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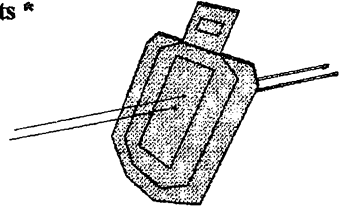
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# Regional Director's Report

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*by Bryan Hodges*

I wish you all a happy and prosperous 1994. For those of you who don't know me, here is a little background information:

- Born 1945, 48 years old
- Owned and operated a small business from 1988
- Joined IPSC in 1990, made "A" Class in 1992
- R.O. and C.R.O. since 1991
- IPSC Alberta Section Co-Ordinator, 1991 and 1992
- IPSC Alberta Match Director
- Match committee, 1991 Canadian Nationals
- IPSC Alberta Merit Award, 1992
- Canadian Nationals participant, 1991, 1992, 1993 (highest finish: 23rd Canadian in 1992)

While I certainly had no idea in 1990 that I would eventually take the responsibilities of Regional Director, it has been willingly accepted, and I look forward to the challenges ahead.

1993 of course was a black year in our history; we lost a friend in Gord Davidge who was tragically killed in June, while the federal and provincial governments managed to unduly restrict us in July through poorly crafted legislation. (You will find an update on our efforts to turn the magazine issue around further on in this issue.)

The message I want to leave with you is: don't give up, not now. This sport means too much to us. We all belong because it is important to us, a large part of our lives.

Perhaps we have been guilty of being complacent, of not being politically aware, of just hoping these problems would simply go away. Now we know differently.

So I ask you, be patient. Be positive. Be more involved in your Section. Be more aware of our image to the public. Be more active. Above all - don't give up. We **will** persevere, and be better for it.

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# Regional Director's Report

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## 1994 CANADIAN NATIONALS

St. John New Brunswick will be the location of our 1994 event. Dates are set for the August long weekend. The June Diligentia will contain the entry form and the official match copy.

## 1995 CANADIAN NATIONALS

- Vancouver B.C. is the site for 1995.
- This match will also be run as the **1995 North American Championships**, similar in format to the previous in Toronto in 1992..
- With a match committee already in place, and planning under way, this should be the best North American ever.
- Due to this status, match dates may be moved from the traditional August long weekend in order to avoid conflicts with major U.S. matches.
- This Level IV event will have full National Team support.

## 1996 CANADIAN NATIONALS

Not set at this time. If your Section feels it wants the 1996 Match, please advise the IPSC Canada office **prior** to the 1994 AGM in New Brunswick.

## U.S. NATIONALS SLOTS

Andy Hollar, USPSA Regional Director, has kindly offered to continue to provide two slots for the U.S. Nationals Match and one slot for the U.S. Limited Nationals.

These again will be awarded to the top Canadian Nationals winners.

Due to the obvious time constraints imposed on such individuals, i.e. 2 weeks notice of match availability, it has been decided to offer the slots to the previous year's winners in order to allow them time to plan vacations, raise funds, etc. (eg. 1993 winners in 1994, 1994 winners in 1995). These 1994 slots are now available to:

Don Leedham	- 1993 Open Division winner
Kerry Lathwell	- 1993 Top Lady winner
Dave Anderson	- 1993 Limited Division winner

Confirmation must be given **prior** to June 1, 1994. In the event of refusal, the next 1993 competitor in order of finish will be offered the slot. Of interest, in 1993 Ivan Runions (Alberta) and Ken Kupsch (Alberta) were the individuals who took the 1993 slots after the competitors who finished ahead of them declined the offer, and Dave Anderson (Sask) won the Limited slot.

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# Regional Director's Report

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## 1993 IPSC WORLD ASSEMBLY

The 1993 World Assembly held in conjunction with World Shoot X in England contained no surprises, and mainly concerned itself with housekeeping decisions.

In short:

- Attended by 33 countries
- No rule changes
- Open, Limited and Modified Divisions continue as before
- World Shoot XI is scheduled for Brazil in 1996
- J.P. Denis was re-elected as President of IPSC, and subsequently announced his decision to resign in one year. An election for his replacement will probably be held at the 18th World Assembly scheduled for October, 1994 in Buenos Aires, Argentina, in conjunction with the Level IV Regional Championships.
- A new IPSC rifle was introduced, Cal .308, which will be re-introduced after modifications.
- A decision to appoint various vice-presidents to oversee specific areas has now resulted in the following appointments:

V.P. Course Design:	Lt. General Denis Earp; R.S. Africa
V.P. Constitution:	Bob Chittleborough; England
V.P. Royalty Programs:	Sten Svensson; Sweden
V.P. Practical Rifle:	Jeff Cooper; U.S.A.
V.P. Central & South America:	Dino Evangelinos; Canada
V.P. Germany & Eastern Bloc:	Friedrich Gepperth; Germany
V.P. Scandinavian Countries:	Rolf Moen

A full set of minutes from the assembly is available from your Section Co-Ordinator.

## 1993 CANADIAN POSTAL MATCH

The cut-off date on this match has been postponed until May, 1994, due to range dimensions (too large for indoor ranges). As the results of this match will be published in the June 94 edition of Diligentia, please ensure you have your results in prior to May 15, 1994. The 1994 Postal Match copy will be in the June Diligentia.

## NATIONAL TRAINING OFFICE - NTO

Brian McGee (Ontario) has been appointed to the position of the National Training Office, and will be ready for his normal duties by mid-February.

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# Legislative Update

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*by Bryan Hodges*

## LARGE CAPACITY MAGAZINES

### BACKGROUND

·IPSC Canada was struck a hard blow on July 1, 1993 with the imposition of Bill C-17's magazine restrictions.

·Even with the **clear intent** of parliament directing the provinces towards competitor exemptions, not one single province or territory complied with sport or organizational designations. Without such provincial acknowledgement, no individual can be authorized to possess over-capacity magazines for competitive purposes.

**Subsection 95(1) of the Federal Act does not apply if the provinces refuse to grant designations.** You cannot apply for a judicial hearing to obtain something that does not exist.

·Given this background, IPSC Canada in August 1993, with the unanimous consent of the IPSC Canada N.E.C., created a legal fund for the purpose of taking legal action against any legislation seen to be detrimental to IPSC.

·Each Section agreed to raise the equivalent of \$20.00 per Section member to raise capital for the fund.

·Each Section agreed to start legal proceedings as soon as practical, to put the issue before the courts **Nationally**.

·The IPSC N.E.C. would then decide which Sections would be the best choices for a full court process.

### *Progress to Date:*

**Ontario** In conjunction with the Ontario Handgun Association, first court appearance on November 15, 1993. Resulted in dismissal. Currently applying for leave to appeal to have a hearing in appeal court. Expected in March.

**NWT** Expects its initial court appearance in late January or early February.

**Alberta** Expects either compliance or an initial court date in February.

**Manitoba** Expects a court date in March.

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# Legislative Update

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Other Sections are in the process of filing their initial actions.

The main point to remember is this:

These court actions are directed to having the provinces acknowledge IPSC as a recognized shooting sport, which if successful, will then allow an IPSC Member to apply for authorization to possess. The key issue is to have IPSC recognized **first**.

This is expensive, but the initial budget of \$20.00 per IPSC Canada member should suffice.

**It is extremely important for each member of IPSC Canada to ensure that their \$20.00 contribution is forwarded as soon as possible. Without such funds, we cannot proceed with our court actions.**

Please ensure that your contribution is sent through your Section as soon as you can. This is the first time we have had to fight, and without your support, we cannot win.

One other note: I would appreciate hearing from anyone who has pertinent information, political connections or other contributing abilities on this issue. Contact me personally. You may have information or contacts that could help us. Please call, write or fax:

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# Legal Fund

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## IPSC CANADA LEGAL FUND

During the recent N.E.C. meeting of July 31, 1993, held in Saskatoon during the National Championships, it was decided to create a legal fund which IPSC Canada would use to directly challenge through the courts any Federal or Provincial Firearms regulations seen to be detrimental to IPSC in Canada.

It was further agreed that each Section would raise the equivalent of \$20.00 per Section member per year for this purpose.

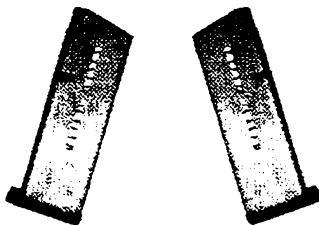
Such funds would be deposited into IPSC Canada accounts, and be specifically designated for such a purpose, and only disbursed by a majority vote of the N.E.C.

Each Section would determine internally how such funds would be raised (i.e. match fee or membership increases, mission count increases, etc.).

I hope that each member of IPSC Canada recognizes the necessity for this fund, and somehow finds the resources in today's difficult economy to support this program.

