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## BPSU NEWSLASH 3 OF 2019

### BPSU National and Pacific Zone Championships - Shotgun

Dear BPSU members

As mentioned in the previous Newsflash, the shotgun national and Pacific Zone championships took place on 27 April 2019 at the TML Shotgun Range, Centurion.

South Africa was represented in the Pacific Zone Shotgun team by Grant Gammon, Robbie Crawford-Brunt and Eddie Knödl. Congratulations to Grant and Eddie for being awarded BPSU Federation Colours for their participation for the first time. Robbie received his Protea colours in 2008 for the first time and BPSU Federation Colours again for this championship. Well done to all competitors!

For the first time in many years, we had a junior competitor in the Shotgun event. Welcome and congratulations to Martin Gammon. We hope you will be around and competing for many years to come. A special thank you to Paul Vimercati who did the Scoring and Range Officer's duties – without volunteers like you, the sport will not be as strong as it is! Thank you for your lifelong contribution to black powder shooting in general, Paul!



**Pacific Zone Shotgun Team:**

Grant Gammon, Robbie Crawford-Brunt & Eddie Knödl



Martin Gammon, junior shotgun member, and Paul Vimercati, Scorer and Range Officer for the day

As with the Rifle and Handgun results, I am not going to post the results on the BPSU website yet, as some of our scores have been submitted to the Pacific Zone Half-World Championships for 2019 and I will only release all the scores to all the participating countries once everything has been received.

The scores were as follows:

Lorenzoni		1 <sup>st</sup> Round	2 <sup>nd</sup> Round	Total
1	Robbie Crawford-Brunt	19	22	41
2	Grant Gammon	20	21	41
3	Eddie Knödl	13	17	30

Usually shotgun ties are resolved with a shoot-off. However, due to the format of the Pacific Zone, it is not possible and it was approved at the MLAIC Delegates' meeting last year in Austria, to utilise a count-back to resolve any ties. Well done to Robbie, who counted Grant out for the gold medal.

Also in the rules is the Mortimer match, i.e. Junior Percussion Shotgun that is shot over a single round only. Congratulations to Martin Gammon with his score of 7/25 and the gold medal for this match.

**Please note that there will be a Pacific Zone Championship again in 2020.** Start your qualification early and let us try and increase our number of entries for the 2020 Pacific Zone in all disciplines.

Since the MLAIC will celebrate its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2021, it was decided some years ago to combine the Short-Range and Long-Range World Championships in 2021. The Short-Range World Championships will be presented in Pforzheim, Germany and the Long-Range will be in Hungary. The exact dates will be finalised, but it will in all probability be during August / September of 2021. That means that there will be *NO Short-Range World Championship in 2020, only the European and Pacific Zone Championships*. The Short-Range World Championships will again be presented in 2021 (Germany), 2022 (Argentina) and 2024 (USA). After 2021, the schedule will return to normal with Short-Range and Long-Range World Championships alternating. The Zone Championships will always be in the same year as the Long-Range Championships. For those who are interested, the Long-Range World Championships will be in 2019 (UK), 2021 (Hungary) and 2023 (Spain).

Please contact me directly if you have any questions or queries about the qualification and/or participation in any of these events.

Kind regards



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