



SSAA St Marys Pistol Club

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Dear Member,

By now you should have received your SMPC Membership renewal letter and form. If you have not received them, please contact the SMPC Admin Office pistol@stmarys.ssaa.org.au or (02) 8889 0409.

Membership fees need to be processed before 30th June as we are required to report back to NSW Firearms Registry (FAR) the 1st week of July for all non-financial members.

PTA Process – Safe Storage Inspection update

In our last newsletter we provided feedback from NSW FAR that any members experiencing delays on having a safe storage inspection were to contact NSW FAR for support. NSW FAR have since provided an update advising that any issues with scheduling a safe storage inspection are to be referred to the Licencing Unit of your Local Area Command.

NSW FAR has advised all category H PTA applications require a COPS Event number for safe storage. Club Confirmations are unable to be processed without the event number being included in the PTA application.

If your safe storage is at St Marys Indoor Shooting Centre please contact the SMPC Admin Office.

Members who have previously had a safe storage inspection can contact their LAC to obtain the event number if lost/unavailable.

An overview of the process is at the NSW FAR website <https://firearms.police.nsw.gov.au/cssp/s/about-pta>

Annual General Meeting

Timing around the annual general meeting is being reviewed at each committee meeting. At present we are constrained by COVID Safe guidelines around the number of people per square metre for using the normal area on level 2 at St Marys Indoor Shooting Centre. We are in regular dialogue with SSAA Sydney Branch around options and will keep you updated.

Member Feedback

We are looking at ways to provide options for members to provide feedback to the Club (suggestion box, online surveys etc. etc.). In the interim members are encouraged to please contact the SMPC Admin Office via pistol@stmarys.ssaa.org.au for feedback. All emails received are treated confidentially and will be allocated to committee members to review.



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SMPC Attendance Policy – Exemption Requests.

Under the SMPC Attendance Policy members can request an exemption if they are unable to meet their attendance requirements for 1 or more bi-monthly blocks. The policy is located here:

<https://www.stmarysindoorshootingcentre.com.au/information-for-members.php>

It is important to note that any approved exemptions only exempt the member from the SMPC Attendance Policy. It does not exempt the member from their legislative attendance requirements. Members are encouraged to contact the NSW Firearms Registry if they suspect they will be unable to meet their legislative attendance requirements.

Attendance requirements are located here https://www.police.nsw.gov.au/online_services/firearms/licences , refer to “FACT Sheet Participation requirements for club members” for a break down.

SMISC Calendar – Ali Newbery

I hope this message finds everyone well and ready to start shooting again. The calendar for the past 12 months slowed right down due to COVID exemptions but now that SMPC attendance policy is reinstated, we are looking forward to you all attending the calendar matches again.

Please keep in mind that all the Range Officers that run the matches are volunteers and give up their weekends and time to support the Centre and the sport, without them you wouldn't have the variety and number of shoots to choose from.

In saying that, if you are interested and have the time to volunteer a couple shifts a month, we are taking Expressions of Interest for Range officers for the Centre, please email me at ali@stmarys.ssaa.org.au

Take care, everyone and keep warm, a beanie on the range this time of year is a good idea.

Thank you

SMPC Committee.