



E-Newsletter November/December 2017

Hi Folks

The RPC committee members would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas. It doesn't seem 12 months ago that we celebrated Christmas 2016! We have had a good year at the club and have been able to get much more shooting in due to not hosting as many events. It was nice to have a quieter year.

Club days are well attended, it is a shame about all that rain over winter and springbut... summer is here and I expect we will go from one extreme to another, so don't forget the sun block when you are heading to the range as the burn time is often only a few minutes. Remember to take plenty of water too!

This is the last newsletter of the 2017. We will be back after a well-earned break with the January newsletter. Until then keep an eye on the calendar.

Here are a few dates to remember.....

- 1. Last official club shoot for the year IPSC and IPSC pistol Carbine 10th Dec
- 2. Xmas function with fun shoot 17th Dec
- 3. First official club day for 2018 Service pistol 14th Jan
- 4. Club Champs steel challenge 21st Jan: Open to all get some practice in over the holiday!

RPC newsletter November 2017

For the Christmas family club day function, on the 17th of December, we will be having a lovely lunch consisting ciabatta buns which you can fill with hot roasted ham or beef, and salads. There is a fee of \$10 for club members with no charge for family members. Please bring your \$10 with you.

The day will start at 10am with fun shoot; "man on man" pistol and "shoot the stake". At the completion of the fun shoot we will have lunch.

RSVP is essential for catering. Please let Pam know if how many in your family are attending, no later than Monday 13th December.

What's New?

3Gun club day events: whenever there is a 3Gun club day event you can still attend **and shoot just two** of the 3Gun firearms. We don't want you to miss out on these events. There was a great turn out on the 26th when we first applied this new initiative with approximately 15 shooters in attendance.

Service Pistol shooting only on Service Pistol ranges: We are still seeing damage done to ranges two and three.

Folks have been seen shooting at targets placed mid-range and this is causing damage down range on the service pistol mechanisms.

From this point on **no shooting other than Service Pistol is permit on ranges two and three.** If it is raining and you are looking for somewhere dry to sight your pistol, run your reloaded ammo through the chronograph or just to practice, you will need to find another range.

We have invested a lot of time and money into these ranges and want to protect our assets.

Reminders

The Dance Floor range is currently closed. You are not permitted to shoot on this range for any reason until notified otherwise.

Ranges Three and Four: Barriers have been placed with chain attached to hoops in front of the ranges. Please ensure that if you are shooting on range three, that range four is closed OR if you are shooting on range four, ensure that range three is closed.

We have the completion of the concrete wall between these ranges on the RPC task list.

Attendance cards once completed can be handed or scanned and emailed to the secretary, or placed in the range fee box.



RPC newsletter November 2017

We have been asked to keep the speed down on Mead Rd.

There is a hazard as folks may not be on the correct side of the road while they navigate the huge pot holes that have appeared..

We also see more cyclist and horses on the road over the summer period so please be mindful that the speed limit is 25 km and stick to it.



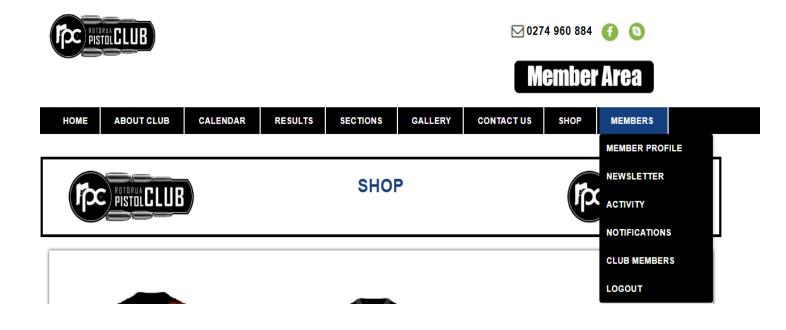
<u>Website</u>

You can expect to receive an email from the RPC website, asking you to enter details to enable access to the members area.

Your user name will be your PNZ number and you will be asked to create a password.

The email received will explain what you need to do. You will also receive an email of confirmation when your account has been successfully activated.

Once activated you can go to the members area, add to your profile, check for notifications, check out past newsletters and just see what's going on.



RPC newsletter November 2017

2018 IPSC Pistol Nationals

It's official the 2018 IPSC Pistol Nationals will be hosted by RPC. We are just under a year out and this is when the work begins.

We need your ideas for stage designs. You don't need to focus too much about target placement, what we really need are ideas around the following aspect.

Start positions e.g. seated, standing, holding an umbrella or sitting on a rocking horse.

Pistol status e.g. loaded, unloaded, loaded not racked, mags on table or gun empty in a box.

Stage designs could include things like;

- Use of weak hand, strong hand or a mixture of both
- Ports, what height, how many?
- Barriers, are they for shooting under, over or around?
- Use of activating targets, where are they and what do they activate, swingers, dropper turners?
- Is it a short, medium or long course of fire?

Things to avoid;

- Excessive running without engaging targets
- Overly difficult shooting positions
- Obstacles that are too high or too low

As mentioned earlier we are under a year out from this event so even if you are not yet shooting IPSC, or are just new to it, and don't know all the rules your ideas can inspire a terrific stage.

Remember by the time the shoot arrives you could be a competitor.

Please send your ideas concepts designs to secretary@rotoruapistolclub.org.nz

<u>Thanks</u>

Daryl M and son managed to re-thread the range one flag pole so it can be used again. Thanks guys.

Thanks also to all the members who have helped with the many aspects of RPC this year, like running events, organising club days, scoring events, coaching new shooters, attended working bees, mowing lawns, fixing targets, emptying rubbish, cleaning club rooms, maintaining equipment, purchasing consumables, weed eating around the ranges, spraying weeds and the many many things that on in the back ground that most of you never get to see.



RPC newsletter November 2017

Disclaimer: Articles provided by club members do not necessarily reflect the position of the Club Executive

Working bee update



Before



After



Before



During

RPC newsletter November 2017



We almost completed one side of the retaining wall including around the corner into range 19. Lawns were also mowed and weed were sprayed. Thanks to the many who attended and worked tirelessly in that heat!

<u>After</u>

Upcoming Events in brief



- 10 Dec IPSC/IPSC carbine
- 17 Dec Christmas function.
- 24 Dec Xmas Eve no planned club day
- 1 Jan New Year's Eve no planned club day
- 7 Jan Xmas Holidays no planned Club day

RPC newsletter November 2017

Kodak Moment What's on your Christmas wish list?? Here hoping we all get what we wish for.



Communication

If you have any items you would like to go into the newsletter, as we are always on the lookout for content, please email the secretary <u>secretary@rotoruapistolclub.org.nz</u>

See you on the range.

Remember, if any of your contact details have changed, please advise the club secretary and Pistol NZ <u>secretary@rotoruapistolclub.org.nz</u> and <u>Exec@pistolnz.org.nz</u> as it is important that you are able to receive all club and PNZ communication.

RPC newsletter November 2017