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MY THANKS TO EVERYONE

As the 1992 shooting season really starts to get rolling, and we look forward to the most ambitious schedule ever seen in Canada, it's time to take a moment to thank all those people whose efforts help make IPSC Canada the dynamic organization that it is today:

Our members, for their commitment to shooting and organizing some of the best matches in our Confederation

Our Officials, without whose dedication none of these matches would happen.

Our Instructors, who keep giving us the infusion of new blood so necessary to our growth.

Our Section Coordinators and their Board of Directors, who know, perhaps better than anyone else, the amount of work necessary to keep an organization as big as IPSC Canada running as smoothly as it does.

You all have the right to be proud of your contributions - contributions that have made IPSC Canada one of the acknowledged leaders of our Confederation. By never losing sight of our Principles, and by making sure that these Principles influence every decision that we make, and govern every course of fire that we design, IPSC will be guaranteed a very strong future in Canada.

BRITISH COLUMBIA IS BACK!

The return in force of our friends from British Columbia is definitely one of the highlights of 1992. The "Westcoasters" have always been fierce competitors, and I'm sure they have every intention of regaining past glories. We welcome them back, and look forward to their presence enhancing our matches all across the country.

REGIONAL RAMBLINGS

1992 IPSC NORTH AMERICAN CHAMPIONSHIP/CANADIAN NATIONALS

August 16-22 will see the Sharon Gun Club in Toronto hosting the premiere IPSC match of 1992. Destined to be the biggest competition on the IPSC circuit this year, the North American Championship/Canadian Nationals will have 300 competitors shooting it out for the first-ever North American titles. Combining all the excitement of our own National Championships with the strongest International field ever seen in Canada, this is definitely the IPSC match of 1992.

Full particulars on how to enter are elsewhere in this issue, as are details of how you can join the top-notch crew of Officials that will make it all come together. Remember, though, that your application to enter must be signed off by your Section Coordinator, and that entries received after May 15 have a much lower chance of being accepted.

CHANGES IN THE NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

Dave Young has recently been elected Section Coordinator in Quebec. Dave is a professional firearms Instructor and Writer, and will bring much experience in all shooting disciplines to the NEC.

Having relinquished the Quebec Section Coordinator's position, **Jacques Beaudoin** has taken over the Presidency of the National Range Officers Institute. A Range Master and International Range Officer, Jacques has always worked hard to develop our corps of Officials in Quebec.

I would like to extend a warm welcome to each of these gentlemen in their new positions, and thank them for their commitment to the development of IPSC in Canada.

PROPOSED DEFINITION OF "STANDARD CLASS"

As mentioned in the last issue of *DILIGENTIA*, the 1992 World Assembly will be establishing the guidelines for a "standard class" within our Confederation. This new class is going to be actively promoted and fully recognized, and I expect that it will attract far more interest than it has up until now.

In this issue you will find full details of the parameters for "standard class" as recommended by the International Range Officers Association. Your opinions and comments on these recommendations are encouraged, and will be considered in arriving at the official IPSC Canada position when the vote comes up this Fall.

Look forward to Edition V of the Great Canadian Postal Match coming up in our next issue!

DVC,

F.W.Lorne Rowe
Regional Director - IPSC Canada

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SPRINGFIELD ARMORY 1992 CANADIAN NATIONALS

IPSC Canada, American Handgunner magazine, and Springfield Armory are proud to host the 1992 IPSC North American Championship and Canadian Nationals, the first Level IV IPSC match in North America.

The dates are August 16-22, and the location is the Sharon Gun Club just outside Toronto. The match will see 300 competitors each shoot 300 rounds over 30 stages, with the title of "IPSC North American Champion" going to the winner. We will also crown the IPSC North American Ladies Champion, Stock Gun Champion and Champion Team as part of our program. The Canadian Nationals will determine this year's Canadian Champion, Canadian Ladies Champion and Top Canadian Team. Brad Hertz is ready to vigorously defend his title, and it is rumoured that Team Saskatchewan is having a permanent display case built for the Team Trophy in Regina.