DVC,

Bryan Hodges



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# British Columbia

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*by Randy Fisher*

1993 has been a very hectic and successful year for both BC. and Canada. Our membership has passed 600 and 1994 promises to be equally as exciting. We have successfully run 14 Sanctioned competitions with an average of 110 competitors. These figures are significant because of the diverse areas at which that the matches are held. Some of our members routinely travel 10 to 12 hours to attend these competitions. Next year we have expanded our schedule to include a double qualifier in the Terrace and Kitimat regions of the province. To get there from Vancouver, you would drive 8 hours north to Prince George, turn left and drive another 8 hours until you reach Terrace.

The 1994 Shooting Calendar will include 16 Sanctioned matches with the Provincial Championships to be held on the Labor Day long weekend. This match will be held in the Vancouver area at the Thompson Mountain Sportsmen's Association range. If you happen to be in BC. at that time you would be more than welcome to attend. Call me at 604-522-0097 for more information or to register.

This year's National Championships was held in Saskatoon and the boys from the flatlands did a bang-up job. Given their short time constraints, very windy conditions and a lack of match experience, Jim Schille and his match committee did an outstanding job. While there were the usual problems that are associated with running an event of this size, Jim and his committee handled everything with aplomb and common sense. These traits are seldom seen at IPSC matches anywhere. Well done, guys.

Canada has a new Regional Director, Bryan Hodges of Calgary. Bryan brings with him a business background which should help in the operation of IPSC Canada. I and everyone else on the NEC welcome Bryan to this position. Canada, being the second largest Region in IPSC World, may now make its presence and position known a little more forcefully with Bryan at the helm.

Congratulations to our own Don Leedham, the 1993 Canadian National Champion. Don has been a member of our Gold Team for the past 3 years and has worked very hard to attain this award. At this year's Nationals, the BC Team won the APSA (Alberta Practical Shooting Association) Cup which is awarded to the Provincial Gold Team accumulating the most points at the Nationals. The Cup dates from 1980 when it was first seen at the Canadian Practical Shooting Championship and won by BC. For the following eight years, BC kept winning Top Team honors, but finally relinquished the Cup in 1989 when it went to Alberta. It stayed in Alberta until 1991 when Saskatchewan won it and then in 1992 Ontario claimed it. This year BC has for the ninth time brought the APSA Cup home again. The members of our Gold Team are: Kerry Lathwell, Don Leedham, Murray Gardner, Chuck Johnston, Randy Fisher and Peter Bruhs. Not to be outdone by the Gold Team's efforts, our Silver and Bronze teams also won their respective divisions.

Our Provincial Championships were held on Vancouver Island on the Labor Day weekend and while the number of competitors was fewer than expected, the Match and weather were fantastic. Mike Foote and the rest of the Campbell River Club did an outstanding job in hosting this match. BC has, for the first time in many years, a new Provincial Champion. Congratulations for Ed Roggeveen our new BC Provincial Champion.

British Columbia's Gold Team for 1994 that will compete in New Brunswick are:

Ed Roggeveen, Don Leedham, Randy Fisher, Daryl Emrie, Chuck Johnston, Trevor Yee.

I had the honor of being appointed Manager for Team Canada at the World Shoot in England. It was a pleasure to compete with Canada's best at this prestigious match. The sportsmanship and camaraderie shown among ourselves and others in our squad (especially the Aussies) was incredible. As a group we endured for a week, poor weather, poorer officiating and a terrible schedule. I congratulate the members of the Men's and Ladies' Teams and Gary Wright (ladies' team manager) for their cheerfulness and good sportsmanship.

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# Alberta

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by Rick Clements

The Alberta Section enjoyed a productive and rewarding year. Our membership is up slightly and expected to continue growing.

We hosted 11 competitions throughout the 92-93 shooting season, the eleventh being our Provincial Championships at the end of June. Other than weather problems, all were resounding successes. The excellent course design, thorough preparation and hard work and dedication of our members gave us some of the best competition ever held in our section. We are very proud of all of those who worked so hard to supply us with these top quality matches.

The competitive level in our section is also showing continued growth. All levels are becoming more competitive and exciting. Limited (Stock) class has averaged about 25% of our match entries and is hotly contested at every match.

Our internal structure changed this year as well. At our Annual General Meeting we adopted a new zone system of management. Directors are elected from each zone to conduct the business of IPSC Alberta. So far this seems to be working extremely well. With a new Section Co-ordinator and Board of Directors, we hope to carry on the tradition of growth for IPSC Alberta.

Our thanks go to our past Section Co-ordinator, Mr. Bryan Hodges, and his directors for the excellent job they have done. Bryan has gone on to bigger and better things but IPSC Alberta would not be where it is today were it not for his efforts.



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# Saskatchewan

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*by Jim Schille*

Well, planning should be well under way for the 1994 Nationals and I am still recovering from the 1993 event. It was a excellent match with a lot of fun built into it. The shooters in the west are anxiously awaiting this year's event down east.

We have several shooters already vying for the Sask. Cup and it promises to be a very tight race. One of Saskatchewan's major matches is just on the horizon. The annual Doug Fyke Memorial match has proven to be the match NOT to miss. We are looking for the Regina organizers to outdo themselves this year. We are sure not to be disappointed and I hope all of you will be there.

On the tech side, Brad Hertz is playing around with the 9 x 25 that comes complete with extra comps, and rumor has it that Steve is not far behind him. I don't know about this, I might just have to have one but I have been contemplating going back to Stock class, but what the hell, I've got two top ends and an extra 9mm barrel.

By the time you have read this we will have presented our package to the legal beagles for Sask's court action on the magazine issue, so we will have to wait and see about the outcome. On the positive side, our club in Saskatoon (Saskatoon Wildlife Federation) has voted to provide IPSC Canada with \$5000.00 for this fight in Saskatchewan. How is that for support? If any of you belong to this type of organization, why not ask them for the same support our club gave us. We are all in this together and if we don't help each other the government wins by keeping us divided.

In closing, job demands are such that I will not be able to continue as section coordinator for Saskatchewan. It's been fun but it is time for a new face..

As my good friend Grant says, " I'll see you on the range."



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# Manitoba

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*by Chris Morris*

Despite the best efforts of our government, 1993 was a successful year for IPSC in Manitoba

Partial 1994 Match Schedule:

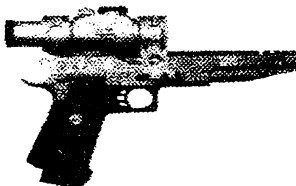
Feb. 5/6	Thompson Winter Shoot	Thompson Handgun Club
Feb. 20	Derek Popiwich Memorial Qualifier	Century Gun Club, Winnipeg
May 1	Virden Qualifier	Fort LaBosse Gun Club, Virden
Aug. 26-28	Manitoba Provincial Championships	Brandon/Virden
Oct. 31	Halloween Match	Fort LaBosse Gun Club, Virden

Once our 1994 match schedule is finished I will send a copy to all section co-ordinators. The top ten shooters in Manitoba after the 1993 Manitoba Provincial Championships in August /93 are as follows:

- 1 Rene Santos
- 2 George Vandor
- 3 Brian Colp
- 4 Zen Bogoslawski
- 5 Jamie Datuin
- 6 Joe Sarmiento
- 7 Vaclav Zvonik
- 8 Domingo Caballero
- 9 Danny Bengo
- 10 Gene Spiece

We are planning our 1994 Provincial Championships as our biggest and best yet. Although the match is still in the planning stages we are running it as a level III match and hope to have somewhere in the neighborhood of 300 rounds of shooting.

We look forward to seeing you in the new year.



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# Ontario

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*by Dino Evangelinos*

We can leave the year 1993 behind with some positive and encouraging statistics: The number of new shooters trained since January 1993 were approximately 350, about 200 were trained after June 1993. Out of these only 15 have not shot their qualifying match. This means IPSC Ontario has 1350 current members and we are now the 5th largest shooting body in the world. The Range Officer courses have been extremely successful as well. We can welcome a total of 100 more qualified Range Officers to the ranks.

Sometimes success brings penalties and in the case of IPSC Ontario, success has meant that the classification and awards system has failed to keep pace with the growth of the membership and match schedule.

The Ontario board has decided that a fresh start was needed and the following is a brief outline on the program effect.

There will be 6 classification matches in 1994 and provincially maintained classifications will be derived only from those matches. All the matches listed below are level III, sanctioned by J.P. Denis (President of IPSC):

Trenton	April 30,31 and May 1
Ottawa	May 28, 29
Thunder Bay	1st week of June
Silverdale	June 24, 25 & 26 (Provincial Champ)
Sault Ste. Marie	July 8,9 & 10
Sharon	To be advised

A running average will be maintained throughout the year for the competitors that shoot in the classification matches.

