMP	Cpl Ryan Stacey	
		MBdr William MacKeigan	82V6

Match 63	Open	Mr. Keith Cunningham	
	CF/RCMP	Mr. Thomas Krahn	98V11
Match 64	Open	Sgt John Philpott	
	CF/RCMP	Mr. Richard Poaps	98V9
Match 65	Open	Sgt John Philpott	
	CF/RCMP	Mr. Richard Poaps	92V11
Match 66	Open	Cpl Ryan Stacey	
	CF/RCMP	MBdr William MacKeigan	91V4
Match 63	Open	Mr. Terry Perkins	
	CF/RCMP	Mr. Tom Bledowski	86V4
Match 64	Open	Mr. Richard Poaps	83V5
	CF/RCMP	Sgt John Philpott	90V7
Match 65	Open	Mr. Terry Perkins	
	CF/RCMP	Mr. Tom Bledowski	90V7
Match 66	Open	Sdt Carl Pouliot	
	CF/RCMP	Sdt Felix Tremblay	81V0

Precision Rifle- Team Matches

4 Man Team Champions - Major Molnar Trophy		
	The DCRA/OSA team	1277V103
	Cunningham, Krahn, Bledowski, Perkins	

Cdn. National Precision/Sniper Pairs Champions		
-The Molson Macpherson Trophy		
	Mr. Keith Cunningham	617V53
	Mr. Thomas Krahn	

Precision Rifle Champions

Precision/Sniper Individual Champion		
	Sgt John Philpott	315V29

Precision/Sniper Tyro Champion		
	Chang Yu (Kevin) Chou	313V28

Pistol - Individual Matches

Match 20	Open	MWO William Martyn	98
	CF/RCMP	Sgt Kurt Grant	98
Match 21	Open	Cst Darren Milburn	48
	CF/RCMP	Sgt John Philpott	44
Match 22	Open	Mr. Richard Poaps	60
	CF/RCMP	Sgt Kurt Grant	59
Match 23	Open	Mr. Gordon Bryan	148
	CF/RCMP	Sgt Kurt Grant	141
Match 24	Open	MWO William Martyn	95
	CF/RCMP	Mr. Richard Poaps	94
Match 25	Open	Mr. James Smith	98
	CF/RCMP	Mr. Richard Poaps	90
Match 26	Open	Mr. James Smith	98
	CF/RCMP	Mr. Richard Poaps	92
Match 27	Open	Mr. David Steed	98
	CF/RCMP	Mr. Richard Poaps	91
Match 28	Open	Mr. Richard Poaps	101
	CF/RCMP	Sgt Kurt Grant	92
Match 29	Open	Mr. Steven Stewart	118
	CF/RCMP	Mr. Richard Poaps	112
Match 30	Open	Mr. Steven Stewart	

Series "A" Shield Cst Darren Milburn 440

Series "B" Shield Mr. Richard Poaps 486

Pistol - Team Matches

Team of 4 - Commissioner Wood Trophy		
	<u>The Almost Normal</u>	
	Martyn, Poaps, Bovell, Bryan	3408

Clay Bird - Team of 4		
	<u>The Almost Normal</u>	
	Martyn, Poaps, Bovell, Bryan	

Pistol Champions

Service Pistol Champion		
Open	MWO William Martyn	927

CF/RCMP	Mr. Richard Poaps	910
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Tyro Champion		
Open	LS Rafael Drouin	788
CF/RCMP	Pte Leander Volz	744

Canadian 3 Gun Champion

1st Place	Mr. Keith Cunningham
2nd Place	Mr. Richard Poaps
3rd Place	Mr. Richard Smith

*Congratulations to all winners in the
DCRA's
National Service
Conditions Championship
2009*

Dates and entry forms for the
2010 Championships will be posted
on our website in the new year.

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A Response to the Secretary-Treasurer

S.E. Frost
Executive Vice-President

In the last issue of the Canadian Marksman, Aaron Daley, our almost new Secretary-Treasurer, raised a few questions and made some suggestions about the organisation of the DCRA. Since many of these thoughts are likely to occur to any new member, I felt they should be addressed.

The main points were the large size of our governing organisation, a perceived reluctance to change, and a resultant slowness in decision-making. When I was first elected to the Council, there were six Council representatives for each province. Now there are two, usually the president of the Provincial Rifle Association and a second Councillor appointed by the PRA. In addition we have an annual election for ten more Councillors for a two-year term, giving us some continuity on the Council. Beyond that, there are the elected officers (President, Executive Vice-President and Comptroller) and a number of Life Governors appointed by the Council at the Annual General Meeting. The current list of Life Governors includes past Presidents, current and past Executive Vice-Presidents, two past Executive Directors, past Programme Chairmen, and a few others, such as Mrs. D.M. Stewart, who take a special interest in the affairs of the DCRA. Fully half of the regular Executive members are Life Governors; they are there because they are interested in the continued existence of the DCRA and are willing to work for that.

We drastically reduced the size of Council some years ago, but we should not reduce it further. I believe we need representation from every province on the Council. And we would be foolish indeed to turn away our Life Governors who are amongst our hardest working Council and Executive members.

A relatively large Executive Committee is also needed because I have a list of some 25 jobs that need to be done for the DCRA to operate effectively. A small group of six or seven people could not do all these jobs. I also do not think that we could con a bunch of people into taking on some of these 25 jobs without them feeling that they have some voice in the running of the DCRA, in other words a seat on the Executive.

The two main reasons advanced for streamlining the organisation are costs and speed of decision-making. When I have asked the office for the actual costs of running our Executive and Council meetings, the best answer I get is "not a lot". I do know that some of the higher-cost members of the Executive (in terms of travel expenses) charge all their expenses but donate the money back, so the net cost to the DCRA is nil. I also know that some PRAs cover the costs of their representatives coming to meetings, so again the cost to the DCRA is nil.

Speed of decision-making is a non-issue. When I first joined the Council, only a handful of members had their own computers. Now there is only one member of the Council and Executive who does not have e-mail and he is only a phone call away. When matters are not urgent, I prefer to deal with them in a face-to-face meeting because the discussion can be quite enlightening and beneficial. However, I continue to deal with any urgent matters by e-mail and generally get a good response from the members of the Council and Executive. I am not aware of any issue where the DCRA has fumbled the ball because of slow response.

Yes, we do have a smaller group, the Planning & Priorities Committee, which meets more frequently than the full Executive, but which also does more business by e-mail. This committee consists of the Executive Vice-President, the chairmen of the principal committees (Shooting, Programme, Finance, Administration and International Teams), a former Executive Director, the Secretary-Treasurer and occasionally the President. The PPC deals more with policy matters than operating details and brings any financial commitments to the Executive for approval.

The DCRA is thinly spread over a very large country. When we had a government grant and the use of Service Air, bringing people from both coasts to meetings in Ottawa was not a problem. Our situation is drastically different from what it was 15 years ago but I would not want to further reduce provincial representation and hear again the complaints of the DCRA being run by the Ottawa mafia.

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## *Congratulations to the Romses'*

On October 1, 2009, Rylie Ann Romses was born to Roger and Michelle. She weighed in at 7 lbs. 12 oz. Mom, Dad and baby are doing well.

Congratulations also to first time grandparents Carol and DCRA President Ray Romses.

As Roger stated, "a few more years until she's shooting!"

We look forward to seeing Rylie on the range.



# Yellowknife Shooting Club Hosts Territorial First

On July 12th the Yellowknife Shooting Club hosted the first Dominion of Canada Rifle Association competition ever to be held in the NWT.

Twenty two Canadian Rangers from across the North and five club members took part in five rifle matches shot at ranges of 100 to 300 metres. The matches tested marksmanship and fitness and involved targets appearing for brief periods, a rapid fire match, a run-and-shoot match and deliberate fire match.

"This was the best match of this kind I have ever shot in the North" said Ranger Master Cpl Hardy Freund of Fort Smith, a seasoned competitor who has represented the Rangers at the Canadian Forces national marksmanship championship.

In the end, Freund placed 2nd overall just behind Ranger Sgt Scott Odian of Atlin, BC and just ahead of Ranger Sgt John Louison of Fort Good Hope.

-Conrad Schubert  
Match Director



Sgt Scott Odian of Atlin, BC collects his dues at the Yellowknife Shooting Club's service rifle competition held on July 12th. Club President, Barry Taylor presents the Dominion of Canada Rifle Association's gold medal to Sgt Odian. This match was the first of its kind ever to be sanctioned by the Dominion of Canada Rifle Association. (Credit: Mike Saunders, YKSC)



Master Cpl Hardy Freund of Fort Smith, NWT accepts his second place Dominion of Canada Rifle Association award from Yellowknife Shooting Club match director Conrad Schubert at the conclusion of the rifle match held on July 12th. Master Cpl Freund is a veteran competitor and proved it by his performance at the first NWT match of its kind to be sanctioned by the DCRA. (Credit: Mike Saunders, YKSC)



Ranger Sgt John Louison of Fort Good Hope, NWT took third place in the first service rifle match of its kind in the NWT to be sanctioned by the Dominion of Canada Rifle Association and held at the Yellowknife Shooting Club on July 12th. Sgt Louison accepts his award from the First Canadian Ranger Patrol Group's shooting team captain, Sgt Tim Stanistreet. (Credit: Mike Saunders, YKSC)



The best Canadian Ranger shooters from all across the North took part in the first service conditions rifle match ever to be sanctioned by the Dominion of Canada Rifle Association. Hosted by the Yellowknife Shooting Club and fired at ranges up to 300 metres the match tested the participants' skill with the venerable .303 Lee-Enfield and pitted them against some of the Yellowknife Club's best shots. (Credit: Mike Saunders, YKSC)



# DOMINION OF CANADA RIFLE ASSOCIATION

## MEMBERSHIP REPORT 2009

### PREAMBLE

Over the past 20-30 years there has been a dramatic decline in the membership of the Dominion of Canada Rifle Association (DCRA) and the Provincial Rifle Associations (PRA's). Many reasons for this decline have been offered; ageing society, changes to equipment, changes in society, gun control, loss of ranges and, increase cost of the sport.

Efforts must now be made by the DCRA and the PRA's to promote the growth of fullbore rifle shooting. As a national body, the DCRA should provide valuable education and guidance to the PRAs. The PRAs can provide the local provincial and clubs within their province with the necessary tools to increase membership. Several PRAs currently prescribe to various models provided below. Hopefully, the rest of Canada will adopt similar models or invent newer methods to increase memberships.

### AIM

To provide PRAs with knowledge, information, insight and guidance into the growing decline in national membership.

### REQUIREMENTS

All of the membership drives currently used by PRAs require the following:

- a. volunteers
- b. range time
- c. small amounts of shooting equipment
- d. small amount of financial commitment
- e. portable display unit

### METHODS TO INCREASE MEMBERSHIP

1. attend **GUN SHOWS** in their area. A small group of 2-3 volunteers using staggered hours throughout the show can promote fullbore shooting. A portable display unit (easy 5min assembly and take down) with PRA name, pictures, large buzz text and even an optional target face can be used to enhance the show.
2. produce a **PROVINCIAL ASSOCIATION PAMPHLET AND POSTER**. Digital pictures can be taken and used for the production of a pamphlet and poster. These pamphlets can be used at the gun shows. Pamphlets and posters can be sent to retailers throughout the province. Retailers should be sent a fresh supply of pamphlets at the beginning of each calendar year. Most retailers will display the poster on their storefront.
3. create a **WEBSITE** for your provincial association. In the 21st century many organizations around the world are keeping in touch with the rest of the world by the internet. Once your provincial association has a website, search engines will allow potential members to become in contact with you. Many provincial associations already use websites. These websites have the following information on their webpage (front page); logo, name,

links to provincial organizations, history of their association, yearly schedule, range locations (text and map), results of matches, news, swap shops and pictures.

4. make a **DVD** for potential new members. Information on the DVD would be similar to that of the website. Having a DVD produced can provide an alternative to the internet for those who have a computer but do not have access to the net.
5. create a **VIDEO** for the provincial association. A local college or co op student from a university could create, film, edit your project as part of their school requirement. The video need be only 3-5 mins. or 10 mins. This video could be put on a DVD or used on a website to advertise your provincial association or local club.
6. provide new members with a "**RANGE DAY**" or "**INTRO DAY**" early in the shooting season. The day should include a full safety briefing, short history of the association, different types of opportunities available to them. ie. disciplines. Have target rifles, vintage rifles and F Class rifles available for the new potential members to try. Some new members may have their own equipment. Your association probably has the answer to their long distance shooting requirements.
7. adopt a **CADET/JUNIOR**. Each year 5-15 cadets from each region/province complete a senior CLI marksman course at the Connaught Cadet Camp. Each year these cadets go home and often do not fire another shot in their lives. During their summer at Connaught these cadets are taught proper range safety, range etiquette, firearms handling and actually compete at a provincial match. They end their summer with a chance to qualify for the National Cadet Bisley Team. The cadets who do not qualify for Bisley are rarely seen again. A list of the names could prompt each region/provincial association to call these young marksman and maybe the prompt might keep them in the game.
8. **INTERNET CHATTER** on various "chat rooms" is another method to promote your provincial association. The association should assign one delegate to act as the sole representative/spokesperson.

### COST

Start up costs from existing associations have ranged from \$5000 to \$7000. Purchase or lease of a portal display, pamphlets, posters, ammunition, website construction all require some start up costs. Further expenditures maybe required if rifles are to be acquired. Scopes, slings, gloves, protective ear muffs may also be required. Items maybe procured from older members for initial start up, but in the long run the association should acquire its own kit.

The recoup in costs are often replenished with a small daily range fee of \$30-\$50. New aspiring shooters will often join the association to feel they "belong" to something. The opportunity to sight in rifles, be part of an organization, compete or, just be on a range to use their rifles is incentive enough to join the association.

### MAINTAINING MEMBERSHIPS

If steps (1-8) above have been taken, new memberships will appear. Maintaining these new members is another step to strengthening your association. Some PRA's have had as many as 50 new members per year but, getting everyone back could pose a challenge.

Further methods must be taken to keep the members coming back!! New stimulus is a simple answer. By further educating, providing range time or by just keeping in touch with these new members, they will certainly want to keep coming out to the range and maintain their membership.

Education through classroom time in the winter season at local clubs with instruction in; scorebook use, environmental effects, wind, handloading, care and cleaning, target rifle competition, F Class competition, vintage shooting, Swiss shooting, assisting in

military competitions and types of equipment. Offering a course for range officers, first aid as well as coaching courses could be added to the list educating seminars for the new shooter. Finally, the enrichment of any marksman takes its highest form by being on the range itself. Early instruction and range time should occur at short ranges. As skill and development increase the new shooter should be taken back to mid ranges (500 and 600m) and finally to long ranges (800 and 900m) when appropriate.

### CONCLUSION

Herein lies some helpful hints to improve the membership of associations for the 21st century. The changing times in our society provide challenges for all shooters.

The onus is on each association to get the existing members to volunteer their time and make any model work for them.



## The Shotgun Section

Jeff Kellett

On August 19 09 just enough Fullbore Rifle Championship participants came over to the NCRRA Shotgun Section to mop up the medals provided by DCRA - three. A huge disappointment, but you can only lead a horse to water....

The absence of Commonwealth teams again this year, which provided a good contest up to 2007, was no doubt a primary factor. One hundred and fifty clay birds went up in the air, and a few came down in one piece. After the smoke cleared, perennial winners Paul Bawden (44/50) and Jeff Lambe (41/50) took gold and silver, while Cadet Camp staffer Capt Mike Melnichuk (39/50) won the bronze.



CFRC - L-R Jeff Lambe (Silver), Paul Bawden (Gold), Mike Melnichuk (Bronze)

The separate event for NCRRA shotgun members was held on 23 August. We reduced the number of targets from 100 to 50 in an effort to make the contest more attractive to a majority of our shooters, many of whom are reticent to compete. This worked, as eighteen stepped up to the plate, the best entry for years.

Alan Birrell (50) and Robin Kellett (40) took gold and silver, while Tim Kellett and Gaetano Pecora tied on 45. Tim won bronze in a shoot-off.

Next year we will be more proactive in getting both the Fullbore people and our own members out to support these friendly and enjoyable events.



NCRRA Shotgun - L-R Robin Kellett (Silver), Alan Birrell (Gold), Tim Kellett (Bronze)

# The 127th Canadian Fullbore Rifle Championships

Daniel Chisholm, Programme Chairman

We fired our 127th Annual Prize Meeting at Connaught Ranges from 14-22 August 2009. With nearly 240 entering our MacDonald Stewart Grand Aggregate, it was nice to see increased attendance over our approximately 200 competitors who fired last year's match. There were about one hundred Canadian and British Cadets, eighty adult Canadians (twenty F-Class, sixty TR), two dozen Athelings, a dozen BDMP German rifle team shooters, more than a dozen Young Eagles, and a couple of dozen shooters on a US Development Team led by Scott Fulmer.

2009 was the first year of our three year trial of ICFRA rules, which as expected turned out to be mostly a non-event. Few TR shooters had trouble picking up the new 0.5kg trigger weight, and no TR shooters had any difficulty meeting the TR rifle weight limit (since there is no longer a TR rifle weight limit, it's a pretty easy rule to enforce). Our Chief Range Officer applied our new rules most conscientiously, so we ended up experiencing the new match start procedure (targets lowered at end of prep period, then targets are raised to commence of the match), no longer a time limit for an individual match (only a 60s-per-shot time limit), and uniform timings for team matches.

We continue to use our existing DCRA-1997 target system for TR shooting, and we have supplies of them adequate for many more years. These stocks will continue to be a consideration that will influence our discussions on if/when we should adopt the ICFRA target system for TR shooting.

The biggest changes to our programme in 2009 were related to F-Class. All F-Class shooters were squadded together on one relay and fired together on the same area (butt) on the range; they all got to shoot under exactly the same conditions, and your Programme Chairman can confirm that the relays and timings he chose for the F-Class shooters were intended to be the most difficult ones of the day. Since F-Class and TR shooters were no longer squadded together, it allowed us the opportunity to move to a tighter "5-V" target system for F-Class (a half-diameter V-bull roughly 0.5MOA in diameter was added to a standard TR target) that gave the F-Class shooters something very challenging to shoot at. Very good F-Class scores fired on the F-Class target were typically one to three points lower than very good TR scores fired on TR targets under the same conditions, and the F-Class V-bull counts were quite a bit lower. If a TR match was won with a 49V6, the winning F-Class score might be expect to be a 46V4 or a 47V3. Any F-Class shooter who earned an HPS cross can consider it to be a reasonably meaningful shooting award.

During the "F-Class Pow Wow" held during the week it was agreed that the "new way" of firing F-Class was overall preferred and that it should continue next year. The biggest negative recognized was that there was an unfortunate and unavoidable loss of contact and camaraderie between F-Class and TR shooters.

Weather conditions at Connaught for our Championships sometime form a good, and at other times form a memorable, part of the experience. This year the first few days were hotter and more mosquito-ridden than any I have ever experienced, by quite a long shot too. Cooler weather then rolled in and we had completely different cool fall-like conditions prevailed for the rest of our

match. The summer's substantial rainfall had Connaught's ranges looking much greener than they normally do in August (but see the previous note concerning mosquitoes!).

The only major weather interruptions were encountered with the Commonwealth Match, whose 800m stage ended up being cancelled after only a few minutes on the line as a large strong front of rain moved in. This resulted in the Commonwealth match being reduced to its 900m stage only. Additionally, the Commonwealth team match was fired with a reduced team size of 8, as had been done in 2008, but in retrospect it looks like this was a mistake. So next year we will return to the full-sized format of 12 shooters on the Commonwealth match, and we also plan to have weather good enough to permit us to fire both the 800m and 900m stages.

The United States of America made a clean sweep of the team matches. In spite of the fact that "they" beat "us", it was thrilling to see them shoot so well. The USA Young Eagles won the Under-25 Short Range team match and also the Under-25 Long Range team match. The US Development Team won the Commonwealth Match and also the Canada Match. Well done, USA.

The Macdonald Stewart Dinner on 2nd-Friday evening at the Chateau Laurier was held to honour the winner of the Macdonald Stewart Grand Aggregate, Mr. Kelly Bachand of Washington State. Mrs. Liliane Stewart was not able to attend her dinner and congratulate Kelly on his magnificent win, and we regret her absence. It was left to the rest of us to congratulate Kelly on his winning the most difficult and most meaningful award offered in Canadian fullbore shooting.

The Macdonald Stewart Grand Aggregate was also won by F/Open shooter Gord Ogg of Waterloo, Ontario and by F/Farky shooter Matt Wolf of Mascarene, NB.

The F-Class Final was won by F/Open shooter Leo D'Amour and by F/Farky shooter Jim Thompson. The Governor General's Prize was won by Daniel Chisholm.

2009 was my first year as Programme Chairman, and we also had several other people taking up their jobs for the first time. I am pleased to report that while there were plenty of possibilities for disaster to happen, none of them materialized. Aaron Daley was Match Director for his second year and certainly has the job well figured out. New office member Kathy Corcoran was up to speed almost instantly and always seemed to be smiling whether she was taking your money or handing out your HPS crosses. New Stats person Mike Corcoran not only figured our stats computer program and our shooting Programme in no time at all, but was also able to fix, on-the-fly, oversights that I had made in the shooting programme and in the computer programming. Betty Ann Ferguson was our central go-to source of institutional memory, and her steady hand was irreplaceable. Our new Quartermaster Don Ogden stepped in brilliantly and somehow ran things without a glitch. Our longtime Chief Range Officer Keith Bornn ran this, his final Canadian Championships, splendidly. Pat Quinn Brent Rotondo and the World Famous Smiths Falls Girls gave us first rate target service and always seemed to be smiling wherever and whenever we saw them.



Initial indications for 2010 are that we can probably expect to see some modest growth - pretty much almost everyone from 2009, plus a GB Rifle Team of twenty one led by Jane Messer, plus a US F-Class team coming to fire the 2010 America Match F-Class Alongside, plus a US and/or GB Vets team coming to fire the 2010 America Match Vets Alongside. We look forward to seeing 260-280 shooters firing the Canadian Championships next year.



## Warmup Matches at 2010 Canadian Championships

Daniel Chisholm

(a longer discussion of this article, and the most current version of this proposal, can be found online under the title "Adding Coaching to Warmup Matches" on my blog [dcraprogramme.blogspot.com](http://dcraprogramme.blogspot.com). There are also discussion threads titled "Training Opportunities at 2010 Canadian Championships" to be found at both <http://www.usrifleteams.com/lrforum> as well as <http://www.canadiangunnutz.com>. Please leave comments at the blog, on the discussion boards, or email them to me at [dmc@danielchisholm.com](mailto:dmc@danielchisholm.com))

Prior to our Grand Aggregate starting on the afternoon of First Sunday, we hold two and a half days of Warmups. The Warmups serve a number of important functions, some of them being getting newly hired butts markers and range line staff up to speed, providing elevation zeroes for shooters, allowing shooters for whom Connaught is not their home range to get a good feel for the range prior to the Grand, and also as worthwhile matches in and of themselves.

A common complaint about our fullbore shooting programme, nationally and provincially, is that we don't get nearly enough opportunities to shoot in team matches under coaching. And we seem to get even less opportunity to shoot under coached practice. Yet the most prestigious international matches that we fire, both F-Class and TR, are team shooting events, which the Brits seem genetically predisposed to win. Of course it's not genetic, but it is almost certainly helped by the fact that the Brits do a lot of shooting under coached team conditions.

I therefore propose that some of our Warmup Matches be modified so as to permit the shooters to be coached. By this I mean that a shooter would be allowed to fire his score individually (in the usual way), but if he wished to fire under the direction of the coach, he would be permitted to do so and his score would be accepted. Some feedback already received has indicated that perhaps shooters firing the warmup matches individually might find this to be unfair, so perhaps we should offer a prizelist that recognizes both individually-fired scores as well as coached scores (and perhaps the most meaningful way would be to have the coached scores be counted as teams of four or eight shooters).

What I would like to see happen is that groups of shooters, including but definitely not limited to national teams, would set up coaches and plotters on one or more targets, and then run through a succession of shooters. Multi-target collaboration amongst the coaches would be permitted.

If we use standard ICFRA team match timings (1m15s per shot), then over the course of a three-hour morning or afternoon time block there would be time for about eight shooters to fire on each target. So if a Palma Training Squad wanted to staff up four targets, they could have those four coaches assess 32 shooters. Or if

a visiting team were sized to fire the 12-shooter Commonwealth Match (e.g. the German or GBRT team), they could set up their official team on three targets and they could have every one of their shooters fire twice.

In a sense this wouldn't be a "real team event" because I am suggesting that only individual scores be counted. This is partly to allow and encourage a shooter on his own to still go ahead and shoot the match, but it's also a deliberate effort to encourage the teams to treat this as much as a training exercise than as a match in and of itself.

Two major reasons (from the shooter's point of view) for Warmups is to get elevation and windage zeroes, and to also get a refresher course in reading Connaught's winds. Participating in a team shoot, as a shooter and as a coach or plotter, ought to fully provide this important warmup function.



## ISSF-style 300m shooting at DCRA

Daniel Chisholm

As things stand, it looks to me as if the ISSF match is "broken". I think it's a good match, I love the challenge of shooting on such a demanding target, it's nice to shoot something with a common link to our SFC brethren, in fact I think it's a good idea all-around. But the "customers" are telling us that they aren't interested, and year after year they have stayed away in droves from this nice match. While 2009's attendance was probably unusually low because it was a two-day event that was used to select a Canadian team to the 300m CSFC match in India, the event's attendance hasn't been any more than about 20 shooters for the past number of years.

There are many good reasons for a shooter at the Canadian Championships to \*not\* shoot the ISSF match. It's one of our more expensive matches to run, and the entry fees reflect this. It is quite demanding of a shooter's mental and physical resources, which deters a number of shooters from starting ten days of shooting by firing seventy-plus shots in a single sitting.

I propose that DCRA not offer an ISSF-style 300m match in 2010, and to basically "retire" it from our shooting programme. We'd only re-introduce it in the future if someone wishes to step forward with a proposal to run the match in some way that would draw enough shooters to make the exercise worthwhile. In its place in the shooting schedule (1st Friday morning) we would hold other kinds of warmup matches at 300m on "D" range, on standard DCRA targets, without a shelter tent being set up.

There are some complications with retiring our 300m ISSF-style shooting. One big one is that Sierra has generously sponsored the match (its official name has been the "Sierra Canadian 300m National ISSF Championship") with a prize list of several thousand bullets, and has also sponsored similar provincial-level matches to go along with it (with many more thousands of bullets for prizes). The provincial "Sierra 300m Championships" matches have been very popular, and I suggest that they definitely \*not\* be cancelled.

(a longer version of this article can be found online under the same title on my blog [dcraprogramme.blogspot.com](http://dcraprogramme.blogspot.com)", including suggestions on how we might like to see the Sierra sponsorship of our national matches go. As I receive feedback I will keep the blog's version updated. Please leave comments at the blog or email them to me at [dmc@danielchisholm.com](mailto:dmc@danielchisholm.com))

# 127TH DCRA CANADIAN FULLBORE RIFLE CHAMPIONSHIPS

**H.E. The Governor General's Prize**  
Daniel Chisholm, Keswick Ridge, NB

**The Macdonald Stewart Grand Aggregate Winner**  
Kelly Bachand, Kent, WA, USA

**The Macdonald Stewart Grand Aggregate - Top Under 25 Canadian Winner**  
Shannon Carlton, Sutton West, ON

**The Canadian Target Rifle Champion (Bisley Aggregate)**  
Desmond Vamplew, Scarborough, ON

**Canadian Open TR Championship**  
Kelly Bachand, Kent, WA, USA

**The Canadian Masters Championship**  
Desmond Vamplew, Scarborough, ON

**The Des Burke Target Rifle Award**  
Ronald Dawson, Winnipeg, MB

**"F" Class Grand Aggregate**  
Open - Gordon Ogg, Waterloo, ON  
Farquharson - Matt Mascarene, NB

**"F" Class Final**  
Open - Leo D'Amour, Laval, QC  
Farquharson - James Thompson, Whitevale, ON

**Canadian "F" Class Championship and Bisley Aggregate**  
Open - Gordon Ogg, Waterloo, ON  
Farquharson - Matt Wolf, Mascarene, NB

**F Class Cdn Open Championship**  
Open - Wolfgang Scholze, Velbert, Germany  
Farquharson - Matt Wolf, Mascarene, NB



**Alexander of Tunis**

|     |                                        |      |
|-----|----------------------------------------|------|
| TR  | Desmond Vamplew, Scarborough, ON       | 50V6 |
|     | John Friguglietti, Lincolnton, NC, USA | 50V6 |
|     | Ken Westling, Vancouver, BC            | 50V6 |
| F/O | Marius de Champlain, Rimouski, QC      | 47V5 |
| F/F | Earl Spicer, Truro, NS                 | 43V1 |

**Army & Navy Veterans**

|     |                                     |      |
|-----|-------------------------------------|------|
| TR  | Ricky Hunt, Everett, WA, USA        | 74V7 |
|     | Peter Church, Dearborn, MI, USA     | 74V7 |
|     | Andy Doney, Lacrosse, WI, USA       | 74V5 |
| F/O | Wolfgang Scholze, Verlbert, Germany | 69V3 |
| F/F | James Thompson, Whitevale, ON       | 64V2 |

**Bisley Qualifier**

|     |                              |        |
|-----|------------------------------|--------|
| TR  | Andy Tikkanen, Calgary, AB   | 150V15 |
|     | Ray Smeltzer, Truro, NS      | 149V16 |
|     | Peter Westlake, Innisfil, ON | 148V15 |
| F/O | Glen Taylor, Leduc, AB       | 129V6  |
| F/F | Claude D'Astous, Laval, QC   | 116V2  |

**The Norman Beckett**

|     |                                        |        |
|-----|----------------------------------------|--------|
| TR  | Michael Wong Shui, Mississauga, ON     | 100V11 |
|     | Christoph Klueh, Butzbach-Des, Germany | 100V9  |
|     | Thomas Walters, Langley, BC            | 100V9  |
| F/O | Gordon Ogg, Waterloo, ON               | 98V7   |
| F/F | Matt Wolf, Mascarene, NB               | 94V6   |

**The Colonel John C. Brick**

|     |                                   |        |
|-----|-----------------------------------|--------|
| TR  | James Paton, White Rock, BC       | 100V15 |
|     | Terry Glenn, Auburn, NY, USA      | 100V15 |
|     | Shannon Carlton, Sutton West, ON  | 100V13 |
| F/O | Marius de Champlain, Rimouski, QC | 99V6   |
| F/F | Matt Wolf, Mascarene, NB          | 97V10  |

**The Gatineau**

|     |                                  |       |
|-----|----------------------------------|-------|
| TR  | Morgen Dietrich, Olivia, MN, USA | 75V10 |
|     | Ray Smeltzer, Truro, NS          | 75V10 |
|     | David Dyson, Huddersfield, UK    | 75V10 |
| F/O | Glen Taylor, Leduc, AB           | 73V9  |
| F/F | Matt Wolf, Mascarene, NB         | 70V4  |

**The Gibson**

|     |                               |        |
|-----|-------------------------------|--------|
| TR  | James Paton, White Rock, BC   | 150V21 |
|     | Laurie Hearn, St.Joseph's, NL | 150V20 |
|     | Scott Murray, Arnprior, ON    | 150V11 |
| F/O | Gordon Ogg, Waterloo, ON      | 148V16 |
| F/F | Paul Reibin, Kamloops, ON     | 145V9  |