Here's what you can look forward to:

- **Thirty terrific stages**, designed to test all aspects of your proficiency as a shooter and gun-handler while keeping the emphasis on fun. Don't look for standard exercises because there aren't going to be any.
- **A first-rate shooting facility**, with excellent ranges, great food and a spectacular view.
- **A crew of the best Officials in our Confederation**, assembled by the International Range Officers Association and the National Range Officers Institute (Canada) to guarantee you an efficient and hassle-free match.
- **Scoring and statistics under the direction of Ian Fachie himself**. Frequent posting of accurate results will let you know exactly where you stand as the week progresses.
- **A shooting schedule that will keep you busy but not rushed**, and allow plenty of time to enjoy the attractions of the Toronto area.
- **Match coverage the way only American Handgunner knows how to provide it**. Here's your chance to be featured in some of those great Nyle Leatham photos.
- **An extensive display area for our sponsors** to show you all the latest developments in the IPSC field.

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- **Three exciting shootoffs to wrap up the week.** The top 8 ladies, top 8 stock gun shooters and the top 16 overall finishers will all go through single-run, double-elimination contests in their quests for the shootoff trophies.
- **A prize table loaded with guns,** from "full race" to "box stock". Prizes for everyone, right down to the final finisher.

There you have it! Definitely the premiere match of the 1992 IPSC circuit, so plan to make it the high point of your own shooting season.

And there's no reason to leave the non-shooters at home. Make it a family vacation and enjoy the hospitality of Toronto - everything from the Blue Jays to the Toronto Symphony; world-class theatre to Canada's Wonderland. Whatever you like to do, it's available in Toronto, and we'll have people here to help you with your off-range plans.

We in the Match Committee have tried to make everything as easy as possible for you. This issue of DILIGENTIA contains everything you need to enter the match and arrange your accommodation. If there is anything else you need, your Section Coordinator should be able to supply the answers.

Two final points to remember:

1. **Your application must be approved by your Section Coordinator before we can accept it.** Please make the necessary arrangements directly with him. If he would prefer to fax his approval, rather than have the application form sent back and forth for signature, that's fine with us.
2. **Everything in this package can be photocopied for use by other interested shooters.**

We look forward to having you be part of the American Handgunner 1992 IPSC North American Championship and the Springfield Armory 1992 Canadian Nationals. It will be an experience that you don't want to miss.

See you in August!

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"Stock Gun" Definition

The 1992 IPSC North American Championship and Canadian Nationals are committed to the principle of fully recognizing "stock gun" competitors. This recognition will include:

1. **Separate set of "stock gun" results, as well as incorporation of "stock gun" competitors into the overall Match results**
2. **A shootoff among the top eight "stock gun" finishers**
3. **Crowning of the North American and Canadian Stock Gun Champions**

The 1992 World Assembly of the International Practical Shooting Confederation, to be convened in Spain in September, will be setting a formal definition of what will constitute a "stock gun" within our Confederation. With this in mind, we have not set up an elaborate definition of "stock gun" for this Match, when it could be substantially changed a month later.

A competitor will be entitled to compete in the "stock gun" class in these Championships provided **all** of the following conditions are met throughout the match:

1. **The firearm used is a production gun, and**
2. **It has no compensator or ported barrel, and**
3. **It has neither optical nor electrical sights, and**
4. **No holster or allied equipment, nor any portion of the firearm, extends forward of the competitor's hip bones.**

Simple to comply with: A production gun, with iron sights and nothing to reduce muzzle flip, worn behind the hip.

Simple to monitor: Compliance will be evident from external observation, with no need to disassemble your gun.

Go for it, and let's see who the best "stock gun" shooters in North America and in Canada are. The titles of "North American Stock Gun Champion" and "Canadian Stock Gun Champion" await the winners!

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Welcome to our Host Hotel!

The host hotel for the 1992 IPSC North American Championship and Canadian Nationals will be the **Sheraton Parkway Toronto North**.

The **Sheraton Parkway** is truly a first-class facility! With indoor and outdoor pools, a complete health club, and numerous dining and entertainment spots, it will provide you with every comfort during your stay in Toronto. We have arranged with the hotel that complete breakfast service will be available for us from 6:00 each morning, so there will be no need to run off to the range on just coffee and a muffin. Our special rate for the North American Championship and Canadian Nationals is just \$94.00 per night - \$20.00 off the corporate rate and with no extra charge for double occupancy.

Situated at the junction of Highways 7 and 404, the **Sheraton Parkway Toronto North** is ideally located for whatever you want to do. Just half an hour from the range, and the same from downtown Toronto, it has an adjoining 40-store mall and many adjacent restaurants and theatres.

The site of the registration booth, the Annual General Meeting of IPSC Canada, the competitors' briefing and opening social, and the final awards banquet, the **Sheraton Parkway** will definitely be the heart of the action. Results will be posted here each night, along with any important notices concerning the conduct of the match. The shuttle bus to and from the range will operate only from this hotel.

