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Newsletter June, 2008

Show Dates for 2008:

July 13th
Sept 14th

Oct 12th
Nov 15th -16th
Dec 14th

Next Show:

June 15th
4333 Ledger Ave. Burnaby, BC
Sunday 8:30-1pm,
HACS Members Free For all table rental inquiries,
please contact Dave Worfolk
(604)880-4706 / (604) 522-3609.

Out of Town Shows

May 4 – Courtenay Fish & Game Gun Show, 3780 Cold Lake Rd, Bob 250 339-1179.

May 24 – Edmonton at Edmonton Aviation Society, 11410 Kingsway Avenue, call John 780 455-5036, smokymud@teleplanet.net.

May 24 - 9 a.m. – Special spring gun auction featuring Dave Tomlinson's estate plus 500 lots. Bud Haynes & Co. Bay #5, 7429 – 49 Ave., Red Deer Ab., T4P 1N2 bdhaynes@telusplanet.net, phone 403 347-5855.

May 31-June 1 - Castor, AB, Castor Arena, Bruce Ortina, 403 882-3835.

June 14-15 – Lumby Wildlife, Lumby Skating Arena, Gerald 250 547-2370, email gmdeis@shaw.ca

July 19-20 - Hanna, AB, in the Hanna Curling Rink. Ron Windsor 403 854-3766.

July 26&27 – Vernon 1st Annual Gun and Antique Show. Vernon Curling Rink 3400-39 Avenue, Brandon 250 558-9543, email freeson.brandon@gmail.com

August 16-17 - Lions Gun and Antique Show, 4333 Ledger Avenue, Burnaby. Call Fred Cooper 604 765-5874. This is really not an out of town show, email fred@mcbweb.com.

August 16-17 - Grizz Country Gun & Antique, Evergreen Park, Grande Prairie, Alberta, call 780 539-9689 or 780 532-5236.

August 23-24 - 1st Annual Torrington, Alberta, Ron Garr Arena, Stan Taylor for tables/info 403 556-5768.

August 23-24 - Military Collectors Club of Canada, Best Western Richmond Inn Hotel, Ian Edwards, 780 449-1668, iedwards@shaw.ca

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Ron's Report

Hello Hello again boys and girls. This report covers a couple of shows that are within a reasonable drive from here.

The first one being Penticton. Kevin and Brenda can really congratulate themselves on this one. It's the largest they have hosted in 10 years. There were 65, yes 65, more tables than last year. Kevin told me he's looking for a building with elastic walls. He thought that the attendance was down. However, Charlie and I didn't see that at all. Until about 3 p.m. there were lots of folks around our tables. Two of them were Don and Helen Ormiston, looking well. They quit doing the shows a few years ago and just came in for a visit. There was another old timer there too and with a table. Maybe some of you more senior people will remember him, Jim Jennings. He used to make knives and his brand was "Roberts Roost". Do any of you remember? It's been about 25 years since he was at a show, so we had some catching up to do. I think I was the only one in the show that Jim remembered. Funny thing too, I was thinking about him as I was driving up there. Anyhow, he had some guns and other stuff on his table and some of the stuff sold. We visited whenever we could during the show. One of the sad notes was, Jim lost his wife, Vivian, last November. Sunday morning he said to me he was really enjoying himself and thought he would run an ad to buy more guns. Gun shows are really good therapy! This may be the last show Kevin will sponsor at this location. They have a new manager who is jerking him around. As in: they wouldn't allow the displayers dinner as before; they wouldn't allow Brenda to operate the coffee bar; and there were other issues as well. It's too bad, it was an excellent show. But Kevin has been approached by a place in Kelowna that is larger and less rent. I'll miss the Penticton folks and the El Rancho Motel though.

Quite a few of our members either visited or had tables. Those I can bring to mind include: Don & Annie Beebe, Diane Stony, Terry Lee, Stan Taylor, Dave Worfolk, Lance Arnett, Tom Brown & sons, Al Amundson, Gord Frost, Terry & Lorraine Oliver and, of course, Charlie & Phylis Stewart. Quite a few ex-members also, who now live up country. To sum it up, it was a really great show!

Wow! Wow! Wow! That's the only way I can describe the 2008 Kamloops Show. I heard how many tables they had, but I've forgotten now. I know there were lots. It seemed all of the floor space available in the three rooms was well filled. Of course I came away knowing I didn't see everything there was to see. I heard the Saturday crowds totalled over 3000. I would have guessed more. I didn't get to look up from 9:30 until well after 2 p.m. I just managed to squeeze in 3 minutes to wolf down my sandwich.

