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MARCH 2016 CLAY TARGET NEWS

New Zealand 2016

FITASC Grand Prix

A total of 59 SCA members travelled to New Zealand to compete in their two major events.

The first event was a 100 target sporting event in Paeroa as a warm up to the two majors.

Australians figured in all categories with John Tounger the star in the overall.

Next was the FITASC New Zealand Grand Prix which was held at the Rotorua Rd and Gun Club.

The club which has the most magnificent terrain for sporting had constructed new tracks right down to the river. The terrain is very steep and you started at the top and shot your way downhill.

Because of the terrain and the difficulty of getting back to the top, we shot 50 targets in one visit.

SCA PRESIDENTS REPORT

Well you have seen the magazine cover, We are now well into 2016, Duck seasons have been announced in all States that allow game seasons. Prospects at this time do not look good with limited rain and little or no water in major hunting areas. For those members intending to go hunt waterfowl this year, travel safely and observe all the etiquette demanded of us.

The Sporting Clay season is now well under way and a large number of Australians travelled to New Zealand for 8 days of target shooting.

This is something our cousins across the ditch do well, it is well supported by Australians and perhaps it is time that SCA tried something similar. It would be interesting to hear a response on say running a Compak Nationals mid week and the Australian Grand Prix at the weekend.

What would be the benefits to doing similar? Well it would assist those members in the far States especially West Australia and Queensland members who always have to travel long distances to these events. With the cost of airfares etc. combining two major events together would be a financial saving, plus it could maybe entice a larger entry to these type of events. With the two new series this year. It may also be beneficial to the above States that to qualify it may mean only one visit East. Food for thought and this should be an agenda item for the Target Committee at the next AGM.

The new website is up and running and has been extremely well received, very few complaints and these have been resolved quickly.

It is a very complex program that is user friendly once you get the hang of it, because of privacy provisions not all

members will be able to see the great benefits that it will bring to SCA.

The online registration for competitions is going very well with good entries for the Grand Prix and Championship of Oceania. A very pleasing aspect is that to get registered for a competition you must make the necessary payment and so all current entries are fully paid, (no more can you phone and ask to be pencilled in). For me, a great lessening of the work load.

Centralised membership is perhaps one of the greatest benefits and hopefully it will result in increased membership and a greater retention of existing members. There will be varying levels of access to the full program, Clubs will be able to access all their members' details as will each State.

At the National level for the first time I as President will have full access to who are financial members and who are not. This will ensure that only financial members of SCA have access to enter our and FITASC competitions.

Yes there are some aspects of the program that may need a bit of adjustment and after we have been running with all aspects of the program we will be able to assess its performance and recommend any changes that have been identified.

To Glen Rider who has been the driver and initiator of the "Move Forward" embraced by SCA, thanks for your tireless efforts, as President of SCA, I am extremely proud and excited by all the new initiatives as we keep moving forward into a bright and successful future

President SCA

Ray McFarlane

At the completion of the 50 targets we were transported back to the top in the back of pickups which had seats fixed to the tray bed. This was OK on Day One. Day Two after overnight rain and the occasional sprinkle during the day saw the tracks become very slippery, much slipping and sliding by the shooters, the pickups were abandoned and they found 3 side x side quads was the only means of transporting the shooters back to the top.

Day One and the leader was Sox Pilipasidis on 91/100, John Younger 90/100, Jack Gibbs 89/100, Brien Mortenson 88/100, leading Kiwi David Alley 87/100.

Ladies and Renae Birgan 80/100 had a good gap on the rest of the field, Felicity Paglia 74/100 and Deanna VanDerZalm 69/100 were the best of the rest

- Juniors were all Australians with Cameron Kivinen 85/100, Bryce Paglia 81/100 and Reece Cain 74/100

Veterans John Leach was the leader on 86/100, Ed Magee 84/100 and Neil (who) Peart 83/100

Super Vets - Gordon MacPhee NZ 77/100, Colin Barker 76/100, Allan Backman 75/100.

Day Two and it was wet underfoot, Ed Magee tried out for the Olympic Downhill but went arse over on the first turn and did not do his back any favours. Although wet and slippery the display of shooting put on by our top shooters was amazing.

Jack Gibbs with a great 91/100 tied with Sox for overall on 180/200 and the other shoot-off was for Veteran honours between John Leach and Neil Peart who tied on 165/200.

The shoot-off ground was a great test to sort out the Overall Champion. Jack who sorted out the difficult B target underfoot shot a great 23/25 to beat Sox by two targets.

In the Veterans, the B target was not in contention as neither shooter could connect with it, John came out one target ahead to grab the Veteran championship

FINAL RESULTS – NEW ZEALAND FITASC GRAND PRIX 200 TARGETS

Open	1st:	Jack Gibbs (AUS)	180
	2nd:	Sox Pilipasidis (AUS)	180
	3rd:	Brian Mortesen (AUS)	176
Ladies	1st:	Renae Birgan (AUS)	155
	2nd:	Felicity Paglia (AUS)	132
	3rd:	Deanne VanDerZalm (AUS)	123
Juniors	1st:	Bryce Paglia (AUS)	157
	2nd:	Cameron Kivenen (AUS)	155
	3rd:		
Veterans	1st:	John Leach (AUS)	165
	2nd:	Neil Pert (AUS)	165
	3rd:	Ed Magee (AUS)	161
Sup Vets	1st:	Gordon MacGee (NZ)	152
	2nd:	Allan Backman (AUS)	150
	3rd:	John Monaghan (AUS)	136

New Zealand Sporting Nationals

This event was conducted at the Waikato CTC just out of Hamilton.

The majority of the shooting was over Maize Fields with traps hidden and some trajectories a bit hard to see. The first day and the early squads had difficulty on at least 8 of the 16 stands with the bright sun, this was unfortunate as it could have been easily remedied with foresight.

This event was also shot 50 targets per visit. As at the time of writing I do not have access to the full list of scores I can only give the results.

John Younger was the outright winner coming home on the last day with a fantastic 97/100 for a total of 192/200.

In the Juniors Bryce Paglia followed up brother Jeremy's success last year and it was great to see them photographed together with the Rodd n Gun Dog. Jeremy is getting a bit of flack from the rest of the Paglia clan as they reckon Bryce is now the "Cock Sparrow" and Jeremy the "Feather Duster".

Out of the whole family Jacinta was the only one not to collect a trophy, watch out if she also takes up shooting.

