



The Marksmen

The Annual General Meeting Is coming

AGM

The Annual General Meeting is scheduled for **WEDNESDAY, May 15th**. It will begin at **7:00 PM**. All current members are welcome and encouraged to attend. Reports will be given from the sections; elections of directors, motions will be tabled for the usual housekeeping affiliations. As usual, snacks will be served after the meeting. In an effort to have more members participate in the AGM. **If you cannot attend; we encourage you to fill out and send in the proxy form for the major motions being tabled at the meeting with the enclosed envelope.**

General Shooting moves back outside on April 27th As of April 27th, Saturday General Shooting will be held at the Outdoor Range for Saturdays only. Shooting will continue there for Saturdays (Tuesday nights will remain indoor) until October 5th.

Guests Don't forget AMA's guest policies – it's attached to this newsletter.

Are you on our AMA email notification list?

Occasionally we send out reminders of scheduling, issues, notifications, etc. send an email to atlanticmarksmen@gmail.com to be added to the list.

Range Rules are posted at the ranges so you cannot miss them. They are also included with this newsletter, as they have been for the past 32 issues of the newsletter. Ignorance of the rules is not considered an excuse to violate them. These rules are for your safety and the safety of others. If you ignore these rules, not only do you jeopardize having the range closed, you jeopardize yours or someone else's life.

Card Keys at the Indoor Range. If you have issues with your key cards, please email Sean Hansen and include the card key # in your note.

RO Course – Graham Fortune will put on an RO course in May if there is enough interest – contact Graham to register if you are interested. His contact info is listed later in this newsletter. Note that you must have one year's shooting experience to be eligible for this course.

Range Officer Schedule – The new range officer schedule is attached to this newsletter. It will also be posted in the indoor range. If you are on this list, you are required to range officer when you are scheduled. If you cannot make it, contact one of the other ROs and trade. It is your responsibility to find the list and make sure you do your duty. The penalty for not doing your duty is that you have to return your keys.

Explosive Targets are prohibited at AMA's Indoor Range. They are permitted under special circumstances at the outdoor range. "Shockwave" or "Tannerite" Targets are permitted with written email permission from the club president. If you want to shoot these – on the rifle range – email Sean with the details when and he will book it and provide any conditions. Shooting Tannerite/Shockwave without previous permission will be grounds for expulsion from the club. **"Firebird" targets** – usually available at Canadian Tire are also prohibited on any of AMA's ranges.

AMA Practice Nights - IPSC shooters. AMA IPSC practice sessions will move to Thursday nights outdoors as of April 18th This will be for the entire summer. If it is pouring rain, don't expect the gate to be open, but if it's just misting, we'll be there with the gate open. The indoor range will still be available to IPSC Shooters on Wednesday nights & Sunday afternoons as well.

Outdoor Range Ranges 5-7 remain off limits to anyone that is not currently participating in a recognized action shooting discipline. Exceptions are available from the Executive in writing.

RO Hours: The times presented for shooting on Tuesdays and Saturdays are when the RO is on duty, if shooters are present. If the RO has no shooters within one hour of closing time; he may shut down and go home.

Ranges are not parking lots - PARKING is only permitted at the outdoor range in the parking lots, with a couple of small exceptions. (See Standing Orders) Vehicles parked elsewhere will be pelted with ricochets, mud, rocks and probably towed downrange to be used as targets.

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How to use a Target Stand for the Outdoor facility.

The proper way to use a stand is to take a piece of cardboard and staple it across both uprights on the stand. Then attach a target to the cardboard. Do not attach a target so that your shots will penetrate the target and the upright of the target stand. You should always be able to find discarded IPSC and police targets in one of the trailers to use as backers.

Parking at Outdoor range - When you park; **do not block any other vehicle and do not block the access roads** to the rifle range or the back pistol ranges. If there is no parking remaining close to the rifle range, you'll have to park in the pistol range parking lot and walk. Please be considerate to your fellow range users so we don't have to deal with this this summer.

Outdoor Range Schedule.

IPSC - May 26, June 16, July 14, Sept 8, Oct 6 (Ranges 2-7 in Use)

IPSC Provincial Championships – August 17/18 Ranges 1-7 in Use. (General Shooting Indoors August 17)

This schedule may change – we will email out if any changes are necessary.

