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# Newsletter

QUEENSLAND TARGET SPORTS INC.

## What's Next...

**QUEENSLAND CUP** - 1st & 2nd March - Belmont

**AISL GRAND PRIX & AWARDS OF EXCELLENCE** - 28th Feb - 2nd march - Sydney

**SHIELD SHOOT** - 9th Match - Bundaberg

**AISL AUS CUP 1** - 14th-16th March - Adelaide

**BINGERA & STH. KOLAN PRIZE MEETING** - 15th & 16th March - Bingera Range

**CLUB COACH COURSE** - 22nd & 23rd March - Belmont **PLEASE LET REX KNOW ASAP  
IF YOU WISH TO ATTEND THIS COURSE**

**BILL CAMPBELL MEMORIAL SHOOT** - 29th March - Belmont

## New Website.....

QTS has a new website - it is up and running but still in the development stage. It takes quite some time & effort to transfer & update from the old website but this should be complete soon. Many thanks to Ray for all his work.

If you are unable to find the new site via your shortcut/favourites, you may need to find the new site via google and renew your link. The old site will be deleted when the transfer to the new site is complete.

## Newsletter.....

After some deliberation and much encouragement, I have decided to continue with the production of the Newsletter.

Once again, I would like to invite contributions to this production. As I have said previously, articles & stories do not have to be pages long and do not necessarily need to be about shooting, although we would all like to hear what is happening at our clubs.

I am not always able to attend all the competitions on our calendar so a little story & a couple of photos from your events would be greatly appreciated and make for a more interesting read.

Don't forget to send your event programmes & results in as well - we are interested!!!



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## Organisational Hierarchy of Smallbore Rifle Shooting in Australia.....

It seems that some of our members do not understand where we fit in the shooting scheme of things. Hopefully the diagrams and explanations that follow will make things a little clearer for everyone.

If anyone has any questions regarding this, please do not hesitate to call QTS Management for further explanation.



**Smallbore Rifle & Air Rifle are the only rifle disciplines shot at the Olympic & Paralympic Games.**

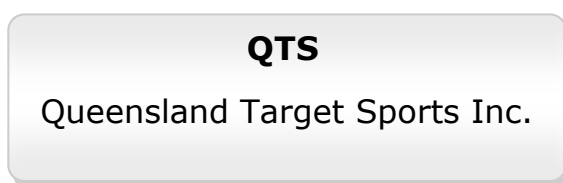
**The world bodies controlling these disciplines are the ISSF or International Shooting Sport Federation and the IPC or International Paralympic Committee.**



**In Australia, AISL is the controlling body of all the Olympic & Paralympic disciplines. This includes rifle, pistol & shotgun. AISL is supported by the Aust. Sports Commission.**

**AISL is responsible for all International Team selections.**

**AISL is one of the 161 national federations currently affiliated with the ISSF.**



**TRA or Target Rifle Australia Ltd. is one of the affiliated member bodies of AISL and is responsible for the Olympic & Paralympic rifle disciplines within Australia.**



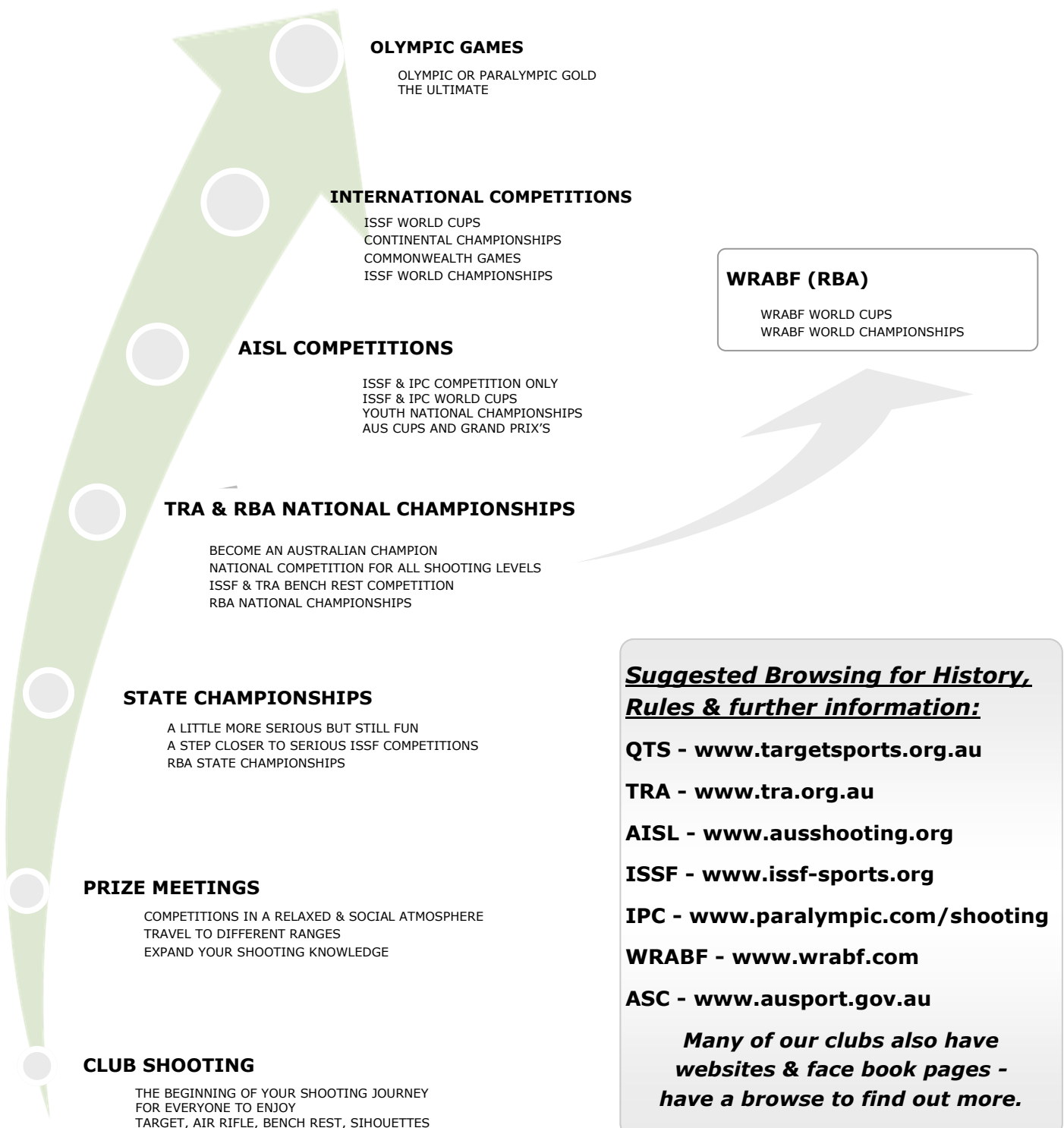
**The Olympic & Paralympic disciplines are not the only ones contested by smallbore shooters. The TRA Benchrest discipline was introduced and more recently TRA become one of the 25 affiliated members of the WRABF or World Rimfire & Air Rifle Benchrest Federation (RBA).**

