



NRAA 2026 National Championships & Australia Match

Communication 6

September 2026



Hi All,

It was a pleasure to meet many of you in Bisley and finally put faces to names. I have now returned to Australia and preparations for the Championships are well underway. We look forward to welcoming you all in October for what promises to be an outstanding international gathering.

This communication will cover the below:

1. Ammunition – Berger supplied, purchase of components.
2. Firearms Storage and Equipment storage
3. Storage of firearms if travelling around after the competition.
4. Practice Targets – Booking for both Team and Individual sessions
5. Catering on site
6. International Visitors Licences.
7. Process on arrival in Australia for Declaration through Australian Border Force.
8. Program Changes
9. Team nominations deadlines
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15. Parking

1. AMMUNITION

The ammunition has arrived from Berger and we will conduct testing on the ammunition in the coming days, notifying you all of the results.

2. FIREARMS STORAGE AND EQUIPMENT STORAGE

Teams hiring shipping containers for on-range equipment storage will have access from **6 October**, unless alternative arrangements have been made.

- Cost: **AUD \$900 per container** (invoicing pending)

A dedicated armoury for firearms storage has been arranged within the Queensland Rifle Association's secure compound. Opening hours will be:

- **Morning:** 7:00am – 8:00am
- **Afternoon:** 4:30pm – 5:30pm

Allocated teams:

- Canada
- Channel Islands
- Great Britain (Open & U25) – shared
- Great Britain Veterans
- Kenya
- South Africa (shared)
- USA
- Wales (shared)



3. STORAGE OF FIREARMS IF TRAVELLING AFTER THE COMPETITION

The Queensland Rifle Association can store firearms and limited equipment for competitors travelling after the event.

- Storage is available at cost
- Collection preferred during QRA business hours (appointments available)

Contact: **Mr Peter Doig, Executive Officer** Email: peter.d@queenslandrifle.com.au

4. PRACTICE TARGETS (TEAM AND INDIVIDUAL)

Practice targets are available on **Thursday 8 October** and **Friday 9 October**.

- Cost: **AUD \$300 per target per day**
- Teams to confirm the number of targets required for practice **by 27 September 2026**. An invoice will be issued for prepayment.

Thursday 8 October

- 300 yards – 8:30am (1.5 hrs)
- 600 yards – 10:30am (1.5 hrs)
- 900 yards – 1:00pm (1.5 hrs)

Friday 9 October

- 600 yards – 8:30am (1.5 hrs)
- 900 yards – 10:30am (1.5 hrs)
- 1000 yards – 1:00pm (1.5 hrs)

Individual bookings will also be available at each distance, with some walk-up starts accommodated. Cost will be AUD \$20 per person per range. Record your name on the sheet with the Range Officer. Payment can be made by card at the QRA office.

5. CATERING ON SITE

There will be a dedicated on-site caterer for the duration of the competition.

- Breakfast, lunch - available in the tent in the quadrangle near the MDRA clubhouses.
- Dinner in the Café area after presentations.

6. INTERNATIONAL VISITORS PERMITS

Queensland Police have commenced the process of issuing Qld International Visitors Permits. Please check all the details and ensure that the information is correct. If there are any errors, please contact me to organise for amendments. These are being issued in order of date of arrival into Australia.

7. PROCESS ON ARRIVAL IN AUSTRALIA

I would suggest that you have spare copies of your documents to assist Australian Border Force (ABF) on arrival into Australia.

Copies of the below will assist your entry.

1. Qld Police Visitors Permit
2. Import Permit (B709)
3. Passport



4. Firearms Licence (your home country's firearms licence)

Arrival Procedure – Brisbane International Airport

- Collect normal luggage from the carousel first.
- Firearms and ammunition will be issued from the **oversized baggage area**.
- Staff may request all competitors to report to the counter while waiting for luggage.
- You will then be escorted to the **RED channel** for inspection by ABF officers.

Inspection Process

- Unlock your case but do not open it until directed.
- Provide photocopies of all documents and your passport.
- ABF will inspect serial numbers and listed items.
- Ammunition will be inspected and may be counted.
- Once cleared, you will be directed to exit the hall.
- Large teams should not wait for all members to finish processing.

8. PROGRAM CHANGES

Due to the large entry plus for target and range set up logistical purposes, a number of range distances have been amended on the practice days, during the Presidents series and John Fitzgerald Trophy match. The final program can be viewed here: [Updated Program](#)

9. TEAM NOMINATION DEADLINES

John Fitzgerald Teams Match –Day 4 Tuesday 13th October

- Format: 2 × 1000 yards, 2 sighters + 10 shots
- Team member names due by **9:00am Tuesday** to the Chief Range Officer
- Team member nomination forms available from the NRAA Office.