Enclosed is a brochure describing the hotel, and a welcome letter outlining the registration process. We have only blocked a limited number of rooms, so please register early to avoid disappointment. We look forward to seeing you at the **Sheraton Parkway Toronto North**, and having you involved in all the off-range activities that will be part of the 1992 IPSC North American Championship and Canadian Nationals.

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March 5, 1992

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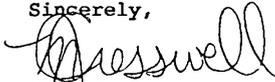
For your convenience we ask that you follow these steps when making your reservations with us:

- 1) Contact our property directly at 1-416-882-3108 and ask for the Reservation Department.
- 2) A special rate of \$ 94.00 Single or Double, \$109.00 Triple and \$124.00 Quad and \$114.00 per corporate suite has been established for your group. Therefore you must remember to state that you are with the "IPSC" International Practical Shooting Confederation (maximum number of persons per room is four).
- 3) Rooms will be held until 6:00 p.m. unless guaranteed for late arrival by a credit card or one night's deposit. If a guest does not guarantee their room and they do not arrive before 6:00 p.m. the hotel cannot guarantee their accommodation.
- 4) Please be advised that our check-in time is 3:00 p.m. and our check-out time is 12:00 noon. If you check-out after 12:00 noon on any given day, a day rate of \$ 60.00 will be charged to your account.
- 5) The hotel has agreed to hold a block of rooms under your group name until August 3, 1992 at which time unsold rooms will be released.

I believe this covers all details discussed to date, if you have any questions, or require any further information, please feel free to call me.

We are looking forward to welcoming your group to the Sheraton Parkway Toronto North Hotel, Suites & Convention Centre.

Sincerely,



Mary Jo Cresswell
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We're looking for a few good men (and women)!

A number of slots to this match have been reserved for NROI-certified Officials who wish to work the first Level IV contest ever held in North America.

The following guidelines will apply:

1. **Officials chosen will be entitled to shoot the match for score and standing.** It is expected that you will work and shoot on alternate days, with a maximum of one day of combined working and shooting. We are trying to arrange the squadding schedule so you'll never have to work and shoot on the same day, but that just may not be possible.
2. **You will be required to pay the full match fee to compete.** Official shirts will be supplied, and all food and refreshment on the range will be looked after.
3. **The International Range Officers Association will be supplying the Range Master and Chief Range Officers for this competition.** This will take some of the load off our Canadian Officials and allow more of them to compete. IROA Officials will not be shooting the match.

If you are interested in helping to staff the 1992 North American Championship and Canadian Nationals, please drop Lorne Rowe a request, along with an outline of your recent experience. We will make our selection and advise all applicants by the end of May.

Not only will working this competition give you four match points toward your 1992 NROI activity requirement, but it will give you probably the best officiating experience that you'll ever get. For those of you considering applying for membership in the International Range Officers Association, this match will give you some exposure to IROA personnel and a great opportunity to demonstrate just how capable you are.

Come and be part of making it happen!

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Sunday, August 16

Noon - 4:00 PM	Ranges open for inspection (Sharon Gun Club)
Noon - 7:30 PM	Competitor Registration (Sheraton Parkway Toronto North)
6:00 PM	Annual General Meeting - IPSC Canada (Sheraton Parkway Toronto North)
7:30 PM	Competitors' Briefing (Sheraton Parkway Toronto North)
8:30 PM	Opening Social (Sheraton Parkway Toronto North)

Monday, August 17 - Friday, August 21

Competition in progress with shooting to commence at 8:00 AM each day

At registration, each competitor will receive full details of his/her personal shooting schedule

Saturday, August 22

10:30 AM	Shootoff - Top 8 Ladies
Noon	Shootoff - Top 8 Stock Gun
1:30 PM	Shootoff - Top 16
6:00 PM	Cocktails (Sheraton Parkway Toronto North)
7:00 PM	Awards banquet & presentation of prizes (Sheraton Parkway Toronto North)

As other events or outside activities are planned, they will be announced on the standings board at both the range and the host hotel. Keep checking in case something comes along that you don't want to miss!

ALBERTA

Our 1991-1992 season has proven to be simply outstanding!

