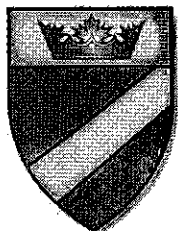


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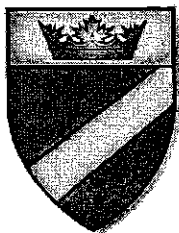


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President's Welcome Letter

Welcome to the Annual General Meeting of Canada's National Firearms Association in Quebec City.

As Canada's primary civil rights organization fighting on behalf of firearms owners, we have been enjoying tremendous growth based upon more awareness of our efforts in standing up for freedom, both domestically and in the international arena. Our efforts in support of Canadian firearms owners continue to make headway, though there remain many obstacles to overcome, and we have much work to do to make our efforts a success. Together we are strong, and divided we are weak.

Your executive, directors, staff, and volunteers have been working diligently to serve your needs and to meet the NFA's goals for change. We remain committed to our goal of seeing the damage made by three successive waves of bad firearms repaired by a government that supports firearms rights.

Over the past year, we have continued to challenge the entire basis for the Firearms Act and Criminal Code, Part 3 as having nothing to do with public safety and everything to do with providing barriers to innocent possession of firearms. We have watched our sponsored shooters do very well at both national and international competitions, and we have now added Sarah Beaudry to Team NFA, where she joins Matt Neumann, and Megan Heinicke. Our sponsorship of the national pistol team has helped them to prepare for the Commonwealth Games. Our two recent victories in the Supreme Court of Canada under the steady guidance of Solomon Friedman and Guy Lavergne are remarkable achievements in which we should all take pride.

Representatives of Canada's NFA are continuing to engage parliamentarians and the bureaucracy to do much more and our petitions on de-restricting the AR-15 and ending magazine capacity restrictions will force the government to pay attention to our issues. Your membership and support make our efforts possible and I thank you for them. We are the largest pro-firearm rights organization in Canada, but we do need to be larger to ensure that we can do even more than we have to regain rights that we once took for granted and now find heavily regulated. Anything that you can do to encourage your like-minded friends and family members to join us would be a big help.

Enjoy the AGM, I look forward to meeting with you and other pro-gun activists to share ideas and work towards our common goals

Sheldon Clare,
President



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Dear members,

On behalf of Canada's national Firearms Association, I would like to thank you for attending our 2015 Annual General Meeting in Québec City, QC. This event has been organized for all of our members to join together in building a new future for Canada's National Firearms Association. This is the time for you to speak up and share your ideas. You will find attached, a suggestion sheet; please feel free to give your feedback on the event as well as any suggestions you might have for the future of Canada's National Firearms Association.

- You will find the minutes of our 2014 AGM. Please make sure to view the minutes prior to the AGM as we will have a brief discussion during the business part of the AGM.

This event will allow you to meet and greet with some of the Executive and Directors, as well as with other members of the NFA. Throughout the event, if you have questions or concerns, please feel free to speak to any one of the executive or myself.

We would like to thank you again for being part of our team as a member of Canada's National Firearms Association. Don't forget to browse on our website at www.nfa.ca for upcoming events, news or resources.

Sincerely,

Ginger Fournier, General Manager

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Itinerary

May 22 – May 23 2015

Friday May 22 2015,

6:00 pm – 10:00 pm

Meet and Greet

-Mingle with Directors and other activists
Cheese and Crackers, cash bar

Saturday, May 23 2015,

8:30 am – 10:30 am

Annual General Meeting

-Business session

10:30 pm – 5:30 pm

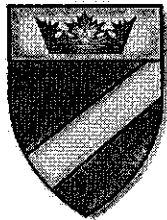
Open Panel Discussion

-Special guests, Caillin Langmann, - Solomon C. Friedman, - Dave Young, - Tim Moen, Mario Dutil, Eric Duhaime, Adrien Pouliot - Gary Mauser, Ian Thomson, Richard Plante.

6:00 pm – 12:00 am

Banquet

-Plated Dinner, Silent Auction
-Guest speaker



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AGM Agenda

- 8:30 am **Opening Statement & Welcome – Sheldon Clare**
- 8:45 am **Presentation of Directors & Executive Members – Sheldon Clare**
- 9:00 am **Questions regarding Prior Minutes**
- 9:15 am **Treasurers Report/Budget for 2015 – Bill Rantz**
- 9:25 am **Political and Legal issues – Blair Hagen**
- 9:45 am **Provincial Representatives – Report by Directors**
- 10:15 am **Marketing & Promotion – Sheldon Clare**
- 10:30 am **Closing Statement – Sheldon Clare**
- 10:30 – 12:00pm **Guest Speakers**
- 12:00 – 1:00pm **Lunch**
- 1:00 – 5:30pm **Guest Speakers**
- 5:30 – 6:30pm **Cocktails**
- 6:30 – 12:00pm **Banquet**



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Banquet

Saturday 6:30pm – 12:00pm

Master of Ceremonies – Bill Rantz

Welcoming – Sheldon Clare

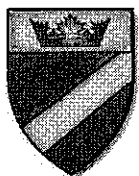
Grace – Jerrold Lundgard

Dinner/plates(Cash Bar)

Guest Speakers

Thank You – Bill Rantz

Closing Speech – Sheldon Clare.



