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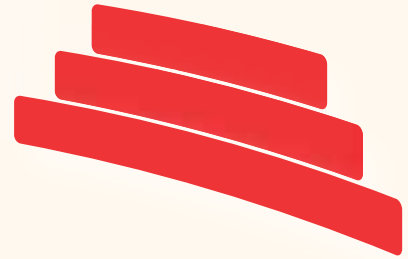
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SCA NATIONAL TEAM SELECTION 2026

Following on from the SCA 2025 Sporting Nationals held at Brisbane Sporting Clays 8th to 11th October these are the names of the contenders that have made the last cut to have the opportunity to represent the SCA National team for the 48th World FITASC Sporting Championship - Vale das Pedras - Lisbon - Portugal - 16/07/2026 - 19/07/2026.

The Final Selection Event will be the Australian Grand Prix being held at Cooma Sporting Clays 24th & 25th January 2026 – Entries are open on line through the SCA Live Scores site

Name	2025 Nationals Brisbane
OPEN	
Blake Nankervis	186
Xavier Russell	184
Chris Brown	183
Damien Birgan	181
Robert Hall	181
Billy Cain	177
Bill Zogogiannis	177
Adam Shale	176
Adam Hirschfield	176
Nick Guerra	175
John Kanellos	175
Luke Turner	175
Bart Brighenti	174
Frank Vella	170
Denis Dinte	170
Ryan Leman	169
JUNIOR	
Nate Palubiski	187
Zayne Papaluca	174
Jimmy Papaionnou	163
Ashtan Papaluca	159
Phineas McBurnie	156
Oliver Hill	156
MASTERS	
John Monaghan	144
Ross Christian	142
John Torresan	139
Tony Power	133

Name	2025 Nationals Brisbane
LADY	
Georgia Rogers	166
Bianca Norris	155
Brooke Tangey	152
Paula Purvis	150
Janette Densley	149
Amiee Attwood	146
SENIOR	
John Younger	175
Michael Lucas	174
Peter Tobin	168
Paul Crittenden	159
Terry Preston	156
Dan Sgarbossa	155
VETERAN	
Michael Birgan	166
Colin Johns	162
Peter Kay	159
Neil Peart	158
Rob Passerin	155
John Leach	154

PRESIDENTS REPORT DECEMBER 2025

In January we finally got notification from Fitasc that they had taken the Licence from SCA and given it to the ACTA. This was disappointing to say the least. The ramifications of this decision are now being felt when Compak cannot be shot under our insurance at a state level or even advertised.

The competition year started off with a bit of heat namely a very hot Fitasc Grand Prix held at Rocky Gully in South Australia. The scores were good and the Crew at Rocky Gully put on a great shoot with some grounds that were challenging but there were some targets for all grades. The Australian team was selected to go to the FITASC World Championships.

Our Australian team went to the Fitasc Oceania's held at Rotorua in New Zealand. At this event the Australians dominated the podium, so it was a great result.

The Australian team that represented us in Cyprus did the country proud despite the heat and smoke haze that was a feature of the event. Many podium positions were held by the Aussies, and they looked very professional in the updated team uniform. Podium have been published in the last magazine.

The board had the opportunity to try something different this year so we ran the English Sporting Nationals a couple of days before the Sporting Nationals at the Gold Coast Gun Club. This proved a winner with over 180 shooters competing. I believe this is a record for our sport and everyone I spoke to would like to see it continue next year. Gold Coast did an amazing job with target selection and the layout of grounds a huge thank you to all involved.

The pinnacle of the year was the Sporting Nationals held in Brisbane. Once again Brisbane showed why they are the Premier club in the organisation the attention to detail was perfect as usual, thanks to all involved. A special thanks to Lee Birger and Promatic for bringing Josh Vickers out from England to ensure the traps ran like clockwork.

Congratulations to all the place getters from these events.

A special thanks to all our fantastic event Partners we could not do it without you all.

The subcommittee have worked tirelessly on getting the draft of the revised constitution out to the Member bodies and had to extend the deadline for the first round of submissions because some Bodies failed to circulate the document out to all members immediately.

The association at the last hour was successful in finding a club to hold the FITASC Oceania in 2026 and its to be held at Wodonga Albury Field and Game on 29th to the 31st of May. I wish to thank Danny Ryan the Victorian Vice President for his assistance in getting this over the line.

My heartfelt thanks to all the amazing people of this organisation for the thankless hours you all spend making this association the success that it is,

The main players needing special thanks are firstly Danielle thanks for the effort you put in.

The executive our Secretary Glen Rider, Treasurer Andrew Fairfeild Smith and Gary Harper our Vice President thank you Gentlemen for the countless hours you put in for the benefit of all. Never to be forgotten is one Peter Kay for the work you do with the live Scores nominations and event organisation. Our man behind the program John McKenzie thank you my friend.

This year after many years at the helm of the target directors Steve Chilton has decided to step back and smell the roses, many thanks Steve from us all for your leadership , it has put the sport in good stead for the future.

To all members I wish you a safe and relaxing and Christmas with family and friends.

See you in the New Year at Cooma for the Grand Prix.

President
Ian Grant



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22ND ENGLISH SPORTING NATIONALS

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The SCA 2025 English Sporting Nationals was the first leg of a week of Shooting in Queensland. Combining two National events was a first for SCA. Members have been requesting for several years to string together a week of shooting for our members to make the most of their travelling time. Many commented how positive this move was & a well-received addition to the National series.

Anyway, the planets aligned in 2025 in Queensland with the opportunity & position of the Gold Coast Clay Target Club & Brisbane Sporting Clays (which were close enough together) in South East Queensland to make this happen. You could not fault the weather for this event which was just perfect.

The GCCTC joined QSCA back in 2021 & this was their first venture into a National Competition for SCA. Many would not realise the hard work that went on prior to the event by the Club in preparing the grounds & making it suitable to hold the event. A few weeks prior to the event, the swamp area to the Left-hand side was still under 300mm of water (this was the left over from the big wet SE Queensland had endured the past 12 plus months). As fortune would have it the weather broke to sunshine and allowed the club to dry out a week before the event. The club had pushed raised tracks in to the bush to get up above the water table & opened up a few more shooting stands & in turn, shifted the competitors' feet out of the mud.

SCA also have a very proud group of sponsors that came to the call when it was time to put the trophy table forward & a very special mention must go out to our Event Partners (and there were a large number for this event). Without their support we would not be able to present the prizes to the winners. It was strange but some thought all the winners received was a medal & a certificate? Not so, at the English Sporting all the trophies were Cash trophies, which made the winners happy.

PS - We still do not know who "The Secret Sponsor" was, although I am sure some people do? Thank you to that person (or company?)

Congratulation to Xavier Russell who managed to hold everyone off to be crowned the SCA 2025 English Sporting Champion. Well done to all the other winners & also a big thank you to all the competitors who cam to the event. This one has been one of the most successful SCA English Sporting Events for attendance held in Australia.



High Gun

Event Partners



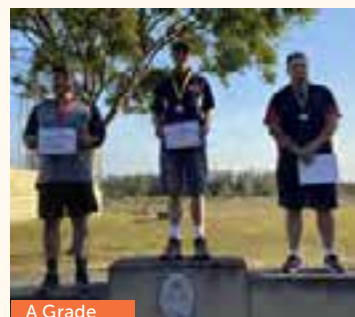
We also recognise the hard-working members of the Club, in particular John Hockins, Tom Bright & the myriad of other volunteers that had the vision to come on board & made this happen. We cannot thank these people enough for their time and effort in making it all happen. How they took the time to change as many targets & layouts as they could with the time available to prepare for the next day's competition. This does not just happen with the Trap Pixies; it happens with sweat (sometimes blood) of the volunteers. From all at SCA we very much appreciated the entertainment & first Class targets the Gold Coast Clay Target Club put on for us.

The event scores were very much inline with expected percentages for English Sporting in Australia. We do not shoot enough of this discipline in Australia. English Sporting is very popular in the UK & USA. When you see how the other countries attack FITASC Competitions you can see the mindset of one shot putting one shot on the score board.

With FITASC we rely on that second shot in the singles rather than condition our minds for the kill zone & one shot to count. Something to consider for the future?



AA Grade



A Grade

SCA have distributed a survey to those attending to gauge viewpoints on the 2025 SCA English Sporting National Event. What is important is for those attending the English Sporting Nationals to complete the survey so we can have something to work towards in planning future activities moving into next year & beyond. Constructive input is always very welcome to improve the sport for all.

Onwards to 2026 where the event will be held at Majura Park Gun Club near Canberra.

Much appreciation & thanks to OzShoots for some of the action photos.