**The Gooderham**

|     |                                      |        |
|-----|--------------------------------------|--------|
| TR  | James Paton, White Rock, BC          | 125V17 |
|     | Gerard de Costa, Litchfield, NH, USA | 125V17 |
|     | Maj AG McLean, UK                    | 125V15 |
| F/O | Bruce Condie, Kincardine, ON         | 123V9  |
| F/F | James Thompson, Whitevale, ON        | 118V6  |

**The Governor General's Qualifier**

|    |                                  |        |
|----|----------------------------------|--------|
| TR | Shannon Carlton, Sutton West, ON | 255V32 |
|    | EJ McConnell, BCRT (Athelings)   | 255V31 |
|    | Geoff Woodman, New Harbour, NL   | 255V28 |

**The "F" Class Final Qualifier**

|     |                               |        |
|-----|-------------------------------|--------|
| F/O | Gordon Ogg, Waterloo, ON      | 252V22 |
| F/F | James Thompson, Whitevale, ON | 242V17 |

**The Letson**

|    |                                         |        |
|----|-----------------------------------------|--------|
| TR | Stacey Tamulinas, Circle Pines, MN, USA | 105V17 |
|    | Andre de La Torre, Miramar, FL, USA     | 105V16 |
|    | Wayne Forshee, Senora, GA, USA          | 105V15 |

**The Letson**

F/O Barry Price, Munster, ON 105V12  
 F/F Matt Wolf, Mascarene, NB 100V8

**The Macdougall**

TR James Paton, White Rock, BC 100V14  
 Alain Marion, Gatineau, QC 100V13  
 Nick Mowrer, Colorado Springs, CO, USA 100V12  
 F/O Mario Charest, Magog, QC 99V14  
 Matt Wolf, Mascarene, NB 98V12

**The Ottawa Regiment**

TR Laurie Hearn, St. Joseph's NL 75V13  
 Maj AG McLean, UK 75V12  
 Peter Church, Dearborn, MI, USA 75V12  
 F/O Barry Price, Munster, ON 75V9  
 F/F James Thompson, Whitevale, ON 70V3

**The S.J. Perry**

TR Ric Melling, Oakville, ON 221V22  
 Terry Glenn, Auburn, NY, USA 217V27  
 Paul Bawden, Fergus, ON 217V18  
 F/O Marius de Champlain, Rimouski, QC 219V22  
 F/F James Thompson, Whitevale, ON 214V11

**The President's**

TR Shannon Carlton, Sutton West, ON 150V21  
 Sgt EJ McConnell, Athelings 150V19  
 Paul Tremblay, Quebec, QC 150V18  
 F/O Gordon Ogg, Waterloo, ON 149V13  
 F/F James Thompson, Whitevale, ON 142V10

**The Street**

TR Terry Glenn, Auburn, NY, USA 220V23  
 Ron Michon, Schenectady, NY, USA 213V12  
 Scott McGinnis, Orleans, ON 212V19  
 F/O Mario Charest, Magog, QC 220V16  
 F/F John Tetlow, Kingston, ON 199V14

**The Tilton**

TR Stacey Tamulinas, Circle Pines, MN, USA 100V17  
 Desmond Vamplew, Scarborough, ON 100V16  
 Brian Landwehr, Green Bay, WI, USA 100V14  
 F/O Gordon Ogg, Waterloo, ON 98V8  
 F/F Dale Rathwell, Arundel, QC 96V7

**AGGREGATES****The Aggregate for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century**

TR Kelly Bachand, Kent, WA, USA 1344V140  
 James Paton, White Rock, BC 1340V162  
 Desmond Vamplew, Scarborough, ON 1337V164  
 F/O Wolfgang Scholze, Velbert, Germany 1298V101  
 F/F James Thompson, Whitevale, ON 124V63

**The All-Comers Aggregate**

TR Shannon Carlton, Sutton West, ON 604V80  
 Paul Tremblay, Quebec, QC 603V75  
 Stacey Tamulinas, Circle Pines, MN, USA 602V80  
 F/O Gordon Ogg, Waterloo, ON 596V55  
 F/F Matt Wolf, Mascarene, NB 577V55

**The Gil Boa Aggregate**

TR Sgt EJ McConnell, Athelings 199V24  
 Kelly Bachand, Kent, WA, USA 199V23  
 Geoff Woodman, New Harbour, NL 199V21  
 F/O Gordon Ogg, Waterloo, ON 199V18  
 F/F Dale Rathwell, Arundel, QC 185V15

**Cdn Forces TR Championship**

TR Shannon Carlton, Sutton West, ON 820V94

**The Champlain Aggregate**

TR Peter Church, Dearborn, MI, USA 373V47  
 Maj AG McLean, UK 373V44  
 James Paton, White Rock, BC 372V45  
 F/O Wolfgang Scholze, Velbert, Germany 359V32  
 F/F James Thompson, Whitevale, ON 344V16

**The Connaught Aggregate**

TR Terry Glenn, Auburn, NY, USA 511V54  
 Ron Michon, Schenectady, NY, USA 502V32  
 Scott McGinnis, Orleans, ON 494V37  
 F/O Marius de Champlain, Rimouski, QC 500V37  
 F/F Claude D'Astous, Laval, QC 458V24

**The Farquharson Trophy (MS Grand Agg)**

Rest. Matt Wolf, Mascarene, NB 776V63  
 Dale Rathwell, Arundel, QC 770V57

**The Jack Gorrie Tuesday Aggregate**

TR Desmond Vamplew, Scarborough, ON 155V20  
 Wayne Forshee, Senora, GA, USA 155V20  
 Geoff Woodman, New Harbour, NL 155V14  
 F/O Glen Taylor, Leduc, AB 150V15  
 F/F Matt Wolf, Mascarene, NB 142V10

**The Gzowski Aggregate**

TR Desmond Vamplew, Scarborough, ON 222V22  
 Kelly Bachand, Kent, WA, USA 222V21  
 Andrew Wesel, Marietta, OH, USA 222V19  
 F/O Wolfgang Scholze, Velbert, Germany 215V10  
 F/F Matt Wolf, Mascarene, NB 199V8

**The Dick Hampton Monday Aggregate**

TR Ronald Dawson, Winnipeg, MB 200V18  
 Christoph Klueh, Butzbach-Des, Germany 199V19  
 Scott Murray, Arnprior, ON 198V27  
 F/O Gordon Ogg, Waterloo, ON 195V16  
 F/F Matt Wolf, Mascarene, NB 191V16

**The Frank Jerney Award**

TR Lyle Bruder, NACSTC 767V44

**The Klondike Aggregate**

TR Michael Wong Shui, Mississauga, ON 452V46  
 John Friguglietti, Lincolnton, NC, USA 452V40  
 Wayne Forshee, Senora, GA, USA 451V46  
 F/O Wolfgang Scholze, Velbert, Germany 441V32  
 F/F Matt Wolf, Mascarene, NB 431V38

**The Maple Leaf Aggregate**

TR Peter Church, Dearborn, MI, USA 369V43  
 Shannon Carlton, Sutton West, ON 369V41  
 Stacey Tamulinas, Circle Pines, MN, USA 368V46  
 F/O Leo D'Amour, Laval, QC 363V24  
 F/F Dale Rathwell, Arundel, QC 349V32

**The McCulloch Trophy**

TR Peter Church, Dearborn, MI, USA 601V65  
 Robert Pitcairn, Chilliwack, BC 599V67  
 Ronald Dawson, Winnipeg, MB 598V58  
 F/O Leo D'Amour, Laval, QC 592V46  
 F/F James Thompson, Whitevale, ON 567V40

**LGen W.A. Milroy Aggregate**

TR James Paton, White Rock, BC 250V33  
 Michael Wong Shui, Mississauga, ON 250V28  
 Laurie Hearn, St. Joseph's, NL 250V27

**LGen W.A. Milroy Aggregate**

|     |                          |        |
|-----|--------------------------|--------|
| F/O | Gordon Ogg, Waterloo, ON | 247V24 |
| F/F | Matt Wolf, Mascarene, NB | 239V21 |

**The Patron's**

|     |                                         |        |
|-----|-----------------------------------------|--------|
| TR  | Stacey Tamulinas, Circle Pines, MN, USA | 150V20 |
|     | Ron Sekellick, Canton, CT, USA          | 149V19 |
|     | Desmond Vamplew, Scarborough, ON        | 149V19 |
| F/O | Leo D'Amour, Laval, QC                  | 134V4  |
| F/F | Matt Wolf, Mascarene, NB                | 128V4  |

**The Polar Bear Aggregate**

|     |                                  |        |
|-----|----------------------------------|--------|
| TR  | Kelly Bachand, Kent, WA, USA     | 589V50 |
|     | Desmond Vamplew, Scarborough, ON | 587V69 |
|     | Alain Marion, Gatineau, QC       | 587V66 |
| F/O | Leo D'Amour, Laval, QC           | 575V36 |
| F/F | Dale Rathwell, Arundel, QC       | 547V41 |

**The Short Range Aggregate**

|     |                                  |        |
|-----|----------------------------------|--------|
| TR  | Shannon Carlton, Sutton West, ON | 235V39 |
|     | Paul Tremblay, Quebec, QC        | 235V38 |
|     | James Paton, White Rock, BC      | 235V37 |
| F/O | Gordon Ogg, Waterloo, ON         | 234V26 |
| F/F | Matt Wolf, Mascarene, NB         | 231V27 |

**The Tess Spencer Trophy**

|    |                                  |        |
|----|----------------------------------|--------|
| TR | Shannon Carlton, Sutton West, ON | 820V94 |
|    | Laurie Hearn, St. Joseph's, NL   | 818V84 |
|    | Laura Scoville, NACSTC           | 799V64 |

**Royal Rifles Challenge Cup**

|    |                                 |        |
|----|---------------------------------|--------|
| TR | Andrew Wesel, Marietta, OH, USA | 817V78 |
|    | David Adams, Mission, BC        | 810V73 |
|    | Jeffrey Jenkins, Timberlea, NS  | 809V74 |

**Strachan Challenge Trophy**

|    |                                       |        |
|----|---------------------------------------|--------|
| TR | WO2 FJT Puckle Hobbs, BCRT, Athelings | 817V77 |
|    | Sgt EJ McConnell, BCRT, Athelings     | 806V74 |
|    | Gord Hulbert, Weyburn, SK             | 796V64 |

**The Westhead Trophy**

|    |                             |        |
|----|-----------------------------|--------|
| TR | Christopher Chevrier, ACLIM | 789V70 |
|    | Scott McGinnis, Orleans, ON | 789V50 |
|    | Catherine Choquette, ACLIM  | 788V49 |

**The Coulter**

|  |                                  |        |
|--|----------------------------------|--------|
|  | Shannon Carlton, Sutton West, ON | 604V80 |
|  | Kelly Bachand, Kent, WA, USA     | 602V59 |
|  | Laurie Hearn, St. Joseph's, NL   | 600V66 |

**The Harrison**

|  |                                       |        |
|--|---------------------------------------|--------|
|  | Kelly Bachand, Kent, WA, USA          | 222V21 |
|  | Andrew Wesel, Marietta, OH, USA       | 222V19 |
|  | WO2 FJT Puckle Hobbs, BCRT, Athelings | 220V17 |

**The Otter**

|  |                                 |          |
|--|---------------------------------|----------|
|  | Kelly Bachand, Kent, WA, USA    | 1045V105 |
|  | Andrew Wesel, Marietta, OH, USA | 1037V99  |
|  | Laurie Hearn, St. Joseph's, NL  | 1036V98  |

**MISCELLANEOUS****The Long Range Challenge Match**

|         |                                     |        |
|---------|-------------------------------------|--------|
| TR      | Desmond Vamplew, Scarborough, ON    | 294V29 |
|         | Geoff Woodman, New Harbour, NL      | 292V15 |
|         | Andre de La Torre, Miramar, FL, USA | 281V24 |
| Top Exp | Ian Hogg, Stratford, PE             | 277V18 |
| Top SS  | Mitchell MacLeod, York, PE          | 255V6  |
| F/O     | Gordon Ogg, Waterloo, ON            | 269V11 |
| F/F     | Darin Stewart, St. Armand, QC       | 255V9  |

**The Sierra Canadian 300M National ISSF Championship**

|     |                                   |      |
|-----|-----------------------------------|------|
| TR  | Stephen Maly, Windsor, NS         | 1178 |
|     | Pierre Tremblay, Ste Brigitte, QC | 1174 |
|     | Terry Glenn, Auburn, NY, USA      | 1170 |
| F/O | Glen Taylor, Leduc, AB            | 1197 |
| F/F | Darin Stewart, St. Armand, QC     | 1197 |

**The Canadian .223/5.56 Championship**

|     |                                   |        |
|-----|-----------------------------------|--------|
| TR  | Stan Frost, Saskatoon, SK         | 438V40 |
|     | Paul Bawden, Fergus, ON           | 412V26 |
|     | Alexander Peden, Victoria, BC     | 283V28 |
| F/O | Norbert Yakey, Champlain, NY, USA | 388V10 |
| F/F | James Thompson, Whitevale, ON     | 410V19 |

**TARGET RIFLE - CADETS****The Botsford**

|  |                             |      |
|--|-----------------------------|------|
|  | Bryan Boyle, ACF            | 99V9 |
|  | Catherine Choquette, ACLIM  | 99V9 |
|  | Christopher Chevrier, ACLIM | 99V8 |

**The Brewers Aggregate**

|  |                             |        |
|--|-----------------------------|--------|
|  | Christopher Chevrier, ACLIM | 585V60 |
|  | Catherine Choquette, ACLIM  | 585V45 |
|  | Matthew Atyeo, ACLIM        | 582V45 |

**The Cadet Bisley Aggregate**

|  |                             |        |
|--|-----------------------------|--------|
|  | Christopher Chevrier, ACLIM | 684V68 |
|  | Catherine Choquette, ACLIM  | 684V54 |
|  | Matthew Atyeo, ACLIM        | 678V53 |

**The Cadet /Jr. Open Short Range Aggregate**

|  |                                       |        |
|--|---------------------------------------|--------|
|  | Sgt EJ McConnell, BCRT, Athelings     | 594V57 |
|  | Bryan Boyle, ACF                      | 593V49 |
|  | WO2 FJT Puckle Hobbs, BCRT, Athelings | 592V60 |

**The Cadet /Jr. Open TR Championship**

|  |                                       |        |
|--|---------------------------------------|--------|
|  | WO2 FJT Puckle Hobbs, BCRT, Athelings | 812V77 |
|  | Sgt EJ McConnell, BCRT, Athelings     | 806V74 |
|  | Waylon Burbach, Spring Green, WI, USA | 803V75 |

**The Canadian Cadet TR Championship**

|  |                             |        |
|--|-----------------------------|--------|
|  | Keith Letendre, RCAC NRT    | 793V59 |
|  | Tyler Sangster, RCAC NRT    | 791V53 |
|  | Christopher Chevrier, ACLIM | 789V70 |

**The Colville Prize**

|  |                  |        |
|--|------------------|--------|
|  | Bryan Boyle, ACF | 692V58 |
|--|------------------|--------|

**The Russell G. Potter Memorial**

|  |                                       |        |
|--|---------------------------------------|--------|
|  | WO2 FJT Puckle Hobbs, BCRT, Athelings | 812V77 |
|--|---------------------------------------|--------|

**INTERNATIONAL TEAMS****The Canada Match**

|  |               |          |
|--|---------------|----------|
|  | USA           | 1187V132 |
|  | Canada        | 1185V147 |
|  | Canada - Blue | 1178V107 |
|  | Germany       | 1170V114 |

**The Commonwealth Match (800m rained out)**

|  |               |        |
|--|---------------|--------|
|  | USA           | 394V34 |
|  | Canada        | 392V37 |
|  | Canada - Blue | 385V30 |
|  | Germany       | 372V20 |

**The Outlander Match**

|  |                  |          |
|--|------------------|----------|
|  | USA              | 1190V142 |
|  | USA Young Eagles | 1167V124 |
|  | Germany          | 1141V100 |

|                                           |  |          |
|-------------------------------------------|--|----------|
| <b>The Lum</b>                            |  |          |
| Team 3                                    |  | 184V8    |
| <b>Under 25 International Long Range</b>  |  |          |
| USA Young Eagles                          |  | 386V25   |
| GB Under 25                               |  | 378V24   |
| Canada                                    |  | 371V19   |
| <b>Under 25 International Short Range</b> |  |          |
| USA Young Eagles                          |  | 1178V115 |
| GB Under 25                               |  | 1171V104 |
| Canada                                    |  | 1162V113 |

## INTERPROVINCIAL MATCHES

|                                               |  |          |
|-----------------------------------------------|--|----------|
| <b>The All-Comers Aggregate Team Match</b>    |  |          |
| Ontario                                       |  | 3574V80  |
| Quebec/ATPQ                                   |  | 3541V333 |
| BCRA                                          |  | 3478V366 |
| <b>The Carling Breweries Match</b>            |  |          |
| Ontario                                       |  | 883V72   |
| Quebec/ATPQ                                   |  | 881V87   |
| Atlantic Team                                 |  | 876V70   |
| BCRA                                          |  | 869V79   |
| <b>The Coates</b>                             |  |          |
| Ontario                                       |  | 1307V109 |
| Quebec/ATPQ                                   |  | 1263V84  |
| BCRA                                          |  | 1120V99  |
| <b>The Jubilee</b>                            |  |          |
| BCRA                                          |  | 621V56   |
| Ontario                                       |  | 619V61   |
| Quebec/ATPQ                                   |  | 616V63   |
| <b>The Ladies' Pairs</b>                      |  |          |
| Ontario - S.Carlton/V.Hall                    |  | 297V35   |
| Newfie Bullets - L.Hearn/H.Nash               |  | 289V21   |
| Quebec/ATPQ - M.Lecavalier/M.Lariviere        |  | 279V18   |
| <b>The London Merchants' Match</b>            |  |          |
| Ontario "A"                                   |  | 581V52   |
| Gale Force 8 (Maritimes)                      |  | 581V51   |
| Quebec/ATPQ                                   |  | 581V45   |
| <b>The Macdonald Stewart Aggregate (Team)</b> |  |          |
| Ontario                                       |  | 6479V650 |
| Quebec/ATPQ                                   |  | 6369V515 |
| BCRA                                          |  | 6159V573 |
| <b>The Provincial Match</b>                   |  |          |
| Ontario                                       |  | 595V70   |
| Gale Force 8 (Maritimes)                      |  | 594V71   |
| British Columbia                              |  | 585V61   |
| <b>The Steinhart</b>                          |  |          |
| Ontario                                       |  | 572V48   |
| <b>The Veteran's Team</b>                     |  |          |
| BCRA                                          |  | 583V60   |
| Ontario                                       |  | 580V47   |

## INTER-UNIT/UNIT RIFLE

### ASSOCIATION/CLUB/CADETCORPS/ REGIONAL CADET TRAINING CENTRE

|                        |  |        |
|------------------------|--|--------|
| <b>The Aylmer Gard</b> |  |        |
| Winona Gold            |  | 594V59 |
| NCRRA                  |  | 592V62 |
| Atlantic Team          |  | 590V50 |
| BCRA - LM              |  | 588V60 |

|                                |  |          |
|--------------------------------|--|----------|
| <b>The Gillespie</b>           |  |          |
| BCRA - LM                      |  | 2394V259 |
| Winona Gold                    |  | 2382V259 |
| NCRRA                          |  | 2371V234 |
| <b>The Gordon Highlanders'</b> |  |          |
| Winona Gold                    |  | 820V84   |
| Athelings "A"                  |  | 819V78   |
| Athelings "B"                  |  | 804V51   |
| <b>The Imperial Tobacco</b>    |  |          |
| BCRA - LM                      |  | 3253V332 |
| Winona Gold                    |  | 3252V351 |
| NCRRA                          |  | 3225V297 |
| <b>The Mayor of Bagshot</b>    |  |          |
| BCRA - LM                      |  | 978V90   |
| NCRRA                          |  | 966V83   |
| Athelings "B"                  |  | 963V70   |
| <b>The Victoria Rifles</b>     |  |          |
| BCRA - LM                      |  | 861V81   |
| NCRRA                          |  | 854V63   |
| Athelings "A"                  |  | 840V44   |

## CADET TEAM MATCHES

|                                                 |  |          |
|-------------------------------------------------|--|----------|
| <b>The Buell</b>                                |  |          |
| Team Enfield                                    |  | 2569V87  |
| Team Lewis Gun                                  |  | 2543V73  |
| Team Bren Gun                                   |  | 2533V78  |
| Team RPA                                        |  | 2527V77  |
| Team Ross Rifle                                 |  | 2490V70  |
| <b>The Rex Goddard - Stage 1</b>                |  |          |
| BCRT                                            |  | 752V37   |
| RCAC NRT                                        |  | 742V43   |
| <b>The Rex Goddard - Stage 2</b>                |  |          |
| BCRT                                            |  | 811V58   |
| RCAC NRT                                        |  | 808V57   |
| <b>The Rex Goddard Combined</b>                 |  |          |
| BCRT                                            |  | 1563V95  |
| RCAC NRT                                        |  | 1550V100 |
| <b>The Michael Faraday Imperial Cadet Match</b> |  |          |
| Imperial Cadets                                 |  | 1224V99  |
| RCAC                                            |  | 1221V108 |
| <b>The United Empire</b>                        |  |          |
| Tm 100 E McConnell-BCRT/T Sangster-NRT          |  | 1597V127 |
| Tm 106 F Puckle Hobbs-BCRT/N Beaulne-NRT        |  | 1588V124 |
| Tm 97 C Rivett-Carnac-BCRT/K Letendre-NRT       |  | 1574V109 |

## MISCELLANEOUS TEAM MATCHES

|                                      |  |          |
|--------------------------------------|--|----------|
| <b>The Families'</b>                 |  |          |
| Les Tremblay                         |  | 300V32   |
| Paul Tremblay/Pierre Tremblay        |  |          |
| The Hearn                            |  | 293V28   |
| Laurie Hearn/Justin Hearn            |  |          |
| Connaught NACSTC-The Choquettes      |  | 291V22   |
| Martin Choquette/Catherine Choquette |  |          |
| <b>The Champion Pairs</b>            |  |          |
| Les Beaux Bonhommes                  |  | 2072V222 |
| Alain Marion/Paul Tremblay           |  |          |
| North & South                        |  | 1887V173 |
| Scott Fulmer/Andre de La Torre       |  |          |
| British Bulldogs                     |  | 1827V183 |
| Alexander Langley/David Dyson        |  |          |

### Senior/Junior Pairs

|                                |          |
|--------------------------------|----------|
| Team 63                        | 1192V139 |
| Desmond Vamplew/Waylon Burbach |          |
| Team 47                        | 1192V135 |
| James Paton/Kaylah Villeneuve  |          |
| Team 14                        | 1188V132 |
| David Dyson/FJT Puckle Hobbs   |          |

### The TR/F Class Pairs

|                                   |          |
|-----------------------------------|----------|
| Valcartier                        | 1614V154 |
| Paul Tremblay/Marius de Champlain |          |
| Bric Two for                      | 1600V117 |
| RA Hyndman/Wolfgang Scholze       |          |

### The Coach's Match

|                                         |       |
|-----------------------------------------|-------|
| <b>Class A</b> C Games Guys 1           | 99V11 |
| Paul Tremblay/Bruce Bullock             |       |
| Coach: Alexander Peden                  |       |
| <b>Class B</b> Chee Chee Manga          | 94V4  |
| Stephen Hunt/Ric Melling                |       |
| Coach: Daniel Chisholm                  |       |
| <b>Class F</b> The Russians are Coming! | 93V3  |
| Armen Papazyan/Earl Spicer              |       |
| Coach: Paul Reibin                      |       |

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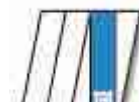
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## Invitations for Overseas

**The DCRA has received the following invitations for participation overseas in 2010**

### West Indies Fullbore Championships

**23 - 30 May, 2010**

**Location:** Paragon Range, Christ Church, Barbados

We are invited to send a team and/or individuals to compete against Barbados, Trinidad and Tobago, Jamaica, Guyana and Antigua, as well as other shooters from around the world. Would anyone interested in being part of this group, which would be an unfunded DCRA "Goodwill Team", please contact the DCRA as quickly as possible. A Captain/Manager is required to get things going.

### South African Open Championships,

**23 - 31 March, 2010**

**Location:** Bloemfontein Rifle Range

We are invited to send an Under 19 Team and other individuals to take part on the South African Championships. The matter of a Canadian Under 19 Team is being taken up with the Cadet Authorities. Anyone who might wish to assist in this effort, and/or who might be interested in going to South Africa as an individual, is asked to contact the DCRA as quickly as possible.

**The DCRA needs to respond to these invitations in the near future.**

**All expressions of interest will be gratefully received.**

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# THE GOVERNOR GENERAL'S FINAL 2009



|     |                                         |        |     |                                        |        |
|-----|-----------------------------------------|--------|-----|----------------------------------------|--------|
| 1.  | Daniel Chisholm, Keswick Ridge, NB      | 299V35 | 26. | Waylon Burbach, Spring Green, WI, USA  | 295V35 |
| 2.  | Paul Tremblay, Quebec, QC               | 299V34 | 27. | Gerard de Costa, Litchfield, NH, USA   | 295V32 |
| 3.  | Geoff Wodman, New Harbour, NL           | 299V34 | 28. | Alain Marion, Gatineau, QC             | 295V31 |
| 4.  | Desmond Vamplew, Scarborough, ON        | 298V38 | 29. | Peter Church, Dearborn, MI, USA        | 295V31 |
| 5.  | Kelly Bachand, Kent, WA, USA            | 298V34 | 30. | Maj AG McLean, BCRT                    | 295V30 |
| 6.  | Ron Sekellick, Canton, CT, USA          | 298V32 | 31. | Ian Hogg, Stratford, PEI               | 295V23 |
| 7.  | Sgt EJ McConnell, BCRT, Athelings       | 297V41 | 32. | Wayne Budbill, Bothell, WA, USA        | 294V33 |
| 8.  | Stacey Tamulinas, Circle Pines, MN, USA | 297V40 | 33. | Vicki Hall, Toronto, ON                | 294V22 |
| 9.  | Shannon Carlton, Sutton West, ON        | 297V37 | 34. | Wayne Forshee, Senora, GA, USA         | 293V39 |
| 10. | Stan Frost, Saskatoon, SK               | 297V35 | 35. | Jeffrey Jenkins, Timberlea, NS         | 293V30 |
| 11. | Gary Bendik, Pickering, ON              | 297V29 | 36. | John Friguglietti, Lincolnton, NC, USA | 293V27 |
| 12. | Christoph Klueh, Butzbach-Des, Germany  | 297V28 | 37. | Nick Mowrer, Colorado Springs, CO, USA | 293V26 |
| 13. | Brian Landwehr, Green Bay, WI, USA      | 297V27 | 38. | Barry Langille, New Glasgow, NS        | 293V26 |
| 14. | Bruce Bullock, Caledon, ON              | 297V26 | 39. | Brad Sauve, Midland, MI, USA           | 292V31 |
| 15. | Robert Pitcairn, Chilliwack, BC         | 296V38 | 40. | Steven Spinney, Scarborough, ON        | 292V29 |
| 16. | David Dyson, Huddersfield, UK           | 296V37 | 41. | Charles Clark, Denver, CO, USA         | 292V25 |
| 17. | James Paton, White Rock, BC             | 296V35 | 42. | Don Coleman, Gagetown, NB              | 292V24 |
| 18. | Fazal Mohideen, Pickering, ON           | 296V32 | 43. | Terry Glenn, Auburn, NY, USA           | 292V22 |
| 19. | Andrew Wesel, Marietta, OH, USA         | 296V31 | 44. | PO RA Hyndman, BCRT, Athelings         | 290V22 |
| 20. | Andre de La Torre, Miramra, FL, USA     | 296V30 | 45. | Antony Betts, Shanty Bay, ON           | 286V27 |
| 21. | Fred Ellis, Ottawa, ON                  | 296V30 | 46. | PO MJ Creber, BCRT, Athelings          | 286V26 |
| 22. | Pierre Tremblay, Ste Brigitte, QC       | 296V28 | 47. | Keith Letendre, RCAC, NRT              | 286V18 |
| 23. | Mike Wong Shui, Mississauga, ON         | 296V27 | 48. | Serge Bissonnette, Almonte, ON         | 285V21 |
| 24. | Laurie Hearn, St. Joseph's, NL          | 296V24 | 49. | Laura Scoville, NACSTC                 | 284V24 |
| 25. | Thomas Walters, Langley, BC             | 296V19 | 50. | Bart Yarmoshuk, NACSTC                 | 148V18 |



## THE MACDONALD STEWART GRAND AGGREGATE 2009



|     |                                        |         |     |                                         |        |
|-----|----------------------------------------|---------|-----|-----------------------------------------|--------|
| 1.  | Kelly Bachand, Kent, WA, USA           | 824V80  | 26. | Jeffrey Jenkins, Timberlea, NS          | 809V74 |
| 2.  | Desmond Vamplew, Scarborough, ON       | 822V103 | 27. | Ian Hogg, Stratford, PEI                | 809V74 |
| 3.  | John Friguglietti, Lincolnton, NC, USA | 821V77  | 28. | Ray Smeltzer, Truro, NS                 | 808V86 |
| 4.  | Mike Wong Shui, Mississauga, ON        | 821V76  | 29. | Maj AG McLean, BCRT                     | 808V81 |
| 5.  | James Paton, White Rock, BC            | 820V100 | 30. | Daniel Chisholm, Keswick Ridge, NB      | 808V80 |
| 6.  | Shannon Carlton, Sutton West, ON       | 820V94  | 31. | Stan Frost, Saskatoon, SK               | 808V75 |
| 7.  | Wayne Forshee, Senora, GA, USA         | 820V88  | 32. | Pierre Tremblay, Ste Brigitte, QC       | 808V66 |
| 8.  | Paul Tremblay, Quebec, QC              | 819V94  | 33. | Ken Westling, Vancouver, BC             | 807V78 |
| 9.  | Alain Marion, Gatineau, QC             | 818V90  | 34. | Gerard De Costa, Litchfield, NH, USA    | 807V72 |
| 10. | Laurie Hearn, St. Joseph's, NL         | 818V84  | 35. | Charles Clark, Denver, CO, USA          | 807V64 |
| 11. | Geoff Woodman, New Harbour, NL         | 817V79  | 36. | Stacey Tamulinas, Circle Pines, MN, USA | 806V98 |
| 12. | Andrew Wesel, Marietta, OH, USA        | 817V78  | 37. | Wayne Budbill, Bothell, WA, USA         | 806V86 |
| 13. | Ronald Dawson, Winnipeg, MB            | 817V78  | 38. | Sgt EJ McConnell, BCRT, Athelings       | 806V74 |
| 14. | Bruce Bullock, Caledon, ON             | 816V89  | 39. | Serge Bissonnette, Almonte, ON          | 806V74 |
| 15. | Peter Church, Dearborn, MI, USA        | 816V80  | 40. | Scott Murray, Arnprior, ON              | 806V73 |
| 16. | Fazal Mohideen, Pickering, ON          | 815V82  | 41. | Faisal Rahman, Toronto, ON              | 806V71 |
| 17. | Christoph Klueh, Butzbach-Des, Germany | 814V78  | 42. | Andy Tikkanen, Calgary, AB              | 806V68 |
| 18. | Ron Sekellick, Canton, CT, USA         | 813V81  | 43. | Steven Spinney, Scarborough, ON         | 805V78 |
| 19. | David Dyson, Huddersfield, UK          | 812V89  | 44. | Nick Mowrer, Colorado Springs, CO, USA  | 805V67 |
| 20. | WO2 FJT Puckle Hobbs, BCRT, Athelings  | 812V77  | 45. | Terry Glenn, Auburn, NY                 | 804V79 |
| 21. | Thomas Walters, Langley, BC            | 812V75  | 46. | Ricky Hunt, Everett, WA, USA            | 804V78 |
| 22. | Robert Pitcairn, Chilliwack, BC        | 811V84  | 47. | Morgen Dietrich, Olivia, MN, USA        | 804V76 |
| 23. | Gary Bendik, Pickering, ON             | 811V76  | 48. | Don Coleman, Gagetown, NB               | 803V79 |
| 24. | Barry Langille, New Glasgow, NS        | 810V77  | 49. | Waylon Burbach, Spring Green, WI, USA   | 803V75 |
| 25. | David Adams, Mission, BC               | 810V73  | 50. | Brian Landwehr, Green Bay, WI, USA      | 803V60 |

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Mark your calendar now! The Canadian Championships will be held on Friday, August 13 to Saturday, August 21, 2010 and the America Match Sunday, August 22, 2010. Entry forms will be available in the next issue of The Canadian Marksman and our website ([www.dcr.ca](http://www.dcr.ca)) early in the new year.



