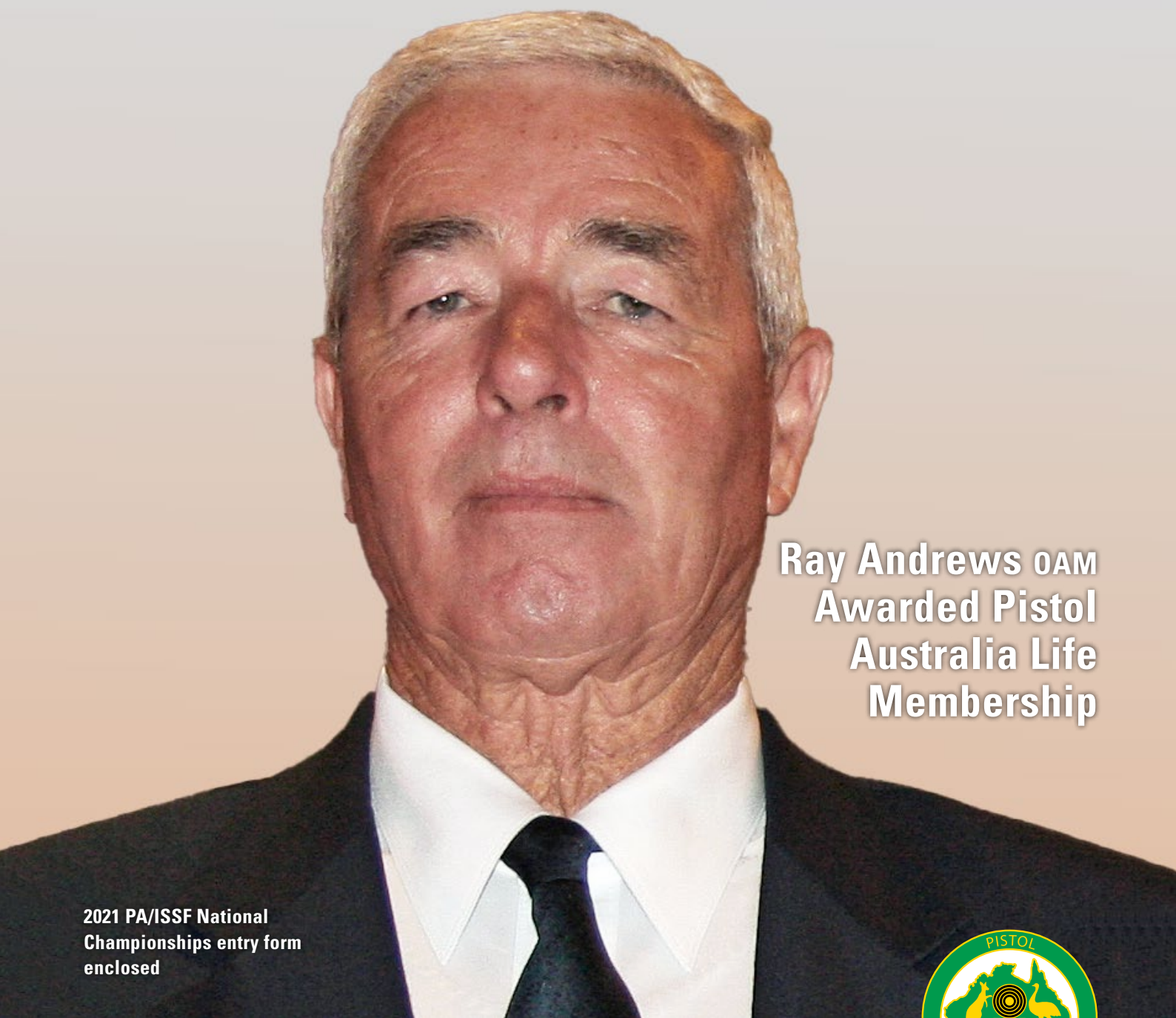


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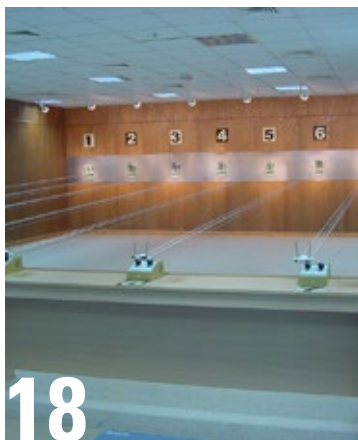
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National Championships 2021

EVENT

Metallic Silhouette Small Bore & Field Pistol
National Championships, Sporting Shooters Pistol
Club, Majura ACT

5-7 March

Pistol Australia National Championships
Metropolitan Pistol Club, Belmont QLD

26-31 March

ISSF National Championships
Brisbane International Shooting Centre, Belmont
QLD

31 March – 4 April

Action Pistol National Championships
Yarra Pistol Club, Lysterfield VIC

26-29 August

Metallic Silhouette Big Bore National
Championships
Toogoolawah Pistol Club, Toogoolawah QLD

17-19 September

National Top Ten

Pistol Australia suspended the publishing of the top ten in 2020 due to the closure of ranges throughout the country. Now that the ranges in all States and Territories have re-opened PA will compile results from 1st January 2021 to update the tables and will publish them in the next Bulletin.

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Travel to 2021 National Championship Events

Pistol Australia has received several questions from competitors re the decision to proceed with 2021 Pistol Australia National Championships in all disciplines. After consultation with all States and Territory Associations the following statement is provided for clarification on responsibilities and costs associated with the scheduled events.

What if Pistol Australia proceeds with a National Championships event and there is an outbreak and/or borders close during the event?

