



ALL SMILES AT THE TOYOTA PARALYMPIC TALENT SEARCH DAY IN BRISBANE

Australian Paralympic Committee (APC) and Australian International Shooting Ltd (AISL) joined forces to hold the first shooting specific Toyota Paralympic Talent Search Day in Queensland since the inception of the program in 2005.

Qld Targetsports and Qld Pistol Association supported the day by providing the volunteers, venue and the equipment for the participants.



Alison Mosely, APC Development Officer in Queensland, was pleased that eleven participants attended the day. Of these, only two participants were already known to the Paralympic Program, and another already a registered member of a Pistol Club. Participants had come from Brisbane, Sunshine Coast, Dalby and Gold Coast to attend the day. Paralympian Peter Shannon was on hand to share his experiences and to help out on the day.



Everyone was given an overview of the Paralympic disciplines and the pathways available as well as an overview of both the pistol and rifle associations within Queensland.

Participants were supervised as they tried both air rifle and air pistol, with a number of the participants showing potential. Smiles from ear to ear were seen as participants came off the line and showed families, friends and other participants the results of their efforts.

A number of tens were shot with the air rifle and some great groups were shot with the air pistol.

Six participants have indicated they are interested in investigating the sport further.

Thanks to everyone involved in helping make this a successful day. If you would like more information about the day, please contact AISL Inclusion Officer and Paralympic Performance Program Coordinator, Michelle Fletcher, on michelle@ausshooting.org or mobile 0409 472706.