

## PISTOL SHOOTING QUEENSLAND

### MONTHLY UPDATE

April 2018

#### For PSQ Members



#### PSQ Sanctioned Events, or major events happening in the coming months:

All PSQ Entry Forms are part of the PSQ Calendar and are available on the PSQ website at [www.pistolshootingqld.org.au](http://www.pistolshootingqld.org.au) under the Events tab, and the Calendar.

**State Championships:** Dates confirmed. Entry Forms for Metallic Silhouette and Action Pistol are on the PSQ website. ISSF; Black Powder and Services/WA1500 are being finalised now.

#### Regional Championships:

At this stage there are no SE Regional Championships confirmed in Black Powder or Services/WA1500.

**Central Region** – Regional Championships are to be advertised soon:

Gladstone District PC 29-30 June- 01 July

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#### Sanctioned Shoots 2018

The entry forms for the two FNQ sanctioned events are now on the PSQ website:

May 20

September 8 - 9

Gladstone District Pistol Club will host their Club open on August 18 – 19: Entry Form coming soon.

#### State Team ISSF

Our ISSF State Team to compete at the 2018 ISSF Pistol Australia Nationals at the Brisbane International Shooting Centre from June 6-10 has been confirmed Congratulations to the following PSQ members, from the following clubs, for their place in our teams:

Brisbane PC	Navrubina Dhillon
Brisbane International	Adnan Ansari
Cairns Target	Steve Fascia
	Noel Ryan
Childers Rifle and PC	Clive Dingle
	Julie Dunks
	Hans Hummer
Gold Coast PAA	Chris Bouchaud
	Michael Bouchaud
	Sierra Contreras
	Bruce Dimond
	Annemarie Forder
	Chris Mamouzelos
Metropolitan PSQ	Robyn Birch
	Civon Smith
Murrumba PC	Leo Greening
	Lynn Thomas

#### Bianchi Cup 2018

Brett Foster and Nigel Gordon are to compete in the Action Pistol World Championships and the Bianchi Cup, as Australian Team Members.

These events are held in the USA and we wish Brett and Nigel, and the other five PSQ members who are travelling to the USA all the best for these major competitions.



## Commonwealth Games 2018

The Commonwealth Games shooting program on the Belmont Shooting Complex provided a great opportunity for a very positive promotion for our sport.

Our pistol team won a medal in each event, finishing up with one gold; three silver and one bronze.

A sincere thankyou to all the PSQ members who volunteered to work at the Games. Many positive comments and compliments were expressed by the Games' organisers about the work done by our volunteers.

Such were the crowds that not all the spectators could be catered for on the ranges and in the grandstands, and had to follow the Finals via the big screen in the Spectator Plaza. It was interesting to find that many spectators were not familiar with shooting (pistol; rifle or shotgun) as a sport, and were very impressed by what they saw. Their support for our shooters in the Finals was fantastic and it was great to see such a positive response to our sport.

The Shooting Australia laser shooting booth put through over 1300 people during the Games and some of these people have now registered for the Shooting Australia National Come and Try May days around the state.

## Shooting Australia

### Come and Try May

Shooting Australia's idea of a National Come & Try Day called 'Come and Try May' was put to our 2017 Conference delegates in November last year, by SA's Community Development Officer, Jaime Drumm. The main aim of this initiative is to increase participation in our sport. Many of the PSQ clubs represented at the Conference expressed their interest in this idea, understanding that there should be some leverage from the Commonwealth Games and the interest that would be sparked there.

Disappointingly there has not been an enthusiastic uptake by PSQ clubs to be part of this national initiative and promotion by the peak body for the shooting sports: Shooting Australia.

Only a very small number of clubs have taken the opportunity to promote their club and the sport in their area.

Club registrations are now being taken for 2019 'Come & Try May'.

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### Blue Card

Committee members, and any club members having anything at all to do with juniors (under 18 years of age) should have a Blue Card, for volunteers.

Applying for a Blue Card is a simple process and can be done using Pistol Shooting Queensland as the Blue Card recognised organisation.

This is a Queensland Government recommendation and PSQ requires all its Board Members; Coordinators; Coaches; Range Officers and WSC Trainers to have a Blue card.

### PSQ Open Shoots

The following should be checked each day.

1. Category H Licence
2. PSQ membership card
3. PA Holster accreditation (for holster events)

The sighting of the Category H licence is a requirement of the Queensland Weapons Act. This also applies to weekly events at club level – it should be a quick and simple process.

Members who can't produce their Cat H licence must not participate, and cannot sign a Form 33 as an alternative. A Form 33 is for non - Cat H licence holders only.