From the Nationals in August, through the six 1992 season qualifiers to date, each match has been a bigger success, and we attribute this improvement to two things:

1. Since the 1992 season began in September, we have focused our efforts on providing higher quality matches. These efforts range from more elaborate range props to very imaginative stage designs. Aside from making the match visually exciting, these new stage designs require the competitor to bring his brain along. A new concept!
2. Our newly-formed "stock" or "tactical" class has been extremely popular. Basically following the "stock" rules developed by USPSA, with the exception of the weight restrictions and specific loads, this class is run as a match within a match at all our sanctioned qualifiers. As well as being incorporated into the regular match results, a separate ranking of the "stock" shooters is produced, in which all competitors scores are expressed as a percentage of the top "stock" competitor's score.

Membership in IPSC Alberta has increased over 40% since last season, with 146 members registered to date. We have also seen a significant increase in average match turnout.

We believe that this surge in interest in IPSC in Alberta is a direct result of better qualifiers, introduction of "stock" class, and the enthusiasm generated by the 1991 Nationals in Edmonton.

This summer will also see us experimenting with rifle and shotgun side events at many of our outdoor qualifiers.

By giving both new shooters and seasoned competitors exciting matches and lots of choice, we are looking for even greater growth in the future.

All of the members of IPSC Alberta would like to extend a hearty **"Welcome Back"** to our friends from British Columbia, and we look forward to a return of those old inter-provincial rivalries.

DVC,

Bryan Hodges
Section Coordinator - IPSC Alberta

BRITISH COLUMBIA

The members of the British Columbia Practical Shooting Association have voted to continue their affiliation with IPSC Canada. We are back to renew old acquaintances and pursue old rivalries. In 1991, membership in IPSC Canada was optional for British Columbia shooters, but all our members will join in 1992 and our membership of 400+ should make us the second largest Section in the country. With all the black badge courses scheduled for this summer, our membership could well reach 500 before the end of the year. We have a full schedule of 10 sanctioned matches, and our Provincials are slated for the sunny Okanagan on July 18 and 19.

I would like to extend congratulations to the 1991 National Match Committee, and in particular to Ted Pritchett and Bryan Hodges, for the best Nationals ever. Congratulations also to our new Canadian Champion, Brad Hertz, and to the Saskatchewan Provincial Team for winning the Team Trophy. Good Shooting, Fellas!

But here's a tip for the Saskatchewan Team: If you want to keep that Team Trophy after August 22, you had better leave it in Regina, 'cause **WE'RE BACK!**

Look forward to seeing lots of you in Ontario this summer.

Randy Fisher
Section Coordinator - IPSC BC

MANITOBA

As I reflect back on the past shooting season, I remember all the great matches, all the good times and, in particular, all the good friends.

The Manitoba Section lost two very good friends recently, as **Derek Popowich** and **George Krohn** both lost their battles with cancer.

Derek was known to many IPSC shooters across Canada. He had shot most of the Provincial and National matches, and even some International competitions as well. His stature as a fierce competitor was known to many, but his dedication to the sport and its members only to a few. As one of the founders of IPSC in Manitoba, he gave up countless hours to teach black badge courses, and even more time coaching shooters on a one-to-one basis. It didn't matter to Derek what class of shooter you were - if you asked for help, you got it. As Dave Brown put it so well, "Remember Derek as being the embodiment of the spirit of IPSC - sportsmanship and friendly competition. He continually set a high standard of conduct for all of us to strive for."

George Krohn was a true gentleman. He lived in the Swan River area of Manitoba, and was known to most of the shooters in Manitoba and Saskatchewan. A few years back, if there was a shoot, George was there as a competitor. More recently, if there was a match in Dauphin or Swan River, you were sure to see George watching and coaching from the confines of his wheelchair. Many of us remember him presenting the Top Manitoban award at the 1991 Provincials to his best friend, Zen Bogoslawski.

The loss of these two men has pointed out to me why I love this sport. It's not the hardware, it's not the adrenalin, it's not the competition...it's the people! With one or two exceptions, I haven't met anyone in this sport whose friendship I don't treasure. They are like family to me, and today, there are two empty places at the IPSC table in Manitoba.

George Krohn 1947 - 1991

Derek Popowich 1959 - 1991

For IPSC Manitoba,

Bryan de Wet,
Section Coordinator

NEW BRUNSWICK

IPSC New Brunswick would like to wish all members of IPSC Canada a Happy New Year, and welcome all of you to take part in our active shooting season for 1992.

