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# Newsletter March, 2010

## SHOW DATES FOR 2010

March 13 - 14  
April 11  
May 16  
June 20

## NEXT SHOW

**March 13th - 14th**  
Heritage Park 44140 Luckachuck Way,  
Chilliwack, BC  
Show times:  
Sat: 9am - 5pm, Sun: 9am - 3pm

## OUT OF TOWN SHOWS

**MARCH 13 - 14:** Chilliwack Heritage Park, building 1 & 2

Contact: Dave 604 880-4706

**APRIL 2 - 3:** A.A.A.C.A., Calgary at Stampede Park, BMO building

Contact: 403 771-6864

**APRIL 10 - 11:** Dawson Creek 33rd Show in Curling Rink, 1113-106 Avenue

Contact: Brenda 250 782-2111

**APRIL 17 - 18:** Penticton, 505 Railway Curling Club

Contact: 250 494-4356, email [bburchell57@gmail.com](mailto:bburchell57@gmail.com)

**APRIL 24 - 25:** Kamloops, McArthur Island Sports Centre, 12 Street South, Kamloops

Contact: 250 851-2859, email [KTSA.show@shaw.ca](mailto:KTSA.show@shaw.ca)

**MAY 1 - 2:** Red Deer, AB, Westerner Park

Contact: Venny 403 347-3767

**MAY 8 - 9:** Prince George at Exhibition Park, Kin 1 Arena

Contact: 250 613-0151 or 250 565-7605 or 250 562-8426

**JUNE 12 - 13:** Lumby at Pat Duke Arena

Contact: Leroy 250 542-1445

**JUNE 26 - 27:** Vernon at Vernon Rec. Complex

Contact: Phyllis 250 547-1442 or email [pcwbow@telus.net](mailto:pcwbow@telus.net)

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## RON'S REPORT

Hello boys and girls, we're less than a month away from the BIG show in Chilliwack. I hope everyone who was thinking of getting a table has filled out and mailed the application. NOTE – for anyone who hasn't paid 2010 dues, this will be your last newsletter. You need to have a black card this year.

The March show is also our Annual General Meeting. If you would like to stand for an office or if you feel you would like to put forth a good idea or for whatever reason, please feel free to attend. We encourage your presence. Offices up for election are President, now Ron Tyson; Vice President, currently Don Beebe; Master-at-Arms, now Al Amundson; Financial Secretary, Mike Wallace; Recording Secretary, Charlie Stewart. There will be three directors to be elected. The guys serving presently are: Cliff Jahn, George Clark and Jim Bennett.

We hope you can take a few minutes after the show closes Saturday night and add some input to the meeting.

The last show I attended was the C.H.A.S. show February 6-7 in Edmonton. It was held back at Northlands this year. The new buildings are finally finished. They are huge! They call it the Expo Center and I think it's about half a mile long. It contains 8 halls all larger than building #1 which is our main room at Heritage Park. It's really an impressive facility. Now here's the rest of the news. It used to be a \$5 charge for visitor parking, it's now \$12! For us participants, we had to get in before 8 a.m., then we could park outside of our building free. That changed also. We now park in what they call the "west lot." It's half a mile south of our building and we have to buy an \$18 parking pass or be towed! The weather, for Edmonton, was good. It was overcast the three days I was there. The temperature was from Friday -18C degrees to Sunday, -9C and it snowed a little everyday. You didn't have to be very far west and there was a lot less snow and it was warmer. The roads both ways were bare and traffic was light. Gas in Edmonton was 86.9.

The best part was the show. As I'm now on my own I don't get to cruise around much. This undoubtedly saves me a lot of money. I'm guessing there was something like 350 tables in the show. That covered about two-thirds of the floor space. The balance was filled up with a lot of military vehicles.

