

A Request for Funds for Members of Cascade Shooting Facilities to Attend
the 2018 New Zealand National Fullbore Rifle Championships
Submitted: 2 October 2017, Members Meeting

Dear Directors, Officers and Members:

The World Long-Range Championships (WLRC) will be held at Seddon Range, Trentham, New Zealand in January-February 2019. There is an interest by several CSF members to attend the 2018 NZ National Championships (January-February). The CSF members are currently on the United States Rifle Team (USRT) roster and are eligible to participate in a final tryout for the USA Palma Team and/or the USA Veterans Team that will compete in the 2019 WLRC.

Cascade Shooting Facilities, Article II, Objectives, states, in part: “4. To promote and encourage national and international amateur sports, and competitions.”

Attending the 2018 NZ Nationals would benefit the CSF members in several ways: 1) fulfilling a USA Team requirement of participating in a major international shooting event; 2) they will have experience at the 2019 WLRC venue, giving them a “leg up” on many of the other USRT roster members; and, 3) they will be increasing their shooting skills at a range known for strong, switching wind conditions. Over the past several years, CSF has been a major supporter of National and International shooting within the Club, mainly in regards to the Under-25/Junior Teams. CSF is considered a prime venue for training by many of the local adult USRT roster members. The CSF- logo LR-6 Target and Frame was created by CSF members on the USRT roster and is considered a valuable asset in the USA for training at 600yds for 1000yd events. Although the number of shooters required in the NZ Championship Team matches (10 total) prevents the members from forming a Club team, we would still represent CSF as an American Club active in International competitions, and it is possible that the specially selected USRT groups at the NZ Championship will ask the attending CSF members to participate in specific team match efforts if there is an open slot. A CSF- logo cap and/or shirt would identify the members at Seddon Range.

As you might imagine, travel to New Zealand and participating in their 2018 Nationals is not a cheap undertaking. The CSF members on the USRT roster are requesting financial aid to attend. The airfare, housing, rental vehicle, entry fees and living expenses add up to about \$4000.00 each (this is an approximate number and not 100% of the trip expenses). Assuming a maximum of five CSF members, the total amount of funding being requested is \$20,000.00; this would be the **maximum cap**. It is possible there will be fewer than five CSF members able to make the trip, which is why this request is for a per person amount.

Thank you,

CSF member Gary Rasmussen
USA Palma Team 1985, 1995, 1999, 2003, 2007, 2011, 2015 and 2019
USA Veterans Team 2011, 2015 and 2019