IPSC is strong and growing in New Brunswick! Along with our extensive match schedule, we held a Range Officer course last November and will be hosting an advanced competition course this summer. A second Range Officer course will likely be held in the Fall to expand our body of certified Officials, and a number of New Brunswick Range Officers have already applied to work at the 1992 North American Championship to gain some top-level experience. IPSC New Brunswick has already pledged whatever help it can offer to make this first IPSC North American Championship a tremendous success.

To strengthen the administrative organization necessary to support our competition program, IPSC New Brunswick will be holding a General Meeting in March (specific date to be advised) to deal with the behind-the-scenes aspects of our sport. Among the topics to be discussed will be the proposed Constitution and the incorporation of IPSC New Brunswick as a non-profit organization in this Province. The more members that participate in this meeting, the stronger our sport will be, and I encourage all of you to attend.

Please do not hesitate to contact me at any time for up-to-date information on IPSC matches in New Brunswick.

DVC,

Rick Lavoie
Section Coordinator - IPSC New Brunswick

NOVA SCOTIA

The Nova Scotia Section will again be running a strong shooting season in 1992, and we extend our usual welcome to all members of IPSC Canada to join us for some great competition and down-East hospitality. Our matches are spread throughout the Province and, now that we have members from Cape Breton Island, we are all looking forward to our first match in that area.

The Atlantic Marksmen Association of Dartmouth is well along in the negotiations for land for a new outdoor range. If all goes as planned, we hope to have approximately six more pistol ranges by late this year, and would like to host a steel match by season's end.

IPSC Nova Scotia would like to extend a special invitation to our out-of-Province friends to our two major matches in 1992:

The Nova Scotia Provincial Championship will be held on June 20 and 21 in Oxford. This is a two-day match requiring some 150 rounds, and offers an excellent prize table. For further details, please contact Richard Turner at 33 Covington Way, Halifax, B3M 3H1. Telephone number is (902) 443-2556.

The Yarmouth Open will take place in Yarmouth on July 4 and 5. This match has a well-deserved reputation for its hospitality and the events put on for the shooters, and details are available from Tom Demille, RR#4, Box 5365, Yarmouth, B5A 4A8. Tom can be reached by phone at (902) 742-6076.

DVC,

Richard Turner
Section Coordinator - IPSC Nova Scotia

NORTHWEST TERRITORIES

An IPSC match outdoors, at night, in temperatures of -40?

While not our usual match conditions, this is an indication of how dedicated Northwest Territories shooters are. We weren't prepared to let a ventilation problem at our indoor range stand in the way of a scheduled match, so we simply moved outside. The word "crazy" was heard on the odd occasion, but we prefer to think of ourselves as "adaptable".

The Northwest Territories Action Shooting Association has been primarily active in Yellowknife, but two other communities have now expressed an interest in our sport. We hope to initiate both Fort Smith and Hay River with a black badge course this Spring.

Some of our plans for 1992 include the construction of a new indoor shooting sports facility, and the upgrading of our outdoor range to accommodate up to eight field courses and a shotgun range. Our premiere matches for this year are the Territorial Championships and a Midnite Sun Match planned for the summer solstice.

The results from our last two matches:

Three Gun Match (November) New Ventilation Match (January)

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| 1. Egan Wuth | 1. Steve Bonnell |
| 2. Steve Bonnell | 2. Frank Becker |
| 3. George Preston | 3. Ken Cloisen |

IPSC members from other parts of Canada are always welcome at our matches. If you have any questions about Yellowknife, our organization, or our matches, please call or fax (403) 873-2393.

DVC,

Steve Bonnell
Section Coordinator - IPSC NWT

IPSC in Ontario continues to be overwhelming!

Our Instructors are extremely busy certifying new shooters. The requirement that one match must be shot to obtain a black badge is turning a much higher proportion of our new shooters into active competitors. Our clubs keep hosting better and more challenging matches, and "sold out" situations well before match day are becoming the rule rather than the exception.

The Board of Directors of IPSC Ontario recognizes this overload problem, and is working to put some sort of remedy into place before the 1992 shooting season swings into high gear. Ideas and alternatives will be published in SITREP, and the input of our members is encouraged.

IPSC Ontario is preparing for an exciting summer:

The Ontario Provincials will be held at the Lower Trent Valley Club in Trenton from June 26 - 28. While Ontario members will get full details in SITREP, out-of-Province shooters are invited to take part, and they can get all the necessary information from Jack Payne at (613) 395-3187.

The high point of 1992 will be the hosting of the **IPSC North American Championship** at the Sharon Gun Club from August 16-22. We are committed to making this the best IPSC match ever held in North America, and full details are included elsewhere in this issue of DILIGENTIA.