As I said, I didn't get much looking around but from what I did see, most tables were gun tables, a lot of knife makers' tables; fewer militaria, badge and medal tables than usual, but lots of uniform stuff on tables. There was one dealer in German Nazi items with about 5 tables, and two or three parts guys and another couple of dealers in outdoor clothing. Because the Lethbridge show was the same weekend quite a few people I usually meet weren't in Edmonton. I know that's not much of a description but I just couldn't get around. The crowd coming through was astounding. I had the best show I've had in some years. There are a lot of cartridge collectors there and, as I used to follow that line myself, I had stuff left over. So I took some of my good old Dominion items and they just melted away! I also took a few old powder tins with the same results. There seemed a lot of interest in Hudson's Bay items. I had a few ask me if I had any and I saw my table neighbour sell a large stack of various blankets, etc., all HBC. It seemed another good sale was bullets for the folks who handled them. My neighbour sold out all he brought and others who I talked to were saying the same. Of course, a lot of guns changed hands; I saw that, but don't know the details of any trends in the sales. I had a lot of fellows looking for Lee Enfield parts and Colt 1911 parts. Of course, I sold quite a few magazines of all kinds. Teri Jane Bryant, the famous Japanese arms collector was through the show and cleaned me out of all the Arisake strippers I had. I was surprised to see Kevin Burchall there. When I spoke to him last he didn't think he would attend. Terry Lee had tables but I hardly got to speak to him as his tables were well over a block away from mine. He had tried to get a room at my hotel but they were sold out when he called. So I was never closer to him than about a block and a half. There were 2 guys from Peace River who bawled me out for not attending that show last fall. They didn't seem to care that our show was the same weekend and was certainly much closer.

NOTE – I should have mentioned this at the start of the newsletter: for you fellows who have sent in your dues already, but haven't yet got your new black card, please be patient, I can't make out the cards. Only the girls who handle the memberships at the show have that expertise. You can pick up your card at the March show or they will put it in the mail from the March show. Had it not been for the Olympics we would have had a Club show in Burnaby this month and the cards would have been in the mail a month earlier. I'm sorry about the delay, but can't do anything about it.

Next report will be on the Museum Club show, February 14. For all who attended the show, either as a buyer or seller the most memorable part was Bella. Bella was the little girl, approximately 17" tall who was sure everyone she saw was her friend. I don't think anyone there has ever seen a happier, friendlier child. I met her first when she was only weeks old and was surprised how she smiled. Again in the September show she was the smiling, friendly beautiful little girl. But now that she's mobile, she really visited around. I thought that was the show highlight. Congratulations to Michelle and Mark.

Now, here is how it played out in the morning. George Clark and I were talking just a day before the show. He told me he'd expect me at 6 a.m. and he would have everything open then and fresh coffee. I arrived at 5 minutes before 6 a.m. The building was dark! I honked my horn many times! Frank Sargent was next. He had his phone with him and phoned both of George's phones. No answer! The security man came to see what the racket was about and told me he thought they all left at 5:30 a.m. He also phoned and got no answer. Also, it was raining. Art Garbo was next and it's now after 6:30 a.m. Art phoned and again no answer. I said I'd wait until 6:45 a.m. If there was no change, I'd go home. Art agreed. I tried one more long honk on my horn and guess what? Ian Fryatt came down and unlocked the gate. George came out and informed us he had slept in. We had all pretty well figured that out ourselves.

Anyhow, we did get in. It was easy to unload and under the overhang so I didn't get rained on. They had all the tables in place and they all had covers so we didn't need to bother putting on our own.

It didn't seem too long before George brought me a coffee. I'd hardly finished before customers were coming into the room. I think everyone was happy with the turnout, the customers and also the business that took place. Al Simmons had a smile on his face as he told me how he had exceeded his last September sales. Dave Worfolk and I were both happy with the business we had. I got talking to a visitor who attended and finally talked him into booking a table in our March show. Gord and Sylvan Bader got lost coming out there somehow. They didn't arrive until quite late. Gord had the new floor plan for the March show as it has to be approved by the Chilliwack Fire Marshall before we can go ahead. Gord has done a good job on the plan as we have to respect all the fire exits now.

So George, when we finally were allowed into the compound and building, all of us had a good time. We were all glad to see the rain had stopped at pack up time.

For any of you folks who didn't make it out to the show, you missed a good experience. There is loads to see in the museum, which uses more space than the gun show. I know you would see items you've never seen before. I was very surprised the first time we were here at just how much they had on display. This time there were even more displays. You will be pleasantly surprised at how clean everything is kept. There is no dust anywhere that I could see. In short, Dave and I plan to attend the next show this club puts on. However we will have to do something about George's sleeping habits! He did mention giving me a key to the gate. That's a good start.

One last thing, boys and girls; if you have a spare tire to sell, please don't bring it into the show. Put a sign on your table, and then you can make the deal outside.

So that's this month's report as I see it. I'll close off now. Be good to each other.

