

SALE PISTOL CLUB

RANGE ORDERS

THESE ORDERS SHALL BE READ IN CONJUNCTION WITH
RANGE ORDER EXTRACTS AND SAFETY BY-LAWS
POSTED IN EACH RANGE

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2 LOCATION OF RANGES

The Sale Pistol Club shooting range is situated approximately 12 kilometres South of Sale, off the South Gippsland Highway.

The Club's leasehold consists of some 12.7 hectares of former gravel quarry and open forest, and is described in Schedule A of its lease with the Department of Natural Resources and Environment as:

"The land in the Parish of Coolungoolun being Crown Allotment 12F, Section A, temporarily reserved by Order in Council of 12 May 1885 as a site for a gravel supply."

The premises are situated at a distance of approximately 1.5 kilometres West of the South Gippsland Highway. The nearest house is situated approximately 2 kilometres North from the premises.

Table 1 comprises a map showing the Club's leasehold.

Table 2 comprises a map showing pistol/rifle ranges, with their template overlaid. Shooting direction on these ranges is 183 degrees magnetic.

Table 3 comprises a schematic showing the ranges' locations within the Leasehold.

3 COMMAND AND CONTROL

- 3.1 The senior Committee member present at any shoot shall have absolute authority to manage all activities being undertaken by members and visitors.
- 3.2 All members and visitors shall sign the attendance book as soon as they arrive at the Clubs premises each day. Members and visitors shall also be responsible for completion of the Club and Individual Match Records.
- 3.3 Members who bring visitors to the Club shall ensure they sign the Insurance Indemnity form and, if they wish to shoot, the Prohibited persons Declaration and Victoria Police form VP1120: Notification of Receiving Instruction (General Category Handgun).
- 3.4 As far as possible, a Range Officer or Range Supervisor, who shall be responsible for the safe use and handling of all firearms, shall supervise all shooting. Members who wish to practice shooting on an unoccupied range are encouraged to do so with at least one other member, so that each can monitor the safety of the other's activities.
- 3.5 It will be noted that, from time to time, entities other than the Sale Pistol Club use the range facilities to conduct occupational training in the use of firearms, other weapons, and chemical agents. These other users shall be responsible for the provision of their own public liability and participant cover and to ensure safety standards, as specified in this document, are adhered to. It shall be the responsibility of these other range users to provided their own appropriate level of First-Aid or Medical care. It shall be the responsibility of these other range users to provide their own consumables and to make sure that no damage occurs to property belonging to the Sale Pistol Club and that they shall accept liability for any such damage.

4 RANGE ALLOCATION

- 4.1 All shoots on the Syllabus shall have first claim on the range allocated to that shoot. Other shoots or practices shall be shot on other available ranges, or as mutually agreed by the involved members.
- 4.2 Disputes that may arise as to the use of any range shall be dealt with by the senior Committee member present. (See 3.1 above).

5 RANGE SAFETY OFFICERS' RESPONSIBILITIES

- 5.1 A Range Officer shall supervise all competition shooting. That is, all shoots which are completed for record shall be supervised by a Range Officer.
- 5.2 The Range Safety Officer shall accept responsibility for the safe actions of shooters under their control, and for the safety of all spectators.
- 5.3 The Range Officer shall report any safety breaches to the Committee, having first disqualified the offender from further shooting on that day. Such report may be verbal or written, based on the perceived severity of the breach at the time.

6 RANGE CLEARANCE PROCEDURES

- 6.1 The Range Officer on each range shall personally inspect the area down range of the firing point to ensure it is clear of people or other hazards prior to the match being commenced or any shots being fired.
- 6.2 At formal shoots, the Range Officer on each range shall personally inspect and clear each firearm which has been used during the shoot, and see it into its case, cover or into the user's holster where this is applicable.
- 6.3 At practice sessions, one member shall, by agreement, take responsibility for the steps detailed in 6.1 above.
- 6.4 If the shooter is practising alone on a range, he or she shall take all required steps that a Range Officer would have taken before using the range and before removing a firearm from any range.
- 6.5 All members, and other users of the range, shall keep themselves aware of the catastrophic results of a firearm injury, to the victim, the Club, or other organisation using the range. Remember, these results can be much more severe if it can be shown that safety steps were ignored, compromised or forgotten. i.e. if negligent acts or omissions have taken place.

