

March Insights newsletter



Hi Folks,

Welcome to the delayed Insights newsletter for March. I held it back while we changed over to the new website and sorted out any teething issues. Thank you for the positive comments and suggestions, these have or are being worked on.

- The membership form will soon have a submit button so that you don't have to save and then email. The instructions for updating your membership through the database will be there soon.
- Log on to the members section has gone back to the default from the old website, which relates to your number not an email address.
- The information shown when you logon is a work in progress and will hopefully include if you have nominated for an Island team. Grading will also be linked to grading returns received from clubs so that they will relate to the last year they were updated.
- Clubs are welcome to send in a write up and photos to go with the Open results.

Jono and Helen will be conducting coaching courses in Timaru, Balclutha and Invercargill early next month. If you are in those areas talk to your club about attending as they are very experienced coaches with a wealth of knowledge that they are willing to share. One requirement is that you bring your shooter's diary or a notebook so that you can take plenty of notes.

For those that have ordered RWS ammunition, it will be available later next week, it has taken longer than expected to complete the ordering process.

Air Rifle postal matches will be starting soon. The first will be the ANZAC match with it being held over a longer period that will include 3 consecutive weekends. Details will be sent to the air rifle clubs and go on the website soon.

The Executive would like to hold this year's AGM in Christchurch over 2 days and this will be part of TSNZ's Centenary celebrations. Saturday will be for workshops, and breakout groups with invited speakers. Sunday will be the AGM. If anyone has suggestions please contact the office.

A draft Constitution is with the Executive for editing and ensuring all the requirements of the new Incorporated Societies Act are met. When that is completed it will then be sent out for consultation within TSNZ and a final version can be checked by a lawyer before being submitted as a remit for the AGM. Associations will have time to comment well before the AGM.

For Clubs and Associations that still have to do their own Constitution, Sport NZ has templates for Regional organisations and clubs and there is a template builder on the Incorporated Societies website.

The NDC draw has been completed and Alison the NDC coordinator has supplied the following article.

After a year off, we Welcome Back the Blue and Golds from Otago, and a Warm Welcome to the Eastern Jedi, both teams entering the B League this season. Congratulations to Southland Centurions for making the leap from B League to A League. The Wellington Tigers were Promoted to Div 1 at the end of last season and the Plainsmen were relegated to Div 2.

This season we have 6 teams in each of Division 1 of A League and B League, and 5 teams in Division 2 of A League.

Div 1 and B League will have straight Round Robin matches this year, while Div 2 will have double headers to make up the correct number of matches per shooter.

As happened last year, a link for viewing the match will be published on the TSNZ NDC page, and it will also be mailed out closer to the day.

I wish all teams the best of luck.

Alison Fursdon

NDC National Co-ordinator

Ruth from our trading arm, Shooting Stuff, recently returned from a trip to Germany where she attended the IWA gun show and meeting with a lot of our suppliers. Her (shortened) report below.

Ruth can be contacted on **027 666 2811** or sales@shootingstuff.co.nz or visit www.shootingstuff.co.nz

Recently Trading traveled to Germany to attend the annual gun show IWA at Nuremberg. Following IWA many of our suppliers were visited at their shop/factories. Basically every supplier we deal with was visited and proved to be an incredibly worthwhile experience.

Just some of the benefits from this trip were:

- Building and strengthening of business relationships
- More knowledge of the products
- An ability to personalise rifles eg, coloured stocks
- New products available (the ONE stock now available for 1907s and 1913s)
- Even coaching opportunities from experienced international shooters/coaches
- Learning more about our suppliers and where their business has been developed from. Every single one of them were very passionate about the sport and how their products help!



First ever prototype of the duplex by Centra
(Hand made by Johann Zahringer!)



Owner Iris, showing us the latest Advantage Performance PRONE jacket made from Sauer



Getting the inside information on Guy Starik tuners. Plus learning he is a very experienced coach in prone, 3P and air rifle!

Happily coaches online and willing to travel.



Just a couple of the FWB and Walther colour choices.



Martina Todt and Frank Forstner from Walther.



Some of the colours available for Walther stocks.