The health and safety of all event attendees, as well as minimising the travel and financial risk for individuals and State/Territory teams, will form an important part of National Championships planning for Pistol Australia and the host State/Territory. Pistol Australia encourages all attendees to continually monitor local and national travel advice. Pistol Australia will also continually monitor the travel advice.

For most States and Territories, there has been a window of 24 to 48 hours when borders have closed. The responsibility will be on the individuals and State/Territory teams to ensure they are across any travel requirements should they need to return home.

The risk of some home borders closing is a possibility and individuals and State/Territory teams need to consider this when making travel arrangements. With individuals and State/Territory teams responsible for their own travel and accommodation, the risk will sit with the individuals and State/Territory teams to manage this situation if it occurs.

Pistol Australia will try to assist where we can, but this assistance may be very limited as we do not manage the travel plans.

Individuals and State/Territory teams must also consider any potential quarantine, transport, accommodation and associated costs resulting from border closures, lockdowns and restricted movement imposed by State/Territory Governments as they would be the responsibility of the individuals and State/Territory teams involved and will not be covered by Pistol Australia or its insurance policy. While this is the absolute worst-case scenario, individuals and State/Territory teams must be aware of this risk.

The National Championships covered by this statement include:

- 2021 Metallic Silhouette Small Bore and Field Pistol National Championships – Sporting Shooters Pistol Club, Canberra, ACT -5th to 7th Match 2021
- 2021 Pistol Australia National Championships – Metropolitan Pistol Club, Brisbane, Queensland – 26th to 31st March 2021
- 2021 ISSF National Championships – Brisbane International Shooting Centre, Queensland – 31st March to 4th April 2021
- 2021 Action Pistol National Championships – Yarra Pistol Club, Victoria – 26th to 29th August 2021
- 2021 Metallic Silhouette Big Bore National Championships – Toogoolawah Pistol Club, Queensland - 17th to 19th September 2021

Pistol Australia President Ray Andrews OAM awarded Life Membership



A long-time time servant of Pistol Australia and the sport in general, Ray Andrews OAM, was awarded Life Membership of Pistol Australia at the 2020 Pistol Australia Annual General Meeting held in October 2020.

Ray becomes only the 7th person awarded Life Membership in the history of Pistol Australia following on from Bob Morgan (1981); Peter Garrett (1981); Wal Lorking (1981); Joan Tremelling (1991); Norm Tilley (1993) and Peter Anderson (2001).

Ray was introduced to pistol shooting in 1964 when workmates in Geraldton invited him to "come out to the pistol club for a look and a few shots." Ray liked what he saw, had a shot and from that time pistol shooting became a significant part of his life. In 1966 he moved back to Perth and joined the Cockburn-Fremantle Club. The following year he was elected Club Captain and so started a long voluntary career.

Ray made his first impressions on eastern state shooters when he was Chief Range Officer at the 1973 Perth Nationals. Officiating has been a major part of his involvement, becoming one of our first Australian qualified judges in 1973, an International Judge B in 1978 and an International Judge A in 1984 after sitting the exam in Sydney conducted by the ISSF (then UIT) Judges Committee Chairman, the late Hans Kovar. Ray has been on juries at the 1982, 1986 and 1990 Commonwealth Games, as well as being Chief Range Officer, Finals Range at the 2018 Commonwealth games, at six Oceania Shooting Federation Championships, two ISSF World Cups in 1996 and 2007 in Milan and Sydney, respectively and at many, many National, State and Open Championships.

Ray has been a most successful shooting Team Manager at all levels commencing with the Australian Team to Oceania Auckland 1993, then for Commonwealth Games teams in 1994 and 2002, Olympic Games in 1996 and 2004, ISSF World Cups in 1996, 1998, 1999, 2001, 2003 and 2004, Oceania Championships in 1995 and 2003 and at numerous other events such as Commonwealth and Olympic Games Test Events.

His contributions to administration at Club, State, National and International level has been very impressive and continuous every year since 1967! This record includes WA Executive Member of Pistol Australia for a total of 10 years, President of Pistol Australia 1992-1996 and 2009 - current Senior Vice President of the Australian Shooting Association (now Australian International Shooting Limited) 1992-1996 and 2004-2005, Shooting Delegate to the Australian Olympic Committee 1994-1997, Council Member of the International Metallic Silhouette Union 1992-1997.

Ray is a regular competitor in all PA and ISSF events at all levels. He is especially keen on competing at Masters Games where he usually wins a medal or three! Through his continuous involvement in officiating, team management, administration and regular participation in competition, Ray honed his expertise in all aspects of the sport with the benefit of this vast experience. He is well respected

internationally for his knowledge of the rules and officiating as witnessed at the 1996 ISSF World Cup Milan when, in the position of Australian Team Manager he was "drafted", in contravention of the ISSF Rules, on to the Jury of Appeal, with no objection from any other teams.

In this article we can only cover some major highlights of Ray's achievements to pistol shooting over his *fifty-five years in the sport*. A detailed account could well fill a whole issue of the "Bulletin". It is now rare to find people who have contributed so much over such a long time and seemingly such people will be much harder to find in the future. When selecting one of Ray's special achievements a jury would surely identify the establishment of the PA building in Canberra, while President of PA. He happily accepted the decision of the PA Executive "to purchase or build, in Canberra a suitable headquarters for PA". In doing so he led an enthusiastic PA Management Committee through the process of selecting a block of land neighbouring the Confederation of Australia Sport in the suburb of Deakin, organised a building contractor and financial arrangements with the result that today we can boast ownership of our own National Office and the ability to derive valuable income from the other units owned by Pistol Australia in the building.

