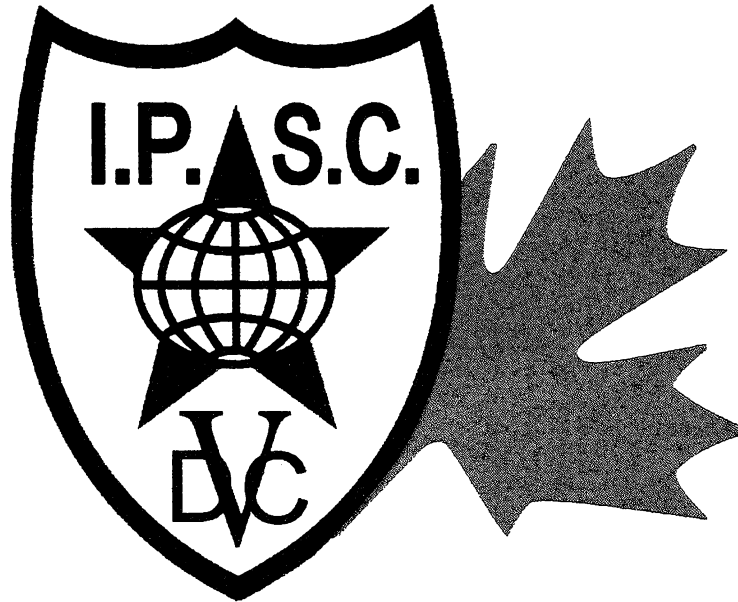


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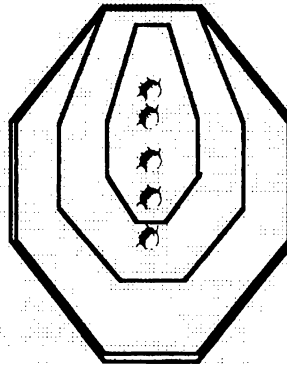
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REGIONAL DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Hi Folks.

We just had our spring National Executive Committee telephone Conference call last night. I figured it would be a great topic to talk with you about in this issue of **DILIGENTIA**.

It was a very useful meeting, and I think that we got a lot out of it. 5 or 6 months of discussion (heated and not) on the Internet really de-personalizes issues, and being able to talk one on one (or twelve on one) makes such a difference. Every section was represented, plus the President and vice president of NROI.

We started in the West with Murray and began reporting on our sections. It seems that this year is either a ("stay the same" or growth area across the country. There was good news everywhere with the exception for Saskatchewan, where they are having a really hard time with their ATTs. (even though they are growing too) Ontario offered some assistance, and it looks like we might be able to get something fixed there in the flatlands. Ontario reported on the 2000 Nationals, which will be held in Guelph, and things are looking great. BC is still the planned host of the 2001 Nationals, and they have begun to make plans.

Doug Lewis, our treasurer, then presented the budget and financials. We had a reasonable year last year, coming in under budget, but it was also noted that it was a World Shoot year, so we spent a lot. The NEC discussed team support for the Pan-

American Games and decided to keep a line item in so we can provide some support. Again, the issue of fund raising for the teams, without dipping into the members' pockets was discussed. You should be aware that the NEC is trying to do everything to support the teams, and not take the money from the membership. We discussed raffles, lotteries, bingos and the postal match, to name a few ideas.

Murray gave us a quick report on **DILIGENTIA**. Everything is good there, we are starting to pick up advertisers. (As you can see from this issue).

The president of NROI, Bud Melees reported on Rule Book 14. It seems that IPSC will probably not be printing rulebooks this year, anticipating the need for another printing after the World Assembly this fall. NROI offered to distribute rule books to all it's officials, but most of the provinces told Bud that he didn't have to, as they would take care of it themselves.

Don't forget that you can get a copy from the Internet at www.ipsc.org <<http://www.ipsc.org>>, which is also where the FAQ (Frequently asked questions) regarding the new rulebook will be located (and updated regularly) too. A level 1 seminar from IROA for the new rulebook should be available to RO instructors throughout Canada in April.

