



MACKAY BRANCH (INC.) Q17

Amenity Membership

Membership will not proceed unless ALL documentation and the prescribed fee is included with the application.

Refer booklet for details / samples.

CHECKLIST

<i>Completed Membership/Amenity Application</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>SSAA National Membership</i> (photocopy)	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Firearms Licence/s</i> (photocopy) <u>OR</u>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Statement of Eligibility Certificate</i> (if applicable)	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Two Character References</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Declaration</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Required Fee</i> (Refer application form)	<input type="checkbox"/>

Updated: April 21, 2012

'promoting shooting sports'

**Sporting Shooters' Association of Australia
Mackay Branch Inc. Q17**

P O Box 6155 Mackay Mail Centre Qld 4741 'George Range' Ph 07 49591099

Application Procedure

SSAA Mackay Branch Inc. requires ALL new members including 'minors' supply the following information.

Sports and Target Shooters Eligibility and membership of approved pistol clubs

As at 1 July 2003 a person cannot apply for membership of an approved pistol club (which includes SSAA Mackay Inc.) unless the person **submits with their application for club membership the following information:**

98B Membership of approved pistol clubs (Weapons Act 1990 Reprint 61 effective 2 April 2012)

(1) It is a condition of an approved pistol club's shooting club permit that the club must not accept a person for membership of the club unless the person submits with the person's application for membership—

- a) if the person is not a licensee, a current statement in the approved form ('Application for statement of eligibility to join an approved pistol shooting club') signed by an authorised officer that the person is a fit and proper person to hold a licence; and
- b) 2 character references from persons the person has known for at least 2 years; and
- c) a declaration that the person is a current member of other named approved shooting clubs or that the person is not a current member of any other approved shooting club.

(2) A statement mentioned in subsection (1) (a) is current for 3 months after the day it is signed by the authorised officer.

(NOTE: It is a requirement and the responsibility of the licensee to inform Weapons Licensing Branch of any change in details re. club membership.)

- 1. You must join the SSAA national organization before joining the Mackay Branch. SSAA Mackay Branch number is Q17.**
- 2. Once 'eligibility' has been received, if possible attend a General Monthly Meeting held on the second Wednesday of each month at the Mackay Gem and Craft Club House located off Casey Avenue on the road to the old Mackay airport. Meetings start at 7:30 pm. Membership processing commences at approximately 7:10pm. *Bring all of the above-mentioned documents and completed application form to the meeting and pay the required fees.*
If you cannot make the meeting contact the Secretary – Mobile 0401 308 499**

If unlicensed, within six months of the membership approval, you are required to contact the 'Safety Course Instructor' and complete a basic safety course. (*Secretary – Mobile 0401 308 499*)

3. "Concealable Firearms Licence"

Generally after a person has been a member of an approved shooting club and participated in a minimum of 3 handgun shooting competitions in the 6 month period; and completed a course in safety training for category H weapons, they are eligible to make application for a concealable firearms licence. To retain a Cat H licence, participation at competitions is mandatory. The club is required to annually forward a list of all pistol licence holders and their record of participation or lack of to the Weapons Licensing Branch.

Refer to the Weapon's Licensing Branch website for specific requirements and the relevant forms.

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General Information

'George Range'

The SSAA Mackay Branch range is an **amenity members only** facility. Range Fees apply to adults who are not SSAA Mackay Amenity members. If shooting, at least two persons must be in attendance at any given time (Refer Standing Orders for specific details).

Visitors are most welcome if accompanied by a member as well as on competition days. The range is located at Brightley via Eton. The range land is leased and a fauna sanctuary. All members and visitors will display appropriate respect to the range and adjoining land.

The range is open every weekend and most weekdays. Use of the range is dependant upon timetabled competitions. At present the range is closed every Monday and Tuesday.

The caretaker in residence may require sighting your firearms licence and club membership amenity card.

Disciplines (Shoots)

SSAA Mackay endeavours to provide a diverse selection of shooting sports. New members are encouraged to try out many of the disciplines. This way you gain an appreciation of that shooting sport and are able to better choose the one/s that interests you the most. Many members compete successfully in a number of disciplines.

Disciplines include:

Air Rifle	ICORE	Service Pistol PPC
Benchrest: Rimfire & Centrefire	Lever Action	Shotgun
Big Game Rifle	Muzzle Loading	Silhouette Rifle & Silhouette Pistol
Combined Services Rifle & Pistol	NRA Action	Single Action
Field Rifle	Practical Pistol / IPSC	

For further information contact the relevant Discipline Capt. (refer calendar)

Juniors (Minors)

Juniors are most welcomed and encouraged to participate and enjoy the variety of shooting sports. Juniors of any age may join however, the 'Weapons Act' states that a minor must be at least 11 years of age to physically possess and use a firearm.