Since becoming President of Pistol Australia for the second time in 2009 Ray has been very active in leading the

sport including attending all National Championships and promoting Australia as a venue for International Competition. Ray lead a team to the 2017 WA1500 World Championships in Germany to secure the bid for Australia to host a World Championships in 2019. He returned to Europe in 2018 at the European Championships in Sweden to promote the event and secure the many international competitors who attended the very successful WA1500 World Championships conducted at Hill Top, NSW. Ray also headed the bid team to secure the 2020 Action Pistol World Championships. Whilst the Coronavirus has delayed the staging of those Championships in Toowoomba, Queensland they will eventually be held here in either 2021 or 2022.

Ray's achievements at the National and International Level include the following:

ADMINISTRATION

- **President Pistol Australia:** 1992-1996 and 2009 - current
- **1st Vice President Pistol Australia:** 2004-2009
- **Delegate for Pistol Australia Australian Shooting Association:** 2002-2005
- **Vice President Australian Shooting Association:** 1992-1996 and 2004-2005
- **1st Delegate for Pistol Australia Australian Shooting Association:** 1992-1997
- **ASA Delegate – Australian Olympic Committee:** 1994-1997
- **Council Member International Metallic Silhouette Shooting Union:** 1992-1997

TEAM MANAGEMENT

including two Olympic Games and two Commonwealth Games

- **2004 Section Manager (Shooting) Australian Olympic Team** to Athens Olympic Games
- **2004 Chef de Mission Australian Shooting Team** to ISSF World Cup (Olympic test Event) Athens

- **2004 Chef de Mission Australian Shooting Team** to ISSF World Cup Sydney
- **2003 Chef de Mission Australian Shooting Team** to Oceania Shooting Championships, Auckland NZ
- **2003 Manager Australian Shooting Team** to ISSF World Championships Clay Target, Cyprus
- **2002 Section Manager Shooting Australian Commonwealth Games Team** Manchester
- **2001 Manager, Pistol Australia Pistol Team** to Commonwealth Shooting Championships Bisley UK.
- **2001 Manager, Pistol Australia Team** to ISSF World Cup Munich
- **2001 Manager, Pistol Australia Pistol Team** to ISSF World Cup Milan
- **1999 General Team Manager Australian Shooting Team** to Oceania Shooting Championships, Sydney
- **1999 General Team Manager ASA / OAP Shooting Team** Tour to ISSF World Cup Atlanta
- **1999 General Team Manager ASA / AOP Shooting Team** tour to ISSF World Cup's Munich/Milan
- **1998 General Team Manager ASA / AOP Shooting Team** to Atlanta World Cup and Grand Prix event Fort Benning
- **1996 Section Manager of the 1996 Australian Olympic Team** which competed at the Olympic Games, Atlanta USA
- **1996 General Team Manager ASA / OAP Shooting Team** to Atlanta UIT World Cup
- **1996 General Team Manager ASA / OAP Shooting Team** to Moscow training camp and UIT World Cup's Munich – Milan
- **1995 Chef de Mission Australian Shooting Team** competing at Oceania Championships Auckland New Zealand 1995
- **1994 Section Manager Australian Commonwealth Games Shooting Team** Victoria, Canada
- **1993 Chef de Mission Australian Shooting Team** competing at Oceania Championships Auckland New Zealand.

NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL JUDGE/JURY

including four Commonwealth Games

- 2018 Chief Range Officer, Finals Range Commonwealth Games
- 2009 Pistol Jury Arafura Games Darwin
- 2009 Jury of Appeal Pistol Australia National Championships
- 2008 Jury Pistol Australia 2008 International 1920 Match
- 2007 Pistol Jury Arafura Games Darwin
- 2007 Pistol Jury Oceania Shooting Championships
- 2007 Jury of Appeal Sydney World Cup
- 2003 Pistol Jury Pistol Australia National Championships
- 2001 Pistol Jury Oceania Shooting Championships
- 1997 Pistol Jury 2nd Commonwealth Shooting Championships, Malaysia
- 1997 Pistol Jury / Classification Oceania Championships
- 1996 Jury of Appeal 2nd World Metallic Silhouette Championships, South Africa
- 1996 Jury of Appeal ISSF World Cup Milan
- 1995 Jury of Appeal Oceania New Zealand
- 1995 Pistol Jury 1st Commonwealth Shooting Championships, New Delhi
- 1994 Jury of Appeal 1st World Metallic Silhouette Championship France
- 1993 Jury of Appeal Oceania New Zealand
- 1991 Pistol Jury Oceania Championships
- 1990 Pistol Jury / Classification Commonwealth Games
- 1988 Pistol Jury Oceania Championships
- 1986 Pistol Jury / Classification Commonwealth Games
- 1982 Pistol Jury Commonwealth Games



PA National Development Program – Year in Review

JOE KAPITANOF, NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT COACH

Hi Coaches and Athletes what a wild ride 2020 has been for all of us involved in our sport. Many challenges were met head on with the human spirit prevailing.

The year began with great anticipation, ready to build on the Development Program for Athletes and Coaches that was built in 2019. In January, a selection of nominated Athletes for the Pistol Australia National Development Squad (PANDS) gathered at the Australian Institute of Sport, to begin their benchmarking assessments for technical and physical abilities. These initial results, along with the results from the 2020 PA ISSF Nationals, would facilitate the creation of the athlete's individual training programs.

The world was hit with a devastating Pandemic, COVID 19, which reached our shores and put the brakes on most aspects of our lives including participating in the sport we all love. New and innovative ways were discovered to reach our Athletes and Coaches to put some semblance of continuing development. Initially it was challenging to say the least, but once acknowledged this virus was not going away in the immediate future, our athletes began to adapt and start to train in their own environments.

