



- **Enclosures** (not all available through the website):
The following items are enclosed:
 - **Minutes Summary of August Board Meeting**
 - **Financials: Board Meeting**
 - **Registration Form: Club reps for AGM Conference**
 - **AGM Notice and Proxy Form**
 - **Notice of Intent Form: Open Shoot/s 2010**
 - **Application for a sanctioned competition 2010**

PAST NEWS:

- **QAPSA Sanctioned Shoots:**

QAPSA sanctioned shoots are for QAPSA affiliates only.

The only variance to this is for Regional or International Games (e.g. Maryborough Masters Games, Pan Pacific Masters, Australian Shooting Games, North Qld Games etc). The QAPSA/PA events 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.

- **HOLSTER ACCREDITATION:**

If your club members are shooting holster matches (i.e. 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.

To shoot these events according to the rules shooters must have the specific holster accreditation related to that event.

- **Rule Books:** New 2009 ISSF rule books are now available: \$8.00 to purchase.

- **QRA Accommodation:**

The Belmont Shooting Complex has a wide range of accommodation available, ranging from bunk style rooms, motel rooms with ensuite, double suites and family suites. Most rooms are air-conditioned with TV and fridge – bunk rooms and dorm rooms don't have a/c, but all have bar fridges. Camp sites, tent sites and bedding also available.

CHALETS NOW AVAILABLE: Fully self-contained, 1 double and 2 single beds \$110.00 per night
Phone 3398 4309 to book. Use anytime you come to Brisbane: all at very reasonable rates.

- **STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS ISSF: MURRUMBA PISTOL CLUB**

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Entry Form in September QPN and on website

- **ISSF/PISTOL AUSTRALIA NATIONALS ON THE BELMONT SHOOTING COMPLEX 2010.**

QAPSA is the host association for the 2010 Pistol Australia ISSF/PA Nationals: March 27 – April 4. Put this in the diary now ... come along to compete and help out amongst Australia's best pistol shooters in the ISSF events and PA disciplines of Services, WA 1500 and Black Powder. Support our teams too!!

Anyone can enter ... you don't have to be a top shooter to participate.

This is a QAPSA Ltd event, that is, it is hosted by QAPSA members. It is not just a metropolitan area or club event! It is also a very important event for the Belmont Shooting Complex.

Come along and participate in what is sure to be the best PA Nationals ever, and support the sport of Pistol Shooting in Queensland.

- **50 000 SHOTS WEEK: IS YOUR CLUB SET TO PARTICIPATE?**

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Paperwork has been sent out previously, but is also available on the website under Publicity and Promotion, or phone the Office. All monies raised to go to the Queensland Cancer Council.

- **QAPSA LTD 50TH ANNIVERSARY DINNER**
QAPSA Ltd celebrates its 50 th anniversary this year.
This dinner will be held on the Saturday evening of November 14; our AGM Conference weekend.
- **CHANGE TO FORM 33:**
The Form 33 can now be used for interstate shooters without a licence, as there is no requirement to be eligible for a Queensland Licence (i.e. must be a Queensland resident), as previously.
- **SHOOTING AND THE RULES:**
Remember that all the events listed on your club's Range Approval, which are the only events able to be shot on your club's range (apart from practice), must be shot according to the rules for those events. The governing association for those events should have a rule book to clearly set out the rules for their events.
Like every sport, the rules need to be followed, and this is particularly important when it comes to insurance issues. If there is an incident the adherence to the rules will be closely looked at with regard to the situation. Our Association and the Range Operator and/or a Management Committee of a club have a responsibility to ensure that its members have any liability risk minimised by shooting all of the club's approved events according to the rules for those matches. Acceptable variations, as previously advised, should be taken into account also.
This includes ensuring that Range Registers, Form 33's and 33A's are all completed correctly, as well as sighting ID for non-licenced persons and the applicable licences if licensed. If it is a two day event this ID/licence should be sighted both days and on each range.
- **Club Login on website:**
Final details for login by our clubs are in place. If your club has forwarded a user name and password, along with the name of the contact person and an email address, your club will be able to access the 'login' section of the QAPSA website and download what is needed – we are progressively adding resources, but there is quite a bit of information and a variety of forms to access now.

Website address is now www.pistolshootingqld.org. www.qapsa.org will still give access for another 2 years.

- **RANGE OFFICER COURSES:**
A number of Range Officer courses have been completed, with several other clubs in the process and some soon to begin.
Well done to all those members taking on this responsibility – it helps our association, your club and our sport conduct our events correctly, safely and according to the rules of those particular events.
- **CLUB MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES:**
As per the 2008 AGM the association now has 4 categories of club membership and the category of membership determines whether your club has a vote at all QAPSA meetings (ie Zone, AGM, SGM). These categories and their voting rights are listed below:

Full Organisation Member:	Incorporated club with 100% of Cat H members affiliated with QAPSA	1 vote
Full Association Member:	Unincorporated club with 100% of Cat H members affiliated with QAPSA	1 vote
Partial Organisation Member:	Incorporated club with less than 100% of Cat H members affiliated with QAPSA	No vote
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A representative from a Partial Member club can attend all QAPSA meetings, and can speak at these meetings, but cannot move motions or vote.

As per the 2009 Zone Charter a QAPSA affiliate from a Partial Member club is eligible for a position on the Zone Management Committee, but has to be nominated by a Full Member club.