## “F” CLASS GRAND AGGREGATE & CRONE TROPHY - 2009



|    |                                    |        |     |                                   |        |
|----|------------------------------------|--------|-----|-----------------------------------|--------|
| 1. | Gordon Ogg, Waterloo, ON           | 808V71 | 6.  | Marius de Champlain, Rimouski, QC | 795V60 |
| 2. | Wolfgang Scholze, Velbert, Germany | 806V63 | 7.  | Mario Charest, Magog, QC          | 783V60 |
| 3. | Leo D’Amour, Laval, QC             | 804V58 | 8.  | Bruce Condie, Kincardine, ON      | 782V49 |
| 4. | Glen Taylor, Leduc, AB             | 801V70 | 9.  | Keith Skjerdal, Saskatoon, SK     | 777V56 |
| 5. | Barry Price, Munster, ON           | 797V75 | 10. | Matt Wolf, Mascarene, NB          | 776V63 |

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## THE MACDONALD STEWART GRAND AGGREGATE - UNDER 25 - 2009



|    |                                  |        |     |                             |        |
|----|----------------------------------|--------|-----|-----------------------------|--------|
| 1. | Shannon Carlton, Sutton West, ON | 820V94 | 6.  | Kevin Leblanc, NACSTC       | 796V61 |
| 2. | Laurie Hearn, St Josephs, NL     | 818V84 | 7.  | Keith Letendre, RCAC NRT    | 793V59 |
| 3. | Justin Hearn, Connaught Staff    | 802V70 | 8.  | Kaylah Villeneuve, NACSTC   | 791V65 |
| 4. | Laura Scoville, NACSTC           | 799V64 | 9.  | Sangster, Tyler, RCAC NRT   | 791V53 |
| 5. | Alan Ferguson, NACSTC            | 796V65 | 10. | Christopher Chevrier, ACLIM | 789V70 |

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## “F” CLASS FINAL - 2009



### F-Class Open

### F-Class Farquharson

|    |                                    |        |    |                                 |        |
|----|------------------------------------|--------|----|---------------------------------|--------|
| 1. | Leo D’Amour, Laval, QC             | 282V16 | 1. | James Thompson, Whitevale, ON   | 267V11 |
| 2. | Gordon Ogg, Waterloo, ON           | 281V21 | 2. | Dale Rathwell, Arundel, QC      | 266V18 |
| 3. | Wolfgang Scholze, Velbert, Germany | 277V21 | 3. | Matt Wolf, Mascarene, NB        | 263V12 |
| 4. | Barry Price, Munster, ON           | 273V15 | 4. | Colin Brown, Ancaster, ON       | 253V12 |
| 5. | Bruce Condie, Kincardine, ON       | 270V7  | 5. | Armen Papazyan, North Shore, NS | 240V7  |

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## CANADIAN “F” CLASS CHAMPIONSHIP AND BISLEY AGGREGATE 2009



|        |                                   |        |        |                               |        |
|--------|-----------------------------------|--------|--------|-------------------------------|--------|
| 1. F/O | Gordon Ogg, Waterloo, ON          | 940V79 | 1. F/F | Matt Wolf, Mascarene, NB      | 904V67 |
| 2.     | Leo D’Amour, Laval, QC            | 938V62 | 2.     | Dale Rathwell, Arundel, QC    | 895V62 |
| 3.     | Glen Taylor, Leduc, BC            | 930V76 | 3.     | James Thompson, Whitevale, ON | 880V47 |
| 4.     | Barry Price, Munster, ON          | 927V78 | 4.     | Paul Reibin, Kamloops, BC     | 857V38 |
| 5.     | Marius de Champlain, Rimouski, QC | 921V68 | 5.     | Colin Brown, Hamilton, ON     | 848V38 |

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## CANADIAN MASTERS CHAMPIONSHIP 2009



|    |                                    |        |     |                                  |        |
|----|------------------------------------|--------|-----|----------------------------------|--------|
| 1. | Desmond Vamplew, Scarborough, ON   | 736V88 | 6.  | Paul Tremblay, Quebec, QC        | 733V72 |
| 2. | Michael Wong Shui, Mississauga, ON | 735V65 | 7.  | Shannon Carlton, Sutton West, ON | 732V71 |
| 3. | Geoff Woodman, New Harbour, NL     | 734V76 | 8.  | Laurie Hearn, St. Joseph’s, NL   | 731V65 |
| 4. | James Paton, White Rock, BC        | 733V80 | 9.  | Bruce Bullock, Caledon, ON       | 729V74 |
| 5. | Alain Marion, Gatineau, QC         | 733V79 | 10. | Fazal Mohideen, Pickering, ON    | 728V76 |

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## “F” CLASS CANADIAN OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP 2009



|        |                                    |         |        |                                 |        |
|--------|------------------------------------|---------|--------|---------------------------------|--------|
| 1. F/O | Wolfgang Scholze, Velbert, Germany | 1008V72 | 1. F/F | Matt Wolf, Mascarene, NB        | 968V57 |
| 2.     | Gordon Ogg, Waterloo, ON           | 1004V81 | 2.     | James Thompson, Whitevale, ON   | 944V49 |
| 3.     | Leo D’Amour, Laval, QC             | 995V62  | 3.     | Armen Papazyan, North Shore, NS | 888V45 |
| 4.     | Barry Price, Munster, ON           | 990V81  |        |                                 |        |
| 5.     | Bruce Condie, Kincardine, ON       | 967V55  |        |                                 |        |

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## CANADIAN OPEN TARGET RIFLE CHAMPIONSHIP - 2009



|     |                                         |          |     |                                        |          |
|-----|-----------------------------------------|----------|-----|----------------------------------------|----------|
| 1.  | Kelly Bachand, Kent, WA, USA            | 1045V105 | 20. | Stan Frost, Saskatoon, SK              | 1026V97  |
| 2.  | James Paton, White Rock, BC             | 1040V120 | 21. | Barry Langille, New Glasgow, NS        | 1025V92  |
| 3.  | Desmond Vamplew, Scarborough, ON        | 1039V123 | 22. | Thomas Walters, Langley, BC            | 1025V85  |
| 4.  | Geoff Woodman, New Harbour, NL          | 1039V105 | 23. | Nick Mowrer, Colorado Springs, CO, USA | 1025V83  |
| 5.  | Paul Tremblay, Quebec, QC               | 1038V116 | 24. | Gerard de Costa, Litchfield, NH, USA   | 1024V98  |
| 6.  | Peter Church, Dearborn, MI, USA         | 1037V102 | 25. | Wayne Budbill, Bothell, WA, USA        | 1022V105 |
| 7.  | Andrew Wesel, Marietta, OH, USA         | 1037V99  | 26. | Sgt EJ McConnell, BCRT, Athelings      | 1022V102 |
| 8.  | Ron Sekellick, Canton, CT, USA          | 1036V104 | 27. | Pierre Tremblay, Ste Brigitte, QC      | 1022V83  |
| 9.  | Laurie Hearn, St. Joseph's, NL          | 1036V98  | 28. | Brian Landwehr, Green Bay, WI, USA     | 1020V79  |
| 10. | Alain Marion, Gatineau, QC              | 1034V106 | 29. | Andre de La Torre, Miramar, FL, USA    | 1019V101 |
| 11. | Fazal Mohideen, Pickering, ON           | 1034V105 | 30. | Terry Glenn, Auburn, NY, USA           | 1019V93  |
| 12. | Bruce Bullock, Caledon, ON              | 1032V105 | 31. | Serge Bissonnette, Almonte, ON         | 1017V90  |
| 13. | Robert Pitcairn, Chilliwack, BC         | 1031V104 | 32. | Waylon Burbach, Spring Green, WI, USA  | 1015V95  |
| 14. | Ian Hogg, Stratford, PEI                | 1029V91  | 33. | Don Coleman, Gagetown, NB              | 1014V92  |
| 15. | Maj AG McLean, BCRT                     | 1028V96  | 34. | Fred Ellis, Ottawa, ON                 | 1013V80  |
| 16. | David Dyson, Huddersfield, UK           | 1027V113 | 35. | Vicki Hall, Toronto, ON                | 1008V69  |
| 17. | Christoph Klueh, Butzbach-Des, Germany  | 1027V97  | 36. | Antony Betts, Shanty Bay, ON           | 1007V79  |
| 18. | Jeffrey Jenkins, Timberlea, NS          | 1027V91  | 37. | PO RA Hyndman, BCRT, Athelings         | 1000V68  |
| 19. | Stacey Tamulinas, Circle Pines, MN, USA | 1026V124 | 38. | PO MJ Creber, BCRT, Athelings          | 999V73   |



## DES BURKE AWARD - 2009



|    |                                 |        |    |                                |        |
|----|---------------------------------|--------|----|--------------------------------|--------|
| 1. | Ronald Dawson, Winnipeg, MB     | 394V34 | 4. | Andy Tikkanen, Calgary, AB     | 387V25 |
| 2. | Paul Tremblay, Quebec, QC       | 393V42 | 5. | Fred Ellis, Ottawa, ON         | 383V29 |
| 3. | Robert Pitcairn, Chilliwack, BC | 392V42 | 6. | John Marshall, New Glasgow, NS | 370V29 |



## CANADIAN TARGET RIFLE CHAMPIONSHIP (BISLEY AGGREGATE) 2009



|     |                                    |         |     |                                       |        |
|-----|------------------------------------|---------|-----|---------------------------------------|--------|
| 1.  | Desmond Vamplew, Scarborough, ON   | 971V122 | 26. | Peter Westlake, Innisfil, ON          | 947V92 |
| 2.  | Michael Wong Shui, Mississauga, ON | 969V92  | 27. | Don Coleman, Gagetown, NB             | 945V88 |
| 3.  | James Paton, White Rock, BC        | 968V117 | 28. | Scott Murray, Arnprior, ON            | 945V80 |
| 4.  | Paul Tremblay, Quebec, QC          | 968V110 | 29. | Serge Bissonnette, Almonte, ON        | 944V85 |
| 5.  | Shannon Carlton, Sutton West, ON   | 967V110 | 30. | Gord Hulbert, Weyburn, SK             | 942V77 |
| 6.  | Geoff Woodman, New Harbour, NL     | 966V97  | 31. | Fred Ellis, Ottawa, ON                | 942V73 |
| 7.  | Laurie Hearn, St. Joseph's, NL     | 965V95  | 32. | Vicki Hall, Toronto, ON               | 940V68 |
| 8.  | Alain Marion, Gatineau, QC         | 964V103 | 33. | Marc Landreville, North Glengarry, ON | 937V74 |
| 9.  | Bruce Bullock, Caledon, ON         | 964V101 | 34. | Jacques Dugas, Quebec, QC             | 937V74 |
| 10. | Ronald Dawson, Winnipeg, MB        | 964V94  | 35. | Ric Melling, Oakville, ON             | 937V73 |
| 11. | Fazal Mohideen, Pickering, ON      | 962V100 | 36. | Andy Kolenko, Agincourt, ON           | 937V69 |
| 12. | Gary Bendik, Pickering, ON         | 960V89  | 37. | Antony Betts, Shanty Bay, ON          | 936V75 |
| 13. | Thomas Walters, Langley, BC        | 960V83  | 38. | Laura Scoville, NACSTC                | 936V74 |
| 14. | Robert Pitcairn, Chilliwack, BC    | 958V102 | 39. | Thomas Maynard, Merlin, ON            | 936V73 |
| 15. | Ray Smeltzer, Truro, NS            | 957V102 | 40. | Carl Ganter, Lacombe, AB              | 934V68 |
| 16. | Daniel Chisholm, Keswick Ridge, NB | 957V98  | 41. | Deen Mohideen, Scarborough, ON        | 933V66 |
| 17. | Stan Frost, Saskatoon, SK          | 956V93  | 42. | Keith Letendre, RCAC, NRT             | 931V67 |
| 18. | Andy Tikkanen, Calgary, AB         | 956V83  | 43. | Mitchell MacLeod, York, PEI           | 931V66 |
| 19. | Jeffrey Jenkins, Timberlea, NS     | 955V88  | 44. | Peter Papisideris, Calgary, AB        | 930V60 |
| 20. | Ian Hogg, Stratford, PEI           | 955V86  | 45. | Scott McGinnis, Orleans, ON           | 929V58 |
| 21. | Barry Langille, New Glasgow, NS    | 954V90  | 46. | Roger Mullin, Cobourg, ON             | 928V73 |
| 22. | David Adams, Mission, BC           | 954V81  | 47. | Art Grundy, Windsor, ON               | 928V61 |
| 23. | Pierre Tremblay, Ste Brigitte, QC  | 954V80  | 48. | Jeff Lambe, Leamington, ON            | 927V43 |
| 24. | Steven Spinney, Scarborough, ON    | 951V93  | 49. | Stephen Hunt, Burlington, ON          | 924V57 |
| 25. | Faisal Rahman, Toronto, ON         | 951V84  | 50. | Alexander Peden, Victoria, BC         | 920V70 |



# THE ALL-COMERS AGGREGATE



## 2009

|     |                                         |        |     |                                        |        |
|-----|-----------------------------------------|--------|-----|----------------------------------------|--------|
| 1.  | Shannon Carlton, Sutton West, ON        | 604V80 | 26. | Pierre Tremblay, Ste Brigitte, QC      | 597V52 |
| 2.  | Paul Tremblay, Quebec, QC               | 603V75 | 27. | David Dyson, Huddersfield, UK          | 596V72 |
| 3.  | Stacey Tamulinas, Circle Pines, MN, USA | 602V80 | 28. | Steven Spinney, Scarborough, ON        | 596V64 |
| 4.  | James Paton, White Rock, BC             | 602V77 | 29. | Fazal Mohideen, Pickering, ON          | 596V61 |
| 5.  | Ian Hogg, Stratford, PE                 | 602V60 | 30. | Christoph Klueh, Butzbach Des, Germany | 596V56 |
| 6.  | Kelly Bachand, Kent, WA, USA            | 602V59 | 31. | Andre de La Torre, Miramar, FL, USA    | 595V69 |
| 7.  | Peter Church, Dearborn, MI, USA         | 601V65 | 32. | Daniel Chisholm, Keswick Ridge, NB     | 595V65 |
| 8.  | Desmond Vamplew, Scarborough, ON        | 600V81 | 33. | Andrew Wesel, Marietta, OH, USA        | 595V59 |
| 9.  | Wayne Forshee, Senora, GA, USA          | 600V71 | 34. | Gerard de Costa, Litchfield, NH, USA   | 595V58 |
| 10. | Laurie Hearn, St. Joseph's, NL          | 600V66 | 35. | David Adams, Mission, BC               | 595V57 |
| 11. | Barry Langille, New Glasgow, NS         | 600V65 | 36. | Charles Clark, Denver, CO, USA         | 595V46 |
| 12. | Geoff Woodman, New Harbour, NL          | 600V56 | 37. | Stan Frost, Saskatoon, SK              | 594V63 |
| 13. | John Friguglietti, Lincolnton, NC, USA  | 600V54 | 38. | Serge Bissonnette, Almonte, ON         | 594V60 |
| 14. | Maj AG McLean, UK                       | 599V72 | 39. | Sgt EJ McConnell, Athelings            | 594V57 |
| 15. | Robert Pitcairn, Chilliwack, BC         | 599V67 | 40. | Brad Sauve, Midland, MI, USA           | 593V58 |
| 16. | Michael Wong Shui, Mississauga, ON      | 599V60 | 41. | Nick Mowrer, Colorado Springs, CO, USA | 593V57 |
| 17. | Gerry Glenn, Auburn, NY, USA            | 598V69 | 42. | Bryan Boyle, ACF                       | 593V49 |
| 18. | Bruce Bullock, Caledon, ON              | 598V66 | 43. | Ray Smeltzer, Truro, NS                | 592V70 |
| 19. | Gary Bendik, Pickering, ON              | 598V66 | 44. | WO2 FJT Puckle Hobbs, Athelings        | 592V60 |
| 20. | Ron Sekellick, Canton, CT, USA          | 598V61 | 45. | Waylon Burbach, Spring Green, WI, USA  | 592V58 |
| 21. | Ronald Dawson, Winnipeg, MB             | 598V58 | 46. | Jeffrey Jenkins, Timberlea, NS         | 592V57 |
| 22. | Thomas Walters, Langley, BC             | 598V58 | 47. | Phillip Urquhart, RCAC NRT             | 591V48 |
| 23. | Wayne Buddbill, Bothell, WA, USA        | 597V73 | 48. | PO RA Hyndman, Athelings               | 591V46 |
| 24. | Alain Marion, Gatineau, QC              | 597V70 | 49. | Kaylah Villeneuve, NACSTC              | 590V58 |
| 25. | Scott Murray, Arnprior, ON              | 597V58 | 50. | Ken Westling, Vancouver, BC            | 590V54 |

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# The 2011 World Long Range Championships

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The following have submitted their registration forms to the DCRA.

If anyone is missing, please contact Robert Pitcairn, Captain at [pilotshot@telus.net](mailto:pilotshot@telus.net) or the DCRA office at [office@dcra.ca](mailto:office@dcra.ca).

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|------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Dave Adams, Mission, BC            | Taha Hassan, Edmonton, AB                  | Roger Mullin, Cobourg, ON           |
| Judy Anderson, Kamloops, BC        | Justin Hearn, St. Joseph's, NL             | Armen Papazyan, Dartmouth, NS       |
| Ed Bergsma, Langley, BC            | Laurie Hearn, St. Joseph's, NL             | Renee Paquette, Sault Ste Marie, ON |
| Nelson Berry, Comox, BC            | Ian Hogg, Stratford, PE                    | James Paton, White Rock, BC         |
| Robert Best, Richmond, BC          | Stephen Hunt, Burlington, ON               | Greg Perron, Victoria, BC           |
| Antony Betts, Shanty Bay, ON       | Jeffrey Jenkins, Timberlea, NS             | Don Pitcairn, Surrey, BC            |
| Gary Bowman, Mississauga, ON       | Dana Jensen, Rockwood, ON                  | Robert Pitcairn, Chilliwack, BC     |
| Nancy Brown, Dorval, QC            | Peter Jmaeff, Regina, SK                   | Faisal Rahman, Toronto, ON          |
| Bruce Bullock, Caledon, ON         | Leonard Kaczmariski, Candiac, SK           | Peter Redstone, Calgary, AB         |
| Jim Bullock, Cheltenham, ON        | Al Katona, Surrey, BC                      | Tyler Sangster, Amherst, NS         |
| Shannon Carlton, Sutton West, ON   | Ken Kyle, Moncton, NB                      | Ray Smeltzer, Truro, NS             |
| Victoria Carter, Gatineau, QC      | Frank Llear, Calgary, AB                   | Darcy Spenst, Carstairs, AB         |
| John Chapman, Winnipeg, MB         | Mark Landreville, North Glengarry, ON      | Mirko Teglassi, Australia           |
| Daniel Chisholm, Keswick Ridge, NB | Marie-Christine Lariviere, St Zacharie, QC | Andy Tikkanen, Calgary, AB          |
| Don Coleman, Gagetown, NB          | Conrad Leroux, Fredericton, NB             | Ray True, Chilliwack, BC            |
| Ron Dawson, Winnipeg, MB           | Dale Luchuck, Bassano, AB                  | Tom Walters, Langley, BC            |
| Peter Dobell, Chilliwack, BC       | Mitchell T. MacLeod, York, PEI             | Peter Westlake, Innisfil, ON        |
| Paul Dudzinski, Victoria, BC       | John Marshall, New Glasgow, NS             | Matthew Wolf, Mascarene, NB         |
| Fred Ellis, Ottawa, ON             | Ric Melling, Hong Kong                     | Geoff Woodman, New Harbour, NL      |
| Stuart Fergusson, Moncton, NB      | Deen Mohideen, Scarborough, ON             | Neilson A. Woodman, St. John's, NL  |
| Lorne Fisher, Coquitlam, BC        | Fazal Mohideen, Pickering, ON              | Fred Yip, Richmond, BC              |

For most of us the 2009 full-bore shooting season is coming to a close. The WLRC training members listed above have made some huge strides forward over the past year both in team and personal shooting performances. This is primarily due to their hard work and dedication towards the 2009 WLRC training program.

We are very appreciative of the PRA support and the support of the Provincial Training Coordinators. We will strive to support them so the shooting performance in Canada will continue to improve from our success in 2009.

For 2010, we will continue with the circle training to create training activity across the country. Our vision is to enhance this process with additional skill development in team shooting and coaching by introducing quick firing and quicker response to target coaching decisions. The assistant coach training will be emphasized so the two target coaches on each target become a team. We will introduce our new team bullet with its loads, barrel design and reamer choice. We presently have developed 13 WLRC training Information Bulletins and will continue to issue them as a training reference manual.

The WLRC training member list is growing but there is still room to join the WLRC Training Group. You may have missed the 2009 training year but if you join now, you will have time to catch up before the WLRC team selection next October. We offer you a potential position on the WLR Palma Team, WLR Veterans Team and the U25 Team depending on your age. Why not join our training program by completing the application form and send it to the DCRA today. You will become a better shooter and coach because of our WLRC training program.

Dave Adams - National Training Coordinator

## 2011 CANADIAN WLRC TEAMS REGISTRATION FORM

Surname: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name & initial(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Postal Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Prov: \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Tel (Day):(\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Tel (Evenings):(\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Fax:(\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

email address: \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Year: \_\_\_\_\_ (age team eligibility)

Please specify if you wish to **ALSO BE** considered for a WLRC Age Team:  Under 19  Under 25  Veterans

**Current DCRA/PRA Concurrent Membership will be a continuing requirement during the training period.**

**Please return registration form to: The Dominion of Canada Rifle Association, 45 Shirley Blvd, Nepean, ON K2K 2W6**

# Black Powder Matches

Christopher Jones

Most of you will by now be aware that the DCRA Black Powder program and its annual match at Connaught are in a state of flux. The virtually non-existent attendance level for the 2008 match (and personal issues I won't reiterate here) led to my resignation as Program Director and the decision to cancel the match that would have been held this past August, and over the fall re-evaluate the financial viability of future competitions. Unfortunately the process of determining what should be done to prevent the monetary losses incurred over the last several years due to lack of participation has not been pursued, and it has been suggested that an attempt to investigate what needs to be done in order to retain the match as part of the Canadian Fullbore Championship Program be initiated.

I am addressing this request to the Executive Committees and members of Canadian PRAs (Provincial Rifle Associations), and individuals who have in the past exhibited interest and/or participated in the annual matches at Connaught.

We need feedback on what is needed to re-invigorate the matches in their current form, the number of potential competitors we could realistically expect to attend, and ultimately if the matches are a viable option for the DCRA to pursue in the future.

I have noted during my time running the annual matches a generally positive response to the manner in which the matches are structured and run, particularly the progression of ranges and the emphasis on longer ranges. One of my last decisions was to switch the International Match on the final day of competition to 3-900m stages, meaning the full match program now potentially includes 2-500x, 2-600x, 1-700m, 2-800m and 5-900m stages over the three days of shooting. I think this represents an attractive and challenging course of fire and don't feel the need to change it as of now.

There are, however, other issues that repeatedly enter conversations, primarily concerning cost, prizes, and travel times. There are also some comments concerning our rules and the feeling they aren't conformal with what is considered acceptable in BP competition. I'll touch on other matters later but insofar as this topic is concerned I'm prepared to suggest to the DCRA Executive that the following changes be adopted:

- that the allowable smokeless component of duplex loads be reduced to 20% from the current 25%,
- that allowing gas checks be discontinued,
- that wrist rest use only be allowed at what we consider long range (i.e. 700m-900m), with or without slings, and short (300 x-600x) ranges be shot with slings only (slings being those currently allowable by DCRA TR rules, basically one or two point, or military, but no cuffs),
- and finally, I'm of the impression that the current US NRA rules allow click adjustable sights, but if that is not the case we can revert to disallowing those with tactile adjustments.

This would bring us closer to what I think should ultimately be a harmonious rule structure for North America. They obviously aren't acceptable internationally but I'm more concerned with our current situation at this time and trying to bring us more in line

with American requirements.

Other matters, however, require more discussion. The issue of match fees is one that repeatedly arises as requiring attention. Pricing the matches had predicated on assuming a minimum number of competitors paying full match fees to reach a break-even level with a set complement of markers (which represents the greatest line item expense). It should be obvious that if the numbers increase the cost can be adjusted down, but unfortunately it is impossible to budget on anything other than a worst-case scenario when the majority of entries are received only weeks (or sometimes even days) before the matches are run, and after the number of markers has been agreed on.

To this end I think one thing that needs to be addressed is some means of assuring commitment to a minimum attendance level, and one that is higher than that now deemed acceptable. I would like to use your good offices to canvas those you consider would be seriously interested in competing, and ask if they would be willing to demonstrate their commitment by forwarding entry fees before the end of April. If the numbers I receive are sufficient, I will suggest the DCRA Executive consider the following:

- that marker allotments be based on shooting in threes, not pairs, and adjusted accordingly (markers represent our greatest cost outlay, and before it comes up we cannot consider competitor marking in the current match context due to time constraints),
- that the entry fees be re-examined based on an assured, higher attendance level and adjusted downward based on what would appear to be a new average annual attendance, and,
- that entries be cut off at the end of April, once an assured number is achieved (in other words, no walk on entries), and, if not achieved,
- the match will be cancelled and funds received to that point refunded.

Another option is open to us in this vein, that being running the matches every two years instead of annually. There are some currently who, for various reasons, are only capable of participating on this basis. Would that be a more attractive option from your perspective in terms of increasing participation?

The matter of location sometimes comes up when travel costs and time are given as reasons for not attending. Is the current venue (Connaught) a detriment? Would a more "geocentric" location be more attractive? If this is the case options could be explored, probably somewhere in the western provinces, and a PRA would have to be willing to arrange a time and requisite support. However, in the short term, this would affect the degree to which the DCRA could support the matches in their current form without infrastructure changes, and may delay restarting the program. Prizes are important to some, although I feel that receipt of some sort of material or monetary recognition is not why most of us are in the game. However, there may be an argument made that something more substantial than what is currently offered may attract interest. The DCRA has money matches, subsidized by an addition to the match fees payable at entry. Prize amounts are

obviously contingent on participation. I would like to know whether exploring incorporating a cash prize structure is appealing enough to investigate, but again this will only work with numbers high enough to make the purses attractive.

Along the same lines is there a distributor or supplier that you are aware of that would be willing to contribute material prizes to a Canadian competition? (Pedersoli has been mentioned as a possibility in the past.) If so, and you feel this option would generate interest, give me the details and I'll investigate this and whatever legal ramifications it would entail (should awarding firearms be offered, for example).

Finally, it should be obvious to any competing in Fullbore (or High Power) competition that the nature of the game has changed over the last several years. "F" Class, and its various alphabetical variations, has increased in popularity while the iron sighted courses of fire have at best remained static. I have personally felt part of the reason for this is the conceptual appeal of "F" Class to those involved in non-competitive shooting activities (varminting comes to mind immediately) and the ability to engage (initially at least) in a pursuit requiring low equipment cost outlay.

This "play with what you have" idea may be attractive to those engaged in hunting with modern Black Powder firearms. I can't see any reason why a short (200 yard?) course of fire for modern inline firearms, probably with optical sights, couldn't be investigated as a component of the matches as they stand currently if interest can be demonstrated. Given the popularity of such rifles I think this is an idea that could be discussed and investigated. At the very least it would offer exposure to the more traditional courses of fire and possibly contribute to increased interest in them.

I'm sure there are other thoughts, issues and problems that I'm overlooking but I think that covers most of the important points. The plan on the DCRAs part appears to be to try to get feedback and suggestions that can be presented to the Executive at their meeting in December, with the intent of exploring whether the matches will be reinstated for 2010. The Association seems

willing to make changes to the program if necessary, but I think ultimately what is needed is some assurance of increased and consistent attendance. I don't quite know how to achieve this. I have, over the years, gotten repeated promises of participation from innumerable individuals who never show up. Determining interest in your area, hopefully with follow up from interested groups or individuals (such as requests for information from the DCRA on the matches) would help.

I am no longer a member of any of the Association's governing bodies, and am only pursuing this as a concerned shooter who is seeing another form of rifle competition circling the drain and facing extinction. I want to try to prevent that from happening. The ultimate decision will have to be made by others, and although we have our supporters within the Association it's going to be a tough sell without some concrete indication of support. Anything you can do to demonstrate interest still exists, along with suggestions or recommendations would be appreciated. I would suggest that your thoughts, comments or concerns be forwarded electronically to the DCRA at office@dcra.ca, or by surface mail to:

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If you wish to contact me, I can be reached at the following:

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Or by telephone (after 7:00 PM Eastern) at (613) 820-4749.

Thanks for taking the time to read this.

## Notes on the 2009 Canadian "F" Class team to Bisley

Paul Reibin

It was indeed a pleasure to be with the "F" Class team to the worlds at Bisley. The Captain, Bill Flintoft, did a super job in organizing and guiding the team.

The Adjutant was Dale Rathwell and he sure did an awesome job in organizing travel and looking after finances. Both have good leadership qualities.

Members of the team were Marius de Champlain, Terry Perkins, Bill Watts and Matt Wolf. All these fine gentlemen who got along well, helped with a variety of duties to make the team a good one. Just great team members.

One other Canadian shooter was with us shooting in the open class. Bruce Condie fit in well with the rest and helped where required.

The Canada House operating hosts, Gary and Julia Evans, did great in providing home style meals. They also responded favourably to other requests. A nice, hard working couple.

And now I will tell you the rest of the story. I was told the weather was wet and windy through the Imperial shoot - well it turned cold! wet! And windy!! This stupid old fart laid out in this

horrible weather and did the warm ups. I could hear Farky hollering from the Clock Tower - "you dumb b....., even dogs know better than to lay out in the rain."

Well the day before the team matches I got sick with a very high fever. For two and one half days I stayed in bed taking Tylenol and sweating. My thanks to Marj, Terry Perkin's wife, who became our resident medical consultant.

Besides Marj, Bev Condie (Bruce's wife) was also there and they became our rooting team in the team match.

The boys did very well on their own in difficult conditions. Sure didn't want to get sick.