Self-isolation created a new priority, the mental wellbeing of our athletes. We are social creature and not used to isolation. Through the use of social media platforms such as WhatsApp and Zoom, we established regular contact avenues to address the challenges our Athletes faced. Technical training was done via a combination of live video feed sessions and SCATT trace analysis. To help keep our athletes and coaches motivated, Zoom webinars with a number of Australian's Olympic Medallists and elite sports people. This was very inspiring to all.

Not forgetting the development of our Australian Coaches, we organised a virtual development session with the National Coaching Council delegates of each State and invited coaches. The guest speaker for this webinar was the former principal of the ISSF Coaching Academy Mr Zeljko Todorovic. During the webinar we covered insights into international coaching approaches, practices and methodologies. The link to his presentation can be found at https://youtu.be/rjG_Td6XiUQ.

We were hoping the later part of this year would allow us to resume the PANDS Camps but due to staggered boarder reopening's the Camps and COVID Plan requirements resulted with the suspension of training camps at the AIS. As a result we have undertaken a social media National callout campaign for Athlete nominations for 2021 Pistol Australia National Development Squad.

Finally I would like to wish everyone a safe Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Hoping 2021 will bring a very prosperous year for the development of our sport.

Train well to shoot well.

2022 Pistol Australia National Team Selection Criteria

Released 7 January 2021

Please find below the links to the 2020 Pistol Australia National Team Selection Criteria for the Action Pistol, Metallic Silhouette and WA1500 that are available from the Pistol Australia website: www.pistol.org.au. Please note: Due to the unprecedented challenges experienced in 2020 with the COVID-19 pandemic and the uncertainty surrounding domestic and international competition in 2021, the 2021 domestic and international calendar may change at short notice which in turn could potentially effect team selections. These unprecedented challenges and uncertainty requires that Pistol Australia takes a flexible approach to selection in 2021. This will involve the application of both objective and subjective criteria.

- Action Pistol – <https://pistol.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2021/01/2022-Australian-Action-Pistol-Team-Selection-Criteria.pdf>
- Metallic Silhouette – <https://pistol.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2021/01/2022-Metallic-Silhouette-Team-Selection-Criteria.pdf>
- WA1500 – <https://pistol.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2021/01/2022-Australian-WA1500-Match-Team-Selection-Criteria.pdf>
- Team nomination forms and other information is also available at the following link: <https://pistol.org.au/selection-criteria/>

Pistol Australia Awards

The 2019 Pistol Australia awards were to be presented at the Nationals Presentation Dinner in Brisbane in April 2020 but were deferred due to the Coronavirus Pandemic.

In view of this the decision was taken to present the awards now but in a manner that suits our current environment.

The Range Report that was held on 6th May 2020 was designated as the Pistol Australia Awards Ceremony. The show was put together with remote interviews and highlights from previous competitions.

The show can be seen free of charge and with no registration or need to sign up to any platform at the following locations:

- Website: <https://pistol.org.au>
- Vimeo: <https://vimeo.com/pistolaustralia>
- Facebook: www.facebook.com/PistolAustralia
- YouTube: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCtZfJ7YI9whJviewRjaibzw?view_as=subscriber



Congratulations to all winners

Athlete of the Year – Male

Peter Brus – current WA1500 World Champion

Athlete of the Year – Female

Cherie Blake – current Action Pistol Female World Champion

Athlete of the Year – Junior

Olivia Ericson – Junior Olympics Representative

Athlete of the Year – WSPS

Chris Pitt, Paralympic Representative

Domestic Team of the Year

South Australian Junior Air Pistol Team – current National Record Holders

International Team of the Year –

Peter Brus and Chris Banfield – current WA15000 Teams World Champions

Coach of the Year

Dean Brus – coach of Peter Brus and Chris Banfield and many other WA1500 Shooters

Official of the Year

Marg Baker

Club of the Year

Mt Isa Pistol Club

Volunteer of the Year

Judy Bronger

Social Media Contributor of the Year

Graeme Harvey



From the President

RAY ANDREWS OAM

Well here we are at the end of the year 2020 and what a crazy year it has been, because of the Corona Virus it will be a year that none of us will ever forget no matter what age we will not forget 2020. The impact it has had on our normal way of life in Australia and around the world. It will still take several years to get back to what we used to call our normal life.

In our shooting sport, it has seen ranges closed for months in some states and territories, caused the cancellation of all our National Championships except the Small Bore Metallic Silhouette staged in ACT three weeks before the pandemic started at the end of March. All overseas teams Action Pistol, Metallic Silhouette and WA1500 due to travel in 2020 were cancelled along with the 2020 Tokyo Olympic Games. Also cancelled was the 2020 Action Pistol World Championships scheduled for Toowoomba in October. While still on the bad news it doesn't look good for our overseas teams to travel in 2021 also with no overseas travel by Qantas until possibly mid to late 2021 and until a vaccine is available to all. With the current virus situation in Europe and the USA who would want to travel anyhow.

Let's look at the good news for 2021, all our National Championships are scheduled to be held provided there are no travel restrictions or isolation required in all the states and territories. The first Nationals is Small Bore Metallic Silhouette in Canberra 5th to 7th March, followed by the PA/ISSF Nationals in Brisbane at Easter with PA events being held at the Metropolitan Pistol Club range and ISSF at BISC. Both venues are on the Belmont complex.

The Tokyo Olympic Games are to proceed in July 2021 and the shooting teams as selected and announced last May by SA and the AOC will travel and the pistol members are Sergie Evglevski 25m Rapid Fire Pistol, Daniel Repacholi 10m Air Pistol Men, Elena Galiabovitch 25m Pistol Women and Dina Aspandiyova 10m Air Pistol Women.

