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Good luck!!

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35-36	x27annual 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	x 9 annual rate
		65 and over	x 8 annual rate

Age calculated as of 1 April

#### **Our Front Cover:**

This edition's unique cover is an original art work beautifully crafted by LCol (Ret'd) William Molnar. Bill Molnar works in coloured pencil as his medium and the topic he chose is the famous Connaught Range shoe tree. The original and current shoe trees have been DCRA fixtures at the range for some time and have often been featured in Marksman articles. A tall elm once stood in the area of D Range and this tree became a focus for a long standing tradition where the winner of the Governor General's Prize would scale the tree and nail a pair of shoes to its bark. Unfortunately that tree did not survive old age and Dutch Elm disease, but as a result of the work of some enthusiastic volunteers a replacement maple was obtained and planted in 1980. You may want to check back through your old issues of this magazine and read more about the tree in the Autumn 2000 and Summer/Autumn 2001 editions. The shoe nailing tradition has continued and we commemorate this fine tradition with this cover.

We thank Bill Molnar for this original composition.

On page 43: (originally published in The Canadian Marksman, Fall 1980 by J.C.Thompson and M. de Courcy-Ireland)
This is the original "Shoe Tree" in front of the Guard's Hut. (photo by Les Morrow of Cdn Industries Ltd - 1967)
"One of the most pleasant traditions at Connaught Ranges for around the last 25 years has been the annual "ceremony" in which the Captain of the visiting Great Britain team has climbed one of the elms in front of the Governor General's Foot Guards Building and has nailed to it a pair of shoes "donated" by the Adjutant. On occasions when a "Brit" has won the Governor General's Prize, the winner has also made the ascent and attached a pair of his shoes. Whether this strange collection of footwear prolonged the life of the tree or hastened its demise is an open question, but the tree has now regrettably succumbed to Dutch Elm Disease, and will probably have to be removed or at least severely chopped back in the near future.

During the DCRA Matches this August, a plan was conceived whereby the shooters of Canada would purchase a new tree and have it planted so that in a few years it would be ready to continue the tradition. A collection was made, coordinated by Jim Thompson and Marion de Courcy-Ireland, and a large number of people contributed with enthusiasm. Through the kind assistance of Audrey Rumbold, a very fine Red Maple, some 25 feet tall, was obtained from Fines Nurseries of Ottawa. In a short ceremony after the matches, the old tree was "laid to rest" and the new one encouraged to grow strong, straight and tall and be fit to assume its strange role in the future."

See Jim's article in the Summer/Autumn 2001 edition for more stories on the shoe tree's beginnings

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#### THE DIRECTOR'S CORNER

William A. Plouffe Executive Director



It is early February as I start this. It is bleak, cold and not that inviting outside and Betty Ann Ferguson has just asked me the following question, "How are you coming with your article for the Marksman?" I had the same reaction that I had early last December when my wife asked how the annual family Christmas letter was coming along. A cold blank stare! Oh well they say it is easier to work under a bit of pressure.

Since I last wrote to you, the major events have been the annual fall executive meeting with its review of financial statements and production of the next five year budget. Not exactly the type of stuff that makes for sizzling editorials. The other major activity is ongoing planning for 2006 and 2007. One other event of note has been the repainting of the building interior. Now that was an adrenalin pumping experience, as we moved years of accumulated stuff from one room to another and then back. It also provided a good aerobic experience, with repeated trips to the garbage dumpster through slush then ice then snow.

The building was in bad need of a face lift and thanks to Betty Ann we found an individual who would do the job for us at a price that was affordable. Several attempts to hire other business contractors was a financial eye opener! We all thought that we must be in the wrong business with what some of them quoted. All but the second floor has been painted and with white trim and new window coverings, the place looks good. Our painter will come back in the spring and we will get the exterior ready for our guests. When you get here next summer you will notice quite a change in the entrance. It now looks as if we are here to stay and proud of our building and organization.

There is a lot going on at Connaught Range and the Commandant is determined to have the range ready in all aspects for 2007 when Canada and DCRA hosts the World Long Range Championship at Connaught. There are several utilitarian projects such as new hydro and telephone lines, a storm water management system (I am told the days of spring basement floods will be a thing of the past) and road paving. More to our needs, there is a plan for firing point and butt maintenance and repair. The ranges have already been surveyed. Unfortunately, wet weather last fall prevented getting some preliminary work done on A Range. They did manage however to remove the drainage system that was temporarily laid behind C Left and A Range. That is a head start for next fall. Work is also progressing on plans for a new 250 bed barrack block. Unfortunately we won't see that until after 2007.

The Commandant and I and the camp staff had a series of meetings during the fall and in the new year and we have examined all areas of support to DCRA during our annual national championships in July and August. One area of concern was meal service to civilian competitors; this has been discussed and cash sales will continue, but, please read my article on Connaught Kitchen. Sprinkled throughout this edition you will also find some other articles of interest on living the good life at Connaught, affectionately and officially known as the Connaught Range and Primary Training Centre (CRPTC). The fact that this is a primary training centre is important, as there is lots of military and police training going on at the site year round in addition to range work. There is a new urgency within the military for fitness and training of all personnel and that is resulting in increased use of the only military facility in Ottawa, with classrooms, ranges, field areas, food service and accommodation since Rockcliffe and Uplands were shut down. That is good news for the camp, as the Commandant has to generate revenue to pay for much of the cost of operation. No longer does the military give bases a bag of money to run the place with but they have to run it as a business with revenue from customers the units that use and pay for services. That is good news for taxpayers but not so good for users' budgets.

On another aspect of money, that is the DCRA's, we finished last year with a modest operating surplus. That was thanks to a good estimate of CFRC entry that resulted in keeping staff and range labour costs down to what was required. The new approach of doing budget estimates out five years enables us to see where we think we are going, financially. We expect to make some profit this year and next and that will help restore some of the losses of the late 90s. No matter what we try however, it appears that following the World Long Range Championships that we expect a drop in CFRC participation which is a major fund generator. The Association is a not for profit registered association and it has really only three sources of revenue. The first, the smallest source, is donations. The second is event profit and the third is annual membership fees. Operating costs for the administration of the organization and event coordination are basically fixed without a major shift in how we do business. The Executive Committee has recognized that we need to collectively examine our option for the years beyond 2007and have commissioned an ongoing study to examine the way ahead.

One option being looked at is relying more on members to do major tasks. This will take a major commitment on the part of many members. I will be identifying several volunteer tasks for this summer and more particularly for 2007 when we will need escorts for guests, prize day helpers, reception teams etc, to name just a few. After that there may definitely be an ongoing need for members to step forward and take on administrative tasks and demanding executive roles. Succession planning for the Council and Executive Committee is a prime discussion topic now and one that will need to be addressed in the coming year. On the topic of planning ahead, 2007 is the focus. We are firming up the participation and in this issue you will find information on the loaded package of matches.

We are expecting a large entry on the realm of 500 plus for the days between 18 August and 2 September, with full teams from at least nine countries attending, as well as teams from small nations, veterans and juniors. I can only encourage every Canadian DCRA member to make the trek to Ottawa. This will be a big event and your participation is needed. Jim Thompson has been working feverishly to get the programme in hand and successfully in place and there is lots of information in this edition on the events.

Over in Bisley this will also be a transition year as our one person pavilion manger, housekeeper, bar steward, accountant, you name it, has decided to retire at the end of year in October 2006. I will have more on this in the next fall edition and will keep members informed by means of my periodic email reports (Sitreps). Your Pavilion Board of Directors is looking at new management candidates and how to run what is becoming a seven month a year bed and breakfast and meeting centre operation.

One segment of the annual Canadian Championship that occurs earlier in the season is the National Service Conditions Championship. Once again, the Canadian Forces, despite an earlier commitment to proceed, has had to cancel their Canadian Forces Small Arms Competition (CFSAC) in 2006 and will not be sending a team to Bisley to compete. There is a commitment to recommence this competition in 2007 and the army staff is encouraging their units to participate in the DCRA championship in July 2006. The entry form for this is in this edition and we hope to get the word out to as many military, police and civilian service conditions shooters as possible.

With the first of April coming up I remind all of you, both full and associate members, to renew your membership to continue receiving DCRA benefits and copies of the Canadian Marksman. Your national governing body requires your support and membership to maintain its historic status and to provide a national presence and international standing with the International Confederation of Rifle Associations (ICFRA). I ask you to try and attend the DCRA/PRA workshop on 31 March and the Annual General meeting on 1 April. The topics for the workshop will centre on two items, membership - recruiting and retention and a

related topic, long term DCRA financing. If you are attending I need to know in advance to ensure there is a bed for you and a place at the annual dinner. This is going to be held at the Range in the dining room and for the last year, before I have to increase prices to cover costs, the ticket is priced at \$30.00 for the semi-formal dinner.

To conclude this introduction to another issue of the *Canadian Marksman*, I would be remiss if I did not mention our Commonwealth Games Team which is off to Australia to compete as this issue goes to press. Our fullbore team is lead by the team manager, Alain Marion. Competing are Pat Vamplew and, fresh from his 2005 Queen's Prize victory, James Paton. We wish them every success and good shooting and watch your Commonwealth Games web site for results.

I will hopefully see you in Connaught this year and next. If you are passing through Ottawa for any reason, the coffee pot is always on - or I can make instant. Drop in to see us.

#### **MEMBERS FORUM**

Please join the throng that is having their voice heard on the Members Forum of our web page. Got an idea; here is the place to float it. I hope soon to publish DCRA Directives on this or a similar password-access site for members only. Keep watching. Spot the notice I will place on the site some time this spring and win a \$10.00 DCRA Buck (web site administers are not eligible!).

-Bill Plouffe





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#### The 124th Annual Canadian Fullbore Rifle Championships Connaught Ranges, Ottawa 2006

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Dr. Jim Thompson DCRA Programme Chairman

The 124th CFRC will be held at Connaught Ranges from Friday 18th to Saturday 26th August, 2006. In addition this year, the "America" and F Class International Teams Matches will be fired on Sunday 27th, and the three day F Class Open Tournament will be held from Monday 28th to Wednesday 30th. Further information about the latter, and details of the entire schedule of matches are to be found elsewhere in this issue of the *Canadian Marksman*. Entry forms are also enclosed. The full programme, along with entry forms, is also on the DCRA web site (http://www.dcra.ca). Any changes that may be made following publication of this issue of the Marksman will be posted on the web site and on the official notice board at the matches.

In 2007, a very large entry is anticipated for the CFRC, as a result of the World Long Range Target Rifle Championships and the International "Palma" Team Match. An update on 2007 is printed elsewhere in this issue. There are some changes in the CFRC this year, which are primarily designed to test the schedule for 2007. Hence, especially at the start of the week, things will not be exactly as they have been for the last few years. A copy of the full Programme and Rules will be mailed to each competitor who enters in good time. The "Early Entry Draw", in which three competitors may win back some, or all, of their Grand Aggregate entry fee, will include all those whose entries have been received by the DCRA along with full payment by Friday 19th May 2006. As last year, you may pay your entry fees in two parts, half when you send in your entry, and half either by 19th May for the Draw or 29th June to avoid a late entry penalty.

The Service Conditions (NSCC) and Black Powder Matches are described elsewhere in this issue.

The Historical Rifle Matches will not be held in 2006 or 2007. These notes will focus on the Target Rifle (TR) and F Class events that make up the rest of the CFRC. Here is a summary of the major changes for 2006 and 2007. If you have any questions about these, please do not hesitate to contact the DCRA.

#### **Rule Changes**

There are few rule changes this year, which are listed separately. The three year trial of the use of low power scope sights in TR competition will continue in 2006.

#### The Long Range Challenge

This will be fired completely on Friday 18th August. Competitors will fire three (3) 15-shot matches at 900 metres, two in the morning and one in the early afternoon. There will continue to be separate awards for TR and F Classes.

#### The 223/556 Championship

This will also be fired completely on Friday 18th August.

Competitors will fired 15-shot matches at 300, 500 and 600 yards in the morning, and 800 and 900 metres in the early afternoon.

