



- **Enclosures**

The following items are enclosed:

Minutes of June COM meeting: 27.06.07
 Financials June COM meeting
 Secretaries Manual – **Replace:** Insurance Cover (dated 21 June). **Insert:** Insurance Currency Certificate **Replace:** Application to Conduct Sanctioned Shoot (new email address for Joan Yet Foy)
 Pride of Australia notice
 Pistol Australia update re outbound firearms related items with Aus Post
 Various Open Shoot entry forms (7) + SE Zone entry details
 Locker Room advice from Sport & Recreation Qld
 Information re Joint Ministerial Statement – Qld Govt

APOLOGY: I am a little late with this mailout, but our COM meeting set down for June 20 had to be postponed due to several members of the Committee being victims of the flu.

- **Capitation Fees:** 2007-2008: Adult full year \$90.40 Junior full year: \$45.20
Prorata begins May 1 (half yearly fee)
- **Queensland Pistol News**
Deadline for our September issue is September 7.
Editor Sharyn Petersen welcomes technical, club articles and Open results. Email to gapsa@in.com.au
Designate as QPN for easy recognition. Hardcopy is also OK. Deadline is strictly adhered to.
- **Member Notification Forms:** Sent in monthly helps keep our database and mailing list up to date and alleviates the problem of many 'Return to Sender' items. Your new members also get their affiliation cards promptly. Thank you to those Secretaries already doing this.
- **SHOOTING CALENDAR: Are you planning your Open for next year?** If you get all the details to QAPSA Office early, information can be inserted in the Open Shoot Competition Information page of the QPN, as well as the Rolling Calendar. If you want your event publicised nationally you need to get your Club's Open Shoot details to QAPSA Office by the end of December. This will then be passed on to the PA Bulletin for the first issue in 2008. The following info is needed:

Club venue and address	Dates and sanction number
Events being shot	Closing date
Entry fees	Other fees or details (eg dinner)
Camping or accommodation details	Contact & postal address details

The generic entry form can then be used accessing these details.
- **Update of Club Details:**
Thank you to those Secretaries who have returned the blue **Club Details Update Form**, with a copy of your Range Approval and Incorporation Certificate. This allows QAPSA to be informed about the matches your Club shoots, not only for general information, but also for insurance purposes. This also allows QAPSA to update files and contact information so we can contact Clubs quickly and easily if needed. There are only a couple of clubs who have not returned these now – thank you so much to all those clubs who have returned these.
- **INSURANCE:** Certificates of Currency and Insurance information is included for insertion into the Secretaries Manual. All but four clubs have signified their eligibility for Association Liability (Directors and Office Bearers) Insurance. These four clubs have alternative cover. The Association Liability Insurance is now also in place.

REMEMBER: YOUR COMMITTEE MEMBERS MUST ALL BE AFFILIATED MEMBERS OF QAPSA TO RECEIVE THE ASSOCIATION LIABILITY INSURANCE THROUGH PISTOL AUSTRALIA.

- **Range Approvals:** Two Clubs have still not forwarded these to QAPSA. This is the only way QAPSA Ltd can know what your Club is shooting and therefore have it documented for insurance purposes. If, for some reason, your Club does not have a Range Approval, just let QAPSA know, and the reason for this (some Clubs may use another Club's facilities eg).

- **Office Hours:**

Monday:	Closed
Tuesday, Wednesday:	8.00 am – 6.00 pm
Thursday:	8.30 am – 4.30 pm
Friday:	Closed

QAPSA Office is often open outside these hours – check with a phone call. Leave a message if the Office is unattended – we often have to attend meetings and seminars – and we will get back to you as soon as possible.

- **Holster Proficiency and Examiners Courses:**

Contact Ted Collins (1920 Match Coordinator and Holster Proficiency Coordinator) on 4632 7305 if you have members wishing to obtain a Holster Proficiency Card. Holster Courses can be arranged at your Club if you have no Club Examiner. If you have members wishing to become examiners contact Ted also.

- **COACHING**

As advised in the April Newsletter, Qld has a new Coaching Director: John McGlew

John's contact details: PO Box 115 Malanda Q 4885 Ph: 40965309 M: 0417760060

Email: jjmcglew@bigpond.net.au

A 'Beginning Coaching General Principles' course is available free of charge through the Australian Sports Commission and is a 6 hour course. Go to <https://learning.ausport.gov.au> to access.

- **RANGE OFFICERS COURSES**

If you have members who wish to gain qualification as a Range Officer contact our Qld Referee Council Coordinator Joan Yet Foy on 5594 1669 or joan.yetfoy@bigpond.com.au.

A Judges Update Seminar has been booked for the weekend of 28-29 July. Coordinator Joan Yet Foy has contacted all judges re this course. The course will be over 2 days and held at the QRA Meeting Room facility. Accommodation has also been booked at QRA, with SRQ Government grant funds being available to subsidise travel and accommodation for attendees.