The non classification matches are encouraged to use the "straight-line" scoring based on the NEC approved class breaks.

Master Class	95 - 100%
"A" Class	85 - 94.99%
"B" Class	70 - 84.99%
"C" Class	50 - 69.99%
"D" Class	00 - 49.99%

Help is available for all clubs that have trouble with MSS and the results of all matches that are submitted in approved form will be available in SITREP and via modem.

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# Quebec

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*by Dave Young*

La saison 1993 nous a apportés plus de 40 compétitions ici même dans la belle province. La cédule pour 1994 comprend plus de 60 compétitions sanctionner et ce en dépit des nouvelles normes pour les champs de tir extérieur qui ont prisent effet le 31 Janvier.

Notre Championnat provincial 1993 a attiré plus de 80 tireurs. Ce match se tenait au club de tir de Stanbridge et était probablement la dernière compétition d'importance à ce club de tir extérieur. Notre Champion provincial est M. Paul Barrette et la Championne provincial Mme. Lorna Pavelka.

C'est une grande inspiration de voir l'attitude des membres du Québec. Ils continuent a compétitionnés et apprécier leur sport en dépit des embûches poser par les gouvernements provincial et fédéral. En espérant que cette attitude est présente dans le reste de la région.

Les 10 meilleurs hommes  
The top ten men::

- 1) Paul Barrette
- 2) Mario Dipaolo
- 3) Jacques Beaudoin
- 4) Jean-Guy Gilbert
- 5) Mike Lao
- 6) Louis Ribé
- 7) Denis Charbonneau
- 8) Robert MacDonald
- 9) Jacques Emond
- 10) Greg Guerzon

Les cinq meilleures femmes  
The top five ladies:

- 1) Lorna Pavelka
- 2) Jennifer Buckner
- 3) Theresa Case
- 4) Mariette Ribé
- 5) Anouk Lepage

Standard Division  
Revolver

Robert MacDonald  
Dave Young.

Our 1993 season brought 40 IPSC matches to La Belle Province, and the schedule for 1994 shows almost 60 matches booked, in spite of the new outdoor range norms which take effect January 31.

Our 1993 Provincial Championships was quite a success with 80 shooters registered. This match was held at the Stanbridge facility and may well be the last major handgun match to be held on their outdoor ranges. Our provincial 1993 Men's Champion was Paul Barrette and the Ladies' Champ Lorna Pavelka.

It is inspiring to see the spirit of our members in Quebec. They keep on competing and enjoying their sport regardless of what the Federal and Provincial governments throw at them. I hope that this same spirit is alive and well in the rest of the IPSC region called Canada.

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# New Brunswick

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*by Jon Gould*

The year of 1993 was interesting for IPSC New Brunswick. We had, for the first time in our history, an executive which held regular meetings and made motions with the majority ruling, but it is difficult to satisfy all of the people all of the time. We have had growing pains as a result. We are growing, not in new memberships (or old ones for that matter) but in our ability to have an honest, democratic process in the decision making of IPSC New Brunswick. Membership in 1993 reached 160 plus members. However only 32 made it to the Provincials held in Saint John. We had 40 shooters total. Much thanks to IPSC Nova Scotia for their support, as 8 of the shooters were from there.

Speaking of the New Brunswick Provincials, there were 24 stages with approximately 300 rounds. Some shooters ran out of ammo and had to beg, borrow, or steal (kidding) extra rounds from other shooters. OK, so I said that the match would be 200 plus rounds! But when I go anywhere to shoot, I bring a large military ammo can full of ammo, JUST IN CASE.

Here are the top ten results of the IPSC New Brunswick Championship:

1	100.00	Jon Gould	NB	6	86.29	Laurie McNeil	NS
2	97.42	James Story	NB	7	82.35	Bernie Nickerson	NS
3	93.60	Cliff Meek	NS	8	77.78	Tom Demille	NS
4	90.57	John Trapper	NS	9	75.30	Steven Stewart	NB
5	90.49	Sean Hansen	NS	10	72.45	Tim Hanlon	NB

Several clubs held matches throughout the season. Canadian Forces Base Gagetown, Charlotte County Rifle Association, Fredericton Fish and Game, Hampton Gun Club, Fredericton Gun Club, Restigouche County Sport and Gun Association Inc., Welsford Sportsman Association, Saint Antione Gun Club, Grand Falls Gun Club, Blue Mountain, an C.O.M.B.A.T. Police Training and Shooting Club all held several matches. Thanks to all for the matches and to those who attended.

1994! Well I think that many members may not have liked the fact that we raised the membership fees to \$60.00 this year so we could support IPSC Canada in the legal fight for HIGH CAPACITY MAGAZINES. (If we win, I wonder how many will re-join.) We have had only 66 members renew with 6 new members. We do hope that some of the remaining last year members re-join. However, those serious competitors have re-joined and we will do our best to run IPSC NB for those people.

The 1994 Canadian IPSC National Championships will be held in the city of Saint John on the Saint John Police Force Ranges from July 29 to August 1, 1994. The host hotel is the Delta Brunswick, (tel 506-648-1981 or 1-800-387-1254), located in the heart of downtown Saint John, and connected to a large shopping and eating complex. There will be tours and shopping trips for spouses who don't shoot, so bring your whole family for a vacation. Stay after the match and travel around the area. If you have any questions, you may call me at 506-652-6712. Leave a message.

IPSC New Brunswick is looking forward to 1994 and the Nationals. This will be the year that IPSC New Brunswick comes of age.



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# Nova Scotia

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*by Richard Turner*

This shooting season our membership has topped the 100 mark with four Black Badge courses and two RO courses being held during the year. Our match attendance is gradually increasing and approximately 80% of our membership participated in matches last year.

Our top ten men were:

Cliff Meek  
Richard Turner  
Sean Hansen  
Bernie Nickerson  
Laurie McNeil  
Richard Thibodeau  
Tom Demille  
Kevin MacMaster  
Allan King  
Brian Graves

Top ladies were:

Cindy Whynott  
Audrey Belliveau

The class winners for the year are as follows:

Top Master	Cliff Meek
Top A	Sean Hansen
Top B	Kevin MacMaster
Top C	Steven Armstrong
Top D	Fred Hansen
Top Stock	Kevin MacMaster

Nova Scotia's schedule for following year includes the Provincials in Yarmouth on August 20 & 21.

Any questions regarding matches please call Richard Turner at 902-443-2558.

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# Newfoundland/Labrador

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*by Jerry Stacy*

As I reported in the last Diligentia I.P.S.C. Canada is now represented in Canada's eastern most Province and I am pleased to say that our organization is growing. Since June our organization has grown from 9 to 24 members and all have completed their Black Badge Course.

Thanks to the help of Dave and Sandra Bartlett of Ottawa we were able to offer two Black Badge Courses since June and we have a second chapter of I.P.S.C. NF in St. John's under the St. John's Rod & Gun club.

Our contact person there is Wayne Leaman and his dedication to organizing handgun shoots is an asset to us.

For 1994 club growth is a priority and to that end we have scheduled another Black Badge Course at the St. John's Rod & Gun club for April 30 - May 1, 1994 Instructor Dave Bartlett, Assistant Instructor Wayne Leaman. Also Lorne Rowe will be on the Rock March 4th - 6th to conduct a Range Officer course in St. John's and we hope to certify 12 members that weekend.

Several Shoots are planned for 1994 and our first Provincial Championships are planned for August 1994. Dates and locations are not yet finalized.

Our Provincial Secretary, Bob Parsons of Clarenville, wrote a letter to our Minister of Justice, in July, requesting a meeting or at least a reply on their reasons for not granting any magazine capacity exemptions to our members. Wasted stamp – no reply. To that end we have decided to raise the \$20/member Legal Fund Contribution for 1994 by charging an extra \$2 at club matches.



IRVINE COMPETITION ENTERPRISES is proud to donate a competition-ready Stock Class Springfield Pistol.

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# Northwest Territories

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*by Richard Peach*

As 1993 slips away, we can take the time to reflect on what has been a busy and successful shooting season. For both the Territorial team and the individual shooters it has been an active year.

Here at home the section ran six qualifier matches leading up to the Territorial Championships, including the 2nd annual Midnight Sun match. Territorials were held in mid July with Ivan Runions and Darcy Bowyer both competing as well as teaching an advanced techniques course. Many thanks to Darcy and Ivan for their participation in the largest match held in the Section.

