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The National Championships are looming large now.

Hopefully we get through the holiday period without Covid 19 getting loose and having to go back into some form of lockdown.

Should a lockdown occur and we cannot run the Nationals as planned in January, the contingency is to postpone to the school holidays in April. Let us hope we don't have to make that decision.

The two new F Classes , FTR Classic and F-PR are included in the programme for the Nationals. For those that are shooting those classes it is the opportunity to be the inaugural winner and the first New Zealand champion.

The classes have been getting good support at provincial meetings, and it would be good to see that come through to the Nationals.

With no overseas competitors, Kiwis will be the winners in all the various classes so now is your big chance.

For **first time entrants at the National Championships**, NRANZ has a fund of \$1000 which will be evenly divided to come off the entry fee, either refunded for those that pay early, or at the time of payment at the office.

We have also recently got **sponsorship for all New Zealand Under 25 shooters** of \$150 each to come off their entry fee for the National Championships. As above, it will either be refunded if the entry fee is paid early or at the time of payment at the office.

Nominations are called for the **North vs South teams matches** which are shot on the Monday at the Nationals. There are Target Rifle and F Class teams. We always endeavour to have everyone that nominates gets the chance to have a shoot. The day is not just for the number one inter island teams. The nomination form is on the website, so fill one in, send it in, and have a go. Do it now.

If you have not tried team shooting before, it is good fun and adds a whole new dimension to your shooting.

NRANZ shooting is conducted using ICFRA (International Confederation of Fullbore Rifle Associations) rules. The only exception to this is where we have some New Zealand specific rules, such as we allow suppressors, ICFRA does not. Our rifle clearing procedures are another example.

The version of the rules on our website had not been kept up to date with ICFRA changes. An update has now been carried out and the updated version should be on the website very soon. The changes are in a different colour so that you can identify where the updates have

been made.

NRANZ components are available to order through your club ammunition steward.

All ADI powders can be sourced through us. Nationally powder stocks have been low but there should be some available soon.

We also have Berger 30 cal 185 hybrid and 155.5 projectiles. The late model HBC 155.5 projectile and the Nosler 155 are also available.

By getting your components through NRANZ you are helping to keep your own affiliation costs down, instead of providing someone else with an income.

Christmas and the holiday season are upon us, although I bet this holiday is not as relaxing as the compulsory one back in March and April. I wish you all a happy Xmas and a prosperous new year. Take care of yourselves, relax, enjoy the festivities, and have fun with family and friends.

I look forward to seeing you on the rifle range next year.

Malcolm Dodson
NRANZ President

