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# Newsletter October, 2018

## 2018 SHOW DATES

Jan 14	May 27	Sep 23
Feb 4	Jun 17	Oct 21
Mar 17-18	Jul 8	Nov 17-18
Apr 15	Aug 12	Dec 9

## NEXT SHOW

**NOVEMBER 17 & 18**  
8:30AM - 3:00PM  
Evergreen Hall  
9291 Corbould Street, Chilliwack

## OUT OF TOWN SHOWS

November 24-25 | Maple Creek, SK  
Piapot Lions Club, Maple Creek Armories  
306.558.4802

November 25 | Duncan, BC  
Eagles Hall, 2965 Boys Road  
250.746.7812

December 1-2 | Stony Plain, AB  
Edmonton Pavilion, Heritage Park 5100-81 Ave  
780.455.5036 or edmgunshow@hotmail.com

December 2 | Nanaimo, BC  
Club House, 1325 Nanaimo Lakes Road  
250.758.1303

December 8 | Edmonton, AB  
Bud Haynes/Wards gun auction - 11802-145 Street  
403.347.5855

February 9-10 | Lethbridge, AB  
Lethbridge Exhibition Park  
403.223.8004

## Ron's Report

Another newsletter, boys and girls. This is about real dedication. Our web master, Alexi, was riding his dirt bike and went over a cliff. He broke some ribs and his jaw. Now this is what I want to tell you. I write the newsletter, my daughter types it and sends the copy to Alexi who does the layout and sends it to the printer. Well, he was in Columbian hospital for the last newsletter. We didn't know what to do. Then Alexi called Art and told him not to worry. His dad was bringing his lap top to the hospital and he would do it all from his hospital bed. Is dedication a strong enough word?

Now, this is about the annual Salmon Arm gun show. I've been to every gun show in Salmon Arm except two. Last year it was because they had to move the date of their show which made it the same date as ours. The other one I missed was because I'd just got out of the hospital. Over time the show was never a "barn burner". Usually we just squeaked by making expenses. This one was wonderfully different! The new show manager, Richard Wale, put out a lot more advertising which included road signs pointing the way to the gun show. There was a really good turnout on Saturday. We all know Sunday will be slow. Although the attendance was less, it was a fairly steady flow of people. Most had come to spend money! I heard what the number of visitors was, however, on the trip home I forgot! I should have written it down. Every story has its downside. There was a restaurant there called PJs. They served the BEST lemon chicken I've ever had. I'd been looking forward to dinner there for days. So on Friday I left set up early and headed for PJs. I thought it looked dark but pulled in anyhow. It was dark with a big banner across the windows that said, For Lease! So no lemon chicken. I went to Subway instead. Saturday a lady told me the place across the parking lot at the hotel had a new owner. She said the food was great, so reluctantly, I went there remembering the last time I was there under different ownership. That time I had the WORST meal I ever had in any restaurant!! End of story is, I had a really nice dinner with great service and the serving was so big I didn't have any room for dessert.

Back to the show. I only heard one vendor say he had a slow show. Anyone else was surprised by the amount they sold. I certainly was. You're waiting for this: I sold two guns! I thought I was going to sell another one, however, the man offered half the price which I couldn't live with. I thought I exercised great control by not yelling at him how !##\*XX cheap he was! Besides sales being good, so was socializing. Lots of people I hadn't seen for a while. Also my brother, Gordon, came down from Kelowna and spent Saturday afternoon with me. When I arrived to set up, the show manager showed me my tables and told me he had someone to help me. He did. She was a small teenage girl who was there with her dad. She moved as fast as a kitten so I was set up in no time. She didn't care for my layout plan though and she told me she would change it. She was right, the table looked better her way. After the show the show manager and a friend helped me load. I was on my way 15 minutes after closing! In summation, I made wages for the first time in Salmon Arm. Before the show, I had been thinking if I was just trading dollars, this would be the last time I had tables. However, because of results this time, I've arranged to have tables in 2019.

This isn't pertaining to gun collecting, however, as a long time Burnaby resident, you can't believe how glad I am to see that Derek Corrigan, our mayor for eons, has finally been voted out!

How many members remember the old time gun shows? They were quite a lot different than the present. First of all, at least one third of the tables were display only. You saw a lot of really scarce/rare collections. There were prizes for the various categories. Also a best of the show and visitors were encouraged to vote for the display they liked best. You're right! It was a whale of a lot of work putting in a nice display. Even more work if you also had a trade table. The shows didn't open as early as now. Some as late as noon. So there was usually plenty of time for setting up. The shows also were open to the public later. Some as late as 10 p.m. If the show was held in a hotel ballroom, you gave them your floor plan and they set out the tables but this wasn't always the case. Shows were held in any place that had enough room. That meant someone had to be there early, like 5 a.m. to put up the tables. That job usually fell to my wife and me. Should I tell you how tired we would be after a show? It seemed like the shows were very busy over meal times so many times, not only were you short of sleep, but very hungry as well. It always took a few days to get over a gun show. Those shows were sure nice.