Ticks at the outdoor range. Like every year, there will again be ticks at the outdoor range. Make sure that you use insect repellent with lots of DEET in it and check yourself thoroughly when you return from the range to ensure none have hitched a ride on you.

Please Help Us Clean Up - Just a reminder that when you use the facilities, please throw your discarded brass, old targets, **coffee cups**, patch backers, etc. in the garbage cans and not on the range surface. When you use the indoor range, sweep up after yourself and when you're outdoors remember to **take down your old target**. It's no use to anyone after the rain gets on it the next day.

Woods Travel Ban: If we have a dry summer, the province might institute a woods travel ban. The outdoor range is exempt from this and remains open during the ban. Just be sure to be careful when it comes to any fires, i.e. smoking, etc.

Contact Us

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Don't forget our Website www.atlanticmarksmen.ca

Don't forget at the Outdoor Range:

- **Failure to sign in at the facility before you fire your first shot will result in you being sent off the property for the day.**
- **Through May, please drive slowly and don't cause pot holes.**
- ***GARBAGE: Take care of it yourself!!! At the outdoor range, there is a dumpster in the parking lot. If you fill a garbage can, take the bag and put next to the dumpster and we'll put it in***
- ***Have your current membership card with you. No card = no proof of membership and ejection from the facilities.***
- ***Park properly! Don't block others in and keep your vehicles in safe locations.***
- **Steel Shooting at the Outdoor Range** Steel plates or poppers shot on Ranges 2&3 cause splatter to land on ranges 5&6. Therefore steel on range 2,3&4 must be shielded. Steel shot on Range 1 causes splatter to land on range 2 & 4, so unless the steel is at the end of the range - it, too must be shielded.

DO NOT shoot steel that does not belong to you.

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**AMA Shooting Schedule
May 1, 2019 to Oct 9, 2019**

Monday Evenings	Air Pistol and Rifle Indoors. Begin at 6:30 PM
Tuesday Evenings	General Handgun. All members are welcome. Begin at 6:30PM at the Indoor Range.
Wednesday Evenings	IPSC Shooting. Black Badge Holders, beginning at 5:30 PM.
Thursday Evenings	IPSC Shooting. Black Badge Holders. Shooting is on non-rainy nights at the outdoor range, beginning at 5:30 PM.
Thursday Evenings	ISU / ISSF Style Shooting in the indoor range. Begin at 6:30.
Saturday Afternoon	General shooting. All members are welcome. Range 1. Begin at 1:00 PM <u>at the outdoor range.</u> <i>NOTE: RO may pack up and leave if no one is left shooting at 3.</i>
	Shotgun Shooting. All members welcome (bring your own clays) Held from the shotgun shelter in the outdoor range. Begin at 1:00 PM.
Sunday Morning	Rifle Shooting on Outdoor Rifle Range. Begins at 10, ends at noon.

AMA AGM 2019 Fact Sheet

In an attempt to get more of our general membership to participate in the Annual General Meeting, we're sending out proxy forms to all our members for the usual major motions.

The following motions will be tabled at the AGM. A proxy form is attached to this newsletter for you to cast your vote. This is the associated information for those motions.

As of printing time, the individual reports were not available; therefore, no proxy vote will be available for them.

The Proxy Form will be regarding the following Motions.

