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Newsletter February, 2019

2019 SHOW DATES

Jan 13May 26Sep 22Feb 10Jun 16Oct 20Mar 16-17Jul 07Nov 16-17Apr 07Aug 11Dec 08

NEXT SHOW

March 16 2019 - 9:00AM - 5:00PM March 17 2019 - 9:00AM - 3:00PM

Heritage Park 44140 Luckakuck Way, Chilliwack, BC Exit 116 (Off Hwy 1)

OUT OF TOWN SHOWS

March 24: Victoria, BC Vancouver Rangers Club House 3498 Luxton Rd. 250.479.7260

March 29-30-31: Calgary, AB BMO Centre in Stampede Park, 20 Roundup Way SE 403.771.8348, aaccaarms.show@gmail.com

April 6-7: Swift Current, SK Stockade, Box 1443, Swift Current, Sk., S9H 3X5, 306.778.6864

April 7-8: Dawson Creek, BC Encana Events Centre 250.782.2111

April 13-14 – High River, AB 780.507.0051, hpfishandgame@hotmail.com

April 13-14: Penticton, BC Curling Rink, 250.809.9163, collector0003@gmail.com

April 13-14 – Dawson Creek, BC Events Centre #1, 300 Highway 2, 250.782.2111, dcscgunshow@gmail.com,

April 26-28: Grande Prairie, AB Evergreen Park, 780.747.2923

April 27-28: Cranbrook, BC Cranbrook Curling Rink, 1812 – 2 St. North, Cranbrook, 250.422.3469

April 27-28: Kamloops, BC McArthur Sports Centre 250.376.0055 or 250.319.1916 kamloopsgunshow@ktsa.ca

Ron's Report

Well, boys and girls, here are some of the highlights from the February gun show in Evergreen Hall. A lot of us expected it to be very slow. There was a huge gun auction by Maynard's over the whole weekend. Someone told me that there was a collection of 2500 guns plus all the other smaller lots. That was only one of several crowd pleasing events on the weekend. Bill Twidale came and informed me as I was finishing setting up that there was a line-up of one. However, it didn't surprise me. What did surprise me was that we had 187 guests. I believe we signed up a few new members as well.

I have to thank Morgan Wong for the cup of coffee he brought over for me. Thank you, Morgan! I enjoyed every drop. I wonder if anyone else was surprised to see George Smith from the Island covering two tables. It's a long time since George has come for a one-day show. I do think some members took in the big Maynard's gun auction. I haven't heard any reports on the auction or talked to anyone who attended. I don't usually attend auctions. I've found I can't control myself from bidding and just be a spectator. I have to admit, I'm a sucker for any kind of a bargain! Some of the auction bargains I bought, at a later date, I've been thrilled to get half of my original investment back. However, there are a lot of very sharp buyers who do really well buying at auctions.

In the December newsletter I asked about a few previous club members I hadn't heard from in a lot of years. So far, there has been no response. Does that mean these ex-members have gone to the Big Gun Show in the Sky? There was another one I didn't include. He was one of the original HACS members from 1970. His name is Jim Laing. He lived in Kelowna and was a VERY advanced bayonet and militaria collector. He was originally from Lethbridge but moved to Kelowna because of his job in a winery. He had served in the US military at one time, maybe the Korean War. I don't remember. He put on the first gun show in Lethbridge in the 1960s. When he could, he used to come down to the Coast for some of our early shows. It's been many years since I've heard from him.

Back to February 10. We were going to have a directors' meeting however, because some of the board members were absent, Art and I decided on March at the AGM. I'd like to bring this up. In 2004 I was asked to stand for president. I thought, ok, it's going to save the club. I decided I would do the job for two years! Now, another AGM is at hand and if nominated, I will stand. That will be 16 years. The club is healthy again and even though in an unofficial newsletter, put out by the board that lost the elect, they had predicted the demise of HACS, we have about quadrupled in size! So what that means is this: I want to retire! I want this to be my last year as an elected member. Maybe some of the other elected members feel the same as I do. So this is a year's notice to think things over, fellows.

Again, back to the show. I'm sure all HACS members are with me in wishing Paul Baker of Poco Military a very speedy recovery from a stroke. The last word I had was they got him to the hospital quickly and there are no nasty effects left over. Good! We missed you at your table, Paul. We hope to see you soon.

After leaving Evergreen, I stopped for gas. As I was paying, the cashier asked if I lived in Chilliwack. I told her I lived in Burnaby. She said, drive very carefully home, there is a blizzard coming this way from Vancouver. I was driving as fast as I could until I hit a line of traffic as I was coming into Abbotsford. Just off the freeway there was a big accident with trucks and cars all over, though not on the freeway. However, the traffic had slowed up to look at the mess on the road below. Finally I got going again and met the snow on the east side of Surrey. It got a lot heavier as I got nearer Port Mann Bridge. Across the bridge I could only see the road ahead of me. It was like being in a strange city. I missed my exit, but at the next one I was able to see the signs so I made a U turn and came back and started home. As I went up the hill the snow got a bit lighter. Finally, I was home. It was still snowing so I didn't unload. Usually after a show the family comes in and we go to dinner together. By 4 o'clock the families cancelled. It was snowing harder!