However, I like this style that we have now. There used to be so much work. Like once the show was in the 500 Hotel at 12th and Cambie Street. My wife and I had been there since early morning arranging tables, etc. We left for an early lunch before opening. We returned and found member, Tats Gately had come in and taken three tables of his choice to build his display. He collected high grade British shotguns and the display was very nice. However, I had to rearrange the original floor plan to accommodate his display. By that time members were arriving to set up. We had a member at the time who was always angry, I won't name him. I had to ask him to move his table. Of course he flared up in anger and told me NO. He said he was quitting the club. He packed all his stuff and we never saw him again. Luckily for me there was another member waiting, hoping to get a table at the last minute. So we didn't open with any empty tables.

We used to use hotel ballrooms for our shows then. I knew a catering manager in a few. The last hotel was the Landmark on Robson Street. It was quite a bit bigger than most hotels. The ballroom was on two levels. I explained that in the newsletter of the time. I also said first come; first served for the first floor. However, one member didn't pay attention. That was Tom Bongalis of Castle Armory. His tables were on the second floor. He complained but I wasn't about to go through a big change for anyone. So that was the last show he attended. At that show a bureaucrat from Victoria arrived and told me all vendors had to collect sales tax. Bill Vander Zalm was then premier and a friend of member, Mike Gordy. I told Mike about it. He said, I'll call Bill and get it settled. In a few minutes he was back. He had talked to the premier who said, just throw the tax papers away. So when you need a change, go to the top! That was the last of the hotel shows.

We moved then to Trout Lake Arena. Each time we moved the show became bigger. The next year was also in the Trout Lake Arena. After that show, I stepped down. There was a member, Dennis Izzard, in the club at the time. He knew he could do a much better job than I was doing so I gave up the job and let him show us all what an organizer he was. For myself, I was glad to give up the responsibility and just be a member.

It stayed that way for 20 years during which, my wife and I did shows all over North America. That included lots of driving. I used to wear out a van every four years! It was great fun. We saw a lot and made a lot of friends all over. One of the most interesting was the Oregon Trail. Jan, my late wife, had a friend whose grandmother, as a six year old, came over the trail. Popular belief is that they rode in the covered wagons. Her grandmother said that wasn't the case. It was thought the oxen already had such a heavy load that the people walked. So a little six year old walked all the way across America.

Now for the highlights of the October 21 show. Most of us expected a slow show. Hunting season was here. Well, the show certainly started very slow. Then about 10 a.m. it was like an explosion had filled the hall with visitors. It seemed as though everyone had come to buy something. I only spoke to one member who said he had a slow show. I brought only one gun. The thought being, less to take home. I was right, I took it home. However, I had brought some bayonets. I sold some of them. In fact, as I was packing up, my last sale was a bayonet that was packed. A member had seen it and decided he must have it. I was happy enough to unpack it. Of course, I always sell a few clips and some ammo. The downside of the day was, Mike Wallace, our financial secretary, was absent. Art called after the show to find out what it was. Apparently, Mike wakened with vertigo. He said the room was spinning, he could hardly stand and knew he wouldn't be able to drive. I sure hope, like everyone else, that your health returns, Mike!

I think I've mentioned this but the 2019 membership cards are here. You can mail in your \$40 dues or pay Jennifer when you get to the show. You can also book 2019 tables for the year. That way you get one month FREE!

Well, that's all for now. Until next time, be good to each other.

Cheers,  
Ron

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**HISTORICAL ARMS COLLECTORS SOCIETY OF BC  
MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**

FIRST NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ LAST NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ SUITE: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ PROVINCE: \_\_\_\_\_ POSTAL CODE: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ MOBILE: \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

Receive Newsletter: Mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_  
Please fill and return with payment of \$40, or drop off at next show.

## HACS NEWSLETTER AD SPACE

### FOR SALE | Larry 604.298.2070

WW II edged weapons, bayonets, fighting knives, swords. Sporting & military long guns, hand guns, first gen. Colt revolvers, large & small, metal & wood ammo boxes. Misc. helmets, webbing, belts, ammo etc., hats. Still a few books on military weapons, ships, guns, planes. Military manuals, assembly & disassembly of many guns. Phone for inventory remaining. Model planes, tanks included. Very reasonable prices. Moving in January . . . downsizing.