1. Elections. All the existing board members have re-offered for their existing positions. The Nominating Committee will present the following slate:
 - 1.1 Election of President. Sean Hansen, incumbent is re-offering.
 - 1.2 Election of Vice President, James Smith is offering.
 - 1.3 Election of Secretary; Anees Obeid, incumbent is re-offering.
 - 1.4 Election of Treasurer; Graham Fortune, incumbent is re-offering.
- 1.5 Election of Handgun Section; Andrew Brace, Marcel Boudreau, Ronald Hilchey, Michael Lee, Wade MacKay. All re-offering.
- 1.6 Election of Rifle Section. Don Ferris, Brad Browne, Terry Hewitt. Shawn MacPhail and Glen Gorveatte All re-offering.
- 1.7 Election of Members at Large; Rod Regier, Steven Parker, Alex Marks and Mike Wood. All re-offering.
- 1.8 Changing the Election Cycle at AMA to 3 years. Currently an election for the board of AMA occurs every year. This is costly, time consuming and unproductive.
 - **Unproductive.** This is the most important issue. A new board does not have time in the space of a year to accomplish any goals or projects. A three year term would allow for a productive board.
 - **Time Consuming.** Every year, nearly 40% of the time at the AGM is consumed by the election process. It takes time to collect proxies from members that cannot attend, confirming board members to run, etc.
 - **Costly.** Mailing notification of the AGM with the election and with proxies costs money. This expense would only be incurred every three years instead of yearly.
 - Finally, **most organization have board terms longer than one year** for the reasons above. All this motion is doing is bringing AMA in line with the majority of businesses and associations.
2. Income issues.

The Board is recommending a senior membership increase of \$25 to \$225 this year. A Motion will be presented. It has been over a decade since AMA raised its senior member dues. General costs have increased significantly since and it's time for an increase in dues.

3. These Housekeeping Motions will be presented. We have always approved these motions.
 - 3.1 Motion for AMA to Associate with the Shooting Federation of Nova Scotia.
 - 3.2 Motion for AMA to Associate with the Shooting Federation of Canada.

General Information

If you do not have your current membership card with you while on AMA premises, you may be asked to leave.

- Refer to AMA Guest Rules for information regarding guests at AMA premises.
- **One person on the range proper MUST be a certified Range Officer.**
- Range Hours are 8:30 AM to 9:30 PM. No shooting outside of those times unless prior approval from the board has been granted.
- The following is prohibited: Steel reactionary targets unless shrouded. (I.e. plates, silhouettes, etc.), Black Powder firearms. Steel core or jacketed ammunition, Incendiary or Explosive Targets, Rifle Caliber Centerfire rifles / carbines, **Pistol Caliber Carbines (i.e. 9mm, 38 Special, 40S&W, 45ACP, 44 Mag, 357 Mag) are specifically permitted.**
- Magnum pistol calibers are permitted with the permission of the Range Officer and Chief Range Officer. Please consider others on the range with regard to concussion and noise.
- Jacketed ammunition is permitted and encouraged (less smoke)
- No shooting within 3 meters of the backstop.
- No Eating, Drinking or Smoking on the ranges.
- Sweep the range floor with dust bane and throw it in the garbage when you are done shooting.

Before any Shooting

- All guests must be signed into the logbook. Both their host member and Guest must have their names legible.
- Inform the Range Officer you will be shooting before doing anything else. He will instruct you as to when and where you can un-box your firearm and shoot.

During Shooting

- Eye and Ear protection are mandatory for all shooters and spectators from the minute they walk into the range until they leave
- No Range may be used without a Range Officer present.

Standard (General Shooting) Range Commands:

Eyes and Ears!

- Ensure you are using your hearing and eye protection.

Approach The Line.

- Move forward and un-box your firearm and /or handle it to prepare for shooting.

On your own Time, Fire.

- Shoot at your target, reload and continue if you have to.

Cease Fire!

- Stop Shooting, unload your gun, leave it open on the table and step back from the firing line.

The Line is Clear.

- Go around the tables and approach your targets. Do not approach the tables from behind the firing line again until told to do so.

After Shooting

- Take down your targets and cardboard backers and put them away. Tear up worn-out backers and put them in the garbage.
- Pick up your spent cartridges. This includes rim fire. If you don't want them, dispose of them in the brass bins.
- Turn off the ventilation, turn out the lights and lock the door (both locks) behind you.

Emergencies

In the Event of an Emergency, call 911. The range Address is 6 Clements St. Dartmouth.

