

Parksville – Qualicum Fish & Game Association



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Newsletter Update

General Meeting & Christmas Social

Date: November 25, 2021

Time: 7:00pm

All club members and their families are invited to attend the Parksville-Qualicum Fish & Game Association's General Meeting and Christmas Social on Thursday, November 25, 2021, 7 PM, at the Rotary House, 211 Fern Rd West (Corner of Fern & Beach), Qualicum Beach.

A brief General Meeting will be followed by a Potluck Social. Please bring something tasty to share and join us in wishing your friends and fellow members a very Merry Christmas!

It has been 14 months since our last General Meeting was held September 23, 2020 at the Parksville Community Centre and 8 months since the Annual General Meeting was held via ZOOM on March 24, 2021. Your Board of Directors have been meeting regularly since the start of the pandemic, initially via ZOOM, and lately at the Henry Range. We would like to share with the membership what we have been working on, as well as what the committees have been busy with.

Topics for discussion during the General Meeting will include outlining the many opportunities for volunteers, Directors' nomination process for 2022 AGM, and the need for a part-time Administrator to run the business side of the association.

Hope to see you at the meeting!

All attendees are requested to present their vaccination passport and if necessary picture ID, and requested to wear a mask and social distance wherever feasible.

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Dorman Range Upcoming Events

1. The PQF&G Club Trap Championships will be held on Sunday, November 21st. This shoot is open to all club members. Sign up by 10:00 AM and join the friendly competition. There are trophies and prizes to be won plus a raffle and shooter's draw. No lunch will be available so please bring a sandwich. Covid protocols will be followed - masks when registering and in crowded areas, social distancing at all times.
2. We will be hosting our Annual Boxing Day and New Year's Day Turkey Shoots starting at 10:00 AM each day. There will be hams and meat packs for prizes. Lots of different shooting games and lots of fun. A lunch of hot dogs, bagged chips and soft drinks will be available. Covid protocols will be followed - masks when registering and in crowded areas, social distancing at all times. Please be double vaccinated if attending.
3. The FOOD BANK Sporting Clays will be held at the Dorman Range on Saturday, November 27th. Registration starts at 9 AM, shooting starts at 10 AM. This shoot includes trophies, prizes, raffles, and lunch. Bring your food or cash donation for the Food Bank. We have trophies and prizes for HOA and Classes A to E. We will be raffling off a bottle and a fresh farm turkey donated, once again, by Skorkeeper Mike Fall. This beauty is worth over \$100 and will be available just before Christmas. There will also be a shooter's draw. No attendance limit. No pre-registration. Covid protocols will be followed - masks when registering and in crowded areas, social distancing at all times. Please be double vaccinated if attending. Come on out, have some fun and support the Food Bank.
4. Please note, a round of Trap or Skeet is now \$6.00 at the regular scheduled shooting days.

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Message from the President

Fellow Members:

While it is early in the new membership year, I want to thank everyone for the help you have supplied dealing with the pandemic. All of our club sections have overcome restrictions and are functioning under Ministry directions.

Having said that, in the next year we are faced with a major problem in leadership. In 2021 we have had to function short a vice president. Lynne Bonnell has done a great job as both Treasurer and effectively Vice President. This cannot continue next year. Lynne has declared she will not run for the Board in 2022. I am in the same position in that I will not stand for election next year. The end result is that we need a President, Vice President, and Treasurer. The position of Secretary is also up as it was appointed to complete a second term. Furthermore all 12 members of the Board are up for election.

Another problem we have run into is the lack of representation from all areas of the club on the Board of Directors. We cannot run a club where some areas have no representatives on the Board or where the Board has to appoint a member just to make it seem represented. While the current Board will try to overcome these problems, it is up to current members to step forward and help work to resolve them.

I will be hunting for candidates and trying to balance reps. Let me know if you are interested. Perhaps it is time we hired an Administrator to take care of what needs to be done, including managing over \$2,000,000 in assets. So if you get a phone call/email asking if you have an interest in joining the Board, please consider it. As we all know it is the volunteers that make the club!

Richard Thompson
President PQF&G