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All the best for the new year! We wish you all successful shooting. Those who want to aim at international events, we wish you every success in your preparation.

The annual BPSU Executive Committee meeting took place on 23 January 2010 and it was decided that the 2010 National Championships will take place from **19-22 May 2010** at the Heidelberg Military Range. Important to note that first time participants to the Nationals must submit a letter from their respective clubs certifying that they know and understand the rules of BPSU relevant to competitions and is familiar with their firearm(s) to be used at the Nationals. All participants must also be willing to submit their firearm(s) to rifle scrutiny.

A complete program, entry form and information on possible accommodation will be circulated shortly and will also be published on the BPSU website. The sequence of events will be very similar to the 2009 Championships. Summary of the program: 19 May - Mid Range events, 20 May - Long Range events, 21 May - 200m and selected 100m events and 22 May - 100m, 50m and 25m events, prizegiving and AGM.

It is of utmost importance to remember that everyone who wants to qualify for the **MLAIC Short Range World Championship in Portugal in August 2010**, will shot the last qualifying target (i.e. target number 4) at the BPSU National Championships. Please consult with your club chairmen for guidance on the process to be followed. The entire process was also explained in Newsflash 19 of 2009, dated 8 December 2009. The official team will be announced at the Prizegiving of the Nationals and application for Protea colours will follow.

All members who intend to qualify for the **2011 World Long Range Match at Bisley, UK,** must please forward their names to the secretary, Corena de Beer, who in turn will forward the information to the coach / captain of the long range team. We need your response not later than 15 February 2010, as the qualification and training program will start during the last weekend of February 2010. Further communication on this matter will only be directed to the prospective participants.

SABU and BPSU membership fees are due on or before 31 January 2010. Membership forms are available on the website (www.bpsu.co.za/BPSU_documents.htm) and were also circulated on more than one occasion to all members. Please complete both forms and pay the fees for **both organisations into the BPSU bank account** and forward the forms and

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proof of payment to the secretary. Membership cards will be issued at the BPSU nationals. However, if you need your cards earlier, please contact the secretary directly.

We are looking forward to another very successful year for the BPSU and trust that everyone will continue to participate and enjoy their chosen sport.

Kind regards

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