- **Violation of these standing orders will incur a review of the member's actions by the board and could result in suspension of privileges and / or expulsion from the club.**

Atlantic Marksmen Association - Standing Orders for the Ralph Dunn Range

General Information

- If you do not have your current membership card with you while on AMA premises, you will be asked to leave.
- Guests are entitled to shoot with a member; but must join after the second visit to continue using the club facilities. **No more than 3 guests per member** are permitted on the property.
- **One person in each range bay MUST be a certified Range Officer.**
- Range Hours are 10:00 AM to Dusk. No shooting outside of those times unless prior approval from the board has been granted.
- Smoking is only permitted in the parking lot areas. This includes vaping and inhalers.
- The Chief Range Officer (CRO) is the range officer who first opened the gate to the facility. He must designate a new CRO (who must be a range officer) when he leaves or he will have to evict everyone and lock the gate. Anyone who arrives after the CRO who wants to open a new range bay must let the CRO know he is going to do so.
- Parking is to the left and right of the range rules sign. Only vehicles authorized by the CRO & those vehicles with handicapped passes may proceed to the range surfaces.
- Steel may only be shot by pistol calibers and never on ranges 1, 2 or 3 unless shrouded.
- Explosive targets (tannerite, shockwave, etc.) may only be used with written permission of the club president. **Firebird explosive targets may NOT be used**
- Balloons as targets are prohibited.
- Center fire rifle ammunition is prohibited from shooting steel unless the steel is personally owned or the rifle range flash targets are used.

Before any Shooting

- All members and guests must sign in the logbook in the sign-in shack.
- Red Flags must be raised at the entrance gate, at the sign in shack and at each range bay that is in use.

During Shooting

- Eye protection is mandatory for all shooters and spectators on active ranges. Eye protection must be worn when a red flag is raised on a range bay.

Standard (General Shooting) Range Commands:

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| Eyes and Ears! | - Ensure you are using your hearing and eye protection. |
| Approach The Line. | - Move forward and un-box your firearm and /or handle it to prepare for shooting. |
| On your own Time, Fire. | - Shoot at your target, reload and continue if you have to. |
| Cease Fire! | - Stop Shooting, unload your gun, leave it open on the table and step back from the firing line. |
| The Line is Clear. | - Go around the tables and approach your targets. Do not approach the tables from behind the firing line again until told to do so. |

Range Specific Rules

Rifle Range

- All shooting will be from under the covered firing point unless a board-approved action shooting event is taking place.
- All targets will be placed in front of a berm such that the bullet will travel through the target at strike the berm. There are berms at 100yds, 190yds and 280 yds.
- Shooters must check to ensure that the shotgun range is not in use when proceeding downrange to check targets. It is best to go behind the shotgun shack when proceeding downrange.

Shotgun Range

- Shotgun shooting from the shotgun shelter with the throwers will only take place under the supervision of a designated "Shotgun" Range Officer.
- No bigger than 7.5 shot size may be used at range 8 (the shotgun shelter with skeet throwers)
- Shotguns will be stored in racks, unloaded, except when actually in use on firing point and will not be loaded until the shooter is given the command to load.
- Shooters are limited to 10 rounds per turn and must provide own clays.
- Shooters will not advance forward past the firing positions (into the line of fire from the rifle range)

After Shooting

- Take down your targets and cardboard backers and put them away. Tear up worn-out backers and put them in the garbage.
- Pick up your spent cartridges. This includes rim fire, steel cases and shotgun hulls. If you don't want them, dispose of them in the brass bins or garbage.
- Sign out in the logbook.

Emergencies

In the Event of an Emergency, call 911. The Range Address is 2965 Old Guysborough Rd.

Violation of these standing orders will incur a review of the member's actions by the board and will likely result in suspension of privileges and / or expulsion from the club.