**Auflage or Supported Rifle events have also recently been added to the TRA repertoire.**

**Each state in Australia also has a State Association which is affiliated with TRA. Queensland Target Sports Inc. or QTS is the Queensland Association. Clubs within the state then register as smallbore clubs with the state association. If a club is not registered with QTS it is not recognised as a smallbore club.**

**QTS also has an additional discipline called Prone Metallic Silhouettes. This discipline is only shot in Queensland and at the Lismore Club in NSW. Many of our country clubs are mainly silhouette clubs. Some of our clubs are combined rifle/pistol clubs with members who shoot either or both disciplines and some concentrate mainly on the ISSF events. We have a wonderful choice of events & disciplines to compete in.**

All of these Associations/Federations conduct numerous events & competitions through each year. The diagram below shows the development & competition pathway for our disciplines.



## Continuing on.....

Just continuing on from the previous 2 pages: I encourage everyone to be curious about this sport you are involved in.

You may be content to just visit your club each week, fire a few shots & then go home but there is much, much more to this sport of ours than many of our members realise.

A quick google of: 'target shooting' returns 46,400,000 results

'Smallbore shooting'	1,970,000
'Air Rifle'	13,600,000
'Benchrest Shooting'	875,000
'ISSF Shooting'	410,000
'Target Rifle Aust'	523,000

There's an awful lot of information out there and the more knowledge we all have the better it is for everyone.

## QTS Annual General Meeting.....

The QTS QGM was held at Belmont on the 15th. Alan, Ray, Rex, Janelle & Alan Bradford were re-elected to the positions of President, Vic-president, Secretary/Administrator, Treasurer & Silhouette Convenor.

Also elected to the Management Committee were:

Murray Thompson - Brisbane Club  
Robyn Sampson - Commercial  
Barry Hilzinger - Commercial  
Andrew Bell - Paramount  
Jamie Webb - Toowoomba  
Cliff Walker - Paramount  
Bill Henry - Paramount  
Roy Muller - Maryborough

We had intended conducting a forum after the meeting to gain some guidance & direction for the newly elected Management Committee but due to lack of numbers, this was not held. This does not mean that the Committee is not open to any ideas and assistance from clubs or members. Remember, the members of the committee are just shooters like everyone else - we don't have all the answers and I am quite sure there are many members out there who have some great ideas and suggestions that can only improve our enjoyment of this sport of ours.

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*If we disagree we may both be right. If we disagree we may both be wrong.*

*We just simply disagree.....*

## TRA Nationals.....

If you are attending the TRA National Championships in Adelaide, could you please let me know as soon as possible. We have names for those staying in the shared accommodation but are not sure of who else is going.

We would like to arrange for some team t-shirts so we need to know a.s.a.p. otherwise we will not have enough time. Please give your t-shirt size & quantity if you would like a shirt.

We also need to know for team entry purposes - can't select teams if we don't know who is going.....Thanks, Robyn.

## Extras.....

Although this news is a little stale, congratulations to Isis Club who, after 7 attempts, have received a grant to construct their 10 metre range. Some progress photos would be good guys.....

Maryborough Club is still battling against paperwork but hopefully all will be complete and they will have their range back soon.

Have also heard that a few of our members present & past are having a bit of a struggle with their health of late. Our thoughts are with you and we wish you all the very best.

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