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AGM 2015 – Special Guest

Professor Gary Mauser



Biography - Gary Mauser is a professor emeritus in the Institute for Canadian Urban Research Studies and the Beedie School of Business, Simon Fraser University. He has written two books and over 30 academic publications in criminology, marketing, and political science. He has testified before the Supreme Court of Canada, the Senate of Canada and the Canadian Parliament on criminal justice issues. Check out the his research on SSRN or on his website, www.sfu.ca/~mauser/

Solomon Friedman, LL.B. – Edelson Clifford D'Angelo Friedman LLP



Biography - Solomon Friedman, B.A., LL.B., is a partner with the prominent Ottawa criminal defence firm of Edelson Clifford D'Angelo Friedman LLP.

Solomon is an acknowledged expert in the area of firearms law and he writes and speaks widely on the subject. He has testified numerous times before both House of Commons and Senate committees as an expert witness with respect to firearms law. In addition, he is the co-author of the 2013/14 Annotated

Firearms Act and Related Legislation, published by LexisNexis Canada.

Solomon is also an experienced trial and appellate lawyer, having represented clients before all levels of court in Ontario.

Dr. Caillin Langmann, M.D. Ph.D. FRCPC ABEM



Biography - Dr. Caillin Langmann is an Emergency Physician and an Assistant Clinical Professor of Medicine at McMaster University. Dr. Langmann has testified before the Government of Canada regarding firearms issues, and has published a peer reviewed study examining the association between firearms laws and interpersonal violence in Canada. Dr. Langmann received a PhD from Simon Fraser University, an MD from Queens University, and is a Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians Canada and Board Certified by the American Board of Emergency Medicine of the United States.

Éric Duhaime.

Biography - Former advisor to political leaders from Quebec and Canada, Éric Duhaime currently co-hosts the lunchtime show at FM 93 with Nathalie Normandeau. Holding a BA in political science and a master's degree in public administration, he regularly writes in Quebec and English Canada's most prestigious newspapers. He published the bestsellers "L'État contre les jeunes: Comment les baby-boomers ont détourné le système" (The State Versus Youth : How Baby-Boomers took Advantage of the System), "Libérez-nous des syndicats" (Free us from Unions) and, last November, "La SAQ pousse le bouchon" (Quebec's Liquor Commission pushes it).

Dave Young

Biography - For over twenty-five years Dave Young has been training civilians and certifying armed professionals in the judicious use of deadly force. He is President, and Director of Training of CAPS Inc. and is the creator of the CAPS Live-Fire Judgment Training System. He is certified by Smith & Wesson Academy as a revolver, semi-automatic pistol, shotgun and sub-machinegun instructor and has certified as a Range Master at Sig Sauer Academy. He is also certified as a Force-On-Force Scenario Instructor.

Dave is a Firearms Instructor Trainer as well as an Instructor Trainer in the field of firearms judgment simulation and officer survival, a Master Use of Force Instructor, an expert witness in the use of deadly force and the author of "Reasonable and Necessary, Defensive Firearms Ownership and Use in Canada".

Dave Young is the originator of the "CAPS Imminent Danger Triangle" a simple visual training aid used to assist in the decision-making process and in after-the-fact articulation of use of force decisions. He is a member of the International Association of Law Enforcement Firearms Instructors, The International Law Enforcement Educators and Trainers Association, a board member of the Police Policy Studies Council, an advisory board member of the National Patrol Rifle Conference, a member of the Canadian Association For Self Defence, Canada's National Firearms Association and the Canadian Shooting Sports Association.

He was affiliated with Smith & Wesson Academy as an adjunct instructor for more than a decade and is currently an adjunct instructor for Sig Sauer Academy. Dave has worked as a consultant for the defence in high profile cases such as that of firebombing victim Ian Thomson in Port Colborne, Ontario and has appeared on television discussing police decision-making, use of force and firearms related topics.

Mario Dutil



Biography - Mario Dutil est un instructeur tireur d'élite à l'emploi de Sniper Québec, école de tir. Cette école de tir offre des formations aux professionnels ainsi que des cours de tir adaptés aux besoins des civils désirant acquérir des connaissances dans le tir de précision et de longue distance.

Venez assister à sa conférence intitulée : Introduction à la balistique externe, qui aura lieu lors de notre congré annuel de Québec, le XXXX mai 2015 à xxx Hre.

Ian Thomson



Biography - **Biography** - Royal Canadian Air Force, Search and Rescue, 400 Sqn. (Reserve).

Assigned to 2RSU, (2 Reserve Support Unit, Regular Forces), Full Time 1974-1977.

Test Flight Mechanic de Havilland Air Craft Canada 1977-1980

Hoisting Engineer / Heavy Equipment Operator

~20 yrs Hunter Safety Instructor / Firearms Instructor-Examiner

~10 yrs Hunter, Target Shooter, PPC

~40yrs. Volunteer

World Trade Center (Search, Rescue, Recovery) 8 months. Day #2 > May 2002.

Workplace Injury 2005

Return to University 2008,

Environmental Geosciences/Brock University.