I thanked Rick Peach (SC, Saskatchewan) for his tireless efforts to Update IPSC Canada's constitution. Rick has been rounding



up past amendments and modifying the constitution accordingly. He has also been the central Source for the NEC to send in updates that need to be made, of which we will vote on this summer. Rick ended his report on the constitution by volunteering to act as the constitutional secretary, who will ensure all amendment records are kept. The NEC thanked Rick and I believe that Alberta offer to buy him a beer for that sacrifice.

I presented a version of the team agreement from New Zealand (Thanks to Marcy Bugden and Nick King for getting it.) The NEC discussed it and decided that we would implement a team agreement for our teams we send away to matches. We will have one ready for the next International match. We confirmed that the teams for the Pan Americans would be as follows: (based on their past performances in the nationals, and assuming they can all make it to the match).

Open:

Derrill Imrie, Nick King, Pat Harrison and Randy Fisher

Ladies Open:

Doni Johnston, Kerry Lathwell, Medha Russell and Linda Bolechowsky

Standard:

Wolf Hoffman, Wade Sanderson, Terry Maxwell, and Keith Lee

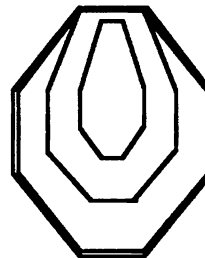
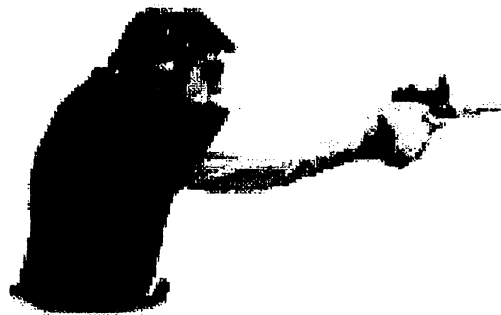
We have not heard a confirmed date for the Pan Americans, all we know as of now is that it will be held in the Dutch Antilles and will be in the fall.

As soon as I know more, I will let the teams and you know. *(Editor's Note : Recent information from Sean indicates that this match will be in the US at Barry IL concurrent with the US Open Nationals in mid-September.)*

We adjourned after two and a half an hours. It was great to talk with the NEC and it reminded me what a good team they are and why my job is so much easier. While I have your attention, I would like to thank the NEC for their efforts; they are a dedicated, tireless group.

DVC

Sean.





SECTION REPORTS



NEW BRUNSWICK

We have arrived at the next century and from where I sit it looks a lot like the one we just left.

The Winter Shooting Season has gotten off to a slower start than normal because of the access to the NBCC Dieppe College Range access. That is all behind us and Eagle Mountain Sportsman Club has become an active shooting club in SouthEast New Brunswick. The activity will be weekly alternating between Sunday's and Mondays.

The other corner of the Province the St. George Club is operating with having hosted the First Match of 2000. St. George will also host the 2000 Indoor Championship later in February and by press time the 2000 Indoor Champions will have been determined.

A lot of discussion has resulted in a 14th Edition Rule Book Workshop being held later in February. This will allow IPSC NB the ability to bring the membership up to speed as we move forward under these changes in our sport.

Recently in another country the Local Government banned IPSC Style Shooting. I am very concerned that Canada is headed in the direction. I would suggest that each and every IPSC Canadian Member join a Organization in their Province that is continuing the discussion and fight against the regulations in Bill C-68.

IPSC New Brunswick has been asked to be a member of a Firearms Advisory Committee setup by The Province of New Brunswick. This committee was setup as Provincial P.C. Party Election Promise fulfillment.

Some interesting facts are the low numbers of Firearms License applications in New Brunswick. As of the date of our last meeting (January 7, 2000) of the committee less than 4 % of the estimated 225,000 firearms owners in the Province of New Brunswick. I wonder where they plan to put all the Law Breaking personal after the January 1,2001 deadline ?