RO Schedule April 23 – October 29, 2019

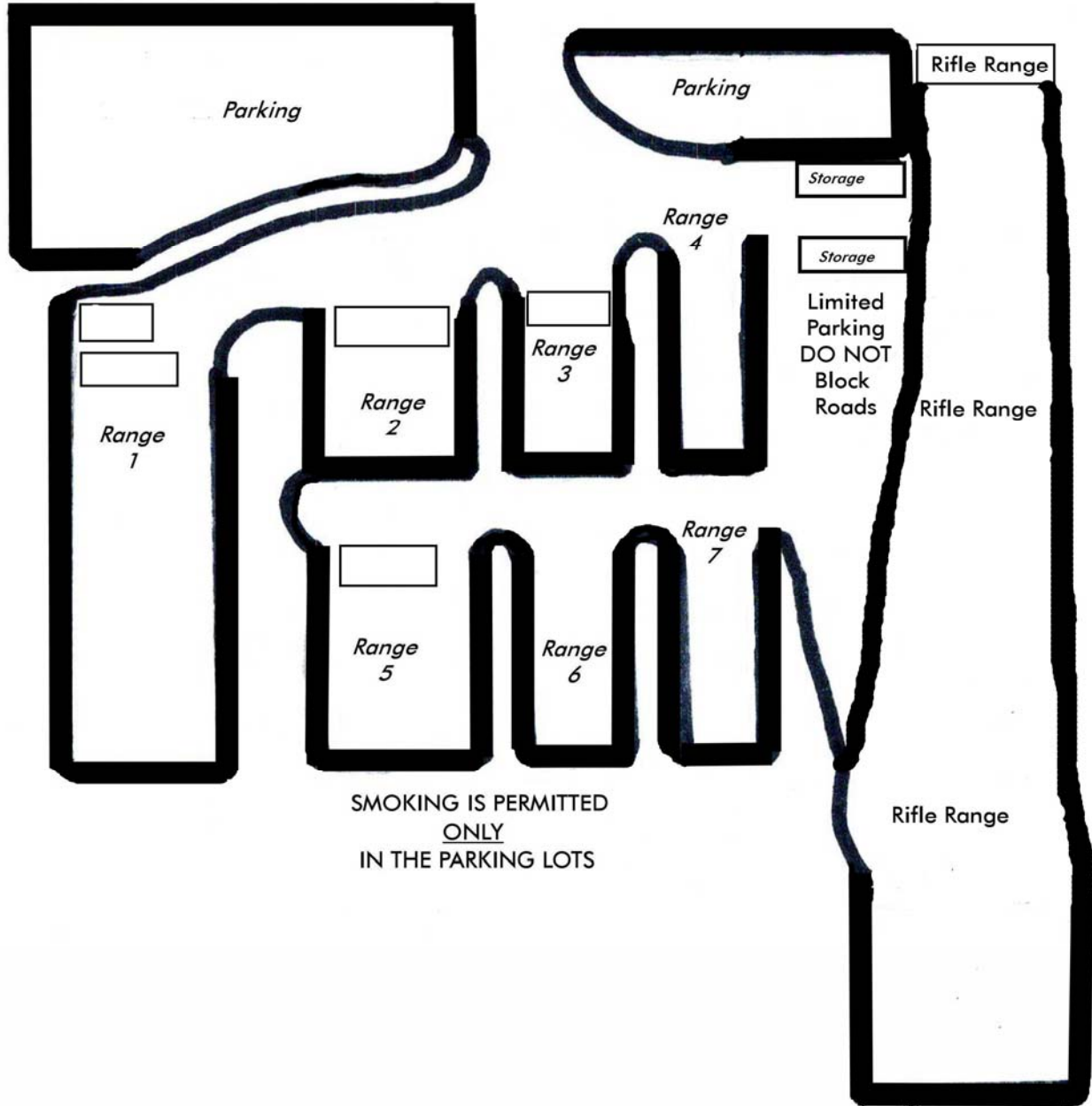
Tues, Apr 23	Gary Leights	
Saturdays Move Outdoors for Summer		
Sat, Apr 27	John Francis Rooney	
Tues, Apr 30	William Pratt	
Sat, May 4	Simon Field	
Tues, May 7	Glen Gorveatte	
Sat, May 11	Bob Cooke	
Tues, May 14	Heather Taylor	
Sat, May 18	Daryl Boutilier	
Tues, May 21	Ross Jefferson	
Sat, May 25	Don Barton	
Tues, May 28	Alex Gagnon	
Sat, June 1/19	Don Roth	
Tues, June 4/19	Fred Walsh	
Sat, June 8/19	Lot Cossar	
Tues, June 11/19	Paul Rowe	
Sat, June 15/19	Tim Furey	
Tues, June 18/19	Bill Macrocki	
Sat, June 22/19	Evangeline Colman Sadd	
Tues, June 25/19	Guillaume Lafrance	
Sat, June 29/19	Steve Parker	
Tues, Jul 2/19	Brian Dillion	
Sat, Jul 6/19	Jacqueline Boyle	
Tues, Jul 9/19	Dragan Perurica	
Sat, Jul 13/19	John West	
Tues, Jul 16/19	Malcom MacDonald	
Sat, Jul 20/19	Gavin Weeks	
Tues, Jul 23 /19	Gary Lieghts	
Sat, Jul 27/19	Chris Turner	
Tues, Jul 30/19	James Stephens	