FINAL RESULTS – NZCTA SPORTING CLAY CHAMPIONSHIPS 200 TARGETS

Open	1st:	John Younger (AUS)	192
	2nd:	Brian Deadman (NZ)	188
	3rd:	James Saliba (AUS)	184
Ladies	4th:	Sox Pilipasidis (AUS)	184
	1st:	Renae Birgan (AUS)	178
	2nd:	Felicity Paglia (AUS)	166
Juniors	3rd:	Sarah Carruthers (NZ)	161
	1st:	Bryce Paglia (AUS)	175
	2nd:	Harry Denton (NZ)	164
Veterans	3rd:	Josh Pratt (NZ)	159
	1st:	Craig Matthews (NZ)	171
	2nd:	Bob Brown (AUS)	170
Sup Vets	3rd:	Rod Bryant (NZ)	170
	1st:	Colin Barker (AUS)	163
	2nd:	Allan Backman (AUS)	161
	3rd:	John Monaghan (AUS)	160



Stephen Chilton NTDS ■

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST - ADMINISTRATION

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We are seeking a focussed and experienced Administration person on a trial basis for newly created role in the Sporting Clays Association. Initially the position will be part time with the role expected to develop into a full time position.

Applications close 20th May 2016.

This position is to create positive change and assist with future growth of the Association, reporting back to the SCA executive.

The right candidate will be expected to have;

- Excellent communication and relationship building skills
- Ability to manage different projects
- Strong time management skills
- Sound PC skills
- Experience in the not-for-profit sector/fundraising would be ideal
- Excellent verbal and written communication
- Flexible working attitude
- Motivated, ability to adapt to new working situations
- Good problem solving skills and innovative solutions

Key tasks include;

- Downloading nomination entrants and place in squads for competitions
- Compiling hard copy physical files and data entry
- Help build effective working relationships to ensure external partners feel valued
- Develop strategies to increase income from all partnerships
- Keep records up to date in the database
- Liaising with external partners
- Administration when required

Applicants must be self –motivated and to be able to prioritise and multi task whilst working without supervision.

If this sounds like an opportunity you have been looking for then please submit your resume via email to:

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SPORTING CLAYS AUSTRALIA ON-LINE REGISTRATION

The second stage to the modernisation of "Sporting Clays Australia" has commenced with the Introduction of our On-Line data base for **ALL** State /Club Memberships and payments going forward. Although the Online system will become fully functioning for everyone (Existing & New) after the **1st July 2016, we require all Club & State members to go to the SCA Website now and register your details to create your own personal "Profile" page.**

The process is an easy transition to make with a onetime visit to the Sporting Clay Australia Website - **<http://sportingclaysaustralia.com.au/>** under the tag > Membership > Registration.



At present we are only requesting "Existing Members" complete the online Registration which is now available for you to apply your credentials into the data system, which in turn registers you for SCA recognition and the necessary services we provide.

The Registration system is a once off process & requires each individual member, to go online and complete your contact details and particulars, this includes all life members. During this process you will generate a "login" & a "password"; this is not a procedure that can be completed by your State Membership officer. This Registration & creation of a "Profile" page has to be completed by you personally. Your personal "log in" & "password" will be used by you to access the system in the future to pay for your membership & National Competition entries. Apart from visiting your registration "Profile" page to revise any change of Address, Email or phone number, you will not have to go through the "Registration" process again.

The entry details are fully explained on the Registration opening page with some areas requiring information that is number or letter specific when entering your information. Please take the time to read the introduction. If you get an item wrong it will show as red & it will request a re-entry.

All of your purchases are recorded and show up on your Profile page for you to review at any time. Useful if you think you have paid for a service, but maybe you have not. All State/Club members will benefit from this system with instant access, allowing you to pay for your membership at your convenience from a computer, tablet or smart phone. The revisions to your details are fully controlled by you, not a third party, which allows for an accurate contact to be made with you and instant recognition for the services you have paid for as a member through your State body & Club.

SCA will shortly be introducing merchandise, which will also be purchased in the same way.

Many of our members have already signed up online for the 2016 SCA National Competitions. These members are not required to go on line for a second time. The details already entered will have you registered for accessing payment in membership system when it becomes due.

All future membership payments will be made online through the SCA website. You will receive these notices via the Email you have registered (also via a text option if selected when you register into the system). These notices will be sent out as a reminder for you to go on-line & renew your membership. No more filling out forms that were sent to you by post, no more posting or sending cheques in, all registrations and payments are made on-line at any time convenient to yourself.

The system will recognise when your membership is about to run out. You will be reminded three times that your membership is about to expire (28 days – 14 days – 1 day out from the end date). If after these 3 reminders you still have not renewed your membership it will become inactive which will show up for the convenience of your State & Club membership officer.

This new step forward is being implemented for all State bodies & Clubs to keep their membership registered at one central location. Your State & Club has access to their membership data information at any time of the day, or night to confirm any membership details. This Information is 100% up to the minute accurate, with who is and who is not a member.

Each person in the Association has to have their own registration "Profile" page. The same Email address can be used for family groups, although each person must have their own unique "Password". This suits those groups that only have access to one computer. **All families will be required to enter each person separately & register their names under their own "Profile" page.**

At present the archaic membership system we have in place has you renewing memberships at the start of the New Calendar Year (1st January). This is not very conducive for new members in particular who wish to come on board and join with a half membership option at best offered after mid-year. The need is there for memberships to commence at the time you sign up, not at the beginning of every calendar year. Under the old system (New members in particular) would not receive a full 12 months membership before they had to renew. The lack of new membership applications are more noticeable towards the end of the year when these applications dry up.

Sooner or later the way we do business had to change. There were too many grey areas and gaps that allowed some of our members to fall through the cracks. Too many were not showing up on Membership lists supplied to SCA from the State bodies. Unfortunately the present registration process has to flow through too many hands and the problems associated with human error going through these multiple manual entries. There have been issues in the past under the old system with members being lost & not showing up on membership lists. This has major concerns for both you, as an Individual, and the other stake holders in this partnership at State and Club levels. Under the old system if you were not showing up on the registered membership list it could be assumed the system had not caught up. Where would this leave you as a member in the case of an Insurance claim???? As a duty of care to every member, this had to be addressed.

This membership data will be made available to all Clubs & State Bodies to review their membership. This information is tiered with filtering that only allows for State Bodies & Clubs to

review their particular membership. For Instance, a State body cannot review the information from another State & a Club cannot see any members other than theirs. Personal Security is maintained on the site & member's details are not visible or accessible to any other sources. SCA will not be sharing this information with any other source other than our State & Club bodies. Most importantly, security is maintained, especially with consideration to the equipment we use.

New members, although registered, will still have to go through an approval process that is required by some State bodies & Clubs before they are fully accepted as a member. Once the Club or State body approves a new membership, SCA are advised in the data system and the new members are sent their welcome packs

Once membership is paid for you will receive an Email confirmation & SCA will post out your new membership information. After 1st July 2016 SCA will be introducing a Plastic membership card (Credit card size) to all members as a second proof of membership to the SCA registered State/Clubs when you re-new. Each State body will have its own colour coding to make it specific to a particular State.