The IPSC Ontario Board is in the midst of developing an equitable means of distributing Ontario's 34 slots to the 1992 IPSC North American Championship. While we will definitely not be able to accommodate everyone who wishes to shoot, we will try to come up with the fairest system possible. Details will be forthcoming in SITREP. **In order to be considered for selection, your application form, and the appropriate cheque, must be in the hands of the Section Coordinator not later than April 15. Your cheque will not be cashed unless you are awarded a slot.**

IPSC Ontario members have just voted to approve a change in our Constitution that will allow the Annual General Meeting to be held in conjunction with our Provincial Championships. This means that our elections will be held in June, instead of in February, and we are hoping for a large turnout of members and plenty of candidates for next year's Board.

Here's a standing invitation to all IPSC Canada members to join in our matches, and a particular welcome to all those British Columbia shooters now back in the "family".

ONTARIO

Final standings are now available for the 1991 shooting season in Ontario, and we would like to extend our appreciation to Nicole Pigeon and John Burger for the tremendous amount of work they have put into maintaining match-by-match statistics for four different Leagues. We realize it's a thankless task, and one that too many members take for granted, but we couldn't have managed without your help.

Our congratulations to the following first place finishers:

		<u>Eastern League</u>	<u>Central League</u>
First	A	Andre Chevrier	Bryan Marino
	B	David Bartlett	Don Irvine
	C	Jack Payne	John Burger
	D	Monique Trepanier	Jim Hobbs
	N	Pierre LeBlanc	Fausto Lion
	Lady	Nicole Pigeon	Nicole Pigeon
		<u>Southwestern League</u>	<u>Northern League</u>
First	A	Jose Villanueva	Bryan Marino
	B	Jerry Pawitch	Wallace Gould
	C	Phil Owens	Stuart Allen
	D	Mario Monico	Earl Fuller
	N	Augusto D'Alfonso	Gary Jollo
	Lady	Lorraine Sanderson	Patti MacKinnon

QUEBEC

IPSC is alive and flourishing in La Belle Province!

As the newly-elected Section Coordinator, I have taken over an active and enthusiastic group of more than 225 members. The good health of the Quebec Section is largely due to the efforts of my predecessor, Jacques Beaudoin, who will be continuing on the Executive of IPSC Quebec as Secretary. Our 1991 season saw over twenty matches held in Quebec, culminating with our Provincials at Stanbridge.

1992 promises to be an even more active year, with three new clubs now affiliated with IPSC Quebec. We are looking forward to large turnouts at our matches, and expect a record number of Quebec shooters at the North American Championships/Canadian Nationals. Our Provincial Championships will be held at St. Jacques le Mineur over the Labour Day weekend, and we welcome shooters from all across Canada to take part in our biggest match of the year.

We have introduced a new classification system for 1992, and hope that it will work to the benefit of all members. Our members have also voted to establish permanent classes for "tactical", "revolver" and "junior" competitors as a means of encouraging more participation. We will also be trying to re-involve former members who have lately not been active.

You all have an open invitation to any of our matches, and we wish you a prosperous and practical 1992.

DVC,

Dave Young
Section Coordinator

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QUEBEC

IPSC ne pourrait se porter mieux dans La Belle Province! En tant que nouveau Coordonnateur de Section pour le Québec, j'ai hérité d'une section active regardant toujours plus loin avec une représentation de plus de 225 membres. La bonne santé de notre section est en grande partie due au bon travail de mon prédécesseur, Jacques Beaudoin, qui continu son travail au sein du conseil exécutif comme secrétaire. En 1991, plus de 20 compétitions ont été tenues dans la province avec le championnat de section qui avait lieu au club de tir de Stanbridge.

L'année 1992 promet d'être très active avec trois nouveaux club affiliés. Nous anticipons une très bonne participation à nos compétitions et envisageons une participation record des tireurs du Québec pour le championnat National/Nord-Américain.

Un nouveau système de classification à été introduit cette année dans le but de simplifier le processus. Cette année, le championnat de section se tiendra à St-Jacques Le Mineur à la fête du travail, la fin de semaine du 5 septembre.

Lors de la dernière assemblée générale annuelle les membres ont voté pour établir de façon permanente les catégories OUVERTE, TACTIQUE, REVOLVER, FEMME et JUNIOR dans le but d'attiré plus de nouveaux tireurs. Dans le même ordre d'idée, des efforts vont être déployés pour réintégrer le plus grand nombre possible d'anciens tireurs IPSC au sport.