Victimized Aug 22, 2010 By Niagara Regional Police, Assassins and the Canadian Government

Adrien D. Pouliot



Biography - Mr. Pouliot was born in Ontario, Canada and raised in Québec City, Québec, Canada. He graduated in 1978 with a law degree from the University of Sherbrooke, where he received the Bar Award. He practised commercial law with the prestigious firm of Ogilvy Renault. In 1984, he joined the family business, CFCF Inc., a broadcasting and cable television firm and he became President and Chief Executive Officer in 1993 after a successful restructuring of the company. Under his leadership, CFCF Inc. grew within three years to become Canada's fourth largest cable operator with over 1,200 employees and 425,000 in the provinces of Quebec and Ontario, as well as being active in the broadcasting arena with four television stations in Quebec as well as a large television production and post-production company. In 1996, the company was sold for a total value of over \$687 million and Mr. Pouliot successfully led the transition of the company to its new owners until 1997.

In 1999, Mr. Pouliot acquired Entourage Technology Solutions Inc., a field services company specialised in installing and maintaining telecommunications, network and IT equipment. Under Mr. Pouliot's leadership, quality and productivity improved by 40% while the workforce grew more than doubled to 2,800 employees. Revenues jumped by 50% and profitability was multiplied twenty-fold. Mr. Pouliot sold Entourage to Bell Canada in 2005.

In 2005, he co-led the acquisition of the assets and shares of Microtec Entreprises Inc. and Securex Master Limited Partnership to form First National AlarmCap Income Fund, an income trust listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange (FNA.UN). Mr. Pouliot was chairman of the Fund which is the 3th largest full-service alarm organization in Canada.

He is currently sole shareholder and president of Skyport International Inc., a transportation company.

Mr. Pouliot has been involved on public-company boards (Donohue Inc., a large integrated pulp and paper producer, Bio Capital Management Inc., a public biotech venture capital fund, CFCF Inc. and First National AlarmCap Income Fund), in many industry associations (including the Canadian Association of Broadcasters and the Canadian Cable Television Association) and with charitable or educational organisations (such as The Montreal Heart Institute Foundation, The Montreal Children's Hospital, McGill University where he was governor for ten years, Young Presidents' Organization where he was international director, the Montreal Economic Institute, a non-profit economic educational and research institute of which he was co-founder, director and Chairman, and Société de développement économique Ville-Marie, a government agency involved in the economic development of Montréal).

He became the Vice-President of the Policy Commission of the Action démocratique du Québec in 2012 and leader of the Quebec Conservative Party in 2013.

Tim Moen



Biography - Tim grew up on a farm in Alberta where he learned the value of liberty and property rights and the importance of firearms as a tool for hunting and defence. He holds a graduate degree in leadership and has recently retired as an Acting Battalion Chief after a 22 year career protecting life and property as a firefighter/paramedic. He has spent his life taking on challenges; climbing Kilimanjaro, hang gliding, speaking at TEDx, filming with Neil Young and Daryl Hannah, blogging for the Huffington Post etc. His greatest challenge and life passion is advancing liberty. Since becoming the leader of the Libertarian Party of Canada one year ago, Tim has taken the party from a small group of passionate liberty lovers to a growing robust political force en route to a full slate of candidates in the upcoming general election.



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Here is a chance for you to be heard. Please take some time to give the NFA feedback, comments and suggestions. All answers are greatly appreciated.

Feedback on this year 2015 AGM:

Suggestion for next year AGM:

Canada's National Firearms Association, Comment/Suggestion:

Name: _____

Members # _____

Thank you for taking the time in helping us to a brighter future

Annual General Meeting Meeting minutes for May 2014.

Time Started: 8:30am

Time Ended: 5:30pm

Opening Statement & Welcome- Sheldon Clare

Good morning ladies and gentlemen. I am Sheldon Clare and the president and CEO of Canada's National Firearms Organization and welcome to our 2014 Annual General Meeting in beautiful Richmond Greater Vancouver Metropolitan area. I really appreciate those of you who have come to our meeting today. We have fascinating speakers who will be joining us this afternoon and I very much appreciate your dedication of your showing by participating in our organization.

Where We Have Been

- Where we have been is really in a very difficult place. We had three major successive waves of oppressive gun control legislation. I think most of the older members know that. You were there to live through C-51 in '78, Kim Campbell's C-80 and C-17 in 1989 through 1992.

Where We Are

- A problem for us today is that successive governments, "still don't get it!" Our current government, "still doesn't get it!" They have tried to mollify us and pacify us, and give us some nibbling and tidbits and so one, but they really still don't get us.
- Now in my few journeys to the United Nations to speak against such things as the Arms Trade Treaty, Charles Zach and I will be going there again in June to speak against the program of Action on Small Arms and Light Weapons.
- But there are a lot of people there who really think they can make the world a better place by getting rid of your firearms, whatever they are. It doesn't matter if it is a model 37 old shotgun that you got from your grandfather or an old Smith and Wesson model 39 automatic, or a Bren gun, or anything else that happens to be in your little collection of goodies from the good old days. They don't care about what you do with it, or how you use it, or anything, they want them all, quite frankly.
- So the message we take there is that this is, "fundamentally wrong", does not really fall on very receptive ears. As Gary (Mauser) briefed me the first time I was going to the United Nations, he said "Sheldon, meet with them, mingle with them, and realize that all of them are in almost total disagreement with everything you are going to say, and that is the way it is."