On the road this was undoubtedly the busiest competitive year the Section has ever had. Eight shooters from the Territories were present to compete at the Alberta Provincial Championships in Spruce Grove. Eight shooters also competed in the 1993 Canadian National Championships in Saskatoon, with the Territorial team being composed of Steve Bonnell, Randy Jacobs, Ken Closen, Frank Becker, Don Bennett, and Rob Pellerin. As well, for the first time, the Section was active in international competition this year with 2 members competing at World Shoot X in Bisley, England and at the Ernie Hill Desert Classic in Mesa, Arizona. Growth within the section, both membership and geographic, has been significant this year. Although there are only four qualified instructors in the Territories, a total of eight Black Badge courses were run, six in Yellowknife, one in Hay River, and one in Inuvik. In 1994 we expect to see Fort Smith and Norman Wells coming on line, spreading the sport throughout the western Arctic.

The Section is already well into our 1994 season having run Qualifier #1 in November and a Food Bank benefit match in December. The December benefit match was a great success with competitors being asked to pay match fees by way of food donations which then went to the Yellowknife Food Bank. Something in excess of \$400.00 in groceries came in. The positive press coverage received as a result was good for the sport's image while at the same time we were able to help a worthwhile community-based cause and others less fortunate than we are. It doesn't take much to organise a benefit match and it is an idea worth keeping in mind.

The remainder match schedule has now been set. All matches will be held in Yellowknife due to a lack of qualified range officers in Inuvik and Hay River. Match dates are:

Jan 16	Qualifier 2
Feb 20	Qualifier 3
Mar 20	Qualifier 4
Apr 17	Qualifier 5
May 15	Qualifier 6
June 18	Midnight Sun (Qualifier 7)
July 9, 10	Territorial Championships

In addition, a number of shooters from the Territories are already gearing up for Alberta Provincials, Canadian Nationals, Montana States, the Level IV in Argentina, and next year's Desert Classic. 1994 promises to be an equally active year and we look forward to seeing friends from across Canada and around the world in competition again this coming year.

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# Champion Profile

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## Kerry Lathwell - 1993 Canadian Ladies Champion

April of 1979 was the first IPSC match I attended. In fact it was the first shooting competition I attended. With my grand finish of 33rd out of 44 (yes, I still have the results), I thought I was destined to be another Annie Oakley.

Things have changed for me since then. The fun has always been to do my best and enjoy doing it. IPSC competition is a very individual type of sport, because you are really competing against yourself. If you come away from a match feeling that you did the best you could, then you have won. If you wish you had done better, then you have the choice of leaving that as a wish, or making it a goal and doing something about it.

Being one of the 10% of the competitors who are women involved in the sport makes me very visible. This can be good and bad. When I first started, as long as I finished the match I was complimented on my performance. A few years later it turned into "you shoot like a guy." Now that was a big compliment. Although it's great to compete against other women, since we are rated in overall standings, we have to shoot well, period.

I have had several overall finishes (men and women combined) that I am very proud of, with the best being 43rd out of 508 at the 1990 USPSA Nationals. That was a very difficult match, and all I did was to get all my hits, no matter how much the targets were moving!

My titles as Top Lady include the 1986 World Championships in Virginia, the USPSA Nationals in 1985, 1987, and 1990, and for several years' worth of IPSC Canada National Championships. My best finish in Canada was 13th out of 149 and 6th Canadian, in 1987.

Over the years several sponsors have helped me tremendously, and in particular Springfield Armory and Ernie Hill Speedleather. In 1993 my coach (Murray Gardner) and I started to shoot for European American Armory and Safariland. The Tanfoglio Witness has been lots of fun to shoot and fits my hand very well. The 009 holster has helped my draw become much faster. Together they help me to compete at my best.

My future plans include attending the next World Shoot in Brazil. My husband (Gary Wright) and I have attended the last three together, and Brazil will make it my sixth. If nothing else, IPSC is a great excuse to travel.



**Kerry Lathwell**

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# Champion Profile

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## Don Leedham - 1993 Canadian Champion

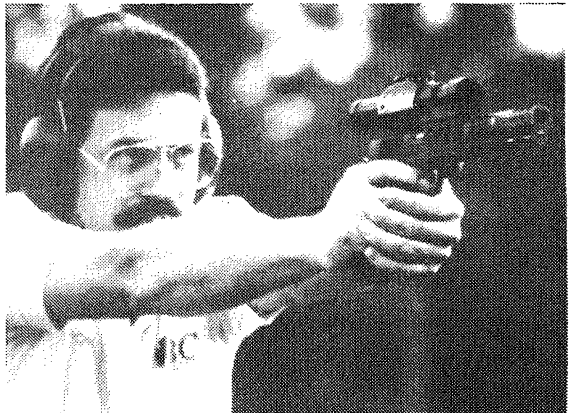
I've been shooting handgun, mainly bullseye for over 20 years. I started on .22 target pistols with the RCMP Club on Sunday nights. My father was the town prosecutor and a police car would pick me up every week and deliver me to the range, thus getting around any and all permit requirements for a minor.

At 23 I joined the army and served 4 years in the PPCLI. The last 3 years of service were spent shooting, both rifle and pistol. In my first year on the rifle team I came second overall in the Canadian Service Rifle Championships and went to Bisley as a member of the National Team.

After leaving the army I didn't shoot much, the idea of actually buying ammo was too foreign to me. In 1987 I joined a pistol club at CFB Chilliwack (read free ammo). I was convinced to take the Black Badge Course in late 1988 and started competing with my trusty CZ75 stocked with IVI 9mm. Until this time, all my shooting was bullseye. This background served me well as a novice IPSC shooter, especially shooting minor. In 1989 I went from unclassified to "B" class and shortly thereafter to "A" class still shooting a stock CZ75. The hose 'em down, spray and pray method of shooting a stage has always been difficult if not impossible for me. Front sight, squeeze has been ingrained into my brain for so many years that when I really started working at cutting my times down I looked to the other areas first. What I have worked on primarily over the last few years is cutting as much time possible off the time between shots in a stage. Analyzing with a timer everything from buzzer to last shot, picking the large numbers and working them down. The net result is the "A" count stays high and your time goes down. What a concept!

This training program has served me well for the last 4 years - keeping your head together, shooting your own game and a lot of practice has kept me fairly consistent.

I shoot a Dask Springfield single stack .38 super and have been sponsored by Dask for the last 3 years. I have a Tasco PDP3 Sight modified by Ken Hum, trigger by Trevor Yee and Safariland gear.



**Don Leedham**

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# Champion Profile

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## Dave Anderson - 1993 Canadian Limited Class Champion

Dave won the Limited Division at the 1993 Canadian Nationals using a single column Wilson 5.0" Colt in .45 ACP.

Winning a major match title takes a strong combination of skill, mental attitude and match experience, all of which Dave possesses in abundance.

44 years old, competing in virtually all handgun sports until settling in IPSC in 1980, Dave has a wealth of experience. He placed 3rd overall at the 1981 Canadian Nationals, the same year that he won the Saskatchewan Provincial Championships.

He was awarded the IPSC "Prix Du President" in 1985 for the Canadian Nationals course design, and received the IPSC Canada Merit Award in 1992 for his outstanding contributions to IPSC.

Dave is a Chief Range Officer, an instructor, and previously held the position of Section Co-Ordinator of Saskatchewan for two years.

His interest in Limited Class stems from both the challenge, and the fact that his increasing responsibilities have curtailed available time for the practice, maintenance and load development that are so necessary in Open Class competition.

Dave is married with a lovely wife and daughter, and achieves his livelihood from farming.

As one of the contributing editors to American Handgunner Magazine, Dave continues to give back to the sport from which he has received so much pleasure.

Dave very much appreciated the beautiful Don Irvine custom Springfield .45 that he was awarded for his Nationals win.