#### The "Sierra" 300 metre ISSF Championship

This will be fired in two relays on the morning of Friday 18th August. As far as possible, all TR/ISSF shooters will be placed in one relay and F Class shooters in the other. If the level of entry is higher than expected, a third relay may be fired in the early afternoon.

#### **Schedule Limitations**

With the revised schedule for the above three events, it is only possible to fire in one of them. It is, however, possible, to enter twice, firing in both relays in different classes, in the Long Range Challenge or in the "Sierra" ISSF Championship.

#### The Ottawa Regiment

This will remain as a 15 shot match at 800 metres. It will, however, start earlier in the afternoon than it did under the previous schedule. Competitors should bear this in mind when planning their arrival at Connaught. You may request a later relay, but even these will be earlier than last year.

#### The Gooderham

This event will be fired on Saturday morning, 19th August, 10 shots at each of 500 yards and 900 metres.

#### The Army and Navy Veterans

This will now be a two range event, 10 shots at 600 yards and 900 metres, on Saturday afternoon, 19th August.

#### **Grand Aggregate Matches and the Tilton**

There is no change to any of these events. However, more relays will be fired, testing the schedule revised to accommodate the large entry in 2007.

#### **The Coaches Team Match**

This will not be fired in 2006 or 2007.

#### The Patron's Match

This will not be fired as a separate match on Friday 25th August. The schedule for that day has been adjusted, so that the Commonwealth and other team matches will finish a little earlier in the afternoon. The 800 and 900 metre ranges of the Governor General's Final on Saturday afternoon, 26th August, have been designated as the Patron's match, with awards being made appropriately.

#### **Entry Fees**

Apart from minor changes, to accommodate the revised courses of fire in certain events, entry fees will not change in 2006. This means that some fees (Long Range Challenge and 223/556) will decrease and a few (Army and Navy Veterans) will increase. Most are unchanged.

#### **General Observations**

The Macdonald Stewart Grand Aggregate begins with the MacDougall on Sunday afternoon, 20th August, and concludes with the Gatineau on Friday morning, 25th August. The Governor General's Final, which is included in the Canadian Open and Canadian TR Championships, is on Saturday afternoon, 26th August. There are parallel events for F Class shooters all week. A limited number of spaces will be available in the Gatineau for purchase by shooters who have not entered the Grand Aggregate. And we can usually also find a few spots in the Tilton for those people who want to complete the Champlain Aggregate, but who have not entered the Grand. Hence, both the Champlain and Connaught Aggregates, consisting respectively of the Ottawa Regiment, Gooderham, Army and Navy Veterans and Tilton Matches, and the Street, Gatineau and Perry Matches, may include shooters who did not enter the Grand.

#### "Short Course" Aggregates

Last year, we introduced an aggregate at the start of the CFRC, designed especially for newcomers but also for those could not attend the full period of the matches. This year, the concept will be continued and expanded. Not only will there be a "Short Course" Aggregate at the start of the CFRC, but there will be a second one covering matches towards the end of the CFRC. Details of these are provided in a separate notice.

#### **Single Match Entries**

Subject to space being available, it will continue to be possible to enter single matches (no aggregates) during the CFRC. Details of the cost and of the numbers of spaces available will be posted at the CFRC.

#### **Entries in the Street, Hayhurst and Perry**

These are non-aggregate matches held later in the CFRC. Entries will be available for sale from Monday 21st August (not before). As usual, sufficient spaces in the Hayhurst will be reserved for Canadian Cadets completing the Cadet Bisley Aggregate. If the entry for any of these matches exceeds that expected for squadding in pairs, they may be squadded in threes, with extra time being allowed.

#### Extra Tickets

After 1130 hours on Saturday 26th August, any remaining tickets in the TR and F Class Bisley Qualifiers, which have not been picked up by those who qualified to shoot in them, will be distributed to any competitor who has not qualified for the Final of the Governor General's Final and who would like an additional shoot at 800 and 900 metres. Tickets will be marked with an "X" to indicate that they are outside the TR or F Class Bisley Qualifier and will be issued free of charge on a first-come first-served basis. Scores made by such competitors will not count in the TR or F

Class Bisley Qualifier or in any other match or aggregate. No prizes will be awarded to those firing "X" tickets.

#### **The America International Team Match**

This will be fired at 300 and 600 yards, 800 and 900 metres, 15 shots at each distance, on Sunday 27th August. The match is for teams of 8 TR shooters, with a maximum team strength of 15. The "America" Trophy and 15 special medals will be awarded to the members of the winning team. One team per country or approved group of countries may enter. Members of each team will receive a souvenir.

#### The F Class America International Team Match

This will be fired alongside the America TR Match, for teams of 4 F Class shooters, with a maximum team size of 6. All other conditions are those for the "America" (TR) Match. The "US F Class" Trophy and 6 special medals will be awarded to the winning team. Members of each team will receive a souvenir.

#### **America Match Awards**

The will be presented at a special ceremony immediately after the conclusion of these matches.

#### **Bursaries for Canadian Shooters under the age of 25**

Financial support in the form of bursaries for eligible Canadian shooters under the age of 25 will continue to be available. Please contact the DCRA Office for details of how to apply. The deadline for applications, which must be made in writing, is 30th April 2006. Strange to say, in the last few years, we have not been able to give away all the funds that have been allocated to this programme. We hope that Canadian Under-25s will rectify this in 2006!

#### **Results Lists**

We will continue the publication of bound copies of the full results in a handy, bookshelf size. In order to keep the printing costs under control, those who want results must order and pay for them with their entry. Results will be mailed a couple of months after the CFRC. Full results of all CFRC matches are also posted on the DCRA web site.

#### **Entries**

All competitors are urged to enter early. We are planning and budgeting for an entry of 340 shooters in the Grand Aggregate. Each event has a squadding/planning limit which cannot be exceeded. Space will be found for all those whose entry and full payment have been received by 29th June 2006. We certainly do not want to turn anyone away, but those who try to enter later than this are certainly placing themselves at some risk.

For any further information, please consult the DCRA website, or contact the DCRA Office.

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## Daily Schedule Canadian Fullbore Rifle Championships & F Class & Open Tournament 2006

Please note that this schedule is still tentative and may change in detail. The detailed time-table and any changes will be posted, in the fullness of time, on the DCRA web site, which competitors are encouraged to visit frequently. (\*) indicates matches which are in the Grand Aggregate. Matches with 'names' are nearly all TR and F Class events.

For the information of competitors, the shooting day normally starts at 0800 and finishes at 1800 or before, except on First Friday when it finishes around 1930. Please do not hesitate to contact the DCRA if you have any questions about any aspect of the CFRC. Phone 613-829-8281; FAX 613-990-0434; e-mail office@dcra.ca; http://www.dcra.ca

1st Thu, 17 Aug, AM	CANLOAN and Goddard Cadet Teams, 2 & 7 @ 500 & 600y
1st Thu, 17 Aug, PM	All Ranges Closed
1st Fri, 18 Aug, AM & PM	Equipment Examination (time and location to be confirmed)
1st Fri, 18 Aug, AM	Black Powder, 300y, 500y & 600y
1st Fri, 18 Aug, AM & early PM	Cdn. 223/556 Championship, 2 & 15 @ 300y, 500y, 600y, 800m & 900m
1st Fri, 18 Aug, AM	Sierra ISSF (UIT/ISU) Canadian Championship, Relays 1 & 2, 300m
1st Fri, 18 Aug, AM	Practice - Ranges TBA
1st Fri, 19 Aug, AM & early PM	Long Range Challenge, 2 & 15 @ 900m (three times)
1st Fri, 18 Aug, PM	Black Powder, 600y & 200y
1st Fri, 18 Aug, PM	Practice - Ranges TBA
1st Fri, 18 Aug, later PM	The Ottawa Regiment, 2 & 15 @ 800m
1st Sat, 19 Aug, AM	Equipment Examination (location to be confirmed)
1st Sat, 19 Aug, AM	The Gooderham, 2 & 10 @ 500y 900m
1st Sat, 19 Aug, AM	Black Powder, 700m and 800m
1st Sat, 19 Aug, AM	Practice - Ranges TBA
1st Sat, 19 Aug, PM	Equipment Examination (location to be confirmed)
1st Sat, 19 Aug, PM	The Army & Navy Veterans, 2 & 10 @ 600y & 900m
1st Sat, 19 Aug, PM	Black Powder One Thousand, 900m
1st Sat, 19 Aug, PM	Practice - Ranges TBA
1st Sun, 20 Aug, AM	The Tilton, 2 & 10 @ 300 m & 600y
1st Sun, 20 Aug, AM	Black Powder International Team Match, 700m, 800m and 900m
1st Sun, 20 Aug, PM	Start of the Macdonald Stewart Grand Aggregate The Macdougall, (*) 2 & 10 @ 300m &500y
1st Mon, 21 Aug, AM	The Norman Beckett, (*) 2 & 10 @ 300m
, G,	The Colonel John Brick, (*) 2 & 10 @ 500y
1st Mon, 21 Aug, PM	The Colonel John Brick, (*) 2 & 10 @ 600y
	The Norman Beckett, (*) 2 & 10 @ 800m
1st Tues, 22 Aug, AM	The Letson, (*) 2 & 7 @ 300m & 500y
1st Tues, 22 Aug, PM	The Letson, (*) 2 & 7 @ 600y
	The Alexander of Tunis,(*) 2 & 10 @ 900m
1st Wed, 23 Aug, AM	The President's, (*) 2 & 10 @ 300m & 500y
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The President's, (\*) 2 & 10 @ 600y The Gibson, (\*) 2 & 10 @ 800m

1st Wed, 23 Aug, PM

**2nd Thur, 24 Aug, AM** The Gibson, (\*) 2 & 10 @ 300m & 600y

**2nd Thur, 24 Aug, PM** The Provincial Teams, 2 & 15 @ 600y

The Outlander International Teams, 2 & 15 @ 600y & 900m The Street 'Palma' Individual, 2 & 15 @ 700, 800 & 900m

The Rideau Teams, 2 & 10 at 900m

The Michael Faraday (Cadet Teams), 2 & 7 @ 300y, 500y & 600y

The London Merchants Provincial Teams, 2 & 15 @ 900m

**2nd Fri, 25Aug, AM** The Gatineau, (\*) 2 & 15 @ 900m

Conclusion of the Macdonald Stewart Grand Aggregate

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The Hayhurst & Botsford, 2 & 10 @ 300, 500y & 600y

2nd Sat, 26Aug, AM The Canada International Teams, 2 & 10 @ 300y, 500y & 600y

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The "Early" Course Aggregate Entry Fee: \$225.00

Competitors will fire the following (each event has 2 convertible sighters, with the number of shots on score indicated):

**Friday morning, 18th August:** 300y (15), 500y (15), 600y (15) **Friday afternoon, 18th August:** 800m(15), 900m(15), 800m (15)

**Saturday morning, 19th August:** 500y (10), 900m (10) **Saturday afternoon, 19th August:** 600y (10), 900m (10) **Sunday morning, 20th August:** 300m (10), 600y (10)

Number of shots on score: 150

Early Course Prize Giving at lunchtime on Sunday 20th August.

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Space may be limited - you are strongly advised to enter early!

Entrants must complete the main CFRC Entry Form on which they may also request accommodation at Connaught.

The "Later" Course Aggregate Entry Fee: \$200.00

Competitors will fire the following (each event has 2 convertible sighters, with the number of shots on score indicated):

**Thursday afternoon, 24th Aug:** 700m(15), 800m(15),900m (15) **Friday morning, 25th August:** 900m (15)

Friday afternoon, 25th August: 300y (10), 500y (10), 600y (10) Saturday morning, 26th Aug: 700m (15), 800m (15), 900m (15)

Number of shots on score: 135

**Later Course Prizes** will be awarded at the main CFRC Prize Giving on Saturday afternoon.

#### CONNAUGHT RANGE A WORK IN PROGRESS

William A. Plouffe

Connaught Range, as a primary training centre for Eastern Ontario military units and an increasingly attractive training site for police forces, is undergoing change that will take several years to complete. As those of you who have been here before know, the camp, which was established in 1921 was up until the 1990s a bit of a backwater for infrastructure support. In the last few years lots of work has been done providing permanent facilities for training and range control. One major completed project that is evident is the new kitchen which is capable of serving its customers, including the peak load when the cadet camp is in residence. Other items such as new power lines, telephone lines and a working sewage and city water system are not as evident to the eye but much needed improvements.

