



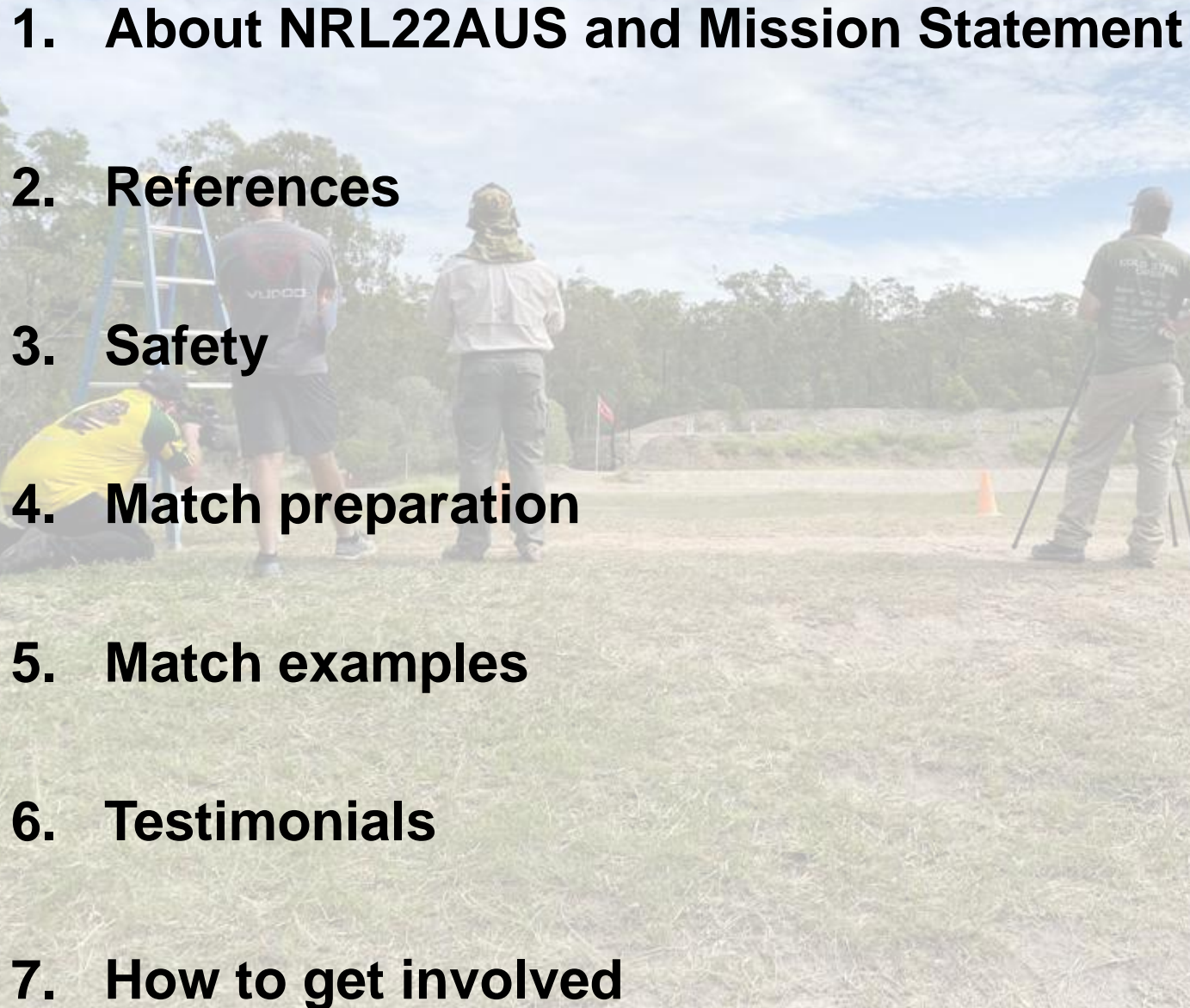
Information Package to NRL22 AUS

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This package is designed to provide a brief overview to National Rifle League .22 Australia (abbreviated as NRL22AUS for the rest of the presentation).

Included are the steps for match preparation and several examples of stages that can be shot during a course of fire.

In terms of safety, as regulations are comprehensive and each club has their own regulations, they will not be covered in detail however links are provided should you wish to clarify further information.

