General Information.

Shooting Venue location

The WCSA World Target Championship Events will be conducted at the grounds of the Rowland Flat Model Aero Club on Koch Road, Rowland Flat in the Barossa Valley, South Australia. (location - 34° 33'45" South 138° 57' 02" East or plus code CXQ2+582)

Local Transportation

There is no public transport to the Barossa Valley or the venue. It is strongly recommended that you arrange for a hire car. Vehicle hire is available through many hire companies and your travel agent should be able to help.

All the well-known Hire Companies are available at the Adelaide Airport.

Note - In Australia we drive on the left-hand side of the road.

Accommodation

It is up to the Federations / competitors to organise their own accommodation.

A diverse range of accommodations are available in the Barossa Valley area.

Hotel, Motel, Apartments, B&B's, and Caravan Park with camping and cabins facilities.

Visit website www.tourism.sa.gov.au / Barossa for information.

We would recommend you consider having your accommodations in the following areas for ease of travel to the Venue.

(Distance in kilometres and approx. travel times to the venue in brackets)

Adelaide Airport (80km – approx. 60min) via North-South Motorway / Northern Expressway / Gomersal

Road and Barossa Valley Way.

Gawler (20km - approx. 20min) via Barossa Valley Way.

Williamstown (14km – approx. 15min) via Lyndoch Valley Rd and Barossa Valley Way

Lyndoch (7km – approx. 8min) via Barossa Valley Way

Angaston (17km – approx. 20min) via Angaston Rd and Barossa Valley Way

Nuriootpa (14km – approx. 15min) via Barossa Valley Way Tanunda (7km – approx. 8min) via Barossa Valley Way

Meals

Lunches, snacks, and refreshments will be available at the venue.

Legal requirements for crossbows in Australia and South Australia.

The crossbow is a Prohibited Weapon in all states and territories of Australia. Each State or Territory has its own set of laws regarding the transportation, ownership, and use of crossbows. (Pistol crossbows are banned in Australia).

Travel between States or Territories with your crossbow is prohibited without the appropriate permits and licences. We suggest you contact the Organising Committee if you intend to travel outside South Australia during your stay.

All international entrants entering Australia / South Australia will require a current passport, Visa, and an Import permit (B709).

The organising committee will after the collection of the required information from entrants Final Entry Forms apply to the relevant authorities for permits on your behalf. The successful permits will be sent to the relevant contacts when available.

The import permit must be presented to the Australian Customs and Border Force at the time of arrival along with other required paperwork.

Visas

Visas are <u>your</u> responsibility, and you should check with your travel agent, Australian Embassy or Consulate as to whether you need them. Please ensure that your passport will be valid for the dates of your trip.

DO NOT DEPART WITHOUT ALL NECESSARY PASSPORTS, VISAS AND PERMITS BEING IN ORDER. FAILURE TO DO THIS WILL RESULT IN EMBARRASSMENT AND THE POSSIBILITY OF YOUR ENTRY TO AUSTRALIA BEING STOPPED.

Customs and Quarantine Requirements

Team Managers and shooters are advised that we will need to advise the Australian Customs Service and Border Force of the names and flight details of all shooters entering Australia.

The Organising Committee will work with Customs and Border Force in an endeavour to ensure there are no problems. However, you need to be aware that Customs will be curious of your crossbows, and this may delay entry.

It is most important to clear Australian Customs at Adelaide Airport. If possible avoid Brisbane, Sydney, Perth, and Melbourne as you will most probably have problems because you will not have a crossbow permit for entry

to that Australian State, even though you are transiting to Adelaide. We recommend that competitors fly direct into Adelaide from overseas. In Australia you have to clear Customs at the first landing point.

There are many airlines which fly direct into Adelaide, it is strongly recommended that your travel agent confirm with the airlines selected for your flight that they do not have any issues with transporting your crossbow.

Some suggestions:

Emirates via Dubai Singapore via Singapore Malaysian via Kuala Lumpur Air New Zealand via Auckland NZ Cathay Pacific via Hong Kong Qatar via Doha

Team Managers and Competitors are advised that you should carry a copy of the invitation and all other relevant documents with you for presentation to Customs and Border Force staff if necessary.

You must declare on your Arrival Card that you are carrying a prohibited weapon.

Also be aware that Australia has <u>extremely strict quarantine laws</u> particularly with regards to food stuffs. All baggage is x-rayed by customs on arrival, and they also operate trained sniffer dogs. Penalties are very severe.

Climate

Adelaide is located on the south coast of Australia halfway between Sydney and Perth. March is autumn, and the weather is variable. Average day temperature is 26 degrees C. Average night temperature is around 12 deg C. March is a dry month with an average of 25mm of rain and around 5 rainy days. If you enjoy blue skies and sunshine this is an exciting time to visit Adelaide and the Barossa Valley region.

For those coming from the colder countries please be aware that the sun in South Australia is very severe and can burn the skin very quickly, sun block spf50+ protection is recommended.

For further details on the climate visit the Bureau of Meteorology www.bom.gov.au

Currency

The Australian currency is the Australian Dollar. The approximate exchange rates with major currencies at the time of preparation are:

One Australian dollar equals \$ USD:- 0.64 Pound sterling:- 0.52 Euro:- 0.60

These rates may vary day to day dependent on the exchange rate.

Banks

Most major Banks are represented in Adelaide, but some banks may not be available in the Barossa Valley. Electronic banking is an easier option.

Water quality

The water is of a high standard for drinking and should be of no problem to anyone.

Electricity

Electricity is 240 VAC, 50 Hz. The sockets throughout Australia accommodate the Australian and New Zealand style 3 pin plugs.

Banquet

There is planned for Monday 24th March following the Bushland Round and presentation. The Organising Committee have contacted the famous Jacobs Creek Visitors Centre and arranged for the Harvest Kitchen to open especially for us on the 24th. There will be a three-course meal with drinks at own cost.

An optional activity for those interested is a vineyard tour and wine tasting at \$25.00 per head.

Tourist activities

There are many items of interest for tourists in South Australia.

Please visit Tourism South Australia at www.tourism.sa.gov.au

When planning to tour Australia please be aware of the distances that you may have to travel.

The scale photo will give you an idea of how large Australia is when compared to European countries.

