

THE BLACK POWDER SHOOTING UNION OF SOUTH AFRICA

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Dear BPSU members

With the MLAIC Long Range and Pacific Zone Championships behind us, it is time to start planning for the next two year's events.

The 27th MLAIC Short Range World Championships will be held in Sarlóspuszta, Hungary, from 13-21 August 2016 and the 11th MLAIC Long Range World Championships will be held in Adelaide, Australia either later September or early October 2017.

Our detailed qualifying criteria as set out in the BPSU Constitution are as follows:

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 National Colours for MLAIC disciplines are as follows:

<i>Lamarmora</i>	<i>(Military Rifle over 13.5mm [0.5315"], 50m standing)</i>	<i>90/100</i>
<i>Minié</i>	<i>(Military ML Rifle, 100m)</i>	<i>90/100</i>
<i>Vetterli</i>	<i>(Free ML Rifle, 50m standing)</i>	<i>92/100</i>
<i>Whitworth</i>	<i>(Free ML Rifle, 100m)</i>	<i>94/100</i>
<i>Kuchenreuter</i>	<i>(Free Single Percussion Pistol, 25m)</i>	<i>94/100</i>
<i>Colt / Mariette</i>	<i>(Percussion Revolver, 25m)</i>	<i>92/100</i>

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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

18.4 Mid and Long Range (MLAIC) Events

Trialists will shoot a single target at 300m, 500m, 600m, 800m and 900m at a venue or venues designated by the Selection Committee in consultation with the Management Committee.

The minimum qualifying score is achieving an aggregate over 5 distances, which will average 40 for individual distances in the trials series (i.e 5 x 40 =200 ex 250).

18.5 Selection Committee

A Selection Committee comprising at least three persons who are nominated by the Management Committee will adjudicate the results of the trials and make recommendations to the Management Committee as to who shall be selected to represent South Africa and receive National Colours. The appointed coach shall be one of these selectors.

*One of the selectors or a nominated person **has to be present on the range at all times when the trials are shot.***

The Management Committee will approve the individual members of the National team as soon as the final selection is complete and apply to the South African Sports Council and Olympic Committee (SASCOC) for Protea colours.

18.6 Principle of Team Selection

Teams will be selected on merit as the only selection criterion.

Anyone interested in qualifying for any or both of the Protea teams for these two events must please indicate their intentions to **Corena de Beer** (corena@mweb.co.za) for the **short range team** and **Johan de Beer** (debeerjohan@mweb.co.za) for the **long range team** not later than **31st October 2015**. We will only communicate with interested members about these events thereafter and the selection criteria will be strictly followed – no exceptions will be made. The fee for qualifying targets for the Short Range MLAIC Events is still R50 per 6 targets and these can be shot at any **official** club, provincial or national championships.

Kind regards

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