THE BLACK POWDER SHOOTING UNION OF SOUTH AFRICA

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Dear BPSU members

The Portuguese Shooting Federation and the Fervença Shooting Club will be hosting the 24th MLAIC World Championship from **15 to 22 August 2010**.

All shooting events will take place at the **Fervença Shooting Complex, at Fervença (near the town of Barcelos, North of Portugal)**, where official ceremonies will also be held.

To qualify for the Protea team who will compete in this event, you need to comply with the following requirements as set out by the BPSU constitution and Rules:

"***For short range (MLAIC) events –*** *trial lists will initially required to equal (or exceed) minimum laid down qualifying scores for each discipline in* ***4 out of 6 nominated targets*** *shot under supervision of the Management Committees of their clubs on their home ranges. The scores will have to be ratified by signature of club-designated witnesses present on the range when they were shot.*

Nominated targets will be marked on the obverse side with stickers supplied by the Management Committee of the BPSU. Sets of 6 stickers will be issued for a discipline and be marked with the trial lists name and be numbered. If a trialist fails to meet the qualifying criteria he may apply for a second set of stickers. A fee will be levied for the stickers 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 trials selection shoot to which all pre-qualifiers have been invited.

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The final trials selection will be based on the trialist achieving ***an aggregate score in two targets****, which equals or exceeds the National standards for the discipline.*

The minimum qualifying scores to obtain National Colours for MLAIC disciplines are as follows:

Minie	*(Military ML Rifle)*	*88/100*
Whitworth	*(Free ML Rifle)*	*92/100*
Vetterli	*(Free ML Rifle 50m Off hand)*	*92/100*
Miquelet	*(Military Smoothbore musket)*	*85/100*
Kuchenreuter	*(Free Single Percussion Pistol)*	*92/100*
Colt / Mariette	*(Percussion Revolver)*	*90/100*
Lorenzoni	*(Percussion Shotgun)*	*44/50*
Manton	*(Flintlock)*	*40/50*
Miquelette	*(Smoothbore flintlock)*	*88/100*
Maximillian	*(100m)*	*90/100*
Pensylvania	*(50m)*	*90/100*
Lamarmora	*(Military cal 5315)*	*88/00*

In short, you have to buy 6 trial targets from the BPSU at **R40 per set.** Inform the chairman (Gauteng) or secretary (Western Cape) of your intention to qualify and we will appoint someone under whose supervision these targets will be shot.

All qualifying targets must be signed **before** you shoot and the supervisor must **always be present** when these targets are shot.

Qualifying score for 100m Free Rifle for Juniors is 88.

The final target will be shot (on two targets) at the BPSU National Championship in 2010 (and must meet the qualifying score according to the BPSU Constitution and Rules), where after the final team will be announced.

No later qualifiers can be accepted, due to the timeous process of applying for Protea colours and other administration.

We want to make a special appeal to the shotgunners to recruit at least 3 members, so that we can enter a team in the Batesville team event.

Kind Regards

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