There were quite a few HACS members and friends either as visitors or participants. Here are a few who took the time to speak to me. This is from my not infallible memory. Gord Bader, Patrick Bird, Stan Taylor, Ron Nelson, Jerry Roberts, Terry Lee, Mr. & Mrs. Terry Oliver, Al Simonds, Bud & Dot Haynes, Arnie Morris, Rod Roberts, Betty-Ann Dunlap, Steve Hedford, Rick & Jim Whyte, Mr. & Mrs. Don Beebe, Jim Bennett, Wayne Cline, Jack Soo, Gary & Betty Owens, Mr. & Mrs. Andy Butler and I'm sure there were more who have now slipped my mind. I nearly forgot Greg Nehring and the Ferguson Family.

Some of you "old timers", like me, would have been surprised to see Bob Smirl at a table. I spoke to him for a few minutes. He and his wife are in Victoria again. He is retired from the Game Branch and has, after 30 years, started doing the odd show.

You may have guessed this, but I'll say it again, I like all shows. But I look forward to Kamloops because not only are sales enough to cover my expenses, there is always a wide selection of items to buy. I always take advantage of this benefit. There is no thrill like the thrill of dollars slipping off my finger tips and me becoming the new owner of something else I don't need! Yup! Buying was good! Selling almost kept pace with my buying. For other folks who take a more practical approach, I understand from what I was told that their sales were very good. One of my table neighbours was a fellow and his 11 year old daughter who were at their first show. They were offering some kind of jewellery and knick knacks. He was overjoyed at how much he sold. The daughter was on commission and she showed me her wages and I was much surprised to see how much folding money she had.

There were only a few antique dealers this year, but there were also a couple of dealers in those artistic carvings. You have all seen them. They carve antlers, tree trunks and other wood products into eagles, etc. Mostly it was gun tables though. There were lots of good guns, I heard of a couple of Spencers and a couple of Sharps that changed hands. I saw a Winchester carbine a man had just bought that certainly was worth owning. Of course I didn't hear what anything brought in dollars, maybe a lot, I didn't ask. For anyone who didn't get to attend the show, I was again, along with Al Simonds, in the "cold room". This year it wasn't as cold as last year. They must have found some way to get heat there. I did dress accordingly though so only my hands, ears and nose were cold. I've booked the cold room again for 2009.

Many of you know Kelly Abrams, proprietor of "The Smoking Gun". He stopped by my table and told me he is out of the retail business now. He has an indoor pistol range and is apparently doing okay with the business.

For the second year in a row our May show has fallen on a long weekend. The questions were the same again this year, i.e.: This is the first long weekend of the spring – no one will come to the show, will they? With the first nice weekend people will be going somewhere else, won't they? Surely you don't expect to get anyone through a gun show with this nice weather, do you? Well, in spite of the first nice weather or a long weekend, we had a good show. There were certainly a few empty tables. We managed to get covered though. It seemed as though everyone I heard after the show was over seemed to have done well. Art Hoivik seemed pleased with a shotgun he acquired early in the day. As usual, I bought a lot more than I sold. My daughter, Rhonna, was there to help me so I got to leave the table a lot more. That's what costs me money! That's what makes me think I'm having a good show. Dave Mulligan, you always pick a good show to take a vacation. The same goes for you too, Gord Bader! Charlie Stewart is like me, he pretty well always has a good show. Just being there is the secret to having a good time. How could you not? With all of those folks to visit with?

Thanks to all of you fine folks who have enquired after Jan. She is still in Valleyview Hospital. They have withdrawn a bunch of drugs and are now giving her a therapy they refer to as ECT. It's something they put her to sleep for and at first it's three times a week, later twice weekly and finally once a week. Now she has had only a week of this treatment but we do notice some improvement. The doctors have told us it usually shows a 95% improvement. We're optimistic!

A big thanks to Ian Sims who stopped by to tell me Tom had neglected to get his table rent, so he paid me! Thanks, Ian! Yup, we sure miss Catie at the show. She is the only one who can control her Dad.

Boys and girls, I don't think I have much more in the way of Club news without telling lies. So until June, be good to each other.

Cheers, Ron

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Please fill out and return with payment, \$40, or drop off at the next show.

Great News!

As most of you know, over the past 2 years we have been working towards the creation of a Western Canadian Military Museum. This past week, our "Canadian Military Education Centre" partnered with the Chilliwack Economic Corporation to deliver one of Western Canada's largest military museums and education centers. The new Museum will be located in the old CFB Chilliwack Quarter Master supply building. The building is a 25,000 sq. ft warehouse, complete with offices, coffee room and wide-open display space.