This winter a start has been made on providing a storm water management system (drainage) to mitigate the spring road and basement flooding that has been a problem. It is a big job as the camp is sitting on a high water table adjacent to a major wetland watershed (Constance Creek and swamp). So in the past if you phoned and we said we were busy draining the swamp it could be taken literally as the sump pump was not keeping up with spring thaw flooding. If all goes well we won't have that excuse any more! A progressive project which you may also see the results of this summer is road paving. This scheduling of this project depends on completion of the storm water project. When you drive in to camp watch for construction traffic, perhaps detours and holes!

One project which will be very evident too you is the construction of a safety berm between C and D Range. This will have an effect

on wind patterns, particularly on D Range, but the upside is that we will be able to use more firing points simultaneously on both adjacent ranges. Another berm is planned between A and C Range. If you were to proceed down range to work in the butts you will find that C Range now has all new target frames.

The Commandant has had the ranges surveyed and is awaiting the green light to do major maintenance work on the firing points, in preparation for 2007. If all goes well the range will for the most part be shut down in September 2006 to allow grading and seeding to be done.

The last major project I will mention is one that we won't see completed until 2008. That is the construction of a modern 250 bed barrack. It will be configured with double rooms and located behind the DCRA building. The old trailers, which have had their washroom areas replaced to keep them habitable till then, will be torn down. One area that is not planned for improvement is the austere trailer/ tent site. There is no money or military need for this site and the limited money is better spent on other projects. You will read in your newspapers in the next while about increased funding for the Forces, but not much of that will be for non-operational purposes.

The Dominion of Canada Rifle Association, as a tenant, benefits from all these projects and a close working relationship with the staff is maintained on a day to day basis.

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#### The Dioptre and Eagle Eye Lens

Frank Jermey

When most people reach forty, their eyes lose the ability to read a newspaper at a distance of thirty-five centimeters, thus prompting a visit to the ophthalmologist to obtain glasses. The deterioration of the eyes is called presbyopia. Bifocals are the most popular type of glasses prescribed. They allow you to read through the bottom correction or see at a distance through the top. The distance correction is placed in the line of sight.

Shooting glasses require a stronger correction to clarify the front sight. This correction is placed in the upper part of the lens. When sighting we look through the upper part of our shooting glasses but shooting glasses are not suitable for everyday use. The shooting correction can be placed in the lens of the rear sight. The correction will have a fixed focal length as opposed to the adjustable focal length of the dioptre lens.

Shortsightedness (myopia) and astigmatism are two other eye defects. The dioptre lens has an adjusting range to correct for near or far sightedness in most eye errors. A telescope has that same ability. The eyepiece has a locking ring that may be loosened and the eyepiece adjusted to the individual's eyesight. The Dioptre lens will correct for both short and far sightedness but glasses or a rear sight lens will be required to correct for astigmatism.

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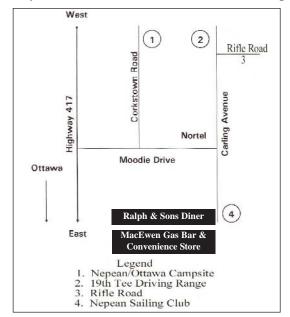
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correction for the shooter, the focal length will vary. Combined with the focal length of the Eagle eye the combined focal lengths are well over two meters, making it impossible to form a telescope. The advantage to older shooters using the dioptre lens is that they won't have to buy stronger corrections as he ages. The correction can be made by adjusting the dioptre, which can be a considerable financial savings. The dioptre set to focus on the front sight is the same dioptre power as in a correction lens. Allowing older shooters to use the eagle eye with the dioptre lens would certainly benefit both financially and in their ability to see. (The dioptre lens referred to in this article is the dioptre commercially available unmodified in 2005).

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## **OFFSET SIGHTS**

Clint Dahlstrom

The human eye, like other lenses, has a limited depth of field. When focused at  $\pm 20$  feet, the more distant points are in focus; but for lesser distances, focal adjustment is needed. In youth, people have the capacity to instantaneously and unconsciously shift focus so that for young shooters with normal eyesight, the whole sight picture, near to far, always seems to be in fine focus. During middle age, people gradually lose this capacity to change focus, obliging shooters to accept a sight picture with a front aperture that is sharply defined and a bulls-eye that is a bit fuzzy. In the course of this middle-age transition, shooters experiment with the focal point of spectacles, filters, adjustable apertures, diopters, Eagle Eyes, "bloop" tubes, and mystic chants. Those who persevere develop personal procedures that deliver good, if not superb, results.

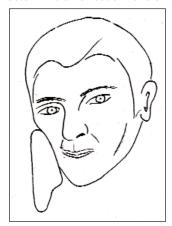
Unfortunately for some, the aging process may include significant deterioration of optical acuity in one or both eyes. Quite a few shooters are blessed with 20/15 vision, which means that the precision of their optical discrimination is as good at 20 feet as the average person's discrimination is at 15 feet. 20/20 is normal and adequate for great shooting, but deterioration to or beyond the 20/30 range will introduce recognizable problems. A common competitor reaction is to shift to shooting sports that use telescopes. Some shooters may be fortunate enough to retain optical acuity in their non-shooting left/right eye so that he/she can continue to participate in iron sight games with offset sights. (To simplify further discussion, all shooters from here on will be assumed to be right-handed men. Please adjust accordingly.) There is, of course, the possibility of learning to shoot lefthanded with the good eye, but this takes a couple of years of dedicated effort and involves trading right-hand equipment for left. Offset sights are a simpler way for older folks to go.

The purpose of this article is to assist those considering offset sights by discussing the problems I encountered and their solutions. I am an amateur machinist, so I automatically start making stuff when I encounter problems. However, it is not my intent to send the reader down that path with detail dimensions for crafting offset sights. Until one understands exactly what is needed for problems like this, it is often smarter to borrow or buy than to make. However, the diagrams and explanatory text provide enough information so that compulsive amateur machinists with a basic mill/drill and the necessary skills, enthusiasm, and persistence can avoid most of my mistakes in constructing offset sights.

Unfortunately, shifting to offset sights is not quite as simple as it appears to be. The basic problem is determining the precise horizontal and vertical sight offset dimensions that will put the left aiming eye in exactly the correct position to look through the rear aperture and see a centered front sight with a centered bull in the aperture. That sight picture is what we have become accustomed to seeing with our right eye because stock makers have had decades to figure out how to make it happen. Offset sight users (or makers) soon discover that it takes time and cogitation to cope with the dimensional problems in holding a favorite rifle just like

always and having the sights precisely located for left eye alignment. The problem is solved when one can assume the shooting position with the left eye closed and then find that the alignment is correct when the left eye is opened.

The underlying problem is the fit between face and stock. A shooter's face is broad at the cheekbones and narrow at the chin so that on the shooter's face there is a fairly pronounced slope from right to left. The stock is shaped to fit the face so it rolls over at the top of the cheek piece and widens downward (Fig. 1). These two parallel slopes guarantee that when the face moves up on the stock, the aiming eye also moves from left to right. There is nothing new about this - the right eye has always shifted laterally when raised, which is why vertically adjustable cheek pieces were invented. If the cheek piece is not vertically adjustable, one can determine an offset dimension that is exactly right for one distance



(say 300 yards) but won't be comfortably correct if one elevates the rear sight  $\pm$  30 minutes for 1000 yards, because the face must slide upward (and to the right) along the sloping cheek piece. A vertically adjustable cheek piece would handle that problem easily. With non-adjustable cheek pieces, one must zero at short range and cope as best one can with the eye being laterally offset to the right at longer ranges.

**FIG. 1** Sketch portraying the contact angle between face and cheek piece which causes the left eye to be higher than the right when using offset sights. "Cast off" in the stock causes the right eye to seem to be too far left to line up with the action-barrel axis in this diagram.

A second significant problem is that the short range vertical location of the left eye is not quite what one would expect. Stocks are designed so that the right aiming eye comes to rest aligned with, but above, the axis of the rifle barrel and action. To attain this position, we tip the face down and rotate it to the right to rest on the check piece. This brings the left eye significantly higher than the right eye, closer to the rifle's axis than the interpupillary distance, and a little further forward than the right eye. These are personal dimensions, varying with the stature of the shooter and the fit of the stock. For me, the horizontal left eye offset is usually 1/8 to ½ inch less than the interpupillary distance of 2-7/16. The left eye is  $3/8 \pm 1/8$  higher than the right eye and  $1/8 \pm 1/16$ further forward. These dimensions are not consistent - even with the same person they vary from one rifle to another. One can roughly appraise personal circumstances for a particular rifle by getting into the prone position and aiming the rifle into a mirror. Looking into the mirror, one can see that the sight aperture has to be shifted to the left and up to be in front of the left eye. The difficulty is that those offset dimensions have to be exact, and the only practical way to get numbers precise enough is by fitting a

set of offset sights to the rifle, sighting it in and then measuring. If one cannot borrow or buy a set of offset brackets, one starts by making a simple rear offset bracket that is horizontally adjustable (Fig. 2). It need not be vertically adjustable because the sight itself

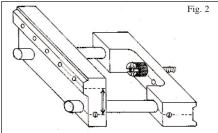
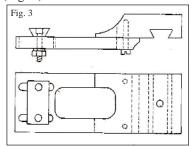


FIG. 2
Simple rear offset bracket with provision for a left aiming eye that is higher than the right eye for which the stock and sighting hardware were designed. For a specific rifle, the "along the barrel" length dimension would usually be about half that shown in this diagram.

provides enough vertical adjustment for the initial test work. The front offset bracket must also be horizontally, but not vertically, adjustable because front sight blocks of various heights are readily available (Fig. 3).

One could measure approximate dimensions from a photograph, looking along the barrel (put a ruler in the picture for scale) that would be accurate enough for the test brackets.



#### FIG. 3

One version of a front sight offset bracket. The slots at the left end allow adjustment of horizontal offset. As shown, the elevation change is zero. To raise the line of sight one inserts a spacer or uses a higher sight block. The lie of sight can be lowered by installing a spacer between the two horizontal bars. When dimensions are determined, a simple one piece horizontal bar can be designed.

The probability is that the rifle chosen for this work will be one with known right eye zeroes. For a rifle with an adjustable cheek piece, the starting point is a comfortable low cheek fit and the right eye sight elevation for the 100 yard ammo testing range. The simple thing is to raise both front and rear apertures by the measured height of the left eye above the right. The initial sighting-in process will demonstrate what horizontal and vertical dimensions are required for check comfort at 100 yards. Make those changes. The horizontal offset of the front sight bracket must be kept exactly the same as that for the rear bracket. The vertical dimension is whatever it takes to put bullet impact at the right elevation at 100 yards. When this is done, the rifle is sighted in with offset sights for 100 yards. The elevation on the sights is apt to be well up, perhaps at 30 or 40 minutes. The difference between the reading on the sight plate and what is wanted is the change one must make in the vertical dimension of the rear offset bracket (i.e. 40 minutes down to 5 is 35 minutes, which is 0.35 inches up on the rear bracket). At this point, the proper dimensions for offset sight brackets (front and rear) have been determined. The next step is to make new front and rear brackets, both with the capacity for horizontal adjustment and the rear with the measured uplift. Then one must go through the sight in process a second time. When done, the offset sights are ready for competition, adjusting the sights and cheek piece for different ranges according to standard procedures. The test brackets can be used on the next rifle.

