

Members' up-date December 2015.

Welcome to the NRA of NZ member's up-date where we let the membership know what has happened and what is coming up in the full bore shooting world.

With Christmas and the New Year quickly approaching, I take this opportunity to wish all members a Happy Christmas and New Year, please travel safely to the Nationals in January. We have an Australian Veterans Team coming this Nationals to shoot against New Zealand, will make the Nationals very competitive this year.

Entry to the Nationals can be done on the website, www.nranz.org.nz go to the Nationals section and log on.

Also on the website is a list of company/business that support the NRA, please use these companies where possible so that all can benefit from there continued support.

January Council Meeting will be held on the 9 January at the NRA Headquarters. Please contact your Regional Delegate if you have any ideas or suggestions that will move the Association forward.

Members Affiliations are now overdue, members need to be affiliated to keep the organisation moving forward. There seems to be some confusion about the \$30 Levy, it was discussed at the AGM, with all clubs represented, that this levy would be charged, it will be used to show funding agencies that the membership supports 2019 WLRC and all will benefit from increased participation and increase our profile. We plan to make a profit and reimburse members who contributed.

An article on full bore rifle shooting has been published in the December /January issue of NZ Guns and Hunting, please buy a copy and take it to work, to the smallbore club, the coffee table at home. Use it to show friends, work colleagues, prospective members what the sport is about, a great way to introduce people to the sport.

Barnard Precision Regional Championship is running with \$1500 prize money up for grabs with selected Championships which you contest before Christmas 2015 giving you qualifying points in the draw, details on the NRA website. The winners will be draw at the NRA Prize Giving.

The World Championships and Palma match will be held at Trentham in 2019, this will be a major event in the Fullbore Shooting with visitors from overseas and NZ competing. This is your chance to shoot in a world Championship without having to travel to the other side of the world and spend thousands of dollars. Everyone who wants to take part will be welcomed and accommodated in 2019. The lead-up years will be large events to and everyone should start training to compete.

Clubs need to take advantage of the all opportunities to attract new members, free web sites such as sportsground are available with help to set up for your club. A lot of clubs are now on facebook, another great way to contact potential members. Have a look at NRANZ, Petone, Trentham, Karori, Clevedon, Ashburton, Malvern, Otorohanga, Invercargill, Cheltenham Facebook pages, just search and join, a few photos increases your appeal. Also available are the NRA pamphlets and club cards,

talk to your local police arms officer and ask if your club can leave some with him, members are obtaining licenses all the time and asking these guy's where they can shoot, sport shops are also a great opportunity to take in some pamphlets or cards, there are hundreds of members out there who just need a push in our direction. Your club needs someone to answer phone and e-mail contacts, be positive and get them out to the range.

Check the expiry date on your firearms license, there is a back log and it can take longer than expected if traveling overseas.

NRA history books and NRA polo shirts and hoodies are still available, contact the office if you would like one.

Members passing:

Alan Hatcher was a member of the Cheltenham Rifle Club, NRA Councilor and Palma Team member. A well-attended funeral was held in Palmerston North and Hatch was given great send off. He was a longtime supporter of Under 25 shooting and always first to offer help to anyone having trouble. Goodo...

Benefits to individual financial members from being affiliated to the National Body.

Access to national body web site.

Promotion and advertising of clubs presence via national body web site and Facebook.

Interested persons contact info gathered via NRANZ website and forward to members clubs.

Access to system of each club member listings and contact info.

Member only access web buy and sell section.

Access to members only section on national web site.

Access to network of club sec contacts for national level info distribution.

Access to national organisations such as NZSF, COLFO and other shooting bodies.

Access to NZ Police and other Govt agencies re matters of firearms interest.

Access to national body able to influence Govt agencies re rules and policies on firearm matters.

Access to national body system of purchasing, inventory and distribution of components to member clubs.

Access to network and system of distributing haz subs components nationally to members club locations.

Distribution of components to club home locations at no freight costs to individual members.

Member club credit terms of 20th of next month for payment of components purchased from national body. (*Credit terms being a Privilege not a Right*).

Access to national body able to bulk purchase components at best buy rates.

Access to regional, national and international shooting reports and results.

Access to and being part of national system of grading and publication of lists.

Member club range inspection and certification.

Included in professional indemnity insurance cover nationally.
Included in public liability insurance cover nationally.
Access to NZSF insurance broker rates for members club assets.
Provision of national level shooting rules which govern all NZ shooting events.
Provision of national level qualification in club RCO training.
Development, provision and distribution of target faces centres and marking supplies.

Able to access and attend NRANZ levels of competitions:

- Five club events only (Associate Member)
- Participate NZ Member Club shooting programmes
- Participate NZ Interclub events
- Participate NZ Inter-region team's events
- Regional Champs NZ
- National Champs Trentham NZ
- International Events within NZ
- Overseas National Events
- Overseas International Events
- New Zealand Rifle Team Representation NRANZ
- New Zealand Shooting Team Representation – NZ Shooting Fed – NZ Olympic Committee

Access for individual members to development funding via NRANZ national body.
Ability of junior club members to participate in junior level development programmes
Access by all members to available development programmes
Access to national level coaching resource.