The renewals have been steady with many Shooters not yet back online. The Nationals are attracting much interest as they are within driving distance for our members. Hopefully New Brunswick will have a large attendance in Ontario the first week of August.

G.D. (Gerry) Calhoun - SC



ONTARIO

The snow has almost disappeared in most cities, but there's still the rest of March and April to come! Approximately 500 members out of 750 have renewed. About 100 CRO/ROs are included in the current membership. The Ontario Provincials are scheduled for June 30th to July 2nd in Barrie, Ontario. The Nationals are taking shape for



August 1st to 6th in Guelph, Ontario. Both are Level III matches. Over half a dozen Level II matches have also been scheduled, with more to come.

This year 2000 brings about many challenges and changes. The challenges consist of encouraging continued growth in our membership and facing the hurdles that governments (both at home and outside) throw at us. The changes come about mainly in the new 14th Edition rules and in how we find even better ways to run our organization and matches.

It was nice seeing Derrill and Bridget (all the way from BC) at a match in Longueuil, Quebec. Derrill showed us how it's done by his winning style! Bridget - as friendly and helpful as ever - is down this way while on course.

The people out at Guelph, Ontario put on an excellent Provincial's match last year. The same people are hard at work to bring us another great Canadian National's. Who knows what the 2000 Nationals have in store for us? Hope to see you all there, or sooner.

Fight the good fight, and keep those bullets flying downrange.

DVC

Medha "May" Russell, Director/IPSC Ontario.

The legal address for the Guelph Rod & Gun Club is :
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4877 Wellington Road 29
Guelph ON N1H 8H9
You may need this for any special ATT requirements.

MANITOBA



Today is Feb. 23/2000, the weather in sunny Manitoba is great, but a storm is expected for the weekend. So much for an early outdoor shooting season.

To date Manitoba has 75 members and if we stay on track as we did last year our number should reach 115-120 by summer.

A Black Badge course was scheduled in Thompson, Manitoba (the great white north) on March 17-19. The gang in Thompson are doing a great job of encouraging new shooters to try the fun of IPSC and their club is constantly growing. An RO/CRO refresher will be planned for all Manitoba officials due to the implementation of the new 14th edition rule book. A date will be finalized once the new rules are discussed with the rest of Canada and interpretations ironed out, hopefully at the NEC conference call on March 14. As a winter "in person" NEC meeting was declined by much of the country we hope the conference call will do well to answer the many questions that seem to be coming out of the new rule book.

Congratulations are in order for Manitoba Vice -President and last years co-match director for the

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Nationals, Gil Rodger of Brandon. He has, through all of his time and hard work, been awarded Level 1 Instructor status by Bud Melless of NROI. Way to go Gil. Shows what one can do if they don't mind to give of their time.

Manitoba Provincials are scheduled this year for mid August, after the Nationals. Match directors are Warren Gold and Norm Frankfurt. The match will be welcome to all those in the Winnipeg area. It will be held at the Selkirk Wildlife Range- approx. 1/2 hour north of Winnipeg, so it is nice for all Winnipeggers not to have to travel this year to compete. We have had interest from Bob and Lori Kenner from the States who may be able to come and attend and officiate, they will sure be more than welcome and hope they are able to make it.

I want to thank all of the area reps for all of their hard work. There is a lot of information in IPSC that need to be passed on the members and in many past years that job seemed to lay with only a few who did all the work. The gang we have on board now are great to get all information they are given quickly to all the members in their area and that sure eases up my workload. Great job done by Norm Frankfurt, Winnipeg, Ron Byer, Thompson, Zen Bogoslawski, Swan River/Dauphin, Les Riddell, Brandon/Virden, and Gil Rodger our Vice President and Statistician, also of Brandon.

Finally I want to congratulate some of our members for being in the top 25 shooters in Canada. In open Brad

Kirkpatrick, Brandon was number 24. In standard Nelson Doan number 15, Norm Frankfurt, number 16 and Keith Johnson, number 20, all from Winnipeg. Great shooting guys. For anyone who doesn't know, this standing is based on the last three Nationals and encourages not only excellence in the sport but the interest in competing away from home. You do Manitoba proud.