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1. About NRL22 AUS

NRL22AUS is a non-profit organisation recently introduced from the USA. It is dedicated to the growth and education of precision rifle shooting through a range of outdoor public interest activities.

These activities are designed to develop marksmanship skills for those participating in shooting sports, promote firearms and hunting safety, and to educate the general public about firearms.



1. Mission Statement

The goal of NRL22AUS is to make precision shooting accessible to every community. Most localities are not fortunate to have access to a 500m+ range. However, most localities have access to 100m+ ranges and most shooters own a .22 rifle.



The **monthly** course of fire (COF), the **NRL22 Standard Target Package** and standard barricades are intended to produce fun, diverse and affordable matches. Local clubs may submit scores for the monthly COF to compete nationally. Additionally, local club Match Directors (MDs) are encouraged to run supplemental COF as well.

NRL22AUS matches adheres to the rules and regulations as stipulated by the NRL22 Commission (USA). The NRL22 rules can be found in the following link: <https://nrl22.org/about/rules/>

In addition to this, any NRL22AUS match that is held also adheres to local club regulations. An example of this was during the inaugural match held on 14 Feb 21 in collaboration with QMRC, their regulations can be found on their webpage here under the “COVID-19 Safe Control Opening procedures”: <https://qmrc.org/>

As with any shooting sport, **safety is the top priority**, and NRL22AUS is **no exception**. In general, firearms handling during a course of fire follows the rules and regulations that were taught during the process of obtaining your individual firearms licence for your respective State.

As this style of competition differs greatly from traditional bench-type or static-based shooting, additional measures were implemented to ensure a high degree of safety is maintained during these matches.

An extract from Section 2, Safety, of the NRL22 rules is covered briefly in the next three slides. It will cover off on key points especially movement (referred to as transitions) during stages, as this is likely to be a frequently asked question. Some elements were omitted as they applied to semi-auto rifles which we do not shoot.

Section 2, Safety

A. General Rifle Safety

1. Always point your rifle in a safe direction.
2. Always keep your rifle unloaded until ready to use. Treat all rifles as though they are loaded even if you believe otherwise.
3. Keep your finger out of the trigger guard until you are ready to fire.
4. Know your target and what is beyond.
5. Always wear proper eye and ear protection and ensure others have the same before firing.
6. Never use alcohol or drugs while shooting.
- 7. Individual Range safety rules always supersede NRL22 rules.**

B. Rifle Safety While at a NRL22 Match

1. Due to the many different types of .22 rifles, **chamber flags are essential** equipment to quickly ensure rifles are in a safe condition.
2. NRL22 competitions are **always cold ranges. All rifles are to be unloaded, with magazines out, or empty and actions open.** Rifles shall only be loaded, or magazines inserted when **directed by the Range Officers.** Chamber flags shall be utilised and kept in the action until **directed to be removed by the Range Officer.**
3. Ground rifles in a proper rifle rack, or where ever the Range Officer designates as a safe location and direction.
4. Rifles with removable magazines are strongly encouraged. Rifles with fixed tubular magazines are discouraged as they are more difficult to make safe. Range Officers should pay extra attention to shooters with fixed magazines.
5. When moving to another shooting location, always ensure the rifle is pointed in a safe direction.

C. Rifle Safety During Your Stage

1. Always wait for the Range Officer's command "**load and make ready**" until you load the magazine and remove the chamber flag.
2. Stages always begin with magazine in and **bolt to the rear** or with an empty chamber (if unable to put the bolt to the rear) unless **specifically directed** by the match booklet and the Range Officer.
3. **Any movement or barricade transition must be done with the action open and an empty chamber.**
4. **During movement, the 180 rule must always be adhered to.** The 180 rule refers to only pointing the rifle within 90 degrees of straight forward. There may be stages when a Range Officer reduces the 180 rule. Always follow directions and be aware of where you are pointing your rifle.



Above: An RO ensures transitions are conducted safely during a stage

4. Match preparation

As with any local rifle match, prior preparation is key to ensure a safe and successful event that will encourage more interest and participation in future events.

The successful conduct of an NRL22 event has many benefits to the participating local club; which may include an increase in membership, positive community engagement and free media exposure for the club.

This segment will explain:

- 1) The steps required to prepare for a NRL22 match;
- 2) Key positions required; and
- 3) A generic match layout.