RESULTS

High Gun		Xavier Russell	188/200 s/o
AA	1st	Pauls Adams	188/200 s/o
	2nd	Damien Birgan	187/200
	3rd	Luke Turner	185/200
A	1st	Andrew Bell	181/200
	2nd	Robert Egar	177/200
	3rd	Adam Crick	176/200 s/o
B	1st	Anthony Neven	166/200
	2nd	Olindo Mazzarotto	165/200
	3rd	Simon Palubiski	162/200
C	1st	Christian Leadbitter	159/200
	2nd	James Leung	156/200
	3rd	Mark Cain	155/200
Ladies	1st	Missy Mckerrow	169/200
	2nd	Vicki Johnstone	163/200
	3rd	Paula Purvis	162/200
Senior	1st	John Younger	183/200
	2nd	Colin Johns	176/200
	3rd	Don Sgarbossa	174/200
Veteran	1st	Neil Peart	172/200
	2nd	Russell Pigdon	165/200 s/o
	3rd	Robin Shawyer	165/200 s/o
Masters	1st	Ian Waldron	162/200
	2nd	Bruce Wilson	161/200 s/o
	3rd	Ivan Posa	161/200 s/o
Junior	1st	Nate Palubiski	186/200
	2nd	Jed Leadbitter	175/200
	3rd	Bailey Coulston	174/200
Sub Junior	1st	Jack Monument	165/200
	2nd	Jack Davis (Beaudesert)	160/200
	3rd	Brady Campbell	157/200



B Grade



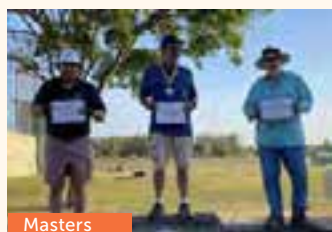
C Grade



Seniors



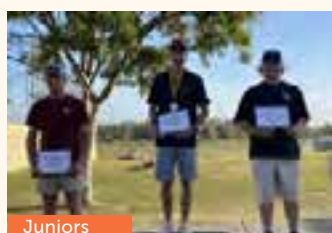
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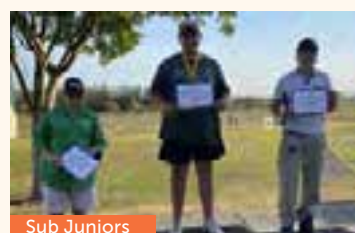
Masters



Ladies



Juniors



Sub Juniors





47TH SCA SPORTING NATIONALS

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Next Cab off the rank for the second leg in the week of Competition in Sunny Queensland, was the SCA 2025 Sporting Nationals. BSC has produced many National & International Competitions for SCA (& FITASC) and are no stranger to major competitions for the Association.

As the competitors had the day off on Wednesday for more practice, or visiting the beaches, hinterland & theme parks in the Gold Coast/Brisbane area Thursday was set to go for more Clay Target action. The shooting grounds were a picture with freshly mowed paddocks. The grounds looked a picture along with the Flag Banners & Ground signage which advertised the Event partners.

The Club had also organised a few trade stands along with a few necessities from the likes of, Beretta Australia (with the all-important Gun Service opportunity) Ear Mould, Castellani Australia, Binny Scott (With the goods & an Embroidery Service for Names & Gun Lines). Also, the arrival on Friday of Perrazzi Australia, with their new service Truck who also provided the opportunity for their gun brand servicing. Great Service from all involved. Plenty of Ammunition available & the pre order service by BSC ensured the competitors had the necessary hardware available to break targets.

The small team of target setters spearheaded by Aaron Knowles spent the best part of 10 days preparing the grounds for this Annual spectacular in the SCA Competition Calendar. Along with the set-up crews preparing the targets we had the number one trap mechanic (Josh Mortein) from Promatic, who with the organisation skills from OTC, brought him to Australia from Blighty to make sure the traps worked flawlessly & did not miss a beat.

Event Partners



RESULTS

High Gun		Nate Palubiski	187/200
AA	1st	Blake Nankervis	186/200
	2nd	Xavier Russell	184/200
	3rd	Chris Brown	183/200
	4th	Jeremy Kent	182/200
A	1st	Bart Brighenti	174/200
	2nd	Dennis Dinte	170/200 s/o
	3rd	Frank Vella	170/200 s/o
	4th	Ryan Leman	169/170
B	1st	Paul Leonard	162/200
	2nd	Olindo Mazzarotto	158/200
	3rd	Nicholas Bateman	157/200
	4th	Deni Karanfilovski	156/157
C	1st	Patrick Liu	144/200
	2nd	Christian Leadbitter	140/200
	3rd	Mark Cain	136/200
	4th	Adam Russell	131/200
Ladies	1st	Georgia Rogers	166/200
	2nd	Bianca Norris	155/200
	3rd	Brooke Tangey	152/200
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	3rd	Jack Davis (Beaudesert)	155/200
	4th	Jack Monument	154/200

True to form the traps threw targets with ease & any niggles were attended to immediately to keep the wheels turning & the clays flying. This side of the operation makes life for the competitors that much easier knowing they will get a Clay when they call for it & not frustration with breakages. The only way to go. Thanks, OTC, for organising the Promatic angle.

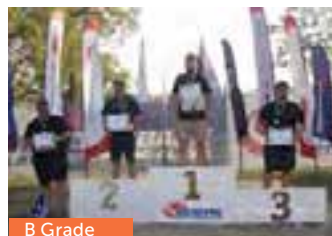
The weather again for the next Four days was perfect, although the temperature warmed up with a little bit more humidity as the week progressed. The expected rain on Saturday did not eventuate, which allowed the event to close out dry from the sky.



AA Grade



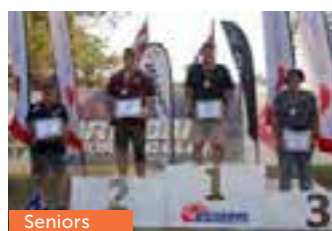
A Grade



B Grade



C Grade



Seniors



Veterans



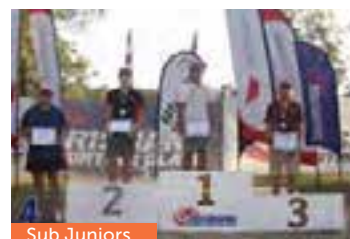
Masters



Ladies



Juniors



Sub Juniors

The event was again well supported from the SCA Event Partners who provided a great trophy table to the winners. OSA with the Miroku shotgun for High Gun. A selection of Shotshells from Outdoor Trading Company (OTC). A cash sponsorship from Mark Cain (Aussie Enviro), CR Kennedy (Pilla Shooting Glasses). Beretta provided the Beretta Silver Pigeon 12 Gauge Shotgun for the Handicap league along with a continuation of the donation for a slab of Trust shells for every junior that attended (Started at the 2024 SCA Nationals).

No event would be complete without the photos. SCA would like to thank "Liz C" for capturing the action across 3 days of Competition & the Closing ceremony. Great photos Liz.

Congratulation to the Junior member - Nate Palubiski - for taking out high Gun honours. It has been many years since a Junior has taken out a National High Gun (The Last Junior was Blake Nankervis in 2009 at Geelong). To all the other podium placings, well done as well. Taking the Podium at the SCA Sporting Nationals is an achievement in itself, when the best competitors in Australia will be there.

Like all these competitions, it would not be possible to put on these events without the many hard-working members in the background, particularly Aaron Knowles, who spent 10 days prior dragging himself up to BSC dragging traps around, but also gave up his shooting to make sure the grounds ran to time. He attended to any ground issues with Josh. The members that spent the time ferrying competitors up in the buses, Filling Traps, Emptying Shells from the bins, the tea min catering, the score masters keeping the score board up to date. Peter Kay for taking care of the nominations for both events this week.

No mean feat getting members wishes catered for whilst maintaining fairness with the squadding. All in all, a great event, that ran to time with everyone on their way home long before dark. You know when members have enjoyed the event, when the Club house is full long after the last shot & presentations have finished. Many thanks to Brisbane Sporting Clays from SCA for a first-Class event.

SCA have distributed an online survey for this event as well for those that attended the 2025 SCA Sporting National Event. Please take the time to complete these surveys as it is used to gauge areas where we can improve for the next event.

Onwards to 2026 where the event will be held Cooma Sporting Clays (In Cooma of course).

Our thanks & appreciation to Liz C for the event Photos.



High Gun Handicap Competition Winner Patrick Liu





MUDGEES

NSW STATE CHAMPIONSHIP 2025

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Over the weekend of September 13 & 14 Mudgee Sporting Clays hosted the NSW state championship for 2025 at the Windamere ground. Approximately 120 shooters nominated to shoot AT the 200 targets.