### FOR SALE | Ron 604.522.3609

Reloading press Herter's H.D. c/w large and small priming arms also truline insert, shell holders, 30-06, 303 BR, 30-30, 6, 5x54 & magnum includes 7/8" x 14 die body with inserts 30-06, 303 BR, 8x57 & 264 magnum, all for \$135. RCBS uniflow powder measure complete in box \$100. Lyman Ideal No. 55 powder measure c/w 2 drop tubes, \$60

### FOR SALE | Roy [akldf@hotmail.com](mailto:akldf@hotmail.com)

- Several parker hale rifles, safari 1200, 30/06, one det. magazine for each. Fair to good condition. Open to offers.
- Box of leather and synthetic holsters (~15), for semi pistols and large revolver, shoulder rigs.

### FOR SALE | Ole 604.847.9355

- Mossberg o/u shotgun .410 cal., Grade Silver Reserve, \$525.
- Armed single shot folding shotgun 12 ga., New. \$225.
- Browning Semi-Automatic Rifle. 30/06 cal., Grade II, made in Belgium. Like new, \$950.

### FOR SALE | Robert 604.700.9554, [robertdomc@gmail.com](mailto:robertdomc@gmail.com)

- AMMUNITION for Sale: Winchester/Western & Remington: .270 and 30-06 in Various Bullet Wts. \$15.00 per BOX; 12Ga. & 20Ga. Various Shot Sizes; \$12.00 per BOX. (Located in Vancouver)
- "GUN TRAVEL CASE"--Heavy Gage Aluminum for 2 or 3 Long Guns w/3 Lockable Hasps & Carrying Handle; 132 cm (52") Long, 35 cm (14") Wide, 11cm (4 5/8") Deep & Lined w/ Rubber Foam Pads. \$110.00
- Browning Light-12 made in Belgium in 1971, Mint: Collector/ Hunter Special: 2 VR Barrels; 28" Mod. C; & 24" IC w/ Browning Hard Leather Custom Travel Case; Original owner: Lists in US for \$2500+; Reduced to \$1995.00 CDN
- KERSHAW Vintage Knives Mfg. in Lake Oswego, OR, RARE and No Longer in Production There
- KERSHAW; Folding M-2040 (Stag); Locking 3 1/4" SS Blade & Handle w/Inlaid Rosewood & w/ Original Leather Sheath, Mint: \$115
- KERSHAW; Folding M-2050 (Rancher); 3 1/4" Locking & 2 1/2" Clip SS Blades & Hd. w/ Inlaid Rosewood & w/ Gerber Leather Sheath, Mint: \$110

## BUY & SELL OR TRADE

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, condition, general location, and best price.

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SA Finnish Marked SVT-40, or non refurbished SVT-40 or SVT-38.

[CollectingMilitaria@gmail.com](mailto:CollectingMilitaria@gmail.com)

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All eras Military items (autographs, helmets/headgear, uniforms, decorations, edged weapons etc.). Single items, estates, or collections.

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Outdoorsmanship in Lower Mainland (40+). Interested in hunting/fishing. I am European with a family and ethical values with all licenses and most gears looking for a partner/mentor or living legacy outlook. I have my life experience and willing to provide transportation, share costs and acquire new and reinforce, existing knowledge, behavior, skills, values. I fish and hunt with a dog.

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Wanted: Gary 604.858.7869 [g.strahl@telus.net](mailto:g.strahl@telus.net)

British and Canadian Swords; Also Weapons and Militaria of the East India Company.

Wanted: Mike 604.462.7263

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Wanted: Paul 778.278.2205 [pocomilitary@gmail.com](mailto:pocomilitary@gmail.com)

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Wanted: Al 604.941.8489, 778.385.8489

Buying firearms, single pieces or collections, estate assistance, Winchester, Marlin, Cold, Browning, etc.

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Inglis Hi Power, any condition deactivated for my WW2 Canadian display. Will pay cash.

Wanted: Jim 604.290.1911 [jimmygunns@gmail.com](mailto:jimmygunns@gmail.com)

Colt 45acp Government 1911's and 1911 A'1 or variations.

Wanted: Adam 778.522.2636 [adamhome@live.com](mailto:adamhome@live.com)

Smith & Wesson revolver, .38 Military & Police (Model 1905 – 4th change), 6" barrel preferred. (.38 S&W caliber) Canadian "C Broadarrow" acceptance mark. KONGSBERG Colt. (Norwegian 1911 Colt; called Model 1914 by the Norwegians). S/N range for wartime production is 26461 – 32335. Preferred 1945 manufacture with German proof and acceptance marks, and s/n range of 29615 – 32335. ASTRA 600/43. S/N 0 – 10500 w/ German proof and acceptance marks. Polish Eagle RADOM. manufactured prior to the German invasion of Poland. Chinese contract INGLIS Hi-Power.