It was an honour to be associated with these fine team members. I will say to any and all shooters - plan for the team to Raton, USA for next worlds in 2013. It will be a very wonderful experience. Just do it!!

PS - still not totally recovered from the bug. This bug must have been one-of-a-kind Bisley Special!!

## F-TR and F-Farky in 2010 - where do we go?

In our present rulebook we have two very similar versions of F-Class that are fired with .223/.308 rifles. There are only two differences between F/Farky and F-TR, and while they are so minor that it is not really meaningful to offer both classes, it has not yet been possible to fully merge the definitions of F/F and F/TR at the international level (ICFRA rules and competitions). I would like to see us resolve this issue for Canadian F-Class shooting, and offer only one ".223/.308" kind of F-Class shooting for next year. Our F/Farquharson class permits any form of front rest to be used, including benchrest-style pedestal front rests, and also limits bullet weights to the same limits as TR rifles (which is, presently, 155 max for .308, and no bullet weight limit for .223). The official ICFRA F/Restricted class, which has since renamed to "F-TR", only permits bipods to be used as a front rest, and allows bullets of any weight to be used, for both .308 and .223. Interestingly, the vast majority of the F/Restricted shooters at the 2009 F Class World Championships in Bisley used .308/155.

If we strictly adopt the ICFRA F-TR version as our one and only kind of .223/.308 F-Class shooting, there will be a number of Canadian shooters who will have to either change to using a bipod or to no longer fire ".223/.308 F-Class" at our Canadian Championships. It is the opinion of most Canadian shooters that a pedestal front rest does not provide any significant competitive advantage over a bipod, especially since in modern F-Class parlance a "bipod" can be a pretty sophisticated piece of gear. And

this is reflected in our F-Farky rules of many years standing, in which we permit any form of front rest to be used.

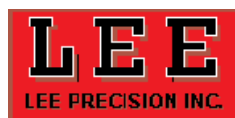
If we stick with our F/Farky version, we might lose potential entries from competitors who wish to shoot with equipment legal for use at the FCWC 2013 matches - these could be visiting American or British F-TR teams, or it could be our own Canadian F-TR team, should any of them wish to explore the use of bullets heavier than 155 grains for their F-TR rifles.

The best proposal I have heard yet, is that we basically merge the two classes, using the least restrictive definitions of each. Perhaps we would want to call the result "F-Farky", or perhaps we would call it "F-TR(Canadian)", but the essentials would be that any form of front rest would be permitted, and that any .223 or .308 bullet weight would be permitted. In this class, any existing F-TR or F-Farquharson rifle would be legal. If there is something bad to be said about this proposal, it would be that we are departing from the standard ICFRA practice, which might bring into question either our dedication to eventually adopting ICFRA rules for our own shooting, or perhaps whether our trial of ICFRA rules is in fact a meaningful trial of ICFRA rules after all, since we keep every-so-slightly tweaking ICFRA rules slightly to better suit our domestic desires.

(an online version of this article can be found under the same title on my blog "dcraprogramme.blogspot.com". As I receive feedback I will keep the blog's version updated. Please leave comments at the blog or email them to me at [dmc@danielchisholm.com](mailto:dmc@danielchisholm.com))

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This is the 12th installment of  
 "Recollections of a Marksman, Phase II 1962-1981"  
 by Lawrence (Larry) Fish

At the '77 RFSAC we were assigned a Regular Force Captain in overall command of our Central Militia Area team. Fortunately he was a former member of the Army Bisley team and a Queen's Medallist. Al Derrick couldn't have been a better choice. I remembered him from one of my Bisley teams when the Army team was welcomed into the Canadian Pavilion. We got along exceptionally well and worked together in preparing the team for competition.

Again, many of our team members won individual matches at that RFSAC while as a team CMA again won the Atlantic trophy as top rifle team of the prize meeting. This would place the CMA team as Canadian representatives in a newly established competition against the American state of Pennsylvania the following year.

Some high level negotiations between Canada and Pennsylvania, whose population was roughly equivalent to that of Canada's, had produced an annual competition between the two entities. The winning team at RFSAC would compete the following year against the Pennsylvania team. The venue would alternate

annually between Connaught ranges, Ottawa, and the Hershey ranges at Fort Indian Town Gap, Pennsylvania. Thus our Atlantic trophy victory established our designation as the Canadian team to meet the Pennsylvanians on their home ranges and under their own conditions the following early summer.

It may have been about this time that our pistol and sub-machine gun shooters came to the fore under Captain Al Spence of 11th Field Artillery along with Master Warrant Officer Stoneburgh and Corporal Joe Langel of the same regiment. Al had been building a strong team of which his star shooter was Langel. It seemed that at every pistol event Joe would come away from the presentation of prizes literally draped with medals. He would be a great attribute when we met the Americans since their competition included pistols.

An airline strike torpedoed our flight arrangements, but a last minute compact with a seat-of-the-pants privateer ensured our venture. Thus it was that the team boarded an aging Dakota, DC3, for the trip. With our weapons and ammunition we created something of a load problem for the aircraft, but after a lengthy take-off run the old war bird staggered off the ground. Such was the battle for altitude that it must have taken us all the way from Toronto to Windsor before gaining 1000 feet.

On our arrival at an airfield beside the Three Mile Island nuclear plant, the Americans were waiting for us with a twin-rotor helicopter in which we were trundled across country to the military base at Fort Indian Town Gap. In glorious weather we got a 3-day workout with the American M14 rifle and the American way of shooting.

In contrast with our Service Conditions matches, which uses the military rifle as issued and under field conditions, theirs was clearly not combat shooting, but rather a close relative of our Target Rifle discipline. Each of their team members' rifles was modified and tailored by the individual for personal fit and best performance. For example, a chunk of as much as two and a half pounds of lead was packed into some stocks which were also cut and shaped into the physical characteristics of the shooter. There also appeared to be no limit to modifications permitted to improve the performance of the weapon. These included such techniques as milling of longitudinal grooves along the gas piston periphery to enhance group density. They also used match, not issue, ammunition and a variety of shooter's aids.

One of these was the heavy, leather shooting coat which is really a strait jacket locking the shooter in place. A heavy, leather sling,



With a few exceptions, most of the Central Militia Area team is on the left of the picture and Americans on the right.  
 My fading memory identifies

**Front row:** Fullerton, (US) Irvine, (US) Fish, Moore, our Admin Officer.

**Second row:** (US) Steele, Kedziora, Williams P., (US) Senetchko, (US lady) (US) McLeod, (Cozak, a PQ friend of our team and his friend)

**Back row:** Sanderson, (between Kedziora and Williams P.) Stoneburg, (left of Canadian flag) Leduc, (right of our flag). Extreme right, Langel  
 If I have missed anyone, can anyone name them??  
 -Larry

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cinched up tightly, was also used so that in the firing position the shooter was literally encased exoskeletally about the weapon. Before adopting the prone position, our American counterparts also rolled out thick, non-slip shooting mats; a far cry from infantry conditions. It was their game and their methods, however, and we were happy to play along even though we shot, as usual, in our issue combat uniforms.

Inevitably they beat us handily in the competition, just as we would beat them on a return trip under our conditions. It was a great experience and the Americans were wonderful hosts. My counterpart, team coach, Chief Warrant Officer Dave Logan, was a fine, personable man who invited our team to a barbecue at his home, after the competition. One of our rifle shooters, Pipe Major Larry Fullerton of the 48th Highlanders, had brought his pipes along and he played on Dave's lawn quickly drawing a crowd of curious and excited neighbours. We had a wonderful time.

The American team saw us off at the airport and presented us with boxes of matches and .45 ammo for those who had personal .45 handguns. The unfortunate Dakota was now even more heavily laden, but we made it back to Toronto airport probably achieving the altitude of a crow.

Customs came aboard the aircraft and were appalled at the sight of masses of weapons and ammo. They attempted to record each item then abandoned the idea as futile. They suggested that we get out of there as quickly as possible.

End of the 12th installment of Recollections of a Marksman Phase II



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**In 1998 the DCRA introduced a shooting bursary by which eligible shooters under the age of 25 may be able to receive financial assistance to apply against entry fees to compete in the annual Canadian Championships.**

**Paid up, Under 25 members who have submitted an entry form for the Championships for the year in question may apply.**

**Individuals who will have their entry fees paid by the Cadets or receive any other DCRA assistance are not eligible for a bursary.**

**Applications must be received annually by 15 April.**

**Contact the DCRA for an application form at [office@dcra.ca](mailto:office@dcra.ca).**



## Wind Flags and the "50 Club"

When you came to Connaught this August you would have noticed that there was a brand new set of wind flags. These were specially made of heavy cotton, 15 feet long, and were placed on all the wind flag poles across all three ranges. This removed the difficulty experienced in the last few years, when we had insufficient numbers of flags for a complete set, and where the ones we did have were an eclectic mixture of lengths, colours and cloths. Once the "new stiffness" had come out of the cloth, with some rain and wind, the flags met with general approval. Judging the wind may not have become any easier, but some of the uncertainty due to the variation in previous flags was removed.

The purchase was been made possible by a grant from the DCRA "50 Club". Some members may not be aware of the "50 Club", so this generous purchase allows the DCRA not only to thank the Club but also to put in a word of encouragement for eligible people to sign up as members.

The Club was established some years ago, with the aim of providing funds "for capital projects anywhere in Canada, which benefit shooting".

Any member or friend of the DCRA who has reached the age of 50 is eligible to join the Club and make an annual donation of the

person's age in dollars. The DCRA may issue a receipt for the donation for tax purposes. Each year, as the person's birthday approaches, the DCRA will send a congratulatory card and invite the member to make a new donation, \$1 more than the previous year.

Applications for funding of projects by the Fund should be sent to the DCRA which forwards them to the Club. The Club has formed a small committee which considers applications and makes recommendations to the DCRA for expenditures from the Fund. The Fund is designed to be self-sustaining, with donations matching possible expenditures. Clearly the more donations that are received, the more the Fund is able to do to support shooting.

We encourage all those who are not members, but who have reached that magic age of maturity, to join this effort; we encourage all those who have been, but who are no longer, members to return; and we thank all those who have loyally supported the Club over many years. And for those who are below the age of 50, you are welcome as "Junior Members", paying \$50 per year until you reach the half-century.





# The America Match

Ottawa, Sunday 22 August 2010

## The Trophy

The trophy was presented in 2002 on the occasion of the first match. It was made possible by the fund-raising effort of Precision Shooting Magazine. The two figures depicted in the sculpture are the Canadian Jim Thompson, and Alan Warner (standing) of the United States. George Chase, - a member of the DCRA from New Brunswick was commissioned to design and make the trophy.

## The Competition Background

First shot in 2002, the match can only take place when an official US team is present and competing. The intent is to hold the match every two years. 2010 will be the fifth occasion of the match and the third time it has been shot at Connaught.

In 2002, USA, Canada, Great Britain and Germany competed for the match. On this occasion, Great Britain won the match from Canada with a margin of 48 points with USA a further 9 points behind them.

In 2004, the USA team beat Great Britain in a closely fought match where the teams were practically level going back to 1000 yards.

2006 saw Great Britain win back the trophy with a new record score dropping only 8 points between 8 firers.

In 2008, the USA took back the trophy once again at Raton, New Mexico.

## Match Conditions

**America Match** - national TR teams of 8 shooters, two sub-coaches, a main coach, an adjutant, a captain and 2 reserves. Each firer shoots 2 sighters and 15 shots to count at 300 yards, 600 yards, 800 metres and 900 metres.

**America Match Veterans Alongside** - as for the America Match, but all team members must meet the eligibility requirements to fire the 2011 WLRC Vets match in Brisbane (they must have their 60th birthday on or before 14 October 2011).

**America Match F Class Alongside** - A team of 8 shooters (half F-Open and half F-TR), a main coach, 2 sub-coaches, an adjutant, a captain and 2 reserves. Each firer shoots 2 sighters and 15 shots to count, on F Class targets, at 300 yards, 600 yards, 800 metres and 900 metres.

# CANADIAN RIFLE TEAM TO BISLEY 2009



Peter Westlake, Commandant

I would like to thank the DCRA Council for appointing me Commandant. It was quite an honour to represent Canada and the DCRA and it was an experience that I will never forget.

I would be extremely remiss if I didn't acknowledge the hard work and dedication shown by my Adjutant, Jacques Dugas. When I was first suggested as a possible Commandant, I immediately asked Jacques if he would be interested to act as my Adjutant, should I be voted in. To my delight, he quickly accepted and our journey began.

I also want to take the time to thank the DCRA office staff for all of their assistance to the 2009 Bisley Team. Betty Ann Ferguson, Laura Henderson, Kathy Corcoran and Aaron Daley were all extremely accommodating and provided invaluable assistance to both Jacques and myself.

The 2009 Bisley team consisted of the following members:

- Honorary Commandant: Mrs. David M. Stewart
- Commandant/Head Coach: Peter Westlake
- Adjutant: Jacques Dugas
- Coach: Stan Frost
- Team Member: Serge Bissonnette
- Team Member: Gary Bowman
- Team Member: Shannon Carlton
- Team Member: John Chapman
- Team Member: Emmanuel Gauvin
- Team Member: Alain Marion
- Team Member: Roger Mullin
- Team Member: Scott Murray
- Team Member: Jim Paton
- Team Member: Leo Poulin
- Team Member: Murray Sloane
- Team Member: Steven Spinney

As one can see from the list of team members above, the 2009 Team was somewhat shorthanded compared to previous years with only 15 total members. While I was disappointed that I could

not field a complete team, I took this on as a challenge rather than a discouragement. I was extremely impressed with every team member's willingness to pitch in wherever necessary.

Team members arrived in Bisley at various times ranging between July 6th and July 15th. This allowed us to participate in the usual warm up matches (North London, British Commonwealth RC, RAF and the Barbarians) albeit with smaller than normal team size for the NLRC. While our performance in these matches was of mixed success, it gave the Team an opportunity to have every-one fire at least once.

Once the Imperial Meeting began, some of our team members enjoyed individual success. There were a couple of highlights that I would like to point out. Jim Paton won the Daily Mail, Stan Frost won the Freddy Payne Memorial and Brian Page, while not a member of the team, won the Daily Telegraph. Steven Spinney shot a 50.10 in the Times followed up with a 25.4 to finish in second place. We had 8 team members qualify for the second stage of the St. Georges and 8 team members qualify for the second stage of the Queen's Prize. Emmanuel Gauvin, Jim Paton and Serge Bissonnette qualified for the 3rd stage of the St. Georges prize with Serge ultimately finishing in 7th place.

Jim Paton, Stan Frost and Emmanuel Gauvin all qualified for the 3rd stage of the Queen's prize with Jim ultimately finishing in 4th place. In the Grand Aggregate, Emmanuel was the top Canadian finishing in 39th place. Shannon Carlton won the Gerry Ouellette prize for the top Under-25 Canadian in the Grand Aggregate, finishing in 99th place overall.

As for the "Big 3" team matches, we had our share of disappointments. In the Overseas, we were the victim of 3 crossfires, one at each distance, which helped lead to a 3rd place finish (behind Guernsey and Jersey). In the Kolapore, we just never got things going and ended up in 4th place behind Great Britain, Guernsey and Jersey. For the most part, we didn't shoot too badly but we had some suspect sighters and just didn't perform how we needed to in order to win the match. In the Mackinnon, we finally fell

victim to our reduced team size as we had to be creative in our shooter/coach assignments. The team worked together to fulfill multiple roles as required but the team score suffered as a result. We finished a respectable 4th place (behind England, Scotland and Ireland), which was a credit to everyone's willingness to perform whatever task was assigned to them.

Full details of the teams shooting performance can be found on our blog (<http://canbis2009.blogspot.com/>)

This year, we shared the Pavilion with the F-Class team, who were competing in the F-Class World Championships. Their team, under the leadership of Bill Flintoft and Dale Rathwell, integrated quite well with the Target Rifle team, in my opinion, and we were able to form a cohesive DCRA team environment. We worked well together in organizing our annual Canadian Team reception, which was once again a great success.

Finally, I want to make note of the RUAG ammunition that the NRA(UK) procured for the Imperial meeting. After the complaints from previous years about the varying quality of RG, I have no hesitation to endorse the quality of the RUAG ammunition that was used in 2009. Our team members found the ammunition to be very good quality and I think it's safe to say that Canadians are now looking forward to shooting the ammunition in Bisley...something that was not always the case in previous years. So while the 2009 Canadian team to Bisley endured its share of challenges, it was nonetheless a rewarding experience. I want to thank all of my team members for their dedication to the team. Your efforts will never be forgotten.



## CANADIAN "F" CLASS RIFLE TEAM TO BISLEY 2009



William (Bill) Flintoft, Commandant

I would like to thank the DCRA office for all the work they did in making this trip go as smoothly as it did. Without their help I do not think our trip would have been as enjoyable.

Thanks also to Peter Dobson of Hirsch Precision Inc for their donations to both the T/R and F-class teams.

The experience in England will be one that the team members will cherish for a very long time. The team began arriving on the July 13 with everyone there by the 15th. Paul Reibin arrived on the 23rd. We took a couple of days to find our way around Bisley and adapt to the time change. The team, as well as Canada's only open shooter at the FCWC and Imperial Meeting Bruce Condie and his wife Liz, stayed at the Macdonald Stewart Pavilion with the target rifle team. Terry Perkins' wife Marj was also with us.

Shooting began on Friday the 17th with Matt Wolf taking 2nd and Marius DeChamplain 3rd place in the Admiral Hutton 900yards; Matt also came in 1st in the Century 500 and 600 yards.

Saturday was another good day for team members with Dale Rathwell coming 1st in the Donegall, 3rd in the Lovell 1000 yards. Marius was 1st in the Daily Telegraph 500yards.

Sunday continued like the previous days with Bill Flintoft 1st and Marius DeChamplain 3rd in the Alexandra 600yards.

Monday was more of the same with Terry Perkins 1st, Matt Wolf 2nd and Dale Rathwell 3rd in the Times 300 yards. Dale was 1st and Bill was 3rd in the Wimbledon 600 yards. Matt was 3rd in the Corporation 1000 yards

Tuesday was a short day with Stage 1 of the St. George's with Terry, Dale, Matt and Bill Watts making the cut. Terry and Marj, Dale Rathwell, Matt Wolf and Bill Flintoft went to the Queen's Garden Party in the afternoon while Bill Watts and Marius went sight seeing.

On Wednesday Dale and Terry made the cut for the Queens Final 300, 500 and 600 yards. Dale was 2nd and Terry 3rd in the Century Range Agg.

On Thursday, Dale was 4th in the Prince of Wales after a count back 600 yards. Dale came in 2nd in the Stickledown Range Agg as well as coming in 2nd in the Grand Aggregate.

On Friday Terry Perkins was 1st in the St George's final 900yards and 2nd in the Queens Final, Bill Watts 1st in the Stickledown 1000 yards and Matt took 1st place in the Queen consolation.

Saturday was a relaxing day as we were able to watch the target rifle competitors fire in the Queens Final.

On Sunday our work began as the team had a practice all day long with Bill Watts and Bill Flintoft acting as mules for the coach to get extra practice on the the range reading wind. They both fired over 100 round each for the coach as well as the 4 shooting team members.

On Monday the fun began. As happened in the Imperial meet, the wind was having fun with the shooters. We were shooting 308's with 155 bullets. The targets had a 5 inch V-bull, 10 inch bull, 20 inch Inner, 30 inch Magpie, 44 inch Outer and 60 inch Hit

Terry was 4th in the day 1 Agg

Matt was 1st in the day 2 Agg

Bill watts was 4th in the 800 two day Agg

Terry was 4th in the 900 two day Agg

Matt was 6th in the 900 two day Agg

In the team match we had a good showing even though our coach was sick in bed for the 2 days of team shooting. Dale and Terry did the coaching with Bill Flintoft acting as assistant coach and Bill Watts doing the register keeping. In the end we lost 3rd place to the Republic of Ireland by 6 points.

We had a Reception the night after the individual event was over. Canada supplied the venue and all the other international teams supplied products from their home country. Spain had a leg of dry cured ham, South Africa had wine, Netherlands had a variety of beer and wine as well as an orange liqueur that I was told was very good, the Republic of Ireland had small bottles of Irish whiskey for people, Germany brought 4 or 5 kegs of beer and the USA had wine as well. By all accounts, a great time was had by all.

The next FCWC will be held in the USA and I believe that Canada needs to send 2 teams; one F/O and F/. Captains should be picked by next summer in order to give them as much time as possible to organize things.

Once again, I would like to thank my Adjutant, Dale Rathwell, our Coach Paul Reibin and the rest of the team for making this trip a most memorable one!



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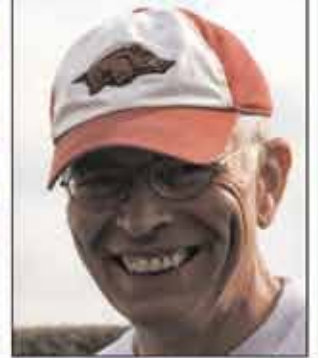




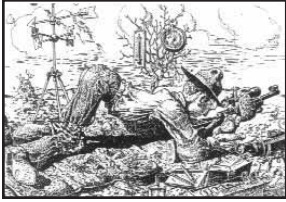
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# CANADIAN INTERNATIONAL TEAMS

Jim Thompson  
Chairman, DCRA International Teams Committee

The Executive Committee has, in the earlier part of this year, been considering the state of Canadian International Teams and what steps might be taken to improve our performance. The following paper formed the basis of this consideration. At the end of this article, I will summarise what has been approved and which matters are still pending. Perhaps the most important message is that, whatever is done, it must be a continuing effort and it must be engaged in, not only at the national level, but in provinces and clubs across the country.

## **Preamble**

In the last few years, Canada and the DCRA have struggled to put out top quality teams for international competition. There are many reasons for this, but perhaps the most important are:

- a) Lack of funding to support increasingly expensive training programmes and travel costs.
- b) A decreasing pool of target rifle shooters, especially experienced team shooters and coaches, as the more elderly leave the sport and are not being replaced in sufficient numbers by new shooters.
- c) More limited time that shooters have for travel

## **Why is this important?**

- a) Team shooting is an integral part of the fullbore TR and, increasingly, the F Class, shooting disciplines. Success in team matches brings distinction to our shooters and if properly publicised to the DCRA and Canada.
- b) Being part of a national team is a goal that can encourage development of shooters, and give the newer shooters something to strive for. It can therefore increase participation and membership.

## **Canadian Teams**

Typically, Canadian Teams can be categorised as follows (in no particular order of priority):

- a) The "Bisley" TR Team at the Imperial Meeting - annual. There are matches for the main team, plus under 25s and cadets. For well over 100 years, this has been the core of the DCRA's overseas team activity. Reduction of funding and the loss of service air have substantially increased the cost to individuals. There is only modest financial support from the DCRA, but a good deal of office and administrative help. I believe the Bisley Team occupies such an important part of the DCRA's make-up that it should continue on an annual basis with increased levels of support: free accommodation in the Bisley Pavilion, support by DCRA for team entry fees, the annual Canadian Teams Reception, travel and other costs. DCRA office support would be provided in return for a service charge paid by the team to the DCRA. The normal size of the Bisley Team is 23: Commandant, Adjutant, 3 coaches and 18 shooting members.
- b) The WLRC TR Team at the World Long Range Championships (WLRC) - generally every four years. The matches are for the main "Palma" team, Veterans, Under 25s, Under 21s and

Under 19s. Not all the latter three are necessarily held during each WLRC. It is proposed that these teams should receive the bulk of available DCRA funding and should be the priority for DCRA team efforts. All other teams will benefit from the continuity of training plans and team shooting procedures that the WLRC teams will generate. Making the effort a continuous one from one WLRC to the next will provide the best basis for an overall improvement in Canadian teams' performance.

- 1) The WLRC Team Captains should be appointed by DCRA Council in the winter immediately following the previous WLRC. The Captain for 2011 was appointed in 2008; for 2015, the appointment should be made early in 2012; for 2019, early in 2016, and so on. The Captains of the WLRC Age Teams should also be appointed as early as possible, so that there can be all possible interaction between the plans for all the WLRC teams. Planning for U25/21/19 teams should be initiated at the same time, through discussions with Canadian Cadet Authorities and canvassing of potential U25 shooters. The DCRA International Teams Committee (ITC) will have one of its members specifically tasked with planning for U25/21/19 World Championship Teams.
  - 2) Training and selection procedures for all these teams are to be published (in the *Marksmanship* and on the DCRA web site) at the same time that applications for all these teams are invited.
  - 3) Training and preparation for all these teams should be part of a cross-country co-ordinated effort, under the overall direction of the WLRC Team Captain.
- c) The "Commonwealth Games" TR Team - every four years. The Commonwealth Shooting Federation Championships (CSFC) are held in the year preceding the Games or earlier in the same year. Procedures for selection will be approved by the Executive Committee on recommendation of the ITC. The procedures will be published (*Marksmanship*, web site and DCRA Programme).
    - 1) Generally four shooters will be named from the initial selection process. Immediately after this is done, the ITC will, in consultation with the named shooters, select the Manager/Coach for the Team.
    - 2) The Manager/Coach, in conjunction with the ITC and the shooters, will determine the procedures for training and final selection of the shooters.
    - 3) It will normally be the intention for three shooters, and the Manager/Coach to attend the CSFC, after which final selection of two shooters will be made for the Games.
  - d) The "America" Match TR Team - generally every two years, alternating between Canada and the USA.
    - 1) The America Match, which started in 2002, is held every two years, alternating between Canada and the USA. We normally hold it at Connaught on the

Sunday after the Governor's Final; in the US, it is normally part of the Spirit of America shoot, held at Raton in early September. The timing of the SOA in the USA is unfortunate for us, being close to the end of the CFRC. It may also be unfortunate for some of the Americans for a similar reason, so that they don't come to Connaught.

2) We have hosted the match in 2002 and 2006, and will do so again in 2010. In 2004 and 2008, it was held in the USA, but we were not able to field a team. One or two teams from elsewhere have gone to Raton for the match, skipping Connaught.

3) The match 'belongs' to the US NRA, but we were a co-founder. It is unfortunate that we have not been present when it has been held in the USA. When in Canada, it has sometimes been a struggle to find people who can stay at Connaught for the extra day.

4) It is suggested that we continue our efforts to raise a team both in Canada and the USA. It would have to be almost entirely self-funded, but some modest support should be provided if possible.

5) It is suggested that we try to appoint the Captain two years ahead, whether the match is to be in Canada or the US. That means we should move on 2010 now, and appoint for 2012 in August 2010. That will give the person as much time as possible to try to arrange a team.

6) It may be that some of the western shooters will prefer to go to the SOA, rather than coming to Connaught. Hence it may be advisable to seek a captain from Western Canada. However, having a primarily western team at the America Match and SOA might reduce attendance at the CFRC.

7) Given the problems, it may be time to discuss this again with the US NRA, perhaps moving to a four-year cycle, in between WLRCs.

e) The "Australia" Match TR Team - under direction of ICFRA, can only be held when an Australian team is competing. It is generally held in conjunction with another event or meeting. The Team size is 10 shooters, plus officers and coaches. This match will held in Bisley in 2010.

f) "Good will TR Teams". These are generally more informal groups of shooters invited by a local host to take a shooting holiday. A DCRA individual is usually interested enough to make the arrangements. Such teams may be approved by the DCRA, in which case the nature of the tour must be publicised and applications invited. These teams are essentially self-funded. Occasionally, "special" invitations are received, of a higher status than a shooting holiday (for example the South African anniversary shoot in 2009). The ITC will review all such invitations as they come in and will determine what steps can be taken to form a team.

g) The "F Class Team" at the F Class World Championships (FCWC) - roughly every four years. There may be teams in the F(Open) and F(Restricted) Classes.

1) Now governed by ICFRA Rules, the FCWC may include team events for F(Open) and/or F(Restricted) Classes. The event is held about every four years. It was at Bisley in 2009. ICFRA has now decided that FCWC will be held in the USA in 2013 and in Canada in 2017.

2) Canada, as the founder of F Class, should be represented at these events. While F Class has not yet grown to rival the size of TR, it is now an important part of the shooting culture. Hence, recognition of and support for F Class Teams to the FCWC should be part of the team shooting mandate of the DCRA.

3) I suggest that arrangements similar to those for the WLRC be established. An F Class Team Captain should be appointed as soon as possible after the FCWC. Steps are currently under way to select the F Class Team Captain for 2013. Please see elsewhere in this issue of *The Canadian Marksman*.

h) "F Class Team to Bisley". Currently, there is no regular F Class Team to Bisley along the lines of the annual TR Team. It is recommended that the F Class Advisory Sub-Committee of the Executive consider the viability of sending an F Class Team to Bisley every one or two years. This would compete in the F Class International Team Match and in other matches that may form part of the Bisley Meeting. Appointment of Team Officers, team selection and use of the Macdonald Stewart Pavilion by the team would be on a similar basis to the methods used for the annual TR Team. The team size requirement for the current match at Bisley is seven, including Captain, 4 firers and 2 coaches, having just 4 shooters doing everything would suffice. See Bisley TR Team above.

i) "Goodwill F Class Teams". These may be arranged in a fashion similar to Goodwill TR Teams, to attend such events as the SOA, US F Class Nationals, and other shoots outside the world Championships. They will be largely self-funded

j) Canadian Teams at the annual Canadian Championships. These include TR, most importantly for the "Canada" and "Commonwealth" Matches, along with teams for Under 25s, Veterans and Cadets, as well as F Class teams.

1) The DCRA will continue to form teams for the Canada and Commonwealth Matches, as well as working with the cadet authorities for U25 Teams.

2) The innovation in 2008 of having second Canadian Teams fire alongside the Canada and Commonwealth Matches should be continued. This is a valuable means of increasing team shooting experience to a wider group of shooters, especially younger ones.

3) F Class Canadian Teams at the CFRC should be more formally organised than in the past.

4) Every effort must be made to enhance the inter-Provincial Matches at the CFRC, especially with an increased participation from cadets and younger shooters. Cooperation and interaction between the DCRA and the Cadet Authorities should be increased so that the inclusion of Cadets and Instructors on National, Provincial and Club Teams is a productive experience, one that will benefit the development of Canadian team shooting.

k) With the limited resources available to the DCRA, it is clearly not possible for all of these efforts to receive full or even partial funding. If funds may be available, priorities must be set as to how they may be used. Care must be taken to try to ensure that one team does not detract from another. For example, the sending of a team to Bisley should not weaken a team to the WLRC, and so on.

### **Training and Team Selection**

- a)** Since the WLRC Teams will now be the first priority for the DCRA team efforts, it will fall to the captain of the WLRC team to provide the focus for team training, preparation, coaching procedures and team selection. The proposed training schedule should be submitted to the ITC as soon as possible following appointment. It is highly recommended that there be a continuous evolution of training procedures, that one team should draw upon the experience of the previous team and should make such modifications as are required.
- b)** The training procedures should be made available to all teams in addition to the WLRC Teams, with all possible encouragement being given to all teams to follow them. Procedures should be documented and made public, along with application and selection procedures.
- c)** Training and shooting procedures for the annual Bisley Team will be coordinated between the Bisley Team Officers and the WLRC Team Captain to try to ensure as much commonality and continuity as possible.
- d)** F Class Teams should establish a similar regime, emphasising continuous development and the sharing of experience.
- e)** All teams should, as far as possible, use selection criteria that strongly include participation in, and scores made at, the DCRA Annual National Championships, in order to maximise entries and to provide a common basis for selection. The DCRA should consider whether it might be possible to re-instate some form of travel grant to the CFRC, especially for newer and younger shooters.
- f)** The ITC, through the DCRA Office, will assist in coordination, in the circulation of material and in the monitoring of its effectiveness.