The grounds were a picture after the recent rains. A light frost was evident each morning but soon vanished as the sun poked over the hills and provided ideal shooting conditions each day. A practice range had been set to the north of the clubhouse and after lunch on Friday many shooters took advantage of burning some powder. Four separate courses had been set so competitors had plenty of targets on offer.

Two ranges had been set by Chris and Andrea Barrowman who took the opportunity to try their new traps, batteries, remotes etc. The club thanks Chris and Andrea for their tremendous effort. They had spent many days at the grounds fine tuning the two layouts. Even one of their dogs got sick of being in a strange environment which vanished for a while. It all ended well, dog was found.

The other two ranges on the western end of the ground had been set by club members, mainly under the guidance of Ross Christian. Over the four layouts all targets were on offer including rabbits, rockets, midis, minis, battues, frogs, red & green normal, the list goes on. Peter Kay (clay target co-ordinator) had inspected the ranges on Friday evening so shooters could start on time on Saturday morning, that being 9am. When scores were finalised for the first 100 on Saturday evening it was a bit obvious that the ranges may have been set a little too hard as the leading score which was shot by Dan Baskerville being 80/100.

Some small changes were made for Sunday's 100. Dan the man from Waterloo went on to lead the way by shooting 87/100 on Sunday. 167/200 was good enough for him to win high gun over the weekend. Well shot Dan. This year the NSW STATE CHAMPION goes to BART BRIGHENTI. Well deserved Bart.

Our club wishes to thank NSW SCA for supporting this event along with all the selection shoots held throughout the year. Horsley Park gun shop is always a top sponsor at events throughout the year. NSW members congratulate those who made the 2025 team. We wish them well at the Brisbane Nationals. The team will consist of Jack Atkins (Junior Rep), Paul Crittenden (Senior Rep), Paula Purvis (Lady Rep), Darren Sasse, Bart Brighenti, Steve Atkins & Charlie North.

RESULTS

High Gun		Dan Baskerville	167
AA Grade	1st:	Bart Brighenti	161
	2nd:	Matt Duncan	157
	3rd:	Michael Lucas	150
A Grade	1st:	Jason Solomons	157
	2nd:	Paul Leonard	156
	3rd:	Dennis Dinti	152
B Grade	1st:	Ken Fleming	142
	2nd:	Scott King	141
	3rd:	Mario Musicki	140
C Grade	1st:	David Crofts	123
	2nd:	Lindi Scheepers	109
	3rd:	Gordon Beeby	102
Seniors	1st:	Steve Payne	161
	2nd:	Matt Hall	158
	3rd:	Paul Crittenden	154
Veterans	1st:	Peter Kay	146
	2nd:	Steve Tydd	138
	3rd:	Peter Rea	133
Seniors	1st:	Darryl Groundwater	154
	2nd:	Ross Christian	143
	3rd:	Doug Frankling	130
Ladies	1st:	Paula Purvis	136
	2nd:	Andrea Barrowman	131
	3rd:	Amy Buys	130
Juniors	1st:	Nick Stewart	146
	2nd:	Josh Peckett	142
	3rd:	Jack Atkins	142
Sub Juniors	1st:	Hayden Meade	92



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BROKEN HILL FIELD AND GAME NEWS OCTOBER

BY "SHELLSHOCKED"

On 11 and 12 October the Broken Hill Field and Game Association hosted its premier simulated field clay target shoot for the year, the 40th annual 150 target Silver City Championships. The weather was warm and breezy on Saturday, and cool and wet on Sunday, but not too bad for shooting clay targets. Organisers were delighted with the attendance of 76 shooters.

The shooters competed for an excellent range of sashes and trophies thanks to the generosity of our sponsors; Ricky Jones of Buckalow Station, Boltens Precision Engineering, Flat Out Tyres, Outdoor Trading Company, the Claypan Penguins, and Hayden Beven.

Range marshal Josh Edgecumbe, with plenty of assistance, worked very hard to set a range layout that provided plenty of interest and variety. The targets were a bit more challenging than average which made for very good shooting.

The best overall score for the shoot was an excellent total of 127 recorded by AA Grade shooter Aidan Salmeron representing the Riverland Club. This was Aidan's first visit to the Silver City Championships and he won the Silver City Shield High Gun trophy and sash with just a single shot up his sleeve at the finish.



Shoot manager John Redway presents the Tri State Interclub Shield for 2025 to Broken Hill Club President Rod Weaver.



Silver City Championship High Gun and Grade Champions; (left to right at back), Mocka McSwain (A Grade), Brenton Anderson (B Grade), Clay Johnston (AA Grade), Lincoln Casey (Junior), Nicholas Tzanos (C Grade) and (left to right at front), Aidan Salmeron (High Gun) and Delilah Rybak (Lady).

The best Broken Hill shooters were Clay Johnston who shot 126 for the AA Grade win, while Lincoln Casey shot 117 for first place in the Junior Grade.

The Claypan Penguins handicap team championship was won by the "The Mexicans" team comprising Brett McManus, Barry Wentworth, Paul Wentworth and Gary O'Brien, who shot a score of 628 to finish comfortably clear of their nearest rival.

Information for any event at Broken Hill is available from Association President Rod Weaver on 0407 187 498, and Secretary Cassie Hibberd on 0437 237 955.

RESULTS

High Gun		Aidan Salmeron	127
AA Grade	1st:	Clay Johnston	126
	2nd:	Brian McGaffin	120
	3rd:	Brad Gillespie	119
A Grade	1st:	Mocka McSwain	126
	2nd:	Brett McManus	125
	3rd:	Leigh Norton	124
B Grade	1st:	Brenton Anderson	110
	2nd:	Gary Meehan	110
	3rd:	John Redway	108
C Grade	1st:	Nicholas Tzanos	100
	2nd:	Paul Wentworth	92
	3rd:	Peter Bridley	88
Senior	1st:	Doug Osborne	125
	2nd:	Barry Wentworth	112
	3rd:	Peter Rudd	106
Lady	1st:	Delilah Rybak	93
	2nd:	Julie Gillespie	87
	3rd:	Estelle Arnold	63
Junior	1st:	Lincoln Casey	117
	3rd:	Saxon Locke	89



Claypan Penguin Handicap Team Championship winners; Brett McManus, Barry Wentworth, Paul Wentworth and Gary O'Brien

BROKEN HILL FIELD AND GAME NEWS NOVEMBER

BY "SHELLSHOCKED"

On Sunday 2 November the Broken Hill Field and Game Association conducted a 75 target Sporting Clays Graded Championship. The shoot was generously sponsored by the Silver City Workingmen's Club. The day was overcast and hot with a strong wind, challenging conditions for shooting clay targets. Organisers were pleased with the attendance of 17 shooters.

The range was set by Clay and Josh and Brian and they did an excellent job to present a very good variety of targets. The targets were adjusted during the shoot for the windy conditions and made for very enjoyable shooting. The best shooters handled the conditions well and recorded some good totals.

The best score off the gun was an excellent total of 65 that was shot by A Grade shooter Brian Casey. Brian finished just a single shot clear of his nearest rival to win the High Gun Medal and the Ian West Memorial Trophy. Clay Johnston, Adrian Locke and Grant Cox all won their grades by comfortable margins at the finish.



Grade winners of the Silver City Workingmen's Club 75 Target Sporting Clays Graded Championship, (left to right), Grant Cox, Brian Casey, Adrian Locke and Clay Johnston.

HASTINGS VALLEY

COME AND TRY DAY

The Hastings Valley Hunting Club recently welcomed the community to the Hastings Regional Shooting Complex for a highly successful Sporting Clays 'Come & Try Day', drawing a strong turnout of new shooters eager to learn, participate, and experience the sport firsthand.

The event attracted a few dozen first-time participants, with attendees representing a wide range of ages and genders—highlighting the inclusive, family-friendly nature of sporting clays. Many visitors expressed enthusiasm for the sport, with several choosing to sign up as new club members, while others made enquiries about the process for obtaining their firearms licence so they can continue their journey in clay target shooting.

Club volunteers played a vital role in the day's success. A dedicated group of members generously gave their time to provide guidance, maintain safety, and ensure everyone felt welcome and supported. Their encouragement helped create a relaxed and enjoyable environment for newcomers who were picking up a shotgun for the very first time.

Feedback from participants was overwhelmingly positive, with many praising the professionalism, friendliness, and passion shown by the club's members. Comments highlighted how approachable and knowledgeable the volunteers were, making the experience both fun and confidence-building.

The Hastings Valley Hunting Club continues to shoot regularly once a month at the complex and maintains an active presence in the wider sporting clays community by travelling to other clubs and producing strong results in competition.