And Where We Are Going

- Anyway that is really where we are but where are we going? Well the future for us is we need more people to get involved. We need more members, we need more resources, and we need to be able to apply more and more political pressure to make these people in power get it, because they, "still don't get it".
- We have been grateful to all of you for the resources you have been able to bring to bear to help us with our fight. It has allowed us to employ a full-time lobbyist and business advisor. To get us into the halls of

power and to record those meetings and make people understand that we are there and we are not going away.

- Nomination races are underway, many of the finished, The CPC ridings, the Liberals, the NDP, other parties. I really encourage you, if you are not already involved in the Electoral District Riding Association, please get involved with them and pick your candidates wisely. Some of the places the nomination race is the election. Whoever wins that nomination is very likely to win that election.

2013 AGM minutes review

Motion to accept previous minutes as presented.

Motion seconded.

Discussion?

All in Favor? All.

Motion Carried.

Treasurers Report/Budget for 2014- Bill Rantz

Please attach Bill's report for 2013

- The NFA is committed to full financial transparency to its members. Bev Havens sends a monthly income statement to Bill with a breakdown. That is used to measure income. An expense summary is sent every month. The cost of the CFJ is monitored carefully.

Statement of Financial Positions as of Dec 31, 2013.

Assets are \$ 406458.00

Statement of Revenue and Expenses:

- Memberships
- Insurance Premiums
- Donations
- Miscellaneous (sales of smaller items)

Total Revenue: \$1,405,514

Major Expense Insurance: -\$408,825

Insured roughly 58,000 gun owners

Wages and Benefits: \$254,000

Publications: \$208,208

Advertising and Promotion: \$102,000

Travel: \$66,548

Professional:

Other expenses:

Sponsorships:

Total Profit: \$1,282,427

Difference: \$123,087 ahead with interest \$125,460

As of May 21st 2014 \$608,293.27

- 60% of income comes in the first six months and only 40% in the last six.
- New ventures, draw for the "Big Gun".

- Worked hard to reduce the cost of the Canadian Firearms Journal increase of advertising.
- Changes in management and costs of CFJ.
- NFA is in the best financial position ever.

Question: Does the NFA have reserves for unexpected expenses?

His suggestion is to hold 10% to 20% into a reserve account for unexpected expenses. The point is to grow an emergency fund.

- The budget has to balance.
- NFA has a variety of accounts and has money that is available for emergency but is not earmarked for emergency.
- NFA tries to not go below 3x single month operating expenses as a current reserve.
- The money is there it just depends what it is marked i.e. emergency fund

Jim Smith comment: The problem is that when money goes into reserves it is sometimes difficult to access. It is the decision of this group of members. But the more we get tied down the harder it is to do certain things.

Motion to accept the Treasures financial report as mentioned.

Seconded.

Discussion?

All those in favor? All.

Opposed.

Motion Carried.

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Motion from the floor by Hardy Staub

A motion that the Director of Finance comes forward at the next AGM in 2015 with a plan to set up a reserve fund for any emergencies

Seconded.

Discussion?

All in favor?

Opposed?

Motion Carried.

Report on Canadian Firearms Journal- Bill Rantz and Shawn Bevins

Bill Rantz:

- The CFJ is a very expensive item
- Membership wants paper CFJ and second magazine
- Cost of the journal 6 issues ago was \$36,968; cut costs to \$31,846; with the help of Advertising Revenue it now costs \$30,746
- In the last year we have brought down the cost to \$6,200 per issue

Comment: NRA has a magazine that returns a profit and that should be the same with the NFA. The magazine should be bringing in money not costing money.

Shawn Bevins:

- The changes to this magazine in the last year have been incredible. The magazine has really come along way.
- The magazine is moving forward, develop the magazine to be sustainable and run profit. All things have to be revenue generators i.e. Magazine, Facebook etc.
- Looking for key partners for the magazine

- Partners that have excellent product lines. Advertisers will be partners. They have to be the right partnerships. Quality vs. Quantity.
- CFJ is also a political activism magazine - we cannot lose that focus.

Comment: The NRA has advertising and political content. We can put both together. Advertising is what makes a publication live.

Shawn Bevins:

- The NFA publishes 16,000 copies of CFJ per issue. I can do one post to Facebook and it will reach 400,000 people.
- Also with more adds the page count goes up and the expense of the magazine goes up.
- We recognize the importance of magazines. We are going to develop the magazine to make it a profit generator.
- If a magazine has 75,000 subscribers and a page of advertising costs \$3500 they reach 75000 people. That \$3500 can be used in social media to target advertising to 100s of thousands or millions of people that would not be exposed through subscription.
- Print will become less and less prevalent; internet will increasingly take its place exposure for less money.

Comment: Print has its place in social media.

Shawn Bevins:

- It's a member's only magazine so if we increase the membership we increase the circulation which draws in more advertisers. If we do not have enough subscribers the advertisers do not want to put their ad in our magazine.
- Members are pleased with the magazine. We are getting more advertising. Content of the magazine has been improved.
- We do have to be pragmatic to our approach and the investments that we make.
- The magazine goes to the membership but I believe the membership wants to take the message beyond the membership, building new members, reaching out to people that do not know about firearms issues.

Comment: CFJ should be a newsstand magazine so the public can see it and buy it. If it is not on the news stand then the public has no access. There is still a market. If it goes on the newsstand, people can buy it.