- **RANGE OPERATORS COURSES**

Range Operators Courses are conducted through the Qld Rifle Association and Qld Police Service, with Rex Wigney and Sgt Gerry O'Connor. Clubs can contact Rex direct at QRA Office on 3398 4309.

- **CLUB VISITS:**

Club Visits are continuing this year – if your Club hasn't as yet had a visit a QAPSA representative will be in contact with you very soon. QAPSA Management looks forward to visiting your Club in the future to meet on a face-to-face basis and discuss what your Club requires.

- **MEMBER PROTECTION POLICY**

Remember – the Commission for Children and Young People and Child Guardian has advised that all sporting bodies should have a Member Protection Policy in place by **January 1 2007**.

For QAPSA Clubs it is just a matter of adopting and referring to the AISL Policy, which was forwarded with the December 2006 newsletter. QAPSA has already adopted the AISL Policy as our reference (see QAPSA website). This policy is reviewed annually by lawyers so is up-to-date and applicable.

Only two QAPSA Clubs have not, as yet, signed this off on the yellow 'Club Confirmation' form. Your Club must have a **written** policy to refer to – so keep this document on file once you have

adopted it as your Club's policy – make sure it is registered in the Minutes as being adopted by your club. Similar procedure for your Risk Management Policy.

There is also information re these policies, and templates on the following websites, so if your club does not want to adopt the AISL policy it can devise its own.

www.ausport.gov.au/ethics

www.playbytherules.net.au

The Member Protection Information Officers for QAPSA Ltd are Michele Sandstrom and Sharyn Petersen. Contact details:

Michele Sandstrom	3395 1322	PO Box 306 Carina	4152
Sharyn Petersen	3395 1322	PO Box 306 Carina Q	4152

- **ASADA: Australian Sports Anti-Doping Authority**

Some useful contacts: Anti-Doping hotline: 1800 020 506 Website: www.asada.gov.au

Email: asada@asada.gov.au

The latest handbooks are available, as well as a 'Pure Performance in Sport DVD'.

QAPSA has adopted AISL's Anti-Doping Policy. Find out more about this policy at:

www.ausshootingorg/Antidoping

- **Grant Applications:**

Does your Club have a successful grant application it would like to share? If your Club does have a successful submission you are happy to have on file here at QAPSA, for distribution to other Clubs when needed, it would be greatly appreciated. Thank you to Bundaberg, and Bowen's is on the way.

- **GOVERNMENT GRANTS:** Guidelines and application forms available at: www.sportrec.qld.gov.au or telephone 4615 3676 (Jim Grassick).

Once you have details of your project organised, contact QAPSA with details of your project and we will write a Letter of Support to go with your submission.

- **JUNIOR DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR:**

Does your Club have someone who is a great organiser and coordinator, and has some time to spare? Our State organisation is in need of a **Junior Development Coordinator**- if you know of someone who is interested contact the office.

- **RENEWAL OF SHOOTING CLUB PERMIT:**

Many Clubs are going through the process of renewing their Shooting Club Permit. For this the club will require a letter from QAPSA to state your club's affiliation and insurance status – contact the office if your club is renewing and needs a letter.

- **WEAPONS ACT:**

The Weapons Act is under review at the moment, a draft will then be forwarded to stakeholders for comment and negotiation.

If you are wanting to check out the current Act (Weapons Act 1990 or Weapons Regulations 1996) go to: legislation.qld.gov.au. Go to 'Search' and then select Weapons Act 1990 or Weapons Regulations 1996. These can be printed out in full.

The website for Qld Police is: www.police.qld.gov.au Forms can be downloaded and current fees are advertised.

- **Revised WSC is now Course No. 30655**
- **PLEASE NOTE: REMINDER TO ALL CLUB MEMBERS, EXECUTIVE MEMBERS AND WSC**

QAPSA House, Belmont Shooting Complex, 1485 Old Cleveland Road, Belmont Qld 4153
Post: PO Box 306, Carina Qld 4152 Email: gapsa@in.com.au
Phone: 07 3395 1322 Fax: 07 3395 1344

QAPSA Website On Line www.qapsa.org

TRAINERS: YOUR CLUB'S RANGE MUST ONLY BE USED FOR THOSE MATCHES AND CALIBRES FOR WHICH IT HAS BEEN APPROVED. ENSURE YOUR CLUB IS FOLLOWING THE LETTER OF THE LAW IN THE WAY IT IS CONDUCTING ITS PROGRAM, IN BOTH COMPETITIVE TARGET SHOOTING AND TRAINING PURPOSES.

- **Proposals to WLB:**

Correct protocol is that any proposals for change should come via your Zone Delegate, to a Board Meeting. It will then be discussed and put as an Association proposal to the Queensland Shooting Association, if agreed upon. It can then go to the QPS Weapons Act Review Committee as a proposal with major backing from the QSA.

QAPSA Ltd is currently putting a proposal forward: to increase the number of classes per day to be registered as a participation from one to two.