### **Cross Canada Development**

- a)** Mention has been made of the diminishing pool of shooters, especially those with team shooting and coaching experience.
- b)** It is essential that PRAs encourage and assist new shooters, and that, from the beginning, team shooting becomes part of their development.
- c)** Inter-club or inter-regional or inter-everything team shoots as part of a practice day or weekend are strongly encouraged. Postal inter-regional and inter-provincial matches can be the next level of team competition.
- d)** Provincial Championships should include appropriate team championships, with strong encouragement to newer team shooters.
- e)** The techniques developed at the WLRC level should be available at all levels. The DCRA through the ITC will assist in circulation of such material. Those involved in the WLRC training and coaching process should be available to foster team shooting at other levels in their region.

### **Funding**

- a)** In order to provide incentive for members to qualify for and be selected to Canadian Rifle Teams, it is necessary to attempt to establish funding criteria and priorities. Clearly such criteria must be in line with the overall aims of the DCRA and must be consistent with the financial resources of the DCRA.
- b)** Commonwealth Games. The costs for the Games themselves are covered by the CCGA. However, there is little or no outside

funding for prior training or for the CSFC. The DCRA Executive has previously decided that the "Overseas Teams Fund" will be dedicated to the support of the Commonwealth Games effort. This fund receives money each year from the two OTF events at the CFRC and may also receive outside donations. The Manager/Coach may make application to the ITC for funding. The ITC will make appropriate recommendations to the Executive. It is recommended that this level of support be maintained.

- c)** Bisley Teams. I recommend an annual subsidy for newer team members, and increased support for team entries and the Canadian Teams reception. When there is an approved F Class Bisley Team, I recommend a subsidy of \$2,000.
- d)** World Championship Teams. I recommend that \$18,000 be set aside annually for the TR World Championship Teams and \$4,000 for the F Class World Championship Teams. These amounts are to be placed in a new DCRA "World Championship Team Fund (WCTF)", administered by the DCRA Office, with disbursements subject to approval by the Executive on the recommendation of the ITC. The establishment of this fund is not to prejudice in any respect any other efforts to obtain other outside funding for the WLRC teams. Indeed, fund raising should be an integral part of the team captains' responsibilities. Any such support that is obtained is to be placed in the WCTF and administered by the DCRA. Where possible, donors will receive receipts for tax purposes.
- e)** The WLRC Team Captain, in conjunction with the Veterans Team Captain, and the U25/21/19 Captain/Coordinator(s), is to make application for funding from the WCTF through the ITC. Team budgets must be submitted with the applications. The ITC will review proposals and make appropriate recommendations to the Executive. All outside funding may be requested as support, and up to 85% of the funds that have been placed in the fund by the DCRA. In cases of emergency the ITC may recommend to the Executive a higher level of expenditure than the 85%. Similarly, the F Class Team Captain is to make application from the fund in a fashion similar to that for the TR teams. The use of the fund is for the alleviation of individual costs both for training and the WLRC itself.
- f)** In addition, for teams approved by the DCRA, I recommend that \$25 per team member be granted to each World Championship and Bisley Team to assist in the purchase of team uniforms. These funds are to come initially from the Gil Hirst Fund.
- g)** Other Teams. These will generally not be funded by the DCRA. However, if a Team has been approved by the DCRA, the Team Captain may make application to the ITC for special funding. Such applications will be considered on an individual basis by the Executive Committee.

### **Accounting**

- a)** All approved teams must submit their budget to the ITC and accounting must be done in conjunction with the DCRA as part of the Association's accounts.
- b)** No funding will be released to any team that has not been approved, that has not submitted its budget and has not publicised its selection procedures.
- c)** Any outside donations are to be deposited with the DCRA and properly accounted for as part of the overall team finances. No tax receipts may be issued unless this is done.

d) The ITC is to report to the Executive on a regular basis on the progress of all approved teams.

### **Sources of Funding**

It will very properly be asked how, in the current difficult financial situation of the DCRA, annual amounts perhaps as much as \$35,000 can be found to fund these efforts. My suggestions on this are as follows:

a) The amount should be part of the annual operating budget of the DCRA. However, the transfer and allocation of funds should not be made until the close of the fiscal year. The November-December Executive Meeting should make the final decision on allocating funds for the next year or placing funds in reserve for future teams.

b) Set aside some of the income from outside contracts, when possible.

c) Specific funding is available for Under 25 members of the Bisley Team (Life Governors Under 25 Fund and the Frank Lucas Fund). The Lucas Fund is currently specific to shooters from the Maritimes. The terms of reference of this gift should be examined to see if this can be broadened. Consideration should be given to providing support from these funds for Under 25 shooters in World Championship and F Class Teams, in addition to Bisley.

d) The Gil Hirst Fund should be used to provide the funding for assistance to team uniforms.

e) Review all the other committed funds to see which can offer support of team activities or which can be changed in order to do so.

f) When necessary, the DCRA should start to draw down the Millennium Fund, since it has now been in operation for nearly 10 years.

g) Once again, seek professional advice on outside fund raising.

h) Drawing down committed funds, without replenishment from other donations or investment income, will, of course exhaust these in a number of years. However, it is suggested that it is better to do this in order to provide increased support to our teams now, in the hope that this will provide incentive for increased participation in DCRA activities.

### **The Macdonald Stewart Canadian Pavilion at Bisley.**

This is covered in a separate section, since it is a unique asset of the DCRA. Although the Pavilion is now operated on behalf of the DCRA by an 'arms length' company, the "Canadian Pavilion at Bisley Limited" (CPBL), its activities and any income derived from them are of great importance to the DCRA as a whole. Here are some notes and observations.

a) The Pavilion was originally constructed and its prime function remains as the home for the annual Canadian Rifle Team(s) to Bisley.

b) The age of the building dictates the necessity for continuous renovation and maintenance. The costs of these and the ever increasing annual operating costs are beyond the means of the DCRA from its normal operating budget.

c) The Macdonald Stewart Foundation has been extraordinarily generous in providing funds over the years - funds which essentially kept the building alive.

d) In 2002, the DCRA made the decision that use of the building must increase in order to provide income for its upkeep and renovation. CPBL was formed for this purpose.

e) In order to allow for greater use of the building, such as for bed and breakfast, meetings, dinners and other functions, immediate work had to be carried out to improve the building's safety and amenities. Once again, a great deal of support came from the Foundation, with a loan from the DCRA capital reserves to CPBL making up the balance.

f) Since 2003, activity has indeed increased, and so has the income. The DCRA has an agreement with its resident management team that splits equally the annual profit from the building. This profit is determined after all operating costs have been paid for the fiscal year.

g) It is the current practice of the DCRA that its share of the profit is put back into the building for renovations and maintenance. Without doing this, the facilities cannot be improved to a level necessary to stimulate increased business and income. For the foreseeable future, this is likely to continue, since there are major works to be undertaken such as heating and insulation, the electrical and plumbing systems, and the roof.

h) If there should come a time when the income from the Pavilion exceeds the requirements for work on the building, it is proposed that the surplus income be used in support of International Teams, especially the Bisley Team. This support would be primarily in supporting Bisley Team membership in the form of reduced assessments for newer and younger team members, and in coordinating the training and operation of the Bisley Team with the overall International Teams' effort. It must be noted that it is not likely that there will be surplus income for some years.

### **Summary**

The thrust of this paper is to define the DCRA's priority for teams as those in the (normally) four-year cycles of the World Long Range Target Rifle Championships and the F Class World Championships. Funds would be set aside annually for each of these, subject to the DCRA's financial performance and state, to be available on application by the respective teams. Coaching procedures and training methods would be standardised for all teams, with continuous updating in the light of experience. These are more advanced at present for TR Teams than for F Class, but the latter should be produced as soon as possible. Development of team shooting, especially the development of new team members (coaches and shooters) would be supported by the encouragement of team shooting at the annual Canadian Championships, and by greater efforts at the Provincial and Club levels.

### **Decisions**

*At its meeting in April and by a further mail ballot in May 2009, the DCRA Executive Committee approved the above as a general statement of policy regarding Canadian International Teams. The proposals for funding were also approved, with the exception of increased funding for the TR Bisley Team. Revised proposals for the latter will be presented to the Executive at its next meeting. Funding allocations will be determined following the review of the 2008-2009 financial statements and form part of the budget for 2009-2010.*



# F CLASS CORNER

Dave Rumbold  
Chairman, DCRA F Class Advisory Committee

Several significant developments have occurred on the Canadian F Class scene over the last few months, and more are underway.

Firstly, as better reported elsewhere, the members of Canada's 2009 F Class Rifle Team, led by Bill Flintoft of BC, produced several outstanding performances at the UK's Bisley Imperial Meeting in July. They followed this with some further fine shooting at the 2009 F World Class Championships, also held at Bisley. Congratulations to all of you for making us so proud!

The 2009 F Class World Championships were run on behalf of ICFRA, the International Confederation of Fullbore Rifle Associations, of which Canada is a founding member and an ardent supporter. In fact, ICFRA's first President was Stan Frost of Saskatchewan (the DCRA's Executive Vice-President). Even though he's a Target Rifle shooter, Stan has been known to sometimes dabble happily in F Class.

ICFRA's F Class Rules Committee met during the 2009 F Class World Championships, and decided **against** introducing future world-level competitions for F-Farquharson rifles. This means that any F-Farkie shooter using a pedestal front rest must continue to compete internationally in the F-Open class. Moreover, ICFRA's F Class Rules Committee renamed ICFRA's former "F-Restricted" Class to "F-TR". Note that this does **NOT** mean "F-Target Rifle". Rather, this name change was made because most international F Class shooters have a much better understanding of what "F-TR" means than they did of what was meant by the old "F-Restricted" designation.

Some Canadian shooters may feel that these ICFRA decisions should be challenged. However, ICFRA's F Class Rules Committee had two very good reasons for making its recent decisions. First there was the name recognition issue mentioned above. Second, ICFRA is an **international** organization which has no jurisdiction whatsoever over anything which **individual** countries may do or wish to do. Simply put, the demand for international F-Farquharson competitions is so low that ICFRA sees no current need to develop **international** F-Farky rules. Moreover, any proposal to change these new ICFRA rules could not be implemented any time soon (even if the proposal was approved), because ICFRA's rules get amended only once every four years.

These ICFRA decisions will not, of course, mean the cessation of F-Farquharson shooting in **Canada**. The DCRA fully intends to make suitable provisions for F-Farky shooters to compete in the annual Canadian Championships. PRAs and clubs, too, are probably looking to provide similar opportunities at Provincial and local levels. To illustrate the options currently under DCRA consideration, see the article by Daniel Chisholm elsewhere in this issue of *The Canadian Marksman*, titled "F-Farky -- Keep It, Abandon It, Or Return It To Its Roots?" Remember to send Daniel your prompt feedbacks on this!

Next, the 2009 National Championships in Ottawa contained several welcome improvements which were specifically tailored to F Class needs. Perhaps as a result, an increased proportion of the adult Canadian participants were F Class shooters. This

continues a steady trend, and emphasizes the importance of F Class shooters at the National level. Let's keep this progress up, and encourage even more F Classers to participate next year!"

Leo D'Amour of Quebec won the 2009 F-Open Final - the third time he has won this event and the first time anyone has won it more than once. That he achieved this outstanding result at the age of 80 is a marvellous inspiration to us all. Well done, Leo - keep it up!

The 2009 F-Restricted Final was won by Jim Thompson of Ontario - shooting a .223 Target Rifle with a scopesight and a front rest against competitors using .308 rifles and much heavier bullets. So if you're able to read tricky winds, you can win major events no matter what firepower your artillery may have. Remember, no trophies are awarded anywhere for the highest Ballistic Coefficient or fastest Muzzle Velocity...

On the administrative scene, the DCRA now has an F Class Advisory Committee (FCAC for short). Its Chairman is me, Dave Rumbold of Ottawa (d.rumbold@sympatico.ca), and its members are:

Matt Wolf of New Brunswick (greenscove@gmail.com)

Dale Rathwell of Quebec (J.Courte@sympatico.ca )

Gord Ogg of Ontario (gord ogg@hotmail.com )

Glen Taylor of Alberta (glentaylor@shaw.ca)

Ian Hames of British Columbia (riflebarrels@telus.net).

Please feel free to contact any of us with your ideas about F Class matters.

This new committee has already prompted wheels to be set in motion to select a Captain for the Canadian F-Open and F-TR Teams to the 2013 F Class World Championships (FCWC for short). This event will be held in Raton, New Mexico, USA. Similar efforts have also commenced to select Canada's Captain for the 2010 "America" F Class Match. The latter is one of the world's most renowned international team events, and will be held in Ottawa immediately after next year's Canadian Championships. Note that Canada's Team Captains for both the 2010 "America" Match and the 2013 FCWC must be DCRA members. For more details concerning these events and the selection of Canada's F Class Team Captains, see various Notices published elsewhere in this edition of *The Canadian Marksman*. Details may also appear on the DCRA website (www.DCRA.ca).

From returns received in response to the Notice concerning F Class Team Captains, the DCRA Executive Committee will produce a short-list of candidates in December. When that's published, please have a look at it and give your opinions on the short-listed candidates. Tell all your friends about it as well, so that they too can help advise the DCRA on who is the best choice. The DCRA Council will then choose in the 2013 FCWC Captain in January 2010, at which time the new Captain will be able to start his job right away.

Canadian F Class shooters, coaches and team officers need to obtain adequate practice in team events. But FCWC team events are shot only at long ranges. Meaningful training and warm-ups-for Canada's teams should therefore occur preferably at distances

in excess of 600m. This greatly limits our potential team training venues. The annual Canadian Championships in Ottawa already include one long-range F Class team event (the Lum Trophy concurrent with the Algonquin Match). However, this is unlikely to satisfy all the needs of Canada's future FCWC teams. Additional annual F Class long-range team events should therefore be provided -- not only at the Canadian Championships but also via regional events. That way, all F Class shooters, coaches and team officers from across Canada could gain vitally-needed team match experience.

But where should such events be held? Each would need the participation of at least two F-Open teams and two F-TR teams. Our current numbers of committed F Class shooters would thus justify only one "Eastern", one "Central" and one "Western" regional team competition per year -- with the "Central" one probably being at the Canadian Championships in Ottawa. We therefore need to decide where and when the other two might best be held (noting that we wouldn't want any date clashes). Also, before Canada's F Class teams leave for Raton, it would greatly help their candidates to participate in at least one high-level team competition of the type and quality currently offered in Canada only by the Canadian Championships in Ottawa (remember, that's where 2010's F Class "America" Match will be held).

To help ensure that all this will happen, the F Class Advisory Committee will hopefully soon be enhanced by three "Regional F Class Coordinators": one for Eastern Canada (covering the Maritime Provinces and PQ), one for Central Canada (covering Ontario and Nunavut), and one for Western Canada (covering the Prairie Provinces, BC, the Northwest Territories and the Yukon).

The first task of each F Class Coordinator will be to drum up enough interest and support within his/her region to demonstrate that the creation of additional F Class team matches is warranted -- not only in that region itself but also at the National Championships. The regular provision of such events should greatly help improve Canada's F Class team shooting abilities. Each Regional F Class Coordinator will therefore be seeking commitments from as many F Class shooters as possible to enter any new team matches which this initiative might produce.

Each F Class Coordinator's second task will be to investigate the best location and timing for F Class team matches within their region. They will also establish which PRA(s) would be willing and able to run these events in a suitable manner.

In this connection, the Manitoba Provincial Rifle Association is already developing plans to hold the inaugural Western F Class Championship (probably at 800 yards, 900 yards and 1,000 yards) on St. Charles Range, Winnipeg in early July 2010. Further details concerning the individual and team matches to be included in these Championships will be published when available. So even

now is not too early to consider entering this ground-breaking event.

In addition, most PRAs run annual Championships and Long-Range events of great interest to F Class shooters -- and the 2010 Canadian Championships in Ottawa (running from 13 to 22 August) will conclude with the F Class "America" Team Match, as noted above.

The DCRA has always been willing to organize national events for whatever F Class niche disciplines may exhibit an adequate demand. However, separate national-level competitions for such niche classes can be provided only if sufficient interest and entry levels exist, and these are not as yet forthcoming.

The task of drumming up more mainstream **and** niche interest -- and hence enough entries to justify the running of national-level competitions -- can be performed only at PRA and Club level. That's one of the other main reasons why the new "Regional F Class Co-ordinators" are so important.

Ian Hames has already kindly volunteered for the position of Western Canada's Regional F Class Co-ordinator, covering the Prairie Provinces, British Columbia, the Northwest Territories and the Yukon. I sincerely thank him for accepting this vital job. **We now need two other Regional F Class Co-ordinators** -- one for Eastern Canada (covering the Maritime Provinces and PQ), and one for Central Canada (covering Ontario and Nunavut). But all three regional coordinators have huge areas to cover, so they will need assistance from "Local F Class Co-ordinators" - one for each active shooting centre within their region.

I therefore look forward to being inundated with nominations and/or volunteers for all of these important positions. **Without them, it will be impossible for us to get far off the ground.**

Please also note that the enlargement of DCRA membership (and hence the assurance of Canada's shooting future) will probably depend to a great extent upon the promotion of all potential sub-sets of F Class shooting. We must get our grass roots better involved.

Remember to ask all your F Class contacts to send their coordinates (particularly phone numbers and e-mail addresses) to office@dcra.ca ASAP. In this way, they can keep themselves informed on F Class developments, and can help advise the DCRA on who to select as Canada's F Class Team Captains. This will also ensure that their names are front and centre when it's time to choose Canada's next international F Class teams.

Please also help us brain-storm all these projects, so that Canada's new F Class Team Captains will have a pile of good ideas to help them. Ideas for Team fund-raising activities would be particularly welcome. Canada's future international F Class Teams need to contain Canada's best F Class shooters - preferably without causing too much financial strain to any of them.



## ***Congratulations to Art Grundy***

We are pleased to announce that the DCRA Honours and Awards Committee has awarded a 60 year badge to Art to commemorate his long membership in the DCRA.

# 2008/2009 DCRA POSTAL PROGRAM RESULTS

## CADET MATCHES

|                                                       |                                                                                             |                                              |                              |                 |
|-------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------|
| <b>Match 1.3</b>                                      | Gold                                                                                        | 148 RCACC, Charlottetown, PE                 | 1536                         |                 |
| <b>Cadet Air Rifle Team</b>                           | Silver                                                                                      | 907 White Rock, Langley, BC                  | 1529                         |                 |
|                                                       | Bronze                                                                                      | 2610 Army Sheet Harbour, Sheet Harbour, NS   | 1523                         |                 |
|                                                       | Gold                                                                                        | Ellen Kim, 907 White Rock, Langley, BC       | 393                          | 100 Honour Roll |
| <b>Match 1.4</b><br><b>Cadet Air Rifle Individual</b> | Silver                                                                                      | Gillian Spears, 2610 Army Sheet Harbour, NS  | 391                          | 100 Honour Roll |
|                                                       | Bronze                                                                                      | Dylan Adams, 148 RCACC, Charlottetown        | 391                          | 100 Honour Roll |
|                                                       | Top Expert                                                                                  | Jillian Murphy, 148 RCACC, Charlottetown     | 369                          |                 |
|                                                       | Top Expert                                                                                  | Preston Puhakka, 856 Air, Pickering, ON      | 367                          |                 |
|                                                       | Top Expert                                                                                  | Evan Acosta, 3036 RCACC, Lower Sackville, NS | 367                          |                 |
|                                                       | Top Expert                                                                                  | Peter Dayman, 2988 Army, Montmartre, SK      | 267                          |                 |
|                                                       | Top SS                                                                                      | Mark Cabalse, 707 Air, Etobicoke, ON         | 348                          |                 |
|                                                       | Top SS                                                                                      | Vanessa Eugene, 707 Air, Etobicoke, ON       | 347                          |                 |
|                                                       | Top SS                                                                                      | Sacha Montreuil, 1849 Army, Orangeville, ON  | 344                          |                 |
|                                                       | Top SS                                                                                      | Daniel Kenney, 2610 Army, Sheet Harbour, NS  | 344                          |                 |
|                                                       | <b>Match 1.8 - Stage 1</b><br><b>Air Rifle Team Match for the Youth of the Commonwealth</b> | 1st place                                    | 148 RCACC, Charlottetown, PE | 1509            |
| 2nd place                                             |                                                                                             | 907 White Rock, Langley, BC                  | 1467                         |                 |
| 3rd place                                             |                                                                                             | 8149 Army, Orangeville, ON                   | 1313                         |                 |
| <b>Match 1.8 - Stage 2</b>                            | 1st place                                                                                   | 148 Army, Charlottetown, PE                  | 1480                         |                 |
|                                                       | 2nd place                                                                                   | 907 White Rock, Langley, BC                  | 1460                         |                 |
|                                                       | 3rd place                                                                                   | 1849 Army, Orangeville, ON                   | 1284                         |                 |

## JUNIOR MATCHES

|                                                        |            |                                          |      |  |
|--------------------------------------------------------|------------|------------------------------------------|------|--|
| <b>Match 2.3</b><br><b>Junior Air Rifle Team Match</b> | Gold       | 907 White Rock, Langley, BC              | 1508 |  |
|                                                        | Silver     | 242 Granby, St. Pie, QC                  | 1493 |  |
|                                                        | Bronze     | 2537 RCACC, North Battleford, SK         | 1415 |  |
| <b>Match 2.4</b><br><b>Junior Air Rifle Individual</b> | Gold       | Ellen Kim, 907 White Rock, Langley, BC   | 387  |  |
|                                                        | Top Expert | Janko Rogan, 907 White Rock, Langley, BC | 369  |  |
|                                                        | Top Expert | Josh Adrian, 907 White Rock, Langley, BC | 369  |  |
|                                                        | Top SS     | Patrick Webber, KTSA, Kamloops, BC       | 349  |  |
|                                                        | Top SS     | Bethany Bezanson, 907 White Rock         | 348  |  |

## OPEN MATCHES

|                                                      |                                                     |                                       |                                    |     |
|------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-----|
| <b>Match 3.1</b><br><b>Open Smallbore Rifle Team</b> | Gold                                                | NS Highlanders Rifle Association      | 2327                               |     |
|                                                      | Silver                                              | Castors Charlesbourg, Quebec, QC      | 2317                               |     |
|                                                      | Bronze                                              | PEIRA, York, PE                       | 2283                               |     |
| <b>Match 3.2</b><br><b>Open Iron Sight Smallbore</b> | Gold                                                | Paul Rodd, NSHRA                      | 596                                |     |
|                                                      | Silver                                              | Gale Stewart, Castors Charlesbourg    | 594                                |     |
|                                                      | Bronze                                              | Dale MacLeod, PEIRA                   | 591                                |     |
|                                                      | Top Expert                                          | Mitch MacLeod, PEIRA                  | 578                                |     |
|                                                      | Top Expert                                          | Bob Barwise, PEIRA                    | 567                                |     |
|                                                      | Top Expert                                          | Myron Ling, PEIRA                     | 564                                |     |
|                                                      | Top SS                                              | Wendell Horton, PEIRA                 | 532                                |     |
|                                                      | Top SS                                              | Rob Harrison, APRA Service Rifle      | 528                                |     |
|                                                      | Top SS                                              | John Nijeboer, APRA Service Rifle     | 514                                |     |
|                                                      | <b>Match 3.3</b><br><b>Open Any Sight Smallbore</b> | Gold                                  | Gale Stewart, Castors Charlesbourg | 600 |
| Silver                                               |                                                     | Michel Poitras, Castors Charlesbourg  | 594                                |     |
| Bronze                                               |                                                     | Paul Rodd, NSHRA                      | 589                                |     |
| Top Expert                                           |                                                     | Jacques Dugas, Castors Charlesbourg   | 580                                |     |
| Top Expert                                           |                                                     | Chris Taggart, APRA                   | 569                                |     |
|                                                      | Top SS                                              | Claude Tremblay, Castors Charlesbourg | 549                                |     |



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|-------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| <b>Match 3.4</b><br><b>Open Pairs Smallbore</b> | Gold                                       | Kamloops Target Sports Association<br>Pat Landals/Matthew Klein (100 Honour Roll) | 541                           |
|                                                 | Silver                                     | Kamloops Target Sports Association<br>Bernice Debert/Aimee Debert                 | 502                           |
|                                                 | Bronze                                     | Kamloops Target Sports Association<br>Robert Rudkowski/Jennifer Prendergast       | 485                           |
| <b>Match 3.5</b><br><b>Open Air Rifle Team</b>  | Gold                                       | APRA Service Rifle, Calgary, AB                                                   | 2290                          |
| <b>Match 3.6</b><br><b>Open Air Rifle Ind.</b>  | Gold                                       | Rob Harrison, APRA                                                                | 592                           |
|                                                 | Silver                                     | John Nijeboer, APRA                                                               | 575                           |
|                                                 | Bronze                                     | Wayne Zylik, APRA                                                                 | 574                           |
|                                                 | Top Marksman                               | Rishi Soni, 828 Hurricane (Army), Surrey, BC                                      | 338                           |
|                                                 | Top Marksman                               | David Barr, 828 Hurricane (Army), Surrey, BC                                      | 248                           |
|                                                 | Top Marksman                               | Shelby Raeburn, 828 Hurricane (Army), Surrey, BC                                  | 206                           |
|                                                 | Top Marksman                               | Jonathan Chapple, 838 Hurricane (Army), Surrey, BC                                | 183                           |
|                                                 | Top Marksman                               | Louie Wong, 828 Hurricane (Army), Surrey, BC                                      | 140                           |
|                                                 | Top Marksman                               | Brendon St-Martin, 838 Hurricane (Army), Surrey, BC                               | 92                            |
|                                                 | <b>Match 3.8</b><br><b>Open F Class SB</b> | Gold                                                                              | Bill Flintoft, Chilliwack, BC |
| Silver                                          |                                            | Barry Prost, Kamloops, BC                                                         | 598                           |
| Bronze                                          |                                            | Mark Anderson, Kamloops, BC                                                       | 595                           |
| Top Expert                                      |                                            | Paul Reibin, Kamloops, BC                                                         | 578                           |
| Top Expert                                      |                                            | Chris Taggart, APRA                                                               | 567                           |
| Top SS                                          |                                            | Rob Harrison, APRA                                                                | 541                           |

### *A look at some of the Dominion of Canada Rifle Association's trophies*



The Macdougall  
Challenge Cup

A Challenge Cup presented by Lady MacDougall in 1868 in memory of her late husband Sir Patrick MacDougall who had been Adjutant General of the Canadian Militia at the time of Confederation. For individual competition restricted to members of H. M's Forces. This is the DCRA's oldest challenge trophy. Presented to the winner of the MacDougall match.



The Gooderham  
Challenge Cup

A Challenge Cup presented to The Canadian Rifle League in 1911 by Lieutenant Colonel A.E. Gooderham, Officer Commanding The 10th Royal Grenadiers of Toronto for annual competition. Taken over by the Dominion of Canada Rifle Association on absorption of the League in 1924-1925. The cup is now presented to the winner of the Gooderham match.



The Carling Breweries  
Challenge Trophy

A Challenge Cup presented by Carling Brewery Ltd., July 1931 for competition between teams representing East, West and Central Canada at the Annual Prize Meeting of the Dominion of Canada Rifle Association. Presented to the winner of the Carling Breweries Interprovincial team match.



The City of Ottawa  
Trophy

A Challenge Cup presented to the Dominion of Canada Rifle Association by The City of Ottawa for Annual Competition between rifle associations - 1911. Presented to the winner of the Norman Beckett match.



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## THE DCRA 2009/2010 POSTAL COMPETITIONS

We cordially invite you to participate in the DCRA 2009/2010 Postal Programme for the National Smallbore and Air Rifle Shooting Championships. Our postal shooting program will provide you with both challenge and personal enjoyment, as well as the opportunity to hone shooting skills. The Postal Programme includes competitive opportunities in individual and team Matches, in both air rifle and smallbore disciplines.

The complete Postal Programme is designed to provide the broadest opportunity for everyone to pursue their shooting interests indoors. The rules permit the wide latitude in selection of rifles and sights, to encourage the greatest possible participation. To promote shooting skills under similar conditions and to ensure fairness with respect to different shooting backgrounds and experience, the Postal Programme includes different shooting matches for adults, juniors and cadets.

While registration for the Postal Programme can be delayed until as late as *February 5, 2010* it is strongly recommended that your individual and team entries be sent to the DCRA office by end of November. This will permit you to start shooting earlier, and can provide both individuals and teams with extra activities during the coming holiday season.

If you have any queries about these postal competitions, please call, e-mail the DCRA at [office@dcra.ca](mailto:office@dcra.ca) or visit our website at [www.dcra.ca](http://www.dcra.ca).

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### Postal Programme Memberships

|                                |           |
|--------------------------------|-----------|
| Individual (Senior) Membership | \$ 16.00  |
| Cadets and Junior Memberships  | No Charge |

| Match No. & Name | Individual<br>1st team | Each Additional<br>Team | Remarks |
|------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|---------|
|------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|---------|

### Cadet Air Rifle

|                                                   |          |          |                    |
|---------------------------------------------------|----------|----------|--------------------|
| 1.3 Cadet Air Rifle Team                          | \$ 30.00 | \$ 25.00 | 4 members to count |
| 1.4 Cadet Air Rifle Individual                    | \$ 5.00  |          |                    |
| 1.8 Air Rifle Team -<br>Youth of the Commonwealth | \$ 45.00 |          | 8 members to count |

### Junior Air Rifle

|                                 |          |          |                    |
|---------------------------------|----------|----------|--------------------|
| 2.3 Junior Air Rifle Team       | \$ 30.00 | \$ 25.00 | 4 members to count |
| 2.4 Junior Air Rifle Individual | \$ 5.00  |          |                    |

### Open Smallbore and Air Rifle

|                                       |          |          |                    |
|---------------------------------------|----------|----------|--------------------|
| 3.1 Open Smallbore Team               | \$ 30.00 | \$ 25.00 | 4 members to count |
| 3.2 Open iron Sight Smallbore Ind.    | \$ 5.00  |          |                    |
| 3.3 Open Any Sight Smallbore Ind.     | \$ 5.00  |          |                    |
| 3.4 Open Pairs Smallbore              | \$ 15.00 | \$ 12.50 | 2 members to count |
| 3.5 Open Air Rifle Team               | \$ 30.00 | \$ 25.00 | 4 members to count |
| 3.6 Open Air Rifle Individual         | \$ 5.00  |          |                    |
| 3.7 Open F-Class Smallbore Team       | \$ 30.00 | \$ 25.00 | 4 members to count |
| 3.8 Open F-Class Smallbore Individual | \$ 5.00  |          |                    |

For **Cadets** and **Juniors** entering these matches, entry fees will be reduced by 50%. This has been made possible by a generous donation made by the Royal Canadian Legion.



