

Gabriola Rod, Gun and Conservation Club

General Meeting

Date: February 5, 2026

Place: Clubhouse

Time: 7pm

1. Meeting called to order at 7:05 with Paul M in the chair.
2. Membership: 104 with 10 to be processed.
3. Minutes for 11th December 2025
Motion that the Minutes be accepted MSC Marie B/ Dave U
4. Business arising from the Minutes – None.
5. Correspondence: No new correspondence. Update on the damage to our “bunny” in the laundromat. Damage has been dealt with and Paul will put their Logo up with the others when we have the Hunt at Easter.
6. Treasurer’s Report.

As of December 31 we came in under our budgeted loss by \$500.

Our finances are staying within our Budget, most expenses have been tied in with the Clubhouse renovations or work parties on the rifle range. The NFA membership and insurance fees are our biggest expense.

Motion: To accept the Treasurer’s report MSC with one abstention

Marie B/Jonathan C

(Point of information – Costco sells large rolls of stamps which have a substantial discount)

7. Committee Reports:
 - a. Range reports were given by Bob L. The stats for 2025 showed the largest use was of the Rifle range, with archery and handgun being very similar. – 413 to 67 to 66. Official shoots varied with Rifle precision shooting with 47 participants, Rifle fun with 25, Rifle Iron sights with 27 , Rifle silhouette with 9 for 2 shoots, and pistol with 9 for 3 shoots.
 - b. Teaching Committee presented by Imelda C. Two items are on the agenda.
 - i. The Introduction to Firearms Course which is to held after March 14. A possible date would be Saturday, March 28 - drawback, last day of the School Spring break. Info will be in the Ramblings.
 - ii. We are hoping to start a Youth Group, but have been unsure of where a covered area is needed. The thought is now to have the senior group do .22 rifle in the Rifle shed - limit 12 students (12 to 16) and younger students (8 to 11) to do air rifle, most likely under a tarp on the top field. More info coming.

iii. Are there any more candidates for the restricted course on March 14?

c. Budget committee: Please contact Jim H if you can help out on this committee.

8. Ongoing Business:

a. Our annual Turkey Shoot will be held February 21, and if poor weather, on February 28. .22 rifle, .22 pistol and archery events will be held followed by lunch. All events/food are free and equipment will be provided. Time will be from 11am to 1:30 pm, with events being from 11 to 12:50.

b. Silhouette box and sand pit work parties are needed. Give names to Imelda if you are volunteering.

c. Community events:

i. Easter egg hunt – an organizer has been found. Paul M is working on funding.

ii. Potato cannon contest: Has had 2 volunteers but would appreciate an organizer “understudy” and a singer to lead O Canada – contact Paul M.

d. 2026 AGM is set for March 5. Please consider running and put your name forward. All table officers are needed President, Treasurer, Secretary and Vice President.

9. New Business

a. PAL course. The non-restricted is being offered on March 14, in the Clubhouse. - \$200 includes text. Sunday will see the Restricted course offered - \$75. Contact is Imelda Cuthbertson – 250 247 8801. She is also taking registrations for a 2nd non restricted course later this year.

b. Generator discussion. Jonathan C, who has been working in the Clubhouse, has a number of suggestions to improve prospective work parties up at the Club. These covered gasoline or propane availability as well as oil, instruction booklet for equipment, containers, adequate lighting and more.

Motion: that the Club accepts Jonathan’s offer to set up and organize the Generator shed. He has a budget of \$200 to work with. MSC Imelda C/DaveU

Many thanks to Sharon W and Jonathan C for their help painting and installing the mouldings in the Clubhouse. Much appreciated by all of us.

Adjournment called 8:18pm MSC Imelda C/Marie B