



- **Enclosures** (not all available through the website):

**The following items are enclosed:**

- Minutes of July 17 Committee of Management Meeting + financials
- Affiliation Survey
- Acceptable Variations: from Sgt Gerry O'Connor WLB
- Copy of email re Olympic Team (for those without email)

- **Capitation Fees:**

**2008-2009: Adult full year \$95.40 Junior full year: \$47.70**

**Pro-rata: Adult \$47.70 Junior \$23.85**

**Prorata begins May 1**

The increase in affiliation fees was agreed upon at the 2007 AGM. PA has increased its affiliation fee slightly (for the 2008-09 year), but this has been absorbed by QAPSA Ltd in the above increase.

**WE ENCOURAGE OUR CLUBS TO AFFILIATE ALL THEIR MEMBERS – INSURANCE MATTERS, NEWS ABOUT OUR SPORT AND ASSOCIATION, LEGISLATION DEVELOPMENTS, FUNDING AND INFORMED KNOWLEDGE OF OUR SPORT ARE THEN AVAILABLE TO ALL YOUR MEMBERS.**

**PLEASE NOTE: THERE IS A MAJOR CHANGE AS TO WHEN REAFFILIATIONS WILL BE DUE THIS YEAR:**

As confirmed at our February 2-3 Board meeting the following procedure is advised:

1. Clubs will receive a list of club members (as per our records at that date) and an invoice for those members in the first week of **SEPTEMBER** each year.
2. The list of members needs to be edited (as per 'Affiliations' page of the Secretaries Manual) and returned to QAPSA. (It's a huge help if you can return the edited list!)
3. Your club can pay then, if numbers match up, or you are confident that you have calculated correctly at your end, otherwise we will send an updated invoice.
4. **THIS ACCOUNT WILL BE PAYABLE WITHIN 30 DAYS OF THE FINAL INVOICE.**
5. Members will be issued with their new cards as soon as possible after receipt of the club's payment:  
**CARDS WILL THEN SHOW: Expires 31 Oct 2009**

- **ROLLING AFFILIATIONS:**

Registering and paying for your new members as soon as they join your club is a great idea – for you and the Association. This way your members are registered with us at the earliest opportunity. These members are then quickly inducted into the sport through the magazines and information they then receive.

Paying with the Member Notification advice will speed up the process – we can process their membership and send out cards by return post.

- **COACHING REQUEST:** If your Club is wanting coaching, in any discipline, fill out the Coaching Request form (previously forwarded) and return to the office. John McGlew (QCC Coordinator) will then organise coaching for your Club.

- **Queensland Pistol News**

Deadline for our September issue is September 5. **Deadline is strictly adhered to.**

**Clubs are asked to start thinking about their Open shoots for 2009 – get your preferred dates to QAPSA office so we can advertise them through all the usual channels. If your Club wants its event/s listed in the PA Bulletin's Calendar, dates need to be here before December 19.**

- **CLUB OFFICIALS UPDATE FORM:**

Some Clubs have still not sent this form back. This information is needed for two reasons:

1. So that we have a record of your Club's officials, and several points of contact.
2. So we can crosscheck to ensure all your Committee are QAPSA affiliates if your club is planning to be covered by Pistol Australia's Association Insurance (or Directors and Office Bearers Insurance) – this is an insurance company requirement, to cover all your Club's officials.

Thank you for your help with this, and thank you to those clubs who have already returned these forms.

- **MEETING DATES:**

Next Board Meeting:	Aug 23-24
Administrator to attend Sports Federation of Qld meeting	August 5.
Administrator and WSC Training Manager attended combined Qld Shooting Association and Qld Police Service meeting	July 28.

- **OFFICE HOURS:**

Monday:	8.00 am – 12 noon	Tuesday:	8.00 am – 4.00 pm
Wednesday:	8.00 am – 4.00 pm	Thursday:	8.00 am – 4.00 pm
Friday:	8.00 am – 12 noon		

- **AFFILIATION PROPOSAL:** Some clubs and their members would by now be aware of the proposal put forward by QAPSA Board, following the February 2-3 Board Meeting. The Zone Directors were given the responsibility of getting the information to their Zone clubs, and some are still in the process of doing this. **REMEMBER:** This is a discussion point only at this stage – final decision and format at the AGM.