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## ENTRY FORM - POSTAL COMPETITIONS

**Unit/Club/Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Cadet Unit Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_ **Postal Code:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Telephone:** ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ **Fax:** ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

**E-mail:** \_\_\_\_\_

**(A) Team Matches (Matches 1.3, 1.8, 2.3, 3.1, 3.4, 3.5, 3.7)- Enter this Unit/Club in the following matches:**

| Match # | Match Name | # of teams | \$ / team | TOTAL \$ |
|---------|------------|------------|-----------|----------|
| _____   | _____      | _____      | _____     | _____    |
| _____   | _____      | _____      | _____     | _____    |
| _____   | _____      | _____      | _____     | _____    |

**(B) Individual Matches (Matches 1.4, 2.4, 3.2, 3.3, 3.6, 3.8)- Enter these individuals in the following matches:  
(please include an alphabetical list of individuals and, if senior, include membership fees)**

| Match # | Individual Name | # of individuals | \$/Indiv. | TOTAL \$ |
|---------|-----------------|------------------|-----------|----------|
| _____   | _____           | _____            | _____     | _____    |
| _____   | _____           | _____            | _____     | _____    |
| _____   | _____           | _____            | _____     | _____    |

|                                          |          |
|------------------------------------------|----------|
| <b>Total Team Fees</b>                   | \$ _____ |
| <b>Total Individual Fees</b>             | \$ _____ |
| <b>Less 50% for Cadets &amp; Juniors</b> | \$ _____ |
| <b>Membership (if applicable)</b>        | \$ _____ |
| <b>TOTAL ENTRY FEES (Enclosed)</b>       | \$ _____ |

Certified that, unless otherwise directed in the conditions for the match, all matches entered above will be fired at NOT less than \_\_\_\_\_ metres/feet from the front of the firing point to the face of the target (see Rule 4 para. 1a.) Range Officer

**NOTES:**

1. See the conditions for the appropriate match fee for the entry fee required.
2. Ensure that the correct fee is included with the form, see Rule 1 para 2. Make cheques or money orders payable to "DCRA Postal Competitions". DO NOT send cash through the mail.

# SIERRA RESULTS

## Saskatchewan

The SPRA ISSF Sierra Match was held on Sunday, June 21, 2009. The morning started off with a bang, thunder and raining. The start of the match was delayed due to heavy rain and by 9 or 10 am relay 1 of 12 shooters started shooting DCRA style on the 6 frames with ISSF targets and competitor marking. This proved wise as we did manage to fire 30 using 2+15's without getting too wet. It was getting heavier as the last shooters left the line slightly before 11 am. Winds were from the ENE at around 10-15 mph and most of the high BC rigs needed around 2 moa of Right windage at the 300m line for the ISSF.

In total we had 1 shooter with irons, 4 FF and 7 F Open shooters for the Sunday ISSF.

### Results

|               |                 |           |
|---------------|-----------------|-----------|
| TR Class      | Dale Luchuck    | 263       |
| F/Farquharson | Jim McInnes     | 295       |
|               | Hugh Haskin     | 294       |
|               | Orrin Skafel    | 286       |
|               | Martin Teglassi | 189       |
|               | F/Open          | Ian Hames |
|               | Marc Thibault   | 300       |
|               | Richard Dreger  | 299       |
|               | Tom McCray      | 296       |
|               | Luc Thibault    | 293       |
|               | Les Dolhun      | 292       |
|               | Brian Worsley   | 284       |

*Our thanks to Sierra Bullets for their generous contribution to the prize list!!*

## Alberta

The match was held on June 25, 2009. We had 13 competitors - 9 TR and 4 F Class shooters. They competed in challenging conditions (fairly cool and blustery winds).

The TR competition was won by Carl Ganter with a score of 581.16, from Andy Tikkenen 577.17 and Ken Nelson 576.11.

In F Class, Jim Bengé came first with a score of 598.28 and Darcy Spenst came second scoring 582.20.

*Thanks to Sierra, the bulletsmiths for the donation of bullets given as prizes to all shooters.*

## Nova Scotia

The match was held on July 1, 2009 at 'A' Range on the NSRA Bull Meadow Range complex in Upper Rawdon, Nova Scotia.

Course of fire was three strings of unlimited sighters and 15 shots on score on the decimal ISSF target at 300 meters.

There were four classes of competitors:

Target Rifle - Steve Maly 419/450

'F' Class Restricted - Armen Papazyan 445/450

'F' Class Open - Yuriy Shelkovnykov 445/450

Service Rifle - Ken Ferguson 429/450

Weather conditions were light wind with overcast sky and temperatures in the high teens. Severe weather was forecast as Post Tropical Storm 'Ike' was approaching. These conditions may have reduced the number of competitors.

## Ontario

The ORA enjoyed a good turn out for the ISU Match, which was held early in the schedule this year on June 7th at Mons Range, CFB Borden. The conditions were not easy with cool winds coming straight down range that aggressively began to fish tail as the day went on. A good group from all disciplines enjoyed the ISU target today from TR, FClass, Precision and Service Rifle. Many of the SR entrants enjoyed the 60 round match threatening to come out in larger numbers next year.

The winners included Des Vamplew (TR), shooting a new record that beat Fazal Mohideen's 597 from 2006. Gord Ogg (F/U) with a perfect 600, that matched 600's already achieved in previous years by John Kafjes, Heinz Vollenweider & Norm Barber. Bruce Condie (F/M) with a 589 and RSM Dave Atkins with an impressive 584 using C7 in full equipment.



*The ORA would like to thank Sierra Bullets for their most generous support.*



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# SIERRA RESULTS

## Manitoba

After a horrendous two days of pouring rain, 15 valiant warriors turned up at St. Charles on Sunday 28 June to shoot the Sierra Challenge. The sky was blue and the sun was trying to shine but the wind decided to blow from between 25 and 30 mph. with huge gusts in between from a 10 o'clock direction. This made trying to hold the rifle steady very difficult. At one stage we had to cease fire so the butts party could move the huge aluminum target covers, to a safe place, as one was blown clean over the butts, cutting a target in half like a hot knife through butter. The wind refused to abate but at least it didn't rain. Everyone enjoyed the experience, even Bruce shooting his Garand. We would all like to thank Sierra Bullets for their generous bullet donation and continued support.



| <u>Target Rifle</u> |     | <u>F/O</u> |     | <u>F/TR</u>          |     |
|---------------------|-----|------------|-----|----------------------|-----|
| D. Paetkau          | 411 | R. Deneke  | 435 | J. Tiset             | 430 |
| J. Chapman          | 411 | S. Thiesen | 430 | <u>Service Rifle</u> |     |
| G. McCartney        | 396 | C. Hiebert | 421 | B. Hamilton          | 427 |
| M. Sloane           | 378 | N. Doan    | 421 | L. Dolhun            | 375 |
| L. Poulin           | 376 | D. Grant   | 412 | B. MacDonald         | 372 |
|                     |     |            |     | T. Martin            | 350 |

## Quebec

L'ATPQ a tenu sa compétition UIT le 6 Juin dernier. Nous avons eu une belle température bonne participation et les tireurs ont bien apprécié leur journée. Les gagnants dans les différentes classes sont :

PQRA held its UIT match last June 6. We had good weather and a good participation. Every shooter enjoyed the competition. Winners for each class are:

- Classe TR : **M. Paul Tremblay - 588**
- Classe FF : **M. Marius De Champlain - 598**
- Classe FO : **M. Guy Côté - 598**



*L'Association tient à remercier particulièrement la compagnie Sierra pour son soutien auprès de nos tireurs années après années.*

*The Association would like to thank Sierra for their generous and regular sponsorship of this match.*



# SIERRA RESULTS

## National Capital Region Rifle Association



We were blessed with a beautiful day for shooting as the photo of some of the winners shows with sun glasses on full display despite it being October. The top Target Rifle shooter was Alain Marion with the F Class group being led by Barry Price. Barry has not been with the Club very long so he can be forgiven for the classic new shooter's ailment, dropping the very last shot on score. Lots of time left to change that Barry.

-Bill Molnar

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## British Columbia

The 2009 BC ISSF Championship attracted 32 competitors. The BCRA used the ICFRA 300m target for the first time in 2009 BCR ISSF championship. The ICFRA target was used for TR and the ICFRA F-class target for F-class and Bench Rest. The ICFRA TR bull is 140 mm while the ICFRA F-class bull is 70 mm. For comparison purposes the ISSF bull is 100 mm. The ICFRA target in F-class and Bench Rest is more difficult than ISSF while TR is slightly easier. The use of the ICFRA target for ISSF worked very well and helped to reduce our inventory of different targets for our eight different Provincial Championships. The maximum score was a possible 375-75v. Five relays of 15 rounds were used because of the large entry and six targets available for the match.

**Bench Rest (BR)** Winner Cliff Young 358-25v

**Target Rifle (TR)** Winner Dave Adams 363-30v

**F-class Restricted (FR)** Winner Brian Mylleville 353-24v

**F-class Open (FO)** Winner Richard Dreger 373-54v

There were four new competitors in the BC ISSF for the first time.

*The BCRA and the competitors would like to thank Sierra for their continued and generous support.*

# PRA ACTIVITIES

## Newfoundland

There were no activities at the Newfoundland Provincial Rifle Association this year due to planned range shutdown from April 1st to Sept 30th, 2009.

The shutdown was necessary for a planned expansion to increase the number of firing points as well as changing some access roads to and from the range.

Hopefully by late spring or early summer 2010 we will be back shooting at the range in Mackinsons.

## Saskatchewan

The weather was great, with sunny weather around 15 to 25 C. and the usual tricky Nokomis winds. There was mostly a south east wind on Friday and Saturday, then increasing in velocity. Sunday saw gusts of over 40 k/hr and fast swings. The winds were so high by Sunday afternoon that the match committee decided to shoot 300 and twice at 600 instead of the planned 600, 900 and 1000 yd.

**Grand Agg results were:**

|                 |        |                    |        |
|-----------------|--------|--------------------|--------|
| TR Peter Jmaeff | 292V21 | F/O Keith Skjerdal | 278V21 |
| Ron Dawson      | 288V24 | Tom McCrea         | 269V15 |
| Frank Lalear    | 283V24 | Brian Rowe         | 258V8  |

|                  |        |
|------------------|--------|
| F/F Chuck Lochel | 270V11 |
| Jim McInnes      | 265V11 |
| Bill McDonnell   | 245V6  |

## British Columbia

The 125th British Columbia Target Rifle and F Class Championship was held July 31-August 3. The DCRA Affiliation Medals were awarded to the winners of the three stages of the British Columbia Lieutenant Governor's Prize.

Target Rifle winners were:

**Gold** Mr. Paul Dudzinski, Victoria, BC  
**Silver** Mr. Thomas Walters, Langley, BC  
**Bronze** Mr. Mirko Teglassi, Brisbane, Australia

F Class winners were:

**Gold** Mr. Richard Dreger, Kamloops, BC  
**Silver** Mr. Richard Dreger, Kamloops, BC  
**Bronze** Mr. Richard Dreger, Kamloops, BC

*The BCRA would like to thank the Dominion of Canada Rifle Association for their continued support in their shooting programs!*

# PRA ACTIVITIES

## 2009 Prairie Provinces Rifle Association Championships

The 2009 Prairie Provinces Rifle Association Championships were held at the North Star Range near Nokomis, Saskatchewan, on Labour Day week-end, with the best turnout in many years. Saturday was perfect shooting weather with clear, bright sunshine and moderate temperatures, warming a little in the afternoon. The winds, although not overly strong, were constantly switching with the result that only four possibles were recorded all day, three of them by Target Rifle shooters at 300 m and the fourth by an FF shooter at 500 y. After the three short ranges, Stan Frost and his 0.223 led TR with 145.16 but he made the mistake of bringing out the 0.308 for long range and suffered a complete collapse at 900 y, where Gordie Hulbert came through with a 49.5 to win the Alberta Aggregate with 193.18. Pete Jmaeff was high Master at 191.17; Marvin Michel was high Expert, also with 191.17; and Peter Papisideris was high Sharpshooter with 187.14. The F Class shot on F Class targets with the reduced V-bull and other rings scored one down from the TR scores. FF was won by Darrell Grant with 174.8; Darrell led from the beginning but gave ground to Bill Watts at 900 y to eke out a 4V win. Glen Taylor in FO started strongly, gave ground at 600 y but came back at 900 y for a solid victory with 189.15 over Keith Skjerdal's 187.8. Sunday was overcast and dull all day with a rain delay after lunch. Winds were moderate but tricky enough that no possibles were recorded all day. After 500, 600 and 900 y, Pete Jmaeff and Frank Lalear were tied in TR at 146.11, but 1,000 y proved to be the great leveller with only three scores over 42 recorded. Marvin Michel was high man with 47.3 and won the Manitoba Aggregate with 190.9. High Master was Pete Jmaeff at 188.12; high Expert was Frank Lalear at 188.14; and high Sharpshooter was Peter

Papisideris at 174.8. In FF Bill Watts started strongly and never looked back scoring 179.6 for a comfortable 4-point win over Chuck Lochel. In FO Glen Taylor led all the way to win with 183.10 over Keith Skjerdal's 180.10. This completed the Grand or Saskatchewan Aggregate and Marvin Michel was the winner with 381.26. High Master was Gord Hulbert at 379.32; Frank Lalear was high Expert at 379.23; and Peter Papisideris was high Sharpshooter at 361.22. In FF Bill Watts was the winner at 353.10 over Darrell Grant at 346.16. In FO Glen Taylor's 372.25 gave him the win over Keith Skjerdal at 367.18.

Monday was devoted to team shooting at 600 and 900 y. All present shot and the top six scores for each provincial team counted, regardless of class. The weather was cloudy and cool with relatively mild winds. Surprisingly, Marvin Michel and Glen Taylor, the individual TR and FO champions were low men on their respective teams with scores not counting. Stan Frost, who had shot his 0.308 at long range in the individual matches with disastrous results, abandoned the 0.308 in favour of his 0.223 and shot a 50.5 at 900 y. However, in the end, Manitoba with one FO and one FF counting won with 583.48, closely followed by Saskatchewan also with one FO and one FF scoring 581.49, and Alberta with all TR shooters scoring 569.41. It was interesting to note that the low scores on Manitoba and Saskatchewan were both F Class shooters.

Be sure to circle Labour Day week-end next year for the PPRA Championships at North Star Range. You don't have to be from the Prairies, but it helps.

-submitted by Stan Frost

## Nunavut Visitors Attend the 2009 Manitoba Target Rifle Championship

It was over 18 months ago that I received an e-mail from a guy called Ronnie Suluk enquiring about the Manitoba Provincial Rifle Championships and how to enter. On closer inspection of the request, I noted that Ronnie lived in Arviat, which is in Nunavut. I sent him all the information about our annual MPRA Championship and he did his homework by checking out our web site. Once he had the information, Ronnie set about getting a 4-man team together. He said there was going to be a shoot off to decide which 4 people would travel to Winnipeg. It was not plain sailing but in May of this year I received confirmation that a team would indeed be coming to our 2009 Championship. We are sure that Manitoba is the first Province to host a Nunavut shooting team.

Ronnie had hooked up with Les Dolhun, one of our F Class shooters, since there was going to be a problem with their ammunition and they would have to buy commercial ammunition in Winnipeg. With everything arranged, the team of Ronnie Suluk, Peter Kaludjak, Jose Illnik and Donnie Baker arrived in Winnipeg, after

a long flight on Calm Air from Arviat via Churchill. It was a testament to their commitment though because the airfare cost alone, would have discouraged most people.

On Saturday morning they arrived at the range with an assortment of rifles and commercial ammunition (only Ronnie would be shooting hand loaded 308 ammunition), ready to compete in their first organized rifle match, but short on equipment. Although by this time some of the boys had purchased bipods, the MPRA members pitched in to loan them front rests and sandbags and helped by coaching them at every range. It was soon apparent that they could all shoot and it would be only their rifles and scopes that might let them down, especially at long range. None had ever before shot in a competition and it was soon obvious that there was a little friendly competition going on among the 4 of them. We did not shoot long range on day 1 because of the strong winds and the trouble the markers would have had handling the targets. On Saturday evening after day one of the competition, our visitors from Nunavut all went to the nearest sporting goods dealer to buy shoulder pads; they were all suffering from sore shoulders.

# PRA ACTIVITIES

Nunavut Visitors cont'd

On Sunday we eventually made our way back to 900yds and all of them said "we will never hit the target!" How wrong they were, considering they had never shot beyond 300 yds before. With the coaches help they achieved commendable scores. However, scopes were becoming a problem so the coaches decided that at 1000yds the four (4) would use MPRA competitors' F Class rifles. Bad move - at least one coach was beaten by his own rifle! They all shot very well and were like kids with new toys. Although they didn't win any individual prizes, Ronnie did get on the prize list for one shoot. They were all completely hooked now and already talking about returning next year.

Thanks must go to the MPRA members for making the Arviat visitors so welcome and for helping out with equipment, rifles and ammunition. The Nunavut visitors all said their goodbyes after prize giving and flew home the following day. It was a pleasure to host them and we look forward to seeing them again next year.

-John Chapman



(l-r) Ronnie Suluk, Donnie Baker, John Chapman, Jose Illnik, Peter Kaludjak

## Manitoba

Winners of the DCRA medals in MPRA held August 1-3 were:

- Gold High F Class Open in Grand Aggregate**  
Brian Snowball
- Silver High Expert in the Grand Aggregate**  
Murray Sloane
- High F Class Open in Grand Aggregate**  
Brian Snowball
- High F Class in Lieutenant Governor's First Stage**  
Brian Snowball
- High F Class Shooter in Ottawa Aggregate**  
Brian Snowball
- Bronze Top Expert/Sharpshooter in Ottawa Aggregate**  
Murray Sloane
- Top F Class Open in Macdonald Stewart Match**  
Tom McCrea

*The MPRA would like to thank the DCRA for their continued support.*

## Alberta

The APRA fullbore group only managed to run three 2 day matches, the Provincial Championships and the 300m Sierra Match this year. Two of our regularly scheduled matches in June and October were cancelled due to snow; as well, one normally held in August for those not competing at Nationals was cancelled as too few could attend. This meant that our final shoot of the year, the John Howard Memorial Palma Match, was our most successful with 36 competitors thanks to a large group of visitors from Kamloops, BC. We would like to thank those BCRA members for travelling such a long way to compete with us.

Standout shooters in Target Rifle were Andy Tikkenen, Frank Lalear and (a well known escapee from the smallbore ranks) Ken Nelson. In F Class ( O ) Eric Bisson, Marc Thibault (BC), Jim Bengé and Glen Taylor all stood out this year. In F Class (R), Bill Watts was notable.



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## Opening Remarks of BGen Romses at AGM

Welcome everyone to the 2009 DCRA Annual General Meeting. I thank all of you who have taken the time, and in many instances travelled long distances, to be with us today. This is my first opportunity to preside over a DCRA AGM and I'm delighted to be here.

The past year has seen yet another successful Canadian Fullbore Rifle Championships conducted in August, 2008. This year we went back to the well-tried format used up to 2005. There was one additional day of shooting as part of the selection process for the 2010 Commonwealth Games. While this was not a large year for international teams or visitors we were pleased to welcome a Goodwill Team from the USA, a small team from Jamaica, as well as with individuals from Australia, Bermuda and the Channel Islands. These, were joined with entries from across Canada, the British Cadet Rifle Team (the Athelings), Canadian and UK (ACF) Cadets, and many Cadet Instructors. Overall, however, the numbers were disappointingly low. We hope that 2009 will see a resurgence.

On the Bisley front I was pleased to see the Canadian Forces Team return to Bisley in 2008 and we were delighted that they were able to once again stay in the Macdonald Stewart Canadian Pavilion. The 2008 DCRA Bisley team was led by Mr Sandy Peden, with Jim Thompson backing him up as the adjutant. The coaches included Bob Best and Dave Adams. I would like to extend an unqualified thank you to them and to all members of the 2008 Bisley team for representing Canada and the DCRA so well. Further, it was encouraging to see the number of younger members on the team. I personally was privileged to be the National Rifle Association Guest of Honour for their prize giving and also to attend the Canadian Team final dinner.

The DCRA National Service Conditions Championship (NSCC) was held this past September. This year was a very different year as the DCRA was awarded the contract from the military to conduct the Canadian Forces Small Arms Competition (CFSAC) and the NSCC was conducted in conjunction with it. The execution of the contract was an unqualified success both financially and for the reputation of the DCRA; we are planning to bid on the contract again this year.

Cadets, this year, made up close to 50% of the entry in the Canadian Championships and continue to support our winter postal programme. Over the past few days Aaron Daily and I have met with key officials from the cadet world including the Director General Reserves and Cadets, the Director Cadets, and represen-

tatives of the Army, Navy and Air Force Cadet Leagues. Amongst the key aspects of our dialogue were ways to improve the cadet participation rate in our postal programme, ways to improve our relevancy to the Cadet programme, and cadet participation in the 2011 World Long Range Championships in Brisbane, Australia by providing our U19 team. Suffice to say, the DCRA must continue to cater to the cadet shooting organization and to improve co-operation with the Canadian Cadet Movement in general. This, so that we can retain more of these excellent shots in our shooting programme.

Our organization finds itself at an important time of transition. We have a new programme chairman, Daniel Chisholm and the office staff has made a considerable shift with Aaron completing his first year and Peter Vaughan deciding to take his retirement. Membership remains an issue that we must concentrate on and take steps to ensure that we can sustain our proud organization. I am happy to see that the programme for F-class shooters has been enhanced this year. While we have a long and proud history of shooting target rifle this organization needs to continually adapt to the shifting times and cater to shooting as disciplines change in popularity.

One of my goals during my tenure as president of the DCRA is to foster and continue to engage the military. I feel that we can be a valuable resource to them; our shared history with the military is evidence of this. Over the past year we have proven ourselves effective at running their military small arms championship. On Thursday Stan, Jim and myself met with several officials from DND to ensure our continued use of DND ranges around the country. The details I'll let Stan or Jim comment upon later but I am pleased to say that our relationship with the military remains cordial and we are working hard to bring our relationship back to a level where the DCRA is relevant, visible, and acknowledged by the military.

In closing, let me on your behalf, acknowledge the continuing support of Mrs. Liliane Stewart and the Macdonald Stewart Foundation who have assisted the DCRA in so many ways over the years and the Royal Canadian Legion for their generous financial support to our winter postal programme.

Lastly, let me state I am confident that the DCRA will continue to serve the provincial rifle associations and shooters alike for many years to come, but please remember that this is your organization and only you can ensure that this is indeed the case.

## Report of the Executive Vice-President

As Chairman of the Executive Committee, it is my duty to report to the membership on the activities of the Executive Committee. The full Committee met three times since the last AGM, on 6 April, 15 August and 6-7 December, 2008. In addition the Planning and Priorities Committee met 4-5 November, 2008, 5 December, 2008, 17-18 February, 2009, and 3 April, 2009, and the Board of Directors of the Canadian Pavilion at Bisley met 22 July, 2008, 2 December, 2008, and 3 April, 2009. In addition a smaller group from the Planning and Priorities Committee has been meeting with various DND staff concerning range use. We

continue to do a lot of business by e-mail.

Since taking office last August, our President, General Romses, has quickly learned that the President is definitely not a mere figurehead. We have put him to work on several matters involving our relationship with the Department of National Defence and he is being an immense help. The first matter is the use of DND ranges by DCRA members. When we investigated why some Provincial Rifle Associations were being told that certain cartridges could not be used on some ranges, we found that a spreadsheet had been produced indicating which cartridges were

acceptable on ranges with a 5.56 mm NATO or a 7.62 mm NATO safety template. The basis for acceptance or rejection was muzzle energy and the limit was the muzzle energy of the military cartridge. A similar restriction had been applied last year in Great Britain and previously in New Zealand. In both cases the respective NRAs had been able to demonstrate that our type of target shooting was safer than service conditions shooting and consequently the muzzle energy limit could be relaxed while continuing to maintain safety standards. With the assistance of General Romses we have been able to meet with the range safety authorities within DND and have initiated negotiations toward an agreement for range use similar to that reached in Great Britain. In a related matter, we have been pursuing the development of a replacement for the obsolete Canadian Forces Administrative Order that defines the relationship between the DCRA and DND. We shall keep the PRAs apprised of developments.

### **Membership**

After the upsurge in memberships resulting from hosting the World Championships in 2007, our numbers slumped in 2008. Recruitment of new members is an obvious priority, but we must be making greater efforts to retain that pool of good young shots coming out of the Cadet Programme. This concern was one reason for making membership a topic at the Provincial Rifle Association Workshop yesterday. Some provinces are making significant progress with memberships but all of us must work on this critical issue. It is very apparent that to recruit and retain new members, experienced shots must be prepared to put considerable efforts into coaching and assisting the new recruits.

Finally, some new blood on the Executive Committee is really needed. We have some talented young people in the Association. I would like to see them put to work, replacing some of the tired old men who have been handling your affairs for a very long time. Some fresh thinking should help us to resolve some of the problems we face.

### **Finance**

Ken Westling will be briefing you on our financial position a little later. Over lunch hour please take a look at the financial statements so that you are prepared to raise questions for Ken. With the greatly reduced entry in the Canadian Championships 2008 could have been a financial disaster. Fortunately, the revenue generated by the contract to run the Canadian Forces Small Arms Competition turned the year into a modest profit.

The Canadian Pavilion at Bisley Limited generated considerably more business in 2008 and a further large increase in profit, thanks to the efforts of Gary and Julia Evans. This is fortunate because all of this money is required for much-needed maintenance on the building. The good news is that this required maintenance is being done without dipping into DCRA funds.

### **Staffing**

After his first year on the job, I can say that I am delighted with the performance of our Secretary-Treasurer, Aaron Daley. He has brought some fresh ideas and lots of enthusiasm to the job and the office is running smoothly. After 16 and a half years Peter Vaughan has decided to retire and we thank Peter for all his efforts over the years. Aaron has hired Laura Henderson to take over Peter's position. Laura is a Lieutenant (Navy) on the Cadet Instructors Cadre, has worked for the Connaught Cadet camp and

is familiar with target shooting. She had also worked for the DCRA during last year's CFSAC, so she an excellent fit to the organisation. Throughout all these changes, Betty Ann Ferguson has continued her excellent work as office manager.

### **Shooting**

The Shooting Committee reports will have full details of the various committee work, but I shall briefly summarise some of the significant items. The Canadian Rifle Team to Bisley was led by Commandant Sandy Peden and Adjutant Dr. Jim Thompson. The Team shot very well in the Kolapore, actually leading at one stage before being overtaken by Great Britain. Ammunition problems troubled us in the Mackinnon, but the NRA has taken action on ammunition and we expect significant improvements in 2009.

2008 proved to be a quiet year at the Canadian Championships but it did allow us to introduce some of younger shots to team shooting. Jim Paton is to be congratulated for winning the Governor General's Prize once again, and to Bruce Bullock for winning the Canadian Target Rifle Championship. Our congratulations also go to Roger Romses, who won the Macdonald Stewart Grand Aggregate, a nice follow-up to his winning of the Under 25 Grand a few years ago.

The DCRA took over complete running of the Canadian Forces Small Arms Competition (CFSAC) in September, 2008, with the National Service Conditions Championship dovetailed into the CFSAC schedule. At this point I must recognise the hard work of Aaron Daley, Serge Bissonnette and Bill Molnar in running this programme.

### **Legislation**

In the last election the Conservative Party of Canada increased its number of seats in Parliament but still failed to obtain a clear majority. The minority government remains committed to reversing the firearms registration requirements of its predecessor and a private member's bill to this effect was introduced this week by Garry Breitkreuz. A few opposition members have indicated they would support this bill. This week I noticed that the Canadian Taxpayers Federation has joined the fight to eliminate the registry. I must again urge you to take pen in hand and tell your members of Parliament to support this bill. This is particularly important if your member is from one of the opposition parties. Let your elected representatives know where you stand.

### **Acknowledgements**

On behalf of the Association I thank Mrs. Stewart for sponsoring the upgrade of the team communications equipment. I also wish to extend my personal thanks to the membership and to the Executive Committee for their support over the past year, to the DCRA office staff, Betty Ann Ferguson, Peter Vaughan, Laura Henderson and Aaron Daley for their hard work, to Col. Cyr and the CRPTC staff for their efficient operation of the ranges and their co-operation throughout the year.

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**MINUTES OF THE 2009 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING  
SATURDAY, 4 APRIL 2009  
HELD AT CONNAUGHT RIFLE RANGE, OTTAWA**

Chairman: BGen (Ret'd) Ray Romses

Recording Secretary: Aaron Daley

**In Attendance**

Maj (ret'd) Colin M. Brown, Paul Reibin, Pete Jmaeff, Doug Potter, Edson Warner, Frank Jeremy, Daniel Chisholm, Bob Kierstead, Des Vamplew, Pat Vamplew, Peter Westlake, Roger Romses, Edith Vamplew, Murray Sloane, Dale Rathwell, Maj (ret'd) George Harper, Fred Nachbaur, Alan Clarke, Alain Marion, Roger Mullin, Jacques Dugas, JC Theriault, LCol (ret'd) Bill Molnar, Bill Garland, Serge Bissonnette, Ken Westling, Stan Frost, Jim Thompson, Tud Kaulbach, Leo Poulin, Vaino Varve.

**ITEM 1: Call to Order./Opening Remarks**

1. BGen (Ret'd) Ray Romses called the meeting to order and with a minute of silence recognized those who have passed away over the past year. Those members included Mr Chuck Cresswell, Mrs Penny Hall and Mr Neville Cooper.

Presidents remarks: See attached Annex A

**ITEM 2: Statutory declaration of Annual General Meeting read by Secretary.**

**ITEM 3: Approval of Agenda.**

**Motion 01/09:** Motion made by LCol (ret'd) Bill Molnar and seconded by Paul Reibin to adopt the agenda as presented.

**CARRIED**

**ITEM 4: Approval of minutes from last meeting.**

**Motion 02/09** Motion made by Paul Reibin seconded by Stan Frost to adopt the minutes as published in the summer/Autumn 2008 edition of the *Canadian Marksman*.

**CARRIED**

**ITEM 5: Annual Report:** See attached Annex B. Jim Thompson raised the question why membership for PEI was listed as zero where clearly there are shooters using the military ranges in PEI. Secretary will investigate.

**ITEM 6: Provincial Reports:** See attached Annex C.

Reports read by the following individuals:

British Columbia: Paul Reibin

Alberta: No report provided

Saskatchewan: Doug Potter

Manitoba: Murray Sloan

Ontario: Des Vamplew

Quebec: Jean Claude Theriault

NCRRA: Bill Molnar

New Brunswick: Robert Kierstead

Nova Scotia: Read by Secretary; Aaron Daley

PEI: No report provided

Newfoundland: No report provided

**ITEM 7:**

**Executive Vice President Report:** submitted by Stan Frost. See attached Annex D.

**Committee Reports:**

**Shooting Committee Report:** submitted by Serge Bissonnette. See attached Annex E.

**International Teams Report:** submitted by Jim Thompson. See attached Annex F

**Motion 03/09:** Moved by Ken Westling, seconded by Stan Frost, a vote of thanks to Dr. Jim Thompson for his 20 years of service as the "temporary" Programme Chairman.

**CARRIED**

**CFRC (TR/F Class) Programme Director:** report read by Dan Chisholm mentioning the following details:

-Members should refer to the CFRC blog as changes to the CFRC programme are being updated on a regular basis.

-Major changes coming to F-Class this year. F-Class shooters will be squadded separately and shoot on separate targets-ISSF matches now two days in duration as the selection trial for the commonwealth matches

-Jacques Dugas has retired as the ISSF chairman; we are currently looking for a new ISSF chairman

-an effort is being made to call CFRC the Canadian Championships

**Winter Programme:** report read by Peter Westlake mentioning the following details:

-Participation has increased marginally over past years.