Some members may not have access to a computer, mobile phone or other electronic devices. Your membership renewal will still follow this process and as previously if a member is struggling with this new process, help is available at SCA, State or Club level, or you may decide to use the aid of someone in your family, a club member or a friend for this once a year application

We are already seeing increased contact & traffic across our new Website from prospective members attracted to our new branding which now leaves no confusion as to who & what we are. Our unique profile has been established for all to recognise rather than getting lost in the list of other Associations out there. Big changes maybe, but a positive step forward and outcome for everyone in our Association. The changes made at our AGM last November are already making inroads; this will be of benefit to you and our sport in the long term.

HOW TO CREATE YOUR PROFILE IN THE SYSTEM QUICK REVIEW

Each box will have a manual type in entry for a selection from a drop down box. Please review each & complete all boxes. This is a once off Entry. All future visits will not require you to enter this information again. Family members can use the same Email address

- A) No middle name > enter - (dash)
- B) No FITASC number > enter 0 (Number Zero)
- C) No membership number > enter 0 (number Zero)
- D) If an entry is incorrect the offending box will show up "Red"
- E) Your Password is personal & is used as security for you to access the system again. Please keep a record of your password for future use.
- F) When you have to return back to the system your log in will be your "Email Address" & the second part your "Password" as above reference.
- G) Finally read the "Terms & Conditions" as you reach the bottom there is a "Tick box. Validate this & hit the Blue "Create Account" box & your registration is complete. You will receive a confirmation Email to the address you have given indicating you have entered the database.
- H) Any changes to your personal information is D.I.Y. It is not the responsibility of your membership Secretary. You are able to enter the system at any time to change your details with your personal "Login" & "Password"

OFFICE BEARERS 2016

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 Tony Trainor – Vice President
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 Howard Barks – H&H Director
 Tracey Grayer – National Coaching Director
 Disability Officer – Mark Farrow
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SCA Representatives to FITASC

Ray McFarlane – Oceania Vice President –
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OUTDOOR SPORTING AGENCIES

TWO NEW SERIES FOR 2016

As you have observed over the last couple of months the theme at SCA is "Moving Forward", the following information is another example of how we are always looking for improvement and innovation.

Outdoor Sporting Agencies offered to supply sponsorship for two new events for the 2016 season. We have graciously accepted this generous offer and thank OSA and the Lithgow Arms Company (a new sponsor) for their support. It will certainly increase the interest of all members as they compete over the series of events to qualify for the finals. Progress scores will be posted on the SCA website and also on the SCA Facebook page. What a spectacle we are in for when we all have the opportunity to see our "Top Six" vie for Champion of Champion Honors and the Graded A, B, C event to find the best of our Graded Members, a win for all.

Special thanks to the OSA Team, Danny Galea and Rod Laidlaw who initiated the concept and followed it through the Series

"The Miroku Champion of Champions Series"

This series will feature a shoot-off at the Nationals between the "Top Six Qualifiers" plus any ties, for which the Prize for the winner will be the new model Miroku Deluxe U/O Shotgun. The Shoot-Off will be over 25 targets and winner takes all. Ties after 25 targets will be sudden death.

"The Lithgow Arms Graded Challenge"

For this series the prize will be a "Lithgow Arms Crossover Rifle". This event will also be shot-off at the Nationals. The Shoot-Off will be between the top three A and B Grade Qualifiers plus the top C Grade Qualifier. Places in each Grade for the final have been allocated on a proportional basis of the numbers in each Grade at the preceding Nationals (A & B Grades approx 100, C Grade 17). The Shoot-Off will be over 25 targets winner takes all. Ties after 25 targets will be sudden death. The shooters will be graded by distance i.e., C Grade will shoot from the zero mark, B Grade a minimum of 3 metres behind zero and A Grade a minimum of 6 metres behind zero. The event will include all Category A, B & C grade shooters.



Both series will be conducted over the following FITASC, SCA and State Championship Events.

- a) FITASC Australian Sporting Grand Prix
- b) FITASC Sporting Championship of Oceania
- c) Compak Sporting Nationals
- d) English Sporting Nationals
- e) All the various State Championships (only home state members to be allocated a percentage)

It is mandatory that to qualify you must compete at either the Grand Prix or Oceania Championships and also compete at the National 3 Day Carnival.

The minimum number of Qualifying Events will be three, if a person attends more than three of the events the best percentage from either of the FITASC international events plus the other two best percentages will be counted.

A percentage will be awarded to all competitors with the high gun of the shoot awarded 100%. All other competitors will be awarded a percentage according to their score against the score of the high gun.

Grading:- A person who starts the year 2016 in a particular grade and does not achieve a higher grade during the year will qualify in that grade, if however their grading increases prior to the date of the Final, they are only eligible for the higher grade. For the purpose of the event they may not move down a grade.



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B709 PERMITS

Amendments to the Customs (Prohibited Imports) Regulations 1956 – Firearms and Weapons IMPORT/EXPORT FOR PEOPLE TRAVELLING OVERSEAS FOR COMPETITIONS – DEPARTMENT OF BORDER PROTECTION No: 2015/40

There has been a change to the requirements for Import/Export & for a change it is a small positive for us in regards to amendments on the regulations to Import/export of our firearms & parts. Athletes will no longer be required to apply for a B709 from state police to import firearms and ammunition when they are an Australian citizen travelling overseas for competitions. We have provided a copy of the letter regarding directive 2015/40 on the SCA website - <http://sportingclaysaustralia.com.au/> - for you to download. It is recommended that you keep a copy of the letter in your documents when travelling to avoid any confusion with airport staff.

Below are some examples relating mostly to ammunition and the changes.

The exemption for import permission also covers ammunition and their components, as long as the other requirements under Regulation 3E are met.

For example:

An Australian resident is travelling to New Zealand to participate in a number of sports shooting competitions, and will be taking with them the following:

- 1x 12 Gauge Shotgun Break Action Over/Under;
- 4x 12 Gauge Chokes
- 100 x 12 Gauge shotgun shells;

The traveller can apply for either a Restricted Goods Permit (DEC07 & B957) from the Australian Border Force or a Defence Export Permit (DEP) from the Department of Defence, and on approval the above goods will be listed on the permit. To meet the exemption requirements, the returning Australian resident just needs to present the Export Permit (which is standard practice with returning travellers to confirm exemption from safety testing requirements) and a valid firearm licence.

Ammunition & parts that are NOT listed on the export permit will still require a B709A Form. Any quantity up to the amount listed on the export permit will be allowed to be imported back into Australia. For example, an import returns to Australia with the following items:

- 1x 12 Gauge Shotgun Break Action Over/Under;
- 100 x 12 Gauge shotgun shells;
- 4x 12 Gauge Chokes
- **200 rounds of 12 Gauge shotgun cartridges** (extra rounds won in a competition)

Taking the first example I provide as the goods listed on the Customs Export Permit, all of the above articles except for the 200x rounds of 12 Gauge shotgun cartridges will be exempt from requiring permission to import, as long as that export permit is presented along with a valid firearms licence. The quantity of shotgun ammunition is exaggerated as we know it will go over the allowance allowable to travel with. It is intended to provide an example to you that when you return back to Australia with something that has not been registered on your Customs documentation prior to departure.

