



Sporting Shooters Association of Australia (Brisbane)

RANGE OPERATIONS DUE TO COVID-19

CURRENT STATUS – RANGE OPEN

ONLINE BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

DO NOT ATTEND THE RANGE WITHOUT A BOOKING

Update 15/07/2020

TO: SSAA BRISBANE MEMBERS AND GUESTS

It's great to see branch members using the range and enjoying rifle, pistol and shotgun shooting. The online booking system has been working well and members have provided good feedback.

With Stage 3 we have been able to accommodate more people on the range and make more places available to our members. Therefore, starting from 16th July, 2020, the rifle range and clay thrower is now open to all licensed SSAA members. Please follow the booking process and guidelines and make sure you bring your current SSAA membership card and firearms licence when signing on. At this stage we are only accepting licensed SSAA members. A non-refundable \$5.00 fee applies when making a booking, with applicable range fees payable when signing-on.

The Seniors' Day has been well received and will continue on Thursdays at 1.00pm. Bookings are required through the online booking system. All areas are available for practice, rifle, pistol, and the clay thrower. A non-refundable \$5.00 fee applies for booking a rifle or shotgun practice session.

Seniors' Day – Thursday at 1.00pm

Please book your session online NOW. A \$5 booking fee applies. This is in addition to the applicable range fee.

Seniors Day is limited to SSAA Brisbane Q01 members born in or before 1950.

For our pistol section members, the 50m pistol range is available for practice for SSAA Brisbane pistol section members who are Cat H licensed and hold Level 1 Range Officer accreditation. Bookings are required through the online booking system and **no fee is payable for the session**. No guests or spectators. When attending the pistol range the target frames and steel swingers are set up at 25m and must not be moved. Shooters can place their target on the corflute backer after signing-on. A part of the fees payable by each pistol section member each year, is a component that goes towards competition targets and trophies. Due to the COVID closure, competitions were cancelled and members will not be eligible for trophies. This part of the pistol members' fees will contribute to the pistol practice booking fee as the number of members able to attend the pistol range for practice is still restricted but no longer interferes with the total number of members permitted on site.

Pistol section members are required to submit their participation returns by 28th July. The online system is quick and easy and can be submitted using your PC, mobile phone or tablet. This is our preferred method of submitting the participation returns. We understand that not everyone has access to the online system and for those members we suggest you attend the office Monday to Friday with your membership and participation cards and the staff will be happy to assist with submitting your return.

The Level 1 RO course for our Pistol section members is running again and we have 4 sessions available this month. The course is for our pistol section members who are Cat H licensed to enable them to attend the pistol range for practice.

Very soon, we will be holding 'trainee' competitions for our pistol section members who are unlicensed. These competitions will provide coaching and guidance. Due to the COVID closure some members have been unable to complete their required number of shoots to apply for their Cat H licence. These competitions will be signed off on your participation card and will enable those pistol section members who have been a member for at least 6 months to complete the minimum of 3 competition shoots within 6 months of applying for their Cat H licence. The first 'trainee' competition will be held on Wednesday evening 22nd July. Numbers attending are limited and bookings are required through the online booking system. A non-refundable fee of \$10.00 per person is payable at the time of booking. The fee will cover 50 rounds rimfire ammunition, target, and use of a club rimfire s/auto pistol.

Other club competitions for all disciplines will slowly be returning in August. Training of shoot captains and range officers is required before the competitions are able to commence to comply with the COVIDSafe Plan. Keep checking the website for updates.

To help keep everyone safe, a reminder that during COVID restrictions if you are feeling unwell, do not attend the range. Anyone showing symptoms of a cold or feeling unwell will be asked to leave immediately.

Please check our website for updates and notifications of changing conditions.

Thank you and stay safe
Rod Shannon
President, SSAA Brisbane
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