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Animals on SSAA Vic Property

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TITLE

Animals on SSAA Vic Property

PURPOSE

Members are not permitted to bring animals onto metropolitan SSAA Vic property unless sanctioned by the Range Manager.

SCOPE

Springvale and Eagle Park Ranges

OBJECTIVE

Provide direction

POLICY DETAILS

This policy extends to SSAA Springvale and Eagle Park Ranges and facilities used by members. The Range Manager may sanction the presence of dogs for training purposes but the animal (s) has to be under the control of the handler at all times. Gun dog trials held on SSAA property will only be conducted with the approval of the Range Manager.

It is expected that at times wild fauna will be found on ranges. All such creatures enjoy the protection of, in most cases, fauna protection laws. Such animal will not be shot at or harassed unless there is imminent danger to human life. The Range Manager will exercise discretion in this regard and where required to act, will immediately inform the State Office. Approval must be sought from the Board of Directors if time permits, but in any case a report of the incident will be made to the State Office.

The SSAA is in the media spotlight and it is absolutely necessary that no action is taken that will be seen as a violation of game protection laws.

The SSAA has a responsibility to ensure the control of pests on SSAA property. Pests are defined by legislation and where it is apparent that pest animals are present on the property it is expected that the Range Manager will take appropriate action to eradicate them in accordance with the procedure laid down by the Department of Environment and Primary Industries. Where any action is taken in this regard it is also expected that the Range Manager will advise State Office of that action and the results obtained.

ASSOCIATED DOCUMENTS / REFERENCES

None