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President's Message

Moving forward for our members

Another month into our journey advancing our self-management of our state Association, the process has been remarkably smooth. The future of SSAA Queensland and our 80,000 members has never been stronger, while still remaining a member of SSAA Inc.

Since starting our membership processing, we have sought out the most advanced and secure database system to protect the security and privacy of our members. This software has been adopted and continues to be run by our outstanding membership team in Ipswich.

You may already be aware, but in January 2024, SSAA Queensland introduced Depote Mutual Firearms Protection, meaning Queensland members can get up to \$25,000 of firearms protection for just \$35. Of course, members also have public liability coverage across the country. Essentially, this means we have control over the funds used for the coverage - a good fair deal for members.

The Report magazine is something we are immensely proud of. It's been a hot topic recently, and for good reason; it's a great magazine! We are delighted to be able to focus on Queensland stories and issues, even though much of *The Report* has national appeal. In fact, we are consistently getting interest from other states about it.

With an agile, experienced and focussed media team, we have been able to make *The Report* cost-effective, while strengthening our other media assets. The ssaaqld.org.au website continues to grow and we're setting our sights on other digital projects such as revamping more websites, as well as expanding our media reach for the benefit of the shooting sports and most importantly all of our Queensland members.

Recently though, some of our motives have been called into question. To address these and ensure no stone is left unturned, we've compiled a Q and A piece to explain the decisions made by the conference and committee during the past few years. Basically, we can do more for our members by providing certain services in-house rather than sending your money interstate.

[Take a look at the Q and A here.](#)

On the actual shooting front, state and national championships are in full swing. Congratulations to everyone who has competed or has a competition coming up. There's a lot to be proud of and look forward to at SSAA Queensland.

Safe Shooting.

Hellen Gill

SSAA Queensland President

Henry's Hundred – Shotgun shoot

Looking to smash some clays? Why not make a weekend of it at Hervey Range, with up to 250 targets worth of shotgun action hosted by SSAA Townsville Branch Inc.



Originally scheduled for Father's Day weekend (6 -7 September), the event has now been moved to the weekend of October 25-26, with a 50-target novelty, side-by-side shoot on Saturday. After that, *Henry's Hundred* will start at 12.30pm on the Simulated Field range.

The event is in honour of Henry Haythorpe - a long-time member of the club, who had a passion for sporting clays as well as other shotgun events. Unfortunately, Henry passed away since the shoot was held last year.


"He donated money towards equipment and building the new range. He also donated money to support junior shooting, and to see this event hopefully continue in perpetuity," says Townsville President Jamie Mayne.

The following day, Sunday 26 October, the *Hundred Target Open* starts bright and early at 8am.

All three events make for a great weekend trip, with ammo prizes up for grabs and lucky door draws for those who shoot both days. Entry is \$75 per event or \$140 for both.

"Lots of people come and camp the Friday and Saturday," says Jamie. "We have powered sites that people can stay at. Accommodation is included in the price of the nominations."

All nominations will be taken online only (no entries on the day) to help support our hardworking volunteers. Online sign-ups open soon at www.ssaatownsville.org.au.

Come join the action at the Hervey Range Shooting Complex (Lot 102, Rifle Range Road), the proud home of SSAA Townsville. 



Click [here](#) to see the Taipan Evo.


‘Under review’ – New product reviews added to SSAA Queensland website

Looking for more ways to keep our members informed, we’ve added a new Product Review section to the website. Reviews include Leupold binoculars, GPO scope, Garmin chronograph, Springfield Boundary rifle, Svord knives, Schmidt & Bender scope and the Beretta 688 Performance shotgun – an exclusive for The Report. You can read these and more reviews [here](#).




Click [here](#) to see the BlazeHunter.

Change your membership details online

Did you know you can quickly and easily change your membership details yourself online? Simple click [here](#) so see the membership portal or you can contact our membership office if you would like assistance in changing your details. Phone 07 3492 9237. 

Competitions



*Click [here](#) to go directly to the entry page. Competitions closes July 31. 

Industry news

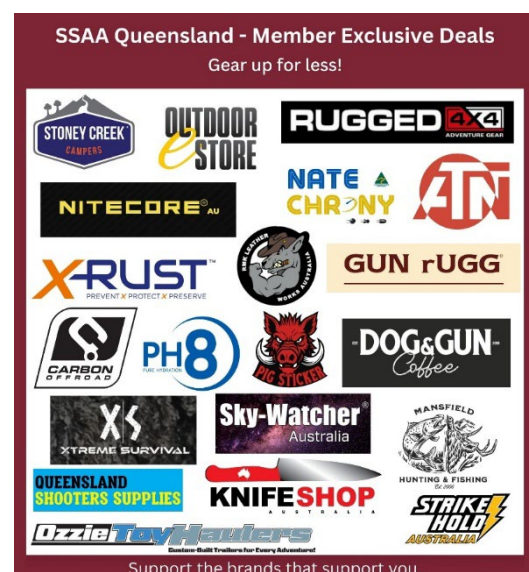
SSAA Queensland's website has a dedicated section to feature interesting news from the firearms industry. Recently, we've highlighted Benelli and Beretta's search for three standout individuals in the Australian shooting community to join their family; Dog & Gun is looking for a high performer to lead marketing across their growing portfolio of outdoor brands and the latest news of note is that Patriot Campers is on the hunt for a high-end product sales specialist.

Exciting things are happening in our industry. Don't be the last to know the news...keep on top of things by visiting [Industry News Archives - SSAA Queensland](#). 

SSAA Queensland Member Exclusive Deals – new partners added

Look at the number of businesses keen to make a deal!

Visit [SSAA Queensland Member Exclusive Deals](#) to see all the great offers.



And, if you are a business and want to offer something to SSAA Queensland's 80,000 members, mail Karoline Wasiak (karoline.wasiak@ssaaqld.org.au)

Remember, support those who support us! 

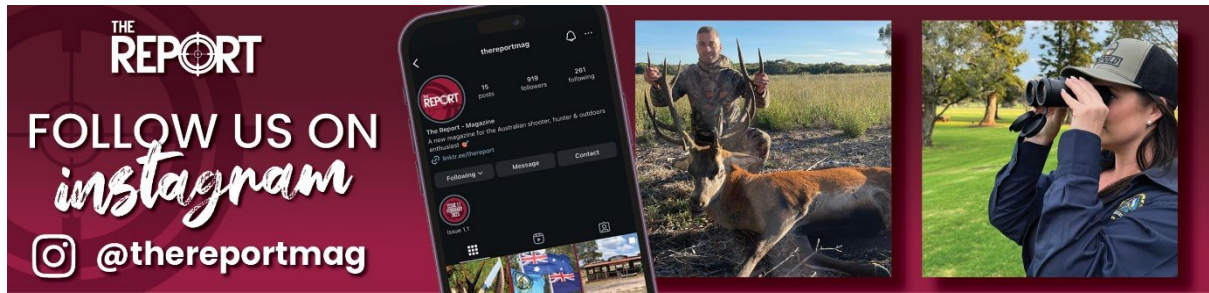
The Report

July's issue of *The Report* is packed with quality shooting info. Catch up on all the great content [here](#). Highlights from this issue include:

- Red roar – mountain monarch
- Springfield Boundary review
- Turtle trouble in Cape York
- Competitions: Win one of five Nordic Edge Knifemaking Kits or a copy of Rod Hoar's *Australian and New Zealand Knifemaking* book. Click [here](#).

Cleaver Firearm's likes our new magazine too and has made sure copies are available for its valued customers.





Click [here](#) to see our Instagram page.