-The president and secretary recently attended meetings with various cadet organizations to adopt a more proactive approach to promoting the winter postal programme. The DCRA office will send out entry forms and match tickets to all of the cadet organizations over the next two years rather than rely on past entries to re-enter.

**Black Powder:** report read by Edson Warner mentioning the following details:

-there was a very small entry last year, and as a result there will be no Black Powder programme in the 2009 Canadian Championships. This will give the Black Powder committee a chance to increase its membership and perhaps re-evaluate whether Black Powder should be run during the Canadian Championships in future years or if it would be better run as a separate event.

**Service Rifle:** report read by Serge Bissonnette mentioning the following details: National Service conditions championships will be held this year from 23-30 August 2009. Ranges have been booked and the schedule and entry form are have been posted on the website.

**Coaching Committee:** Report read by Peter Westlake mentioning the following details:

-The 2011 Palma Team Captain Bob Pitcairn has been developing several coaching techniques that he plans to use for all aspects of the 2011 WLRC competitions. We hope that these techniques, if successful can be written down so that they can be used in future competitions.

**ISSF Committee:** No report provided. Chairman position vacant.

**Under 25 (Junior) committee:** Brief report read by Pat Vamplew mentioning that Lloyd Sainsbury will be leaving his position at the Connaught Cadet camp. Lloyd has been extremely helpful to the DCRA over the past years and we will present him with a token of our thanks at the next available opportunity prior to his actual departure.

**Technical Committee:** Report read by Serge Bissonnette mentioning the following details:

-persons interested in purchasing Hornady ammo for use in other than during CFRC matches should contact the Hornady Canadian Rep directly.

-Persons possessing 'Warner' sights should return them to the DCRA as soon as possible so that they can be recalibrated and repaired by the original manufacturer who will be attending the NCRRA matches in May.

**Rules committee:** report read by Roger Mullin mentioning the following details:

-For the next three years DCRA will be testing ICFRA rules with DCRA rules used as backup, however DCRA targets will remain in use until the stocks are depleted.

-ICFRA is not interested in having their rulebook translated into French. Once rules are officially adopted by DCRA translation will follow.

-Message 6 and the 'bolt out' rule are the major departures from form the ICFRA rules.

-ICFRA F class rules published last year have presented some difficulty. ICFRA is deciding whether they want to adopt or leave F/F class. F class was created in Canada as a result of a suggestion by George Farquharson and his original concept is retained in Canada as F/F Class.

-The (TUE) therapeutic use exemption form has been included in the latest edition of The Marksman. All persons currently taking a banned substance will need to fill this out.

-Bob Kierstead asked whether the DCRA will be conducting drug tests.

-Roger Mullin responded by saying that all sports organizations are required to conduct drug testing under WADA rules. ICFRA and DCRA, however, do not necessarily subscribe to these rules at this time.

**Administration Committee:** report read by Bill Molnar mentioning the following details:

-The Hall of Fame has been moved to the DCRA lobby. Please take a look if you are in the building.

-Service Rifle Hall of Fame criteria still requires improvement, as it is not presently well established.

-The Hall of Fame "Builders Category" presently does not have clearly defined criteria; present members were considered on a case by case basis by the Hall of Fame committee. Perhaps some new criteria should be established.

-The DCRA building requires maintenance in several areas, the priorities include the following:

- a. shingles need to be replaced;
- b. carpets need to be replaced;
- c. water damage in lobby needs to be repaired;
- d. storm door on balcony to be installed to prevent water damage to lobby; and
- e. balcony boards need replacing and painting.

**Website Committee:** The secretary, Aaron Daley, mentioned the following details:

-Richard Short has been doing a very good job of updating the website. It is the intention of the secretary to take over the website at the end of the two year period that Mr Short has agreed to administer it. The next year will be a transition year where Aaron will learn the nuances of administering the site

**SFC Liaison Committee:** Stan Frost reported that he has been in discussions with Reg Potter about using SFC referees during ISSF matches this year as part of the Commonwealth games selection Trials and the opportunity for greater cooperation between the SFC and the DCRA.

**Membership:** Pat Vamplew announced he would be reporting to the Executive Committee the next day and would be contacting PRA presidents with ideas for membership increase.

## **ITEM 8: VOTE OF THANKS**

Her Excellency The Right Honourable Michaëlle Jean, C.C., C.M.M., C.O.M., C.D.

for her generous contributions towards the prize list, and for serving as our Patron.

The Minister of National Defence and the staff of the Department for their cooperation and assistance during the year.

The Macdonald Stewart Foundation for their continued support by contributing to the prize list, and hosting the Macdonald Stewart - DCRA dinner, and above all for their continued generous interest in and support of the Macdonald Stewart Pavilion at Bisley.

The Bank of Montreal for their contribution towards the prize list.

The Brewers Association of Canada for the Challenge Trophy and cash prizes.

To Sierra Bullets for their generous contribution to the ISSF Provincial and National Championships in the Sierra 300m Championships.

And to the many individuals, too numerous to list, who have contributed time and money towards our activities.

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Son Excellence le Très Honorable Michaëlle Jean, C.C., C.M.M., C.O.M., C.D.,

pour sa généreuse contribution à la liste des prix et pour avoir été un des Patrons de l'Association.

Le Ministre de la Défense et le personnel de son ministère, pour leur coopération et leur aide durant l'année.

La Fondation Macdonald Stewart, pour leur contribution à la liste des prix, pour le dîner Macdonald Stewart et surtout pour l'intérêt et la générosité qu'ils manifestent dans l'entretien du Pavillon Macdonald Stewart à Bisley.

La Banque de Montréal, pour sa contribution à la liste des prix.

L'Association des Brasseurs du Canada, pour son trophée et les prix en argent.

Sierra Bullets, pour sa contribution à la liste des prix provinciale et nationale pour la compétition "Sierra 300m Championnat".

Ainsi qu'à toute les personnes qui ont contribué de leur temps et de leur argent pour assurer le succès de nos activités.

**Motion 04/09** It was moved by Paul Reibin to thank the aforementioned individuals for their continued support.

Motion seconded by Jacques Dugas.

**Carried**

## **ITEM 9: Financial Statements** (See attached Annex G)

According to the comptroller, Ken Westling, in general the Bisley Pavilion is in a better position this year, profit was approximately 12,000BPS.

Alain Marion asked if there was going to be anything done about the poor performance of the Bisley Pavilion Management. There was some discussion on this topic deciding that there were no real viable options to replacing the management at this point in time.

**Motion 05/09** It was moved by Ken Westling that the Financial Statement as presented be forwarded to Council for approval.

Motion seconded by Jacques Dugas.

**Carried**

## **ITEM 10: Budget** (see attached Annex H)

**Motion 06/09** It was moved by Ken Westling that the budget as presented be forwarded to Council for approval.

Motion seconded by Tud Kaulbach.

**Carried**

## **ITEM 11: Approval of actions of Council & Executive Committee for 2007/2008**

**Motion 07/09** It was moved by Colin Brown that the actions of the Council and the Executive during fiscal year 2007/2008 be approved. Motion seconded by Jacques Dugas.

**Carried**

## **ITEM 12: Report of Nominating Committees** (see annex I)

**Honours and Awards Committee** chair Colin Brown - Nothing to report.

**Nomination Committee** chair Peter Westlake reported as follows:

**Motion 08/09:** Nomination to elect as President: Ray Romses moved by Peter Westlake seconded by Alain Marion.

**Carried**

**Motion 09/09:** Nomination to elect as Executive Vice President Stan Frost moved by Peter Westlake seconded by Bill Molnar.

**Carried**

**Motion 10/09:** Nomination to elect as Comptroller Ken Westling moved by Peter Westlake seconded by Alan Clarke.

**Carried**

Council Nominations it was identified by Peter Westlake that two members from the present council term had resigned from Council.

**Motion 11/09:** Peter Westlake nominated Don Coleman and Dale Rathwell to fill the two vacant council positions from the present term. Motion seconded by Jim Thompson.

**Carried**

**Motion 12/09:** Peter Westlake nominated the following persons for council with term expiring in 2011: Des Vamplew, Ontario; Robert Harrison, Alberta; Alan Clarke, Ontario; Steven Stewart, New Brunswick; Roger Romses, Ontario; Laurie Hearn, Newfoundland; Peter Dobell, British Columbia; Greg Perron, British Columbia; Andy Kolenko, Ontario; Roger Mullin, Ontario.

Motion seconded by Bill Molnar.

**Carried**

**Motion 13/09:** Peter Westlake nominated Andy Kolenko, Pat Vamplew, and himself to the nominating committee for the next term. Motion seconded by Paul Reibin. **Carried**

**ITEM 13: Date of next AGM.** It was decided that the next AGM will be held at Connaught Range 10 April 2010.

**ITEM 14: New Business**

Dan Chisholm asked if next years AGM could be started slightly earlier to allow Council and Executive meetings to be held on Saturday also. Stan Frost replied that this is possible; however, it would still be difficult to hold all three meeting in one day.

**Discussion:** Alain Marion commented that while members are coming up with many good ideas to strengthen the organization for the most part none of these ideas are being acted upon. He suggested that money be invested in the Bisley Pavilion to increase revenue. Proceeds from increased revenues could then be used to reduce the Bisley team individual assessments.

Alan Clarke suggested that this plan is certainly worth looking at and considering.

Dan Chisholm also suggested that this idea was one that was worth considering.

Ken Westling suggested that the Bisley Pavilion Board was indeed headed in that direction; however, the business model needs to be examined further before any major decisions are made.

Roger Mullin commented that even if the shooting at Bisley is made less expensive such actions are futile if there are no new shooters to fill the positions on the Bisley Team.

The chairman, Gen Romses, referred the matter to council for further consideration.

**Motion 14/09:** Jim Thompson made a motion to present Lloyd Sainsbury with a token of our appreciation for his many years of cooperation with the DCRA. Motion seconded by Alan Clarke. **Carried**

Alain Marion expressed his opposition to this motion.

**Discussion:** Bob Kierstead mentioned that this year's Canadian Forces Queens medal was won by J Grondin a member of RNBRA.

**Discussion:** Doug Potter mentioned that the provincial workshops are not well attended. They should be discontinued unless there are pressing issues.

Stan Frost agreed and will take this into consideration for next year.

**Discussion:** Dan Chisholm asked whether the Commonwealth and Canada team matches during Canadian Championships should be competitive teams or should they be focused on shooter development.

Alain Marion suggested that the teams over the past few years have been focused on shooter development and that this was working well.

Ken Westling suggested that the 25% rule was adopted to achieve a mix of shooters on these teams. Specifically, 25% of shooters must be under 25 years old.

Roger Mullin suggested that he favours having an ineligible B team compete to develop shooters with a winning A team.

Serge Bissonnette, the chairman of the shooting committee, suggested that he would decide the makeup of the teams and that shooter development is very important to the organization.

Stan Frost presented an official DCRA tie to the new president and welcomed him to the organization.

**ITEM 15: Adjournment**

**Motion 15/09:** Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Bill Molnar and seconded by Paul Reibin. **Carried**

**DOMINION OF CANADA RIFLE ASSOCIATION  
L'ASSOCIATION DE TIR DOMINION DU CANADA  
SEMI ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING  
CONNAUGHT RIFLE RANGE  
Sunday, 16 August 2009**

Deputy Chairman: Jim Thompson  
Recording Secretary: Aaron Daley

**In attendance:** Bob Keirstead, Daniel Chisholm, Peter Redstone, Dale Rathwell, Sandy Peden, Bob Pitcairn, Ron Dawson, Vicki Hall, John Chapman, Andy Tikkanen, Carl Ganter, Dave Adams, Ric Melling, Jeff Jenkins, Ian Hogg, Edith Vamplew, Jacques Dugas, LCol (ret'd) Bill Molnar, Paul Reibin, Maj (ret'd) Colin Brown, Maj (ret'd) George Harper, Bruce Condie, Tony Betts, Jim Thompson, Serge Bissonnette, Stan Frost, Ken Westling, Roger Mullin, and 7 others.

## **ITEM 1: OPENING REMARKS**

1. Jim Thompson on behalf of President Ray Romses welcomed the members. Mentioning that this meeting is mainly for the benefit of the general membership.

## **ITEM 2: APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**MOTION S01/09:** Motion to approve the minutes as they appeared in the Canadian Marksman with a correction to the announcement of the Bisley Team Officers for 2010. Mr. Fred Nachbaur will be Vice-Commandant.

Moved by Stan Frost, seconded by Paul Reibin.

**CARRIED**

## **ITEM: 3 REPORT OF EVENTS**

2. **2009 Bisley Team:** Peter Westlake read his report on the 2009 Bisley experience. The report is attached.
3. **2009 F-Class Team to the World Championships:** Dale Rathwell read the report from Bill Flintoft regarding the experience of the first sanctioned F-Class team to Bisley. The report is attached.

## **ITEM 4: NEW BUSINESS**

4. Announcement of **2009 Match Committee:**

|            |                 |               |            |
|------------|-----------------|---------------|------------|
| Dave Adams | Bruce Condie    | Andy Kolenko  | Leo Poulin |
| Tony Betts | Claude D'Astous | Mitch MacLeod |            |
5. Announcement of **2009 Des Burke Committee:**

|            |                |               |  |
|------------|----------------|---------------|--|
| Fred Ellis | Mike Wong Shui | Geoff Woodman |  |
|------------|----------------|---------------|--|

### **Items from the floor:**

6. John Chapman commented on the lack of laundry facilities at the Macdonald Stewart Pavilion; another washer and dryer are needed. Jim Thompson replied that he was unaware of the situation and the Bisley Pavilion board would look into the situation.
7. Dan Chisholm announced that there would be an F-class "pow-wow" held Wednesday night at 8 pm to discuss all matters F-class.
8. Dan Chisholm also stated that a Marketing Committee is needed to promote the matches and that he would be happy to take volunteers for the committee. Jim Thompson asked that the committee report to the December Executive meeting.
9. Colin Brown stated that he was not happy with the current state of squadding F-Class separately. F/F shooters prefer to be squadded with TR and he personally likes to be squadded with cadets as well. He would not participate in further matches that are run in this manner. Roger Mullin responded by saying that the ICFRA F Class Committee had recently discussed the concept of F/F class at Bisley. The committee declined to recognize F/F, so it does not exist on the international stage. Further to this F/F can now be discussed on an individual basis in each country and each country can do as it chooses. Both Australia and South Africa shoot F/F. Roger personally supported F/F squadding with TR.
10. Bob Pitcairn mentioned that BCRA uses ICFRA targets, using self-adhesive centres so that the target can be changed quickly if an F-class shooter is using it.
11. Stan Frost noted that the Scottish Rifle Association shoots F/F, requiring adherence to the TR bullet weights. As one who shoots both TR and F/F, he saw separating TR and F/F as a bad move.
12. Paul Reibin was also distressed that F-class shooters were separated from TR shooters.

**Motion S02/09:** Motion by Paul Reibin to refer to Council a request that DCRA send a letter of opposition to ICFRA's non-recognition of F/F and to pursue the matter further. Seconded by Bruce Condie.

**CARRIED**

Dale Rathwell noted that, although ICFRA rejected F/F to keep its rules simpler, it does not dictate national rules.

13. Vickie Hall asked why the wind flags were so unresponsive. Jim Thompson explained that the Executive had discussed the flag situation extensively. The new flags were purchased because a mixture of nylon and cotton flags had been used in 2008, which was most unsatisfactory, and there were insufficient cotton flags to cover the whole range. The new flags were matched to the cloth weight used at Bisley. DCRA was unable to gain access to the range to install the new flags until the afternoon before the matches started. The sizing in the new flags left them somewhat heavier and stiffer than desired. Also, the wood preservative on the flagpoles was sticky and tended to hold the flags on the poles. It was anticipated that some rain and stronger winds would loosen up the new flags.

## **ITEM 5: ADJOURNMENT**

**Minute S03/09:** Motion by Peter Redstone seconded by LCol (ret'd) Bill Molnar

**CARRIED**

# Annual Report FY 2008

This pro forma report is submitted by the Secretary of the DCRA by the authority of the Executive Committee to provide an overview of the programmes, activities and financial status of the DCRA during the fiscal year 2007/2008. It should be read in conjunction with the reports of the Shooting and Administration Committees and reports in the Summer/Autumn 2008 issue of the Canadian Marksman. The Financial Statements for the 2007/2008 fiscal year are provided in the report of the Finance Committee.

2008 saw the appointment of a new president of the DCRA. Brigadier General Ray Romses has taken over from Major General (retired) Tom Defaye. BGen Romses has recently retired from the Canadian Forces and settled with his wife Carol in Lethbridge, Alberta.

The 2007/08 DCRA Winter Postal Programme included entries from Cadets, Juniors and Seniors (Open Class). Entries during 07/08 were on average with past years again, with slightly lower numbers. An effort is being made by the secretary and the new president to revitalize the DCRA postal programme. Continuing to use the grant provided by the Royal Canadian Legion for the 2008/2009 Postal Programme, entry fees for Cadets have been reduced and participation patches have been purchased for competitors. We hope to continue this in future years with the continued support of the Legion.

The Canadian Rifle Team to Bisley 2008 led by Sandy Peden was successful in many respects. Results are posted on the web site of the National Rifle Association of Great Britain ([www.nra.org.uk](http://www.nra.org.uk)). The 2008 team again shared accommodations with the Canadian Forces Team. This arrangement will continue again this year and in future years as long as there is minimal conflict with the DCRA requirements for accommodations.

The Canadian Forces Small Arms Competition (CFSAC) was contracted out this year by the military. As the winning bidder DCRA ran a very successful CFSAC programme and is planning to submit a bid again this year. The DCRA National Service Conditions Championships (NSCC) were held this year, this time in conjunction with the new CFSAC programme. Attendance was up from the previous two years with slightly more than 200 competitors. The NSCC results appear on the DCRA web site ([www.dkra.ca](http://www.dkra.ca)), which also provides a link to the CFSAC web site. These matches continue to be a warm up for the CFSAC shooters and an excellent course of fire for civilians interested in this type of shooting. These matches will not continue in 2009 in conjunction with the CFSAC matches, but will be held on their own the week prior to the CFSAC matches. Unfortunately, the format the military has decided to adopt did not work as well as we would have liked and we will run the NSCC matches independently for now.

The 126th Canadian Fullbore Rifle Championships by all reports were a great success. With 208 entries this was a rather slow year. It would appear that many factors contributed to this level of attendance, many of which were outside the control of the DCRA. National Black Powder championships were held as part of the CFRC programme with very low attendance. Black Powder will not be held in conjunction with the 2009 CFRC programme, but will instead take a year to revitalize and promote their matches in an effort to increase attendance. The Canadian 0.223/5.56

Championship and the Long Range Challenge were held in conjunction with the CFRC programme. Jim Paton won the Governor General's Prize and Roger Romses won the Grand Aggregate. Detailed results of the 126th annual matches are available on the DCRA web site. The Chief Range officer Keith Bornn and staff, Pat Quinn and his Smiths Falls butts crew are all commended for their proficiency and hard work during the matches in 2008. Ian Rumbold took on the job of QM this year with excellent results. The number of cadets and cadet instructors participating in the Canadian Championships remained high, and they proved themselves to be capable representatives of Canada in all the team matches. After many years as the Programme Chairman Dr. Jim Thompson has handed over the job to Dan Chisholm of New Brunswick.

Membership for the year starting April 1st, 2007 was reported as follows for insurance renewal:

|                      |            |
|----------------------|------------|
| British Columbia     | 76         |
| Alberta              | 10         |
| Saskatchewan         | 9          |
| Manitoba             | 34         |
| Ontario & NCRRA      | 206/183    |
| Quebec               | 75         |
| New Brunswick        | 6          |
| Nova Scotia          | 14         |
| Prince Edward Island | 0          |
| Newfoundland         | 12         |
| <b>TOTAL</b>         | <b>625</b> |

Aaron Daley  
For Executive Committee



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# PRA REPORTS 2007/2008

## BRITISH COLUMBIA RIFLE ASSOCIATION 2008 - PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The British Columbia Rifle Association has once again had a very active and successful year. Our activity chairmen and regional directors have been very busy in providing all of our members with excellent shooting programs. We thank them for their energy and leadership. All of our championships were well attended with some excellent scores being posted. I hope that all of our members were pleased with their shooting year.

Many of our members enjoyed success on the international stage this year. The 2008 Canadian Bisley Team was led by one of our Life Governors, Sandy Peden. We were fortunate to have a strong contingent of BC shooters on this team. The team performed very well under Sandy's leadership. Our 2008 BC service rifle champion, Ryan Steacy, was a member of the 2008 Canadian Forces Bisley team. This was his first time at Bisley, yet he acquitted himself well in the matches.

The highlight of the Association year was that our new Lieutenant Governor, The Honourable Steven L. Point, OBC, has accepted our invitation to become our BCRA Patron. This is a return to having the Lieutenant Governor as our Patron which we had previously enjoyed since 1874. We all can take much joy and pride in this acceptance.

Membership numbers and retention has been refocused on how we monitor the memberships and have developed a more streamlined delivery system for the membership convenience. Our Vice President, Mr. Dobell has been supervising this endeavour as Membership Chairman. We have initiated a new program of reaching out to the cadet shooters who participated in the Connaught National Cadet Shooting program. The BCRA will require your support to help these young marksmen when they attend any of our shoots.

We sincerely appreciate the cooperation of the ASU Chilliwack and CFB Esquimalt for the use of the range facilities. Our cooperation with Pacific Region Cadets continues with our support in conducting postal small-bore championship each winter and the annual BC Cadet Air Rifle Championship. The BC Sierra ISSF Championship continues to be popular and well attended with a record entry this year. This 2008 match was held at the Mission Rod & Gun Club. Next year it moves to the Kamloops Target Sports Range in Kamloops. The Association has been asked to host the 2009 World Police and Fireman Games. The full-bore and small-bore will be shot at General Vokes Range, August 4 to 7. The Association will be seeking volunteers as range officers, butts officers and work parties in order to support the success of the WPFG Championships.

The new 2009 shooting season looks promising as the Directors continue to develop programs and schedules. The BCRA will be introducing the new ICFRA TR and F-class targets next years. It is a costly venture but we felt it is necessary in order to keep our shooters on the leading edge of world competitions. Our discipline chairmen host excellent shoots so please try to attend as many as you can. We are a volunteer organization so without your help many of our programs would not exist.

When asked to lend a hand, please do so.

-Dave Adams, President

## MANITOBA PROVINCIAL RIFLE ASSOCIATION 2007/2008 REPORT

Having waited nearly one year, we have at last renewed our contract with 17 Wing for the continued use of St Charles Range. The contract is for another 5 years and no further restrictions were placed on us. It is still a frustration losing the use of the range at short notice but we are still lucky to have the use of a 1000 yard range.

Our membership remains steady with most new full-bore members being F Class shooters. We work on them to attend the DCRA championships but it is a hard sell. Our small-bore membership remains very healthy and we still produce good shooters and have a full carded shooter. We have had to rent another .22 Range for one night a week as there seems to be a resurgence of .22 shooters, most coming from the small-bore shooters. That is good news.

We continue to rent extra space from 17 Wing for our Air gun program as well as our "home" space at the community club.

Our Provincial full-bore championship was again a success with Bruce MacDonald winning the Lt Governor's and Gordon Paetkau winning the Grand Agg and many other aggregates. Attendance at Ottawa was our lowest in years and was a disappointment to us. This was partly due to members going on a PPRA Team to Bisley. This was a great trip rounded off with the team winning the Junior MacKinnon and Ron Dawson getting into the final of the Queens and the St Georges.

Once again we had lots of noise initially from black powder shooters but none came out to shoot with us.

The Sierra shoot had a better turn-out this year and we had a variety of TR, F and Service Rifle shooters. All who took part enjoyed themselves and have said they will return next year.

Monica Fyfe continues to shoot well on the World Cup Air gun circuit but has been hampered by a leg injury that has given her trouble and affected her performance at some events. She still remains number 2 in Canada and was recently runner up at the Air gun Grand Prix in Toronto.

Cadets still remain a disappointment. We retain a good working relationship with them but they still do not use our expertise to the fullest potential. This might change in the coming year as the cadet structure is changing. We have been asked to put on a Coach the Coach course for prone shooting but timings were wrong for us but we have offered to put it on at a later date. We still provide assistance at the Cadet Area Championships and also organize and run the Carty and Whitehead competitions for the cadets.

Sport Manitoba continues to give us great financial support and we thank them for it. The 13 Bingos a year we are allotted to work is a great source of extra income for the MPRA and its members. We continue to get enquiries from our web site and we advertise 3 times a year in the City of Winnipeg Leisure Guide which remains a good recruiting source for the Air Rifle Program.

The MPRA would like to thank the Department of National Defense, Sport Manitoba and the DCRA and staff for their continued support and assistance. Big thanks also go to both Mrs. Liliane Stewart and the Macdonald Stewart Foundation and Sierra Bullets, for their continued generous support.

-John Chapman, President MPRA

**QUEBEC PROVINCIAL RIFLE ASSOCIATION**  
**(PORA/ATPO) PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

Summary of activities for 2008 :

**1. Cadets**

Our shooting performance-based pin program, which started a few years ago from an initiative of Mr Jean-Claude Thériault has expanded.

The unit commanders ordered the amount needed from 4 categories available: bronze, silver, gold and gold with colors. These are awarded to cadets reaching a certain score for each category. The program has created an additional motivation for the shooters to the great pleasure of the coaching staff.

Target scoring during zone championships and provincial championships were held in march and april respectively. We were able to witness an increase in the quality of shooters from the results obtained. Better coaching experience, change of ammunition, better maintenance of rifles and increased seriousness for the event are contributing factors.

**2. Shooting program**

In 2008 we had 2 programs: one for competition class, the other for sporting class. The latter has for objective to teach members about safety and basic shooting techniques at a distance ranging from 100 to 300 yards using their current equipment. Our hope is that someday they might become interested in the competition class.

We also experienced some scheduling problems in both classes. The training of troops for Afghanistan involved rescheduling or even cancellation of practice sessions. Unfortunately, this situation might repeat itself in 2010 as there will be another troop contingent sent from Valcartier. Nevertheless, our shooting schedule should not be affected

**3. Competitions**

We experienced a decrease in participation for all matches, some being more affected than others. Bad weather forecasts have adversely affected participation in our matches, particularly for those coming from far away. Matches ran smoothly, mother nature notwithstanding. Numerous awards were handed to winners and participants. In general, participants made favorable comments.

**4. Administration**

The financial year ends with a stable outcome. Recruiting was also stable but with our second year of sporting class we hope that the numbers will increase in 2009.

**5. Vote of thanks**

A unanimous vote of thanks was obtained from the annual general meeting held on December 7th 2008 for the continued support from our partners:

- Department of National Defense for the availability of their shooting ranges.
- Macdonald Stewart foundation and Mrs Liliane Stewart for their contribution to the Association.
- The Governor General of Canada for the medal awards.
- DCRA and its personnel for their excellent support and collaboration.

I would also personally thank Mr Jean Claude Thériault, past président, for the numerous years as volunteer for the Association and also for filling in during my absence at the latest DCRA AGM

-Jacques Denis, PQRA President

**NOVA SCOTIA PROVINCIAL RIFLE ASSOCIATION**  
**REPORT 2006 November 1 to 2007 October 31, 2008**

**PREAMBLE**

The year 2007-2008 was the fifth year of the Association's new business model that will sustain and support core activities for both the immediate and long term. This new business model places the burden of ongoing funding requirements on the shoulders of the members, and abandons the concept of survival based on the generosity of others. The most drastic change was the application of an 'equity surcharge' to all senior memberships. This amounts to two hundred dollars per senior member for four years in addition to the regular membership fee. After a member's full equity contribution is made, that member's membership fee will revert to the standard amount. The year 2007-2008 saw approximately seventy percent of our senior membership completing their 'equity surcharge' obligation.

**FULLBORE TARGET RIFLE**

If not for the availability of our Bull Meadow 'A' range, range closures and restrictions would have severely impacted our Fullbore Target Rifle program. The Debert Range remained closed for part of the year and the Bedford Range requires the posting of 'sentries' on trails and potential public access points. In addition, the 500 and 600 yard firing point remained restricted to two lanes, effectively reducing the maximum range to 400 yards. As it was not practical to conduct practices and matches on the Bedford Range all Fullbore Target Rifle activities were held at our Bull Meadow facility. Since the Prince Edward Island Rifle Association could not book a DND range in their province in mid-June to host the Inter-Maritime and British Team matches these matches were held at Bull Meadow as well.

Other TR matches held at Bull Meadow included the Kennedy, the Inter-Maritime Trials, the Victoria Day Match, the Canada Day Match, the Purdy, the Sierra ISSF Match along with the 134th Annual Prize Meet and the Irish Cup match. The NSRA also hosted the Atlantic Championships at Bull Meadow on the Labour Day weekend. All TR matches were well attended as a result of extensive promoting of 'F' Class which resulted in an increased number of entries. 'F' Class competitors competed for their own series of medals but were not eligible to win historic trophies traditionally competed for by Fullbore Target Rifle competitors.

**HUNTING / OPEN RIFLE**

The 2008 outdoor season was reasonably successful. Activities were scheduled on a regular basis at our Bull Meadow facility. This Section has proven to be an effective vehicle to attract new shooters into the Association. Once new members joined our Association and participated in organized 'open' practices, they were encouraged to try their hand at the competitive disciplines. This method has proven to be effective.

**SMALLBORE**

The Provincial Indoor Championships were held in Stellarton in April at the Pictou County Military Rifle Association range. There was a good turnout for these matches compared to previous years. The Provincial Outdoor Championships were held at Bull Meadow in May.

**SERVICE ARMS**

With the exception of the Navy/NSRA Challenge match held at Bedford, all Service Rifle and Precision Rifle matches were held at the Bull Meadow Range. In total there were seven standard Service Rifle matches, two sponsored Service Rifle matches

and five Precision Rifle matches. The Section has active and enthusiastic participation and cooperates successfully with local Canadian Forces units.

### **HANDGUN**

All NSRA weekly matches were conducted at the Associations Bull Meadow range facility. Four major competitions were held. These were the 'McDonald's Challenge', the 'Bob Sirtonski Memorial Match', the 'Aubrey Gammel Memorial Match' and the Nova Scotia Provincial Handgun Championships.

### **CADET/DND ACTIVITIES**

In 2008 we were not requested to provide any support for the Canadian Cadet Marksmanship matches.

The Association was contracted to staff and manage the Land Force Area Atlantic Service Rifle and Service Pistol competition held at Aldershot in May 2008.

### **PROMOTION and MEMBERSHIP**

In 2008 the Association continued to promote its activities by operating its telephone based information service, its website and publishing our 'On Target' newsletter.

As has been the trend over the last number of years NSRA membership continued to show an annual increase in numbers. For the year ending October 31st, 2008 our membership grew to 114 individuals from its 2007 level of 104 annual members. It is encouraging to see a slow but gradual recovery of our membership numbers from the low point in 2003-2004 which directly related to the revised membership fee structure.

### **RANGE DEVELOPMENT**

With 2005 marking the completion of the key elements of our Bull Meadow Range Complex, our 2008 focus was on enhancements and maintenance projects such as a hardened firing line on the 50 meter range and road and parking upgrades. We now have operational a twenty position 50 meter handgun-smallbore rifle 'B' range, a ten position 100 meter general purpose 'C' range and a three station modified trap 'D' range for shotgun along with the 'jewel' of the complex, the 800 meter 'A' gallery range with seven position firing lines at 100, 200, 300, 400 500, 600, 700 and 800 meters.