7 FIRE PREVENTION AND FIRE FIGHTING

7.1 Fire prevention on the leasehold consists of the following:

- 7.1.1 No fires at all shall be lit during fire restriction periods.
- 7.1.2 No fires shall be lit and left, except in incinerators provided.
- 7.1.3 Fires, which are lit, not being in an incinerator, shall be supervised until they have consumed their fuel or are extinguished.
- 7.1.4 During hot weather the Knapsack Pack shall be placed on the water tank stand for easy access.
- 7.1.5 During days of Total Fire Ban, no Black Powder shooting shall be permitted.
- 7.1.6 The fire-breaks around the leasehold shall be maintained by the Club.

7.2 Members shall be aware that, as the leasehold is mostly bushland, advice received from the Country Fire Authority is that members should not attempt to fight a bushfire.

7.3 In the event a bushfire approaches the leasehold, members shall phone the Country Fire Authority, then vacate the area to at least the South Gippsland Highway.

8 RESTRICTED AREAS

- 8.1 At practical and IPSC shoots, safety areas shall be posted wherein competitors can, draw and otherwise handle their firearms. No ammunition may be loaded into, or cycled through a firearm in a safety area, (this may only be done under supervision in a range area set aside for the purpose).
- 8.2 The shotgun range (beyond the generator shed) is closed, and is not available for shooting of any kind.
- 8.3 Under no circumstances shall firearms be loaded in any areas other than the stipulated ranges. See section 11 of these orders.

9 NIGHT SHOOT PROCEDURES

The Club does not currently offer any night shooting facilities other than Practical. If, in future, any other disciplines are offered at night, these Orders shall be updated to reference those matches.

- 9.1 It is highly desirable that, at night practical shoots, all competitors shall shoot as a squad, under Range Officer control. This will result in only one range being in use at any time.
- 9.2 Informal practice shooting at night on otherwise unoccupied ranges is not permitted.
- 9.3 As practical shooters always complete their formal courses of fire individually, one Range Officer shall closely supervise the shooter, and one other person shall be on hand to assist if necessary. Both these individuals shall carry and use appropriately powerful electric torches.

CONCURRENT USE OF ADJACENT RANGES

10.1 All pistol/rifle ranges may be used concurrently.

11 ACTIVITIES ON RANGES

11.1 Operations common to all outdoor Ranges

11.1.1 Types of practice

All ranges shall be available for the conduct of the following matches or individual components of those matches or for practice for those matches: All ISSF 25 metre events, Service Match, Service 25 Match, Action Match (International 1920 Match), IPSC or other Practical type events, Black Powder events, Metallic Silhouette Matches, Single Action Shooting. Any events using rifles of a recognised pistol calibre only. Any ground based shotgun events, noting that aerial firing of shotguns is prohibited anywhere in the range complex. Occupational firearms, Chemical Agent and other weapons and tactics training as conducted by users of the range other than the Sale Pistol Club, notably the Victoria Police Force and the GEO Group (Sub-Contract to Corrections Victoria).

11.1.2 Ammunition

Ammunition allowed shall be all rim-fire cartridges, all recognised pistol calibre centre-fire cartridges ranging in size from .32" to .46". Shotgun ammunition may be of any commercially available shot size or solid slugs.

11.1.3 Firearm Numbers

Competitors shall use one firearm only at any one time. In events requiring the wearing of a pistol in a holster, no more than one pistol shall be worn.

11.1.4 Targets

Targets shall be limited to paper or card ISSF, Service Match, Action Match (International 1920 Match) or IPSC targets, Targets as used for occupational training, but limited to use by those agencies only, flat steel falling plates and frangible targets. Card targets may be mounted in the turning target frames or free mounted in soft wooden target holders. No targets shall be deployed behind the turning target frames.