As the sport grows locally, the club hopes to welcome even more new shooters and families into the community.



NARROMINE

CHRISTMAS IN JULY - BBF INDUSTRIAL

Saturday 19th July brought the beginning of the inaugural Christmas In July 2 day shoot.

We welcomed our new sponsor BBF Industrial to our club and we thank them for their sponsorship.

With 104 targets on offer and \$500 up for grabs for the one who managed to hit the most, over 40 shooters lined up to take on the BBF Christmas in July. The top 9 scores following high gun grabbed themselves \$100, then prizes were given 1st-3rd in grades.

The boys of BRB went about and set 2 ranges consisting of some great targets involving crossers, incomers, high and low birds and those pesky mixo rabbits made a come back at the very end. These little slow rolling rabbits brought many shooters undone, some of whom were clean until that very last stand. But this time there was a "triple" with the first 2 separating and the 3rd overtaking creating a perfect pair for one shot.

Great day with sunshine and little to no wind, the fire buckets the boys put out didn't have to be lit.

After shooting was done, it was time for Horses "Flush" event commenced. Shooters created their 3 person teams, bought in and battled it out for the cash divide and the title. Five lots of 6 targets were released at intervals shooters had to make most of their 2 barrels.

In the end there could only be one winner, Stuart Cole, Dean Delaney & Chris Bourke aka Coley, Deano & Horse. Apparently, it down to the wire with team Bloinky really wanting the win but got beat at the post by 3 targets.

Shooter's jackpot was won by Min Coleman but unfortunately wasn't eligible. So it jackpotted again.

Thank you to all that helped in anyway, be it setting, packing up, kitchen, office, your help is appreciated.

Winners are Grinners and Congrats to Stephen Cooper shooting 100/104

RESULTS

High Gun		Stephen Cooper	
AA Grade	1st:	Darren Guy	87
A Grade	1st:	Chris Agustin	89
	2nd:	Craig McPherson	87
	3rd:	Chris Everett	82
B Grade	1st:	Anthony Cahill	87
	2nd:	Glen Bloink	85
	3rd:	Ben Hooper	81
C Grade	1st:	Craig Ridley	78
	2nd:	Paul Bell	73+8
	3rd:	Andrew Tucker	73+7
Seniors	1st:	Hugo Graesser	82
	2nd:	Henk Van den Heuval	70
Veterans	1st:	Peter Kay	89
	2nd:	Jeff Hall	86+13
	3rd:	Allan Cowin	86+11
Masters	1st:	Denis Coaker	92
	2nd:	Lawrence Redfern	83+1
	3rd:	Les Townsend	83
Ladies	1st:	Paula Purvis	89
	2nd:	Mel Phillips	86
	3rd:	Gabrielle Kirk	72
Juniors	1st:	Henry Purvis	79
Sub Juniors	1st:	Scott Stanford	89



Top 9 Scorers with High Gun Stephen and BBF Branch Manager Jason



High Gun Winner Stephen Cooper with Chris Bourke and Jason Rogers Branch Manager BBF



Master Winners (L-R) Laurie, Glen, Chris, Denis, Jason & Les



Senior Winners (L-R) Glen, Chris, Hugo, Henk & Jason

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Dealership Announcement

OUTDOOR TRADING COMPANY announce the arrival of a new **PROMATIC Trap, the ORION 400.**



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This bulk purchase will allow Outdoor Trading Company Aus. to offer clubs and individuals across Australia wonderful deals on all variants of the Promatic Trap range.

The new Orion 400 Trap is a superb addition to the Promatic family, it is designed with a 10-stack 400 carousel (lower profile) reducing the load on the trap when being moved or set. To assist with keeping the price down, the base is now fixed. The trap also features a powder coated carousel keeping the Orion 400 to \$3900 Inc. The Orion 400 comes in a Midi 70mm, Midi 90mm, Battue & Standard L/H & R/H versions. This trap will throw targets past 90 metres and it has

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NARROMINE

CHRISTMAS IN JULY - BRB FAMILIES

Sunday 20th July brought the end of the inaugural Christmas In July 2 day shoot with over 50 shooters coming out to play. Some returning for the 2nd day and others coming out for their first taste of Christmas in July fun.

The BRB boys tweaked a couple of targets and we all lined up again for awesome targets and loads of fun and laughter.

Just for giggles they left those mixo rabbits in to test shooter's ability and patience.

The \$500 was up again for high gun along with \$100 for the next top 9 scores and grades were paid 1st to 3rd.

During the weekend we went on a fundraiser rampage for 2 of our members son Alex McGrath who is representing Australia in October up in Brisbane. Alex a ParaF21 Athlete currently holds the Australian records for U17 Discus, Shotput & Javelin, he also holds the Australian title for U20 Discus. Through 100 clubs, donations and auctioning a few slabs we managed to send Alex off with over \$3000 to assist with the costs of attending the games.

Once again, we would like to thank our sponsors for the day the BRB boys, Chris "Horse" Bourke, Murray Rees, Glen Bloink along with their families for their continued support of the club.

Thanks to all that once again to those who helped pack up, clean up, in the kitchen (cooking up a storm), office and most of all to our fellow shooters who came out to make the day what it was, a great day of fun, laughter and brilliant targets.

Shooters jack pot was won by Doug Frankling who unfortunately was ineligible, so it jackpots again. Remember you need to be at presentation and have attended the last 3 shoots as well.

Winner Are Grinners and once again the big fella Stephen Cooper took out the honours again with an impressive 101/104 after nail biting shoot off with Dean Delaney.



High Gun Shoot Off – Dean Delaney & Stephen Cooper

RESULTS

High Gun		Stephen Cooper	101+10
AA Grade	1st:	Darren Guy	90
A Grade	1st:	Craig McPherson	93+2
	2nd:	Chris Agustin	93+1
	3rd:	Anthony Corderoy	79
B Grade	1st:	Ken Purvis	92
	2nd:	Glen Bloink	91
	3rd:	Sam Brander	89
C Grade	1st:	Paul Bell	76+4
	2nd:	Craig Ridley	76+3
	3rd:	Don Galliano	70
Seniors	1st:	Henk Van den Heuval	59
Veterans	1st:	Peter Kay	92
	2nd:	Milton Cartwright	91
	3rd:	Jeff Hall	83+1
Masters	1st:	Lawrence Redfern	94
	2nd:	Les Townsend	85
	3rd:	Denis Coaker	82
Ladies	1st:	Mel Phillips	91
	2nd:	Paula Purvis	84
	3rd:	Alison Kelly	61
Juniors	1st:	Henry Purvis	89
	2nd:	Ryan McPherson	88
	3rd:	Jake McPherson	82
Sub Juniors	1st:	Jack Rees	83
	2nd:	Mitchel Rees	56



B Grade Winners (L-R) Chris, Bloinky, Ken, Michael, Murray & Sam



Sub Junior Winners (L-R) Chris, Michael, Mitch, Murray & Jack

NARROMINE

GUNPRO 100 TARGETS

Sunday 17th August brought the Gunpro 100T event with our brilliant sponsors Nicky & Marty Bourke from Gunpro, Dubbo.

Shooters were treated to a fantastic array of targets organised by Grant & Bloinky.

The gods were in favour along with the weather with Lance North taking home a 25 break badge post shoulder surgery – what a great way to make a come back.

Our own Ken Purvis scored him self a 50 break badge which was well deserved as shooting 50 straight is a pretty awesome feat.

Ewan Jones was drawn out for the Lucky Shooters Jackpot but was unfortunately was not eligible to claim the cash so it jackpots to \$300 for Septembers shoot.

Jake Guzelian was the winner of the lucky door prize of ½ slab.

Thanks to Grant & Bloinky for their hard work on the range, and also to everyone else who helped with the range setting, packing up, kitchen & office.

I do have to note that one range setter beat the other range setter and he wanted everyone to know! LOL

Congrats to Lance North for taking High Gun after a hotly contested shoot off with Dean Delaney.



Grant Berryman & Brett Hall with High Gun Winner Lance North



Grant, Masters Winners Les Townsend 3rd, Denis Coaker 1st & Brett



50 Break Badge Winner Ken Purvis



Grant with C grade Winners: Craig Ridley 2nd, Andrew Tucker 1st, Paul Bell 3rd



Grant with Veteran Winners: Greg Jones 3rd, Jake Guzelian 1st, Tony Monk 2nd

NARROMINE

COAKER EVERETT MEMORIAL SHOOT SEPTEMBER

Well, what a weekend! Beautiful weather, awesome targets and great times were experienced by all that attended.

And if you didn't attend – you missed out big time! This is one shoot you don't want to miss so make sure you book it in for next year!