The extra 12 Gauge Shotgun Shells will require a B709A Form to import as they were not exported out of Australia and listed on the export permit.

In other words providing what you take out is less than what you return with you will not require a B709A. ■

SCA - COACHING NEWS

I hope that everyone had a great Christmas and New Year, over here in the west we are on break as the weather is so hot January/ February time. This hasn't stopped me from catching up with a few coaching jobs, we have had the Club Coaching course information and manual updated with the new name and logo.

All the SCA Presenters and Assessors, if you are going to run a course, can you please contact me for the new manuals etc.

SCA Coaches, your Shooting Australia cards will be updated with the new logos etc. when they come up for renewal, please remember that we are all under the new system now and that to have your accreditation renewed, you will need to complete the renewal assessment. Please speak to your State Coaching Director for more information.

Could I ask that all State Coaching Directors to contact me at traceyyg@live.com with all their contact details so I can keep everyone up to date with any new information.

South Australia has run a Club Coach course in the last month or so, they had a great turn out with 12 members attending the course. We would like to welcome you as a SCA coach, may you all have as much fun coaching as you do shooting.

Kind regards

Tracey Gray *National Coaching Director* ■



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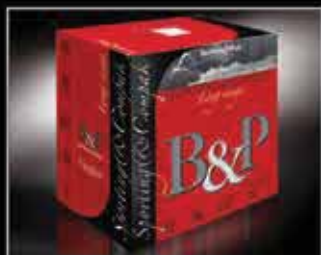
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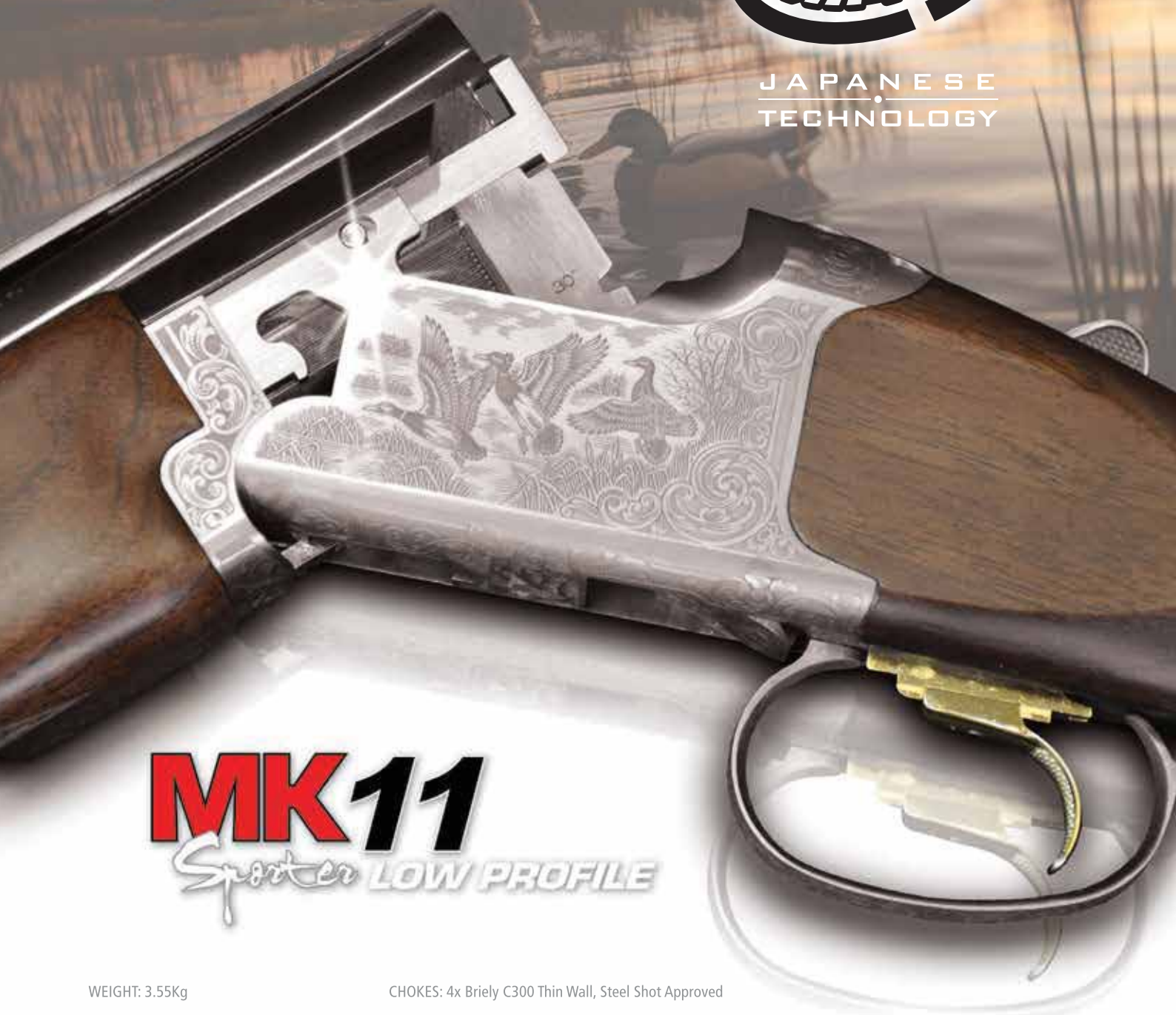


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NSW F&G

Sydney news

First up ASC is farewelling a long time member from the Cranbrook days, John Collier. I'm glad to say that John is in fine health. However he and wife Jude are moving out of the big smoke for a tree change. John's been a great member over the years serving on the committee setting ranges, chasing sponsors and with the help of Jude starting the very successful Big Bird series not to mention helping Sydney wrestle the Adrian Hayes trophy of Mudgee on more than one occasion. Sounds like the boot could be on the other foot this year though??

Our ongoing issue with Sutherland Shire Council, over the usage of our original licensed block, is now very close to being in the final stages for presentation to council. This has been an extremely frustrating, complex and expensive process, which has been driven mainly by two club members Allan Dorahy & Mark Savage. Thanks guys for all the time and energy you have put in so far.

Over the Christmas break while the majority of members were having a rest a handful of ASC members got on and did numerous jobs around the grounds ready for the new shooting Year. Allan has also got the Claymate system up and running on the Compak area.

Thanks guys.

ASC Sydney has got off to a great start for 2016, with shooter numbers up at all events so far. However members are still too slow with their renewals.

