

Good afternoon to you all:

We did not put out an April newsletter so I am sending an email to all of you to let you know of two events the club would like to plan should there be enough interest amongst the membership and to also let you know of several upcoming events both locally and away from home.

Family Fishing Day: The WL Sportsmen's Association would like to know if there is membership interest in participating in a fishing event during Family Fishing Weekend, specifically on Father's Day, June 15th, 2008. Both Gavin and Jacobie Lakes have been discussed as possible destinations if members are interested.

We will need at least 10 boats as well as fishing gear. We will also need people to operate the boats and to take families and their children out on the water. Everyone would be responsible for their own transportation. Please give Debbie a call at 392-2504 or email wlsawebmaster@telus.net if you would like the club to host this event as we will need to start planning right away.

ATV Fun Ride: Jacques Drisdelle would like to organize an ATV Fun Ride for club members. The event would occur sometime in July, 2008. Everyone would bring their own ATVs, gear and snacks. The most likely scenario would be that everyone would meet on the Meldrum Creek Road, off Highway 20, where there is space to park vehicles and unload ATVs off road. The ride would take place behind the Loran C Tower. If interested, call Jacques at 392-2417 or email him at Jacques@bccf.com.

C.O.R.E: The next CORE course starts on Tuesday, May 6th, 2008 and runs until May 15th, 2008. Time is 7:00 – 10:00 pm. The course is being held at the WLSA Clubhouse on Bond Lake Road. Applicants must pre-register by May 1st. The cost is \$125.00 for CORE and \$25.00 for the FSC exam. There are already 25 pre-registrants so you will need to register soon if you are interested. For registration and information, call Barry or Judy Jenkins at 392-6750.

The 56th Annual British Columbia Provincial Trapshooting Championships: are being held May 16th – 19th, 2008, at the North Okanagan Trap & Skeet

Club 10 miles north of Vernon off HWY. 97A. For more information, phone (250) 545-0781.

Sporting Clays Shoot: The WLSA is hosting a Sporting Clays Shoot at the WLSA Clubhouse on Bond Lake Road, Saturday and Sunday, May 17th & 18th, 2008. Start time is 1:00 pm on Saturday and 10:00 am on Sunday (lunch included on Sunday). I have attached a poster for this event and have also included information under “events” on the website at www.williamslakesportsmen.com. For more information, contact Barry at 392-6750 or Cliff at 392-7561.

Clubhouse Tables: The WL Sportsmen’s Association will be holding a work-bee on Saturday, May 24th, 2008 at the clubhouse to refurbish the tables. Doors open at 10:00 am. Hotdogs, hamburgers and refreshments will be served. We need your help on this one. Please attend if you are able.

Handloading Rifle Ammunition Course: The WLSA is hosting a Handloading Rifle Ammunition Course at the clubhouse on Bond Lake Road starting Sunday, May 25th, 2008, 7:00 – 9:00 pm. The course covers all aspects of ammunition loading. Registration will take place at the first class. The cost is \$60.00 plus materials. There will be 4 classes, or more if required. I have attached a poster for this event and have also posted it under “Events” on the website at www.williamslakesportsmen.com. For more information contact Barry Jenkins at 392-6750.

May, 2008 General Meeting: The May, 2008 General Meeting has been changed from May 19th, 2008 to May 26th, 2008 due to a stat holiday on the 19th. Start time is 7:30 pm. Mike Ramsay from the Ministry has been invited to attend this meeting to discuss changes to the Fishing Regulations. This will be an informative meeting. Hope to see you all there.

Shooting Benches: Gord Mayfield and Lorne Barron are in the process of building new shooting benches that they designed together. The first bench has already been installed at the rifle range. Although there needs

to be a few more coats of paint applied, it can currently be used. Next time you are at the club, try it out. The benches are constructed from iron and plywood. A big thank you to Gerry Lucas who donated the plywood, and to Brent Judd from Williams Lake Scrap Metal Recycling for the donation of all the scrap metal.

Well that's about it for now. Feel free to contact me at 392-2504 or at wlsawebmaster@telus.net if you have any questions, concerns or suggestions. This is your club and we want your involvement. There is so much that can be accomplished.

Cheers ~ Debbie.