This brief summary shows the steps for preparing a match:

1. Monthly NRL22 Standard Target Package released **one month** before the match;
2. Liaison with participating local club;
3. Match registration open on Practiscore <https://practiscore.com>;
4. Approval process;
5. Allocation of tasks to key positions (such as MDs, spotters, medical personnel);
6. Organise barricades and targets as per the Target Package;

7. Allocation of squads;
8. Setup of barricades and targets on the range (on the approval of local club) and reporting of key positions to the MDs;
9. Registration of participants and spectators (as per local club regulations); and
10. Welcome introductions and Range Safety Brief.



Left: A QMRC Range Officer conducts the safety brief for the inaugural NRL22AUS match.



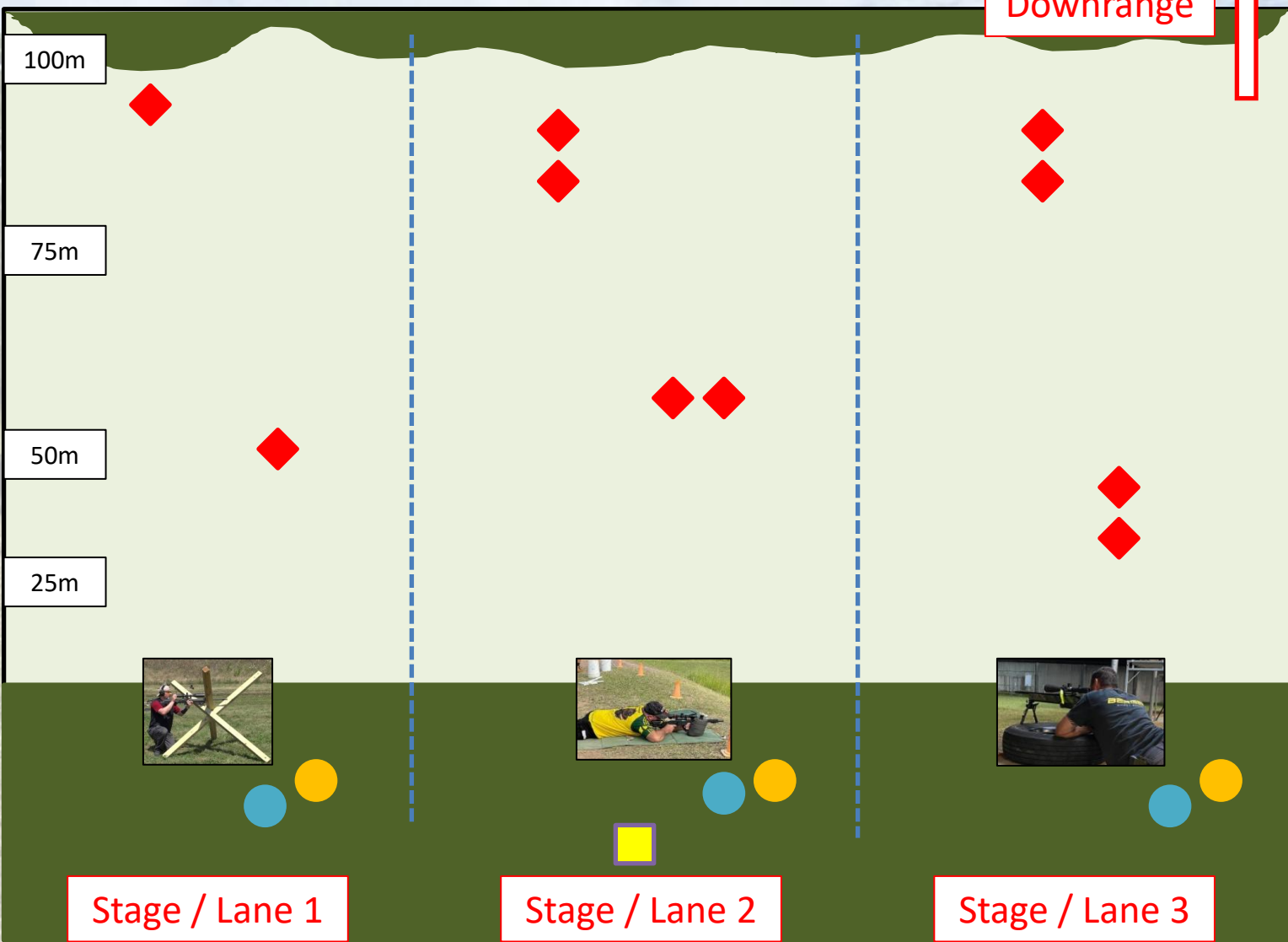
Right: A Range Officer waits for the range to be declared open.