We have 10 short weeks to prepare the building for its new opening as the "Canadian Military Education Centre" (CMEC)

The grand opening of CMEC will be Saturday June 21st. We plan to have the centre open part time over the summer and then on a permanent basis in September, as we will be offering programming for schools.

Right now we are in great need of volunteers and donations to get ready for our opening. We need volunteers to help with painting, repairing and getting the building and grounds ready for the open house. We will be also looking for military displays, so if you or anyone you know has something they would like to put on loan as a display, please let us know. Finally we will be looking for office furniture and furniture for a veterans/volunteer lounge.

We need volunteers to help clean/repair on:
Sunday May 4th, Sunday May 11th & Sunday May 18th between 9am -4pm
If you or anyone you know can help, please come out!
Building 1011 Petawawa Road, Chilliwack

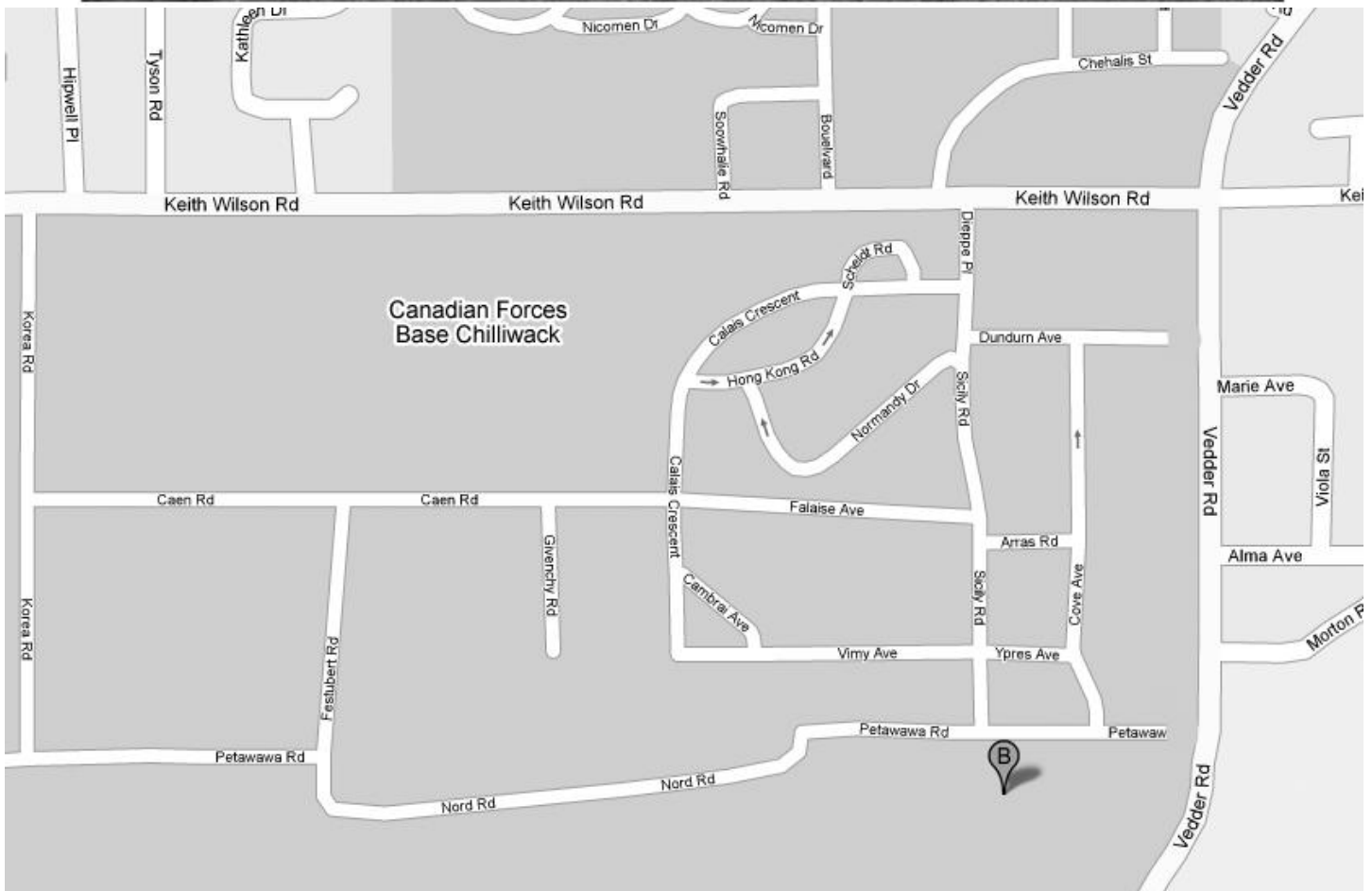
Looking for camo nets, ammo boxes & set decorating for displays!