To financially assist all Pistol Australia members due to the Corona Virus at a special Executive meeting held in August Executive and Management agreed to reduce the member capitation fee by \$20 for the 2021 year. Hopefully this will assist our members to retain their club membership.

At the 2020 delayed Pistol Australia Annual General Meeting held in October by Zoom all of the retiring Management team were re-elected unopposed, Ray Andrews President, Stephen Fettell 1st Vice President, David Dewsbury 2nd Vice President, Spencer Tweedie Secretary and Kerrie Crlik Treasurer. Also elected were Ray Andrews Director National Coaching Council and Sharon Reynolds Director National Referee Council.

I trust you all had an enjoyable Xmas with family and friends, COVID permitting.

I had thought that 2021 maybe a better year than 2020 but with the new cases of COVID appearing around the country I'm not quite sure, hope things change for the better soon.

I wish our entire membership a Happy and safe 2021

May all your shots be 10's

Entries close Friday, 5 March 2021

PROGRAM OF EVENTS

Friday	26 March	Practice @ Metropolitan Pistol Club	
Saturday	27 March	WA 1500 Pistol Black Powder 50m Opening Ceremony	
Sunday	28 March	WA 1500 Revolver Black Powder 25m	
Monday	29 March	Service Pistol Black Powder 25m	
Tuesday	30 March	Service Unrestricted Service Pistol 25 Yards Practice at the Brisbane International Shooting Centre (BISC)	
Wednesday	31 March	Service Pistol 25 Yards 25m Rapid Fire Pistol (1 st Half) PA Events Presentation Dinner	
Thursday	1 April	50m Pistol & WSPS 25m Rapid Fire Pistol (2 nd Half)	Final
Friday	2 April	25m Pistol Women & Jnr Women 10m Air Pistol Men, Jnr Men & WSPS	Final Final
Saturday	3 April	10m Air Pistol Women & Jnr Women 25m Centre Fire, 25m Pistol Jnr Men & WSPS	Final
Sunday	4 April	25m Standard Pistol Presentation Dinner	

*WSPS Finals will be dependent of participation numbers and advised at a later date

PRESENTATION DINNERS

PA Events Presentation Dinner

Catered BBQ Dinner at the Belmont Shooting Complex QRA Function Centre
Wednesday 31 March 2021 at 6.30pm for 7.00pm

Presentation Dinner

Catered BBQ Dinner at the Belmont Shooting Complex QRA Function Centre
Sunday 4 April 2021 at 6.30pm for 7.00pm

GENERAL INFORMATION

Location

The Belmont Shooting Complex is located at 1485 Old Cleveland Road Belmont QLD. A map showing the location of the range and additional information relating to the Nationals will be available on the website www.2021paissfnationals.com.au.

ISSF Events @ Brisbane International Shooting Centre (BISC)

Services/WA1500 and Black Powder @ the Metropolitan Pistol Club

Accommodation

General map of areas close to the range is available on the PSQ website with a list of hotel/motels.

Camping facilities are available on the Belmont Shooting Complex – please contact QRA on 3398 4309.

Catering at the ranges

Catering will be available at both Metropolitan Pistol Club and BISC for the duration of training and competition days. Catering will be provided to meet all COVID-19 regulations with pre-paid online ordering being the preference. Details on this option will be sent with squadding.

Armoury

An armoury will be available at BISC for the duration of the championships.

CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

1. All resident Australian competitors must be current financial members of Pistol Australia and possess a current membership card from their affiliated state body.
2. Entries close Friday 5 March 2021. Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Organising Committee. Entry Fees must accompany the Entry Form and or payment notification supplied. The signing of the entry form by the competitor and the club official is declaration attesting to the correctness of the information contained in the entry form.
3. Entries without full payment will not be accepted.
4. Phone entries will not be accepted.
5. Provisional State team entries must be received by the closing date of 5 March 2021.
6. Pistol licences/permits, and PA holster proficiency cards must be submitted for checking at Equipment Control.
7. Pistol licences will be checked on each range each day as per Qld Police Legislation – **no licence no shoot**.
8. All participating athletes will be required to sign the Range Register on each range each day as per Qld Police Legislation.
9. The visitor's book, one of which will be situated in the clubhouse at Metropolitan Pistol Club for the PA sector, and one at Registration and on the 25m Range at BISC, must be signed by all officials and visitors each day.
10. ISSF and Pistol Australia Rules will be followed as closely as is practicable.
11. All ties for ISSF matches without Finals will be broken by X count.
12. All competitors, officials, spectators must wear appropriate eye and ear protection and enclosed footwear while on any range when specified.
13. Competitors are not permitted to wear tank tops, garments with loose fitting necks or camouflage clothing.
14. Firearms and gun boxes must not be left unattended anywhere on the facilities at Belmont.
15. Handguns and competitors' equipment (gun cases, bags etc) are not permitted in club rooms at any time.
16. Plated; copper washed; lead and lead coated ammunition is permitted on the Metropolitan PC ranges – jacketed ammunition is not permitted.
17. Firearms may only be uncased and cased at the shooting line and/or at the direction of the Range Officer. Exposed firearms are not permitted behind the firing line, except on Range 6.
18. Signage will indicate Safe Areas. These areas are to be used for any handling of uncased firearms.
19. No ammunition is permitted in any Safe Area.
20. All mobile phones and pagers must be turned **OFF or set to Flight Mode**, before entering any ranges.
21. Smoking is only permitted in designated smoking areas. It is your responsibility to ensure all butts are completely extinguished prior to leaving the area.
22. Alcohol may only be consumed at the conclusion of the competitor's program for the day.
23. There is no alcohol sold at the Metropolitan PC or BISC.
24. Alcohol is not permitted on any range at any time. BYO alcohol is not permitted at any time.
25. Children must be supervised at all times.
26. **IMPORTANT NOTE:** By entering this competition, you acknowledge that all results will be published on the PSQ & PA websites and Facebook pages. You also acknowledge that video and your photograph may be taken during the competition and may be published on the Metropolitan Pistol Club, PSQ, SA or PA website/s and Facebook page and other social media platforms including any TV.