With nonadjustable cheek pieces one uses the same procedures to arrive at dimensions of the front and rear offset brackets. However, it is impractical to maintain good cheek comfort at all ranges, so one might assign the rifle a specific use. Perhaps one could choose between short ranges (300, 500, and 600 yards) and Palma range (800, 900, and 1000 yards). The difference between the two will be in the vertical placement of the front sight and particularly the horizontal adjustment of the offset brackets, because that is what determines cheek comfort. In the days of long ago when Lee Enfields were shot at all ranges, cheek comfort was not a consideration because the stock had a vertical slope on a non-

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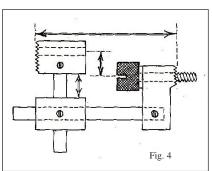
existent cheek piece and faces were moved up and down in equal discomfort at all ranges. Reflecting on the past might recommend both cheek piece adjustment and offset sights.

The procedure for sighting-in offset sights is a little different. One does not assemble and immediately rush out to the range to go bang. Ordinarily the sights on a rifle are in the same vertical plane as the axis of bore and action. Not so with offset sights, so one must adjust the horizontal offset in rear and front brackets so that the bore axis and the line of sight are precisely parallel in the horizontal plane. The simple way to do that is by optical alignment of both bore axis and sight line on an object several hundred yards away. The sight line will need additional elevation to cope with the rifle's vertical separation between the sight line and the bore axis and with the gravity drop of the bullet over the sight-in range. This sight elevation can be calculated well enough to put the sighting shots on paper. Now we are ready to go bang.

When sighting-in at the range is complete, the rifle should be grouping a little more than 2 inches right of the aiming point (the sight offset distance). For a small bore rifle being fired at 50 and 100 yards, this combination of bore and sight alignment requires about 4 minutes left wind at 50 yards and about 2 minutes left at 100 yards. The sights can be set to zero at 3 minutes left so the shooter must go another minute left at 50 and a minute right at 100 yards. The distance between bore axis and sight line is an inch, not a minute distance, so its significance diminishes with range -1 minute at 200 to ¼ minute at 800. By 1000 yards, rotational drift intervenes to offset the group 1-1/4 minutes right. The circumstances described are as simple as it gets. If the line of sight and the bore axis are convergent or divergent, the zero shifts I have described will increase substantially.

What is a tolerable position on the sight elevation scale after sightin depends on the distances at which the rifle is to be used. With a small bore rifle, the elevation difference between 50 and 100 yards is  $\pm 7$  minutes, so the elevation reading on the sight is not critical - readings of 10 or 40 would both work. With Palma rifles being used to test ammunition at 100 yards and to compete at 1000 yards, it is important that the 100 yard elevation reading be at 10 or less (near the bottom of the sight's travel capability) because the rise from 100 to 1000 will be  $\pm 40$  minutes (depending on sights and barrel length), and it is convenient to use the vernier which takes another 20 minutes on the scale. Since the vertical position of the rear sight aperture is restricted in order to retain cheek comfort, the adjustment for elevation during the second sight-in has to be done on the front sight bracket.

During the initial stages of my offset sight program I made several that were substandard. This was sufficiently irritating to cause me to make rather complex, fully adjustable rear (Fig. 4) and front (Fig.5)offset brackets. This simplified the measurement problems,



# FIG. 4 End view of a rear offset bracket with the capacity for both horizontal and vertical adjustment. When sighted in, the horizontal and vertical offsets needed in making a much simpler bracket are easily and accurately measured.

but it took time and effort. Commercial offset sights must be fully adjustable so that they will fit most rifles. Their designs will be different than mine, but they will be just as complex and they must be priced accordingly. The first one purchased is well worth the money, but a shooter with a collection of target rifles may want to consider simpler alternatives thereafter.

My initial error was starting with an assumption that commercial offset sights were unavailable and not having the sense to confirm this belief. After a year or so when I had made enough mistakes to teach me how to cope, I discovered that I was reinventing the principles inherent in fully adjustable offset sight brackets made and sold by Scott Medesha, a local gunsmith friend of mine (address at end of this article). Making simple, serviceable offset sights for a specific rifle is fairly simple when one has the proper dimensions. These dimensions can easily be obtained by fitting and measuring fully adjustable offset brackets like Scott's. In considering the Medesha product and looking for other makers, one should bear in mind that there are two standard sight bases - the American (Fig. 2), which was also used in older British sights, and the Australian-modern-British style (Fig. 4). Medesha's standard product has American bases, but he advises that he can make Australian-British bases if needed.

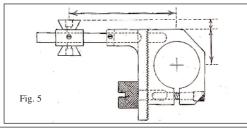


FIG. 5

End view of a front offset bracket. When sighted in, the front sight bracket will be above or below the starting position shown. There is provision for the locking screw at the bottom (shown) or at the top of the barrel block. The tooth and trough contact between the two major components allows vertical movement in 5 minute increments (50 thou steps provided by a cutter made from a 10 t.p.i. tap). The two front sight blocks allow the bracket to be inverted if very low, long-range sight positions are being investigated. The source of the overkill in the complexity of this devise was frustration caused by my measurement errors.

## A GENEROUS CONTRIBUTION TO THE MILLENNIUM FUND

At the conclusion of the 2005 season, when the accounts for the Bisley Team were tallied up, it was found that there was still some money in the account. The team Captain, John Marshall, after consulting his team members, donated that surplus of \$5,214.00 on behalf of all team members to the DCRA Millennium Fund, for the long term benefit of the Association.

On behalf of all members of the DCRA, a heartfelt thank you is extended to the 2005 team members for their generosity. The Millennium Fund balance now stands at \$ 129,548.08.



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-Bill Plouffe

The construction of offset sights for a specific rifle, once one has determined dimensions, is rather straightforward. machine tool needed is a mill/drill, but there are a couple of cutter problems to solve. The American sight bore has an alignment bar with 60 degree sloping sides to which the sight (with a matching trough) is clamped (Fig. 2). A first quality 60 degree multi-flute countersink with the sharp tip squared off will cut the slopes on bar and trough. The Australian and modern British sights align on a linear tooth and groove system (Fig. 4). The profile of these grooves is thread-like, with a 1/16 spacing. A cutter can be made from a 4-flute 8 t.p.i. tap. One grinds off two opposing rows of teeth so that on rotation the remaining two sets of teeth cut grooves 1/16 inch apart. However, those teeth were intended for threading, so they have a slope which one removes by grinding away the back sof the teeth to within 1/16 of the cutting edge. Professional machinists would consider such a tool as "primitive," but it works quite well, partly because the best material for offset sights is aluminum (you need neither the weight nor strength of steel).

One ought not to go overboard in the search for simplicity in offset sight brackets. Even though one begins with accurate dimensions, one should retain the capacity for some lateral adjustment on both front and rear brackets and for interchanging the front sight block. Comfort, changes in the ranges being fired, or the ammunition being used may require changes not now foreseen. Scott's address is:

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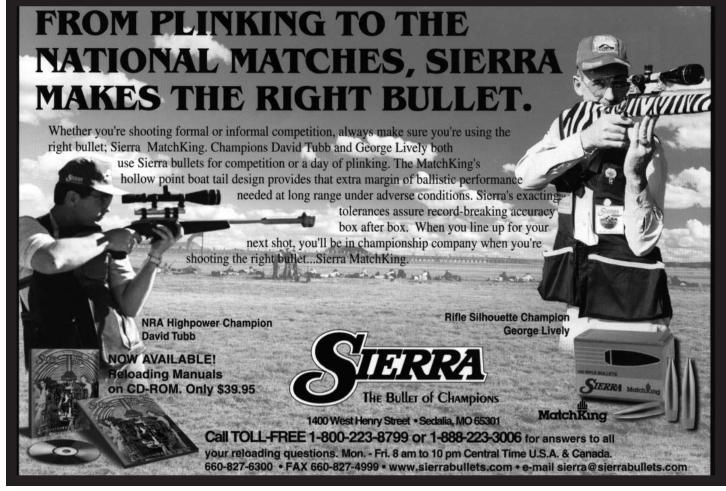
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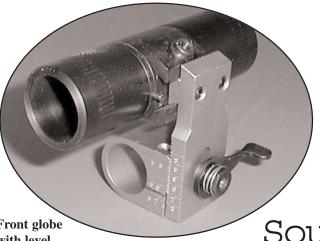
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The above quote would be expressed by our team Commandant, Lt.-Col. Johnny Johnston, after the end of the 1969 Bisley prize meeting. But since none of us were clairvoyant we, as usual, prepared ourselves for the worst and hoped for the best. Such is the reputation of Bisley where the archangels of brilliance and the ghosts of disaster stalk the ranges in unpredictable lockstep.

Our team took up residence in the Canadian Pavilion in the traditional manner by the placing of a white Stetson on the buffalo head and a cigarette in its mouth. By an odd coincidence the service battalion that year was the 3rd Battalion Royal Regiment of Fusiliers, allied to my regiment, the Lorne Scots. The Fusiliers were responsible for a wide variety of administrative activities in support of the prize meeting, but not involved in target marking which by that time was solidly entrenched as the competitors' responsibility.

Regimental Sergeant Major Payne was expecting me and came visiting. We hosted him at the Pavilion and he invited the team to attend a Beating of Retreat ceremony later in the competitions. This would prove to be a remarkable exhibition which attracted almost everyone in camp. Traditionalists may be interested to note that all the bandsmen wore brass swords dating back to sovereign consent from King James II. Practically all the swords are originals and they are security controlled with Bank of England zeal.

After the ceremony I was invited to attend the Royal Regiment of Fusiliers' (an amalgam of all former Fusilier regiments) annual, Officers and Warrant Officers' Mess Dinner. This was a little unnerving since early the following morning I would be competing for a place in the Final Stage of the St. George's classic. Nevertheless, I attended this elegant affair hosted by the Commanding Officer, Colonel Barrett in the opulent surroundings of the Army Officers' Rifle Association club house. He

introduced me to the assembly and I commented favourably on the fact that the mess kits of the various, amalgamated Fusilier regiments integrated well both in basic colour and common emblem. The Regiment's prized silver pieces were on display, most of them from the former Royal Fusiliers since they appeared to be by far the most dominant entity in 3rd Battalion.

As the 3rd Battalion's allied regimental guest, I found it utterly impossible to gainsay the generous hospitality showered upon me. Not drinking alcohol, regardless of the morrow's competition, was simply not an option. It was a glorious evening of sumptuosity with the regimental band, discreetly concealed behind a large perforated screen, providing musical variations while the assembly gradually migrated from the gentlemanly and formal to riotous and ultimately outrageous conduct with one officer pouring gin into the instruments of the luckless band.

I eventually made my wobbly appreciation and farewell to a glazed-eyed Colonel and staggered toward the Canadian Pavilion. I got lost and finished up on the zero range before regaining my bearings and making it home.

Next morning with head pounding I lurched out to the ranges, got rid of my shots as quickly as possible and placed well in the Final of the St. George's.

Early in the competitions two of our team members had won individual matches. Then the serious business of building aggregates and preparing for the Overseas, Kolapore and McKinnon team matches, as well as the individual classics, got under way.

As a member of the 3-member shooting committee, along with Norm Beckett and Don Brereton, I was involved in the tricky task of selecting out best 8 for the Kolapore and our best 12 for the McKinnon out of our 18 shooters. Somewhat like nominating NHL stars before the game. By employing democratic principles, which included an open seminar with the team and a general request for rifles proven to be good performers while digesting British ammunition, as well as each shooter's international experience and current performance, we established the teams.

These were the people who would represent Canada in the most important team matches for which the Bisley trip is made. The '69 team accepted our decisions and got on with the business of attempting to make it work. We were faced, as all Canadian teams to Bisley, with the enormous advantage to the British of selecting their best shots of the moment from their entire country and on their own range. This against the other countries and Canada with only 18 members from whom to select, and they had earned their places on the team almost a year before. Not surprisingly, the Rajah of Kolapore vases and the McKinnon Cup are almost permanent British possessions.

Meanwhile, some individual results had been posted revealing that I had won the Individual Overseas Cup and the unique gold medal, which went with it, and the silver medal of the Donald Smith Memorial Challenge Cup. But the all-consuming interest was in the approaching Kolapore, international team match shot at 300, 500 and 600 yards with 8 members per international team. On the morning of the Kolapore we started the 300 range which quickly became an Anglo-Canadian shoot-out as the other teams began to slip behind. Even so, by the end of it Canada was 11 points behind the Brits. Two of us, Norm Beckett and I of the

shooting selection committee, felt particularly uncomfortable

since we had shot amongst the lowest scores. Fortunately, the 500

range saw both of us driving in top scores, but the team gained

only one point on the Mother Country. Nonetheless, we had more than held our own. As we moved back to 600 enthusiasm was palpable, even though regaining 10 points was a daunting prospect.