- **SANCTIONING OF OPEN SHOOTS:**

Remember sanctioning of Open Shoots is done by Joan Yet Foy. Forms to be returned to Joan, as QAPSA's Referee Council Coordinator, at 127 Alison Rd Carrara 4127 or fax to 55944190. A revised 'Application to Conduct a Sanctioned Competition' Form is enclosed, for inclusion in your Secretaries Manual. Joan has a new email address.

- **Pistol Australia Junior Camp:**

The PATS Camp for juniors from all over Australia is in progress at the Belmont Complex and City of Brisbane PC over the next week. The Camp is being run by National Coaching Director Vladimir Galiabovitch and his assistants, and two Queensland Juniors, Teiha Green and Justin Woodward, have been fully sponsored by Pistol Australia to participate.

- **Pistol Australia Holster Accreditation; CHANGE!!**

This has come about through negotiations with the association's insurance brokers – to ensure that standards are consistent and monitored for all PA affiliated/insured persons throughout the association. Please refer to the enclosed: 'To Club Secretaries and Management Committees'.

- **Affiliation Cards:**

Cards for new members are now issued on a daily basis, on receipt of the PA Member Notification form from clubs, along with the 'Membership Benefits to QAPSA Members' paperwork. Please note: the magnetic strip on the QAPSA card holds no information at all.

- **DATE CLAIMER: ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

Please keep **December 8-9** clear for a representative from your Club to attend the QAPSA AGM at the Belmont Complex. Some QAPSA funding will be available for travel, meals and accommodation for one representative from each QAPSA club (preferably a Management Committee person) to be part of the two day seminar. Our aim is to have each club represented – so plan for this now so your Club can be involved. Other interested members are very welcome also – at their own expense.

To date the following groups will be asked to conduct a session at the AGM:

- Range Operator Course personnel
- Qld Police Service WLB: Annual Return, forms, procedures
- ASADA (Drug Agency)
- Weapons Safety Course (Elaine Gilliver)
- Administration procedures & Secretaries Manual (Sharyn Petersen)
- Referee Council, Range Officer Courses: Joan Yet Foy
- Coaching Council (John McGlew)
- Qld Govt: Dept of Sport & Recreation: Grant applications
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What else would your Club like to see on this program? Put it in writing, with a short rationale as to

why it needs to be added, and we will include it in the program.

We are also planning a Workshop/Brainstorming session on ways our state association can work with clubs to attract the younger generation into our sport. If you look around you will notice many of those involved in the administration, coaching, refereeing and competition areas of our sport are getting to the 'mature' years of their life. Who will carry our sport into the future? Remember – our licences are granted for 'competitive target shooting' and all that it entails. If we don't have the competitors to maintain this criteria, what then? This will greatly impact on *all* shooters.

Think about this, and have your representative ready to bring your Club's ideas to the table in a productive and positive way.

• NEW CLUB!!

The Queensland Association welcomes the **CAIRNS INNER CIRCLE SHOOTING CLUB** to our list of affiliated clubs. Secretary is Maureen Armstrong at PO Box 1011 Cairns 4870.

• MEETINGS:

QAPSA reps Elaine Gilliver and Sharyn Petersen will attend meetings in the coming weeks:

- Qld Shooting Association meeting @ Small Bore Association: Monday July 9 10.00 am
- Sports Federation Qld AGM @ Qld Rugby Union Monday July 9 2.30pm

• BOARD MEETING:

The next QAPSA Ltd Board meeting is Saturday and Sunday July 21-22: 8.30 am start both days.

If you would like something put on the agenda contact your Zone Delegate who is a Board Director and they will submit the item to QAPSA Office for inclusion on the agenda.

Zone Delegates are:

SW Zone	Graham Gow	Phone 46624236	Email: Graham_Gow@health.qld.gov.au
SE Zone	Peter Larsen	Phone 38690133	plarsen@bigpond.net.au
Central Zone	Tim Turner		timmer1@dodo.com.au
Northern Zone	Sam Cristaudo	Phone 40612393	Fax: 40617296

• THANK YOU!

Thank you to all those members and club administrators who are working positively and cooperatively with the Association. We greatly appreciate your wonderful efforts and input into the association.

It is very important that we present a strong and professional front in our dealings with Government and community bodies. All our club workers are volunteers and we thank our club executives for the work they do to keep the sport viable in their area.

QAPSA Board members, coordinators, referees, coaches and team managers do all their duties in their own time – and they also like to compete occasionally! Trainers and our Training Manager also work voluntarily to put participants through the Weapons Safety Course.

The QPN setup and packaging is done voluntarily.

The Administrator's position is the only paid position in our Association, for 28 hours per week – hopefully to take some of the load off the volunteers.

A huge thank you to you all – keep up the great work.

• WELL DONE!

Well done to the Far North Qld Sports and Pistol Club who placed an ad for their club, and the sport, in the 'Join A Club' feature in the Port Douglas and Mossman Gazette in April.

Great work FNQ Club – hopefully some new members join, but if not, the Club has presented a very positive image of Pistol Shooting as a sport.

Remember – if you need help or information contact the Office and we will do our best to assist you and your Club.

Sharyn Petersen **Administrator**

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