

IPSC – NL

Year End Newsletter

Well folks another year is almost over. Lots of great shoots this year, it's great to see lots of folks participating. Thanks to you all, IPSC is strong and growing in Newfoundland and Labrador!

Updates:

- **The shed:** *As some of you may have become aware, we had to move the shed again. Its new home is just behind the firing line near where the safety area is normally set-up. This was necessary to facilitate the development of a 50 m fixed firing line on range C and Federal guidelines just didn't leave enough room for the shed to stay where it was. Because of the height of the new pad, we'll need to build a ramp to get in and out – Any volunteer carpenters out there?*
- **Range Officer Course:** *We have been desperately short of RO's for some time now and I've been working with the new national NROI to try and bring an instructor in to put off another course. The plan is to hold a course sometime through the winter before the spring season starts. Stay posted for dates and details.*
- **Our Annual General Meeting** *will be held in January. Make notes of any ideas you have for next year and get involved. We'll announce date and time early in the New Year.*
- **The Rod and Gun AGM** *is in February. Let's keep a strong IPSC contingent on the executive. With 30 members we represent over 10% of the membership and are certainly some of the most active shooters out there let's make sure we keep our voices heard.*
- **Spring Black Badge Course:** *Lots of interest for next year's course. If you have folks you know who are interested, registration forms will be available in January on the website once we finalize the dates. Limit is 10 students and its first come first serve.*
- *A new rule book has been approved by the international body. Copies will be available in the New Year. Once I get a look I'll try and summarize the changes for everybody.*
- **The 2009 Nationals** *are in Halifax next year. Dates should be announced early in the New Year but the word from the folks in Nova Scotia is that will be around the 1-Aug holiday week-end. A few of us are planning to attend so why not book some time off and pop over. It's a great opportunity to see and shoot with some of the best shooters in the country. Should be a blast!*

Some other house keeping issues:

- *Old shot up targets should be removed after a match. If they can't be re-used, take them back to town for recycling. The stove in the shed just won't burn all the cardboard that's been stacked up in there.*
- *Target stands will soon be available on range C for practice. Please respect the range rules when practicing. A range officer needs to be designated if more than 2 of you are shooting to control the line. Set-up you practice sessions to shoot safe.*
- *Please be mindful of the "reply all" button when responding to e-mails. We're starting to be a larger outfit and unrestrained chatting can quickly clog up the Inboxes of those of us who use our work accounts for IPSC.. Maybe we can set up a separate chat area for general news and information – thanks.*

That's all for now

Feliz Navidad de su Presidente!

(PS: Don't forget to leave Santa some Robaxicet with his cookies to help him out after dragging all those bullets under your tree!)