11.1.5 Shooting Positions and Arcs of Fire

The Range Safety Officer shall position competitors and targets so that the line of all shots fired shall be substantially down, or parallel to the range centre-line. **NOTE:** Range one has the special requirement that the line of shot follows a line of 183 degrees magnetic i.e. approximately at an angle of 45 degrees to the right of the apparent range centre-line. No steel target shall be placed within 10 metres of a competitor. No target shall be placed so that a projectile shall either directly, or by ricochet from the ground, strike a concrete range-dividing wall. On range 2 no shooting positions shall be allowed further than 50 metres from the turning targets, and on ranges 3 and 4 no further than 25 metres from the turning targets. On all ranges, any firing point must be downrange of the up-range extent of the concrete walls.

11.1.6 Spectators

Persons watching the shooting shall do so from positions behind a line at least 2 metres to the rear of the rearmost shooting position. Where possible a rope barrier, or other portable barrier should be used to describe this line. No person shall move forward of this line without the direct permission of the Range Safety Officer for this range.

11.1.7 Entry and Exit

All access to firing ranges 1-5 is to be from the car park area at the rear of the ranges, range 6 may only be accessed from the track at the rear of the range, on no occasion is access to be gained from the bushland area to the sides, or downrange of the firing ranges. No competitor shall leave the range with a loaded firearm. The Range Safety Officer for this range shall clear all competitors' firearms before they are permitted to leave the range.

11.2.1 Air Pistol Range

The Air Pistol Range is located in the building approximately 15 metres north of the clubhouse. Automatic, electrically operated target carriage systems are installed; the master key switch for these is located under the bench at the left hand end of bay 4.

The previous air pistol range co-located in the Range 4 storage container is no longer in service and is NOT to be used.

Only air or gas powered air pistols of a calibre of .177” may be used in this range.

This range is capable of having electricity supplied from a small portable generator at times when the main generator is not in use. The portable generator is to be positioned in a clear area outside and connected via a hard wired connection lead located in the box on the eastern wall of the clubhouse. A change over switch is located in the switchboard in the clubhouse kitchen and must be switched from “main” to “portable” to use this option.

11.2.2 Chronograph Range

The chronograph range to the side of range six is to be used only for firing for the purposes of ammunition testing. All firing is to be carried out from the firing bench, and all shots are to be fired down the centre-line of the test apparatus, at the minimum safe height above the test apparatus.

11.2.3 Shotgun Range

The shotgun range to the West of the generator shed is at this time no longer in operation due to range approval issues and no firearm may be discharged in this area.

12 EMERGENCY PROCEEDURE

In the event of sickness or injury to a person on the premises, the following procedure is to be adopted:

- 12.1 The senior member present, and any person with appropriate training, shall be immediately advised. He or she shall assess the patient's status:
- 12.1.1 Minor illness or injury, which can be dealt with by the patient or other persons present, by use of the Club's first aid kit or the patients own resources or medication.
- 12.1.2 Illness or injury, which requires the patient to leave the premises, using his\her own transport.
- 12.1.3 Illness or injury, which requires that the patient be evacuated, with another person driving the patient's, or other transport.
- 12.1.4 Illness or injury, which requires that the patient be evacuated by ambulance.
- 12.2 If the patient is judged to require attendance by Ambulance and\or Police, these and the hospital, if appropriate, shall be called on the Club phone. Numbers are:
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| Ambulance Service | 000 |
| Sale Police Station | 51442244 |
- 12.3 The Club's First Aid Kit is located in the Clubhouse on the table between the entrance and office doors. Members using this kit at any time shall write down what they use on the form provided, so that replacement can be effected.
- 12.4 The Club's phone number is: **51468356**

13 **Other Information**

13.1 **Fauna**

In this bush setting, the presence of kangaroos, koalas, goannas, lizards and various species of birds may occur. All due care shall be taken by all persons to avoid causing distress or injury to native fauna.