Cheers,  
Ron

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## HACS NEWSLETTER AD SPACE

### FOR SALE OR TRADE | Ron 604 522-3609

- Knife pouches assorted sizes \$6 each
- SMLE bolt complete except no heads \$25 each
- Leupold M8 varmint 12x scope \$425
- Gevarm rifle stock \$55
- Gevarm carbine barrel c/w sights \$65
- Victor #1 ½ trap \$18
- New shooter's vest size L \$45
- Olin ordnance promo item (boxed) \$25
- English "Bobby" wooden hand lantern
- Eveready pre 1900 \$89
- British private's sporran c/w Highland Brigade badge (1959-68) \$85
- WW 2 artillery dress cap c/w badge \$45
- Seaforth cap no badge (1953) \$25
- 340 Weatherby federal ammunition \$55
- Win. Mod. 70 pre '64 trigger & sear set complete \$135

### FOR SALE OR TRADE | Charlie 604 277-3646

- Remington Model 14 rifle cal. 25 Rem. \$295 or trade for M14 carbine
- RCBS hand loading equipment, can supply a list to interested party

### FOR SALE | Larry Lee 604 299-6982

- Have 1941/42 .303 FMJ Canadian marked ammo \$1 per rd.
- Marlin .22 cal. model 89C semi-auto, clip fed, with big scope, in super condition, extra clip \$200
- Swedish Husqvarna M.38 bolt military rifle, 6.5x55 in super extra nice shape, ammo avail., \$325
- RCBS reloading equipment – dies, scale, manuals & Lee loader dies, too much to list, all for \$250
- .22 cal. H&R 8 shot revolver, also a .22 cal. Arminus (German) 9 shot revolver \$150 each
- Have .308 FMJ, .223 FMJ, 6.5x55 FMJ, .30 al. M-1 carb. FMJ, .303 FMJ, phone for price while stock lasts
- M.16 FN-FAL, sten gun, Thompson, HK 93 mags, phone for prices

### FOR SALE | Dave 604 536-1202

- One case individual weapon parachutist M1950 adj. 74 -C -190 \$200
- Rifle case picturing a buck and doe \$50
- One cased Sheffield "eversharp" set of 6 steak knives \$25

### FOR SALE | Cliff 1 250 457-9547

- WWII and Korea era Military collectables: Books, Signed limited edition military prints, Military knives, Shoulder flashes, etc.

### 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](mailto:hughes@militaryautographs.com)**

Entire collection or single pieces of military, mountain, camping, fishing, hunting/target (rifle, carbine, shotgun, pistol, knives), surplus and factory ammo, scope, range finder, binocular and alike, parts-remains, artifact, publications, new clothes, junk for parts.

Ethical service, licensed collector.

**State what you are looking for or what you have, the condition, your general location, and your best price.**

**Contact Adam Fraczyk 604 834-0207, email [adamhome@live.com](mailto:adamhome@live.com)**

**Wanted:** For a display - a pair of Newfoundland collar badges, a pair of RCMP officers gilt collar badges 1970's era, a police (Fredericton NB) breast badge 1970's era. Call Gary Bates 604 476-0063 or email [gngbates@shaw.ca](mailto:gngbates@shaw.ca)

**Wanted:** Clip for Husqvarna .22 cal. bolt action rifle. Clip for Gevarm .22 cal. rifle, long one. Call Larry Lee at 604 299-6982

**Wanted:** Colt pistols and old west, Civil War and slave era memorabilia. Any type of unusual weapons, palm pistols, cane guns, sword canes, miniature guns, unusual knives, etc. Needed, cylinder for model 1879 Reichs revolver. Call Eric Shenker at 604 462-1133

**Wanted:** Good Winchester M .94 butt stock and butt plate to fit rifle, 30-30 cal. made in 1929. & Good Winchester

**Wanted:** To buy old rusty broken firearms with or without stocks or grips (beyond repair or cost of restoration).

Mike Wallace 604 892 -9001 or email [walfor@shaw.ca](mailto:walfor@shaw.ca)

**Wanted:** J. Unertl scope, 2" or 2 ¼", 10 to 30X. Norm, 604 946-5958

- Firearms Safety Education and Training courses, challenge exams, C.O.R.E. examiner. Call Dave 604 536-1202.
  - Gun stock renewed, hand rubbed oil finish, 1st class jobs. Call Mike 604 552-1254 or 604 833-5525.  
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