Shawn Bevins:

- To achieve that with 60,000 newsstands across the country we need a sales force. As we grow those initiatives become more achievable.

Comment: I like to have a hard copy of the magazine and read it in the bathroom.

Shawn Bevins:

- A magazine is added value for the membership. For members in remote areas this is NFAs only contact with the member.

Comment Sheldon Clare: We represent a broad base with a narrow focus. We have to work on the editorial side of the magazine who understands firearms and what the NFA stands for. CFJ is now Canada's premier firearms magazine.

Shawn Bevins:

- It is about allocation of resources - we did a business case around the magazine and discovered the magazine was very cost intensive to the NFA for the value return for dollars spent. There was no justification for cost. We made changes; we have gone to a much more cost effective model.

- A 200 page magazine is unrealistic. When we see opportunity to increase profitability or reduce costs - that is a big goal - we are going to do that. The less that the CFJ costs means we have more money so we can go to Ottawa and lobby.

Comment Sheldon Clare: We do send our MP's copies of the CFJ. Some MP's may even read it. We need to continue to have relationships with the MP's in our areas.

Political and Legal issues-Blair Hagen (V.P. Communications)

- Bill C-19, long gun-registration in Canada ended it was the first firearms reform in modern Canadian political history. There was a question after long-gun registry ended where would the firearms debate go? Certainly the government of Canada just hoped it would go away. Hoped Canadians would expect that we have finally undertaken our election promise we ended the hated gun registry everything is fine now but of course we knew different.
- After long-gun registry ended the first thing that took place was firearms classification and reclassification continuing process under Bill C-68. New firearms that were to come on the market to be reviewed and classified in order to keep them out of Canada.
- Firearms already available in Canada were to be reclassified progressively from non-restricted to restricted class requiring registration to a particular class. That was one of the main points of C-68 to fundamentally re-engineer the types of guns and the guns used by Canadians for all purposes.
- During Conservative era the RCMP had taken on ownership of the implementation of firearms act and the regulating of the firearms act. Very much away from the government and the Minister of Public Safety and firearms reclassification has been a part of it.
- In the firearms act, it was very easy to prohibit and confiscate firearms, all you have to do is revoke the registration and the owner orders on disposable and that is it.
- The NFA consistently has been advising the government that this has been going on and of course the RCMP is advising them differently using the Public Safety canard.
- Two series of guns were put under review by the RCMP.
 - Swiss Arms Series Rifles
 - Check CZ85 Rifles
- 14,000 guns would be affected with these rifle reclassifications. The largest reclassification since the government had been elected
- The NFA led the way in response to the reclassifications. Receiving information from Ottawa the NFA knew what to do with the information and when the best time to use it was.
- Minister of Public Safety claimed he was misled by the RCMP however he was not. The Minister had an amnesty put into place to respect the people who complied with the firearms act.

Comment: The seizure of these guns would lead to \$30 million dollars of private property.

- Government put a two year amnesty in place deciding what to do about the reclassification of these two series of firearms.
- If there is not new legislation and firearms reform laws in Canada there will be another Swiss Arms reclassification
- RCMP did this deliberately to force the government's hand. Allow the government of Canada or assist the RCMP in the enforcement of the existing firearms act. Risky endeavor of legislated further firearms reforms.
- Gun ownership is a Canadian value.
- The only reason the government is addressing this issue is the pressure that we are bringing on them.

- RCMP shut down the Town of High River and confiscated firearms that were in plain sight that they claimed were a threat to public safety. Forceful entries were taking place in order to retrieve these firearms and NFA making the argument that if the guns were safely locked away in the home were they really a threat to the community at large? RCMP officers living in the community were taken out of the community and replaced with new RCMP officers because they knew there was going to be an issue with public confidence with the RCMP because of their invasion of privacy and confiscation of private property.
- RCMP did claim that everyone would receive their firearms back and they were just taking them for safe keeping. Retrieval of their firearm after their homes at been ruined by a flood would be the last thing on the homeowners mind and the RCMP knew this. Some gun owners that had their firearms taken did not have a license for them or would have to renew their license which could have been a hassle as well.
- Main argument for the RCMP in confiscating firearms was to "Get them off the street". The RCMP links firearm owners to criminals on the streets.
- High River created a major controversy in Alberta and a major controversy nationally. There were not gun confiscations in Calgary as they did not see fit to do that there.
- Meeting several weeks after the flood had taken place in High River to address the issue. Danielle Smith was in attendance (leader of the Wild Rose party and MLA for the area). The RCMP was forced to send a contingent down.
- NFA is getting reports coming out of active police investigations that long gun registry data may still exist in some form. NFA called for a judicial inquiry and had the opportunity to speak with the Minister of Public Safety recently, he stated that no judicial inquiry was possible because the government just did not have enough information that long gun registration might still exist.
- With the help of Dennis Young we are hoping to provide that information with access to information request that we are putting together on a continuous basis. We will provide that to the government for justification for the inquiry.

