

CRITICAL NEWS UPDATE

AMNESTY EXTENSION

The Government of Canada has just announced an extension to the firearms amnesty period, now set to expire 90 days after the Supreme Court of Canada delivers its decision on the appeal of the 2020 assault-style firearms ban.

While this extension provides continued protection for responsible firearms owners and businesses, it also prolongs the uncertainty facing our community.

The Canadian Shooting Sports Association urges all members to stay informed and be prepared as the legal process unfolds.

We remain committed to defending the rights of lawful firearms owners and will continue to advocate for fair, evidence-based policies.

Stay tuned for updates as we monitor the Supreme Court's proceedings and the future of the Assault-Style Firearms Compensation Program.

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We have now completed another step to meet the requirements set out by the Firearms Officer's report. All the ranges (apart from the indoor range) have now had the "range hot" flags poles and flags installed. When you go to the range now, please open the "Range In Use" sign (see last newsletter) and erect the range hot flag. The flag is inside the ammo box beside the flagpole and is just a matter of connecting the two carabiners on the lanyard to the grommets on the flag and raising the flag. Of course, when you are the last shooter to leave the range, you must take down and store the flag in the ammo box. Don't forget to sign the logbook at the range before shooting to maintain the shooter insurance.



While we are talking about changes, it has always worried me that when there is only one member at the range and they go down range to install or stand-up targets and another member drives up there is an uncertain time period in there that an accident could happen. To try and reduce the risk we have installed a “SHOOTER DOWN RANGE” sign at the firing line of the Silhouette Range. When you go down range, please lower the sign and when you arrive at the range, always look for the sign and be certain to look down range very carefully to be certain that there is no member already down range.



NEXT STEPS TO MEET GOVERNMENT REQUIREMENTS

The club has recently purchased 50 flax bales from a local farm group. We will be using these to increase the height of the backstops at the Silhouette Range shortly. The Firearms Officer noted in his report that our backstops have sloughed and no longer meet the 6-meter requirement height for a backstop. So rather than trying to add more sand we are going to attempt to raise the height with the flax bales. Stay tuned for more information on our progress.

HOUSEKEEPING

Hey folks, anyone out there have a tractor and mower that we can use to mow the Silhouette Range with? This would involve about an acre of rough land mowing tall grass and small shrubs. We really need to mow this as the dead grass is a fire hazard and the small shrubs are starting to interfere with site lines to the longer targets.

If you can help us out with the equipment or have an idea that we can make work, please call Alan Cannon @ 306-961-4070. Your help would really be appreciated.

We need to mow the Silhouette Range for fire prevention purposes!

One of our newest members has access to a large dump trailer that he is willing to let us use. We need to do a cleanup around the ranges and get rid of a bunch of old wood, logs, etc. so we will be having a cleanup bee this summer once we get the logistics figured out. I will be sending out an email to all members in our database and if you can help us out on that weekend it would be great. Stay tuned for further details.