Rob Armstrong - SC

SASKATCHEWAN



Once again it is time to put pen to paper (okay fingers to keyboard) and let you know what is happening with IPSC here in the Land of Living Skies (hey, that's what is says on our license plates). Unfortunately the news this time is somewhat mixed. Some very good things are going on in the section. The flip side is that the implementation of the new ATT system here is so far proving to be a crippling handicap. Let's deal with the good stuff first.

The IPSC program remains strong and growing in Saskatchewan. We are now well into our match program with matches proving to be both a ton of fun and extremely challenging. Match attendance has increased dramatically and once again shooters are making the commitment to travel throughout the province to enjoy our sport. We are also well into completion of this year's classifiers and will have them completed earlier than we did last year. One note on



our match schedule. The schedule as published shows the May match at Saskatoon Wildlife Federation ranges. That match has been moved to the Regina Wildlife Federation. The date remains the same as published.

Our next Black Badge course is set for the end of March in Saskatoon with students coming from Regina and Hudson Bay as well as Saskatoon. There has been so much interest in this course that another will be scheduled for shortly after completion of this one. This positive growth bodes well for our future and we are certainly happy to see this renewed interest in IPSC here in the province. Yes we are alive and well and growing all the time.

The grim news comes on the legislative and regulatory front. The CFO here is implementing ATT's authorizing transport within a 300-kilometre radius of the location to which the firearm is registered. Authorizations are valid for a one-year period. When this first started we were assured that short term ATT's for matches outside that radius would be easily obtained and would never take more than three days to get. That was the official line. How is it working?

The answer, quite simply, is that it isn't. Long term applications are now taking more than three months to process. Short-term applications will not even be processed and have not

been dealt with for the last 6 weeks or more. Why? We are simply being told that the office is too backlogged with long term applications to even look at short-term authorizations.

The end result is that we have members who want to shoot but simply cannot because they cannot legally take their guns out of the house. We have no intention, however, of rolling over and playing dead on this one! If the CFO thinks he can preside over the death of competitive shooting in Saskatchewan he is in for a rude awakening. If they can break us in one province then we are all in trouble and I'll be damned if Saskatchewan will be the first gap in our defense.

As I sit writing this I am in the process of arranging a meeting with our CFO to try and resolve these problems. If he refuses to meet with me or the meeting does not resolve these issues the fight moves on to a higher level. If it can't be resolved across a desk, it will be dealt with across a courtroom. Sometimes having access to free counsel comes in handy. I will keep you advised as we work our way through this mess. You have the assurance of the entire section that we will not surrender without a fight.

Well that's all the news, both good and bad, for now. I will see you at the range.

DVC
Rick Peach - SC

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B-Zone Review:

I suspect many shooters have thought "Why doesn't someone write a novel about IPSC?" Finally, one of our own, Al Voth, has stepped forward and picked up the gauntlet. Al, an Edmonton shooter knows both the sport and it's people.

Al weaves a fascinating story of an up-and-coming IPSC shooter, a drug-dealing motorcycle gang, and a mysterious sponsor looking to find the newest IPSC hotshot. This engrossing story was tough to put down, especially for an IPSC'er like me. It's great to see skills, techniques, and equipment that I've worked with for years incorporated into a first rate story (I can also see several IPSC stages in upcoming matches coming out of this book). I will admit to being a bit disappointed that our hero uses a 45 instead of a 38-super, but I must bow to Al's superior knowledge of police and tactical weapons.

The ending tells me that a sequel is a definite possibility, and I eagerly await it's release.

Al, thanks for a great book and a fun 'read'.
Ivan Runions



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Match fee includes: Closing Ceremonies, Banquet, Match Shirt and more. My shirt size is: M L XL 2XL 3XL

Awards will be given to Classes A through D based on the National System for Open and Standard only. Note that anyone and everyone who does not have a classification in the National Database at match time will be Unclassified. Class awards will be subject to the minimum category numbers in the 14th. edition.