Other Issues

- A retrenchment of the firearms bureaucracy, focus put on the aggressive enforcement of firearms act regulations in terms of licensing, license renewed, and authorization to transport.
- Prior to the last provincial election in Quebec sought to challenge the ending of the long gun registry and demand that Ottawa deliver the Quebec long gun registry data to them. The case is now before the Supreme Court of Canada that will be heard in the fall. The new party in power does not necessarily favor a provincial registry but that does not matter and this is why the Quebec Supreme Court challenged is so important. If Quebec gets a positive ruling in regards to the transfer of data it is extremely dangerous. Even if the provincial government does not wish to pursue it, any long gun registry data exists it presents a danger that long gun registration can return Canada wide.

Comment: We have pretty good evidence that police forces kept data and copies of the Long Gun Registry. We have had information from retired police officers, people who have retired as late as the fall of 2013 who have told us that they had access to a database which told them whether firearms were legally owned or not which is in effect the shadow of that registry. We have a complaint going presently with the RCMP complaints commission, a process that we have said, "look they have this and they are using it and we can prove it." We have given them evidence to show that. NFA is calling them on this.

- Government bureaucracy maybe resistant to the demands of The National Firearms Association but they understand the credibility and the influence we have in the firearms community and they know that our opinion and our advisement is valued and believed by firearm owners and others who believe in freedom and the know that as they go forward that they have to take that into political consideration.
- Long gun registration was not the definitive answer to the firearms issues and the government knows that in order to have the firearms vote and the NFA support that there needs to be a change in the reforms but we are being heard but it is going to take political pressure.

Provincial Reports

Report for British Columbia-Blair Hagen

- British Columbia was given the opportunity to join Quebec in demanding long gun registry data in order to construct their own registries. B.C. wanted nothing to do with the long gun registry.
- The B.C. government is certainly willing to talk to the NFA on firearms issues.
- The more recent issue on firearms goes back a year ago with the B.C. firearms amnesty, brought forth every 5 years, it allows B.C.'ers to turn in firearms to get them off their hands i.e. old guns that had been passed down, unused guns, guns that cannot be restored.
- Discussions with the provincial government were relatively positive. We asked why firearms retailers were not being included in the amnesty. The guns cannot be legitimized properly; people should not be compelled to turn them in without any kind of compensation. That cannot take place under the law. They recognized the legitimacy in our arguments.
- NFA will become involved in the amnesty process in the future. This is one of the ways we can take back the debate. Allow those people to get compensation and other people purchasing them to have purchase the guns legitimately and have them lawfully after.
- Controversy in Surrey. A group in Surrey wants to put on a gun show. The Cloverdale Gun Show. Gun club is in the process of being authorized by Surrey City Hall. They require a necessary business license to do it and they were informed that they would not be issued one because they had recently amended a bylaw in Surrey to prohibit the sale of firearms and ammunition. The club is in the process of petitioning the City of Surrey for a solution to this with the help of the NFA.
- Arty Scott (from the gun club): Asking the Surrey City Council for an exception for one time use to put on this gun show. In order to do that there is only one loop hole and that would be to ask for a one time permit. They applied for that permit and there will be a public hearing. Asking to have as many gun owners and members of the NFA present at this meeting as possible in order to show their support. This gun show is a part of our history and heritage of our country. There is also a petition that Mr. Scott would like to hand around to have people sign.
- Gun conventions have been well attended by members of the NFA around the province.

Report for Alberta- Nathan Cook and Jerrold Lundgard

- Nathan Cook: Calgary Gun show as the most successful gun show the NFA has ever had raised \$7,500 in new members, donations, and a giveaway. A pending donation from the Antique Society that will be another \$5,000.
- It was the people apart of the NFA and the volunteers who really helped make it a success.
- Jerrold Lundgard: Keep up the media attention to the RCMP ransacking homes in High River after the flood.
- Social media has become a strong force. Gun owners can communicate through social media to the NFA executive and get informed within minutes if not hours of when things happen. We do not have to rely on the media anymore or reporters. We get our own news through social media.
- There is only one provincial organization that is at the NFA meeting and this needs to change. We have to reach out to the provincial organizations, the hunting groups, the wildlife groups and we have to get them involved. Gun laws affect them too.
- NFA has been working on a lot of things, one is change in branding. Most important thing is education of gun owners and we do that through the executive, through Facebook, through the Canadian Firearms Journal. Most important thing is communication, we have to communicate with our members and our members need to communicate with our executive.
- Canada does not have a gun problem. We have a gun control problem. We have an entrenched bureaucracy that likes the wages, pay cheques, perks, expense accounts for administrating delivering and enforcing the gun laws.
- Keep up the pressure. You guys are the gun lobby. Keep it up!

Report for Saskatchewan- Jim Smith

- Saskatchewan has 6% of the NFA membership and only 3% of Canadian population. A goal for Saskatchewan is to have 10% of NFA membership from Saskatchewan.
- We are just working away at it and we do everything the other guys do. The more time you put into it, the more people you talk to people, the more connections you will make.
- Lots of clubs who are affiliates and I am going to try and get them to attend the meeting.
- There are some hard core NFA members and they choose to support us through their clubs.