We started the year with the Merv Burrows Cup which as always attracted a big attendance, some tricky targets were presented on the day. It has been noticed that the Merv Burrows cup has vanished from the club house, anyone who may recall its whereabouts please contact ASC. The committee has arranged a replacement but we would like the original returned in respect to Merv's memory.

Our first Big Bird shoot was also a success judging by the numbers of shooters on the day. Approximately 70% failed to pre nom for this event making catering impossible as well as slowing the squadding process, we did survive. But next BB event on the 29th May will be pre nom only to include lunch. Noms on the day will be charged a late entry fee of 10% and no lunch will be provided. BE WARNED.

NSW F&G would like to welcome all members for 2016

Our first state meeting for 2016 was also held in February by conference call all branches were represented with quite a lot to discuss due to the long break from our AGM in October 2015 and possibly the biggest changes in the structure of our parent F&GFA to SCA evolving. We will endeavour to provide the correct information to all NSW F&G members as soon as it is available.

The sad news in regards to the Temora Field and Game Branch, it has been suspended by the department of fair trading until all investigations are

complete. This process may take some time therefore the NSW F&G executive would ask all members to be patient and refrain from speculation on this issue. Existing Temora members have been transferred to other NSW F&G branches until this process is completed or an alternative is available.

Temora Sporting Clays is now registered with Fair Trading and have requested membership to NSW F&G. They have adopted a constitution and are moving towards fund raising for the purchase of land and initial setup.

Our first selection shoot at Bermagui will have been completed by the time you read this and possibly our second at Cooma. Should be a great year with Mudgee, Dubbo, Gunnedah, Coffs Harbour and Sydney all holding selections.

Cooma branch conducted a referee training day in February run by Peter Reeve and Richard Mould. This was very successful with the following members passing the course.

Colin Brownlie
Andrew Fairfield Smith
Ken Jones
Adam Mower
Richard Seears
James Byrne

Congratulations and thanks Peter & Richard

Paul Smidt ASC President

BROKEN HILL FIELD AND GAME NEWS

By "Shellshocked"

On Sunday 7 February the Broken Hill Field and Game Association commenced the 2016 shooting year with the Murray and Michael Barker 50 Target Championship. The shoot was conducted in hot and sunny conditions that were pretty good for shooting clay targets and ideal for a cold drink at the end of the day. Organisers were rewarded with an excellent turn out of no less than 40 keen shooters, which included some new and potentially new members.

Range marshal Brian, and his boys, did a good job with the range which was very well set out for the hot conditions, not far to walk and very little trapping to do. Maybe one more shooting station would have avoided some congestion, but the targets were not at all difficult and were good fun for shooters in all grades. A score above 40 is usually a

pretty good effort but at this shoot it was commonplace.

The best off gun total for the shoot was an excellent 44 shot by Rod Weaver, just that one vital shot good enough to win the High Gun sash. This was a good effort by Rod who shot very consistently, as he had to, to stay ahead of a pack of shooters snapping at his heels.

Clay Johnston was the lone ranger in AA Grade but still earned the grade prize with a good score of 42. Tim Millstead and Ross Howse both shot 43 to tie for first place in A Grade and Tim got the nod on countback for the first place prize. The close finishes continued in B Grade and Kym Files shot 41 for the win, and also for a well deserved and long awaited promotion up a grade or two. It has been reported that quite a few real B Graders are now sleeping more easily.



Grade winners of the Murray and Michael Barker 50 Target Championship, left to right, Rod Weaver (High Gun), Clay Johnston (AA Grade), Tim Millstead (A Grade), Matt Gillespie (C Grade), Cassie McEvoy (Ladies) and Kym Files (B Grade).

Matt Gillespie is a relatively new shooter at our range, but is improving, and he shot a very consistent 36 to win C Grade with a couple of shots to spare. Cassie McEvoy shot 31 to win the Ladies Grade very narrowly from Elissa Tweedie, and Sam Andrew was the best of our visitors with a total of 28 but had to work hard to stay ahead of Chantal Watkins.

**BROKEN HILL - 7 FEBRUARY 2016
50 TARGET GRADED CHAMPIONSHIP**

High Gun		Rod Weaver	44
AA Grade	1st:	Clay Johnston	42
A Grade	1st:	Tim Millsteed	43
	2nd:	Ross Howse	43
	3rd:	Gerard Mahoney	42
B Grade	1st:	Kym Files	41
	2nd:	Haydn Beven	40
	3rd:	Ben DeGoumois	39
C Grade	1st:	Matt Gillespie	36
	2nd:	Neil Treganowan	34
	3rd:	Brian Casey	34
Ladies	1st:	Cassie McEvoy	31
	2nd	Elissa Tweedie	29

At the conclusion of shooting and presentation of trophies the Association conducted its Annual General Meeting and election of Committee for 2016. The meeting was chaired by Association President Rod Weaver.

Rod reported that the Association enjoyed another successful year in 2015 with excellent attendances at all clay shoots and field trips, two very successful two day championship shoots, and a generous donation to Broken Hill Palliative Care. A number of worthwhile improvements to our range and facilities were completed, improvements that were due in no small part to the hard work of our dedicated range



Field and Game brain's trust, left to right, Ross Howse (Secretary), Rod Weaver (President) and Peter Hoare (Treasurer), elected for another year of dedicated and impeccable service to our Association.

maintenance crew, and the support of sponsors and benefactors.

The members then acknowledged the sterling efforts of a proactive and hard working President and Committee by re-electing unopposed all committee members for 2016.

At the conclusion of the AGM Rod Weaver presented the President's Shield that is awarded to a member who makes an outstanding contribution to the Association during the year. For 2015 the Shield was presented to Richard Murphy. One could be forgiven for presuming that Richard has too much spare time on his hands, he spends so many productive



Richard Murphy, recipient of the 2015 President's Shield for outstanding service to the Association.

hours at our range repairing and improving our facilities. Richard has now been the recipient of this award on no fewer than nine occasions, the first time 27 years ago, an outstanding record of continuous service to the Association.

Additional information for any event is available from Association Secretary Ross Howse on telephone 8088 1486.



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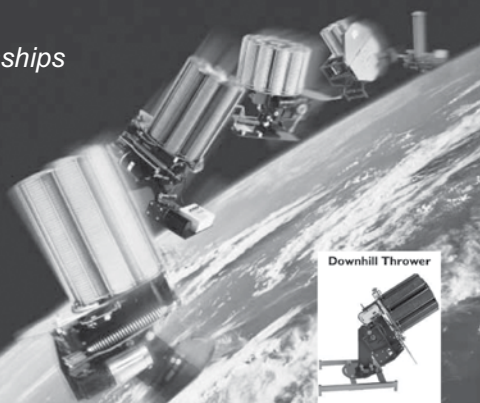
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BERMAGUI FIELD AND GAME

Sunday 31st January 2016

Sunday the 31st of January was the annual side by side bush challenge at Bermagui Field and Game generously sponsored by Bruce Arthurson. In addition to the side by side challenge was the under and over event kindly sponsored by Warren and Vikki Marshall from Far South Coast Excavations.