As always, (and for obvious reasons), we would appreciate competitors wearing appropriate clothing on the range, as well as proper attire for the Banquet and Award Ceremonies.

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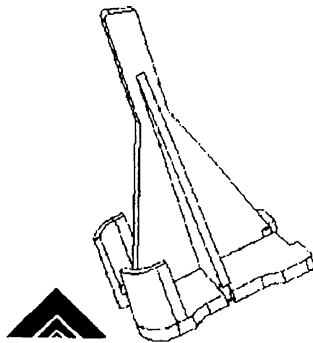
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ALBERTA

We are entering the New Year in good shape. At the time of writing we have paid our Affiliation dues and 90 memberships to IPSC Canada as well as our affiliation to USPSA.

Our match schedule is done up to the Nationals and is available on our web site. Please note our newest address:- members.home.net/ipscab

We are looking forward to a good years shooting and many of our members will be traveling to BC, Saskatchewan, Manitoba and the USA to attend matches.

We hope to be sending our Open and Standard teams to the Nationals.

Hope to see you all on a range somewhere!

DVC

Kiwi - SC



The BC Section started its competitive season last October and continued with

a double Qualifier hosted by the club on Burke Mountain. The weather was influenced by the unsolicited visit by three flat landers from MB. Instead of our usual bright sunshine and warm temperatures, these three FLs brought not just rain and hail, but also snow. Yes, I know it is hard to believe, but snow!

We treated them as best we could, kicked their butts and sent them home with some minimal trophies so they would not feel too bad. Their

revenue is as good as anyone's.

If you want this same royal treatment by IPSC BC, please be certain to let us know when you are in the area so we might have you shoot with us. Ask the FL boys, they will give us a great recommendation.

I may have embellished the former information, but you get the point.

After a long layoff, IPSC BC is getting into high gear. Our Training Course Instructors (TCI) have been very active. At the first qualifiers, we had 77 shooters with 20 of them being new graduates looking to complete their Black Badge requirements of successfully completing a qualifier. Well done to everyone and welcome to the ranks of the most enjoyable shooting sport today.

We had the opportunity to use Rulebook 14, somewhat. It changed before the match and, although the changes minimally affected the matches, the changes were done in a less than professional manner. We will follow 14 as best we can as all of us in Canada sort out the various interpretations. We are also waiting for the Division clarifications such as those in Revolver Standard that shows "Modifications allowed - Very limited." ????? That should be a piece of cake to rule on. We WILL get this sorted out.

IPSC BC members are very excited about coming to Guelph ON to compete with all our friends from around Canada. Niagara Falls is nearby and is an outstanding tourist attraction. Don't miss it!

See you at the matches.

Murray "DOC" Gardner - SC 



WORLD
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World Shoot XII, by Kerry Lathwell. This is the 6th World Shoot that I have attended. Each one is unique because it's held in a different country, and has the flavour of that country and its people. This match had really colourful stages and excellent props. Everything was painted and well built. There were giant crabs, spaceships, a ship, sharks, a beach house, a train, and many other entertaining props. There was a real see-doo floating in water that you shot from, a windsurfer, several real cars and trucks, a forklift, and even a small plane. As well, all the movers and activators were consistent.

The opening and closing ceremonies were colourful and noisy with lots of music and fanfare, and children dancing in their native costumes. There were also lots of speeches. They are big on politicians in the Philippines, which is fair enough because the politicians are big on shooting and on IPSC. There was also a huge match committee which got recognized. At both ceremonies and at the match there were professional photographers taking pictures and offering them for sale.

The course design obviously had a lot of influence from the world body, because of the proportion of speed shoots to field courses. 29 stages had from 7 to 13 rounds, and 6 stages had from 18 to 22 rounds. There were many stages with the gun starting out of the holster, sometimes loaded, sometimes unloaded, and sometimes mag in but chamber empty.

The stages were quite different from anything I've shot before. They were speed shoots with lots of movement. You often had just 1 target before moving. You needed to be good at setting up fast and then taking off. And there were bobbars in all but 4 stages, with a total of 42 bobbars in 31 stages! That's a lot different as well. We asked the match director, Chepit Dulay about the courses of fire, and he said if it was

up to him there would be more shooting from each position. So there was the world body's influence.

