

The Metro

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It is that time again - Annual Subs are due by 30th June.

You will find your subscription notices enclosed with your newsletter.

Don't forget to pay - you must be a financial member to retain your licence. A list of unfinancial members is sent to the Weapons Licensing Branch after June 30 - Don't be one of them.

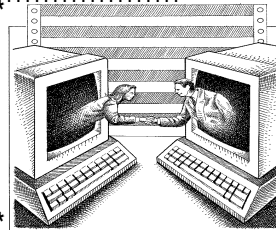


The other requirement for retaining a pistol licence is to have the required number of attendances for the year.

This is your responsibility and remember the Club is legally obliged to report members who fail to meet this requirement. The cut-off for attendances is 30th June.



Welcome to those people reading this on-line. I hope this will give you a little more information about our Club and sport.



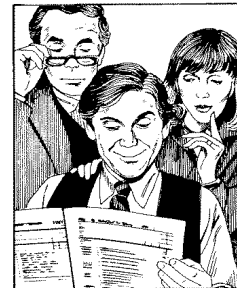
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The wise man says:-

Santa's helpers are subordinate clauses.

25m Service (Short Barrel) & Duty Match

25m Service is an informal, friendly match shot with pistols - they can be revolvers or automatics with the minimum barrel length allowed.

The match is shot at timed turning targets with distances that vary from 25metres down to 7metres.

There have been some good scores and some just as bad scores, so please come and help us enjoy the Sunday morning.

We also shoot short barrel once a month on Saturday arvo.

Duty Match is shot after Sunday's short barrel, so bring along an extra 50 rounds and shoot both.

Duty match has 4 series - Start at 3m - move back to 7m - then 15 m and the final 18 shots are off the barricades at 25m.

Thank you to all who participate and all who would like to come - you are more than welcome.

Jim
Discipline Captain

Mayleigh Match -- Range 1

The Mayleigh Match is now conducted on a regular basis on Range 1 on Saturday afternoons. Some of the recent scores, shot by our regular shooters are :-

Charlie 274, Bob 249, John 270, Keith 282
Graham 255, Mike 159, Derek 284.

Non QAPSA club members also shoot a number of ISSF disciplines on Range 1 and the scores are kept along with the Mayleigh scores. It is unfortunate that we have to do it this way - you can draw your own conclusions.

To those shooters attend the Range mid-week on other than recognised shoot days/times, make sure that you fill in the attendance sheet - Put your name on the chalk board as Range Operator and fill out your own Range Attendance Record Book (supplied by the Club). This keeps everything kosher and helps with attendances.

To those who have not yet attained the required number of attendances, make sure you do before 30th June.

Catch you on the Range

Cheers

Derek

Discipline Captain

The wise man says:-

If you don't pay your exorcist you get repossessed.

Those who get too big for their britches will be exposed in the end.

Marathon runners with bad footwear suffer the agony of defeat

IPSC CORNER

Can you believe that the first quarter of 2006 is over????

The attendance has steadily been growing, possibly because of the Nationals and people wanting to practise, but it is great to see so many faces!

You may have noticed that there are a numbers of Grandslams on the go this year and shooters have a few choices as to which ones they want to attend. Some folks may not be aware that the IPSC Prize Giving at the end of the year will be held here at Metro. In order for you to qualify for a prize, you have to shoot no less than 10 Grandslams. The general consensus has been to give out shooting goodies rather than trophies and I can tell you that the funding for the prizes is rather substantial and prize winners can look forward to some really great stuff !!!!!

Our first Grandslam was held on 26 March and we had a fabulous day. With an excellent turnout of 47 competitors - some of whom travelled from very far - glorious weather and some very interesting and demanding stages, the day was a huge success. Several people deserve special mention, especially Kim for the great BBQ as well as the tireless helpers who turned up the day before to help set up. Thank you to all for making the day as good as it was. We will be having another match on 28 May and we look forward to seeing you all there as well as some helpers beforehand. Remember, the more people the easier the job.

Well, the Nationals are upon us again and this year we are headed for Adelaide. The competition runs for 3 days over the Easter weekend as well as a "man vs man" on the 4th day for the top shooters. As this is the 30th Anniversary IPSC Australian Nationals, it will be well attended and at the last count over 300 shooters were expected. A big Queensland contingent is going down - Gold, Silver, Senior and Ladies teams - all vying for top place and we wish them all the best of luck - bring back the trophies to Queensland ! To everyone else attending the match, good luck, be safe and have fun! I will fill you in on all the results and gossip from SA in the next newsletter.

In the meantimeShoot fast, shoot straight and be safe.

DVC

Victor

The Shooting Programme - Uncoded

Over the past 12 months, approximately half of our new members have come from either SSAA or the Virginia Pistol Range.

Very recently, I was made aware that, to many of these new members, the matches on the programme made absolutely no sense to them. This was one facet I had not considered. With an ISSF background of over thirty years, our abbreviations proved no problems to me. However, to our new members from outside, this background the programme may well be written in Sanskrit or a new version of the "Da Vinci Code".

THE CODE

Basically, all ISSF matches comprise 60 shots, as well as sighting shots. The abbreviations are as follows:-

FP - Free Pistol - 50m - .22LR	RF - Rapid Fire - 25m - .22LR
SM - Standard Match - 25m - .22LR	SPP - Sport Pistol - 25m - .22LR
CF - Centre Fire - 25m -.32 to .38	AP - Air Pistol - 10m - .177

I hope this will make things a lot simpler in the future

Dick - Club Captain