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Welcome to issue twenty-one of the official New South Wales Rifle Association newsletter. This *Bullet-In* contains information published in the *Australian Target Rifle* magazine. Clubs are encouraged to circulate this newsletter to those members who don't have access to the *ATR*. Extra copies of the *Bullet-In* may be obtained by contacting the NSWRA Office.

The next issue is planned for publication in September. We extend an invitation to all clubs and members who have anything that they would like to have published in this newsletter please forward it to the NSWRA Office. Deadline for the next issue will be the end of August.

Barbara & Ken

STATE V REST V ACT MATCH IN CANBERRA

The 2007 State V Rest match will be held in the ACT on the weekend of 13th and 14th October. As the timing of this match is one month prior to the National Teams Championships in Canberra the ACTFBTR have been invited to compete. This invitation has also been extended to the ACTFBTR Under 25 State Team to compete against the NSW U25 V Rest teams. All members involved will be contacted by their respective team Captains in due course.

NSW UNDER 25 STATE TEAM –Canberra November 2007

This team is still under trial. When the final team is decided notification will be forwarded.

ANNUAL RETURNS 2007-2008

Thank you to those clubs who have submitted their Annual Returns. For those clubs who have yet to submit these Annual Returns please do so as soon as possible. Please be aware that members who are unfinancial (that is, their payment has not been received by the NSWRA) as of the 1st July 2006, are not permitted to participate in shooting activities until payment is made to NSWRA Inc.

Address change notification for ATR Magazine

Any member who changes their postal address is in the first instance to notify their club then notification must come to the NSWRA Office. **PLEASE DO NOT FORWARD CHANGE OF ADDRESS TO THE NRAA OR ATR MAGAZINE AS STATED IN EACH ISSUE OF THE ATR MAGAZINE.**

NSWRA COUNCIL 2007-2008

President Tim Lord

Executive Committee

Chairman	John Fitzgerald	Co-opted
Deputy Chairman	Doug Bowen	Metropolitan
Treasurer	Jim Richardson	Co-opted
Steve Negus	Metropolitan	
Ken Cooke	Western	

Other Council Members

Graham Crowe	Co-opted	Bruce Corven	Mid Northern
Graeme Veale	Northern	Cliff Austen	Southern

NSWRA DRA Champion of Champions & City V Country Matches

The next NSWRA DRA Champion of Champions, DRA Teams and City V Country matches will be held on **Saturday 18th and Sunday 19th August 2007** at Anzac Range Malabar.

Entry forms for the DRA Champions, Senior, Junior and "F" Class Standard and DRA teams will be forwarded to individual DRA Contacts.

NSWRA Under 18 Champion of Champions Match

As advised in issue #19 of the bullet-in The NSWRA Council approved an Under 18 Champion of Champions match to be held in conjunction with the DRA Champion of Champions match.

Fullbore

This will be a DRA based Champion of Champions match held under the same conditions as the current Under 25 match, contested concurrently but eligible for members under the age of 18 at the end of the club's competition year. School clubs are (now) eligible to nominate a club champion (Under 18) to compete for the DRA Under 18 Championship.

An Under 18 member may be eligible to compete for the Under 25 Champion of Champions if the situation occurs that there is no other qualifying Under 25 Champion at club or District level.

Markers, Range & Butts Officers Nominations for 18th/19th Aug 07

Any person interested in applying for paid positions as a Marker, Range or Butts Officer (target rifle) **for the DRA Champion of Champions, Teams and City V Country matches** please do so in writing to:

Post: The Executive Director
NSWRA Inc
P O Box 386
Maroubra NSW 2035
Fax: (02) 9661 6042
E-mail: info@nswra.org.au

Applications for these position to be received *no later than Friday 27th July 2007.*

B” and “C” GRADES

When clubs are conducting their OPM's please make sure entrants in 'B' and 'C' Grades produce a current Membership card listing their correct grading.

OPM adds in ATR magazine

Any club advertising their OPM in the ATR magazine are urged to include a contact name and number for any enquiries members may have.