Report for Ontario- Charles Zach

- 14 field officers in 2013 and in 2014 above 111. The NFA is preparing our troops for the election that is taking place next year. We need a field officer in every electoral district in the country and then some. 338 electoral districts and we need more field officers. Goal would be 400.
- Field officers are the eyes, ears and the boot soldiers for anything that happens in their district. They let NFA know what is going on. They keep an eye on the MPs and have access them and monitor them. They are driving the membership up in their electoral district.
- The mess we are in was put here through political means and the only way to get rid of the mess is through political means.
- Having the field officers get on their Electoral District Associations (EDA). Getting involved with any political party be it Liberal, Conservative, NDP.
- Getting involved with these parties is a great way to educate the MPs as well as meet other MPs at events so they can also network. They also have the opportunity to become a delegate for that electoral district at their conventions. There are a lot of advantages for the field officers.
- BC 15 out of 36, Alberta 14 Field Officers out of 28 electoral districts, Saskatchewan 2 FOs out of 14 electoral districts, Manitoba 3 FOs out of 14 electoral districts, Ontario 15 FOs out of 138 electoral districts, Quebec 12 FOs out of 75 electoral districts, New Brunswick 9 FOs out of 10 electoral districts, Nova Scotia 5 FOs out of 11 electoral districts, P.E.I there are no field officers, Newfoundland there are no field officers, Nunavut there are no field officers, Yukon there are no field officers, and Northwest Territories there are no field officers.
- We need help reaching out to the places with no field officers.

Report for Quebec- Philippe Simard and Stephen Buddo

- Philippe: The Quebec Liberals recently got elected in Quebec and the registry was not part of the campaign.
- The separation in Quebec has pretty much been trounced.
- The Liberals have mentioned nothing about their intentions of the provincial registry. The previous government tabled the law Bill-20 to start up one. Nothing going on with that and we will wait and see what the intentions of this new government are.
- Largest problem with Quebec right now is that they are broke. They have to cut 3.7 billion dollars in their budget. Provincial government is not concerned with the gun registry and we do not see how they can justify that kind of expense.
- The SQ. (local chief firearms officers) is still trying to do their own backdoor registry.
- Filling out the same paperwork used for Law 9 at rifle ranges for non-restricted guns. Attempt by the local chief firearms officer to gather information in case they should lose the Supreme Court case.
- Great increases in membership. We 12 Field Officers, over 3,600 club members and nearly 1,200 individual members in Quebec. We are going to be holding our own mini AGM in Quebec in Drummondville in June 2014.
- Stephen: No friends in the Quebec National Assembly. All the parties represented in the house today are all still anti-gun. The good news is they have no money to spend on gun control.
- Gun control started in Quebec and it will end in Quebec.

Promotion and Lobbying- Shawn Bevins

- For many years the NFA had lobbied to get meetings with the Minister of Public Safety to be involved in the process of legislated change. For many years we were shut out and ignored we received minimal responses. That has changed!
- Over time our organization has grown incredibly. The level of grass roots activism with this group is unbelievable. The only way we are receiving the respect that we are getting in Ottawa is because of you folks, the members the field officers, the love for our sport, the love for our private property the love for our freedom.
- There are a number of good MPs who are NFA members and surprisingly enough there is a lot of pro-gun MPs. Rob Anders has been extremely helpful to our cause. We have to keep up the pressure in the government and in our electoral districts. Be active in your community, it does not take a lot just some time and commitment.
- One piece that was underdeveloped was Quebec we have quadrupled our membership in Quebec. Committed NFA members in Quebec, in Stephen Blaney's riding, are showing up at every term, going to every event. Anywhere he goes there are NFA people, committed people, in his face, keeping our issues upfront. This is how we are going to win. Everywhere Blaney goes we have to show up there and stand for what we believe in.
- Our fight is about grass roots, making headways, we are reaching out to the politicians, the relationships are good, we are on message, we will continue on message. This is about gun ownership and I am tired of it being a partisan issue. I want be able to vote for who I want to vote for based on sound public policy and not on ideologically wanting to ban all guns.
- We are being highly effective in Ottawa. It is a long process but we are making headway, we are dealing with power that is centralized. It is very difficult thing to deal with. We have had donations come in and we have fundraisers that have been outstanding. We are rebranding and going to have a new website. We want to make the NFA a huge, massive political force. If we want gun legislation and we want to have the gun legislation that we want, we can get it.

Closing Statement- Sheldon Clare

Hope you enjoyed the business portion of our meeting this morning. This afternoon we have a number of interesting guest speakers. I would like to acknowledge Ed Hudson; Ed has been a real crusader through firearms rights in Canada for a very long time, lone voice in the wilderness as well as Joe Gamebridge who has also been a big fighter for gun rights.

Please take a look at the table at the back, pull out some of the green in your pocket, bid on some NFA firearms.

AGM Meeting Adjourned.

Canada's National Firearms Association

Financial Budget 2015

	2014 Budget	2015 Budget
<u>REVENUE</u>		
Donations	\$ 200,000.00	\$ 170,000.00
General	\$ 200,000.00	\$ 170,000.00
Legal	\$ -	\$ -
Insurance	\$ 410,000.00	\$ 430,000.00
Memberships	\$ 670,000.00	\$ 760,000.00
Memberships	\$ 435,000.00	\$ 485,000.00
Publication	\$ 235,000.00	\$ 275,000.00
Miscellaneous	\$ 309,250.00	\$ 316,530.00
Insurance Proc. Fee	\$ 195,000.00	\$ 160,000.00
Sales	\$ 97,250.00	\$ 113,530.00
Advertising	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 18,000.00
Interest Earned	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 4,000.00
AGM Registration	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 13,000.00
General Events	\$ -	\$ 5,000.00
RSO/Hustle Courses	\$ -	\$ 3,000.00
Total For Revenue	\$ 1,589,250.00	\$ 1,676,530.00