Norm and I shot first and once more hammered in high scores rapidly gaining on our British counterparts. We then waited our turn to coach the other shooters. Mine was good friend Arnold Parks of New Brunswick who would one day become a Sovereign's Prize winner. We knew that our team was about tied with the Brits, so I requested that no one was to inform us how they were doing. We needed total concentration without unnecessary pressure.

After the sighters were shot and sight corrections made, I asked Arnold if he could handle staying in the aim, other than for extraction and reloading, and allow me to make his sight corrections. All he would have to do was to emulate a bench rest and get good shots off. He readily agreed.

That wonderful wind and angle indicator, the mirage, was highly visible through my spotting scope. When a shift in flow took place, I would allow it to stabilize, adjust Arnold's sight and tell him to get the shot away in less than 5 seconds; before the next shift. Arnold ran a steady string of bullseyes. I could sense tension behind me and a quick look back revealed that quite a gallery of onlookers was gathered. I also saw that Norm and his shooter were quietly leaving the firing point. They had finished shooting. We had 2 shots to go and my watch told me we had plenty of the allotted time left.

With ear-muffs on and staying in the aim, Arnold had no knowledge of the excited buzz going on behind us. During those last two shots the wind became unstable and the mirage presented some rapidly distorting images. In each instance, when it steadied, I reached over, corrected the sight to accommodate the new effect and said to Arnold, "In 3 seconds, go!" Each time he rapped in a bull's eye. As the last shot was indicated a loud roar of applause thundered from behind us and I turned to see a large gathering literally jumping with excitement. Johnny Johnston ran up onto the firing point. "You've done it, lads! By two points!" he cried. "We've won the Kolapore!"

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#### **Shooters Jersey**

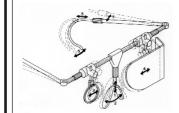
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#### **Shooting Glasses**



Olympic Champion High Tech Shooting Glasses (patent pending)

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#### WHEN YOU COME TO CONNAUGHT RANGE IN 2006

There are few changes in the way your arrival will be handled this coming summer. Your entire reception will be handled by the DCRA staff, with one minor exception and that is only if you need a downrange pass for your vehicle for medical reasons.

On your arrival check in at the DCRA headquarters and see Betty Ann or Sandy. They will record your arrival and then either process your entry registration or send you to see our DCRA barrack warden who will assign you to your accommodation and issue you with a padlock or, if your room mate has already arrived, your combination number for the lock. The barrack warden will be set up with an office in the 2 Bisley barrack trailer and will be the point of contact for any housing needs or problems. If not done already, then return to the office to register. As I write this article the system for weighing rifles and trigger pressures is being examined and we will let you know the procedure on arrival. Unfortunately our well appreciated team

that has done this task for the past two years is not available this year. Volunteers are welcome; just let me know.

As far as meals go I will be giving the kitchen staff a guess as to how many of you will be purchasing meals by cash for each meal. Last year our estimate was high so we will lower it a bit. The kitchen will do their best to provide meals but there is no guarantee of availability or choice selection for cash customers.

For those of you staying in the austere RV/tent site; please see the camp rules for this site on the next page.

I do ask that when you get your programme/rule book that you take time to read the General Information pages at the front of the book. There is lots of important information in those pages that will help to make your stay pleasant.

-Bill Plouffe

## CONNAUGHT RANGE AND PRIMARY TRAINING CENTRE RV PARK REGULATIONS

The following regulations will apply for RV's, tent trailers or tents occupying the RV Park:

#### 1. GENERAL

- a. All personnel using the RV Site or Tent Pads must be self contained.
- b. All personnel will use ablution building 21 Brouillette only.
- c. Generators or other gas running equipment are not permitted in the RV Park or Tent Pads.
- d. Hydro is very limited. The electrical outlets were designed for light kits only and not for air conditioners, heaters or any type of appliance. Breakers will not be re-set until the following day.
- e. Food or garbage will not be left outside. All garbage will be placed in the appropriate containers provided.
- f. There is a location to empty human waste. Range Control will coordinate date and time with PWGSC for access.

#### 2. RV GRAVEL PADS

- a. There are only 16 gravel pads available. These pads will be reserved for either RV's, or large trailers with a weight of 2000 lbs or more. Other arrangements outside CRPTC property will have to be made if the numbers exceed the 16 pads.
- b. The pads are designed so that the trailer is backed up to the edge of the gravel pad and the vehicle to remain parked on the pad in front of it. Fire Regulations as well as the Parking Regulations forbid parking on the grass in between the RV's. Visitors may park on the gravel parking West of the RV Park. Parking is also not permitted on the road leading to the RV Park.

#### 3. TENT PADS

- a. There are also 6 cement pads used for modulars tentage that are available for tent trailers and tents only. The tent trailers or tents will be set up on the cement pad itself.
- b. There is no parking of any vehicle around these pads so consideration will have to be taken. Vehicles may park in the visitor parking to the West of the RV Park.



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#### **RPA Quadlock**

The RPA Quadlock is the definitive single shot bolt-action receiver designed specifically for Palma (long range target) shooting.

It is available in all calibres and should be used where extreme accuracy is required.

The RPA 4-lug action produced in Tonbridge, has been the choice of champions around the world for over 30 years.

#### The Quadlock features:

- \* A modern octagonal shape finished in hard satin chrome
- \* Two large recoil lugs machined in the solid receiver body
- \* A flat bottom that reduces the sideways loading on the stock when "pulling down" on bedding screws
- \* A dovetail rail machined into the body that accepts RPA Trakker rearsights or a weaver/scope rail
- \* A large side loading port that enables fumble free loading and keeps out the weather
- \* A short firing pin travel (3.50 mm) that aids fast lock times (less than 1.2 milliseconds)
- \* A firing pin made from a single piece of heat-treated high tensile steel



## Canadian Palma Team Selection

Alain Marion Team Captain

In a perfect world, the top 16 shooters in the Canadian TR Championship would all be experienced team shooters, they would all be in top physical condition and would shoot 90 perfect shots in under 5 seconds a shot. All we would need to do would be to go down the list and our job would be easy.

In the real world however, it is not that easy. Our goal is to win the World Championship. To do this we must select shooters who can shoot straight and fast in a team situation. They have to stay cool no matter how heavy the pressure. Everything else being equal an accurate and fast plotter will be chosen over a shooter who does not possess that quality.

Obviously the vast majority of the people on the team will be the same people who place well individually, however the selection committee reserves the right to pass over the names of shooters who do not possess certain qualities that are essential for team shooting.

We also reserve the right to bring in shooters who possess those qualities but are not always able to participate in the Canadian Championship.

At the end of the 2006 CFRC we will nominate 31 shooters from which the 26 team members will be selected after two training camps in Sept 06 and June 07.

For those camps the members transportation will be paid with money from the fund raising events that we have been organising for several years.

## Sélection de l'équipe canadienne pour le Palma

Alain Marion Captaine de l'équipe

Dans un monde idéal les 16 premiers tireurs au championnat canadien seraient tous des tireurs d'équipe chevronnés, ils seraient en bonne condition physique et tireraient 90 coups parfaits en moins de 5 secondes. Nous n'aurions alors qu'à choisir ces gens pour être sur la ligne de feu et notre tâche serait facile. Dans la réalité par contre, ce n'est pas si facile. Le but à atteindre est de remporter le Championnat mondial. Pour ce faire, nous devons sélectionner les tireurs pour leur habileté à tirer bien et rapidement en équipe. Il faut aussi qu'ils puissent garder leur calme quoi qu'il arrive. À talent égal, un tireur qui fait rapidement des diagrammes précis sera choisi avant un autre qui ne possède pas cette qualité.

Il est évident que la grande majorité des tireurs de l'équipe seront les mêmes que ceux qui se classent bien individuellement, mais le comité de sélection se réserve le droit de mettre de côté les noms de tireurs qui n'ont pas certaines qualités essentielles pour le tir en équipe.

Nous nous réservons aussi le droit d'aller chercher des tireurs qui possèdent ces qualités mais qui ne peuvent pas toujours participer au Championnat canadien.

À la suite du Championnat canadien 2006, nous dévoileront 31 noms parmi lesquels les 26 membres de l'équipe seront sélectionnés à la suite de 2 camps d'entraînement en septembre 06 et juin 07.

Pour ces 2 camps, les frais de déplacement seront payés à même l'argent venant de levées de fonds que nous organisons depuis quelques années.

## World Veterans Team Championship Sunday, August 26th 2007

Peter Jmaeff Captain, Veterans Team

I am honoured to have been elected Captain of the Canadian 2007 Veterans team and I am looking for volunteers.

Team members must be 60 or more on 1 July 2007.

The team will consist of a Captain, Adjutant, Head Coach, 2 Coaches and 10 firers and 2 alternates for a Maximum of 17—a minimum of 10 can form a team.

Course of fire is 2/10 at 300 and 600 yards and 800 and 900 meters

The final team composition will be determined at the 2007 CFRC

Please contact me if you are interested in being a member of the team – coach or firer.

Tel: 306-586-0617 e-mail: pjmaeff@sasktel.net

### Early entry draw!!!

Don't forget to get your entry form into the DCRA, with full payment before May 19, 2006

to be eligible for the early entry draw.

1st place - 100% refund of Grand Agg fee

2nd place - 60% refund of Grand Agg fee

3rd place - 40% refund of Grand Agg fee

Good luck!!

## The 125th CFRC and the World Individual and Team Championships, August 2007

Jim Thompson

Programme Chairman and Match Director

Here is the most recent information on planning for the Matches in 2007. As further details become available, they will be posted on the DCRA web site and published in future issues of the *Canadian Marksman*.

In 2007, the CFRC will start one day earlier than usual, on Thursday 16th August. The normal Friday sequence of events will be on Thursday, and so on. Thursday 23rd will be designated as a 'rest' or 'rescue' day. There will either be no shooting, providing a rest for competitors and staff alike, or it will be used in whole, or in part, to make up for any loss of time caused by weather or adverse circumstances. From Friday 24th August on, the normal schedule will apply, leading into the World Championships starting on Sunday 26th August.

Barring any major problems with the 2006 CFRC, the revised schedule employed this year will also be used, along with any essential modifications, in 2007. All details will be posted and published as soon as possible.

The World Championships will start on Sunday 26th August with the Veterans, Under 25, Under 21 and Under 19 International Team Matches. There will be a Team Awards Ceremony following these matches.

The Individual World Championship will start at 700 metres on Monday afternoon 27th August. Practice targets at 700, 800 and 900 metres will be available on Monday morning. A ceremonial opening shot will be fired before the start of the Championship. The official Opening Ceremony will be held on Monday evening.

On Tuesday and Wednesday, competitors will fire 700, 800 and 900 metres. On Thursday morning, they will fire 800 and 900 metres, after which there will be a further 900 metre shoot for the top 10 shooters to determine the final standings in the World Individual Championship. The Individual Awards Ceremony will follow the Final.

The Palma Teams Dinner will be held on Thursday evening. Friday is a practice day at 700, 800 and 900 metres for teams. The Palma Trophy Match will be fired on Saturday and Sunday, 700, 800 and 900 metres each day. Alongside the Palma, there will be the Connaught International Team Match for smaller teams that cannot compete in the Palma. The Team Awards and Closing Ceremonies will be held at the end of the day.

All NRAs and ICFRA member countries have been contacted with respect to team entries and to the procedure for individual entries. Details of the latter are in a separate article in this issue of the *Marksman*, and have been posted on the web site. It is important that all individuals, whether they are members of official teams or not, follow the procedures for individual entries. There are certain incentives for early registration. The final Entry Form will be available in late 2006.