**Dave Anderson**

# 93 Canadian Nationals

## SPRINGFIELD INC'S. CANADIAN NATIONALS

### MATCH RESULTS

PERCENT	NAME	TEAM	PERCENT	NAME	TEAM
1 100.00	DON LEEDHAM	BC Gold	46 78.05	TONY POWASCHUK	
2 97.31	DARCY BOWYER		47 77.82	GRAEME JOHNSON	
3 95.83	IVAN RUNIONS	AB G	48 77.34	BRIAN TAGDELL	
4 95.77	KEN KUPSCH	AB G	49 76.07	ZEN BOGOSLOWSKI	MB G
5 94.70	MURRAY GARDNER	BC G	50 75.96	SCOTT FINNEBRAATEN	
6 94.53	BRAD HERTZ	SK G	51 75.12	KEN CLOSEN	NT G
7 92.69	JAMIE ARMOUR	ON G	52 75.12	DARCY KLEIN	
8 90.46	DARRELL WILKS	AB G	53 74.97	KEN BELL	
9 89.62	CHUCK JOHNSTON	BC G	54 73.94	BRIAN COLP	MB G
10 88.49	RANDY FISHER	BC G	55 73.40	MIKE FOOTE	
11 88.30	STEVE JOHNS	SK G	56 73.02	OMAR MURRAY	
12 88.20	JON GOULD		57 72.93	GRANT GRESTY	SK G
13 88.09	WAYNE MILLSON	ON G	58 72.61	VACLAV ZVONIK	MB G
14 88.03	DON BRUSH	ON G	59 72.52	MIKE DORSEY	
15 87.74	MIKE GRYBA	AB G	60 72.00	DAVE ANDERSON	SK G
16 87.57	ED ROGGEVEEN	BC S	61 71.80	ROBERT ADAMS	
17 87.16	PETER BRUHS	BC G	62 71.39	DENNIS BAUER	
18 87.03	MIKE LAO	ON G	63 70.90	DWAYNE HAMILTON	
19 86.55	BRYAN MARINO	ON G	64 70.82	LANE HOGABOAM	BC S
20 86.39	MATT ESCOBAR		65 70.36	ROBERT ROERICK	
21 86.34	DERRILL IMRIE		66 70.34	RICHARD HAMEL	MB G
22 86.19	BOB WHITELY	SK S	67 69.31	THOMAS LOCHART	
23 84.18	GARRY WONG		68 68.82	ROMAN LASH	
24 83.65	RICK CLEMENTS		69 68.81	DOUG DAVIDSON	SK S
25 83.54	RICHARD NAGY	BC S	70 68.66	MARK SHEETKA	
26 82.76	TODD HULLOCK		71 68.21	GRANT MacNEIL	
27 82.75	GEORGE UIMOTO		72 68.09	LLOYD MEIER	
28 82.52	BRYAN HODGES	AB G	73 68.06	STEWART BIECH	
29 82.34	WILLIAM BOYCHUK	ON G	74 68.01	LIONEL FAUCHOUX	
30 82.31	DANTE SANTIAGO		75 67.87	PETER DARE	
31 82.18	STEVE BONELL	NT G	76 67.17	PETER GREEN	
32 82.09	RON BALZER	SK G	77 67.15	JAMES KRAMCHYNSKI	
33 81.43	KEN SOUCIE	BC S	78 67.14	DARREN DAOUST	
34 81.20	BRAD CRONK		79 66.91	GREG MEYNERT	
35 81.16	TREVOR YEE	BC S	80 66.68	JACQUES BEAUDOIN	QB G
36 80.79	RICHARD BERNDT		81 66.56	DINO EVANGELINOS	
37 80.35	ROB LOCKARD	SK S	82 66.41	BOB HAMELIN	
38 80.00	STEVE BORSOS	SK S	83 65.83	FRANK BECKER	NT G
39 79.66	GARY WRIGHT	BC S	84 65.74	BILL WATTS	
40 79.66	KERRY LATHWELL	BC G	85 65.68	DAVE STRACHAN	
41 79.54	TED PRITCHETT	AB G	86 65.08	MONIQUE TREPANIER	QB G
42 79.48	BRIAN WATSON		87 64.43	TODD CRUCH	
43 78.63	ANDRE CHEVRIER	QB G	88 64.06	DAVID SCHINDEL	
44 78.43	RANDY JACOBS	NT G	89 63.69	JAMES STEWART	
45 78.33	RENE SANTOS	MB G	90 63.51	DANN ST. PIERRE	

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# 93 Canadian Nationals

## SPRINGFIELD INC'S. CANADIAN NATIONALS

### MATCH RESULTS

PERCENT	NAME	TEAM	PERCENT	NAME	TEAM		
91	62.86	JOE SARMIENTO	MB G	136	52.39	JAIMES DATUIN	
92	62.75	GENE WONG		137	52.34	DOUG DAIGLE	
93	62.73	DOMINGO CABALLERO		138	52.28	BRIAN MCEVOY	
94	62.67	RAY PURANEN		139	52.15	JAMES HALL	
95	62.54	CHRIS RINGSTAD		140	51.96	PETER TOTH	
96	62.41	DAN MATHESON		141	51.44	STEVE GOULDING	
97	62.07	TONY CALARA		142	50.99	ANDY LORENZON	
98	61.88	BRUCE LALONDE	SK S	143	50.08	ROB ARMSTRONG	
99	61.78	DON BENNETT		144	49.97	DEBBIE KNABKE	
100	61.69	LORNE ROWE		145	48.70	SHIRLEY ANN ZARY	
101	61.62	GLEN WEINKNECHT		146	48.00	CHRIS MORRIS	
102	61.06	BERNIE AUMILLER		147	46.37	IAN PARKINSON	
103	60.99	GORDON SMITH		148	45.73	W.G. McLEAN	
104	60.64	BOB RACE		149	45.58	DONALD LEIS	
105	60.34	RAYMOND FLETCHER		150	44.27	CHERYL LALONDE	
106	59.92	COLIN HUPPER		151	43.66	ROSS TAYLOR	
107	59.82	SCOTT CURRIE		152	43.65	GERMAN FERRER	
108	59.77	ERNIE STOWE		153	43.34	DON SUTHERLAN	
109	59.50	EDDY BROWN		154	43.10	ALLEN HARRIS	
110	59.49	MALCOLM BAIKIE		155	42.21	RICHARD PEACH	
111	59.38	VERN WEBSTER		156	41.14	JERRY POMEHICHUK	
112	58.83	KEITH TAYLOR		157	39.85	JEAN CARRIER	QB G
113	58.49	GERRY CHAPMAN		158	39.66	FELIX MUI	
114	58.18	DAVE MOORE		159	38.52	BOBBIE GJESTSON	
115	58.09	NEIL McGREGOR		160	38.50	GIL RODGER	
116	57.60	NICOLE PIGEON		161	37.92	BRETT ENNS	
117	57.27	JON BEATTIE		162	36.98	PATRICK W. BOLAND	
118	57.20	KEN HUM		163	36.29	DALTON LABINE	
119	56.88	MARGE SMITH		164	33.62	BELTRAN LOPEZ	
120	56.69	LORRAINE SANDERSON		165	32.18	YVON SIMARD	QB G
121	56.66	BARRY MOORE		166	24.89	RICHARD SHATKOSKY	
122	56.63	LINDA WILKS		167	21.19	HARRY HODGSON	
123	56.37	MIKE JOHNSON		DQ		RANDY ZARY	
124	56.24	NELSON DOAN		DQ		LAURA SELIGMAN	
125	56.12	KEN WACOWICH		DQ		WILLIAM YEE	
126	55.35	MARTY POTTER		DQ		PAUL BARRETTE	QB G
127	55.18	HANS LUDWIG		DQ		TERRY CONE	
128	54.54	ALEX McCURDY		DQ		TOM GRESTY	
129	54.16	EDMOND J. LEE		DQ		BILL JASPER	
130	53.45	GORDON SHEANE		DQ		ROSS KNABKE	
131	53.42	KEN BLACK		DQ		JANET MARINO	
132	52.91	BONNIE PAWITCH		DQ		ALLAN HAGEN	
133	52.85	ROBERT PELLERIN	NT G	DQ		GENO WALDSTEIN	
134	52.49	BRET PAGNUCCO					
135	52.40	KEITH GJESTSON					



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# 93 Canadian Nationals

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## GORD DAVIDGE MEMORIAL FUND

IPSC Canada lost a treasured friend in Gord Davidge when he was tragically murdered a short time prior to the 1993 Nationals. A memorial fund for the Davidge family was started at the Nationals, which gathered considerable donations from our members. IPSC Canada wishes to thank all of those who expressed their sorrow to this family in their time of need.

## 1993 CANADIAN NATIONALS SHOOT-OFF

Steve Johns organized a sponsorship program for the traditional top 16 shoot-off for the purposes of a contribution to the family of Gord Davidge. All of IPSC Canada wishes to thank the following sponsors for their generous and thoughtful contribution:

World Class Pistols	Springfield Armory	Ernie Hill Speed Leather
T.C.E. Canada	Bowyers Outdoor Sports	Safariland

## TESTIMONIAL BY Steve Johns (SASK.)

At the beginning of 1993, I was planning for what was going to be the most intensive season that I would ever see. At the same time, I was planning the pistol I would use, one that would have to be the best one ever. As I have never had the opportunity to have two guns to take me through a full season, the one I needed would have to have the best parts available, and be crafted by the best gunsmith I knew.

Mike Johnson (Chinook, Montana) has been building top quality match pistols for as long as I have known him. Mike is one of the few gunsmiths who you can personally visit with at matches, and can actually talk to when you call his shop. Personal service is extremely important, something Mike gives in abundance when your guns go through his shop.