COVID-19

COVID Safe Guidelines will be applied across all ranges – hygiene, sanitising & physical distancing. Sanitising stations are available on all ranges. Participants and visitors are asked to use these regularly. Everyone attending either range facility will be required to complete a paper Tracing Register or login into the Tracing QR code via your mobile phone. Squadding will include physical distancing on the field of play wherever possible. We ask if you are unwell at any time through the Championships that you not attend the Complex.

ENTRIES AND ENQUIRIES TO:

Sharyn Petersen	PO Box 306
Organising Secretary	Carina, QLD 4152
	Email: admin@pistolshootingqld.org.au
	07 3395 1322

ENTRY FORM
(Please print all details)
Entries close 5 March 2020
ENTRY FORMS SENT BY EMAIL WILL ONLY BE ACCEPTED IN PDF FORMAT

Surname:			First Name			Male <input type="checkbox"/>	Female <input type="checkbox"/>
Address:							
Suburb:				State:		Postcode:	
Phone:	H:		W:		M:		
Email:							
Home Club					DOB: (Juniors only)		
State Member #							
PA Holster Card #				WA1500 ID			
Handgun Licence Number				Expiry Date			

MATCH DETAILS

Match	Open ¹	Junior ¹	WSPS	Certified Score ²	Match	Open ¹	Certified Score ²
25m Standard Pistol					Service Pistol		
25m Rapid Fire					Service Pistol Unrestricted		
50m Pistol					25yd Service Pistol		
25m Centre Fire					25m Black Powder		
10m Air Men					50m Black Powder		
25m Pistol ³					WA 1500 Revolver		
10m Air Women					WA1500 Pistol		

Note:

- Place an 'X' against the matches you wish to enter. Juniors may enter both open and junior matches where applicable. Juniors will shoot once, their score being used to determine results in both the open and junior events.
- A certified highest score shot in the last 12 months is required for each match you wish to enter to enable squadding out if entries exceed range capacity.
- Only women may enter the open division of 25m Pistol.

VOLUNTEERS

Competitors will be squadded to assist with range duties. Please indicate your preferences:

 Range Officer: ☐ ISSF ☐ Black Powder ☐ Service Matches ☐ WA1500

☐ Register Keeper ☐ Target/Changer/Patcher ☐ Caller ☐ ISSF Finals Announcer

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE

Registration Fee	Adult \$27.50	\$
	Junior \$16.50	\$
Match Entry Fees	matches @ \$20.00 each	\$
Service/WA1500/BP Dinner	tickets @ \$25.00 each	\$
Main Presentation Dinner (3 courses)	tickets @ \$42.00 each	\$
Shirt design will be available on the Nationals Website. Limited shirt stock will be available at the competition for purchase @ \$40.00 each		
TOTAL AMOUNT PAYABLE		\$

All fees are inclusive of GST

Cheques / Money Orders must be made payable to **"Pistol Shooting Queensland"**

Direct Deposit: BSB: 484 - 799 Acct: 030402362

Account Name: Pistol Shooting Queensland

Lodgement Reference: Surname & Initial

Receipt No: (issued at time of EFT transaction) Date:

(or attach copy of the receipt to the entry form; OR send an email with details to:

admin@pistolshootingqld.org.au

PERSONAL DECLARATION

I,

(Name)

declare that I am a current financial member of Pistol Australia Inc.

I understand the Conditions of Entry and agree to abide by them.

.....
(Signature)

.....
(Date)

CLUB DECLARATION

I certify that,

(Name)

is a member of the

(Club)

and that he/she is a current financial member of Pistol Australia, and that the scores that have been submitted are true and correct.

(Name of Authorised Club
Representative)

.....
(Signature of Authorised Club
Representative)

.....
(Date)

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From the National Coaching Council

BY RAY ANDREWS OAM, DIRECTOR NATIONAL COACHING COUNCIL

With the Corona Virus pandemic gripping Australia and the World during most of 2020 life has not been the same. Many ranges have been closed on and off since late March, the worst State being Victoria. It has caused the cancellation of all the National Development Squad camps and also the Annual PA Junior Camp which is normally held during the July school holidays.

As a considerable number of ranges were closed and with social distancing being enforced it has meant that a great number of coaches 4 year licenses have expired because reaccreditation courses couldn't be held to reaccredit them. To cover those coaches' licenses that have expired the NCC has agreed to automatically renew them for another two years, so any coach's license that has expired recently will receive a new license in the mail early in the New Year.

March 2020 was when the world went topsy turvy with COVID-19 and everything came to a standstill but we managed to hold the August NCC meeting by Zoom. It was at this meeting that the NCC agreed to the formation of a PA "B" development squad. We keep hearing from members "well what do PA offer us or do for us?" We believed we needed a new training programme (squad) for athletes from B grade and above. Reason: We mainly concentrate on our "Top End Athletes" and very little opportunity is given to the lower level grades to improve. We have some talented athletes around Australia and some do not get any help at all. This programme (squad) will be used as a pathway/stepping stone for those who aspire to join the PA National Development Squad. It will also provide much needed up dated training for

coaches around Australia who would like to improve their coaching skills in assessing and creating training programmes for athletes. Due to COVID we have started a training/coaching program with online support for up to 14 athletes and their coaches to kick things along. Allan Lozsan has devised a coach's programme for evaluating athletes, when the coach and athlete have completed this task it will be passed back to Allan to be assessed and then information passed onto the assistant coaches. The plan is, the coach or a second party will take a video of the athlete training (Allan will give instructions to coaches on areas to video) the coaches will assess the athlete themselves and forward the video clip through to Allan via a private face book page for further assessment. Coaches will be notified of any areas of concern for them to rectify. Proposed training programmes will also be disseminated based on the time they have to train and the video findings. This is a great opportunity for training coaches and to see if these athletes are willing to train if selected for a PA "B" squad. This program will continue into 2021.