A QAPSA affiliate from a Partial Member club is eligible to be elected as a Zone Delegate (and therefore a member of the QAPSA Board), but can only be nominated by a Full Member club.

NEW INFORMATION:

- **ANNUAL AGM CONFERENCE;**

Our Association's Annual AGM Conference is to be held on November 14-15. AGM: November 15 QAPSA Ltd will fund two QAPSA affiliated members from all (Full and Partial Member) clubs to attend. One club approved non-affiliated member of a Partial Member club is also invited to attend, but will not be funded.

Funding covers: **Travel:** Air, car, train, bus (arrival the afternoon prior to conference & departure up to the morning after the conference)

Accommodation: At the Belmont Shooting Complex

Meals: All meals provided during the conference period.

HAS YOUR CLUB DECIDED ON YOUR CLUB'S REPRESENTATIVES?

Registration forms for your club's representatives are enclosed and will be available on the website as well as being forwarded electronically to clubs who have indicated they prefer this method of response.

We will have an excellent range of speakers and workshops to inform on all matters to do with pistol shooting as a sport and managing a pistol club.

Presenters planned for:

1. Qld Police Service WLB
2. Marsh Pty Ltd Insurance: Rob Lowe
3. Pistol Australia President: Catherine Fettell
4. AISL CEO: Nick Sullivan
5. Sports Connect: Pistol Shooting for the Disabled Athlete
6. Range Operator Information: Rex Wigney
7. Media Workshop: Writing a basic Media Release: Fiona Hannan
8. Department of Natural Resources: Advice on land tenure etc
9. Centrelink: Accessing the 'Over 55 Job Start Scheme'.
10. QAPSA Referee Council update
11. QAPSA Coaching Council update
12. QAPSA Secretaries Manual: Updates and Information Administrator Sharyn Petersen
13. Weapons Safety Course update: Training Manager Elaine Gilliver
14. Open Forum: Questions, answers and discussion
15. Pat-on-the-Back Session: Club input: Great ideas that work in your club
16. Promotion update: DVD preview, signs, ads etc

HERE IS YOUR CLUB'S CHANCE TO HAVE A SAY, LEARN, DISCUSS AND FIND OUT WHAT OUR ASSOCIATION IS ALL ABOUT – COME ALONG AND BE FULLY INFORMED ABOUT PISTOL SHOOTING QUEENSLAND, AND HELP US SET MORE GOALS FOR THE FUTURE OF OUR SPORT.

- **MEMBERSHIP INCREASE**

Well done to those clubs who have consistently enrolled new members this year. Our association's list of affiliates has grown substantially this year – well done!

- **ANNUAL REAFFILIATION**

Membership Packages were forwarded to clubs on September 09. The package includes:

1. The club's list of affiliates according to our database.
2. An interim invoice to match this listing.

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3. Steps in the Membership Renewal process document
4. A Club Management Committee Update Form
5. A Confirmation of Membership Category Form (to be done annually): expires 31 October.
6. Benefits of being a QAPSA member document.

Our aim is to have all memberships (Club and individual) finalised by October 31. This is when last year's affiliation expires for clubs and affiliates.

Clubs need to ensure that all paperwork is completed by the due date to make sure their members have all the benefits of QAPSA and Pistol Australia membership confirmed, including insurance.

The Club Membership Agreement with QAPSA Ltd is part of this process – as implemented at the 2008 Annual General Meeting.

REMEMBER! For a FULL MEMBER club to be eligible to vote at the AGM this Membership Agreement and reaffiliation of its members must be in place by November 13, at the latest. For PARTIAL MEMBER clubs to be part of the Conference and AGM this Agreement needs to be in place also.

Reaffiliation for affiliates must also be in place by October 29 to allow them to compete at the ISSF State Championships which are to be held on October 30 - 31 and November 01 2009.

Membership cards will be processed progressively as club returns are received: these cards will show an expiry date of 31 October 2010.

WE THANK CLUBS, IN ADVANCE, FOR THEIR ASSISTANCE IN GETTING THE REAFFILIATION OF CLUBS AND MEMBERS DONE IN A TIMELY MANNER.

Please contact the office if there are any problems at all. The Office will be closed from Friday 18 December 2009 to Monday 11 January 2010 – your members' affiliation needs to be in place before our office closes.

- **OPEN SHOTS 2010**

'Notice of Intent' form and 'Application to Conduct a Sanctioned Competition', forms are enclosed with this newsletter. If your club is planning an open and/or sanctioned event/s for 2010 these forms need to come to QAPSA Office asap. One club has submitted already!

It would be appreciated if we could have these by November 6, so the dates can go in the November QPN; otherwise 17 December is the next deadline.

State Championship applications need to be in by November 6 so these can be decided upon at the November 15 AGM: if your club is considering this please contact the Office and the Guidelines and the Nomination form will be forwarded to the club.

- **NEW OFFICE HOURS**

Monday	9.00 am – 1.00 pm
Tuesday	9.00 am – 4.00 pm
Wednesday	9.00 am – 4.00 pm
Thursday	9.00 am – 3.00 pm
Friday	9.00 am – 1.00 pm

Office will be closed from Friday 18 December 2009 – Monday 11 January 2010
for the Christmas – New Year period.

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