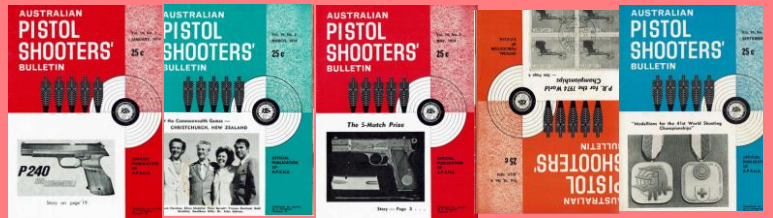


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STOP PRESS

A record 946 entries have been received for the 19th National Championships to be held in Adelaide. The "cut off" scores will be used for the first time to reduce the field to Range capacity. On figures supplied the Hobart Annual General Meeting it would appear that 246 matches will be "lopped" again.

Organising Secretary, says he will be recommending that future National Championships be a weeklong affair. It appears highly likely that such a recommendation would receive strong support, since all Executive Committee members have been tipping for some time that entries would climb steeply without much warning. Any change will require a lot of thought for the alternatives are:

Forcing National Championship hosts to provide large and expensive Range facilities, which would be unused for a greater part of their existence

Continuing to knock back entries below a certain scoring level

Neither choice is in the best interests of the pistol movement. It is a difficulty which should make us all proud our sport is not only increasing in members, it is encouraging shooters to the

extent that they want to contest the National Championship.

Service Pistol Match

The APSUA Inc. has adopted a set of Rules and Regulations for the conduct of Service Pistol Matches. The Rules and Regulations will be available from the APSUA Inc. through State Associations.

Hospitality

was the keynote of the Ipswich and West Moreton Pistol Championships held to coincide with Ipswich Club's 10th anniversary. The Club not only provides tea and coffee, but morning and afternoon teas "on the house" in addition, a number of its members opted out of their competitions to allow visitors into the matches.

The coveted men's aggregate trophy (a two-pistol case, donated by Club President, Allan Sellars), was won by Ron Petersen of Bundaberg. The women's aggregate went, most deservedly to Barbara White of Murrumba Club.



Right: Guess who these 2 ladies are – send your guess to tenx@bigpond.net.au

Donations for APSUA

The APSUA Inc has just received donations of firearms totalling \$780.00 in value. The donations are:

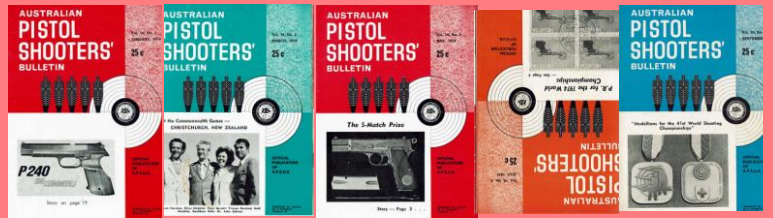
A 9mm Mauser valued at \$500 given by P.Rowe & Company as the first prize in the National Centre Fire Championship to be held in Adelaide. A .22 Ruger Super Single-Six Convertible valued at \$280.00 has been donated by Guthrie Trading Company. This .22 has been donated for use as a Fund-Raising effort by the APSUA In., in support of its Olympic Team selection system.

The APSUA Inc. has established an extra two 'special purpose' committees. These are the National Referees' Council, and APSUA Inc. Technical Committee.

Black Powder Match

The APSUA Inc. also accepted responsibility for the rules for conduct of Black Powder Pistol Matches and all Associations have been asked to bring forward recommendations to the

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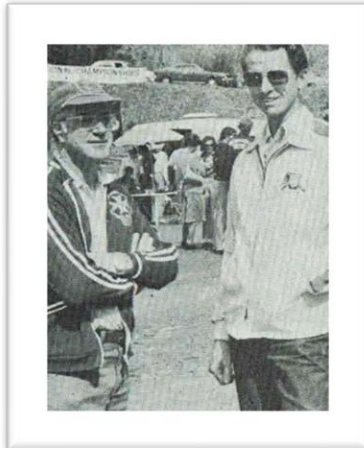


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Change of name inevitable...

Charles L. Mower, Publicity Officer for the Metropolitan Sporting Shooters' Pistol Club, "I would like to bring a few things to the notice of Queensland and interstate readers of the Pistol Bulletin, concerning the club. We will soon drop the name 'Sporting Shooters' and revert to the inaugural name Metropolitan Pistol Club.

Our range is situated amid the vast Belmont shooting complex which houses many facets of shooting – including rifle, shotgun, benchrest and smallbore ranges. Membership at March 13th was 230 with more applications pending. The Management Committee is considering extensions to the range of more rapid fire facilities, which are long overdue. Tony Long has just purchased a 150 Hammerli. Tony is also the second club member to pass the State Referees' examination. The other member to do so is Toby Stackpool. Services shooting competition seems to be in vogue and with some rumours of a forthcoming I.S.U. Match, some of the members are buying autos for this event.



Above: Barry Downs; Steve Faunt

Up North News...

Cairns Pistol Club – host club of the 1976 State Championships; the club is built on the side of a hill with a magnificent view of surrounding cane fields.

The range has full facilities; 20 Free Pistol bays, fully enclosed; two turning target ranges with three sets of targets on each, all with new turning equipment.

The new clubhouse has all modern facilities and all ranges are fully lawned – causing a lot of work in the wet season, but well worth it for the well-kept appearance presented.

The club has a memberships of 120 and all the work to establish what is an excellent range, has been done over a period of 6 years.

Peter Heuke is now a resident of Cairns and the club will benefit by having him at the range each

weekend.

A special masters grade event was put on for Mrs M Turner who as shooting her first women's event – she scored 390.

The Murrumba Pistol Club held its Annual Open Shoot in September 1975 at their range near Caboolture. The weather was overcast, with light rain but all events were heavily contested. Mr Terry Phillips, the South East Zone President and member of Murrumba Pistol Club presented trophies to the winners.

QLD Team Members for the 1976 Nationals
Barry Downs; John May; Allan Walsh; John Vanderberg; Peter Heuke; Harry Hovaspian; K moss; Alan Skelton; Trevor Hutton; Don Powell; Lyn Gilligan; Lyn McMillan; D Powell; Jan Peters.

Top 3 scores from the 1976 Nationals

Ladies Match: Lynne Uden – 577; Veronica Hourigan – 577; Patti Dench – 576

Air Pistol: L Waller 382; Norm Harrison – 378; Roger Sheen – 376

Rapid Fire: Mike Papps – 582; Bob Dowling – 581; Jeff Farrell – 580

Free Pistol: Norm Harrison – 559; R Ellin – 550; Alex Taransky – 545

Centre Fire: Alex Taransky – 581; Noel Ryan – 576; Roger Sheen – 576

Standard Pistol: E Gregory – 559; Roger Sheen – 559; R Ellin – 557

Junior Match: S Trezise – 563; K McGoldrick – 559; Bruce Quick – 556