Sat, Aug 3/19	Graham Curren	
Tues, Aug 5/19	Wayne Gillis	
Sat, Aug 10/19	Denis Fortin	
Tues, Aug 13/19	Robert Jeffery	
Saturdays Move Indoors for August 17		
Sat, Aug 17/19	Erin Van Camp	
Tues, Aug 20/19	Wayne Doucette	
Saturdays Move Outdoors for August 24		
Sat, Aug 24/19	David Bardsley	
Tues, Aug 27/19	John Parkin	
Sat, Aug 31/19	Douglas Reid	
Tues, Sep 3/19	Randall Nelson	
Sat, Sep 7/19	Tony Tufts	
Tues, Sep 10/19	Fred Walsh	
Sat, Sep 14/19	Chris Turner	
Tues, Sep 17/19	James Stephens	
Sat, Sep 21/19	Bob Cooke	
Tues, Sep 24/19	Glen Gorveatte	
Sat, Sep 28/19	Henri Gauci	
Tues, Oct 1/19	Mark Bamford	
Saturdays Move Indoors for Winter		
Sat, Oct 5/19	Peter Henderson	
Tues, Oct 8/19	Heather Taylor	
Sat, Oct 12/19	Daryl Boutilier	
Tues, Oct 15/19	Ross Jefferson	
Sat, Oct 19/19	Don Banton	
Tues, Oct 22/19	Alex Gagnon	
Sat, Oct 26/19	Don Roth	
Tues, Oct 29/19	Simon Field	

**YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE TO OPEN THE RANGE
AT THESE DESIGNATED DATES
IF YOU CANNOT OPEN THE RANGE, IT IS YOUR
RESPONSIBILY TO ENSURE YOUR
REPLACEMENT DOES.**

OUTDOOR RANGE PARKING GUIDE & RANGE #s

*Atlantic Marksmen Association
Ralph Dunn Range*



**IF IT DOESN'T SAY YOU CAN PARK THERE,
DON'T PARK THERE!!!!**

We won't be responsible to the damage that will occur to improperly parked vehicles.

Atlantic Marksmen Association 2019 Proxy

This proxy will be used to represent the member _____ for the Annual General Meeting of the Atlantic Marksmen Association to be held on May 15, 2019 at the Atlantic Marksmen Association club house, 6 Clements St. Dartmouth, NS.

Place a large check mark () in the box of your choice

(The small "x" indicates the AMA Executive recommendation, no check mark indicates member agrees with Executive Recommendation.)

Motion		Yes	No	Abstain
1.1	Vote for Sean Hansen for President	x		
1.2	Vote for James Smith for Vice President	x		
1.3	Vote for Anees Obeid for Secretary	x		
1.4	Vote for Graham Fortune for Treasurer	x		
1.5	Vote for Andrew Brace, Marcel Boudreau, Ronald Hilchey, Michael Lee, & Wade MacKay for Handgun Committee	x		
1.6	Vote for Don Ferris, Brad Browne, Terry Hewitt. Shawn MacPhail and Glen Gorveatte for Rifle Committee	x		
1.7	Vote for Rod Regier, Mike Wood, Alex Marks and Steven Parker for Members at Large	x		
1.8	Vote to change election cycle to 3 years.	x		
2	Raise senior membership dues to \$225 from \$200	x		
3.1	AMA Associate with SFNS for 2019-2020	x		
3.2	AMA Associate with SFC for 2019-2020	x		

I hereby appoint AMA secretary, Mr. Anees Obeid to register my proxy as above at this Annual General Meeting.

Signature

Please Check () the above boxes and mail with included Self-Addressed Stamped Envelope.