



NEWS FROM THE BOARD No.20

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- **EO Retires.**

Our retiring EO, Paul Gale, has now officially retired but continues to help out when required.

Pictured here, around the time he took the position of Administrative Director, on 22nd March 1994. Yes, that's 24yrs.



Due to Paul's dedication to his position over the last twenty four years, he has left SARA in great shape, with some very demanding times, especially while negotiating the property arrangements and the move to Lower Light. We wish Paul all the very best in his retirement and hope some of his projects can now be started/completed.



- **Members Forum.**

Twenty-six members attended the 2018 Members Forum, with several topics being discussed.

The headings of Topics included;

- OPM Timing
- RANGE development ideas
- SARA Office/Store
- Publicity & Competitions
- ET Target
- Members Training Day
- Range Usage Fees

These topics will now be evaluated by the Board and the conclusions will be made public in due course

- **STARCLUB Club Development Program.**

The attention of Clubs is again directed to the STARCLUB program run by the Office for Recreation and Sport.

The introduction of the STARCLUB Recognition Program in 2015, allows clubs to go the extra yard and become better recognised by the government and other organisations that value the role well-run clubs can play in our community.

Clubs should also keep in mind that some of the government funding programs give preference to clubs involved in STARCLUB. (Please note that registration in STARCLUB does not automatically qualify your club for grants)

This is money for Jam, once you have been through the process it's easy.

More information can be found at:-

www.starclub.sa.gov.au



- **Projects happening at Lower Light**

- **Repair of the bullet scoops**

The repair of the bullet scoops in the Butt Stop is nearing commencement. The sand and bags have been secured and these will be filled by the SES and volunteers. Stay tuned, there will undoubtedly be calls coming for assistance.

- **Fly Control**

Richard Braund has been working on a system of fly control for the Lower Light facility, something we all hope is a roaring success. "I sure, No flies will be harmed in the process"

- **Retaining wall**

The proposed retaining wall at the base of the back-stop, to control erosion is getting nearer with the purchase of 800 posts for the project.

- **Social Media Course**

We are seeking an expressions of interest in participating in a Social Media Course (centred around Facebook). It is expected that the course will be fully funded by SARA for the benefit of clubs. The course is most likely to be held at Wingfield as soon as numbers can be attained. This is a great chance to obtain the skills to use this tool to attract membership to your club.

- **SARA Store**

The SARA Store is expected to go to Five Days a Week in the near future with some new products in transit.

Mark Tyler
on behalf of the Board