



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

The following items are enclosed:

- Minutes of August 23-24 Board Meeting + financials
- Affiliation Survey: for those not yet returned
- Club Details Update Form
- Blank Calendar
- 50 000 Shots Weekend: Notice & Participation Record

- **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

From this amount Pistol Australia receives \$43.00.

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 MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS WILL BE DUE THIS YEAR:

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. Most clubs will have received their club member list and invoice this week, or early next week.
2. The list of members needs to be edited (as per 'Membership: Pistol Shooting Queensland' page). Please return the edited list with your return.
Additional members can be added via the normal Pistol Australia Member Notification Form.
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, and will be sent individually to each member.

CARDS WILL SHOW: Exp 31 Oct 2009

- **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.

- **OPEN SHOOTS 2009:**

Start thinking about your Open one or two day event/s for 2009.

We have a slightly different procedure in place for sanctioned events now.

The process is:

1. Submit your preferred dates to QAPSA Office.
2. We will check your preferred date to ensure it doesn't clash with another event within close proximity.
3. QAPSA Office will advise your club if the date is OK (or not).
4. Another date can be put forward if the first preference is not accepted (this would be rare).
5. QAPSA Office will advise QRC Coordinator Joan Yet Foy of approved dates and events.
6. The Club can then apply for a sanction number from QRC.
7. Joan will be given regular updates of dates and events approved by QAPSA Ltd via email.

QAPSA will then forward all details on to: QPN, QAPSA website, Pistol Australia (for first PA Bulletin of 2009). For events to be included in the PA Bulletin: Details of these need to be QAPSA approved and sanctioned by December 17.

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A blank Calendar (with some tentative dates already submitted) is enclosed to help you work out where your Club's event might best fit in 2009. The tentative dates shown are not as yet approved or sanctioned by QAPSA/QRC – this will be discussed further at the AGM Conference.

• **CLUB OFFICIALS UPDATE FORM:**

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

1. So that we have an up-to-date 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. Another form is enclosed as some clubs have recently had their AGM's and there may be a change of personnel.

- **MEETING DATES:**
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| QAPSA Committee of Management meeting: | Sep 17 |
| Administrator: to attend Sports Federation of Qld Administrators' Workshop | Sep 11 |
| QAPSA President to attend Pistol Aus Executive meeting | |

Oct 25-26

• **OFFICE HOURS: Now open 35 hours a week:**

Monday:	8.00 am – 1.00 pm	Tuesday:	8.00 am – 4.30 pm
Wednesday:	8.00 am – 4.30 pm	Thursday:	8.00 am – 4.00 pm
Friday:	8.00 am – 1.00 pm		

- **MEMBERSHIP PROPOSAL:** Will be forwarded to clubs with Notices of Motion for the AGM Conference.

- **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 membership 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).

These forms must be fully completed.

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

Has your club selected a delegate yet? Thank you to those clubs who have already informed us of their delegate.

One Club delegate is fully funded to attend: travel, accommodation, meals provided.

QAPSA Ltd is hopeful that more clubs will attend this year (we had just over half in 2008) – we have interesting, informative and educational sessions planned.

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.

First notice re the Annual General Meeting and the Conference will come out in the last week of September. Notices of Motion, expressions of interest etc will be forwarded to clubs in the second week of October. An official Delegate Registration form will come to your club with the first AGM notice.

- **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 FOR SIGHTING BY THE HOST CLUB:**

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, but another poster and participation form is enclosed.

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.

We have one nomination for this quarter so far – we know there are many more out there deserving of mention.

- **GRADING CARD;**

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

The card needs to have a cross inserted in the appropriate grade columns for the events shot. If breaking grade or downgrading the specific cell needs to be initialled by your Club Scorer.

Grades for all ISSF/PA events will be in the next QPN.

Metallic Silhouette is not included on the new card as silhouette shooters have their own grading card system.

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

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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 CHAMPIONSHIPS ISSF 2008:**

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

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 on **October 31, November 1-2.**

Entry Form in the September QPN, or use the generic entry form.

• **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.

• **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 QAPSA's return to SRQ each year must now show participation trends – with the hope that there will be 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:**

Results Nationals 2008:

Our International 1920 Match teams performed very creditably in Darwin 13-16 August.

BRETT FOSTER IS THE 2008 METALLIC SIGHT NATIONAL CHAMPION!

Brett is a member of the Isis PC and was a member of both the Open and Metallic Sight teams.

Results:	Open	Queensland Team	Third	5721 points
	Brett Foster	1911 151X 10 th		
	Bob Perry	1905 148X 16 th		
	Alan Howell	1905 145X 17 th		
	Metallic Sight	Queensland Team	Fourth	3568 points
	Brett Foster	1861 117X 1 st		
	Matt Thomson	1707 93 X		

Well done Team!!

• **TOOWOOMBA SERVICES OPEN:** Please be advised this event has been cancelled.

