



NEWS FROM THE BOARD No.4

16th December 2015

We are pleased to report:-

- Members Forum. The Board has decided to hold the next (first) Members Forum on the 19th June 2016. The proposed timetable would be for the Forum to run from 9:30am - 12:30pm followed by a BBQ lunch to be provided by SARA. Free accommodation will be offered for the Saturday night to encourage country members to attend. The early finish will allow those with long distances to travel to get away at a reasonable time.
- NRAA Board Elections. We are pleased to let members know that Reg Cunningham has been elected on to the board of the NRAA. While Reg will have to keep the good of the national body in mind for all decision making, it will not hurt to have someone from this side of the Great Dividing Range present when decisions are made.

Colin Kuchel has been re-appointed as an honorary Vice-President

- Competition Manager's position. The Board has reviewed the job description of the Competition Manager's position, and realised that the notice made it sound like the manager would have to do all of the work. This is NOT the case. A new reworded Vacancy Notice will be distributed soon to clarify the role.
- Veterans Teams. It is disappointing to report that SARA will only be entering one F-Class pairs in the National Veterans matches to be held in Bendigo 2016. It is noted that there is still a lot of dissatisfaction amongst S.A. Veterans Rifleshooters regarding the problem between the AVR Inc. and the NRAA.
- Queen's Trophies / Sponsorship. The planning for the 2016 State Championships (Queen's) is well underway. As always, we constantly looking for sponsorship whether it be the donation of trophies or monies to help offset some of the costs in running the event. If any member wishes to assist in this regard, or knows of a business etc who may be interested, we love to hear from you. Please give Paul in the office a ring.



- Queen's Squadding. In the 2016 SARA State Championships (Queen's) we will be trialling the squadding of all disciplines and grades together i.e. All A grade TR shooters will shoot, then B then C; likewise all F-Open & FTR shooters will shoot as a block, then F-Std. This system is used in Brisbane with success and is something that we have been asked for here.
- OPM Grading. In order to clarify the issue of competitor grading at Open Prize Meetings, the Board has made the following determination:-

“The SARA Board wishes to advise all of our SARA members, via club secretaries, that for the remainder of this shooting year, once a member has five (5) OPM results recorded and shown against their name/SID number on the NRAA shooter grading web page, they should disregard the “grade” shown on their current SARA membership card and shall nominate in the “grade” or “grades” above that recorded on the “NRAA shooters grading system” when entering SARA approved OPM’s. Until that time, SARA grades as shown on membership cards are to be used when entering SARA. OPM’s.



Christmas Greetings



The Board extends to all members the season's greetings.

They wish you a

Very Merry Christmas

and a

Happy, Healthy and Prosperous New Year