Document Control and Distribution

Document No.	Issued to:	Location	Responsible Person	
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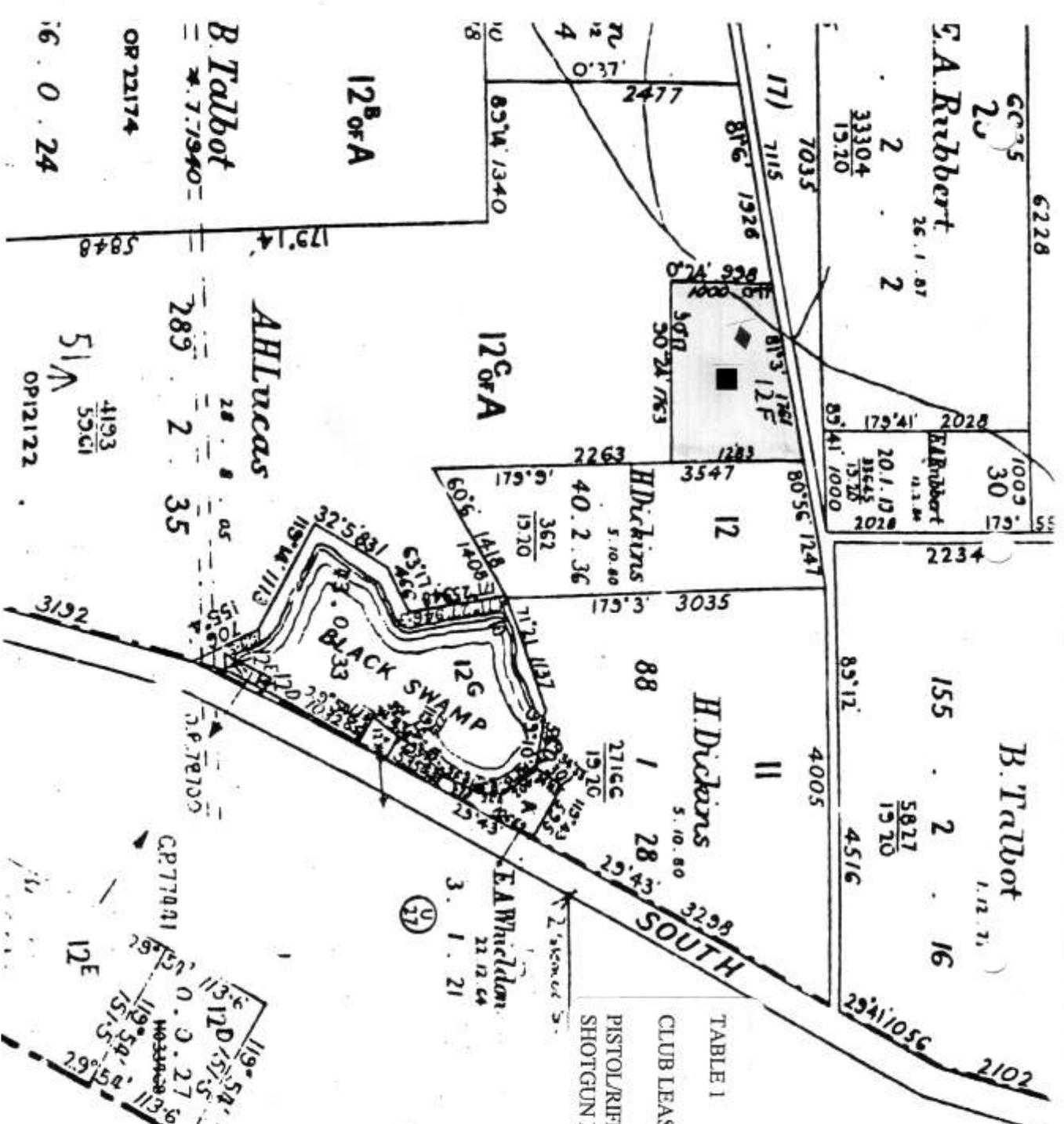