Phil and Michelle Craig along with their crew set a course that was challenging but enjoyed by all. A total of 59 shooters turned up. Great to see shooters from Cooma, Bega and Shoalhaven clubs partaking in the days events.



Side by Side High gun winner: Colin Brownlie

Colin Brownie took out High Gun for the side by side event with an amazing 110 score. Another standout score was from Jan Redman winning first in the under and over event.



Side by Side Winners 1-10 receiving their prizes

The 100 target handicap event was finished off with presentation of generously sponsored prizes. The days shoot also involved shoot training, guided by Mark Gschwend and Adam Shiels, the new 7 shooters were in good hands.

A special shout out to Pat Bedingfield the clubs young rabbit trapper for the day, always appreciated mate.

Next shoot is on February 28th 10 am featuring the OTG State selection shoot sponsored by the Bermagui country club. Set up crew for the shoot is Phil Craig Willie White ,Nev Brady, Mario Magrin, Mick Diss and Jimmy Drakos.

BERMAGUI SIDE BY SIDE EVENT

High Gun	Colin Brownlie	110
1st	Rodger Sands	105
2nd	Robert Duncan	104
3rd	Ron Manly	101
4th	Phil Craig	101
5th	Darren Redman	95
6th	Rodger Budd	
7th	Mario Magrin	
8th	Col O'Brien	
9th	Pat Jubb	
10th	Craig Field	

BERMAGUI OVER/UNDER EVENT

1st	Jan Redman	109
2nd	Warren Marshall	106
3rd	Grace Gschwend	101
4th	Justin Mann	100
5th	Pat Tennant	97
6th	Josef Gschwend	97
7th	Tony Crome	
8th	Michéal Geherig	
9th	Jamie White	

COOMA FIELD & GAME

November

The compaq shoot was a success over the week-end. A good turnout of shooters (45) embraced the discipline and had an enjoyable, but long day.

A lot was learnt and with a few modifications I feel that we can streamline the event and it will become a popular day on the calendar.

Some effort was put in to the theme "The tweed Cup" however given the weather it was not surprising that most elected to wear something more seasonable.

Thanks to the setup crew, office crew, scorers and refs.

A special thanks to John Starr, who not only setup on Saturday, his birthday but he also attended on Sunday, which happened to be his wedding anniversary.

Fortunately he took out the day, with a well-deserved High Gun.



Adam, John, Nev, Curls, & Andrew

RESULTS

High Gun		John Starr
A A Grade	1st	Mark Corbett
	2nd	Bill Warriner
	3rd	Doug Alcock.
A Grade	1st	Phil Craig
	2nd	Craig Field
	3rd	Curls Thistleton
B Grade	1st	Richard Seeers
	2nd	Adam Mower
	3rd	Richard Warner
C Grade	1st	Doug Blewitt
	2nd	Sean Rowling
	3rd	Doug McInnes
Ladies	1st	Michelle Craig
	2nd	Robin Perkins
	3rd	Marg Warriner
Juniors	1st	Jack F-Smith
	2nd	Jake Mason

Lucky Members draw. Tony Nassar.(NIA)
Thanks to our Sponsor Cooma Cranes.

Christmas Shoot

Our Christmas shoot on Sunday saw an excellent attendance, despite the hot and windy conditions. 81 shooters from Canberra, Bermagui, Wagga and even some guests from the USA did their best to keep track of targets that due to the wind proved even harder to hit than normal.

The 4 events being side x side, under and over, springing teal and the Turner teams kept the office staff busier than



Adam, Robin, Bill & Andrew.

usual and they deserve special thanks for keeping up and getting all the results tallied by the end of the day, so thanks to Rhonda and Robyn for a huge effort.

Adam and the set up crew did an excellent job in advance to offer a fantastic range of targets over two ranges. The targets held up extremely well considering the blustery conditions and the day flowed well.

Lunch was a highlight. The Nassar Family from Roses Restaurant, cooked up a feast that had to be seen and tasted to be believed.

After lunch we shot the Turner Teams a very respectable possible was shot by Richard Mould and James Barron showing too much experience for the rest of the field to take home the bacon.

Presentations saw the wrap up of a great years shooting and congratulations go to Robin Perkins and Bill Warriner for taking out the Ladies and Men's club championships as well as Mark Corbett taking home the side by side club champion sash.

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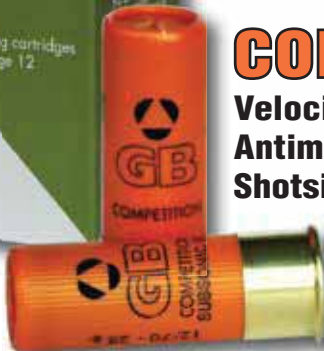
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Shotsize – 7½



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Antimony – 6%
Shotsize – 7, 7½, 8



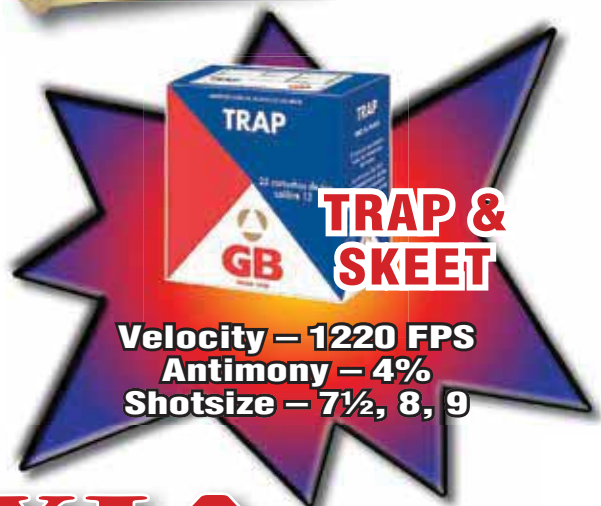
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Antimony – 4%
Shotsize – 7, 7½, 8



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Antimony – 5%
Shotsize – 7½, 8



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Shotsize – 7½, 8, 9



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Scores for the day

UNDER/OVER RESULTS			
High Gun		Mark Gschwend	64/75
A A Grade	1st	Bill Warriner	59
	2nd	Darren Redman	59
	3rd	James Jonklass	50
A Grade	1st	Kris Jones	59
	2nd	Mick Hedger	57
	3rd	Tony Crome	57
B Grade	1st	Richard Seears	62
	2nd	Steve McIntyre	57
	3rd	Sean Newlin	57
C Grade	1st	Josh Pederson	46
	2nd	David Bedingfield	45
	3rd	Doug Blewitt	45
Ladies	1st	Jan Redman	53
	2nd	Rhonda White	43
	3rd	Barb Magrin	40
Juniors	1st	Jake Hedger	61
	2nd	Jack F-Smith	47
	3rd	Grace Gschwend	47



Jan, Andrew & Rhonda

SIDE BY SIDE RESULTS			
High Gun		Mark Corbett	65/75
A Grade	1st	Tony Power	58
	2nd	Neville Brady	49
	3rd	Toby Edwards	48
B Grade	1st	Trevor Hiese	56
	2nd	Robin Perkins	47
	3rd	Richard Warner	45
C Grade	1st	Ben Rowbotham	47
	2nd	Rodger Sands	45
	3rd	Andreas Nassar	41



Richard, Robin, Curls & Andrew.

