

THE BLACK POWDER SHOOTING UNION OF SOUTH AFRICA

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Qualification for Pacific Zone 2017 and Short Range World Championships 2018

Dear BPSU members

During our meeting in Hungary, we agreed with the Pacific Zone countries that South Africa will host the 2017 Pacific Zone Championships again.

The date and venue for the 2018 Short Range World Championships are also available already and it will be held in **Eisenstaedt, Austria, 18-26 August 2018**. However, we need to have our team selection finalised one year ahead of this event due to limited available accommodation according to the organisers.

So, we have decided to open the Qualifying for the Pacific Zone with immediate effect, but to also use this for the team selection for the SA team to go to Austria. Please let me know as soon as possible (**preferably by October 1st**) who wants to qualify and for which event(s).

Closing dates for the **Pacific Zone** qualification will be **one week prior to the BPSU Nationals** (date to be confirmed on the Exco meeting in January) and for the **World Championships** on **15 July 2017**.

We will shoot the Pacific Zone competitions again during our BPSU National Championships and that will only cost you a small PZ entry fee on top of the Nationals entry fee. However, the trip to Austria will cost anything between **R35 000 and R50 000** – depending on the exchange rate and inflation.

Looking forward to having a very strong participation in the Pacific Zone championships next year!

Herewith an extract from the BPSU Constitution detailing the Qualifying Criteria and Process for the selection of national and official teams:

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18.2 Procedure

Invitation to the BPSU to participate in International Black Powder shooting competitions will be considered by the Management Committee in consultation with the full Executive Committee of the BPSU.

If it is decided to accept the invitation all members of the BPSU will be notified at the earliest opportunity of the event and be invited to make themselves available for team selection by a given date by return of an entry form.

Criteria for team selection will be circulated with the notice calling for team trialists.

Different criteria will be applied for short range and mid to long range events.

Inclusion in an official team is not guaranteed by merely meeting the qualifying criteria and the Selection Committee may use their discretion to consider additional factors in consultation with the Management Committee.

18.3 Short Range (MLAIC) Events

Trialists will initially be required to equal (or exceed) minimum laid down qualifying scores for each discipline in 4 out of 6 nominated targets shot under supervision of an Executive Committee member or nominated delegate on any accredited range. The scores have to be ratified by signature of said person present on the range when they were shot.

Nominated targets will be signed on the back across the 9 ring by such member before they are shot. Sets of 6 targets will be issued for a discipline and be marked with the trialist's name and be numbered. If a trialist fails to meet the qualifying criteria he/she may apply for a second set of stickers. A fee will be levied for the targets and trials entry.

A trialist that meets the qualifying criteria will request his club chairman / secretary to confirm this in writing to the BPSU Management Committee. Upon receipt of this confirmation the trialist will be invited to participate in a Team trial selection shoot to which all pre-qualifiers have been invited.

The final trial selection will be based on the trialist achieving the minimum qualifying scores on a regular basis and participate in any prescribed training events as prescribed by the selection committee until the announcement of the final team.

The minimum qualifying scores to obtain **Senior National Colours** for MLAIC disciplines are as follows:

Lamarmora	(Military Rifle over 13.5mm [0.5315"], 50m standing)	90/100
Minié	(Military ML Rifle, 100m)	90/100
Vetterli	(Free ML Rifle, 50m standing)	92/100
Whitworth	(Free ML Rifle, 100m)	94/100
Kuchenreuter	(Free Single Percussion Pistol, 25m)	94/100
Colt / Mariette	(Percussion Revolver, 25m)	92/100
Donald Malson	(Percussion Revolver, 50m)	78/100
Pennsylvania	(Free Flintlock, any caliber, 50m standing)	90/100
Miquelet	(Smoothbore Flintlock, 50m standing)	88/100
Maximillian	(Smoothbore Flintlock, 100m)	90/100
Lorenzoni	(Shotgun Percussion)	40/50 or a 45/50 shot at least once
Manton	(Shotgun Flintlock)	38/50

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*The minimum qualifying scores to obtain **Junior National Colours** for MLAIC disciplines are as follows:*

<i>Vetterli</i>	<i>(Free ML Rifle, 50m standing)</i>	<i>90/100</i>
<i>Whitworth</i>	<i>(Free ML Rifle, 100m)</i>	<i>92/100</i>
<i>Kuchenreuter</i>	<i>(Free Single Percussion Pistol, 25m)</i>	<i>92/100</i>
<i>Lorenzoni</i>	<i>(Shotgun Percussion)</i>	<i>38/50</i>

Please note ... should a junior wants to compete in a senior event as well, he/she needs to comply with the senior qualifying scores.

Kind regards

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