Mike built my blaster the same way he builds any gun that passes through his facilities, the best way he knows how. Mine has the same care and quality in it that Mike applied to every other gun he touched in 1993 (he is also willing to try new or weird designs, just ask Bryan Hodges!).

This race gun has travelled somewhere over 19,000 miles this year with me, to local matches, the USA, England and Germany. To date, it has had over 24,000 rounds fired through it without one single malfunction.

This is 100% reliability, just what it takes to win matches. (No, I did not win each of my matches but that's my fault, not the gun's.)

Prior to leaving for the World Championships in England, I shot a five round 50 meter group that measured less than 1 7/8", simply outstanding with 115 grain major loads and over 20,000 rounds! That says it all for the care and attention that Mike puts into each and every one of his creations.

When you are planning your next race gun, consider what I have said here. If you make the same decision I did, you'll be as pleased as I am.

Thanks again Mike!

I would also like to extend my appreciation to the following for their help in 1993:

Tripp Research - Frame	World Class Pistols - Barrel and scope mount
Springfield Inc. - Top end kit	Safari land - 009 holster and accessories
Ken Hum - Modified Tasco PDP.3 scope	

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# World Shoot X

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## MATCH RESULTS

PERCENT	NAME	COUNTRY
1 100.00	MATTHEW MCLEARN	USA
2 99.35	DOUGLAS KOENIG	USA
3 98.88	MICHAEL VOIGT	USA
4 97.21	JERRY BARNHART	USA
5 97.08	ROBERT LEATHAM	USA
6 95.59	TODD JARRETT	USA
7 95.20	JETHRO DIONISIO	PHILIPINES
8 92.61	CRAIG GINGER	AUSSIE
9 91.97	MATT BURKETT	USA
10 91.74	MERLE EDINGTON	USA
11 91.49	WARREN RICHARDS	RSA
12 90.61	DEAN NOTLEY	UK
13 90.09	JOHAN HANSEN	SWEDEN
14 90.07	ANGUS HOBDELL	UK
15 89.90	ARMIN LANDOLT	SWITZLAND
16 89.04	ARNT MYHRE	USA
17 89.04	OSWALD GERSTL	ITALY
18 88.72	TIMO HIETALA	FINLAND
19 88.02	CLINT RAFFERTY	RSA
20 87.89	GARY HALTMANN	RSA
21 87.36	JOSEF HOFSTETTER	SWITZLAND
22 87.05	EDDIE SMITH	RSA
23 87.01	FRANK GARCIA	USA
24 86.54	ANDREAS MANKEL	GERMANY
<b>25 85.66</b>	<b>STEVEN JOHNS</b>	<b>CANADA</b>
26 85.54	ANDY HAINES	UK
27 85.47	HENNING WALLGREN	NORWAY
28 85.00	KEN CARTER	AUSSIE
29 84.34	NICOLAAS DU PLESSIS	RSA
30 83.77	DAN LILJESTROM	SWEDEN
31 82.99	KEN HENDERSON	NEW ZEALAND
32 82.92	GRAHAM LUCAS	UK
33 82.78	CHRISTOPHER LACSON	PHILIPINES
34 82.65	ANDREW MOSS	AUSSIE
<b>35 82.45</b>	<b>DON BRUSH</b>	<b>CANADA</b>
36 82.37	MAURICE DRUMMEN	NETHLDS
37 82.26	ERIC ANG	PHILIPINES
38 82.24	ROBERT DUNKLEY	UK
39 82.14	ROSS NEWELL	AUSSIE
40 82.07	PATRICK SANCHEZ	PHILIPINES
<b>41 81.90</b>	<b>BRAD HERTZ</b>	<b>CANADA</b>
42 81.89	COLIN ANDERSON	RSA
43 81.79	HARALD WESTBYE	NORWAY
<b>44 81.46</b>	<b>IVAN RUNIONS</b>	<b>CANADA</b>
45 81.38	HUBERT BURCH	SWITZLD
46 81.29	TIMOTHY GARDENER	UK
47 81.20	ETER BAUER	AUSTRIA
48 81.15	TED BONNET	USA
49 81.14	ED DANKO	AUSSIE
50 81.05	MIRO MAZZUCHELLI	SWITZLD

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# World Shoot X

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## MATCH RESULTS

PERCENT	NAME	COUNTRY
57 80.24	DARRELL WILKS	CANADA
65 79.02	RANDY FISHER	CANADA
67 79.00	MARIO DI PAOLO	CANADA
73 78.52	MURRAY GARDNER	CANADA
75 78.46	JAMES ARMOUR	CANADA
90 77.21	PAUL BARRETTE	CANADA
121 74.27	KEITH LEE	CANADA
127 73.98	MIKE GRYBA	CANADA
131 73.84	CHUCK JOHNSTON	CANADA
158 71.92	STEPHEN BONNELL	CANADA
172 70.65	CLIFFORD MEEK	CANADA
173 70.48	ANDRE CHEVRIER	CANADA
176 70.06	BRYAN HODGES	CANADA
219 66.97	TED PRITCHETT	CANADA
223 66.81	GARY WRIGHT	CANADA
229 66.37	KERRY LATHWELL	CANADA
300 61.83	JOHN BURGER	CANADA
338 59.18	MONIQUE TREPANIER	CANADA
340 59.12	CARL MARQUARDT	CANADA
346 58.88	THOMAS LOCKHART	CANADA
353 58.30	NICOLE PIGEON	CANADA
367 57.48	DAVID VELLA	CANADA
382 56.30	RICHARD EASDOWN	CANADA
424 52.99	JOSE GOMES	CANADA
426 52.53	DONITA JOHNSTON	CANADA
461 48.95	CALVIN MARTIN	CANADA
473 46.76	ROBERT TSUYUKI	CANADA
475 46.36	PETER BECKETT	CANADA
480 45.70	LORNA PAVELKA	CANADA
481 45.63	BONNIE PAWITCH	CANADA
505 40.63	EDWARD BEG	CANADA
509 38.77	JUDITH ROSS	CANADA
513 32.60	RICHARD PEACH	CANADA
514 31.26	NICK ALEXAKOS	CANADA

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## LADIES TEAM RESULTS

1	4738.5045	US
2	4468.4663	UK
3	4362.2514	South Africa
4	4355.2419	Phillipines
5	3983.0474	Australia
6	3947.3446	Canada

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# World Shoot X

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## Canadian Men's Team



Darrell Wilks, Don Brush, Brad Hertz, Jamie Armour, Murray Gardner, Randy Fisher, Steve Johns

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## Canadian Ladies' Team



Nicole Pigeon, Kerry Lathwell, team manager Gary Wright, Monique Trepanier, Lorna Pavelka

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# World Shoot X

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## TEAM RESULTS

	POINTS	NAME
1	10574.2874	United States
2	9420.5502	South Africa
3	9261.8333	United Kingdom
4	9059.3783	Australia
5	9052.3533	Philippines
6	8988.8986	Switzerland
7	<b>8776.2741</b>	<b>Canada</b>
8	8575.1036	Sweden
9	8515.5460	Italy
10	8358.8035	Finland
11	8353.5892	France
12	8210.3397	Germany
13	8178.3308	Belgium
14	8113.1878	UK Bronze
15	8108.9451	UK Silver
16	8088.0973	Austria
17	8072.9548	Netherlands
18	8059.4398	Norway
19	7591.4233	Thailand
20	6552.9586	Brasil
21	6346.1859	Hong Kong
22	6224.1492	Greece
23	6201.7692	Italian Interforze
24	5970.2461	Bolivia
25	5961.2198	Denmark
26	5900.1713	Zimbabwe
27	5497.5920	Spain
28	1122.0724	Ecuador

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### A letter of thanks...

*By Steve Johns*

I want to take a moment to thank the 1993 Canadian Men's team, Brad Hertz, Murray Gardner, Don Brush, Darrell Wilks, Jamie Armour, manager Randy Fisher, and our Regional Director Bryan Hodges. I've never shot with a more helpful, fun-loving bunch of guys. They made the 93 World Shoot a blast. It'll be the most memorable match I'll ever attend. It was a pleasure to be one of you.

I think I speak for the entire team when I thank Randy Fisher for his efforts before and during the match. Randy was there for the team every step of the way. Having Randy and his experience there made shooting a world championship much less intimidating. Randy always volunteered to shoot first to show us the fast way through some very complicated stages as well as being by our sides during scoring and any controversy. Thanks, Randy.

I know I speak for the team in thanking the membership of IPSC Canada for the help in getting the team to the World Shoot.

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# World Shoot X

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*by Bryan Hodges*

I have to congratulate the U.K. Region, their Regional Director, Bob Chittleborough, the match officials and all those who were involved in the creation and production of World Shoot X for their outstanding efforts.