• **JUNIOR DEVELOPMENT SQUAD:**

The recent letter/survey to our state's juniors has received a promising response.

A tentative date has been set for our first Pistol Shooting Queensland 2009 Camp. January 16-17-18 has been pencilled in with the plan to follow this up with another camp in September 2009.

Juniors who have contacted us via the survey will receive notification of the January Camp in the next week or two.

- **AFFILIATION SURVEY:** Thank you to the many clubs who have returned this survey – this gives us some idea of the make-up of your clubs and will provide data relevant to the membership proposal to be discussed at the AGM.

- **METALLIC SILHOUETTE TEAM:** PA National Big Bore Championships 19-20-21 September

Our best wishes go to:

Production Team:	Brad Armstrong	John Harding
Revolver “	John Harding	Judy Harding
Unlimited “	John Harding	Judy Harding
Ladies “	Judy Harding	Marel Donaldson
Junior	Natalie Armstrong	

Good Luck Team!!

- **State Government Funding:**

The Queensland State Government has pledged \$78 million for local sport and recreation: an extra \$20 million on previous years. The 2008 – 09 year has State Govt commitments of:

Minor Facilities Program: \$12.5 million

Major Facilities Program: \$30 million

Find out more about Qld Government Grants go to: www.qld.gov.au/grants Phone: 13 13 04

Jupiters Casino Benefit Fund: www.jccbf.org.au Phone: 1800 336 958

Gambling Community Benefit Fund: www.gcbf.qld.gov.au Phone: 1800 633 619

- **HOLSTER ACCREDITATION:**

If your club members are shooting holster matches (ie a loaded pistol is being drawn from a holster), according to the events listed on your Range Approval, they must have holster accreditation specific to that event. Pistol Australia/QAPSA Ltd events requiring Pistol Australia Holster Accreditation (confirmed by a Pistol Australia Holster Proficiency Card) are: International 1920 Match (previously NRA Action Match) events, WA 1500 and Service Pistol.

If your members are shooting SSAA holster events they will need to have SSAA holster accreditation and IPSC events will need IPSC holster accreditation.

None of these events can be shot according to the rules unless they have the specific holster accreditation related to that event. This would be a major requirement by any insurance company, and certainly is with our insurers. A local club holster accreditation is not possible as all pistol clubs have to be shooting events from a recognised association and its associated rule books, which would state the holster accreditation requirements.

- **CLUB VISITS:**

Our Club Visit Program is progressing, with the following clubs having contact with QAPSA reps in recent months: Cunnamulla, St George, Tarawera, Townsville, Cairns TSC, Rockhampton, Gladstone and Callide Dawson. Visits planned for the coming weeks are with North Arm and Metropolitan pistol clubs.

Our Zone Delegates or QAPSA Office will continue to approach clubs to set up a suitable time for a meeting with your club.

- **WEAPONS SAFETY COURSE UPGRADES AND QUALIFICATION:**

At the present time we have 21 trainers upgrading and 2 trainers doing a complete course. Complete funding is being provided from QAPSA's WSC funds for those trainers doing the upgrade, with those doing the full course being funded for a portion of the course, with the remainder being reimbursed after 2 years of service to QAPSA and its clubs. To date \$21 700.00 has been outlaid on the current upgrades and qualifications, as required by QAPSA Ltd as a Registered Training Organisation.

- **ADVERTISING:**

As discussed at the August 23-24 Board Meeting QAPSA Ltd will use funds accumulated in the Fighting Fund account to place a generic advertisement in local papers throughout Queensland, where our Association has clubs. This initiative will begin after the AGM Conference.

- **SHOOTERS REJOINING PISTOL CLUBS AFTER A 5 YEAR ABSENCE:**

It was confirmed yesterday (September 4), with Sergeant Gerry O'Connor that:

1. These members are eligible to remain a member of the Club for those 5 years.
2. These members can shoot using the Form 33 or 33A.
3. These members can begin their 6 month period 6 months prior to the end of their 5 year absence.

There has been some conflicting information regarding these points.

The information as printed on page 7 of the June issue (Issue 2, 2008) of the QPN is correct.

- **PISTOL SHOOTING QUEENSLAND: NEW SHIRTS FOR QAPSA MEMBERS**

The Association is in the process of updating its merchandise and a new Pistol Shooting Queensland shirt is in the design process. We are hoping the shirts will be ready for release at the AGM Conference.

- **RANGE APPROVAL UPDATES:**

Clubs are requested to send a copy of the Club's Approval of a Range and/or Approval of a Club if they have recently been renewed.

QAPSA Ltd needs a copy of these so we have your Club's events registered re insurance cover for your QAPSA members.

If these QAPSA members are also shooting events registered to other recognised shooting associations we need to have the names of these events and the rules and procedures they are being conducted under on file also. These members are then covered by your QAPSA/PA insurance whilst shooting these events, providing the appropriate holster accreditation is in place, if they are shooting holster events from these other associations.

Sharyn Petersen
Administrator

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