

## Public Administration Committee

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**Sent:** Wednesday, 26 March 2014 11:39 AM  
**To:** Public Administration Committee  
**Subject:** Recreational Hunting

Dear Lauren

I am a member of CONSERVATION AUSTRALIA and SSAA. I was very involved with shooting in South Africa before moving to Australia. I am all for recreational and sports shooting, BUT I think it needs to be controlled.

I have noticed that there are a lot of people going out and buying guns lately. Many of these people are buying letters at the gun shops in order to obtain an open class licence. Some of these people don't even know how to use a firearm, I've seen it.

I am all for culling animals as need be, or for food, if done by a shooter that knows what he or she is doing. I am not for IDIOTS who go shooting at anything that moves and leaving injured animals to suffer.

So in conclusion, I'm all for shooters who are member of a club with an open licence who are also members of either Conservation Australia or SSAA to shoot or cull wild animals.

ps: The members of these organisations are also covered by insurance for any damage, injury, etc. I think that this is vital. It protects the land owner and shooter.

Please feel free to contact me for any further assistance or information.

Yours sincerely  
Gary Weston.