

SPRINGVALE PISTOL CLUB

December Newsletter

LATE EDITION

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Editorial

Ok, ok I know I told you guys that the last edition would keep you reading until the range will re-open in January.... but I lied. There have been a few things that have happened between publishing the last newsletter and now.

So now I promise that this will be the last until sometime in late January early February.

Have a very Merry Christmas and a safe and happy New Year.

Sam

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK.

What a great year for our members
Practicing, competing, socialising all around the state (and interstate).
Congratulations to all those who won trophies, broke grade or got awarded.

Next year is almost upon us and we want to surpass our achievements while having fun. Let's ponder what we want to do and what development we want for the Club. Our next Committee meeting will be about the competition schedule for next year - what commitment are we to make in the VAPA Postal round? This year was good, but could be much better. We need the drive to form enthusiastic teams to shoot Air Pistol, Standard Pistol, Centrefire & Sport Pistol, Black Powder as well as the 1920 International and Service shoots.

Have a Happy Christmas Season and an excellent NEW YEAR 2007!

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John

SECRETARY 'S REPORT

Well, 2006 all but over. If you haven't met your attendance requirements by now it is going to be difficult for you to meet the requirements of the Firearms Act.

On a brighter note, it has been an extremely pleasing to see our members shoot at club, postal and open competitions. Well done to those who competed in these and other competitions. It was pleasing to see our members come together at our Xmas celebrations and the presentation night in November. I would like to thank the organisers, Christine, Diane and Samantha thanks also to Mikhail, Stuart and Peter for organising the medallions.

I hope that you and your family have a safe and a Merry Xmas and happy New Year. See you all at the range in the New Year

Brian

CLUB CAPTAIN'S REPORT

Nothing to report

Club Presentation/ Christmas Night

The Club Presentation Night was well attended by all and was a good night and well catered for by Diane, Chris and Myself. it was a great night had by all. And if this year was anything to go by next year should be a great night (I know I shouldn't be thinking that far ahead but I am)

Say CHEESE!

Attached is a list of award winners.

Sam



Long Time Coming.

Yes indeed this has been a long time coming **FINALLY** Bruno is back in his Kitchen and not down at the B.B.Q.

Bruno's Bistro is open Tuesday night, Thursday night, 1st and 3rd Wednesday of every month, Saturdays for lunch.

Bruno's menu has changed a bit, he has kept some old favourites but included some new meals. So if you are down the range on one of those day's go up and see the new kitchen and have a nice feed as prices are very reasonable, affordable and very yummy and filling.

Sam

SPC @ Bendigo Steel Challenge

Well what can I say about the Bendigo Steel Challenge... it was a great day had by all, the members did really well I was even invited to join I.C.O.R.E and IPSC and I even got into my first shoot out which was a interesting and different experience. So it was a great day it was a shame that more members couldn't attend the Steel Challenge.

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But there is always next year.



Henry Dajczer shooting one of the 6 events

(Find attached the results sheet for the steel challenges)

Sam

What Vera Koo had to say about the Action World Shoot

The World Shoot in Australia had not gone as planned for me; I had gotten too tired just before the match and could not concentrate at all for the duration of the match. I may have miscalculated my energy expenditure and spent in areas that I should not have.

But the experience in Australia had been a positive one for me. I was thrilled to have met so many wonderful people. For the first time at matches, I truly enjoyed the atmosphere and friendships and location. I came away from the World Shoot feeling energized and wanting to work on some of the areas that I need to spend time on.

ED:(The reason this was not in the last newsletter is because Vera went back home dropped her guns off at home and then flew to Switzerland to visit her Daughter then once she came home she replied to my email.)

Sam

SPC Shooting Black powder

For my second year in Black Powder, the Open competition held at Peninsula Pistol Club was my choice for a great day of shooting, socialising, good food and the invigorating smell of the sulphurous smoke.

The Black Powder competition is an interesting one - with several divisions that involve many different kinds of pistol:

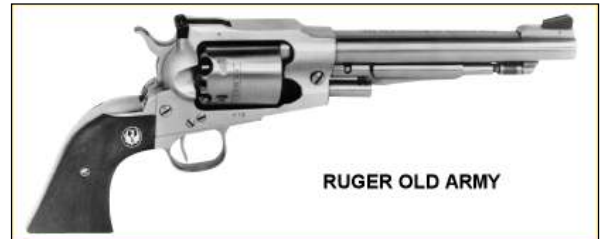
- Black Powder Modern
- Black Powder Replica
- Black Powder Revolver (fixed sights)
- Black Powder Revolver (adjustable sights)
- Black Powder 50 Revolver
- Black Powder 50 (usually single shot)
- Black Powder 25.

The range of pistol types and vintages used in this competition is impressive - from the commercially made to the 'home brewed' firearms repeating and single shot. A couple of very impressive home-constructed guns in .22 (single shot and used at 50 metres) and .36 calibre (made from a Ruger SAA with cutdown cylinder and sleeved cylinder and barrel) were masterpieces. The .22 single shot being made from a Webley revolver barrel was most impressive.

With my humble Ruger Single Action Army (SAA) revolver I stepped forward for the BP 25m. This very much like the ISSF centrefire competition, fewer shots overall and just a bit slower for the precision stage. The rapid fire stage is just the same as for Centrefire. Before going to the competition, I stripped the gun down as far as I reasonably could to find and rid it of the demons that plagued it during our Club championship shoot; out came the devils in the form of pieces primer cap lodged in the action to cause trouble just when you are into the 'home straight'. The amount of black 'goo' that came out was impressive too. Amazing how smooth the action is now!!

At competitions like this it is a great place to see what others are using for their supporting equipment and materials - like BBQ fat for the chamber sealer and a hammer and wooden dowel to ram the priming caps firmly place (I stood well back to watch that!).

At the end of the day, there was an excellent spit roast with salads and sweets with the trophy presentation. Winning first in Grade was not too difficult since there was no other shooter in my grade; next year will be a different story since a grade break has pushed me into the middle ranks & more practice required - (sigh). I might try the 50 metre shoot next year (that's a bit like shooting free pistol). We need some more to get into Black Powder - a great gentlemans match!



John

Thank- You

I would like to thank the people who have contributed to the newsletter since August. Because without people contributing to the newsletter I would be writing the whole newsletter... well except the office bearers reports. And it would be a small and not as interesting to read and it would all be on Action Match there would be no articles on Black powder and ISSF.

I would like to ask you, the members, for next year if you compete somewhere be it Action, ISSF or Black Powder, or even at our own Range could you P L E A S E write a report about it and send it to me and a picture of the day or weekend would be much appreciated.

Thank - you and I look forward to seeing more members contributing to the newsletter in the future editions.

Sam

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