Shooters were treated to 120 sporting targets and 176 timed targets over the period of the 2 days. The Sponsors went back to mixing it up over the weekend so if you missed one day you still got a go at both events.

Sporting: Evo and Chris went about their sporting range and created some great stands including the Bernie Rawson & Tom Everett Black Duck – wasn't that interesting, but we all know the reputation of that stand! They made you work for the chance to get your name on the trophy!

There were fast crossers, incomers, battues, loopers and outgoers – something for all levels of shooters. All of them kept you on your toes.

Those simm pairs made you swing that gun and gave you no time to think about measuring or any of that dumb stuff while looking for the 2nd target. The course was tweaked Saturday afternoon ready for Sunday, so you may of worked the targets out only to start scratching the head when you stepped out!

Both stands earning a shoot off – Jack, Adam & Horse for the Bernie Rawson – we had to move them 3 times to get a result! Black Duck dam saw PK & Jeff fighting it out for 2nd & 3rd.

Timed Events: DC – it scares me to think about what goes on in that mind of his! The pheasants off 4 traps, Simm overheads and simm high and low crossers, Grouse – simm pairs – plenty of time – nope they were gone! The shoot off turned into a mean feat.

Quails – low flying simms, landing out there pretty quick, Springing teals had a bit of outward slope to them again simms. The timing allowed for a quick reload but fumble a shell, they were out there, and the next pair were about to be released.

Rabbits – ha ha some shooters thought on the mat was a good place to hit them only for them to bounce and making a second shot necessary, this meant the 2nd rabbit was on its way. DC threw in a couple of lost buckets to make it funnier?? The shoot off was nail biting, we had 10 shooters and due to time restraints it was held Sunday morning before shooting commenced for the day.

Going 3m closer took a few out, but then he took it back about 10m with only 3 contenders left and rabbits could only be hit between the lost signs not before them quickly sorted the winner out

Partridge – This was a new stand in memory of Angus Brander who is DC's grandson. 16 targets visited twice for the day, 6 traps – now I know what you are thinking, how does that work? Well, the lovely Amanda kept us in line by pushing our buttons and guiding us to which target was coming next when you looked lost and fumbling for shells!

You received 5 traps three times – 2 high incomers, high & low crossers, incomer/crosser that was lost at the tree (literally it disappeared in the tree) and after the 3rd round she would yell "into the water" meaning the 6th trap was in play and heading into the dam like a bat outta of hell. This stand deemed a lot of fun and will be returning bigger and better next year for those who missed out.

Again, the Classic Pheasant Gun & SxS Gun competition brought a few shooters game enough to tackle the courses already hobbled, auto safety, double triggers and very hot barrels. One behind the scenes competition was between DC and his grandson Sam both using a pheasant gun. There was talk of sabotage, "light loads" that will definitely smash these targets and if Sam beat granddad, he got to keep the gun? Sam may have got around him but the gun went home with DC.



Angus Brander Memorial Trophy (L-R) Sam Brander, Overall Sub Jnr Brock Sattler, Evo, Overall Jnr Jack Atkins, Overall Ladies Mel Phillips, Denis Coaker & Amanda Madsen – absent Overall Winner Charlie North



Bernie Rawson Stand (L-R) Tony Everett, Chris Bourke, Jack Atkins, Denis Coaker & Adam Carmichael

NARROMINE

COAKER EVERETT MEMORIAL SHOOT SEPTEMBER



Tom Everett Black Duck Stand
Winners: (L-R) Jeff Hall, Rob Murray,
Peter Kay, Denis Coake & Zoey



Stuart Coaker Grouse Stand: (L-R)
Tony Everett, Craig McPherson, Jeff
Hall & Denis Coaker



Overall High Gun Adam Carmichael
with Evo & DC



OTG Classic Pheasant Gun: Evo,
Sam Brander with proud Grandpa
Denis



Dick Coaker High Pheasant Stand:
(L-R) Brett Hall, Evo, Tony Monk & DC



The Sponsors, The Legends: Tony
Everett (Evo) & Denis Coaker (DC)



Liz & Denis Coaker with grandson Sam & daughter Amanda at the Angus
Brander Memorial Stand

RESULTS			
High Gun		Adam Carmichael	249
A Grade	1st:	John Koolbanis	246
	2nd:	Charlie North	242
	3rd:	Lance North	229
B Grade	1st:	Brett Hall	226
	2nd:	Robert Murray	225
	3rd:	Philip Sattler	203
C Grade	1st:	Paul Bell	157
	2nd:	Henk Van den Heuvel	125
	3rd:	Paul Purvis	109
Seniors	1st:	Dean Delaney	230
	2nd:	Hugo Graesser	205
	3rd:	Paul Lyne	153
Veterans	1st:	Peter Kay	236
	2nd:	Jeff Hall	232
	3rd:	Stephen Tydd	218
Masters	1st:	Denis Coaker	187
	2nd:	John Sidoti	157
	3rd:	Sven Krollpfeiffer	115
Ladies	1st:	Mel Phillips	214
	2nd:	Paula Purvis	208
	3rd:	Melinda McGrath	159
Juniors	1st:	Jack Atkins	221
	2nd:	Henry Purvis	206
	3rd:	Dylen Murray	91
Sub Juniors	1st:	Brock Sattler	171
	2nd:	Lily Delaney	150



Les Clarke Rabbit Stand: 3rd Ben hooper, Winner Lance North, 2nd Adam
Carmichael with creator Denis Coaker

NARROMINE

WYANNA P/S MCGRATH FOUNDATION PINK SHOOT

Sunday 19th October brought 9th Pink shoot to Narromine Sporting Clays.

Weather was set to be lovely and hot but living up to our name, it was windy! Thankfully it settled down mid-morning. There was a few red faces enjoying the air conditioner during lunch.

Unfortunately numbers weren't as high as we would of liked them to be, harvest has taken a number of shooters out, but 57 shooters came out to have a crack and all enjoyed themselves.

Shoot offs between Ken & Andy for 2nd & 3rd in A Grade also Jason & Greg for the same places in B Grade were hotly contested and scores were tight.

Ken, Paula, Aliza, Henry, Chris & Tony set about creating 2 x 50 target ranges. With Aliza and Henry in charge on range 1, Ken backed it up on range 2.



High Gun Winner Wazza Thorpe with the Sponsors

Targets on offer ranged from sneaky simm pairs of rabbits, sky high teals, crossers over the 2 dams, incomers and outgoers high and low. There was something for everyone and all level of skills.

The clubhouse had been coated in pink, trophies for the winners, a 12 prize raffle, 100 & 200 club and a large variety of items for the auction including a very nice cow hide rug.

Winner of the lucky door prize was Jenny Walton and Shooters Jackpot going off at \$300 to Paula Purvis who donated it back to the McGrath Foundation.

Would like to say thank you to all who jumped in and assisted with setting up, cleaning, cooking, office duties, ticket selling, packing up and especially to all that stayed for presentation.

To those wonderful people that donated items to auction & raffle – thank you, I wont try to name them all incase I miss somebody.

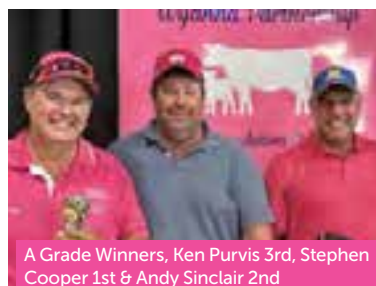
The auction was fast and furious thanks to Hallys gift of the gab auctioneering skills. We may have to give the spotters abit more training though! Items were flying around the club house. Thank you to everyones generosity bidding on the items.

RESULTS

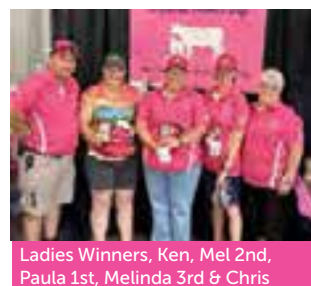
High Gun		Warren Thorpe	93
A Grade	1st:	Stephen Cooper	90
	2nd:	Andy Sinclair	88+14
	3rd:	Ken Purvis	88+13
B Grade	1st:	Brett Hall	80
	2nd:	Jason McGrath	78+6
	3rd:	Greg Jones	78+3
C Grade	1st:	Michael Kovac	71
	2nd:	Paul Bell	70
	3rd:	Paul Purvis	66
Seniors	1st:	Luke Cross	85
	2nd:	Dean Delaney	83
	3rd:	Dylen Swann	18
Veterans	1st:	Tony Monk	87
	2nd:	Jake Guzelian	86
	3rd:	Peter Kay	83
Masters	1st:	Les Townsend	64
Ladies	1st:	Paula Purvis	85
	2nd:	Mel Phillips	80
	3rd:	Melinda McGrath	72
Juniors	1st:	Henry Purvis	90
	2nd:	Dylen Murray	74
	3rd:	Callum Sinclair	71
Sub Juniors	1st:	Ashton Coe	43
	3rd:	Dylen Murray	91
Sub Juniors	1st:	Brock Sattler	171
	2nd:	Lily Delaney	150

At time of going to print over to \$9,700 has been raised for the McGrath Foundation.