Eligible Canadian shooters are warmly encouraged to enter the Individual Championships, whether or not they are members of one of the Canadian Teams. There will also be a need for a large number of volunteers to assist with scoring, register keeping, and in many other ways. Details of what is required will be posted in due course, but please start to consider your participation now!

#### **HELP WANTED!!!**

This summer we are expecting an increased number of competitors and with the America Match and F Class Tournament, more activity and more invited guests. I need help, or cloning so I can be in more than one place at a time. I am looking for particular help for the following tasks:

#### **Prize Ceremonies**

Trophy/medal layout supervisor.

Trophy handlers (BCRA & MPRA are scheduled for 2006)

Recipient marshalers

VIP guest hosts

#### **Competitions**

Press escorts
Leader board chief
Leader board workers
Equipment testing scrutinizers

Don't be shy, if you can help just let me know. Next year the need will be even greater.

Contact Bill Plouffe - wplouffe@dcra.ca

## Important Information regarding Entries into the 2007 Individual World Championship.

Dr. Jim Thompson 2007 Match Director

- a. Members of any of the Palma Match, World Veterans, Under 25, Under 21, Under 19 and Connaught Match Teams, or other individuals who finished in the top 100 of the 2003 World Championship, are guaranteed spots in the Individual World Championship, provided they have completed the Registration Form and returned it to the DCRA with a deposit payment of \$(C)100 by 31st December 2006. Payment may be made by credit card or cheque or money order. Payment must be in Canadian funds. In the case of payment by credit card, the form may be sent by e-mail or by FAX to the DCRA. Otherwise it should be mailed with payment enclosed.
- **b.** Teams may send in the Registration Forms en bloc for all their members, with payment of \$(C)100 per member. Substitutions are permitted, as long as the DCRA is informed promptly of the name of the replacement and the person being replaced.
- c. The (C)100 deposit may be applied to the entry fee for the Championship when the full Entry Form is completed and payment is made. Deposits are non-refundable except in the case of documented illness or other personal crisis.
- **d.** Two spaces in the World Championship will be reserved for shooters from any country that has not entered in any of the above team matches. Registration Forms must be completed and \$(C)100 deposits sent as above.
- **e.** All other individuals from any country who wish to apply for entry into the Individual World Championship:
- (1) must have achieved the highest level of TR classification in their home country or in another country that employs a TR classification scheme; Bisley Class "X" and "A" are eligible to apply, US "High Masters", Canadian "Masters" and the top Class/Grade from other countries;
- (2) must be approved by their home National Fullbore Governing Body (NFGB) as meeting the eligibility requirements in accordance with ICFRA Rules;
- either apply through their home NFGB, completing the Registration form and sending the deposit of \$(C)100 or apply directly to the DCRA, completing the Registration Form and sending the deposit of \$(C)100 in this case the DCRA will contact the home NFGB to confirm eligibility.
- (4) should note that deposits are non-refundable except in cases where the NFGB declines to confirm eligibility or in the case of documented illness or other personal crisis.
- (5) should return the Registration Form to the DCRA not later than 31st December 2006.
- **f.** Other individuals who wish to be considered for entry into the Individual World Championships, who do not exactly

meet the above criteria:

(1) - may

**either** apply through their home NFGB, completing the Registration form and sending the deposit of \$(C)100, **or** apply directly to the DCRA, completing the Registration Form and sending the deposit of \$(C)100 - in this case the DCRA will contact the home NFGB to determine eligibility.

- (2) should return the Registration Form to the DCRA not later than 31st December 2006.
- (3) will be advised by the DCRA as soon as possible after 31st December 2006 whether their application has been accepted or not.
- (4) should note that deposits are non-refundable except when the application is not accepted or in cases of documented illness or other personal crisis.
- **g.** Allocation of all places in the World Championship will be in order of receipt of pre-registration forms from eligible applicants and in accordance with ICFRA Rules.
- h. All those who return the Registration Form with deposit of \$(C)100 to the DCRA by 31st December 2006 will receive a free ticket to the "Meet and Greet" Reception and BBQ. Those who return the Form with payment by 30th June 2006 will be eligible for a \$25 reduction in their entry fee to the Individual World Championship.
- **i.** All those who pre-Register will be sent the Official World Championship Entry Form by the DCRA. Full payment will be required by 30th May 2007. The deposit may be subtracted from the Entry Fee.
- **The Entry Fee** for the 2007 Individual World Championship has been set at \$(C)300 per shooter. The Official Entry Form will be available in late 2006 on the DCRA web site and on request form the DCRA.
- **k.** All those who attempt to enter after 31st December 2006 may find that space is very limited. Such persons should complete the Registration form and send it to the DCRA with their \$(C)100 deposit. The DCRA will advise those individuals if their entry can be accepted.
- **l.** All payments of deposits and entry fees must be in Canadian funds only, by cheque drawn on a Canadian bank or by international money order or by credit card acceptable to the DCRA (Visa, MC or Amex).
- **m.** It has been agreed by ICFRA that should the entry in the Individual World Championship exceed 402, the squadding will be in threes. No competitor will fire 'single string'.

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## WORLD LONG RANGE RIFLE CHAMPIONSHIPS - 2007 INDIVIDUAL PRE-REGISTRATION FORM

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This form,with payment, must be returned to:
DCRA, 45 Shirley Blvd.
Nepean, Ontario, K2K 2W6, Canada
not later than 31st December 2006

If paying by credit card, the form may be returned by e-mail (office@dcra.ca) or by FAX 613-990-0434



## The Dominion of Canada Bifle Association

The Dominion of Canada Rifle Association 45 Shirley Blvd., Nepean, ON K2K 2W6

1st Friday, 18th August, 2006

Please transfer all entry information and fees to the main DCRA Individual Entry Form, Section 2, Block C. Retain this for your own information.

Ent	ered:	l "F" Class or	<b>"</b> "	FR"/"ISSF" Class			
<b>TR Classification:</b> □ Master □ Expert □ Sharpshooter □ Unclassified							
	Please note that the schedule will allow competitors to enter only in <b>ONE</b> of the Long Range Challenge, th Sierra ISSF Championship and the 223/556 Championship.						
			ENTRY F	EES			
	The SIERRA Ch	ampionship - Frida	av				
		s - which one	•		\$ 65.00		
	(*) Two (	Classes- both class	es		\$130.00		
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(*)	additional entry	fees as above. Mat	ch tickets will l	•	riday morning, paying the second" entry and must be <b>NT</b> Classes		
<u>Notes</u>	The schedule wil	l allow you to ente	er the Sierra IS	SF Championship and	the Long Range Challenge.		
<u>ACC</u>	OMMODATION Pl			main DCRA Individu	ıal Entry Form.		
<u>MEN</u>		ompetitors must be CRA or the SFC.	e members of a	nd have paid liability i	insurance to either the		

ENTRY AND FULL PAYMENT MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE DCRA NOT LATER THAN 29TH JUNE 2006



#### The 2006 Canadian Long Range Challenge The Dominion of Canada Rifle Association 45 Shirley Blvd., Nepean, ON K2K 2W6

1st Friday, 18th August, 2006

Please transfer all entry information and fees to the main DCRA Individual Entry Form, Section 2, Block C. Retain this for your own information.

For 2006, the Long Range Challenge will be fired on one day, Friday 18th August. Competitors will fire 2 sighters and 15 shots on score, three times. All squadding will be in pairs. There will be no 'single string' firing. If there is an 'odd' shooter in any relay, he/she will be added to a pair to form a threesome. There will be separate prize lists for TR and F Classes. V-bulls in the F class will score 6. TR shooters will be eligible for the Barbarians Cup, medals and cash prizes as detailed in the Programme. F Class shooters will be eligible for the Edwards Cup, medals and cash prizes as detailed in the Programme. The cash prizes will be in proportion to the number of entries in each class, as detailed in the Programme.

Entered in:	LRC in		TR or	☐ F Class
TR Classification: F Class Category:	☐ Master☐ F(O)	Expert F(F)	□ Sharpsho	oter

Please note that the schedule will allow competitors to enter only in **ONE** of the Long Range Challenge, the Sierra ISSF Championship and the 223/556 Championship.

#### **ENTRY FEES**

Full Entry (4 shoots) \$100.00 Single Range Entry (\*) \$ 40.00 on Friday AM or Friday PM (specify which)

(\*) Accepted if space permits; also if space permits, competitors may enter twice, firing once in TR and once in F Class, paying additional entry fees as above. Match tickets will be stamped "first" or "second" entry and must be used at the stated times for the stated relays. Such competitors should note that they will be firing in each of six consecutive relays.

#### **ACCOMMODATION AT CONNAUGHT:**

Please complete Section 2 on the main DCRA Individual Entry form.

**MEMBERSHIP:** DCRA membership and liability insurance requirements are in effect

ENTRY AND FULL PAYMENT MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE DCRA NOT LATER THAN 29TH JUNE 2006



#### The 2006 Canadian 223/556 Championship

The Dominion of Canada Rifle Association 45 Shirley Blvd., Nepean, ON K2K 2W6

1st Friday, 18th August, 2006

Please transfer all entry information and fees to the main DCRA Individual Entry Form, Section 2, Block C. Retain this for your own information.

For 2006, the 223/556 Championship will be fired on one day, Friday 18th August. Competitors will fire 2 sighters and 15 at each of 300, 500 and 600 yards, and 800 and 900 metres.

Please note that the schedule will allow competitors to enter only in ONE of the Long Range Challenge, the Sierra ISSF Championship and the 223/556 Championship.

Entered in:	"F" Class (ope	en)		"F" Class (restricted)		"TR" Class
TR Classification:	Master		Expert	□ Sharpshooter	I	☐ Unclassified

Please note that only rifles using standard 223 Rem or 556 NATO ammunition, with a maximum bullet weight of 81 gr, are permitted in the "TR" and "F" (restricted) Classes. Those in the "F" Class (open) may use any ammunition with any 22 calibre bullet.

#### **ENTRY FEES**:

Full Entry (5 shoots)	\$ 85.00
Single Ranges (*) (specify which)	\$ 25.00 each
<ol> <li>300y FRI AM</li> <li>600y FRI AM</li> <li>900m FRI PM</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>2. 500y FRI AM</li> <li>4. 800m FRI PM</li> </ol>

(\*) Accepted if space permits.

#### **ACCOMMODATION AT CONNAUGHT:**

Please complete Section 2 on the main DCRA Individual Entry form.

**MEMBERSHIP:** DCRA membership and insurance requirements are in effect for this event.

ENTRY AND FULL PAYMENT MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE DCRA NOT LATER THAN 29TH JUNE 2006



## THE DOMINION OF CANADA RIFLE ASSOCIATION 2006 NATIONAL SERVICE CONDITIONS COMPETITION

45 Shirley Blvd., Connaught Ranges, Nepean, Ontario July 14 - July 19, 2006

<u>Individual</u>	Registration: (to be	completed for each competito	r) Service # (if app	plicable)		
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*Non-Resident	Firearms Declaration	No				
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## THE 2006 DCRA NATIONAL BLACK POWDER COMPETITIONS SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

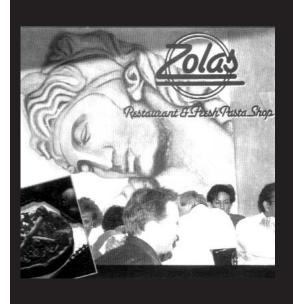
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#### (PLEASE NOTE TIMES!)

#### FRIDAY, 18 AUGUST 2006

Range briefing and announcements for all shooters at the 300yard firing point on "A" Range 0730. All shooters MUST attend. First round downrange at 0800 hrs. Please arrive early so that you are prepared to meet this timing. The match will start without you.

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#### Canadian 900 Metre F Class Open International Shooting Tournament 28 - 30 August, 2006

In memory of the late George Farquharson (1915 - 1995), the 'father' of F Class shooting

#### Final Programme

**Dates:** Monday 28th to Wednesday 30th August 2006, immediately after the 2006 Canadian Fullbore Rifle Championships (for F Class and Target Rifle), at which all are also welcome.