With over 500 competitors running through 35 stages over a five day period, it takes superb organizational ability, infinite patience, unselfish dedication and perseverance well beyond the norm to ensure any chance of success .... and succeed they did!

I am proud to be associated with those individuals who so unselfishly gave so much of themselves for the enjoyment of our members.

The match design itself was very well balanced, with some very unusual start positions. A good number of self start stages complemented the more traditional positions.

While some thought that the overall match required more physical movement than usual, I did not feel that this was an athlete's match. Mind you, it always helps to be as physically fit as you can.

My only real concern was in two areas competitor safety and local rule interpretations.

Due to the often wet conditions, physical safety became an issue on a few of the stages requiring movement. We all must become more vigilant in maintaining stable ground conditions during inclement weather. Safety is our first Priority

I was surprised to see range rules implemented that directly opposed the international rule book. At this match, the competitor was warned that having their finger on the trigger while clearing a malfunction would result in a match disqualification.

The majority of those who were called for this successfully arbitrated the decision.

I do not know the reasons as to why this rule was not abandoned after the first successful arbitration, or why it was even allowed in the first place. I only know that it caused considerable grief to those so called, and consumed too much valuable time in arbitrations.

All in all, I must say that this event was the highlight of my time in IPSC. Meeting and shooting with individuals from other countries, talking in person to those who you only read about, sampling the local food, absorbing a different culture and environment all contributed to an exhilarating experience.

The highlight of the match? Seeing our Canadian team resplendent in team uniforms, proudly representing Canada, their heads held high, brimming with excitement and anticipation of what lay ahead. These fine people filled my heart with pride at being Canadian.

I humbly offer my congratulations to our men's and ladies' teams for their accomplishments and to the team managers for their unselfish contributions.

You have made Canada proud.

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# IROA

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## PROPOSED RULES

There have been a few proposed rule changes/modifications and in keeping with the recommendations of August, 1990 concerning bi-annual rule changes; the rule revisions put forward this year **will not** be effected until after they are voted on at the 1994 World Assembly.

### Did Not Finish (DNF)

8.08 Unable to Finish Course or Did Not finish (DNF) - When, due to a breakdown or loss of personal equipment or injury, a competitor is unable to complete a course and wishes to terminate the course of fire, he may raise his free hand. His score will be recorded as a zero for that stage (see 11.09).

11.09 Failure to Engage - In a comstock scored stage, when a competitor does not engage every target, other than on disappearing targets (see 11.01), with at least one round he will receive one procedure penalty for each target not engaged plus the appropriate miss penalties (10.02).

### Official Time

9.21 Official Time - Only timing devices operated by Match Official shall be used to record the elapsed time of the competitors. If a timing device proves to be faulty, any competitor whose attempt cannot be credited with an accurate elapsed time, (by the use of backup timing by the Match Officials) will be required to reshoot the stage for accurate score. In no case will the time be estimated or taken from any other person than the Match Officials appointed to that task. Backup stop watches are strongly recommended whenever possible.

### Incomplete Score Sheets

9.17 Score Sheets - A score sheet, once signed by the Range Officer and the competitor, is a definitive document and may not be altered except to correct arithmetical errors.

Score sheets not having complete scores, misses, or times recorded will result in reshooting the stage for accurate score.

If a reshoot is not possible:

- i. The stage will be scored as zero if the "time" is missing.
- ii. The score sheet will stand and be scored as indicated if hits or misses are missing (Missing hits will not be recorded as a miss).

### Holster Positions

7.18 Holster Choice - No match shall require the use of a particular type of holster. Cross draw and shoulder holsters are specifically allowed. Unless specified in the course instructions, holsters may not be moved or changed during the match (See 7.15, 7.17). **Open division competitors using holsters on the belt may be asked by the Range Officer to move the holster position to the side when starting seated or for other safety reasons.**

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*by Jacques Beaudion*

## NROI asks you

Do those words mean anything to you? Don't laugh, I sometimes doubt that they do. From the attitudes and some of the decisions taken by certain of our fellow Range Officers and Match Directors, I feel that they are involved in some other sport. It is easy enough to help those who make mistakes due to lack of knowledge or experience. However, it is impossible to help those who do not want to understand or apply our rules because some other section or region "don't do it that way". It is difficult enough for us to concentrate on and apply the well defined rules of our sport as found in the **Rules of the International Practical Shooting Confederation** which refers to our sport and no other. Why waste time and energy looking for further rules which are inapplicable to our sport when we already have the necessary tools to make our sport the best shooting sport around. Having covered this problem I would like to take this opportunity to thank each and every one of you who worked during the matches of the 1993 season, whether as Range Officers, score keepers, tapers, etc. Without your support our sport could not exist. Thanks, and keep it up!

As important as it is to make constructive criticisms, it is even more important to recognize the work, presence, and efficiency of the Range Officers of our region. Every year NROI Canada presents a trophy during the Canadian National Championships to the best match official. Beginning this year, in order to widen the scope of this acknowledgement, NROI will present a perpetual trophy for the best official in each section. The selection criteria for these section trophies will be decided at the next NEC meeting.

Last August the beautiful city of Saskatoon hosted the 1993 edition of the Canadian National Championships. The organizing committee supported by a dynamic team of Range Officers put on a high quality match. In competitions of this size and scope the efficiency of the Range Officers is essential. I was far from disappointed as many of the officials present are among the best in Canada and the choice of the best match official was understandably a difficult one. The person I chose particularly impressed me with his courtesy, control of the operation of his range as well as his attitude. This young man from Alberta is Mr. Mike Gryba and is the recipient of the best match official trophy for the 1993 Canadian National Championships. Congratulations Mike, I'm proud to have you as part of our team.

Today, as part of our on-going "NROI asks you" section we will look at three situations.

Situation number one.

Dan is a well liked new shooter. During a field course Dan moves with his finger slightly inside the trigger guard. As Range Officer you noticed his finger placement. What do you do?

Situation number two.

Laura arrives late for her "walk-thru". When her turn to shoot arrives the Range Officer does not ask her if she understands the course of fire prior to beginning the start commands. In the stage there is a door that must be opened, and for safety reasons the shooters must open it with their strong hand to force them to open the door prior to drawing their pistol. Our friend Laura not having had a "walk-thru", opens the door with her weak hand, passes

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through the door, draws her gun and engages the targets. Should Laura receive a procedural error for having opened the door with her weak hand when the course description stated that it must be opened with the strong hand? Don't forget that Laura didn't get a "walk-thru" and that the Range Officer neglected to ask her if she understood the course of fire. Remember also that even though Laura used the wrong hand to open the door she met the safety requirement that the use of the strong hand on the door was intended to enforce. As Range Officer what do you do?

Situation number three.

Richard is competing in Standard Division. He arrives at the firing line for a speed shoot. The Range Officer does not pay too much attention to his equipment position. Once Richard has finished the stage the Range Officer realizes that his holster is slightly forward of the hip and informs Richard that unfortunately he must, as a result, have him entered into Open Division. As Range Officer do you feel that your confrere made the right decision?

## Answers.

Situation number one.

Without a doubt our friend Dan should be disqualified. This situation may seem simplistic to you and it is. The reason for its inclusion is not to find out if Dan should be disqualified but more importantly that you would in fact disqualify him. Quite often Range Officers have a tendency to simply warn the shooter of their errors and let them continue to compete in the match, especially in the case of new shooter or someone who has travelled a long distance to attend the match. Unfortunately Range Officers who do this are not helping the shooter. One day the same shooter may well be even farther from home at a large competition and get D.Q.'d on his or her first stage because they didn't learn the basics at the right place and time. Looking the other way is also unfair to the other shooters. A Range Officer must be fair and firm with all competitors. His decisions must never be based on a specific competitor, his experience or where he comes from. Regardless of the level of penalty which must be given, these calls are never pleasant to make but still must be made. We are a sport of friends, but we must still do what is right.

I am often asked if a shooter who as been disqualified for a safety violation can complete the match without a score being registered. Here again, even if the person is a new shooter or has travelled a long way to attend the match, and there is time to allow the person to shoot, the fact remains that he or she was disqualified for a safety violation and cannot continue to shoot. For whatever reason, the person was unsafe that day and must wait until next match to compete. Imagine how you would feel if you allowed someone to continue in a match after having been disqualified and an accident occurred involving this same shooter.

Second situation.

Unfortunately it matters little that Laura was not present for the "walk-thru" or that the Range Officer neglected to ask if she understood the course of fire. She is responsible and

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un accident devait arriver plus tard impliquant ce même compétiteur. Comment vous sentiriez-vous?