Well Done to Warren "Wazza" Thorpe who took home High Gun along with a 25 Break Badge with an impressive 93.



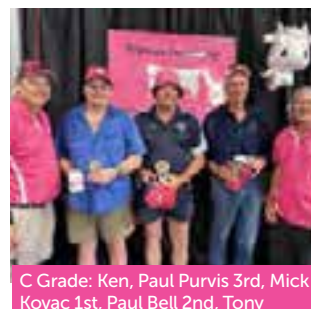
A Grade Winners, Ken Purvis 3rd, Stephen Cooper 1st & Andy Sinclair 2nd



Ladies Winners, Ken, Mel 2nd, Paula 1st, Melinda 3rd & Chris



Master Winner, Ken, Les Townsend 1st, Tony



C Grade: Ken, Paul Purvis 3rd, Mick Kovac 1st, Paul Bell 2nd, Tony

SHAOLHAVEN

FROM THE DESK OF NSW SCA TEAM MANAGER ANGIE THORPE

NSW SCA supports the development of all shooters within our sport by offering several training days at club level throughout the year. If your home NSW SCA branch is willing to host a training day, please get in touch with Doug Alcock. Although he can arrange coaching sessions for all grades and categories, Doug would love to arrange coaching sessions that focus on the lower grades, so that no one misses out on extra education!

We also send off a few top lady and junior shooters to the Victorian coaching clinic under strict selection criteria. If a junior or lady is keen to attend, and is nominated by their home club, shows fantastic attendance records at club events and state events... then they may be the lucky recipient of NSW SCA financial assistance to help cover some costs of travelling to Geelong for their annual coaching clinic.

Coaching Day

NSW Juniors & Ladies travel to Geelong Sporting Clays

Saturday 21/06/2025 Vic state selection shoot #2: 12 NSW SCA shooters attended the Vic State selection shoot #2 at Geelong Sporting Clays and the distance we travelled to get there did not disappoint!

The 4 separate ranges supplied our shooters with targets were tough but fair, and most definitely there to be hit (and missed!) and covered every type of targets from rabbits to looooooong crossers and a very high loopier off the tower that caused many a furrowed brow. Wazza Thorpe said "I'd happily go back to Geelong to shoot that quality of targets again. My favourite stand was from a 3-storey scaffold. It was an engineering marvel that really took me to new heights – literally!" At the end of the day, each NSW member came back to the clubhouse grinning from ear to ear.

All of them came back babbling about their latest experiences and certainly some wonderful memories and new friendships were made that's for sure! Of the NSW contingency, Wazza Thorpe won 1st place in A grade, and youngster Luke Pellow took out 3rd place in the Juniors division.

Also attending Geelong for the whole weekend were Warren Thorpe (Shoalhaven), Jay Crittenden (Shoalhaven), Christian Leadbitter (Shoalhaven), Ken Purvis (Narromine), Graham Pellow (Ardlethan / Beckom) & youngster Ryan Scheepers.

Wazza and Jay left the others who were keen to stay at Geelong, and toddled off to Little River Sporting Clays for a change of scenery, and they certainly got that! They also were welcomed with friendly reception, great grounds and awesome targets topped off with great tucker!

We ate out at the pub on Friday night and some of us partied and played pool til the early hours of the morning. We had a very ordinary feed of Chinese on Saturday night and Sunday we walked the streets until we found Gozleme and sorbet!

The weather was fantastic, everyone was well behaved and everyone went home feeling just a little closer to their comrades after learning more about their own shooting abilities and newfound friends' personalities. So very proud!



SHAOLHAVEN

PAUL IRELAND MEMORIAL

Paul Ireland Memorial – Graded Shoot 13/07/2025

10 of squads (of 56 of shooters) The canteen trial was hugely successful and will be back in action again at the October shoot. Rumor has it that everyone loves the idea of a raffle where you can possibly win a free noms (at their choice of a shoot sometime in the next 12 months) so we will be having that on offer again at the next shoot. We are well on the way to raising enough funds to get another trap, so be on the lookout for something sparkly and new coming to the best little countryside range soon!

Steve Atkins, Paul Hamilton and the band of merry men set a range that included a cheeky little low quartering-away target, amongst other teals, battues and rabbits. Thanks guys for all you do, and to everyone who helped pack up and take home a box of empty shells or two.

AA Grade

1st: Walid Issi (88)

2nd: Khaled Mahfouz (86)

3rd: Steve Atkins (85)

A Grade

1st: Kooli (87)

2nd: Mat Allat (82)

3rd: Jack Atkins (81)

B Grade

1st: Mario Musicki (78) after a shoot off

2nd: Dennis Walsh (78)

3rd: Anthony Pasek (75)

C Grade

1st: Travis Askew (65)

2nd: Chad Elliot (62)

3rd: Neil Callanan (61)



SHAOLHAVEN

RICHARD BAANER MEMORIAL SHOOT

A beautiful set up day on Saturday, and just like that pew! The weather change altered the targets set the previous day! The unforgiving wind held out the big high teal which was already the most challenging target on the range, made only slightly worse by pushing it out just a bit further. It lightly sprinkled during the day, but the weather seemed to play much nicer at the end of the day. Course setters Angelo Salamon & Mario Musicki (and some muchly appreciated help from Anthony Pasek & Bryan Boon) are to be commended for stepping up whilst the rest of the set-up committee had previous arrangements! Thanks gents!

They set loopers and incoming micro's.... and a crossing midi that had shooters scratching their heads. There was even a Jack Rabbit that bounced off a pallet and flew through the air! All targets were stiff but fair, and a real eye opener for those going to the NSW state championship in Mudgee in September. The targets were well received, with Vice President Laurence Effield saying that many shooters had told him that they need to shoot targets more like this to remain competitive.

Thanks to the 4 squads of shooters for attending.

Paul Hamilton spoke briefly about the shooting career of past member Richard Baaner and reminded everyone that it is ok to speak up... about anything... to anyone. We are all here for each other – our shooting community has many special friendships that we all value and is built on trust and comradeship.

Thanks to Alana Pasek for the photos.

High Gun

Angelo Salamon (83)

A Grade

1st: Chris Coss (71)

2nd: Bryan Boon (68)

3rd: Anthony Pasek (65)

B Grade

1st: Cameron Hockey (63)

2nd: Laurence Effield (55) after a shoot off

3rd: Mario Musicki (55)

C Grade

1st: Hayden Meade (58)

2nd: Jody Meese (44)

3rd: John Bentley (43)



SHAOLHAVEN

TRAVELLING CLUB REPRESENTATIVES

Club president Steve Atkins and Kylie Atkins attended the ICTSF World English Sporting Championships held at the Wapiti Shooters Club in Grand Prairie, Alberta Canada, over the 12th - 17th Aug and the venue delivered some amazing targets thrown over exceptional terrain.

The event consisted of three 100 target lead up events of Super Sporting, Five Stand and an English Sporting Preliminary during the week and then the main 200 target World English Sporting over the weekend. Steve managed to win three individual gold medals in the Super Sporting, Five Stand and the main World's events. As a part of the Australian Team, he also secured a Silver medal in the Open Teams event.

The Canadian hospitality was second to none with everyone made to feel extremely welcome and part of the Wapiti family. Well done Steve, we are so proud of you and all you have achieved in all disciplines! All the club members who were cheering you on back home can't wait to hear of the tales that didn't make it to social media!

200 target 4 day event at Kronos Village

Late July, Jed Leadbitter (and his dad Christian) travelled to Cyprus as a part of the 2025 Australian SCA Junior team. After some slight paperwork delays, the boys managed to reschedule flights 2 days later than originally planned, costing \$15,000.00 more with the correct permit to fly.

Jed loved the Kronos Village 4-day event, despite the stinking hot weather. He said it was 47 degrees with a 85% humidity rate, and that the humidity was hard to describe, but nothing like Australia's humidity. Although the weather varied, from windy to calm, it was just plain hot all the time. At 8am one shoot day it was already 40 degrees, and they hardly saw a cloud in the sky. Despite the hot weather there was plenty of wildlife and they were amazed at how many cats could be seen!