EXPENSES

Advertising	\$ 28,000.00	\$ 12,000.00
Annual Dues/Subscriptions	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 11,600.00
Bad Debts	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
Bank Charges & Interest	\$ 19,000.00	\$ 30,000.00
Computer	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
Website	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 1,500.00
Contract Services	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 81,000.00
Website Development		\$ 41,000.00
Design & Marketing		\$ 40,000.00
Courses - RSO/Hustle	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00
Events	\$ 68,500.00	\$ 68,600.00
AGM	\$ 36,500.00	\$ 35,000.00
General Events	\$ 11,000.00	\$ 10,600.00
Guns Shows	\$ -	\$ 15,000.00
Electoral of Directors	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 8,000.00
Conventions	\$ 68,500.00	\$ 9,000.00
Shot Show	\$ -	\$ 6,000.00
Other	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 3,000.00
Donations/Sponsorship	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 18,000.00
Insurance	\$ 410,000.00	\$ 430,000.00
Mail Campaigns	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 45,000.00
Email Campaigns	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 4,000.00
Publications	\$ 200,000.00	\$ 170,000.00
Promotional Materials	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 50,000.00

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Canada's National Firearms Association

Financial Budget 2015

	2014 Budget	2015 Budget
Product for Resale	\$ 70,000.00	\$ 80,000.00
Office	\$ 32,500.00	\$ 37,200.00
Office	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 34,700.00
Meals and Entertainment	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00
Wages and Benefits	\$ 255,000.00	\$ 340,000.00
Excutive VP Position	\$ 110,310.00	\$ 20,530.00
Wages & Benefits	\$ 81,110.00	\$ 16,000.00
Car Allowance		\$ 1,000.00
Travel	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 1,650.00
Meals & Accompaniment	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 180.00
Phone	\$ 2,700.00	\$ 1,200.00
Operating Costs	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 500.00
Postage/Courier Fees	\$ 65,000.00	\$ 78,000.00
International Expenses	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 65,000.00
Quebec Initiative	\$ 2,000.00	\$ -
Rental	\$ 38,000.00	\$ 40,000.00
Repairs/Maintenance	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 4,000.00
Security System	\$ 800.00	\$ 500.00
Telephone	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 13,000.00
Executive Expenses	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 2,500.00
Travel/Misc Expenses	\$ 36,500.00	\$ 30,000.00
Alberta	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 3,000.00
BC	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 3,000.00
Manitoba	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
Nova Scotia	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
New Brunswick	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00
Newfoundland	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
Ontario	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 3,000.00
Quebec	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 3,000.00
Saskatchewan	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
President Travel	\$ 13,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
International Representative	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 3,000.00
Utilities	\$ 6,140.00	\$ 7,700.00
Internet Services	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 900.00
Total for Expenses	\$ 1,589,250.00	\$ 1,676,530.00
Revenue - Expenses	\$ -	\$ -

CANADA'S NATIONAL FIREARMS ASSOCIATION

Statements of Financial Position

Unaudited

As at December 31, 2014 and 2013

	2014 <i>Unaudited</i>	2013 <i>Unaudited</i>
Assets		
Current assets:		
Cash	\$ 435,597	\$ 318,767
Accounts receivable	13,288	3,260
Term deposits	61,655	36,323
Inventory	60,102	21,761
Prepaid insurance	170,159	159,292
	740,801	539,403
Capital assets	22,530	19,630
	\$ 763,331	\$ 559,033
Liabilities and Deficiency		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 70,648	\$ 68,435
Deferred revenue	889,856	738,751
	960,504	807,186
Deficiency	(197,173)	(248,153)
	\$ 763,331	\$ 559,033

CANADA'S NATIONAL FIREARMS ASSOCIATION

Statements of Operations and Deficiency

Unaudited

Years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013

	2014 <i>Unaudited</i>	2013 <i>Unaudited</i>
Revenues:		
Insurance	\$ 618,185	\$ 612,886
Memberships:		
Fees	461,899	397,842
Publications	276,717	187,891
Donations	285,756	176,153
Merchandise	120,747	15,367
Miscellaneous	72,095	15,563
Interest income	5,394	2,373
	1,840,793	1,408,075
Expenditures:		
Insurance	438,768	387,275
Wages and benefits	375,268	264,948
Publications	242,958	203,208
Travel	126,439	65,628
Advertising and promotion	113,610	104,393
Legal support for members	96,174	61,873
Delivery	85,815	39,331
Merchandise purchases	82,258	21,940
Rent	46,013	43,676
Office	36,639	22,137
Mail campaigns	32,412	15,140
Interest and bank charges	27,790	15,683
Professional fees	22,871	5,713
Dues and subscriptions	19,771	19,984
Telephone	15,196	11,800
Sponsorships	15,000	14,750
Repairs and maintenance	6,385	1,214
Amortization of capital assets	6,266	5,169
Bad debts	180	300
	1,789,813	1,304,162
Excess of revenues over expenditures	50,980	103,913
Deficiency, beginning of year	(248,153)	(352,066)
Deficiency, end of year	\$ (197,173)	\$ (248,153)