### Weapons Licensing Newsletter 01/2018

This WL Newsletter was forwarded on to all club Secretaries on 11 April.

To summarise: **Office Hours @ WL**

Weapons Licensing will be available for telephone inquiries on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday between 9am and 4pm.

Remember that Weapons Applications Online, via our website, is available for a Licence Renewal, Change of Circumstance, New Application and Permit to Acquire applications.

### Club Approval Letter

To comply with Section 100 of the Weapons Regulation 2016 and Section 132 of the *Weapons Act 1990*, club approvals must provide the following:

1. Calibre
  2. Action
  3. Barrel Length
  4. Description of the firearm
- \* *Barrel length is not required for Black powder pistols.*

The club letter must include the type of firearm applied for with a barrel length as:

>than 100mm (not semi-automatic) or > 120mm (semi-automatic).

To streamline the process, it is recommended you consider adding the below details to your current club approval letters:

> *than 100mm (not semi-automatic) is permitted for use*

> *than 120mm (semi-automatic) is permitted for use*

### Officials Courses:

1. Great work by South Burnett PC members! Nine members gained Level 1 RO accreditation on 25 - 26 March.
2. Two members gained Level 2 RO Action Pistol accreditation at the Toowoomba PC on 3-4 March.
3. Two members gained Level 2 RO accreditation in Metallic Silhouette at the Toogoolawah PC on April 8.
4. One new Holster Examiner was accredited at the Toowoomba PC on 25 March.
5. Rex Wigney of the Qld Shooting Association provided a Range Operator Course at the Toowoomba PC on 22 April.

Well done to everyone who participated in the above and to the Judges and officers who provided the above courses for our clubs and members.

### Coaching:

Coach the Shooter sessions have been held, to date, at:

Cairns TSC Services/WA1500 16-17 Feb  
FNQ ISSF 25 Feb  
Coaching is planned for Warwick; South Burnett and Rockhampton clubs, but we need many more requests for Coaching, for any of the following:

1. Coach the Shooter Any discipline

2. Pistol Australia Club Instructor Accreditation
3. Shooting Australia Club Coach accreditation.

## ISSF Pistol Australia Nationals

### Brisbane 2018



We are looking for PSQ members to help out at the Pistol Australia Nationals which will be held from 6-10 June this year, at the Brisbane International Shooting Centre.

Members wishing to be part of the Nationals, in any way, can contact the PSQ Office direct on 3395 1322 or at: [admin@pistolshootingqld.org.au](mailto:admin@pistolshootingqld.org.au)

The roles we need filled, hopefully on a roster basis, are:

- Armoury staff
- Accreditation & Registration
- Classification
- Range Rigging & Cleaning
- Catering assistants
- Range Officials: Range Officers and Judges
- Equipment Control
- Presentation Dinner assistants
- Finals Announcers
- Control Room Timing and Music

**Warning!** We have a list of members we are going to approach personally to see if they wish to offer their skills to the Nationals!

Do you have some days in this period, and perhaps on the Practice Days prior, that you could see your way clear to offer some assistance?

We would really appreciate our members' help, and encourage members to compete as well ... to experience a National Championship.

## Young Athlete Travel Subsidy (YATS)

From the Qld Government and the Department of National Parks Sport and Racing:

*The Young Athletes Travel Subsidy aims to foster the development of young athletes and support elite athlete pathways by providing financial assistance to help alleviate the costs associated with attending championship events. The travel subsidy provides financial assistance through three event tiers and supports attendance at specific state, national and international events. Officials (such as coaches, referees and scorers) officiating at eligible events can also apply for assistance if they meet the eligibility criteria.*

*The travel subsidy will allow up to a maximum of \$1,200 in financial assistance over the three event tiers, once every two calendar years. Eligible athletes and officials can apply for one event per tier once every two calendar years. The following travel subsidy amounts are available under the three event tiers:*

- state or state school event—\$200
  - national or national school event—\$400
  - international event—\$600.

*Applications must be correctly submitted within six months of attending the event to be eligible.*

*For further information on how to apply, please click on the following link:*

<https://www.qld.gov.au/recreation/sports/funding/athletes/yats/applying>

The YATS Poster is attached with this newsletter.

## PSQ Shirts and Caps

The new PSQ shirt, chosen by the Club delegates at the 2017 Conference, will be available in about 4 weeks: \$35.00 with or without a pocket + postage.

Design as below:



Back



Front



PSQ Cap: \$15.00 + postage



We will let clubs and members know when these are available for purchase, along with shirt sizes available and payment options.

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**PSQ Administrator**

02 May