The Springing Teal Challenge was taken out by Mark Corbett having shot 19 out of 21 springers.



Adam, Mark & Andrew

January Perazzi Open & Young Gun Challenge

The first shoot of 2016 went off very well on Sunday. The shoot was well attended by 52 shooters from around the South East with a strong showing across all grades.

The course was well set with a good variety of targets all easy to see due to the beautiful nature of the day.

Ken Jones would be happy with the purchase of a new gun as on its first outing, he shot a perfect 25 in the first round. Bill Warriner also shot a perfect round of 25 and managed to take out high Gun with 91 targets out of the possible 100.



Adam, Ken Bill & Andrew

Jake Hedger took out the young guns Challenge for the second year with an extremely well shot 86/100, this was enough to pip his father at the post who was second in "A grade" with 85/100.

Other scores for the day.

RESULTS			
High Gun		Bill Warriner	91
AA Grade	1st	Darren Redman	89
A Grade	1st	Kris Jones	89
	2nd	Mick Hedger	85
	3rd	James Barron	84
B Grade	1st	Chris Robinson	80
	2nd	Steve McIntyre	76
	3rd	Colin Brownlie	76
C Grade	1st	Peter Reeve	78
	2nd	Russell Rowling	63
	3rd	Ian Armstrong	60
Ladies	1st	Robin Perkins	67
	2nd	Jan Redman	63
	3rd	Michelle Craig	60
Juniors	1st	Jake Hedger	42/50
	2nd	Oscar Mower	35/70
	3rd	Jack F-Smith	30/50



Adam, Robin, Michelle, Jan & Andrew

Perazzi Australia were the day's sponsors and we thank Filippo from Perazzi for his continued support.

January Compak Shoot

With an ominous weather forecast 30 shooters arrived at the Cooma Field and Games shooting grounds on Saturday to compete in the first Compak event of 2016.

Fortunately for those brave enough to take the challenge, the showers cleared at 9.30 ready for the first squads to take to the range. This break in the weather lasted all day seeing out all of the competition and most of the packing up before the skies opened up again and torrential rain fell that had to be seen to be believed.

Two ranges were on offer with a good variety of targets, the general consensus being that "B range" was a little more challenging than "A range". The Compak format seems to be a good program for new shooters as it offers a more consistent range of targets. This allows them to gain valuable practice and experience.

All of the newer shooters on the day thoroughly enjoying themselves.

Bill Warriner once again led the way and took out high gun which included a perfect 25 round.

Lucky Members draw. Jas Friedrichs (NIA)

Lucky shooter draw. Rhonda White.

Thanks to our Sponsor Cooma Cranes.

RESULTS			
High Gun		Bill Warriner	90
A Grade	1st	Terry Thistleton	76
	2nd	Doug Alcock	75
	3rd	Phillip Craig	70
B Grade	1st	James Byrne	74
	2nd	Glen Weston	73
	3rd	Adam Mower	71
C Grade	1st	Steve Blyth	62
	2nd	Michael Newman	56
	3rd	Eddie Tierney	50
Ladies	1st	Robin Perkins	67
	2nd	Michelle Craig	66
	3rd	Rhonda White	56
Juniors	1st	Oscar Mower	65
	2nd	Kaleb Blyth	43

February Shoot "Ladies Day"

Cooma Field and Game had an excellent day on Sunday with 60 shooters turning out for "Ladies Day"



Good turnout of Ladies for the Day

The weather was well suited to shooting although some of the crew started to wilt a little in the afternoon heat. The set up crews had worked tirelessly the day before to set up two ranges which provided a variety of quality targets

Phil Craig started the day exceptionally well with a clean 25 on B range which debatably was the harder of the two ranges. This was not however enough to take out high gun in the handicap score event with new shooter and recently acquired club member Dominic Mooney winning out over all.

Lucky Members draw. Sally Armstrong.

Lucky shooter draw. Marg Warriner.

Thanks for the generous support of Buckley's Rural Services sponsors the day.



Adam, Dominic and Andrew

For details - go to the Cooma Field and Game website or call Andrew on 0413 013 689 or Adam on 0410 507 279.

RESULTS

High Gun		Dominic Mooney	117
AA Grade	1st	Darren Redman	99
	2nd	Mark Corbett	88
A Grade	1st	Phillip Craig	111
	2nd	Richard Seears	106
	3rd	Terry Thistleton	97
B Grade	1st	Peter Reeve	112
	2nd	Mario Magrin	108
	3rd	Nev Brady	106
C Grade	1st	Col O'Brien	111
	2nd	Ian Armstrong	109
	3rd	Sam Tomasi	105
Ladies	1st	Jan Redman	108
	2nd	Michelle Craig	105
	3rd	Marg Warriner	104
Juniors	1st	Oscar Mower	94
	2nd	Jake Mason	84
	3rd	Angus Schofield	

GUNNEDAH SPORTING CLAYS

The October long weekend saw our Annual Gumtree shoot being conducted for the 49th year. All 30 of our new traps were deployed to complement the existing traps. This was our first major shoot utilising Kivtronics remotes and as expected they worked flawlessly. Beautiful weather and magnificent grounds greeted over 200 shooters. Both days were shot over 3 layouts with shooting completed by 2:30pm each day. Shoot-offs and presentation were completed quickly so everyone could then relax and talk around the fire of the targets that got away.