To assist applicants with legislative requirements the following samples may be of use:

Character Reference

Secretary
SSAA Mackay Branch Inc.
PO Box 6155
Mackay Mail Centre Qld 4741

29 November 2005

Mickey Mouse
66 Dewey Lane
Disneyland Qld 4000

Re: Character Reference: Mr. Donald Duck

I have known Mr Donald Duck both professionally and socially for the past 23 years and during that time I have known him to be an honest and trustworthy duck. He has been involved in community related endeavours (ie Rotary and School Council) for the past 4 years as well as being a member of the Animated Fishing Club, in which he holds the position of trip organizer.

I expect Donald would make be a valuable addition to any club / organization.

Your Sincerely

Mickey Mouse.
(Manager – 'Big Ear Productions')

Declaration (MUST state 'hereby declare')

Secretary
SSAA Mackay Branch Inc.
PO Box 6155
Mackay Mail Centre Qld 4741

29 November 2005
Donald Duck
99 Louie Avenue
Mackay Qld 4740

Re: Approved Shooting Club Declaration

I, Mr Donald Duck hereby declare that I am not a member of any Approved shooting / gun club.

Or

I, Mr Donald Duck hereby declare that I am a financial member of the Mackay Pistol Club. Please find attached a copy of my current membership / amenity card.

Yours Faithfully

Donald Duck.

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'George Range' Ph 07 49591099

RANGE SAFETY RULES

To be obeyed at all times by persons at the Range

- ❖ **Enclosed footwear only** - No thongs, sandals or bare feet permitted whilst at the firing line.
- ❖ Camouflage gear is not appropriate range clothing. Serving Military personnel exempt.
- ❖ Persons intending to shoot must sign the **RANGE REGISTER/S** and have it endorsed by the Range Officer before any shooting takes place. Visitors are requested to sign the Visitors Register.
- ❖ The Range Officer is responsible for ensuring the **RED FLAG** is raised.
- ❖ **During practice shoots**, one licensed person shall be selected as Range Officer so that he/she will be responsible for the conduct of the practice as well as endorsing the Range Register/s.
- ❖ Any command given by the Range Officer will be obeyed.
- ❖ All shooters on the range will be under the control of the CHIEF Range Officer at all times.
- ❖ All firearms will have the actions open and be boxed/racked or holstered at all times, unless you are on the firing line and have been given the command "LOAD".
- ❖ No one will remove a firearm from the firing line until his/her firearm has been cleared and approved by the Range Officer
- ❖ No one will move forward of the firing line, until the Range Officer has closed the range and given permission to go forward.
- ❖ While the range is closed and people are forward of the firing line, firearms must not be handled in any way unless in the 'Safe / Fumble Zone'. No ammunition permitted in the Fumble Zone.
- ❖ Brass may be picked up only after firearms have been racked or holstered and the RO has declared the range safe.
- ❖ Ear and eye protection is **strongly** recommended on or near the firing line. Including spectators/visitors
- ❖ Shooters are to supply their own targets for practice shoots, and take them with you when you leave.
- ❖ Targets must be arranged so that all fall of shot is within the boundary fences.
- ❖ Only approved matches and practice associated with such matches are to be conducted.
- ❖ If any livestock or wildlife are in the firing line, or susceptible to ricochets, DO NOT shoot until animals are cleared.
- ❖ Rubbish encourages vermin, please take all rubbish with you when you leave and leave the range tidy and free of litter for other shooters.

A First Aid Kit and Emergency Phone are available on the front wall of clubhouse.

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NEW AMENITY MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

**NOTE: All members must remain SSAA National Members
Legislative requirements must accompany this application, see attached notes.**

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY IN BLOCK LETTERS.

SSAA Membership No:	Expiry Date:	Occupation:
Given Names:		Surname:
Residential Address		Postcode
Postal Address:		Postcode:
Email Address:		Phone Number:
Shooters Licence No:	Pistol Licence No:	DOB

JUNIOR MEMBERS. Are to be between the ages of 11 and 18 years.

Parent or Guardians Signature: Date: / /

PLEASE CIRCLE MEMBERSHIP TYPE REQUIRED – (Financial Year)

Adult 18yrs and older	Spouse Partner of Adult	Junior 11yrs and under 18yrs	Pensioner
\$120.00 +\$100JoiningFee	\$55.00 +\$50.00JoiningFee	\$30.00 (no joining fee)	\$65.00 +\$50JoiningFee
Half year fees – as of December General meeting			
\$60.00 + Joining Fee	\$27.50+ Joining Fee	\$15.00	\$32.50 + Joining Fee

STATEMENT

I hereby declare the above information to be true and correct and agree to remain a financial member of SSAA Australia Inc. for the duration of this membership. I also declare I have read and agree to abide by the Branch Standing Orders of the SSAA Mackay Branch Inc.

Applicant's Signature **Date** / /

OFFICE USE ONLY (Check ✓ and record)	Receipt No:	Date:
Completed Documentation attached <input type="checkbox"/>	Database Updated <input type="checkbox"/>	Amenity Card Issued <input type="checkbox"/>