So the two things, low round count stages with a 3-to-1 ratio of speed shoots to field courses, and the gun starting out of the holster, seem to be the way the world body is heading and I suspect it's for Olympic sanctioning purposes. I've seen many changes in IPSC over the 20 years I've been involved, and this is just another new direction the sport is taking. As shooters we need to keep an open mind about the changes and remember that no matter what, together we will make it a fun sport.

There were 725 competitors from 50 regions competing in Open, Standard, and Modified Divisions. You can see all the results at the website <http://www.ipsc.org/wsxii.htm>. 40 Canadians competed, with 33 in Open and 7 in Standard, and their placements follow this article. Canada sent 3 teams; Open, Ladies, and Standard. Although our teams didn't place all that well, there were 4 Canadians in the top 100 in Open, and 2 of our Standard Division team placed quite well in Standard. I'd especially like to congratulate Ontario's Rob Elliott in placing 67th in Open and highest Canadian. This was his first World Shoot, and he wrote an interesting article that you can see at the IPSC Canada website,

<http://www.ptbo.igs.net/~ipscCanada/elliott.htm>

One of the funniest comments I heard was from Derrill Imrie, who said one morning "I have to get to bed earlier tonight. 10:00 is just too late." We got up at 4:30 each morning, breakfast at 5:00, in the lobby at 6:00 to be sure to catch the 6:15 bus, and started shooting at 7:15.

There were 35 stages, and everyone shot 7 stages on each of the 5 days Monday to Friday, finishing around 4:30 or 5:00 each day.



It was dark by 6:00. By the time the bus dropped us at the hotel, we usually had a quick swim, then dinner, get the stuff ready for the next day, and in bed by 8:30 or 9:00. It was pretty gruelling for 5 days in a row. Did I mention that it was hot? We figured it was in the mid-90's on the first day, and very humid. Thankfully each stage had cover so the cold country folks could keep out of the sun. We had to drink lots of water (bottled, of course). It's true that you can't drink the local water.

My husband, Gary Wright, was in the squad as Canadian Ladies' Team Manager. There were only 2 other men on the squad of 17. They were all from 6 different countries, none of whom spoke English very well. We learned 2 words of Italian; buono (good) and grazie (thank you). That was our only communication with one lady. Our team strategized about the stages, and encouraged each other. The team's performance wasn't that great, but we did enjoy shooting together. Gary was a substitute husband, coach, and even a gunsmith, trying to keep Linda Bolechowsky's gun running. At one point I actually had to stand in line to talk to him!

The only big downside was the smell on various parts of the range and the resultant unsanitary conditions. I've never used so much waterless hand cleaner in my life! After the first day we decided our running shoes were "toxic" and they weren't allowed in the hotel room. This is the first time I've washed my hands after tying my shoes. However, on the bright side Gary and I didn't get sick at all by being so careful, so it was worth it. (I heard that most of our friends didn't do so well.) The other very unusual thing about the range was the "squatters" who live all around the berms. They apparently cleared them out for the match, but often we'd see someone looking out a window and only about 20 yards

above a target. They had strict rules about muzzle direction, meaning it couldn't even point over the berm, and some of the berms were not very high.

On the good side, lunch each day was a full buffet, catered by the host hotel. I don't believe I've been at a match with restaurant-style serving dishes, real plates and silverware, and tablecloths where we ate. I don't think I've ever paid so much for a range lunch either, with a price tag of 450 pesos. How much is that? I figured around \$16. There was a huge covered area, a permanent building, for vendors and for eating.

Getting there was a test of our patience. The Customs people in Hong Kong and Cebu were very slow. They do everything by hand, meaning no computers. They were nice enough, but slow by our standards. This is an interesting point, because in North America we're used to doing everything in a hurry. In other countries, especially third world, they have a different set of standards. Special thanks to Doug Lewis for all his work in arranging permits and keeping us all informed about the paperwork and procedures.