Please forward this message to anyone you think would be interested.

Please let me know if you have any questions or if you can help us out in any way.
Thanks for your support!

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New items or adjusted items are in larger print.

For Sale or Trade: **Call: Ron (604) 522-3609.**

- “MOKI” easy open knife, \$75
- Government of Canada Olde tyme ink eraser knife c/w case \$20
- Herter’s shell holders assorted sizes \$15 ea.
- R.C.B.S. bullet puller, 35 cal, \$15
- R.C.B.S. large and small priming arms \$14 ea.
- plastic letter opener advertising “The British Columbian” a late N.W. newspaper \$20
- Redfield Olympic receiver sight \$125
- English made 1”-2” micrometer \$45
- “Ludwig Hartman” leather pipe case \$20
- Vostok pistol grips \$15
- Herter’s combination die set with inserts for 30-06, 303 Brit, 8x57 Mauser and 264 mag. \$45

For Sale: **Dave Hardy – 604-826-8700 or dhardy@demalservices.com**

- “Textbook of Small Arms, 1929” marked “District Officers Library, Military District 8” \$200.00
- Elcan M145 Scope, military issue for M249 and M240B machine guns. As issued with Laser Filter and Signature Reduction Device, New and Never Used \$1500.00
- Ruger 10/22 wood stock and metal furniture, take off new, \$20.00

- Barnett Velochi-Speed Crossbow, with quiver, bolts and arrowheads, \$200.00
- CZ 75, 9mm Mags.10 rd. capacity, \$30.00 each
- Colt 4 x 20 scope for AR 15 / M 16 rifle, \$400.00

For Sale: **Lary Lee – 604-299-6982**

- Canadian No. 36 H.E. grenades, 1942-3-4, \$160 ea.
- Colt 1860 Army cap and ball, all matching, v.g. \$1950.
- Misc. ammo in original boxes, v.g. 45-70, 38-40, etc. call for info. Savage 99M in .284 cal. v.g. w. scope \$475.
- Remington .30 cal. pump good clean gun \$400.

Buy & Sell:

- Old west collectibles, ancient artifacts, gun canes, sword canes or any unusual types of canes.
- Unusual knives, swords, guns or weapons.
- Wanted posters or slave trade Era. Artifacts or sales bills ect.

Contact – Eric Shenker Dreamscapes Gift Gallery, 11987 – 224th ST. Maple Ridge, B.C. (604) 466-9991

Buy & Sell or Trade:

Military items from all eras such as autographs, helmets/headgear, uniforms, decorations, & edged weapons. Single items, estates, or collections.

Contact George (604) 341-8411, or Bill at hughes@militaryautographs.com

Wanted: Ruger .357 Blackhawk 6 ½” bbl., older 3 screw model in good condition. Roy Barrington, cell: 604 341-2220.

Wanted: standard multi-purpose web sling and one black slime-line forearm for HK 91. Please phone: Lyle at 604-986-3289.

Wanted: Bolt for CIL Model 180, single shot .22 (Made by Anschutz) Contact Charlie at 604 277 3646.

Wanted: .303 pullthroughs. Contact Lyle at 604.986.3289

Wanted: Always buying all types of collectible knives. Old and new hunting, pocket, Bowie and other knives in any Quantity. Please bring them to Bob Patrick's table or contact Crescent Knife Works 604 538-6214 bob@knivesonnet.com

Wanted: magazine for a Savage model 1903 slide action .22 rifle. Magazine for a B.S.A. Cadet .22 bolt action rifle - Oma Al 604 299-6335

Wanted:

- Winchester Model 70 Classic (DBM) Detachable Box Magazine Cal .284 Win. introduced in 1994.

- Model A-Bolt Micro Medallion Cal .284 Win introduced in 1989

Contact Don at 604-888-2642 or email filerdon@telus.net

Members can contact Chad at “ hacswebmaster@hacsbc.ca “ To ADD/Remove AD’s.

Please remember that if there is something on this AD list, that you have sold or no longer Want, please contact Chad to remove.

Old items will slowly be removed to make space, if not asked to be left in.