I was talking to a friend in Alberta the other day. He is a gun collector (Colts) and he told me what the reason is for change of dates and location of the big Calgary gun show. It has been held Easter weekend in the Saddle Dome for over 50 years. However, this year the gun show and club were bumped by the Saddle Dome management! So the usual 1000 table show will not be taking place this year. The club is going to do the best they can with the Thorncliffe Community Center, 5600 N Centre Street. The dates are March 29, 30, 31. Email aacca.arms.show@gmail.com, phone 403.771.8348.

After renting the same place on the same weekend for over half a century, I'd call that a real slap in the face! I don't think anything like that would happen in Chilliwack. I forgot to mention that it was a car show that bumped them out. The club didn't get much of a deal on rent either. They were charged \$60,000 for rent! Plus the vendors were charged \$18 per day for parking. So you see, they had to sell lots just to cover expenses. Many years ago, Jan and I did the show. It was good alright but everything cost a lot. We only did it once. In some places it's just impossible to be Mr. Nice Guy! I found the comparison between Calgary and Edmonton was like night and day. In Edmonton they (everyone) seemed pleased that you were there for the gun show or any reason.

There are a lot of you boys and girls who can remember my late wife, Jan. You also know we travelled around a lot doing gun shows. We did two in Toronto. We could tell they just tolerated us to make sure a table was covered. They were NOT friendly to us at all! However, the most unfriendly show we ever attended was in London, Ontario. After set up someone came and asked me about something. I'm a Westerner and

sound like one. When he heard that, he almost swallowed his tongue. He just hurried away. It turned out the only people who spoke to us was an Italian gentleman across the aisle from us and two men from Windsor who had something in a brown bag that made them laugh a lot. By about 11 a.m. I'd had enough, I told Jan we could start packing up. Just as we started, the show chairman came on the PA and said, "Table 49, the show isn't over until 4 p.m." Jan said, that's us. I said, I heard nothing, keep packing! It was my birthday and we were invited to my cousin's for dinner, who lived in Kingston, so we left and got there early. Yes! I had a nice steak dinner.

One time, after doing a show in Abilene, Kansas, we thought about doing another show in Hutchison. However, a friend told us it would be a waste of time. He was from Arkansas and suggested we try a show down there. We took his advice, it was meal time when we crossed the state line. We went into a restaurant in the area of the famous Martin and McCoy family feud. It's the only restaurant I've ever been in that has a small stream running through the dining area. The meal was GREAT. It's the first time since my English grandmother died that I've had apple dumplings, and they were just like my Gramma used to make. Anyhow, we found a show and booked tables in Russellville. The next stop was a camping ground. We found one close and we got a site right on the lakeshore. There was a large motorcycle rally that weekend and there were 700 motorcyclists camped there as well. Jan was apprehensive about it but we had to camp somewhere. We had just plugged in when a man came over to say his name was George, and he made the coffee. It was ready now so come over. That calmed Jan's nerves a lot. We had a few days for sightseeing. We went to a town called "Dogpatch" and a diamond mine where Jan bought a ring. I'm surprised by the fact that in all the places we went, there was someone who knew about BC. I stopped for gas at a town called "Hog Eye." The young man who filled the tank was excited to tell us he was saving his money to go to Nelson, BC. Then he told us all the animals he planned to hunt while he was there. At the campsite there was a post and you clipped your receipt to it to indicate it was occupied. But if you were away anyone could throw your receipt away and replace it with theirs. George told us lots of people came and looked at our site so George and six or seven others would walk over and suggest they leave. George said, they always left! They were a swell bunch. They invited us to their Saturday night wind up dinner. We couldn't attend as we had already made other arrangements. Now the show. There were about 200 tables. Just before opening time the show manager came on the PA. He said, listen up folks, we have visitors from Canada on tables #58-#59. Everyone but one, the ugliest man I've seen, he was from New York, came over to shake hands and hope we had a good show. We did have a good show! We had a great time the whole week we were in Arkansas. You see, absolutely no comparison to London or Toronto, Ontario.

Well boys and girls, that's all I know for this month except to tell you how much I hate snow! So until next month, be good to each other.

Cheers, Ron

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- BAIKAL MP-94 "CEBEP", O/U, .22 WMR x 20g.-3". Three screw-in chokes & wrench. NEW w/factory manual (no box). \$650.00 + shipping
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- COLT NATIONAL MATCH, Mk. III, .38 Spl., Wad-Cutter, Mid-Range. Two mags., VG. \$1200.00 + shipping
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