Once we got to our hotel, Plantation Bay, everything was all right. It was actually a resort on the ocean, complete with saltwater lagoons. Our favourite hangout was the freshwater lagoon with a swim-up bar. Gary and I had a gecko in our room, which is common for a tropical climate. Of course I freaked out when I first saw it but he said it was there to eat the bugs, so that was all right.

In summary, we had a great time. The match was challenging and fun, the props were excellent, the hotel/resort that we stayed at was great, and best of all the friends we met and re-met are the glue that hold this sport together. The next World Shoot is in South Africa in 2002.



EDITORIAL

Things are starting to happen.

Matches are starting around the country. New shooters are going through the Training Course to receive their qualification to wear a Black Badge. Rulebook 14 has landed and the scramble to sort out its contents are hitting the ranges. RO courses are filling up with new RO candidates as well as the "Old Hands" who want to try and figure out 14. The teams for the Nationals are being prepared and the venue for various Sectional and our 23rd Regional championships are getting into high gear. It is all pretty exciting stuff.

What are you doing to get ready?

Have you had your gunsmith check out your pistol to make certain it is functional? (It is always SAFE, but sometime it is not always functional.) I found my frame was cracked on both sides. It came back repaired and ready to blast.

What is your inventory of reloading supplies? President Clinton and her husband Bill have decided that they want to save the world starting with Canada by causing delays on products that have freely crossed the border for centuries without any problems. You had best get a stock of reloading supplies. Remember, by January 01.2001, you are going to HAVE to have a firearms licence of some kind to obtain ammunition or possess a firearm. Don't miss that boat.

Finally, get ready for the Regional championship in Guelph ON. The gang back there are busting their hump to show IPSC Canada a great time. If you have never participated in our Regional Championship, make this year your first year. If you do go as a first timer, look me up and say "Hi". I want to shake your hand and thank you for making our shooting sport stronger and stronger every year.

Murray "DOC" Gardner - Editor



**WOLF HOFMANN
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IPSC Canada
02/25/00Balance Sheet
As of December 31, 1999

Dec 31, 1999

ASSETS

Current Assets

Chequing/Savings

Bank	25,110.54
Total Chequing/Savings	25,110.54

Other Current Assets

IPSC Prepaid Affiliation	900.00
Total Other Current Assets	900.00

Total Current Assets 26,010.54

TOTAL ASSETS 26,010.54

LIABILITIES & EQUITY

Liabilities

Current Liabilities

Accounts Payable	
Accounts Payable	853.07
Total Accounts Payable	853.07

Total Current Liabilities 853.07

Total Liabilities 853.07

Equity

Retained Earnings	30,795.46
Net Income	-5,637.99
Total Equity	25,157.47

TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY 26,010.54

If you have any brilliant ideas on how IPSC Canada can increase its income, then be certain to communicate that to our Treasurer. We have teams, and more on the way with Rulebook 14, that need funding. Your ideas and help will be greatly appreciated.
- Editor

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The DILIGENTIA deadlines are :
Volume 11 No. 3 July 2000
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 Deadline for submissions : February 28.2000



SPARE ROUNDS

(Editor's Note : The following article was written by Bob Kierstad, who was the Olympic Handgun Coach for the Shooting Federation of Canada.)

During the past Fall Season I decided to walk a mile in somebody else shoes, I decided to try the IPSC experience. Over the past number of years as we have been working diligently against the oppressive federal government legislative agenda to outlaw what we do, I have worked collegially with shooters from all disciplines. Typically, there has been very limited interaction between ISSF Olympic style shooters and IPSC style. I decided it was time to bridge the gap and try the IPSC experience first hand as a competitor.

I must say, I'm impressed with the attention to safety by the IPSC organization. They require everyone to complete a course of technical instruction, with written examinations, and the achievement of a shooting performance standard on the range, prior to being permitted to compete in IPSC competitions. The shooting standard that I was required to meet was challenging to say the least. I never would have thought I could have fired that many shots that fast and met the score standard. As part of the certification everyone is required to compete in an IPSC sanctioned competition. The competition that fit my schedule happened to be the provincial championship, so the championship it was.