**Location:** Connaught Ranges, Ottawa.

<u>Classes of Entry:</u> F(Open), F(Farquharson) and TR Classes, as in current DCRA Rules. Shooters who wish to enter in another F subclass, not covered by F(O) or F(F), should contact the DCRA as soon as possible. Please see the DCRA web site for more details of F sub-classes currently under consideration. If there is sufficient demand for other classes, the conditions for the Team events and for prize distribution will be adjusted accordingly. Information on this will be posted on the DCRA web site.

**Rules and Conditions:** the Tournament will be run under current DCRA Rules for the Conduct of Fullbore Rifle Competitions, as published on the DCRA web site, including specifications for rifles and equipment allowed for F(O), F(F) and TR classes.

**Squadding:** two relays of pairs - firing alternately - the entry is limited to 200 shooters. In the event of an 'odd' shooter, he/she will be added to a pair and fire as a threesome, with additional time being allowed. No competitor will fire 'single-string'. As far as possible, all F(O) shooters will be squadded together, as will F(F) and TR and other shooters.

**Butt Marking:** fully included in the Entry Fee - NO competitor marking.

**Targets:** a modification of the DCRA Long Range target, with a special centre giving: V 5.25", bull (5) 10.5", inner (4) 24", magpie (3) and aiming mark 48", outer (2) 72", one (1) rest of target, on a 96" by 72" frame.

**Scoring:** this is an Open Competition with all competitors being scored and listed according to the target rings given above. For the F(F) and TR and other Classes, class prizes will be awarded on the basis of separate class lists, with the above 'V' and '5' scored as a 'V', the '4' scored as a '5', the '3' scored as a '4', the '2' scored as a '3' and the '1' scored as a '2'. That is, the separate lists for F(F) and TR and other Classes will be based on an 'almost' normal DCRA Long Range target. The transformation of scores will be done by the computer.

F Class International Match for the US "F Class Challenge" Trophy - Sunday 27th August 2006, alongside the "America" International Team (TR) Match. Open to teams consisting of a Captain, Coach and 4 shooters of any class. All team members must be from a single country. One team per country may compete. F Class equipment is allowed. All other conditions will be those for the "America" TR Match. Course of fire is 2 sighters and 15 at 300 and 600 yards, 800 and 900 metres. Normal DCRA targets will be used. The Trophy and prizes will be presented along with the "America" Match awards on Sunday afternoon. Entry must be made at the DCRA not later than noon on Thursday 24th August. Entry Fee is \$300 per team.

Coached Team Matches during the Tournament: for one coach and four shooting members, preferably from, but not restricted to, a single nationality; all five members must be nominated in advance of the first team match, but any four of the five may shoot on each day; substitution from outside the five nominated members is only allowed due to illness or incapacity and if the individual being replaced also withdraws from the individual competition. Classes of Teams: 'Open' - one or more of those who shoot are in class F(O); 'F/TR/other' - all shooters are in class F(F) or TR or another Class. If a person nominated as coach will not shoot in the team on any of the three days, he/she may be in any class.

#### **Shooting Programme**

Practice targets will be available on Sunday morning, August 27th.

Day 1: 2 ss & 15 at 900m, three times, for individuals; 2 ss & 15 at 900m for teams.

\*Individuals will be re-squadded by aggregate scores after Day 1 - top 50% will fire in 2nd Relay on Day 2.

Day 2: 2 ss & 15 at 900m, three times, for individuals; 2 ss & 15 at 900m for teams.

\*Individuals will be re-squadded by total aggregate scores after Days 1 & 2 - top 50% will fire in 2nd Relay on Day 3.

<u>Day 3:</u> 2 ss & 15 at 900m, twice, for individuals; 2 ss & 15 at 900m for teams; followed by the Final Stage for the top 40 individuals in the individual aggregate, with some places reserved for F(F) and TR and other shooters based on proportion of entry, who will fire 2 ss & 20 at 900m to decide the "Victor Ludorum" and top places in each class. Prize Presentations will follow.

#### **Prizes:**

<u>Individual Daily Aggregates (3):</u> the top scorer(s) in each class in the aggregate of the 15 round matches on each day will be awarded a DCRA bronze medal. Ties will not be shot off - equal scores (points and vees) will be awarded equal prizes.

<u>Individual Grand Aggregate</u> (which includes the final 20 round match):

Open Prizes: 1st place, a DCRA Gold Medal and a Special Award donated by Mr. Paul Reibin

2nd place, a DCRA Silver Medal 3rd place, a DCRA Bronze Medal

F(F)/other F Classes:

TR Class:

1st place, a DCRA Gold Medal and a Special Award donated by Mr. Paul Reibin

2nd place, a DCRA Silver Medal 3rd place, a DCRA Bronze Medal 1st place, a DCRA Gold Medal

2nd place, a DCRA Silver Medal 3rd place, a DCRA Bronze Medal

2nd and 3rd place awards are subject to there being at least 4 and 8 entries respectively in the Class. In addition, a further 20 DCRA Bronze medals will be awarded in proportion to the entries in each class.

<u>Team Daily Scores (3):</u> five DCRA bronze medals will be awarded to the top team(s) in each class. Ties will not be shot off - equal scores (points and vees) will be awarded equal prizes.

#### **Team Grand Aggregate:**

Open Teams: 1st place, five DCRA Gold Medals

2nd place, five DCRA Silver Medals 3rd place, five DCRA Bronze Medals

F(F)/other F Classes:

1st place, five DCRA Gold Medals 2nd place, five DCRA Silver Medals 3rd place, five DCRA Bronze Medals 1st place, five DCRA Gold Medals

TR Class: 1st place, five DCRA Gold Medals

2nd place, five DCRA Silver Medals 3rd place, five DCRA Bronze Medals

2nd and 3rd place awards are subject to there being at least 3 and 6 team entries respectively in the Class.

The Prize distribution may be amended if there are sufficient entries in other Classes, and/or when the level of entries in each Class is better known.

Meet & Greet Reception and BBQ: Monday 28th - meal included in entry fee, cash bar.

**<u>Post-Prize Giving Reception:</u>** Wednesday 30th - snacks included in entry fee, cash bar.

**Entry Fee:** \$(C)325 per individual; \$(C)125 per team. Those who returned the preliminary registration form and paid the \$50 registration fee by 31st December 2005, and who enter the Tournament, will receive a \$75 cash rebate at the start of the Tournament. Team entry fees are payable at Connaught by noon on Monday 28th August. The deadline for entries is 29th June 2006. After this date, entries will only be accepted if space is available.

Accommodation and Meals at Connaught: subject to military requirements, barracks accommodation, space for campers and RVs, and meals, should be available at Connaught Ranges. There are many motels and restaurants within reasonable distance of the range.

Any questions? Please contact Jim Thompson, DCRA Programme Chairman, at e-mail jimc.thompson@sympatico.ca

For the most current information, please contact

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#### Little Boy...Big Gun

19 month old Thomas Patrick Vamplew, son of Capt. and Mrs. T. F. I. Vamplew, of Toronto, stands guard over his father's gun between matches at the Connaught Ranges

(photo by Newton and published in the Winter 1978 edition of The Canadian Marksman)

Pat Vamplew of Toronto gets a regal ride to receive the Governor-General's prize for being the top rifleman at the Dominion of Canada Rifle Association matches held at Connaught Ranges Saturday. Vamplew, 24, scored 386 of a possible 405 to beat all other competitors

(from the Ottawa Citizen published in 1977 and reprinted in the Winter 1978 edition of The Canadian Marksman)



#### Big Boy...Big Gun

Once again, in 2005, Pat Vamplew wins the Governor-General's prize with a score of 294V34 out of a possible 300V60.

Well done Patrick!!



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#### Remembering Mike Walker

Mike Walker died, peacefully in his sleep at Kingston General Hospital, on 10 January 2006. He was in his 91st year. Mike will be warmly remembered by his many friends around the world as a friend, a shooter, an ambassador, a traveller and a lover of life's good things. He was also a very successful and much loved family doctor, first in England and from 1958 in Canada. Educated at Harrow School, he then read medicine at Oxford. Following graduation, he did clinical work at Oxford's Radcliffe Hospital, and interned in Bristol. One of his strongest memories of medicine in Oxford was being associated with the Sir William Dunn Pathology Laboratory from which the new drug penicillin was just being introduced to a receptive world.

In 1943, he joined the Royal Navy and served until 1947, mostly on HMS Colombo in the Mediterranean theatre, reaching the rank of Surgeon Lieutenant Commander. He had many memories of his service days, often recounted with his sharp wit late in the evening following DCRA Executive meetings. I shall not easily forget his account of the W.R.N.S. panty inspection.

Leaving the Navy, he went into practice in Cornwall, working through the complexities of the birth of the National Health Service, with its attendant challenges and frustrations. After visiting Canada several times with rifle teams, he moved across the Atlantic for good in 1958, setting up his practice in Kingston, Ontario. He closed his practice in 1990, a move very much regretted by his patients and by the Kingston community. He had also been an important member of the medical staff at the Kingston Psychiatric Hospital, the Prison for Women, and Providence Manor, a home for the elderly. During these years, he had also served as the medical officer to the Kingston Reserve Force Units, the Princess of Wales Own Regiment and HMCS Cataraqui. Never one willingly to reveal his age, he managed to

stay with Cataraqui for many years after the usual time for compulsory retirement, before National Defence caught up with him as he approached 65.

Mike was an active member of the Kingston Rotary Club and was made a Paul Harris Fellow by Rotary International in 1990. He as much involved in the local ice hockey scene, serving on the Kingston Hockey Council for many years.

One of Mike's great loves was his garden, in which he laboured long and hard, with great results. He loved roses especially, and fought a continual battle with the harsh winter climate and with numerous predators. The garden was a feature of the Kingston Horticultural Society's summer tours for many years. One of Mike's frustrations in his later years was not being able to work in his garden.

But I would not be writing this appreciation if it were not for Mike's career in shooting, especially in latter years with the DCRA. He started all this at Harrow and was Captain of the Oxford University Rifle Club. During his years at Oxford, his teams defeated Cambridge three years out of four in the annual battle for Chancellor's Plate. He did not let me forget this, since I am a Cambridge man! In 1935, he travelled to Canada with the OURC team, the first from any university to tour North America. They fired at Long Branch (Toronto) and Connaught. In 1937, he was selected as a member of the Great Britain Team about to embark on a long tour to Australia. Reluctantly, he had to turn this down when given the stark choice by his College Tutor of either shooting or medical studies, but not both. After the war, he became a regular competitor at Bisley, a member of several English Teams in the National and Mackinnon matches, a reserve for the Kolapore, and a member of the GB Team to Canada in 1954, 56 and 58. It was those visits that acted as the spur for him

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to move to Canada permanently in 1958. In those days, teams travelled across the Atlantic by ship, so that there was a week or more of pretty good living before arrival in Canada. On the first of these trips, Mike was the winner of the "Asterisk Aggregate", awarded to the member of the GB Team who danced with the largest number of different partners on the voyage. The score was kept by one Neville Cooper. Mike claimed to be horrified to find that he had won the aggregate, but really he was quite proud of this "achievement".

After moving to Canada, the demands of establishing a new medical practice, a new home and a new family removed Mike from shooting until 1967. Returning in Canada's Centennial year, he qualified for the 1968 Bisley Team and thus travelled back across the Atlantic. There was much friendly abuse levelled at him for becoming one of the "enemy". In the years that followed, he was a member of several Bisley and Palma teams, gaining a reputation as a good team shooter. He was Commandant of the Bisley Team in 1979.

One of Mike's great loves was to travel, and he was able to combine this with shooting expeditions, especially to New Zealand and Australia. Indeed, he became known as "Mr. Canadian Shooting" down under, establishing for Canada a great reputation for good shooting and good sportsmanship. He first went in 1975, then captained teams in 1978 and 1984, was a member of the 1979 Palma Team, and made several other private visits to both countries. Travelling in that direction took him to Fiji, where he had subsequent holidays, and to Thailand, where he fell totally in love with that country, its people and its way of life. One of the complex mysteries of this complex man was his devotion to all things Thai.