Je vous invité tous à participé à nos compétitions et espère que 1992 sera une année prospère pour le tir pratique.

DVC

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SASKATCHEWAN

Saskatchewan Happenings

IPSC membership in Saskatchewan is simply booming! Since the beginning of the year, we have qualified 27 new Black Badge shooters. This phenomenal growth must be attributable to Saskatchewan's status as the home of the Canadian IPSC Champion and the Top Team in Canada (The Team Trophy is much happier in Central Canada than it was on the West Coast, so we plan to bring it home again after the 1992 Nationals)

We have completed five matches so far, and plan another five plus the Provincials to round out our 1992 season. Our Provincials will be held in Regina on July 4 and 5. We are always glad to see out-of-province shooters at the Saskatchewan Provincials, and the lessons are free. Call Steve Johns at (306) 924-0193 for full details.

By the time you read this, the 1992 Doug Fyke Memorial Match will be history. Traditionally the second largest match of the Saskatchewan shooting season, it is held on the indoor ranges of the RCMP training facility in Regina. Brad Hertz is the defending Champion, but faces stiff competition from within the Province and from Alberta for this year's title.

Saskatchewan standings after the first five matches:

1.	Steve Johns	100.0%
2.	Brad Hertz	95.8
3.	Grant Gresty	80.8
4.	Stewart Biech	78.6
5.	Ron Balzer	71.9
6.	Bob Whitely	65.1
7.	Greg Nash	59.7
8.	Lorne Davis	55.2
9.	Jim Schille	53.4
10.	Tony Powaschuk	52.3

Good luck to everyone with their shooting, and we look forward to seeing lots of you at the 1992 North American Championship.

DVC,

Steve Johns
Section Coordinator - IPSC Saskatchewan

N.T.O.

At the rate our Sections are qualifying new Black badge holders, it is becoming a full time job just keeping up with the paperwork. I'm glad to do it, though, and would like to thank our Instructors across Canada for the terrific job they are doing.

Disruptions in our source of supply have caused some delays, but things are now back on track. We have secured a new supplier of black badges and the product is now in hand. Lorne Rowe has a supply of Black Badge Manuals, and Instructors can order directly from him. Before placing that order, please check with your Section Coordinator to see whether he has already arranged a supply for your Section.

Two quick reminders:

1. Would those Sections still owing the National Training Office for black badge fees or manuals please remit outstanding funds promptly. The cupboard is just about bare, and the period of heaviest expenditure is just beginning.
2. There are a number of Section Coordinators that still owe me updated lists of active Instructors in their Sections. Remember that, without these updates, your Instructors showing as "inactive" in NTO files will be downgraded to "Assistant Instructors" and will not be allowed to certify new shooters by themselves.

That's it for now. Your questions and comments are always welcome, and I look forward to seeing lots of you at the Nationals/North American Championships in August.

DVC,

Ken Bell
Director, NTO

Our last NROI column featured an article written by **Ivan Runions** of Alberta, setting out his perceptions of the potentially dangerous safety violations that all too many of us are committing, both as shooters and as Officials. One of the primary purposes of DILIGENTIA is to stimulate thought and discussion among our members, and the following comments by **Dave Brown**, an active Instructor of both shooters and Officials in Manitoba, shows that it's working!

Training Range Officers by Dave Brown

Every Section has them - those steely-eyed Range Officers with the hearts of stone. They have been shooting and working for slightly longer than God. They have no need for rulebooks because they memorized the rules years ago. Their years of experience mean that their calls are unquestionable and unquestioned. They are the ideal Range Officers.

Or are they?

Experience is a major contributor to ability as an Official, but it is by no means the most important factor. The **quality of training** that goes into the creation of our Range Officers makes the biggest difference between correct and incorrect calls.

In his recent article, Ivan Runions made an important point about the quality of officiating. He stressed that Range Officers must always strive to be competent and current; not just at National matches but at all levels of competition.

Many of our Range Officers have been with us through several Editions of the Rulebook, and yet they are still making the same calls that they have been making for a number of years. IPSC has matured to the point where our competitors deserve and expect consistency of officiating. The increasing professionalism of the sport means that Range Officers require regular updating and refresher courses to remain current. Today, we have a much more thorough understanding of our rules, and the Rulebook itself is not always the only source of input to a Range Officer's decision.