PA has just initiated an advertising program looking for junior and young athletes who have what it takes to become a National Team athlete and eventually progress to the Shooting Australia Commonwealth Games and Olympic Games teams. This new program will work alongside the PA "B" squad program. See advert this issue.

The PA Junior Camp is scheduled for 3rd July – 10th July 2021 in Canberra.

I trust you all had an enjoyable Xmas with family and friends, COVID permitting.

I wish you all a Happy and safe 2021

From the National Referee Council

BY SHARON REYNOLDS, NRC DIRECTOR

This month I am putting one of our well known shooting couples in the spotlight. Brian and Helen Johnson are both well known in Australian shooting circles.

Just as the old adage says – like bad pennies they turn up everywhere. Most times it is as officials rather than as shooters. Helen generally works in the score room at all kinds of competitions and Brian is the State Referee Director for NSW. Both hold Pistol Australia judge qualifications as well as being ISSF Judge As.

Helen tells me she grew up on a pistol range. Her father, Lindsay Pearson, joined the Sydney Pistol Club in 1974 and went on to become an Association Referee (Judge B) and then, in 1983, a National Referee (Judge A). It was her dad's influence that led Helen down the officiating path, first becoming a range officer at the age of 18. Some 12 years later she was told, by Spencer Tweedie, that it was about time she became a judge! Helen, at 31 years of age, became one of the youngest people to qualify as a PA Judge B. She then went on to obtain ISSF accreditation as a judge B for pistol, EST and rifle. Helen is now an ISSF judge A.

Brian was introduced to pistol shooting in 1975 when a fellow apprentice, Malcolm Baird, suggested he give it a try. Clearly Brian was hooked and he joined the Orange and District Pistol club where he is still an active member today. Peter Anderson suggested to Brian that he should become a range officer and in 1979, at the NSW State titles in Wagga Wagga, he passed the exam – having sat in his car to do the written test! Brian went on to become an ISSF Judge B in 1997 under the tutelage of Joselyn Polley. He went on to get his Judge

B accreditations for Service matches and Black powder, and in 2012 qualified as a Judge A at the Nationals held in Cessnock. Brian also went on to obtain ISSF accreditations in pistol, rifle and EST and was recently upgraded to ISSF Judge A.

Helen and Brian crossed paths at the 1983 ISSF/PA Nationals in Adelaide and romance was in the air (did it help that Helen's dad was distracted by his Judge A assessment?). Once again Brian was hooked and a long distance romance ensued. At that time Helen was living in Canberra and Brian's Datsun 200B got a work out travelling from Orange to Canberra most weekends. In 1988 they got married – carefully choosing the date so that it did not clash with the nationals – but since they chose the weekend after Easter they often spend their wedding anniversary at the Easter nationals!

Like so many of us Brian and Helen both began their international careers as a result of the Olympics being held in Australia in 2000. It was a requirement that all range officers hold an ISSF Judge B licence so there was a flurry of activity amongst Australian officials wanting a job in Sydney – most of the PA Judge Bs (ISSF) sat for and obtained the ISSF Judge B accreditation. Brian worked as a Range Safety Officer for the Olympics and a Range Officer for the Paralympics, while Helen was an equipment control officer at both events. (I worked in equipment control with Helen at the test event for the Olympics – I was awed by her organizational abilities)

Both Brian and Helen have been fixtures



at PA/ISSF nationals, at World Cups, Shooting Australia events and of course at many competitions within NSW. At the Commonwealth Games in Melbourne in 2006 Helen was chief of the Equipment Control section, earning an ISSF bronze medal for her efforts. Brian was a range officer on the 50m rifle/pistol range. At the Commonwealth Games in both Glasgow (2014) and Gold Coast (2018) Helen was appointed to the international jury for RTS (classification), and in 2018 Brian was appointed to the jury for equipment control.

Both continue to be active and invaluable shooting officials and as NRC director I sincerely appreciate their skills, their abilities and most of all their professional attitude to officiating at our competitions.





Air pistol room after the fire



Air pistol room before the fire

The Spirit of the Club

On December 20th 2019 a major bushfire swept through the Adelaide Hills – known now as the Cuddle Creek fire – with the Kenton Valley Pistol and Shooting Club in its path.

The Club suffered significant damage with the partial destruction of our Clubroom, our Air Pistol Room, several sheds, our old historic fort, fencing and 3 of our 5 Ranges destroyed.

With the incredible help from our Committee Members and Members who came to the clean-up days along with local Businesses - Coopers of Mt Torrens, Kym Gladigau, Chooks Custom Grafix, Woodside Irrigation, SAPOL and the SA Government (who provided us with a \$10,000 grant) we were able to reopen our Club on January 28th for competition shooting.

During the time we were closed with the help of SARPA and Deb Rowe our Club received numerous offers of help and support from other Shooting Clubs around S.A, offering assistance to our Members so they could fulfil their shooting requirements. A big thank you to all those Clubs.