Jed and Christian advised me that the shooting facility was a part of a sports club, which even had a pool and a restaurant! Although mainly flat, they found themselves overlooking a mountain and the view was almost panoramic! The targets were a little harder than he expected, (but not too much) only a few more smashed clays would have found the Australian Junior team on the podium.

Jed was happy with his first world event and his favourite memory was talking with his dad and Gebbin Miles about how they do ministry in the states before they shoot. Jed was amazed at how easy Dominic Grossi from Texas US made things look, he was just so smooth at picking up targets well before anyone else.

Jed said his Dad Christians support played a vital role, and wanted to say a special thank you to Terry Preston from Hull Ammunition as well as his family back home. Jed is looking forward to his next big milestone and has already pencilled in Portugal for 2026.



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PRESIDENTS REPORT TO THE 2025 AGM

PRESIDENT'S REPORT TO THE 2025 AGM

Twelve months ago my first President's report, to the AGM in November 2024, indicated that the current SAFGA constitution was not fit for purpose. Moments later that prophetic statement was proved correct with no Board being elected by the delegates present! The Department of Consumer & Business Services directed the Association to hold a special meeting in January of this year, and fortunately a Board was then elected to run the Association for the benefit of its 460 members. Upon re-election our stated aims were to finalise the 2025 competition calendar, update the competition rules, bring the Ragless issues to a conclusion, and start work on a new constitution for the State.

I am pleased to report that this hard working Board has almost completed these stated aims, and probably would have succeeded completely had we not lost two months of the year due to being paralysed for two months with no Board.

Our TSSD Joe Densley has run a successful year of competition including state qualifiers, and culminating with the state titles being held at the Centrals club. Whilst numbers were lower than previously we thank the host club for their contribution. Now that our own competition rules have been updated and approved it is essential that the SCA national body gives conclusive direction around the current uncertainty of clubs wishing to shoot Compak/5 stand.

As you will see in the Treasurer's report, the Ragless issues are almost in the rear view mirror.

Our Legislation Officer John Kentish has done outstanding work in deciphering the issues for a more thorough understanding by all members. Whilst there are no winners, the Board hopes that all parties can move forward as the cloud of uncertainty has been lifted and equity issues have been tackled.

The Board was roundly criticised last year for a loss of \$155 in the annual accounts. That has been turned around this year through diligent fiscal management, and we have recorded a profit of \$7,673, which has been confirmed by our auditor. The Board decided to move from the ANZ bank to the Bendigo bank, partly because the financial reserves of the Association could enjoy the better interest available in a Bendigo Term Deposit.

Following the conclusion of the financial year and the preparation of our books for audit, John Kentish resigned his position as Treasurer. The Board was then able to use the casual vacancy created by John's resignation to engage in succession planning by appointing Delilah Rybak to the Treasurer's portfolio. I thank Delilah for offering her services to the Association, and note that succession planning and renewal are critical to the long term success of associations.

Our Legislation Officer John Kentish and myself have attended three meetings with club committees to discuss a draft constitution. The Board has spent a huge amount of time going through the document, literally line by line, and has done this more than once as suggestions have been made. Unfortunately the Board has been distracted by events outside of its control and this has delayed the process. Whilst we were originally hoping to present a new constitution for approval at this year's SAFGA AGM, the Board has now decided to delay until the new year in order to fully listen to members in order to get the best result. However, I am glad to report that everyone seems to be in total agreement in regards to the reintroduction of democracy, which has been sadly missing for the past five years!

I am proud to advise members that your Board has met sixteen times during the year, via online Teams meetings. This has created plenty of work for our hard working secretary Phil Papaioannou, especially when you consider the numerous newsletters he has produced and other matters he has had to attend to. Thank you Phil.

As you will have gathered, the Board has had a very busy year. The Board has proved to be a very good team, not always agreeing about everything, but always willing to work co-operatively for the overall good of SAFGA. I thank the Board.

With kind regards,

Charles Wallis

President

LAKE BONNEY SEPTEMBER 25TH ANNUAL 150 TARGET CLASSIC

Lake Bonney Sporting Clays held the 25th Annual 150 target Classic over the weekend. 74 shooters traveled from as far as Laang and Moe in Victoria to attend the event. The weather conditions were tricky for both the target setters and competitors alike. Only one 25/25 was shot for the weekend, Ashley Robinson handled the windy conditions on Saturday to be the only competitor to shoot a perfect round.

High gun went to Danny Bellinger after being one target behind after Saturday, he took the top spot with a one target lead.

Jeremy Kent took out first in AA grade, second went to local shooter Brenton Ferguson, and third was claimed by Declan Wright.

Joe Lieshout from Moe, Victoria, won A grade ahead of another visiting shooter/sponsor Doug Longmuir, and third went to South East shooter Matt Jones.

Garry Crimmin took out B grade after leading his grade for the entire event, second went to local Warren Whitehead, and third was claimed by Sam Chapman after a shoot off.

C grade was won by Scott Hall with a ten target lead over second placed Scott Hall, local shooter Todd Beighton rounded out the top three.

The Seniors Grade was won by Chris Wright ahead of visiting shooter Kevin Robertson and Mark Fabris placed third.

Ernie Scheidl won the Seniors grade with a four target lead over second placed Chris VonStanke and Lake Bonney President Wayne Gurney claimed third.

The Ladies grade was a close competition with the top two shooter on the same score after Saturdays shooting, at the end of the event Tasha Bellinger took out the top spot, with Darci Kuhl and close second and Bec Kober third.

With no competition Noah VonStanke took out the Sub Juniors grade.

The WaterTech Solutions Lucky Door prize was drawn Sunday by Doug Longmuir presenting Plum Werchon with a new car fridge.

A huge thankyou and congratulations to all sponsors, volunteers and shooters for a fantastic weekend



LAKE BONNEY OCTOBER CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

There was a slightly smaller than average pool of shooters at the 2025 Lake Bonney Sporting Clays Club Championship sponsored by South West Freight and In2 Monogramming & Workwear, it was a good mix of local and travelling shooters testing their skills against some tougher targets.

Local shooter Danny Bellinger took out Highgun shooting 3 rounds of 24/25.

First place in AA grade went to Mick Banning with a score of 61/75, second went to Natimuk shooter Richard Emmerson on 59/75.

A grade was won by Russell Hart with a score of 66/75, after a shoot off second was claimed by Romain Devaud and third went to Craig Smith.

Luke Rainsford won first in B grade just one target ahead of local shooter Trevor Whitehead on 59, and Sam Chapman took out third.

C grade was taken out by Ross Morris with a score of 60/75, second went to Todd Beighton on 54/75 and third went to Frank Whitty with a total of 50/75.

The top spot in the Seniors grade went to Tony Sellars on 61/75, second went to Mark Fabris with 57/75, and third went to Rohan Todd just one target behind.

Ernie Scheidl took out first in the Veterans grade with a score of 64/75, second went to Burrangle shooter Chris VonStanke on 59/75, Wayne Evans rounded out the top three with 58/75.

The Ladies grade was won by Tasha Bellinger with a score of 63/75, second went to Kellie Roos on 50/75, and third went to Laetitia Vearing.

Sub Juniors was won by Noah VonStanke with a score of 62/75, and second went to Dallas Zalme.

Thankyou and congratulations to all our sponsors, shooters and especially our hard working team of volunteers.



NORTHERN MIDLANDS

2025 REVIEW

2025 has been another solid year for Northern Midlands Sporting Clays. Our club at Barter Lodge, 491 Pipers River Road, continues to attract regular shooters, new members, and visitors from across Tasmania. The focus this year remained simple — good targets, enjoyable shoot days, and steady improvements around the grounds.

Club Overview

We held a full calendar of monthly shoots throughout the year, with consistent attendance and plenty of positive feedback. The layouts changed month-to-month to keep things interesting, offering a mix of technical and straightforward targets so every shooter had something to work with.

The setup crew kept things running smoothly, often putting in the early starts to ensure everything was ready when people arrived. In the clubhouse, Tammy Morosini once again handled the kitchen with reliable, no-fuss meals that everyone appreciated. The office crew kept the scores moving along as usual — even if things were a bit quieter when the Secretary wasn't there to keep them on track.

Shoot Highlights

Across the year, we had a good spread of scores and plenty of close results. Many shooters continued to develop their skills, and several newer members had some strong days on the board. The combination of varied terrain, and natural cover helped create some interesting target presentations throughout the year.

Visitors from other clubs dropped in across multiple shoots, adding a bit of variety and friendly competition. Feedback from shooters was consistent — they enjoyed the targets, the atmosphere, and the overall setup.