Southern Cross Veterans – Day 8 Saturday 17th October

- Team member names due by **8:00am** to the Chief Range Officer
- Team member nomination forms available from the NRAA Office

Australia Match– Day 9 Sunday 18th October

- Team member names due by **3:00pm Saturday 17th October 2026 to the Match Director** at the Range officer tent on the range.
- Team member nomination forms available from the NRAA Office
- Team Captain's Meeting will be held on Thursday 15th October after the presentation of the Kings Day 6 winners.

ICFRA International Pairs Championship – Day 10 – 19th October

- Team member names are due no later than 17:00 two (2) calendar days prior to the commencement of the competition.

10. OFFICIAL TEAM DINNER

Venue: Carina Leagues Club, 1390 Creek Road, Carina (Approx. 15 minutes from the range)

Team Photos

- Taken prior to dinner
- Allocated arrival times will be provided
- Digital download with ICFRA and NRAA branding and team list
- Cost: **AUD \$50**



Dinner

- Formal two-course sit-down dinner with a dessert bar and tea and coffee at the end of the night.
- Cost: **AUD \$80 per person**
- Presentation of Australia Match and Southern Cross winners
- Welcome to Pairs and Individual match competitors

RSVP: <https://form.jotform.com/262510795651864> by 4 October 2026.

11. NRAA APP

The NRAA app will be used for competitor communication, including:

- Daily briefings
- Competition information
- Target allocations and squadding for the entire event

Instructions for installation will be emailed to all competitors. A printed squadding list will be available for those not using the app.

Squadding

- Eight shooters per target
- F-Class squadded separately
- Scoring rotation:
 - Last shooter scores for first two
 - Each shooter replaces the scorer upon finishing their string, but only when the following shooter has completed their stage. Do NOT handover during a stage.

12. HEXTA TARGET

All competitions will use **HEXTA electronic targets** (2400mm × 1800mm). Each target will have:

- Individual competition: shooter monitor + scorer monitor
- Team matches: 3 monitors (1 coach, 1 master coach/captain, 1 scorer)

The **Natives Prize Meeting** will be the first event most competitors shoot. Dedicated squad coordinators and Technical Officials will be available to assist.

Team Match Scoring

- HEXTA is the official score system
- Scorecards issued for verification of the HEXTA score
- All discrepancies must be resolved immediately with the Range Officer, with agreement before the next shot is fired.

Remote Viewing

Real-time results will be available via shared link.

13. COMPETITION INFORMATION

Due to competitor numbers, shooting will commence at **8:00am daily**, with an earlier muster on the range for safety briefings beforehand.

Earlier briefings

- Natives Prize Meeting Day 1 – 7:30am
- Presidents Match Day 1 – 7:30am
- Kings Day 1 – 7:30am

Rifle & Equipment Checks

- Available from **7 October 2026**
- Conducted at the Range Officers tent (centre of range)



- Additional times will be communicated via the NRAA app for official ICFRA matches

Squadding and Range Completion

- Competitors will be pre-allocated target squadding and shooting order. This will change at most distances unless a double range is scheduled where the target will "roll through" in the same order again.
- Where one or more targets are delayed for any reason, the Range Officer may direct the last shooter(s) to a nearby target in order that the range is completed in a timely manner. Competitors are required to comply with the Range Officer's direction.

14. ZERO RANGE

The Zero Range is located parallel to the main Duncan Range on the road entry to 300 yards. It is free for all entered competitors. Zero targets can be sourced from the QRA and NRAA office when open for business.

The Zero range is strictly open only from 8am and closes at 5pm sharp. An accredited NRAA Range Officer (RO) MUST be present at all times during firing. The range is not staffed by an official RO, but many local NRAA members have RO accreditation to facilitate usage and can be approached to assist. Shooting is only permitted from the prone position or from the concrete benches.

Where a competitor (requiring to zero or fire blow off shots) is drawn early on a competition day, they must make their own arrangements on the prior afternoon. It is NOT permitted for competitors to shoot out of the assigned squadding order in competition. Score penalties may apply.

15. PARKING

Parking is permitted behind the mounds from 300 yards to 900 yards, set back from the mound as indicated by range staff. NO competitor parking is permitted behind 1000 yards. An equipment "stop, drop and go" bay will be controlled by range staff and volunteers.