

Down Range The Lower Trent Valley Fish and Game Club Monthly Newsletter

Merry Christmas Members, we hope you have a safe and enjoyable holiday with family and loved ones.

Membership Update.

Renewals.

If you have not renewed for 2024 yet, remember that after midnight on 31st December there is a \$100 surcharge for renewals in January.

After midnight on 31st January, you will have missed the renewal deadline, and your place will be assigned to people on our waiting list.

Stickers.

We no longer send out renewal stickers.

As your access card controls access to the club, we felt the money spent, about \$5000, on printing and mailing stickers would be better spent on club improvements.

Also, updating the membership file is the easy part of processing renewals, printing stickers, envelopes, stuffing the envelopes and mailing probably accounts for about 70 to 80% of the workload which is all done by volunteers.

This was explained to members that attended the AGM and there was a vote to discontinue them.

The metal pins will continue to be available, in small quantities, in person to those that attend monthly meetings.

From the office of Jason Francescone and our TRAP shooters.

I am looking to put a group of 8-10 volunteers together to run the weekly Shotgun events. This is a great way to get your volunteer hours, and to network with other members.

I have had several inquires about expanding the shotgun events to more days. The only way I can make this happen is with volunteers that are committed to growing the sport. LTVFGC board and membership has approved the upgrade of our trap machine and range upgrades. We will have the capabilities to throw doubles and run multiple rounds before requiring a reload. This will improve the efficiency when running the day.

I am hoping to create a group to facilitate the current shotgun days. I would be looking for a single day a month that 2 people can commit to opening and running the event. I hope to grow the group into a committee and continue to develop the field and future events. As a group we can look at additional days, special events, and how long the event would run based on volunteer availability.

I will be holding a information meeting for volunteers and a safety and operational course for the shotgun field. This is a great way to take a personal ownership of our great facility and club.

Jason Francescone.

Interested please reply to: jayman485@yahoo.ca.

Have a safe holiday please everyone. And we look forward to seeing you at the club in 2024.