State Championships

One of the biggest events for us in 2025 was hosting the State Championships. The course layout was well received, offering a fair but challenging mix with elevated targets thanks to a boom lift generously loaned by Tasmania Gun Club and Alex Grodski. This allowed us to include some presentations we don't normally get to run.

The weekend ran smoothly, with many shooters commenting on the organisation, target quality, and the general atmosphere.

Corporate Golf Day

Another key event was the annual Corporate Golf Day. This will hopefully become a reliable tradition for the club — a mix of community involvement, fundraising, and a relaxed day out. Thanks go to organisers for putting the event together this year.



Looking Ahead to 2026

The club is heading into 2026 in a good place. We're seeing steady growth, improvements across the year, and strong participation. The coming year will once again feature our monthly competitions along with a few special events.

We also encourage interstate shooters to add us to their travel plans next year. The club offers a relaxed, friendly environment and a course that offers a bit of everything — ideal for anyone wanting to experience Tasmanian shooting.

Join Us in 2026

Northern Midlands Sporting Clays looks forward to welcoming everyone back for another strong year. Keep an eye on the club's Facebook page for shoot dates, updates, and results. Whether you're a regular, a visitor, or new to the sport, we look forward to seeing you on the range in 2026.

BRISBANE SPORTING CLAYS

SCS NATIONAL SPORTING CLAYS WRAP UP

Brisbane Sporting Clays proudly hosted nearly 300 competitors from across Australia this October for a spectacular four-day national event. In the lead-up, club members worked tirelessly to prepare the grounds, erect shade structures, and coordinate logistics—efforts that ensured a smooth, well-run, and memorable competition.

Over 200 targets were presented across eight meticulously designed grounds. Each layout was crafted to both challenge the nation's top shooters and remain engaging for all experience levels. The course-setting was widely praised, with shooters acknowledging the variety, fairness, and technical quality of the targets.

Thanks to the rotating squad schedule and seamless coordination between range officers and administration staff, every wave ran to time. This consistency allowed shooters to prepare effectively, contributing to several perfect rounds. Congratulations to the following competitors who recorded 25/25 scores during the event:

Nate Palubiski, Blake Nankervis, Xavier Russell, Chris Brown, Damien Burgen, Robert Hall, Reece Turner, Adam Hirschfield, Adam Shale, John Kanellos, Luke Turner, John Younger, Jimmy Papaioannou and Paul Crittenden.

Beyond the technical excellence on display, the event was marked by a strong sense of sportsmanship and camaraderie. Shooters from every state and every grade shared stands, celebrated personal achievements and supported one another's efforts. The atmosphere throughout the grounds reflected the best of the sport: competitive yet respectful, serious yet welcoming. Many participants commented that the event not only challenged their skill but also strengthened the community connection that underpins clay target shooting in Australia.

While personal-use buggies were generally not permitted, Brisbane Sporting Clays ensured accessibility by accommodating shooters with documented medical needs. All other competitors benefited from regular air-conditioned bus transport between the clubhouse and grounds—providing relief from Brisbane's high-30s temperatures and dry winds, and keeping the timetable running precisely.

Shelter and comfort were priorities throughout the venue. Shade structures and natural cover allowed shooters to rest between stands, while back at the clubhouse, volunteers served a consistently popular menu. From jumbo wurst hot dogs, burgers and wraps to cakes, chips and fresh pastries, the catering team sold out daily. The club's new barista coffee machine was also put to excellent use—over 400 coffees were served across the event.

One of the standout operational successes of the competition was the performance of the Promatic traps. With a licensed and certified trap mechanic on-site, every trap was maintained and serviced proactively. Thanks to this oversight, not a single trap required replacement during the event. Special recognition goes to Aaron Knowles and "Mortie" (Josh Vickers) for their attention to detail and commitment to keeping all eight grounds running smoothly.



This event also highlighted the ongoing growth and legacy of Brisbane Sporting Clays. Over many years, the club has invested in coaching pathways, member development and facility improvements to support both emerging shooters and seasoned competitors. The success of this national event reinforces the club's place as a key contributor to the clay target community, maintaining traditions of excellence while continuing to evolve with the sport.

Brisbane Sporting Clays extends its sincere appreciation to every volunteer, competitor, vendor and supporter who played a part in delivering this year's event. The club looks forward to welcoming the shooting community back for future competitions and to continuing its tradition of excellence in clay target sport.

QUEENSLAND SPORTING CLAYS

DECEMBER 2025

Well then, this has been an extremely busy few months since our last report. We had the State Titles at Childers & it was full bore into the SCA National events – SCA English Sporting Nationals at Gold Coast Clay Target Club & the SCA Sporting Nationals at Brisbane Sporting Clays. The National Office will provide reports in this area along with Brisbane Sporting Clays.

We did have success with our QSCA Members at both National Events & success is always worthy of a mention.

SCA English Sporting Nationals - Gold Coast Clay Target Club

Paul Adams – 188/200. He came close to the High Gun at this event, just Losing out in the Shoot Off with Xavier Russell

- Damien Birgan – 3rd Overall with 187/200
- Olindo Mazzarotto – 2nd B Grade
- James Leung – 2nd C Grade – Mark Cain – 3rd B Grade
- Ian Waldron – 1st Masters – Bruce Wilson – 2nd Masters
- Missy Mckerrow – 1st Ladies
- Jack Davis 2nd Sub Juniors – Brady Campbell – 3rd Sub Juniors.

Nice Job everyone a good result.

SCA Sporting Nationals – Brisbane Sporting Clays

- Dennis Dinte – 3rd A Grade 170/200
- Olindo Mazzarotto – 2nd B Grade 158/200 (Second win of the week – good shooting Olindo)
- Parick Liu – 144/200 = Patrick also took out the Handicap series for the Beretta Shotgun
- Mark Cain – 3rd C Grade 136/200
- Peter Tobin – 2nd Seniors 168/200 = Michael Birgan 3rd Seniors 166/200
- Darryl Grounwater - 1st Masters 163/200 – Ian Waldron 3rd Masters 144/200
- Georgia Rogers - 1st Ladies 166/200
- Jack Davis – 3rd Sub-Juniors 155/200
- The Queensland State Team – 2nd Position 1169/1400



From the Nationals at Brisbane the following QSCA members have the opportunity to compete for a National team placing at the FITASC Australian Grand Prix held at Cooma at the end of January 2026.

- Damien Birgan – Billy Cain – Dennis Dinte – Open
- Georgia Rogers – Ladies
- Michael Lucas – Peter Tobin – Seniors
- Michael Brgan – Veterans

QSCA Team = Damien Birgan – Georgia Rogers – Jack Davis – Dan Davis – Peter Tobin – Dennis Dinte

Paul Adams

That is about it for 2025. As we run into the festive season the QSCA Tewam would like to wish everyone a very Safe Christmas & New Year. Looking forward to a fun packed 2026 where we can grow on the successes of 2025.



YOUNG SHOOTER MAKING HER MARK ON THE WORD STAGE

At just 17 years old, Georgia Rogers is proving that age and gender are no barrier in a sport traditionally dominated by men. The Mount Tamborine teenager has quickly become one of Australia's brightest rising stars in sporting clays, already claiming multiple national titles and international recognition.

Georgia first joined Beaudesert Sporting Clays in 2021, originally searching for a new weekend hobby. With no previous experience in the sport, she began as a "Come and Try" participant, but it didn't take long for club members to notice something special. At just 13, Georgia demonstrated uncommon focus, a natural shooting instinct, and a willingness to listen, learn and refine her craft.

Supported closely by respected mentors including Andy Cassidy, Martin Scott, Anthony "Irish" Sheridan and Mark Farrow, Georgia steadily developed her technique. She eagerly absorbed every piece of advice offered, treating each missed target not as a setback, but as an opportunity to improve. Her positive attitude, combined with her competitive spirit, has been key to her rapid rise.

Equally important has been the unwavering support of her parents, Charlie and Barb Rogers. Well-known and respected throughout the shooting community, they have encouraged not only their daughter, but others around them. Their commitment reflects the family values that underpin much of Georgia's success, and the Sporting Clays Community club proudly counts them among its own.

In 2024, Georgia shot her way onto the Australian sporting team bound for the world ICTSF sporting championships in Canada. Since returning home she again made the QLD sporting clays team for the 2nd year running. In October, she shot an outstanding score at the Sporting Clays Australia Nationals in Brisbane, claiming the 2025 Australian Ladies Championship title, and as if that was not enough in November, she then attended the FGA Nationals at Clunes and came home with the victory in ladies securing a second national title, within the same year. Remarkably, Georgia achieved these results while preparing for and completing her final Year 12 exams.

With national titles already to her name and international competition experience behind her, Georgia Rogers is a young athlete who is not just participating in the sport—she is shaping its future.



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