- **AFFILIATION CONFIRMATION:** WLB is now asking for confirmation of a Club's affiliation with an Association when renewing the Club's Shooting Club Approval. To date the Association has been providing a letter stating how many members of the club are registered with us, whether the club's Management Committee consists of members affiliated with us and confirms insurance details.

At the present time our Association is formulating the criteria a club would need to meet to be registered as an affiliated club with QAPSA Ltd. This criteria will be part of the affiliation proposal mentioned above.

- **FORM 33 OR 33A:**

A REMINDER: **It is a requirement of the Weapons Act** that any unlicensed person participating in shooting on a Club range signs a Form 33 or Form 33A prior to shooting. The Form 33 is recommended for the 'one off' casual shooter, whilst the Form 33A hastens the paperwork a little if the person is a regular visitor to the club (having done the Form 33 on his/her first visit).

- **AGM CONFERENCE: NOVEMBER 15-16 2008**

Has your club selected a delegate yet?  
Remember – one Club delegate is fully funded to attend: travel and accommodation, with meals provided, to attend the conference. Last year we had half our clubs represented – this year it would be great to have 75% represented. Here is your club's chance to be part of the decision making and forward planning for our Association and sport.

A second club person is welcome to attend, but they will not receive funding and will not be able to vote. Funding for this conference is received from Sport and Recreation Qld to help improve 'Organisation Management' which filters down to Club Management.

Paperwork re the Conference will come out after our August Board Meeting.

- **QAPSA Sanctioned Shoots:**

QAPSA sanctioned shoots are for QAPSA affiliates only.  
The reasons behind this are:

  1. Participants are fully aware of match rules and procedures and commands for the various events.
  2. Participants are fully aware of specifications for pistols and ammunition for the events.
  3. The events shot at a sanctioned open are registered to Pistol Australia, and therefore QAPSA Ltd.
  4. Correct Holster Accreditation is in place.

5. All the Range Official expertise has come through PA – funded by affiliates: all updated on a regular basis via PA/QAPSA support
6. Insurance requirements and policies are clear cut and in place.

The only variance to this is for Regional or International Games (eg Maryborough Masters Games, Pan Pacific Masters, Australian Shooting Games, North Qld Games etc). The Pistol Shooting section of these Games can be sanctioned by QAPSA, but the event will continue to be accessible to shooters from any Association. This is because the organising body for these events is an independent, outside organisation. If clubs want shooters from other associations to compete at their Open they have the option of conducting a non-sanctioned event.

**PLEASE BE AWARE: IF YOUR CLUB IS CONDUCTING A SANCTIONED OPEN SHOOT COMPETITORS MUST BE ABLE TO PROVIDE 3 THINGS:**

1. Queensland Concealable Licence
2. QAPSA membership card
3. Pistol Australia Holster Accreditation (if shooting PA holster events)

• **CLUB EVENTS:**

Club organisers conducting club events need to sight:

1. Qld Concealable Licence or Firearms Licence (if shooting rifle events)
2. If using a holster: the appropriate holster accreditation ie. for PA/QAPSA events, PA holster accreditation is required. If SSAA holster events are shot on your Club's range, SSAA Holster Accreditation is needed, and if IPSC events are conducted, IPSC Holster accred is needed. That is: holster accreditation is not transferable, nor recognised between organisations.

• **50,000 SHOTS!!**

**Is your Club getting organised for the 50 000 shots weekend? SEPTEMBER 20-21!**

**Information was in the last mailout.** Looking forward to hearing from your club by September 27!!

• **VOLUNTEER AWARDS PROGRAM:**

Don't forget to thank a club Volunteer by nominating them for our QAPSA Volunteer Awards Program. Deadline for the first quarter is July 31; next quarter's deadline is October 31.

• **GRADING CARD;**

Our new Grading Card should be enclosed with the September QPN.