The bottom line is that I successfully completed the competition without getting disqualified, and disqualification is a common occurrence in IPSC competitions. I received my Black Badge certification, and I had a most enjoyable shooting experience. The one part of the competition that gave away my long ISSF involvement occurred when my gun misfired on one stage. With our ISSF program when we have a malfunction, we hold up our non shooting hand and stop right? Well in IPSC you clear and continue on your own, and the clock keeps ticking. I knew this of course from the IPSC training course, however, the effects of training take over when they are well established don't they, and that's just what happened. I stopped and held up my non shooting hand, much to the amusement of all the competitors. I had actually been doing pretty well up to that point, but time sure drops your score in IPSC. I guess that's how we get

experience isn't it. I am looking forward to participating in IPSC competitions this year and in the future.

New Range Master

NROI Canada is pleased to announce the promotion of Pierre Caron to the rank of Range Master.



Pierre, a Quebec City native, began his handgun career in 1979. His first competitive appearance was in a 1988 PPC match where he took the top Civilian prize. It was this same year that Maurice Bellemare and Mario Di Paolo introduced Pierre to IPSC.

A frequent competitor, it did not take long before Maurice and Jacques Beaudoin gave Pierre his Level I RO course. Working from 1989 to 1992 as an RO brought Pierre to his CRO course instructed by Maurice and Lorne Rowe.

In 1994 Pierre obtained his certification as a Black badge Instructor. He has trained many of Quebec's shooters, including the Quebec Provincial Police team that took third place at the 1997 World Police and Fire Games in Alberta.

Pierre officiated at the Canadian National Championships in 1994, 1996 and 1998. He has worked on every Quebec provincial Championships in 1989. Pierre is presently Vice-President of the Quebec Practical Shooting Association.

Please join me in welcoming Pierre to his new rank, a rank he has earned over the course of the last decade.

Jim Forbes
VP- NROI Canada



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RECERTIFICATION

It looks like it's going to be a very interesting year. A drastically new set of rules has created a great deal of discussion on how things are done at a match, and no one will be more challenged than our range officials.

As you probably know by now (if you're a current NROI range official), you must complete a re-certification exam to remain current, and by the looks of the pile of exams already waiting to be marked, it wasn't too difficult an exam. Maybe we should have made the passing mark 95% instead of 80%. Anyway, good luck to everyone on the exam and I hope you all enjoy the exercise.

like to correct that. If you are a current Range Official who never got the your RO "package", please contact NROI (see Page 1). We will check our records, and if you are indeed a current NROI Range Official, we will forward the items to you A.S.A.P. Just let us know what it is you're missing.

Also, if you sent in your RO point card for the 1999 year, or if your Section sent us the information and you still haven't received your re-certification exam, please let us know so that we can send it out.

I think that's about it for now, but I would like to thank you all for your continued support. It's fabulous that so many of you spend so much of your time on ranges in order that our matches run safely. There's no question that the competitors appreciate it.

PINS, CRESTS ETC.

Once again it has come to the attention of NROI that there are some of you that have never received your RO pin, CRO pin, Certificate or crests. If possible, I'd

Best regards

Bud Melless - President
National Range Officers Institute of
Canada



Rulebook 14 - 2.1.3 - 10 metres minimum to steel



NOTICE OF ELECTION & NOMINATION FORM

On June 30, 2000, IPSC Canada will elect a Regional Director for the next two-year term. This is a call for nominations to that position, for the consideration and voting by the Board of Directors of IPSC Canada. (The NEC)

You must be a current member of IPSC Canada, and you must have five (5) current members in good standing sign this form.

We, the undersigned, **Nominate**

_____ (Print Name)

_____ (Sign and Print Name #1)

_____ (Sign and Print Name #2)

_____ (Sign and Print Name #3)

_____ (Sign and Print Name #4)

_____ (Sign and Print Name #5)

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