Mike was a dedicated supporter of the DCRA. He served on the

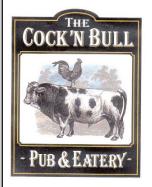
Executive Committee for many years, chairing the International Teams and Nominating Committees. His many contributions were recognised by his election as a Life Governor in 1992. And for many years also, he ran the ORA's annual Fall Match at the Kingston Range, making this, for a long period, one of the highlights of the shooting calendar. It has sadly not been the same since he had to give it up.

Mike's wife, Mary, has been a wonderful partner for 45 years. Mike's three sons with Mary, Jeremy, Robin and Peter were a continual source of pride for him and he never ceased to tell of their achievements. He was equally proud of David and Tricia from his previous marriage. It was a great happiness for him that all his family have now come to live in Southern Ontario, so he was able to see his children and grandchildren frequently.

Mike was a good friend, whom we shall all miss. But we are thankful for his life and for his many contributions in so many ways. He and I had a lot of fun together, which I shall always value - in spite of his strange preference for Canadian rye whiskey as compared with good Scotch whisky!

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The following list contains the names of those who, either by performance over the past three years or by declaration as a Life Master, form the Master Class for 2006.

<u>Name</u>	Prov/Country		<u>Name</u>	Prov/Country	
Ambrose, C.E.	BC	LM	Lair, William	USA	**
Andrews, E.S.W.	BC	LM	Langille, Barry	NS	**
Ball, Nigel	UK	**	Langley, J.D.S.	UK	**
Barwise, Robert	PE	LM	LeBlanc, H.A.	NB	LM
Bayne, Charlie	NS	**	Lewis, James	UK	**
Belanger, Julie	ON	**	Lozier, Richard II	USA	**
Benest, R.A.	UK	**	Luckman, Andy	UK	**
Benusik, Ian	ON	**	Luckman, David	UK	**
Bissonnette, Serge	ON	LM	McKellar, Jack	ON	**
Boehme, Guenter	GERMANY	**	McLean, Alwyn	UK	**
Boston, Mary	UK	**	McMullan, Erica	UK	**
Bowman, Gary	ON	**	Mabon, Allan	SCOTLAND	**
Brantner, David	USA	**	Marion, Alain	QC	LM
Brown, Colin M.	ON	LM	Marshall, John	NS	**
Bruce Bullock	ON	**	Maxberry, Mitchell	NEW ZEALAND	**
Calvert, David	UK	**	Medhurst, Peter	UK	**
Cathline, Ralph	ON	LM	Messer, Jane	UK	**
Cebula, Leo	USA	**	Millar, Martin	UK	**
Charlton, J.K.	UK	**	Miller, Linda	ON	**
Charlton, Paul	UK	**	Molnar, Bill	ON	**
Chase, George	NB	**	Moore, L.A.	UK	**
Chisholm, Dan	NB	**	Mullin, Roger	ON	**
Church, Peter	USA	**	Murray, Scott	ON	**
Cload, Jon	UK	**	Mutch, A.K.	NS	LM
Cunningham, Keith	ON	**	Nelson, R.I.	UK	**
Daines, Derek	BC	LM	Paetkau, Gordon	MB	**
Dahlstrom, Clint	BC	**	Page, Peter	BC	LM
D'Amour, Leo	QC	LM	Papasideris, Peter	AB	**
Dawson, Ron	MB	**	Patel, Parag	UK	**
Dugas, Jacques	QC	**	Paton, James	BC	**
Engleman, Jerry	USA	**	Pitcairn, Robert	BC	LM
Frazer, Gerry	BC	**	Poirier, Nicolas	****	**
Gagne, Audrey	QC	**	Praslick III, Emil	USA	**
Ganter, Carl	AB	**	Rahman, Faisal	ON	**
Gauvin, Emmanuel	QC	**	Raincock, Toby	UK	** **
Gross, Raymond	USA	**	Reid, Mike	UK	**
Haley, Alastair	UK		Richards, David	UK	
Hall, William V.	ON	LM	Richardson, T.A.	QC	LM
Harper, G.R.	ON	LM **	Robertson, Ian	ON	LM **
Healy, N (BCRT)	UK	**	Rollins, Bert	USA	
Hearn, Laurie	NL	**	Rossignol, Jacques	ON	LM
Henry, Gary	USA	**	Rossignol, Nicole	ON SCOTI AND	LM **
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17th	Coaching	St. Charles	MPRA
20th	Memorial, MacGillivray Domville, Agg Matches	Batouche	RNBRA
20th-22nd	Victoria Day Matches	Connaught	NCRRA
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	JULY		
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16th	Stapleford, Coleman Team	Batouche	RNBRA
22nd	Mid Summer Match	Batouche	RNBRA
23rd	ISSF Championships	Batouche	RNBRA
28th-29th	Provincial TR Championships	Tea Hill, PEI	
30th	Precision Match	Batouche	RNBRA
	<u>AUGUST</u>		
4th	B.C. Target Rifle Championship	General Vokes	BCRA
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2nd -4th	PPRA Shoot, Nokomis, SK	Nokomis, SK	
2nd - 4th	Atlantic Championships	Batouche	
10th	ALL COMERS/Fullbore Meeting	Batouche	RNBRA
10th	Winona Club Championship	Winona	ORA
16th-17th	Alberta Palma Match	Homestead	APRA
16th-17th	ORA Fall Match	Kingston	ORA
17th	Precision Challenge Match	Batouche	RNBRA
24th	Homestead Range Rifle Club Championship	Homestead	APRA
30th	Purdy Match	Bull Meadown	NSRA
	OCTOBER		

7th ORA Fall Palma Mons ORA 7th-8th Frost on the Pumpkin Match Homestead **APRA** 29th Kingston Club Championship Kingston **ORA** 

#### **NOTES:**

British Columbia Rifle Association (BCRA) - Regional matches and practices can be seen on the website (www.bcrifle.org). Please check places and dates before attending.

Manitoba Provincial Rifle Association (MPRA) - Please check the website for dates and timings of practices.

August, September and October dates still have to be arranged. Further dates will be published in July 2006 on the website.

Newfoundland Provincial Rifle Association (NPRA) - We anticipate calibre restrictions implemented by DND in 2005 will be removed for the 2006 season. Please check our website for details and shooting scheduleds later this spring.

Province of Quebec Rifle Association (PQRA) - The situation is uncertain, as we are awaiting an answer from the army regarding our request for a derogation to let us use Mont-Bruno ranges for the upcoming season. Otherwise, we would have to use Batoche range on CFB Valcartier for our shooting program. Please check the website for up-to-date information.

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We regret to inform you about the passing of the following members and friends of The DCRA - since the publication of our last edition.

Jennifer Spratley (wife of James Spratley)
Allan Hovi - November 2, 2005
Bill Cox - December 16, 2005
Michael F.C. Walker - January 10, 2006
Rossana Theriault (wife of J.C. Theriault)

Brian Hawkins, Kenya - February 7, 2006 LGen W. Milroy (Ret'd) - February 20, 2006 Ken Chard, UK - February 22, 2006 John Howard - February 26, 2006

The following memorials for some of our comrades have been provided courtesy of members who knew them and wish to share their lives with you.

#### **Allan Hovi**

Allan was born 5 March, 1944 and spent his early years in Cochrane, Ont where he learned to appreciate the outdoors. After high school, he joined the Canadian Forces and as a Canadian Guardsman in Germany was a member of the winning team in the NATO Prix Leclerc shooting competition, obviously an influential beginning to an outstanding shooting career.

Allan was for many years the NCRRA Service Rifle Activity Captain in which capacity not only did he win many competitions in service rifle and pistol, he also gave unstintingly of his time to help others become more proficient as well. There are many Reserve and Regular Force shooting teams which benefitted from Allan's expert coaching. In addition he regularly assisted visiting military teams in understanding the vagaries of the Canadian Forces' rifle and pistol competitions.

Allan passed away 2 Nov 2005 after a long and courageous seven year battle with non-Hodgkins lymphoma. He is survived by his loving family; wife Maren, daughter Alana. Mother Salli, son Ky (Janis) and their children, sister Ingrid, and a special mother-in-law Waltraut. As he will be missed by them, he will also be missed by his many NCRRA and DCRA friends and colleagues and the myriad of international competitors with whom he came in contact.

-Bill Molnar

#### **Brian Hawkins**

It is with great sadness that the NRA report the death of Brian Hawkins. Brian was a Vice-President of the National Rifle Association and a Vice-President of the British Commonwealth Rifle Club. Brian was the driving force behind Kenyan target rifle shooting for many years and was a regular visitor to Bisley with the Kenyan Rifle Team. He will be much missed by his many friends in the UK and in Canada.

#### Michael F.C. Walker

Peacefully in his sleep at Kingston General Hospital on January 10, 2006 following a fierce battle with "old age and decrepitude" in his 91st year. Mike was a member of the Canadian Rifle Team to Bisley on many occasion in the 1970's and 1980's serving as a captain of teams to England, Australia and New Zealand. In 1994 he was made a Life Governor of the DCRA. He will be sorely missed by his beloved wife Mary and children and grandchildren as well as members of the DCRA.

#### W.A. Milrov

LGen Milroy passed away on Monday, February 20, 2006. He is survived by his loving wife Ann Tilton Milroy, his children and grandchildren. He will be missed as a friend of many and Life Governor of the DCRA. We offer our heartfelt condolences to his family.

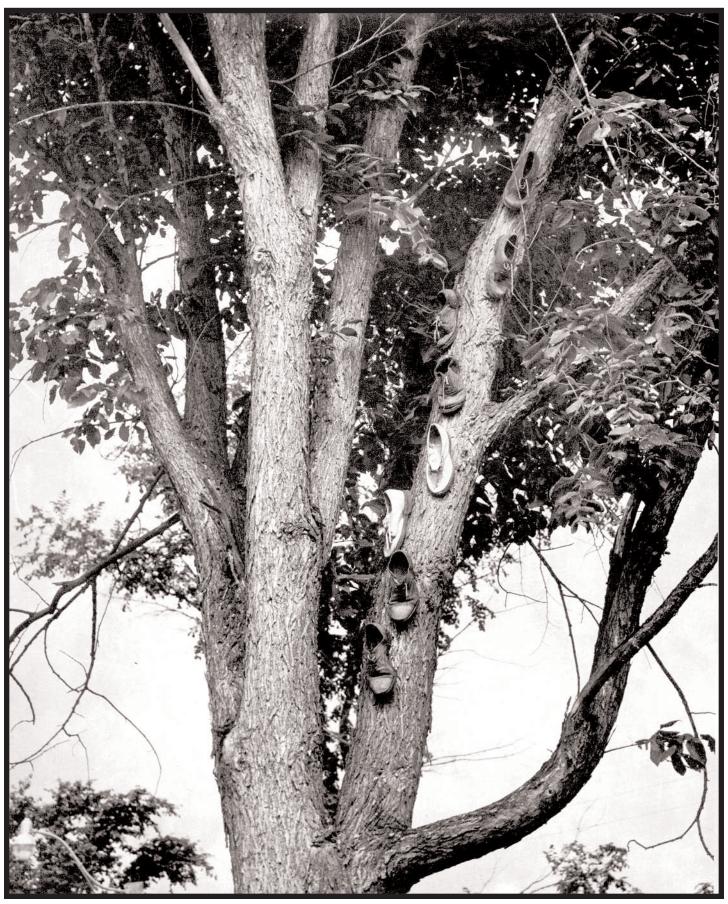
Lieutenant General (Ret'd) W. Milroy, CM, DSO, CStJ, CD, DMilS was recently inducted into the DCRA Hall of Fame - Builders Category.

His citation reads:

Lieutenant General Milroy served as President of the DCRA from 1974 to 1981. During this period he guided the Association through some very difficult and divisive issues. Thanks to his outstanding leadership and diplomacy the DCRA came through this contentious period a united and much stronger Association. Our relations with the Department of National Defence were never stronger than during his term as President. Since that time he has always made himself available to assist at the Canadian Forces Small Arms Competition and the Canadian Fullbore Rifle Championships. Most recently, he led the Association's Building Committee in the construction of our magnificent headquarters building and spearheaded the fundraising campaign, which succeeded in raising in excess of \$220,000 over a two year period.

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