



Newsletter

QUEENSLAND TARGET SPORTS

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ACCURACY FOR A GIVEN SHOOTER IS LARGELY A MATTER OF WHAT HIS MIND WILL ALLOW THE REST OF HIS BODY TO DO.



We are almost at the end of what has been yet another very busy year. It's funny how the older we get, the busier we get and the faster time seems to fly by – maybe we're just getting slower.

December kind of snuck up on me and as I hadn't done the 'end of year thing' in the last newsletter, I thought I had better put out this extra little one.

2009 was the first year for many years that I have travelled to all the prize meetings on the calendar (with the exception of the Silhouette Champs) and I thoroughly enjoyed every single one of them.

As well as that there were a couple of Aus Cups, the Nationals in Adelaide, the World Masters Games, Oceania, coaching clinics and 10 or so management meetings that always seemed to take 3 days to get home from – it has been a busy year but generally a good one.

Highlights for the year were many with the good shooting of the Queensland contingent at the Nationals and especially the efforts of Thomas Versace. Ashley, Jack, Dane, Robert and John also made their presence felt at the National and Aus Cups. John also with his bench rest shooting. Tom & Ashley both had trips overseas and Tamsyn and Rachael to the Arafura Games. 6 of our shooters were selected for the Oceania Continental Championships. Ashley collected 1 gold, 2 silver and a bronze in the ISCD events, Dane a bronze in the Men's Prone and Ashley and Thomas, gold and bronze in the team's event.

Isis Club held their very successful and well attended inaugural prize meeting and all the country clubs must be congratulated on the facilities and appearance of their ranges. It was very enjoyable just to sit, relax and socialize without even shooting.

The installation of the electronic targets at Belmont was certainly a big step forward for small bore in Queensland. Even though we are still having a few teething problems, it should not be too long before we are all used to the change. It was very pleasing to see so many shooters in attendance at the State Champs – hope you all enjoyed the experience.

I guess the 'lowlight' of the year was the sad loss of our good mate, Doug Weare, from Charleville Club. He will be missed by many for a long time.

I hope everyone has enjoyed reading the newsletter this year and I would like to thank everyone who contributed in any way with photos, articles, jokes etc.

I have had lots of positive feedback about the newsletter and am open to any suggestions on improvement e.g. is it too big/small, are there too many photos/not enough photos, not enough variety, want more articles, do you want it to continue – any suggestions at all.

I would like to wish each and every one of you all the very best for the Christmas season and the best New Year ever.

See you all in 2010 – (probably another busy one)

Robyn



ISIS DISTRICT SMALL-BORE RIFLE CLUB CHAMPIONS FOR 2009

SILHOUETTE

A Grade: Julie Dunks 1st, Lesley Perk 2nd,
Anton Perk 3rd
B Grade: Cameron Brown 1st, Brian Terry
2nd, Ben Maywald 3rd
C Grade: Doug Dilger 1st
D Grade: James Cameron 1st

Handicap Champion: Ben Maywald
First Possibles: Julie Dunks, Michael
Moller
Most Improved: Ben Maywald



NEW EXECUTIVE

President: Larry Dunks
Vice President: Tim Turner
Secretary: Dale Craig
Treasurer: Julie Dunks
Rifle Captain: Anton Perk
Pistol Captain: David Wilson



TRA CLUB INSTRUCTORS COURSE

QTS is hoping to run a TRA Club Instructors course in February.

This is an 8 hour course the purpose of which is a 'get them safe, get them shooting' approach to instructing newcomers to the sport and club. To provide reliable and accurate information to newer shooters and provide the instructors with the confidence to work with those in their club.

This course is part of the TRA Coaching Roadshow.

We are proposing to run this course on the same weekend as the QTS Annual General Meeting, which is the 13th & 14th February. This would be of benefit to country members who were travelling to Brisbane for the meeting and would save 2 trips.

The course could start after the meeting on Saturday and therefore finish earlier on Sunday.

PLEASE contact me if you have any questions about this course or if you are interested in attending. We need definite numbers on this so arrangements can be made with TRA.

THE DECEMBER ISSUE OF THE TRA E-MAG IS ON THE WEBSITE AND CONTAINS AN ARTICLE ON BARREL TUNERS FOR THOSE INTERESTED. TO ACCESS GO TO: www.tra.org.au/magazine_index.html

**You don't need to be motivated,
You just need to do it.**

ALL CLUB SECRETARIES WILL SOON BE RECEIVING A CALENDAR FOR 2010. THIS CALENDAR IS TO GO ON THE WALL OF YOUR CLUB HOUSE FOR THE BENEFIT OF ALL MEMBERS.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE A COPY OF THE CALENDAR FOR YOUR OWN USE, PLEASE CONTACT ME AND I WILL EITHER EMAIL YOU THE FILE FOR YOU TO PRINT YOURSELF OR I WILL PRINT AND POST A COPY FOR YOU AT THE COST OF \$5.00. IF YOU HAVE NOT SEEN THE CALENDAR IN YOUR CLUB HOUSE, ASK YOUR SECRETARY WHERE IT IS. IT MAY BE HANGING ON HIS/HER WALL.

OCEANIA CONTINENTAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Sydney turned on some very interesting weather for the 2009 Oceania Continental Championships. The weather leading up to the champs had been very hot (45deg) and fortunately cooled down but the person in charge decided to swap the heat for wind. This made shooting just a little on the frustrating side. I'm quite sure there was wind on the air range at times – this is an indoor range.

Shooters attended from countries all over the world including New Zealand, Canada, New Caledonia, Great Britain, Sweden and Japan. Queensland had 6 shooters selected to shoot at the champs in both able bodied and disabled events.

Ashley collected 1 gold, 2 silver and 1 bronze in ISCD events and a Gold in the Men's 50m prone teams (the B team beat the A team yet again). He also placed 4th in the Men's 50m Prone Match.

Thomas collected a bronze in the Men's team and Dane an excellent bronze in the 50m Men's Prone. Dane was placed 5th after the qualification but jumped to 3rd in the final despite firing 2 eights.

The conditions on the finals range were extremely difficult all weekend with shooters in the 3 x 40 final firing 4's, 2's and misses.

Well done to all medal winners.

A full list of results can be found on the AISL website www.aushooting.org and also the TRA magazine www.tra.org.au/magazine_index.html

COMMERCIAL CLUB CHAMPIONS - 2009

CLUB CAMPION	- Jack Barnes
RUNNER-UP	- Dane Sampson
HANDICAP CHAMP	- Dane Sampson
JUNIOR CHAMP	- Rachael Hunziker
ACCOMPANIED BY	- George Watson



SEE YOU NEXT YEAR EVERYONE

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