• **APPROVED VARIATIONS TO MATCHES:**

Document is enclosed with this mailout:

**Please read very carefully – it is your club's responsibility to ensure that your members are informed and abiding by the Act and the clarification from Sgt O'Connor.**

• **NEW FEES FOR WEAPONS SAFETY COURSE:**

New fees for the WSC were approved at the May 24-25 Board Meeting. These are:

Cost to non-affiliated participant:	\$90.00
Cost to QAPSA affiliated participant:	\$60.00
Cost to junior participant	\$50.00 (affiliated or non-affiliated)
Trainers to be reimbursed:	\$20.00 per participant
Club to receive:	\$15.00 per participant

New fees came into place on 1 July 2008.

• **STATE TITLES ISSF 2008:**

Some new initiatives will be introduced at our 2008 ISSF State Titles.

1. **Veterans' Aggregate:** Will be calculated over 25m Standard Pistol; 10m Air Pistol (first 40 shots); and 25m Pistol (Women)/ 25m Centre Fire (Men).  
A Veteran will be classed as such if he/she is 65 years of age, or older, this calendar year.

2. **Club Team Trophy:** To be calculated over three events: 10m Air Pistol (Women or Junior Women); 10m Air Pistol (Men or Junior Men).  
Three (3) person team for each event to be pre-nominated by the Club (nominated teams to be received by Thursday October 30)  
Awards to be presented for each of these three events.
  3. **Participation Award:** To be awarded to the Club with the highest **percentage** of their affiliated membership participating in the State Titles.
- **STATE TITLES: ISSF**  
City of Brisbane PC will conduct this event but please **NOTE A CHANGE OF DATE.**  
This event will now be held on **October 31, November 1-2.**  
This date has been changed as it clashed with two events:
    - o ISSF International Grand Prix Sydney
    - o Gold Coast Masters Games ISSF & Black Powder
  - **STATE TITLES: BLACK POWDER:**  
**Beaudesert PC will be the host club for this event on Sunday 28 September.**  
Organising Secretary is John Crowther 3804 1949  
25m Black Powder and 50m Black Powder to be contested. \$12.00 per event.  
Generic entry form can be used: Post to Organising Secretary: 16 Riley Ct Windaroo 4207 or refer to Entry Form enclosed with last month's mailout. Entry details are also on the QAPSA website.
  - **OLYMPIC SHOOTING TEAM IN BRISBANE:**  
Dina Aspandiyarova, David Moore and Daniel Repacholi spent a week on the City of Brisbane Pistol Club range last week and happily participated in media opportunities promoting our sport. The Courier Mail, Channel 10 and the APN network were all organised by our President, Michele, to be at the range last Wednesday and some worthwhile coverage for our sport was received.  
A big thank you to the team members for their cooperation and willingness to work with the media.
  - **NIL RETURNS:** Member notification forms showing a nil return are not necessary. Clubs only need to notify when they have new members, change of address, resignation, transfers etc. We do encourage clubs to register these changes asap so our records are up-to-date and our members receive our correspondence correctly.
  - **OPEN SHOOT RESULTS:** When forwarding Open Shoot results it would be appreciated if Clubs could list how many shooters participated in their event: Men, Women, and Junior.  
Part of our return to SRQ each year must now show participation trends – with the hope that this will show an increase. If clubs can just add this info, as a note, with their results, it will help immensely (ie the Administrator won't have to count them!) to have these figures at hand at the end of each year when we have to submit a progress report. This helps with continued funding for not only the Association, but our Sport in general.
  - **INTERNATIONAL 1920 MATCH STATE TEAM:** Congratulations and great shooting to the following shooters who will represent Qld at the Pistol Australia Nationals in Darwin from August 13-16.  
Team Members are:  
Open:  
**Brett Foster (Isis PC, Bob Perry (City of Brisbane PC), Alan Howell (Gold Coast PAA PC)**  
Metallic Sight: **Brett Foster, Matthew Thomson (Millmerran PC)**
  - **ROCKHAMPTON PISTOL CLUB: ONE DAY OPEN**  
Rockhampton PC is venturing into the Open Shoot scene once again, with a One Day Open on Sunday, 31 August. Contact Secretary Kev O'Sullivan on 4928 1384 for more details.

Sharyn Petersen  
**Administrator**