## Deuxième situation.

Malheureusement il importe peu que Laura était absente durant le walk thru ou que le Range-Officer ne lui est pas demandé si elle avait bien compris le parcours. Elle demeure responsable et aurait dû recevoir une faute procédure. Si Laura s'était assuré qu'elle comprenait bien le parcours, en le demandant au Range-Officer elle aurait facilement pu éviter cette mauvaise faute de procédure. En ne répondant pas par la négative au commandement "**ARE YOU READY?**", elle signifiait au Range-Officer qu'elle comprenait bien le parcours. Cependant, suite à une situation comme celle de Laura nous voyons l'importance de bien s'assurer que notre présentation d'un parcours est tout à fait claire.

## Troisième situation.

Lors de la dernière chronique nous avons révisé ensemble le règlement se rapportant au port de l'équipement dans les catégories Standard et Modifié. Comme nous le savons, l'équipement doit être porté en arrière de la hanche. Comme guide la ligne centrale du pantalon peut être utilisé. Cependant, elle ne sert que de guide et n'est donc pas la référence officielle. De plus, la sécurité étant notre première priorité il ne faudrait pas oublier pour autant qu'assister le compétiteur est notre deuxième priorité. Le Range-Officer qui n'a pas porté attention à la position de l'étui de Richard n'est pas fautif. Son attention devait être sur l'arme de Richard. Il est préférable de ne pas s'apercevoir de la position de l'équipement d'un tireur pour surveiller la sécurité. Le contraire serait tout à fait inacceptable. Donc comme je vous l'ai rappelé plus tôt notre deuxième priorité est d'assister le compétiteur, pas de le coacher. Étant donné que Richard avait terminé de tirer. Et que le Range-Officer ne peut être certain que son étui ne s'est pas déplacé après le signal de départ, celui-ci aurait dû avertir le tireur et lui demander de replacer son étui correctement. Dans le cas où le tireur aurait refusé de replacer correctement son étui, notre Range-Officer n'aurait eu d'autre choix que de faire passer Richard à la catégorie ouverte. Comme je l'ai déjà dit il y a un laisser aller flagrant quant à la position de l'équipement dans les catégories Standard et Modifier. Vous devez vous assurer que tous les compétiteurs qui participent dans ces catégories positionnent leur équipement de façon réglementaire. Pour se faire, vous devez vérifier l'équipement des tireurs à leur arrivée. Le cas échéant un compétiteur non conforme aura le choix de replacer son équipement ou de se retrouver dans la catégorie Ouverte. Soyez vigilant!

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## NROI VOUS DEMANDE

*par Jacques Beaudion*

Est-ce que ces lettres vous disent quelque chose. Ne riez pas, il m'arrive d'en douter. L'attitude ainsi que les décisions prises lors de compétitions par certains confrères Range-Officer ou par certains directeurs de match me laissent croire que ces personnes oeuvrent dans un autre sport. Il est facile d'aider les personnes qui sont dans l'erreur par manque de connaissances. Mais de l'autre côté il est impossible d'aider celles qui ne veulent rien comprendre soit disant parce que d'autres sections ou régions le font d'une certaine manière. Il est suffisamment difficile de se concentrer sur nos règlements bien définis dans un petit livre intitulé **Rules of the International Practical Shooting Confederation** ce dit livre fait référence à notre sport, aucun autre. Pourquoi chercher plus loin et dépenser des énergies inutilement alors que nous avons les outils nécessaires pour que tous ensemble faisons de ce sport la discipline de tir par excellence. Cela dit, je profite de l'occasion pour remercier chacun et chacune d'entre vous qui ont travaillé lors des différentes compétitions tenues en 1993 que ce soit comme Range-Officer, marqueur, Patcher ou autre. Sans votre support ce sport ne pourrait exister. Merci et ne lâchez pas!

S'il est important de faire des critiques constructives, il est encore plus important de reconnaître le travail, la présence et l'efficacité des Range-Officers de notre région. Dans ce but NROI Canada décerne chaque année lors du Championnat Canadien le trophée du meilleur Officiel du match. À compter de 1994, afin d'élargir cette reconnaissance NROI décernera un trophée perpétuel pour le ou la meilleur Officiel de chacune des sections. Les critères de sélection seront établis lors de la prochaine réunion du NEC.

En Août dernier dans la merveilleuse ville de Saskatoon avait lieu l'édition 1993 du Championnat Canadien. Le comité organisateur, supporté par une équipe dynamique de Range-Officers a tenu une compétition de grande qualité. Dans le cadre d'une compétition comme celle-ci l'efficacité et les connaissances des Range-Officers sont primordiales. En général je ne fus pas déçu car certains officiels présents pouvaient être considérés parmi les meilleurs au Canada. Le choix du meilleur officiel du match n'est donc pas facile à établir. La personne que j'ai choisie m'a particulièrement impressionné par sa courtoisie, le contrôle de la situation sur son range ainsi que par l'attitude dont il a fait preuve. Ce jeune homme de L'Alberta est Monsieur Mike Gryba et il est le récipiendaire du trophée du meilleur Officiel du match pour le Championnat Canadien 1993. Félicitations Mike je suis fier de t'avoir dans notre équipe.

Aujourd'hui, dans le cadre de la chronique "NROI vous demande?" Nous allons étudier trois situations.

### Première situation.

Dan, est un nouveau tireur apprécié de tous. Durant un field course, Dan se déplace avec son doigt légèrement dans le pontet.

Comme Range-Officer vous avez remarqué l'anomalie. Que faites-vous?

### Deuxième situation.

Laura est en retard et arrive après que son squad ait reçu son "walk thru". Quand son tour

arrive, le Range-Officer omet de lui demander si elle avait bien compris le parcours et débute avec les commandements. Dans le stage une porte devait être ouverte et pour fin de sécurité les tireurs devaient l'ouvrir avec leur main forte forçant ceux-ci à ouvrir la porte avant de dégainer leur arme. Notre ami Laura n'étant pas présente lors du "walk thru", après le signal de départ elle ouvre la porte avec sa main faible, passe la porte dégaine son arme et engage les cibles. La question qui se pose, est de savoir si Laura doit recevoir une procédure pour avoir ouvert la porte de la main faible alors que la description du parcours spécifiait qu'elle devait être ouverte de la main forte. N'oubliez pas que Laura n'a pas reçu de "walk thru" et que l'officiel avait omis de lui demander si elle comprenait bien le parcours. Même si Laura a ouvert la porte de la main faible, elle n'a dégainé son arme qu'une fois la porte passée. Donc par conséquent Laura était sécuritaire et n'avait pas dérogé à la raison première pour forcer les tireurs à ouvrir la porte de la main forte. Comme Range-Officer que faite vous?

Troisième situation.

Richard tire dans la catégorie Standard, il se présente sur la ligne de feu pour entreprendre un speed shoot. Le Range-Officer ne porte pas particulièrement attention à la position de son équipement. Une fois que Richard a terminée de tiré, le Range-Officer remarque que son étui est légèrement en avant de la hanche. Celui-ci fait remarquer à Richard la position de son étui et lui indique que malheureusement il doit le faire placer dans la catégorie ouverte. Comme Range-Officer croyez vous que notre confrère a pris la bonne décision?

## Réponses;

Première situation.

Sans aucun doute notre ami Dan doit être disqualifié. Cette situation que je vous ai présenté pour débiter notre chronique peut vous sembler un peu simpliste, je vous l'accorde. La véritable raison pour l'avoir fait n'est pas vraiment de savoir si Dan devait être disqualifié mais de m'assurer que vous l'auriez disqualifié. Souvent, certains Range-Officers ont seulement tendance à avertir certains tireurs fautifs; soit parce qu'ils sont nouveaux ou parce qu'ils viennent de loin etc. Ces incidents sont retrouvés généralement lors de petites compétitions. Malheureusement en agissant ainsi ces personnes ne rendent pas service aux compétiteurs. Un jour peut être une de ces personnes se retrouvera encore plus loin dans une grosse compétition et sur son premier stage elle sera disqualifiée parce qu'elle n'a pas appris au bon moment. De plus en agissant de cette façon d'autres compétiteurs sont brimés. Un Range-Officer doit être juste mais ferme pour tous. Ses décisions ne doivent jamais tenir compte du compétiteur, de son expérience ou même de l'endroit d'où il vient. Peut importe l'importance des pénalités à donner il n'est jamais plaisant de le faire. Nous sommes tous des amis dans ce sport. Pour terminer, il m'est souvent demandé si un compétiteur qui a été disqualifié pour une faute de sécurité peut finir sa compétition sans compiler son pointage. Encore une fois, même si le tireur est nouveau ou qu'il vient de loin et même si le temps nous le permet, un compétiteur qui a été disqualifié pour faute de sécurité ne peut pas continuer de tirer. Cette journée là, il était non sécuritaire et peut importe la raison, il devra attendre un autre jour. Imaginez-vous si

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