The completion of 'A' Range allows us to fully support Target and Service Rifle activities which are viewed as the core sections of the Association, with traditions reaching back to our founding in 1861.

Fundraising and work is ongoing to provide for esthetic and operational enhancements.

### **GENERAL**

For the year 2007-2008 NSRA obtained its liability insurance from the National Firearms Association.

The Association continued a 'con-joint DCRA membership policy' in 2008. While the policy does not make all NSRA members DCRA members, it provides for Associate DCRA membership, at no additional cost, for those NSRA members who compete in Fullbore Target Rifle and national Service Arms events. The purpose of this policy is to strengthen the relationship with the National organization while providing a service to those marksmen whose competitive shooting disciplines are effectively governed or organized by the DCRA.

## **ROYAL NEW BRUNSWICK RIFLE ASSOCIATION** **REPORT TO DCRA - AGM 2008**

During the year since our last DCRA AGM the target shooting sports in New Brunswick have been very active. As well as activity on our shooting ranges there has been activity in our provincial court regarding firearm related issues.

We have had some problems with the Chief Firearms Officer in New Brunswick with regard to the issuance of ATTs for transport of restricted firearms. One application was refused by the CFO, but that decision was subsequently reversed in Provincial Court. As a result, there has been a tightening of procedures and there is now more difficulty for RNBRA members applying to obtain an ATT. It is very important in all provinces, not only in New Brunswick, that there be cordial and cooperative relations between the CFO and the PRA. When problems arise, it is vital that these be sorted out at an early stage, before relatively small issues become major crises.

On a more positive tone we conducted a full schedule of Full Bore shooting in New Brunswick this past season. RNBRA members participated in the DCRA Nationals at Connaught and as well in the Inter-Maritime Full Bore Championship, which was hosted in Nova Scotia and won by Nova Scotia. That match was a Q1 competition. Following the Inter - Maritime match the British Team match was held and won by New Brunswick. The British Match was a Q2 event.

We conducted the Military Service Rifle Competition at CFB Gagetown with good participation from our military marksmen. The awards were presented jointly by myself and the base CO during a full battalion parade. One of our military shooters distinguished himself, the base, and RNBRA by winning the coveted Queen's Medal in 2008.

We again conducted our Provincial Small Bore Championship with increasing numbers of competitors. As we believe our Small Bore discipline is the natural feeder to our Full Bore event, we use a similar classification system in our Small Bore. Our Small Bore shooters are classified as either TR or MTR. With the MTR class we are encouraging the development of participants to small bore competition who might not otherwise enter the competition.

Our IPSC Pistol discipline was active again with shooters from Ontario, Quebec and around the Maritimes participating in our Provincial Championship with a full capacity registration, plus a waiting list. Our Pistol discipline members represented us at National Championships and at the World Championship.

During the year we introduced a new shooting discipline to the Province which was received with enthusiasm. The Canadian Defensive Pistol discipline was introduced and well received. Our 2009 shooting schedule reflects the popularity of this new event.

During the year we continued negotiations with our shotgun shooters to include an RNBRA Provincial Shotgun Championship with our other shooting discipline championships. Our negotiations have produced success with an RNBRA Provincial Shotgun Championship included in our 2009 event schedule.

Youth development in our Province continues to be a priority. We encourage our clubs to accommodate young shooters by utilizing firearm support equipment, any sighting systems and various types of reactive targets in addition to paper bulls eye targets. The emphasis of our youth shooting development is fun. When we make target shooting a fun activity we believe we will attract and

retain youth to our sport and some will become competitive shooters.

Our RNBRA web page development has evolved considerably during recent months with considerable bilingual content. Our goal is to maintain our web page in both official languages. Continued development of our web site will be an on-going priority.

A high point of our year involved the Honourable Herménégilde Chiasson, Lieutenant Governor of New Brunswick. The Lieutenant Governor hosted a reception at his official residence to formally recognize the RNBRA 2008 provincial champions and present the awards to our various winners. The Lieutenant Governor was a most gracious host personally receiving our champions, their spouses, children and extended family members. The personal staff of the Lieutenant Governor attended to our members throughout the evening with professionalism and respect. The Lieutenant Governor extended the full courtesy of his official residence during the evening.

Firearm ownership and use continues to be a challenge in Canada but our current federal government understands that legitimate target shooters are not a threat to public safety. We are encouraged by the government's focus on crime as the threat to public safety and not the legitimate target shooting community. That very sensible approach will permit we legitimate target shooters to concentrate on the development of our sport without harassment. We in New Brunswick are optimistic that in this environment we will continue to be successful in attracting young girls and boys into target shooting sports.

Robert Kierstead Ch.P.C. BA MED  
President, Royal New Brunswick Rifle Association

### **ONTARIO RIFLE ASSOCIATION ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2008 TO DCRA**

The ORA enjoyed a full program of events in 2008 for all disciplines, which include TR, F Class, Practical/Precision, Swiss, ISU, Vintage, Black Powder and Service Rifle. We would like to thank the Commanders of CFB Borden, Kingston and London for their continued support and for the use of their facilities throughout the year.

We would also like to acknowledge the contributions and support provided by the Governor General of Canada, The Governments of Canada and Ontario, the Ontario Council of Shooters and Mrs. Liliane Stewart of the Macdonald Stewart Foundation.

The Association enjoyed its 142nd year of activity in 2008. We introduced a new non-membership opportunity for non-members to experience ORA activities, which was well received. In order to achieve this, we allowed non-members to pay a daily activity fee that covered minimal activity fees and DCRA insurance. If non-members participated in more than four dates they were automatically given full membership status.

We continued to encourage new shooters to come out to participate in Introduction day activities. We offered a full day of classroom and range activities for over 100 people, many of who have followed up by becoming members of the Association. Ric Melling has done an exceptional job of putting a wonderful program together. Many of our members support the Intro Days by coming out to assist with the one-on-one coaching that is provided. Ric has run the program for the past 6 years and the program is now starting to pay dividends as many of the graduates have become leaders within the Association. The Intro program also

offers winter coaching clinics at one of the largest indoor clubs in Ontario. Clinics include equipment & basics, grouping & managing sights, wind & plotting and reloading.

On the competition front, 2008 was another very busy year. Our weekend schedule was full throughout the whole season with many marksmanship accomplishments displayed in each discipline. We hosted our 126th Provincial Championship, which was a big success with over 90 competitors shooting in TR and F class categories. Congratulations to Roger Romses and Gord Ogg for winning the TR and F class Lt. Governor Generals gold medals. Roger then went on to win the MacDonald Stewart Grand Aggregate at the DCRA Nationals. It was a proud moment for Roger being presented with his award by the new President of the DCRA, his father BGen (Ret'd) Ray Romses.

In closing, on behalf of our President, LCol (Ret'd) Adrian Praysner, I would like to express my thanks to all members and friends of the ORA who have made the year a success.

-Desmond Vamplew, Chairman of Council

### **NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION RIFLE ASSOCIATION ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2008**

NCRRA membership for 2008 was 223. We implemented a lower priced first time new member category which attracted quite a few people. Some were from Serge Bissonnette's new shooter program and others were by word of mouth. Time will tell if the option continues to work as we have not yet had all of our memberships renewed this year.

The Target Rifle, Pistol and Shotgun Sections held their regular competitions on the Victoria Day weekend. The shotgun section conducted the Capital of Canada shoot as well. Competitor numbers were very similar to recent years. There was some scheduling interference for some USA shooters so numbers from the south were weaker.

The Long Range match was conducted on the first weekend in July. Numbers were not strong as there were fewer competitors from southern Ontario and the USA.

Renovation of the NDHQRA Clubhouse is progressing nicely. We have spent about \$70,000.00 putting the building on a higher, stable base. Improved walkways and new grass improve the outside appearance considerably. The veranda has been replaced and skirting has been added to keep little furry animals from home-staying under the clubhouse. CRPTC/PWGSC will be continuing the improvements gradually and we should see a much improved facility in the next few years.

Serge Bissonnette will continue his new shooter's program on Thursday nights and we are hoping that it will be as successful as last year's in recruiting new members.

Ian Robertson ran a half day hand loading seminar this year. It was very popular and attended by nonmembers as well as members. The exposure could be encouragement for new membership. A number of NCRRA members worked for DCRA in its successful conduct of the CFSAC Matches in 2008. We look forward to participating again in 2009 should DCRA be the winner of the bidding process.

The members of NCRRA would like to thank the DCRA office staff for their assistance throughout the year, the staff of CRPTC for their understanding and flexibility with respect to our use of Connaught Ranges and of course Mrs. Stewart for her continuing staunch support to members of DCRA and the PRAs.

-W.J. Molnar, President

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BALANCE SHEET

OCTOBER 31, 2008

ASSETS

|                                         | <u>2008</u>          | <u>2007</u>          | <u>2006</u>          |
|-----------------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| Cash on hand                            | \$ 232,696.96        | \$ 2,086.30          | \$ 1,321.45          |
| Cash in bank                            | 16,502.89            | 132,961.99           | 80,496.57            |
| Accounts receivable                     | 9,498.26             | 24,299.42            | 2,023.86             |
| Pavilion Receivable                     | 33,034.64            | 33,034.64            | 33,958.64            |
| Shares Held Cdn Pavillion at Bisley Ltd | 2,050.00             | 2,200.00             | 2,200.00             |
| Prepaid expense                         | 0.00                 | 0.00                 | 0.00                 |
| Investments (Note 3)                    | 4,702.00             | 4,702.00             | 9,099.70             |
| Inventory                               | 38,241.48            | 41,376.53            | 31,388.25            |
| Bar inventory - Bisley                  | 1,777.35             | 1,987.68             | 2,860.35             |
| Fixed assets (Note 1)                   | 4.00                 | 4.00                 | 4.00                 |
| Deferred asset                          | 0.00                 | 0.00                 | 0.00                 |
| Due (to) Committed funds (net)          | <u>-13,000.00</u>    | <u>0.00</u>          | <u>-65,766.56</u>    |
|                                         | 325,507.58           | 242,652.56           | 97,586.26            |
| Committed funds                         | <u>336,333.46</u>    | <u>323,372.88</u>    | <u>332,666.48</u>    |
|                                         | \$ <u>661,841.04</u> | \$ <u>566,025.44</u> | \$ <u>430,252.74</u> |

LIABILITIES AND MEMBERS' EQUITY

|                                   |                      |                      |                      |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| Accounts payable                  | \$ 140,687.62        | \$ 73,176.81         | \$ 14,696.57         |
| Loan payable                      |                      | 0.00                 | 0.00                 |
| Deferred revenue                  | <u>40,487.00</u>     | <u>44,269.64</u>     | <u>42,461.20</u>     |
|                                   | 181,174.62           | 117,446.45           | 57,157.77            |
| Committed funds                   | <u>336,334.22</u>    | <u>323,372.88</u>    | <u>332,666.48</u>    |
|                                   | <u>517,508.84</u>    | <u>440,819.33</u>    | <u>389,824.25</u>    |
| Members' equity:                  |                      |                      |                      |
| Balance, beginning of year        | 125,206.11           | 40,428.52            | 73,624.37            |
| Surplus (deficit) from operations | <u>19,126.09</u>     | <u>84,778.59</u>     | <u>-33,195.85</u>    |
| Balance, end of year              | <u>144,332.20</u>    | <u>125,206.11</u>    | <u>40,428.52</u>     |
|                                   | \$ <u>661,841.04</u> | \$ <u>566,025.44</u> | \$ <u>430,252.77</u> |

(See accompanying notes to the financial statements)

THE DOMINION OF CANADA RIFLE ASSOCIATION

SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED OCTOBER 31, 2008

|                                         | Surplus<br>(Deficit)<br><u>2,008</u> | Budget<br>(Unaudited)<br><u>2,008</u> | Surplus<br>(Deficit)<br><u>2,007</u> |
|-----------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| <b>Income:</b>                          |                                      |                                       |                                      |
| Investment income                       | \$ 573.43                            | \$ 0.00                               | \$ 6,604.59                          |
| Memberships                             | \$54,415.00                          | 45,000.00                             | 64,450.42                            |
| Trading - net                           | \$15,271.31 -                        | 8,520.00                              | 3,243.81                             |
| Winter Competition Memberships          | \$60.00                              | 0.00                                  | 12.00                                |
| Exchange Differential                   | -\$229.17                            | 0.00                                  | 684.31                               |
| Book Value Adj/See Note 3               |                                      | 0.00                                  |                                      |
| National Service Conditions Competition | \$1,673.88                           | 16,700.00                             | 5,448.22                             |
| Canadian Fullbore Rifle Championships   | \$11,353.08                          | 71,900.00                             | 197,536.94                           |
| Black Powder Championships              | -\$3,380.50                          | 1,450.00                              | -964.76                              |
| Winter Program                          | \$2,164.79                           | 1,900.00                              | 1,920.21                             |
| CFSAC                                   | \$39,592.02                          | 0.00                                  |                                      |
| Life Members Fund                       | \$2,000.00                           | 3,700.00                              | 3,700.00                             |
| Investment reserve fund                 | \$0.00                               | 2,000.00                              |                                      |
| World Long Range Championships          |                                      |                                       | -258.39                              |
|                                         | \$ 123,493.84                        | \$ 151,170.00                         | 282,377.35                           |
| <b>Net expenditures:</b>                |                                      |                                       |                                      |
| Support Services                        | \$92,311.76                          | 117,400.00                            | 178,540.25                           |
| Publications                            | \$5,279.34                           | 6,300.00                              | 2,662.29                             |
| International teams                     |                                      |                                       |                                      |
| Grants to Bisley Team                   | \$2,800.00                           | 2,800.00                              | 2,800.00                             |
|                                         | \$0.00                               |                                       |                                      |
| ICFRA Secretariat                       | \$0.00                               | 400.00                                | 325.00                               |
| GST expense                             | \$3,564.74                           | 6,000.00                              | 13,123.62                            |
| Miscellaneous                           | \$411.91                             | 700.00                                | 148.60                               |
|                                         | \$ 104,367.75                        | \$ 133,600.00                         | 197,599.76                           |
| Surplus (deficit) from operations       | \$ 19,126.09                         | \$ 17,570.00                          | 84,777.59                            |

(See accompanying notes to the financial statements)

# Farewell to....

We regret to inform you about the passing of the following members and friends of The DCRA since the publication of our last edition.

|                                       |                    |                                  |                 |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------|
| LCol W.J. Strachan, OBE, CD (ret'd)   | April 17, 2009     | Hamish Tucker                    | July 10, 2009   |
| Bill Busby                            | August 26, 2009    | Major H. N. Cooper, R.M. (ret'd) | March 27, 2009  |
| Ruth Smith (widow of Les Smith)       | May 12, 2009       | Beverley Mitchell                | October 6, 2009 |
| Verna Salloum (wife of Duane Salloum) | September 13, 2009 |                                  |                 |

## W.J. Strachan, L/Col (Ret'd) OBE CD (CSM and CSC)



Born in Carp, Ontario in 1914, Bill enrolled in the Army in 1931 with the rank of Private and was promoted through the ranks to reach the rank of LColonel in October 1959, serving as ADOS (Assistant Director of Ordinance Services) Ammo, until retirement in June 1964.

Bill was a "D" Day Veteran of Third Division, landing in Normandy in 1944, and proudly wore the following decorations:

- Most Excellent Order of the British Empire
- 1939 -1945 Star
- France and Germany Star
- Defence Medal
- Canadian Volunteer Service Medal and Clasp
- War Medal 1939 - 1945
- Queen Elizabeth II Coronation Medal 1953
- Canadian Forces Decoration with First Clasp

One of his more interesting tour of duties was The Canadian Military Attache to Sweden and Finland from December 1952 to July 1954.

After his retirement in 1964 he was employed by the Royal Trust in Ottawa as a Loans Officer doing assessments on homes and arranging loans and mortgages until final retirement from work altogether.

During his last three years of life he spent the time at a cottage he and his son built together on Lake Manitou on Manitoulin Island. Although his first love was target shooting, age diminished his vision and he played quite a bit of golf.

Bill, who was 96 at the time of his death, the Senior Life Governor of the Dominion of Canada Rifle Association and also a Vice President of the National Rifle Association of Great Britain.

From his very early years, Bill took up and excelled at target rifle shooting and service rifle shooting. Bill was a member of both the National and Army Bisley Teams. He was Captain of the Canadian Army Team to Bisley in 1957 and Commandant of the Dominion of Canada Rifle Team to Bisley in 1966. He was also the Adjutant of the National Team in 1980.

What I, and most of his friends and colleagues will remember about Bill, was his everlasting and generous ability to promote the sport of shooting. He was a former Executive Vice President of the Dominion of Canada Rifle Association and President of the National Defence Headquarters Rifle Association.

I still have a letter written by Bill to members of National Defence Headquarters Rifle Association when he was elected to the position of President of that organization some thirty years ago:

"We have a job to do - we have some fences to mend - and since our home grounds are under reconstruction, we must find a way to provide our membership with the facilities for practice in order to maintain the high degree of skill for which are we noted. To all of these ends, the one word which sums up our duties and responsibilities in this association is "Commitment".

This of course, applies not only to the officers but to every one of us in this association, even the newest of members.

What is our commitment to shooting in general and this association in particular? How much time and energy are we willing to commit, to devote to the game we all play, to the promotion of more attractive programs, to more efficient direction of our operations, and in aid of the rich comradeship which flows from our overall activities. This commitment is, of course, dependent on our priorities; how high on the scale of importance in our lives do we place our sport and our association? I urge each of you reassess your life style and seriously consider committing more of the fine talents and abilities with which you have been endowed to whatever facets of our activities as shooters seems most meaningful to you.

Let us all work together, understand the problems which face us, so that we may build, even a little, on the structure and records of achievement handed to us by our past leaders and members."

Bill had the most commitment of anyone I ever knew.

Bill Strachan had a host of friends, both in Canada and Abroad and we will miss him so very much.

-submitted by Colin Brown

**Bill Busby** - Bill passed away on August 26, 2009 in Windsor, Ontario. He spent many years with the sea, army and air cadet corps teaching safe weapon handling and coaching rifle shooting. He had many shooting accomplishments locally, provincially, nationally and internationally. Bill was a long time member of the DCRA. Our deepest sympathy to his family.

## Major H. N. Cooper, R.M. (ret'd), 1926-2009



Neville Cooper died at the Markham-Stouffville Hospital, Ontario, Canada, after a short illness. He was in his 84th year. Born on 22nd February 1926, in St. John's Wood, to parents Charles and Anne, he was the eldest of three children, with a younger brother, David, and sister, Rosaline (now deceased). Although christened Henry Neville, he took an early dislike to his first name and was known from a very early age as Neville. He attended Cophthorne Preparatory School and in 1939 joined Wellington College, Berkshire, completing his studies in the Classics VIth. Although he won the annual shooting medal at Cophthorne, he did not apparently shoot competitively at Wellington, no doubt because of wartime restrictions. He joined the Royal Marines in 1944 being confirmed as a Lieutenant in 1946. Of particular note amongst his overseas postings, is that he was Mentioned-in-Despatches in 1951 on operations against the Communist Terrorists whilst serving in 40 Commando RM in Malaya. He also served in Malta, Cyprus, Hong Kong, the UK in a variety of postings and, as befits a true Royal Marine, as the RM Subaltern in the cruiser HMS JAMAICA and as the Amphibious Operations Officer in HMS BULWARK, a Landing Platform Helicopter (a light fleet carrier converted to an amphibious assault ship). His obvious talent and huge enthusiasm for shooting were given full rein with postings to the RM Small Arms School at Browdown, the Naval Gunnery School at HMS EXCELLENT (Whale Island) as OC

Tipner Ranges and at the Army School of Infantry at Hythe. His sniper skills drew him to the heat of the action in the November 1956 landings at Port Said where 40 Commando, having cleared the Canal Company offices and the Customs Houses were tasked to move forward to release the British Consul from house arrest. Neville was commanding Support Troop and armed with his sniper rifle, he went forward to see how the situation was progressing and whether his heavy weapons were required. He approached A Troop Commander and said "Hello, Dicky what's the form?" As he spoke a bullet flattened itself on the wall between them. "That!" replied Captain Dicky Grant.

Neville was very proud to have commanded a Company of 41 Commando RM during the Royal Marines Tercentenary celebrations in 1964 including the memorable Royal Review in the grounds of Buckingham Palace. In 1965, during the funeral of Sir Winston Churchill, Neville commanded the Guard of Honour at Tower Pier, from which point Sir Winston's coffin was embarked in the launch Havengore for its move up the river to Festival Hall Pier, en route to Bladon where it was laid to rest. Following a three-year appointment as Director of the Royal Marines reserve, Neville retired from the service in 1971. He maintained his contacts with the Corps and a keen supporter of the RM Benevolent Fund and an avid reader of the *Globe & Laurel Magazine*. Neville then entered the legal profession, working as a legal executive with the firms of Musgrave Larkin in London and Tuck & Mann in Leatherhead until he



finally retired in 1997. He focussed on various aspects of corporate litigation. During this period he was of very considerable help to the Dominion of Canada Rifle Association in dealings concerned with the Macdonald Stewart Pavilion at Bisley. In 1952, Neville married Shirley Leslie Trethewey, a member of a formerly Cornish family involved in silver mining in the Cobalt area of northern Ontario. Neville was keenly interested in the Trethewey family history and made special trips to the north in pursuit of more information on this. The Coopers had four children, Geoffrey, Guy, Clare (Bailey) and William. In more recent times, four grandchildren were added to the clan. Leslie died in 1989, leaving a great void in Neville's life. It was filled in small measure by his move to Canada and by his myriad activities in the world of shooting. His home at Bisley was named Trethewey Lodge. There too he made sure that the flag pole, on which he flew the Union Jack while 'in residence', was taller than the one next door where the German Team flew its flag during the Imperial Meeting! The Trethewey Medal was struck to be awarded each year to the winner of H.M. The Queen's Prize when she or he arrived at the Lodge as the last port of call on the long ride in the chair around Bisley Camp. Champagne was also served to the winner and to the weary bearers of the chair. Although Neville was

not able to be at Bisley in 2008, he characteristically left instructions that a bottle of champagne be taken to the Canadian Pavilion and served to the winner there.

Following his retirement, and with his children and grandchildren now all living in North America, Neville decided to split his life between Canada and the UK, buying a house in Markham, Ontario, in 1999. While many people look for ways to escape the Canadian winter, Neville did the reverse, spending his summer at Bisley and the winter in Canada. He characteristically threw himself into the lives of his grandchildren, providing great support to their activities in ice hockey and golf. Neville was always very proud of his family and their accomplishments, never needing much prompting to talk about them. With his family, and the wider family of the Royal Marines, Neville's other great love was target shooting at Bisley and around the world. He became a member of the RM VIII in 1951, and shot with this team in every year to 1970 when his postings and other duties allowed. He was a highly proficient service rifle shot, winning the Canadian Service Rifle Championship in 1954, and placing 2nd in the Bisley Queen Mary in 1971. In the latter, it might be noted that he used his trusty No.4 Enfield rifle, while nearly everyone else fired the FN-SLR. The "obsolete" Enfield was not meant to be able to do so well. There are also memories of Neville shooting the 'Running Man' at Bisley with his service revolver, something again that was not meant to be feasible.



Along with his service shooting, he rapidly became part of the SR(b) and target shooting worlds. He joined the NRA-GB and North London Rifle Club in the late 1940s, and began a long career of accomplishment both on the range and in service and commitment. Although the "big" prizes eluded him, he won 9 Queen's Final badges with a best placing of 22nd in 1977 at the age of 61; 9 Grand Aggregate crosses, finishing 5th in 1963; and placed twice in the top 25 of the St. George's. He won the Daily Mail in 1956 and the Short Range Aggregate in 1968. He was a member of the Great Britain Kolapore and the Australia (Empire) Match Teams, 4 times on each, as well as the English National and Mackinnon Teams, 7 times each. Quite early on, he developed a great liking for overseas travel. He was Adjutant to the Great Britain Team to Canada in 1954, a team that also included Dr. Mike Walker and Dr. John Tetlow, both of whom subsequently moved to Canada, as did Neville. In addition to the Service Rifle Championship, Neville came second in the Canadian Grand Aggregate, to his fellow team member, John Tetlow. Other tours followed, to Australia and New Zealand as Adjutant in 1958, when he won the NZ Grand Aggregate, to Canada as Captain in 1970, to the West Indies in 1971, and to Canada and the USA in 1971 for the Palma Match at Camp Perry. In later years, he regularly coached the Barbados Team at Bisley, winning the Junior Kolapore in 1981, and was a member of a number of teams from the Wandsworth Rifle Club which visited Canada.

Neville was always determined to put as much back into the shooting world as he himself had gained from it. He was elected to the NRA Council in 1970, being regularly re-elected until deciding to retire in 1991. He was active in the Service and Cadet programmes, and in the Executive, Pistol, Estates and Coaching Committees.

He was very much involved with the Old Wellingtonian Rifle Club and with shooting at Wellington College. Almost every year during the 1990s, Neville would meet the boys at Bisley at the start of the season and give a talk on "Wind Reading". On one of these occasions it was reported that "this picture will never leave my mind, the boys were all sitting in a trench behind 500 yards, wearing every piece of clothing they had. There was a blizzard and the snow was falling thick and fast. Neville held his post, resplendent in his blazer and with his back to the targets. He was covered head to toe in white as were the boys. My only regret was that I didn't have a camera with me. He had so totally submersed himself in the task of teaching that he didn't even notice the snow and cold." He was Shooting Captain of the North London Rifle Club in the late 1980s and became President in 2003, succeeding Lt. Col. Larry Orpen-Smellie. His particular interests around the Club were in encouraging young shooters, something he always felt very strongly about, and in restoring and improving the fabric of the building and gardens. Although living for much of the year in Canada, Neville kept in close touch with the Club, often making special trips to the UK to be present at important meetings and functions.

Following his move to Canada, he did some shooting with the Ontario and Dominion of Canada Rifle Associations, becoming a Life Member of both. He was always most interested in the affairs of the DCRA and the NRA, a strong supporter of international exchanges and a generous host to visitors on both sides of the Atlantic.

Neville was a direct and straight-talking man. One of his favourite instructions was to "stop shilly-shallying around and get on with it" - advice which when taken often led to very good things. He was a loyal friend, on whom one could always rely. Perhaps his most fitting epitaph is this quote from a member of the North London, "Neville was always there when we needed him".

A service in memory of Neville's life was held in Markham on 2nd April 2009. It is anticipated that a further commemoration was to be held during the Bisley Imperial Meeting in July 2009.

-submitted by J.C. Thompson

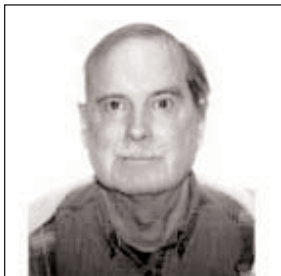
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**Hamish Tucker** - Sadly, Bisley and the RAF Target Rifle Club have lost another colourful character. Hamish Tucker passed away on July 10 after struggling with a heart problem for almost a year. Hamish shot during his service with the Royal Air Force and continued his membership in the RAF TRC after he left the Air Force to join the City of London Police Force (not the Met as he would vehemently point out to anyone making that mistake). He was a fixture in the RAF clubhouse, holding forth on all manner of subjects. All Canadians who participated in the RAF International Match in recent years will remember the Scottish Range Officer who kept everyone in line in no uncertain terms. Those of us privileged to be on his electronic mailing list regularly received frank political commentary and even franker anecdotes, which kept us all amused. He will be sadly missed. Our condolences go out to his wife Annabel.

-submitted by Stan Frost

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## Wayne Mitchell



Wayne Mitchell, a long-time member of the Saskatchewan Provincial Rifle Association, passed away on Wednesday, September 23, 2009 at the age of 58. Wayne passed away peacefully after a dignified 2 1/2 year battle with Glioblastoma Multiforme, a primary brain cancer. Wayne was born in Regina, on March 18, 1951. He enjoyed many years in Sea Cadets where he was introduced to target shooting, becoming an avid marksman, which resulted in some of his closest life-long friends. Wayne frequently attended the MPRA Championships and the Canadian Championships as a member of the SPRA team. His one trip to Bisley was in 1996 as a member of the Prairie Provinces team. Wayne had a closet full of medals and awards from local, provincial and national shoots. His proudest moment was winning the Manitoba Lieutenant-Governor's Prize. Wayne was an avid collector of Lee-Enfield No. 4s in all their variations and Marksman

readers will remember his permanent ad in the magazine. Wayne's interest in old classics carried over into his professional career. He held a BSc from the University of Saskatchewan, Regina Campus, and was an accomplished journeyman carpenter. After many years at the Royal Saskatchewan Museum, he formed Mitchell & Associates Museum Services, working on projects across Western Canada right up to Whitehorse, Yukon. Wayne will be sorely missed by his many friends in the SPRA and the PPRA. Our deepest sympathies go out to his wife Mary Ann and his large family.

-submitted by Stan Frost

## Verna Salloum (1924 – 2009)



Verna Salloum died peacefully in hospital of lung cancer on Saturday, 12th September. She was well-known to shooters around the world as the wife of Dr. Duane Salloum, former President of the NCRRA and PQRA, DCRA Life Governor, Commandant of Canada's Bisley and Palma Teams in 1985, and former Executive Director of the DCRA.

Verna grew up as a farm girl in Saskatchewan, where she learned to shoot at tin cans and pop bottles. Still in her teens, she served in the Royal Canadian Air Force (Women's Division) during WW2, marrying Duane when she was 20. They were married almost 65 years.

Verna always exemplified the values of hard work, thrift and conservation. She was ever willing to step into the breach when volunteers were needed. She did not limit her involvements merely to those social activities at which she excelled, but also took on the onerous role of PQRA Secretary from 1955 to 1960, during which years she organized and ran Quebec's Annual Matches.

Some twenty years later, Verna earned her BA degree from Carleton University at the age of 57.

In 2004, the 80-year-old Verna went on to place third at 900m (and beat Duane) in the WW2 Veterans' competition held at the 2004 Canadian Championships in honour of the 60th anniversary of D-Day.

Verna's death leaves a hole in the hearts and lives of all who knew her. Per Ardua Ad Astra.

-submitted by Dave Rumbold

## Bev Mitchell (1931-2009)



Bev suffered a heart attack and died suddenly on October 6. She was an important part of the DCRA team for many years. Her service dated back to the early 50s, when the DCRA offices were at 200 1/2 Bank Street. Gordon Switzer was the Secretary. In those days, the IBM Selectric typewriter was state of the art, and Gaestetner duplicators, with ink and stencils were standard practice.

She always managed to remain calm in the midst of the turmoil that characterized most of the activities of the DCRA. She was a combination of den mother, maid of all work and corporate memory. In recognition of her many years of devoted service, she was made an Honorary Life Member of the DCRA.

The high point of her year was always the Annual Prize Meeting, with its long hours and heavy work loads. She enjoyed the challenge, as well as the yearly visits of literally hundreds of shooter friends from coast to coast. So much was the APM part of her life, that she would turn up to help for years after her retirement.

Bev and her husband, Ivan, were active in the affairs of the church and were great believers in family values. They had 4 children, 17 grandchildren and 7 great grandchildren. Ivan died in 2006.

Bev's connection with the DCRA continues to this day; her daughter, Barbara Booth, makes the puggarees for our Bisley hats.

Our condolences to Bev's family.

-submitted by Duane Salloum

*On behalf of the Dominion of Canada Rifle Association, we extend our most sincere condolences to the families of our friends and members who have passed away.*

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