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 SHOTGUN RANGE

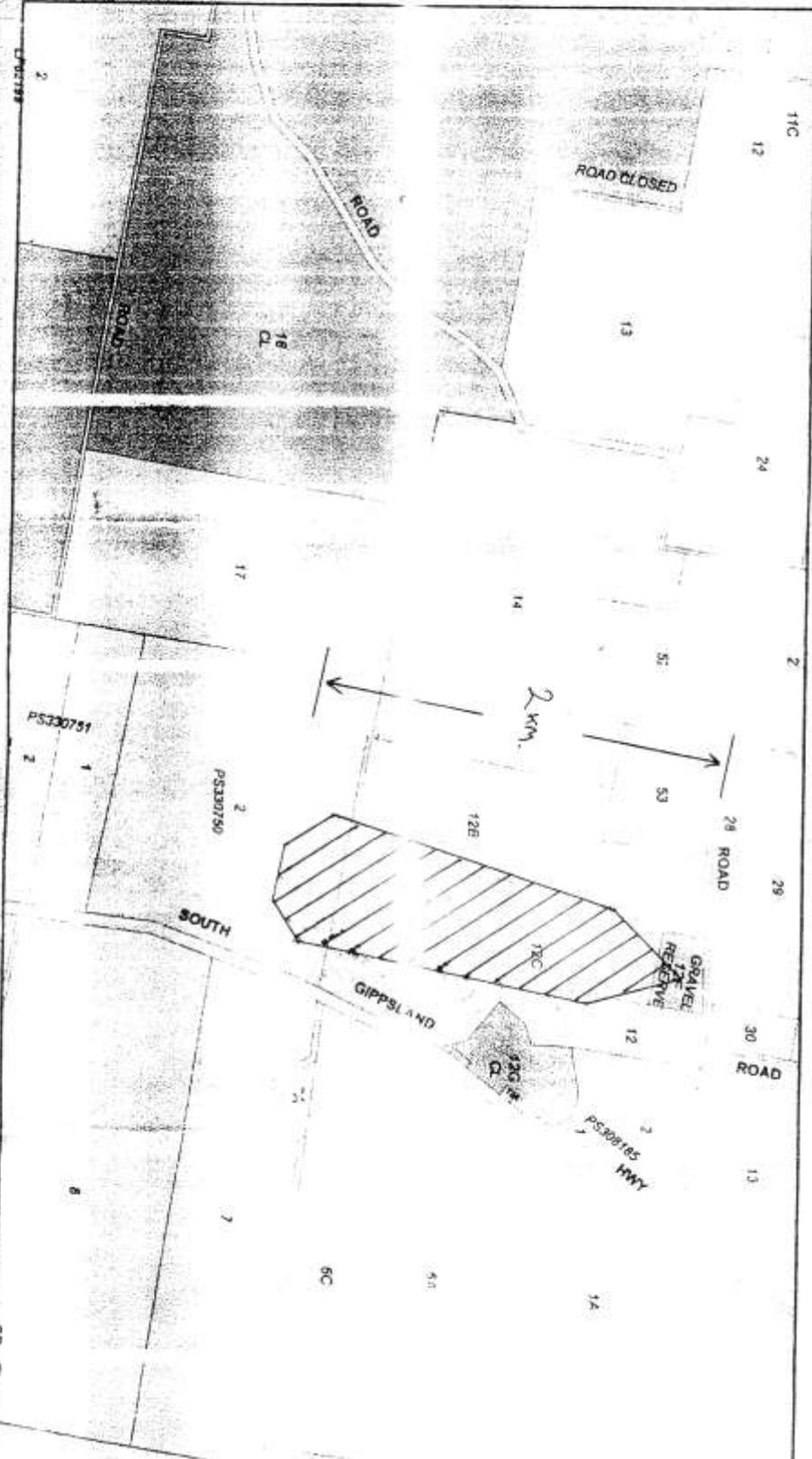


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TABLE 2.

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