Key Positions

1. **MD:** Overall responsible for the direction of the match.
2. **Range Officer (RO):** Assists in running the match. The number of ROs is dictated by the COF, the number of participants, COVID restrictions and other local club regulations. Generally, ROs are required for;
 - Running a stage;
 - Designated medical person;
 - Score keeper; and
 - Spotter.

4. Match preparation

Generic Match Layout



Legend

- ◆ Targets
- RO
- Spotter
- MD



5. Match examples

The following are a few examples of the types of stages that can be expected in the NRL22 Standard Target Package. They are quite diverse and designed to test the shooter's abilities in shooting technique, time management and mastery of their equipment. "Out of the box" thinking and strategic planning may also be required to shoot certain stages.

To date, two NRL22 matches have been conducted at QMRC and at SSAA Belmont respectively. Both matches featured five stages, with up to six competitors per squad.

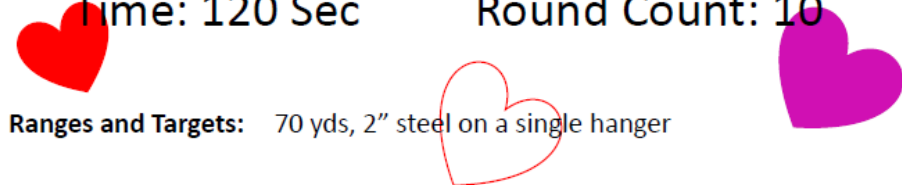
The QMRC webpage, 3GT and NRL22AUS Facebook sites also feature video footage or photos that are not covered in this presentation.

5. Match examples



Love Stinks And So Do Ladders

Time: 120 Sec Round Count: 10



Ranges and Targets: 70 yds, 2" steel on a single hanger

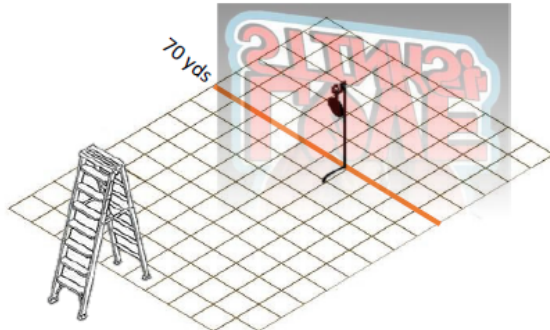
Equipment: 1 piece of equipment in accordance with the NRL22 rules.

Points: 10 points per impact, 100 points possible

Start Position: Standing, rifle and all gear in hand, mag in, action open

Description: Upon the start signal, engage the target with 4 shots from any step on the ladder. Move to a different step and re-engage the target with 3 shots. Move to a different step and re-engage the target with 2 shots. Move to a different step and re-engage the target with 1 shot.

Note: No step can be repeated, must use 4 different steps.



A competitor shoots Stage 1 “Love Stinks And So Do Ladders” during Inaugural NRL22AUS on 14 Feb 2021 at QMRC.

5. Match examples



Getting Tired Of All These Buckets

Time: 120 Sec Round Count: 10

Ranges and Targets: 83 yds: 2.5" and 3" on double hanger
45 yds: 1" and 1.5" on double hanger

Equipment: 1 piece of equipment in accordance with the NRL22 rules.

Points: 10 points per impact, 100 points possible

Start Position: Standing, rifle and all gear in hand, mag in, action open

Description: On start signal, shooter will take a position on top of tire and engage the 45 yd targets with 1 shot each.

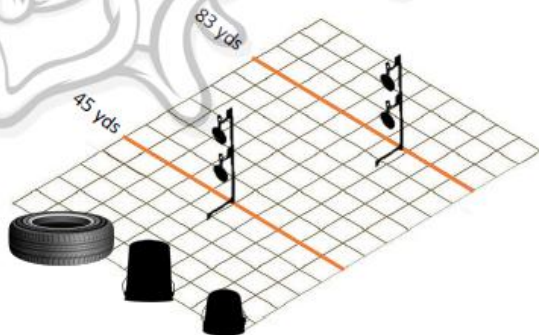
Shooter will then engage the 83 yd targets with 1 shot each.