One way to explain how our officiating process has evolved, and what is required of a current Range Officer, is to look at the way decisions are reached in the implementation of law. The legal system provides some interesting parallels for the Range Officer Instructor to use in explaining how the sport establishes consistent officiating.

In law, a decision is arrived at by considering three sources of relevant information:

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Legislation: the law as written, in the Criminal Code and Statutes

Jurisprudence: legal thought or philosophy followed by the judiciary

Precedents: common law or case law; the body of previous judicial decisions and experience

In IPSC, our Officials are also acting as judges, and must consider three similar sources of relevant information:

The Rulebook: the law of IPSC as it is written

Intent: the "spirit" of the rules; the underlying objectives of those that drafted them

Precedents: previous decisions rendered in similar situations, by Officials or by Arbitration Committees

As with law, precedents can be **binding** or they can merely be **persuasive**. If it was exactly the same situation, ruled on by a higher body, then that decision is binding on every Official. If it was almost the same situation, or decided by a body of equal authority, then the ruling is only persuasive; not necessarily accepted as final, but a strong argument for a similar decision. Only by considering all these factors can Range Officers make consistent calls everywhere. "Local" rules and interpretations are not the signs of a mature sport.

Range Officers must be trained in the intent as well as the wording of our rules, and in many cases it is the Range Officer Instructor who makes his students aware of what these intentions are. Officials must be up to date on arbitration decisions, and on how different rules are being interpreted throughout our Confederation. Urge your Range Officers to take refresher courses to keep their skills current, and encourage them to take all factors into account in arriving at their decisions. None of our Officials are expected to be perfect, nor are they expected to know every detail of the rulebook by heart. What our competitors do expect, however, are consistent calls by competent Officials, all of whom will use every available tool to arrive at a fair decision.

Interested in working the 1992 IPSC North American Championship and still being able to shoot for score and standing?

Check the section of this DILIGENTIA for details of how to apply.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

1992 COMPETITION CALENDAR

JUNE

Nova Scotia Provincials Oxford	June 20 - 21	Richard Turner (902) 443-2556
Ontario Provincials Trenton	June 26 - 28 Level III	Jack Payne (613) 395-3187
Viking Match Norway	June 19 - 21 Level III	Nick Alexakos (416) 849-6960
French Championships Vannes	June 26 - 28 Level III	Nick Alexakos (416) 849-6960
Alberta Provincials Edmonton	June 27 - 28	Bryan Hodges (403) 251-5030

JULY

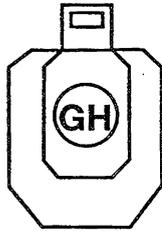
Saskatchewan Provincials Regina	July 4 - 5	Steve Johns (306) 924-0793
BC Provincials Okanagan	July 18 - 19	Randy Fisher

AUGUST

North American Championships Canadian Nationals Sharon, Ontario	August 16 - 22 Level IV	Lorne Rowe (416) 783-6002
European Championships Barcelona	Aug 30 - Sept 5 Level IV	Lorne Rowe (416) 783-6002

SEPTEMBER

Quebec Provincials St. Jacques	September 5 - 6	Dave Young (514) 939-2839
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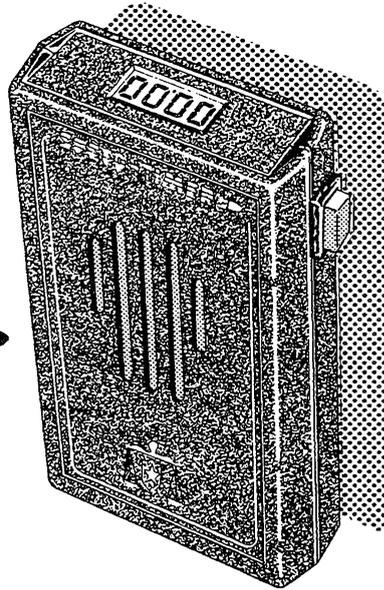
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Yes No

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Yes No

We expect this match to be heavily oversubscribed. In order to ensure everyone a chance to enter, we have allocated a specific number of slots to each Canadian Section, to the United States, and to Regions outside North America. These allocations are valid only until May 15, 1992, after which any slots not registered and paid for will be reclaimed and redistributed to those Sections/Regions that have used all their slots and are requesting more. **We cannot guarantee acceptance of your entry unless it is received before May 15.**

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(Definition of “stock gun” for the 1992 North American Championship is included elsewhere in this information package)

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Competitor Signature: _____ Date: _____

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