NRAA NEWS

Veterans

After extensive negotiations with the Australian Veteran Rifle shooters (AVR), the NRAA is pleased to announce our support for the National AVR matches with a provisional calendar as follows:

2008 NQLD confirmed
2009 NSW

Prior or current membership of AVR is no longer a prerequisite for nomination as a team member & all Veterans are encouraged to contact their State chapter of AVR: NSW Rod Evans 9763 1257

Council Changes

The NRAA would like to welcome out new NRAA delegate Ken Cooke.

Website

The NSWRA and the NRAA website has a number of updates and we encourage all Members to regularly visit the sites. In particular, there is new information regarding:

- 1) Drugs in Sport at <http://www.nraa.com.au/nraa/general.html>
- 2) Unique Identifier Number at http://www.nraa.com.au/shooter_admin/unique_ids.html
- 3) National Championships online entry at <https://www.nraa.com.au/entryform> (secure site, link may change)
- 4) 3 point rifle check at the National Championships at http://www.nraa.com.au/nraa/3point_test.html
- 5) F class rankings in Open and Standard division
<http://www.nraa.com.au/ranks/Frankings.html> and <http://www.nraa.com.au/ranks/Orankings.html>

If you wish to have any information included on the NSWRA website i.e. results/programs links or indeed anything that you think would be of interest to the movement please contact the NSWRA office. If results and programs are sent in a useable electronic format they will happily be put up on our website.

SSR Printed Rule Books

We have now received printed copies of the SSR booklets. Unfortunately a printing error has occurred on page 48. An amended page has been included for its replacement. Copies can be purchased from the NSWRA office @ \$3 per copy plus \$9 for a yellow cover if required.

NSWRA ANNUAL CHAMPIONSHIPS - September 8 –16, 2007.

1. WANTED: Range & Butts Officers, Markers and Target Shed personnel

Applications for any of the abovementioned paid positions for Fullbore Target Rifle events are now being called for. All applications should be forwarded to the NSWRA Office by one of the following three options:

Post: The Executive Director
NSWRA Inc
PO Box 386
Maroubra NSW 2035
E-mail: info@nswra.org.au
Fax: (02) 9661 6042

Please pass these details onto your **CLUB MEMBERS** and/or **CLUB MARKER**

Accommodation for successful Country applicants of these positions will be made available on range. Please advise with your application if accommodation is required. All applications for the above positions to be received at the NSWRA Office by **Friday August 3 2007.**

2. Range Sponsorship

Letters of Invitation to Sponsor a Match during the NSWRA 131st Open Championships in September 2007 will be forwarded to all NSWRA clubs.

A number of Matches remain available for sponsorship by either, individuals, Clubs or DRA's. Any match that is sponsored will be acknowledged in the program booklet (time permitting). So you don't miss out having your name published the NSWRA office do need confirmation by Monday 30th July 07. We will also acknowledge your sponsorship on official posted results, at the presentations and by way of personal thank you letters. Please contact the NSWRA Office if you require any further information.

3. INVITATION TO B and C Graders

Why not seriously consider taking the opportunity to attend our Annual Championships this year. There are some great prizes and prize money to be won and the odds are stacked in your favour. Last year we had around 8 C Grade and 20 B Grade entries so you can see your chances of winning something is very high.

Come and take away a great experience and join in the festivities. You will be surprised just how much you will enjoy the experience and pick up some valuable tips from fellow competitors.

4. TRAINING SEMINAR for B and C Graders

At these years championships the NSWRA will be host a FREE shooting seminar for B and C Graders. The intention is to hold it after the presentation for the McIntosh at around 6.00pm on the Thursday night. Present will be a number of top A grade shooters and they will be presenting such topics as Rifle Fit, Wind Reading Shooting to win as well as giving away some free tips and tricks to help you improve your scores. As seats are limited please advise the NSWRA office by phone, fax or email if you want to take advantage of this opportunity.

Expressions of Interest Sports Development Co-ordinator

The current NSWRA Sports Development Co-ordinator, Rod Pascoe is unfortunately no longer able to fulfil duties associated with this position, therefore the NSWRA is seeking Expressions of Interest for this position from within the NSWRA membership.