The repairs to our Club room and Air Pistol room will be completed as soon as possible. Although we still have a lot of work to do, the Kenton Valley Pistol and Shooting Club has never been stronger and the mateship greater.

Our Committee would like to thank everyone for their help and support.

Peter Gough

President

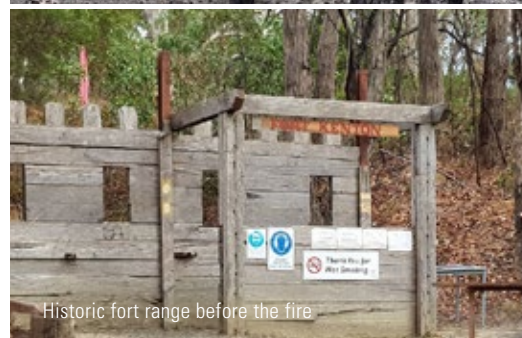
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Club house and ranges



Storage shed



Historic fort range before the fire



Historic fort after the fire



The Other Side of the Olympian...

BY ALEX REPACHOLI

When Daniel and I first met he mentioned he was an Olympian, I naturally thought he was having a laugh but as it turns out a quick 'Google' search of his name proved he certainly was an Olympian and much much more.



So Olympics, Commonwealth Games and World Cups have always been apart of our relationship. And also Nationals, which are always been held at Easter and luckily our home club have hosted them several times in the past.

From the start I took on a lot of the administrative work required to get Daniel to competition as this has certainly not been his strong point in the past. At one point I was on first name basis with the lovely team at the Firearms Registry as Daniel was notorious for forgetting to organise a B709, to the point where I hand delivered the form to customs so he could get his guns back into the country. The customs guys were not confident that they would be able to find Daniel in the arrivals hall, I assured

them he would be the only person in the airport who is 6 foot 8, dressed head to toe in Green and Gold with a flaming red beard. They found him easily. Shooting has always been a large part of our life, our wedding, honeymoon, birth of our children and renovation of our home have all been planned around competitions - I have my fingers crossed that our home renovations will start after Tokyo Olympics ha ha.

My advice to partners of athletes preparing to take their sport to the next level, is prepare yourself for the athlete to never be home. It's really important to create a great support network, especially when you have a young family like we do. Unfortunately both of our parents live interstate or overseas, but with



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careful planning we can make it work. And at the planning stage of the Olympic cycle (typically around 18 weeks of travel) we plan out all of Daniels travel and then book in family to come and help for the long stretches that he is away. We also don't stop our lives because he is away, so we still go away on family holidays with just us girls or meet up with Dan at the end of a training camp or comp.

I think the most asked question I get is "Do you and girls get to go to the Olympics" Which generally is a No response, as almost all of his major events are held overseas in Europe. I love that even though we mostly aren't able to be there in person to watch Daniel shoot, the technology nowadays means we can usually hook into a live feed to catch the action. Our girls get an absolute kick out of seeing their Dad wear the novelty socks they have carefully selected for him to wear - Unicorns seem to be the favourite at the moment. I was lucky enough to be able to

attend the London Olympics in 2012, which was absolutely amazing. The entire city was a buzz with Olympic fever and I could not have been prouder to watch Dan compete. The girls along with most of our immediate family had the absolute joy of watching Daniel at the Gold Coast Commonwealth Games in 2018, where he won Gold on home soil. It will always be my favourite shooting memory, the finals hall was almost all filled with Big Dan Fans and it was absolutely electric!

Competition at this level requires a tonne of sacrifice, intricate planning and loads of support, but at the end of the day it is worth it. The girls and I are so proud of Daniels accomplishments and his determination to keep striving for his best.



Shooting park in Kuwait

BY MIKE SWAN

The State of Kuwait (Arabic: دولة الكويت *Dawlat al-Kuwayt*) is a sovereign Arab state situated in the north-east of the Arabian Peninsula in Western Asia. It is bordered by Saudi Arabia to the south at Khafji, and Iraq to the north at Basra. It lies on the north-western shore of the Persian Gulf.

The name Kuwait is derived from the Arabic تاونك *ākwāt*, the plural of تونك *kūt*, meaning a fortress built near water. The country covers an area of 17,820 square kilometers (6,880 sq mi) and has a population of about 3.6 million.

During my tours of duty 2004 and 2006 I had the fortune to find the Kuwait State Shooting Park. Not only can you shoot for fun, you can shoot all ISSF, IPSC and other matches. The park has various clubs within its structure.

The entrance looks like a gym but hides a very complicated structure of different ranges.

What can you shoot? Well all the main matches we know here in Australia. Other weapons include Styer AUG, M4 Colt 5.56, FN FAL 308, Remington BDL 308 sniper rifles, Beretta 96 9mm etc.

As a former armourer in both the RAAF and Army I spent a lot of time helping Kuwait nationals and others fine tune their own weapons.

Within the complex, all the ranges are air-conditioned even the 500 metre one. You go through an airlock door system from the comfort of lounge chairs to waiting on plastic chairs to standing at the booths waiting to shoot.



You can just see the corridor that takes you through to the meeting and conference rooms available through out the complex.

To the right of this range were two fully integrated simulator ranges using a video system of scoring. You could take a shotgun and shoot trap and compressed air would simulate the recoil. You could also shoot a fully automatic weapon from a machine pistol to a machine gun and the reloading was simulated by compressed air. It was a very good training tool. I spent many a day teaching on both ranges and then onto live fire exercises.



Entrance to the State Park



Inside main entrance. Note gun shop at left



These are the clubrooms and waiting areas.



Moving down to the shooting ranges. Note sound proof rooms with chairs



Tea anyone!



This is a 100m x 50m room where IPSC is shot mainly and the targets can be set anywhere



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