



The Sturt Pistol & Shooting Club Inc

Membership Information

Affiliated with:

International Shooting Sport Federation (ISSF)

Shooting Australia (SA)

Pistol Australia (PA)

South Australian Revolver and Pistol Association (SARPA)

South Australian Olympic Council (SAOC)

International Shooting Union (ISU)

History

The Sturt Pistol and Shooting Club (the Club) was formed in 1956 and started shooting on land just off Seacombe Road at Seaview Downs.

In 1958 Sturt moved to its second home in a quarry on Jack Sheidow's land (now part of the southern suburb of Adelaide, Sheidow Park).

In 1992 Sturt again elected to move when government land became available for lease in the new O'Halloran Hill Recreation Park. The Club is one of the oldest Pistol Clubs in this State and has more than 100 members.

Location

The Club's 4 hectare Range is on the picturesque slopes of the O'Halloran Hill Recreation Park with sweeping views from Seacliff & Glenelg to the west, Adelaide to the North and the Adelaide Hills around to the East.

Entry is from Majors Road via a gate on the northern side approximately 400 metres east of the Majors Road and the Lonsdale Road & Ocean Boulevard intersection. This gate is shared with The Southern Field Archers.

UBD Map 165, Q4 / Q5.

GPS coordinates are **S35 03.11 E138 32.22**

Facilities

The Club's Range consists of a well maintained outdoor live fire range comprising:

Range 1 — A 50M range or a 25M range each consisting of 18 bays. The 25M Range has 18 bays with turning targets.

Ranges 2 & 3 — Both 25M Ranges each having 2 bays of turning targets.

All shooting positions are south facing, are undercover and protected from the weather.

Air Pistol Range — Our 10M Air Pistol Hall comprises of 16 bays each with its own returning target system. This Range will be air-conditioned in summer and heated in winter as soon as budget allows.

Club House — The Club House has a kitchen, is air-conditioned in summer and heated in winter. There is plenty of seating, inside and out, for relaxing after shooting in a social environment.

Liquor Licence — The Club has a limited Liquor Licence (after 3.30pm) for members to enjoy a social beer or glass of wine after a shoot.

Competition

The Club is affiliated with the International Shooting Sport Federation (I.S.S.F.) and therefore competes primarily in the Olympic and Commonwealth Games matches. These matches consist of: 50M Pistol (Free Pistol), 25M Pistol, Standard Gun, Rapid Fire, Centre Fire and Air Pistol.

The Club also offers other matches including: Service Pistol (25M course only), Centre Fire 50M, Black Powder 25M, Black Powder 50M, .22cal Rifle & some C/F Rifle, Air Rifle and a Club Match.

Men and women can compete in ALL matches. However, Air Pistol and 25M Pistol does have a Women only category and Juniors only category.

All matches you compete in are recorded both as an "off-gun" score as well as a "handicap" score.

During the year other competitions are also programmed - including the Club Championships for each match and a Trophy Shoot each month.

Open Shoots are contested at other Pistol Clubs around the State (and interstate) throughout the year. Members are encouraged to attend these "Opens", and for the more competitive member, scores recorded at these "Opens" become the selection criteria for State Team selection. From State Team selection the opportunity exists for the serious shooter to go on to National, International, Commonwealth Games or Olympic competitions.

Programme

An Annual Programme is available.

Match times:

- 12.30 & 1.00 pm Saturday (see programme)
- 7:00 pm Monday (Air Pistol & Air Rifle only)
- 9.00 am Wednesday morning
- 10:00 am Sunday morning

(It is recommended that competitors arrive at least 30 minutes before the weekend competitions and 15 minutes before other competitions.)

Anyone attending the Range, either for a programmed event or for any other reason, **must sign** the **Attendance Book**. This is essential for insurance purposes (it covers both you and the Club), and to fulfil legislative requirements.

Newsletters

Members receive a monthly Club newsletter **On Target** and 3 issues a year of both the State magazine **SARPA News** and the National magazine **The Bulletin** from Pistol Australia. The last two publications provide information on State and National activities, competitions and general pistol shooting related information.

Visitors

We encourage visitors to our Club and generally they can participate in shooting activities.

ALL visitors MUST enter their details in the **Attendance/Visitor's Register**. Visitors who do not have a Firearms Licence and are looking to join the Club MUST also enter their details in the **Visitor's/Trainee's Register**.

All visitors are asked to pay the appropriate (nominal) fee according to the match:

- \$10.00 for live fire and air pistol
- \$5.00 for air pistol only.

This fee covers targets, patches and insurance.

Membership

Membership to the Club is available in the following categories:

- Ordinary Member
- Family Membership *(includes spouse or partner only)*
- Junior Member *(under 18 years)*
- Associate Member
- Absentee Member
- Social Member

Absentee and Social Members must have previously been full members of the Club.

As a member of the Club you are obligated to attend and compete **at least six (6) times a year** (if you own only one category of handgun(s) - or if you have no handguns at all). However, if you own handguns in two or more categories, you will need to compete **at least 4 times each year for each category** of firearm you own. Rifle only members **MUST** be active. For detailed information about this, ask the Scorer or the Secretary.

Training

New shooters are required to undertake a **Firearms and Safety Awareness Training** course (approved by SAPOL) and run by qualified Club Instructors. Shooting safety, theory & practical aspects of pistol shooting are covered and at the same time the opportunity to ask questions about pistol shooting is available.

Courses are usually on a Saturday or Sunday morning but week nights or other mutually agreeable times are possible. After successfully completing the course, the Club will issue an accreditation to the South Australian Police for issue of the appropriate Firearms Licence.

Our Club has members with many years of shooting experience, all being more than willing to help or advise new shooters. New shooters also have access to formal coaching sessions, both within the Club and through the State's Coaching Council.

Fees

- Joining Fee: \$280 (*A once only fee*)
- Annual Subs: \$345 (*Ordinary Member*)

See the accompanying **Schedule of Fees** for a complete listing of the fee structure.

Family Membership is 60%, Junior Membership is 50%, and Associate Membership is 75% of the Annual Subscriptions (**provided** that the full Capitation Fee has been paid to another SARPA affiliated Club).

The Annual Membership fees are due on the first Saturday after the Club's AGM (in July) and must be paid before 31st August of that year.

Half yearly instalments are available for both Joining and Membership. These are due before the 31st August of that year and the second instalment before 28th February in the following calendar year.

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Or you can visit our web site at:

<http://www.spssc.sarpa.org.au>