The position involves assisting with general promotion and development of our sport, e.g. assisting Clubs with Open Days, assisting with review of the NSWRA Club kit, training Clubs on implementing the Club Kit, liaison with the Dept of Sport and Recreation, promotional and publicity activities, etc.

There is an honorarium involved with this position plus reimbursement for approved expenses incurred in the fulfilment of this position. If there is any member/s interested in finding more out about this position please have them contact the NSWRA Office on any of the contact details listed above.

Expressions of Interest are requested in writing to the NSWRA Executive Director by **Friday 24th August 2007**.

Oceania Open and Under 25 team and Individual Event

Nominations are being called for members to compete at the 2007 Oceania Teams Event in Sydney 28th October - 3 November 2007.

Positions required are Manager and shooters. The NRAA will be entering two Open teams and one Under 25 team into the Competition. Selection for all these teams will be based on but not limited to, performances in past Oceania, Trans Tasman, National Teams, State Teams, Queen's Prizes and Australia Cups from the past two years. Please send your nomination outlining your, name, date of birth, address, telephone, email address contact and your performance details from the events as outlined above and any other information you deem relevant, to the NRAA office or by email to nraa@bigpond.com by **close of business 1st August 2007**. Late nominations will not be accepted.

Under 21 and Under 25 Trans Tasman Teams

Nominations are being called for members to compete in the 2008 Under 21 and Under 25 Trans Tasman matches in New Zealand 4th - 12th January 2008.

Positions are open for:

Captain, Manager, Coaches and Shooters for both teams. Selection for all these teams will be based on but not limited to, performances in past Oceania, Trans Tasman, National Teams, State Teams, Queen's Prizes and Australia Cups from the past two years. Please send your nomination outlining your performance details from the events as outlined above and any other information you deem relevant, to the NRAA office or by email to nraa@bigpond.com by **close of business 1st August 2007**. All nominations will be acknowledged. Please provide your name, date of birth, address, telephone and email address contact details. Please note, only the shooters needs to be under the specified age at the commencement of the competition.

Expressions of Interest – America Match Team 2008

Expressions of Interest are being called from interested persons to compete in the America Match in 2008. The Event will be run in conjunction with their Spirit of America Fullbore National Championships. The tentative dates for the matches are September 6th to 13th, 2008. The America Match is an 8 person team match at 300, 600, 900 and 1000 yards. The team will wear the NRAA uniform and will be self funded. Please forward expressions of interest for positions of Captain, Manager, Wind Coaches and Shooters to the NRAA office or to nraa@bigpond.com by **close of business 1st September 2007**.

Under 25 Presidents Team, National teams Match, Canberra 2007

Expressions of interest are being called for Under 25 members who have **NOT** been selected in a state or Territory Under 25 team that is competing at the National Teams Matches 2007. Provided there are sufficient nominations, NRAA may field a composite Presidents team. Members over the Age of 25 that are interested in nominating for position of Captain/Coach or Manager should also submit their expression of interest. Please send your expressions of interest with your performance history from the past two years, to the NRAA office or by email to nraa@bigpond.com **by close of business 1st August 2007**. Please provide your Name, date of birth, address, telephone and email address contact details. Please note only the shooters need to be under the specified age at the commencement of the competition.

National Teams Merrett Match Squadding

It has been agreed by members at Corporate Planning Workshop, that the NRAA Match Director will squad the leading teams alongside one another for the FINAL range of the Merrett series and any other MAJOR team competition.

NewsFlash

NSW State Team to Bisley arrived safely and have commenced their tour of the "Old Country.

Early results show good promise from Angus Bell and Graham Berman who it is reported shot well in the British Commonwealth Meeting..

The results from the match against Scotland was that NSW were victorious 2608.290 against Scotland 2574.254

NSW Team

Karen Berman 221.26

Donna Negus 219.26

Mark Buchanan 218.28

Ron Whalen 218.25

Barb Bell 216.22

Ken Cooke 214.18

Steve Negus 221.25

Angus Bell 219.25

John Baxter 218.27

Ian Griffiths 217.26

Keiran McCamley 214.20

Tony McGuigan 213.22

Further Updates on the team will be shown on the NSWRA website as they come to hand .