Shooter will then place the 5-gal bucket in the middle of the tire with the open side down. Shooter will take a position on top of the bucket and engage the 83 yd targets, with 2 shots each.

Shooter will then place the 2-gal bucket on top of the 5-gal bucket and take a position on top of the 2-gal bucket.

Shooter will engage the 45 yd target with 1 shot each.

NOTE: All shots are big to small and hit or miss move on. When shooting from the tire and bucket, the rifle must be supported only by the tire or bucket and equipment (e.g. shooting bag). A bipod may be used, but the bipod must not touch the ground.



A competitor shoots Stage 3 "Getting Tired Of All These Buckets" during NRL22AUS on 13 Mar 2021 at SSAA Belmont. Note the positioning of the RO who also doubled as the score keeper due to COVID restrictions.

5. Match examples



Don't Give Up...Don't Ever Give Up!

Time: 120 Sec Round Count: 10

Ranges and Targets: 67 yds: 1.5" and 1" on double hanger
100 yds: 3" and 2.5" on double hanger

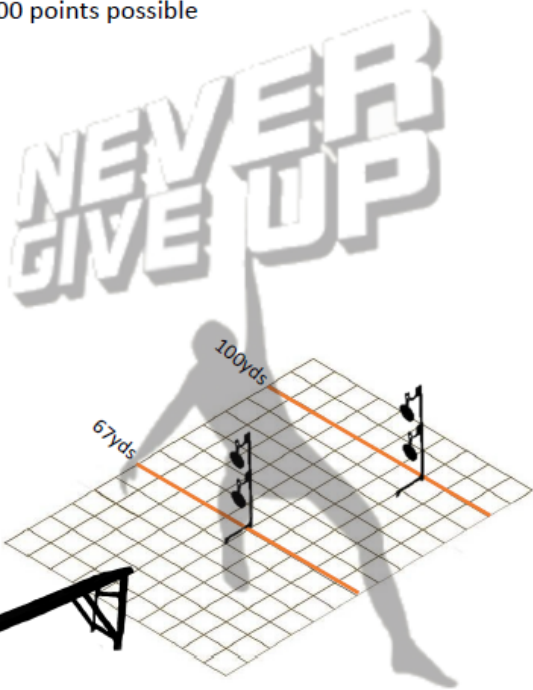
Equipment: 1 piece of equipment in accordance with the NRL22 rules.

Points: 10 points per impact, 100 points possible

Start Position: Standing, rifle and all gear in hand, mag in, action open

Description: On start signal, shooter will take a supported prone position on the left side of the rooftop and engage the 67 yd then 100 yd targets big to small, hit or miss move on. If a shot is missed, the shooter must engage the next target(s) from support side. Once an impact is achieved, the shooter may move back to strong side. After engaging all four targets, the shooter will climb the rooftop and engage the 100 yd targets with 1 shot each, big to small, hit or miss move on. No part of the shooter's body may touch the ground while shooting from the rooftop. Shooter will then take a prone supported position on the right side of the rooftop and engage the 100 yd then 67 yd targets big to small, hit or miss move on. If a shot is missed, the shooter must engage the next target(s) from support side. Once an impact is achieved, the shooter may move back to strong side.

Note: Support side means support shoulder, hand, and eye.



A competitor shoots Stage 5 "Don't Ever Give Up!" during NRL22AUS on 13 Mar 2021 at SSAA Belmont. Note the transition of the competitor from prone to the top of the rooftop barricade.

Comment from competitor Scott Patel and founder of Practical Rifle Training “I’ve attended several matches now and all have been run in a fun/friendly manner which was inviting for new shooters. The matches have a great COF and challenges everyone but ensures everyone gets a few rounds on target and go home wanting more. Adam and the Team are doing a great job”



Comment from competitor James Head and founder of Warlord Gear “Adam and the team at 3GT have done an amazing job to bring the fun and excitement of NRL22 down under. With matches hosted monthly, this sport is reigniting precision competitions in Australia. This is a family friendly, inexpensive sport for beginners and seasoned professionals”

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6. How to get involved

**CALL OR EMAIL 3GT FOR
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ON HOW TO GET
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