Saturdays Vic Eather Memorial saw shoot-offs in many grades and divisions with the final results being:

GUNNEDAH SPORTING CLAYS 100 TARGETS			
High Gun	1st:	B. Chambellant	90
AA	1st:	A Garvie	
	2nd:	S. Atkins	
	3rd:	D. Baskerville	
A	1st:	N. Taggart	
	2nd:	G. Roser	
	3rd:	G. Hayes	
B	1st:	L. Cameron	
	2nd:	A. Burgess	
	3rd:	T. Crawley	
C	1st:	H. Van Den Heuvel	
	2nd:	D. McMillan	
	3rd:	J. Monochino	
Ladies	1st:	A. Buys	
	2nd:	L. Groundwater	
	3rd:	H. Overton	
Juniors	1st:	J. Hancock	
	2nd:	A. Brander	
	3rd:	D. Webb	
Veterans	1st:	R. Christian	
	2nd:	F. Searles	
	3rd:	I. Clisdell	

Sup Vets	1st:	F. McCloy	
	2nd:	I. Ellwood	
	3rd:	J. Benham	
Sub Jun Boys	1st:	G. Lyne	
	2nd:	J. Roth	
	3rd:	B. Smith	
Sub Jun Girls	1st:	K. Atkins	
	2nd:	T. Roth	
	3rd:	A. Sheriff	

Sunday's 49th Eastern States Gumtree Championship went off without a hitch. Shooters had the opportunity to shoot the same targets as the previous day. For many, this worked in their favour and for others, it sadly did not, letting a few of the easier ones slip by. Steve Atkins came away victorious, winning the Gumtree Shield for the 2nd time with an impressive 92/101. This gave Steve a total of 181/202 taking out the 2 day Overall Highgun. Steve won a Remington 783 in .243 for his efforts amongst other prizes. In addition Ken Flemming won the 2 day lucky door prize of a Marlin 22. Both rifles were kindly donated by Halls Firearms and Custom 37.

The results for the Sunday were:

GUNNEDAH SPORTING CLAYS 100 TARGETS			
High Gun	1st:	S. Atkins	92
AA	1st:	D. Baskerville	
	2nd:	S. Payne	
	3rd:	D. Delaney	
A	1st:	J. Barker	
	2nd:	D. Boonsstopel	
	3rd:	A. Page	
B	1st:	J. Hyem	
	2nd:	G. Roth	
	3rd:	R. Kennedy	
C	1st:	J. Cassin	
	2nd:	H. Van Den Heuvel	
	3rd:	J. Townsend	



Lucky Door Prize Winner – Ken Flemming

Ladies	1st:	A. Lorimer	
	2nd:	L. Groundwater	
	3rd:	T. McCloy	
Juniors	1st:	A. Brander	
	2nd:	J. Hancock	
	3rd:	D. Webb	
Veterans	1st:	R. Christian	
	2nd:	R. Elton	
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	2nd:	B. Williams	
	3rd:	H. Constable	
Sub Jun Boys	1st:	J. Roth	
	2nd:	G. Lyne	
	3rd:	T. Lyne	
Sub Jun Girls	1st:	K. Atkins	
	2nd:	T. Roth	
	3rd:	A. Sheriff	

Two Day Highguns went to:

GUNNEDAH SPORTING CLAYS 200 TARGETS			
High Gun	1st:	S. Atkins	181
AA	1st:	D. Baskerville	
A	1st:	Nick Taggart	
B	1st:	J. Hyem	
C	1st:	J. Cassin	
Ladies	1st:	A. Lorimer	
Juniors	1st:	J. Hancock	
Veterans	1st:	R. Christian	
Sup Vets	1st:	F. McCloy	
Sub Jun Boys	1st:	J. Roth	
Sub Jun Girls	1st:	K. Atkins	



Without all of our amazing sponsors, we would not be able to put up over \$15,000 worth of prizes so a huge thank you to you all. There are too many to list here but they can be found on our Facebook page.

The Mudgee/Gunnedah Sporting Clays Interclub Shield made it's debut at this years Gumtree. The shield is to be shot at the Rio Challenge and Gumtree each year. In order to make the Mudgee team feel welcome and want to come

back, we allowed them to narrowly take a win on this occasion. The team had to consist of 3 Open shooters, a B grade and a C grade. Gradings were based on Saturdays' results. The Mudgee team who shot for and were presented with the shield were: Steve Atkins, Andrew Garvie, Daniel Baskerville, Sven Krollpfeiffer and Henk Van Den Heuvel. Their total score being 398/505. Congrats Mudgee. Bring on the Rio Challenge!

SOUTH AUSTRALIA

Club Coach & Referee Training 30th & 31st January 2016

There is growing interest in clubs developing a pool of accredited club coaches thanks to the hard work of National Coaching Director Tracey Grayer. On the weekend of 30th and 31st January the SAFGA State Director of Coaching Peter Perry travelled to the South East of the State to run the first part of the Club Coach accreditation process for two club; Lake Bonney Sporting Clays, at Millicent, and SAFGA South East Branch at Burrungule Park outside Mt Gambier. The Club Coach training is made up of two full days of training followed by the gaining of practical experience.

The participants were Charles Wallis, Heath Telford, Tim Widdison, Ken Atkin, Jeremy Kent, Tash Bellinger, Mark Fabris, Peter Sims and Ernie Scheidl. This was a bit of a who's who of shooting in the South East and shows the importance that these two Clubs are placing on coaching and development of shooters. Charles Wallis was the driving force behind the event and without his energy it would not have happened. I must also thank the National Coaching Director Tracy Grayer and Greg Dawes of Ink on Paper printers for getting the necessary backroom work done on time. Greg's team did a great job of getting the materials revised and printed. Also thanks to Glen Rider who was in the

SAFGA COACHING CLINIC SOUTH EAST CLUBS



Day 1: Ernie, Tim, Peter, Mark, Jeremy, Tash, Heath with Ken in the background then Charles and last but not least Peter.

background and working to make sure all the materials were ready on time and reflected the new Sporting Clays Australia brand. Thanks to all those people.

Charles Wallis of the SE Branch provided accommodation for Peter which was much appreciated and kept the cost down. SAFGA supported the training weekend financially which was also greatly appreciated.

Day 1 of the programme was presented at the picturesque Lake Bonney ground. The early focus of Day 1 was identifying what participants wanted to get out the programme and how they planned to use their Club Coach accreditation. From here the program moved into a number of other topics mainly around the role and responsibilities of the Club Coach. This included participants signing an agreement to abide by the Coaches Code of Conduct.

It was clear on day one that all of the participants had done a lot of coaching over the years and so they all brought a lot of experience to the table. This was excellent as everyone was able to learn from each other as well as from the well set out syllabus and materials.

The two Clubs have great relationships with schools in the area and the budding Club Coaches can see that coaching accreditation is the future especially where schools are concerned but also with all shooters. It was emphasised that with Accreditation comes a higher level of expectation about the performance of the coach and duty of care threshold.. This program, and the more advanced Competition Coach Program, ensures coaches have the knowledge and experience to fill those expectations.

At the end of Day 1 the SCA Referee accreditation course was presented. This made the day a very long one for

the presenter and the budding coaches. Additional Club members turned up for the referee session. As is always this is a very lively session as participants worked their way through some complex problems in application of the rules of our sport. It was a lot of fun and everyone learnt a lot.

Day 2 saw the group reassemble at the Mt Gambier Gun Club where we were greeted with solid rain and a cold wind. So much for working outside. The final sections of the Club Coach course was covered and then the practical sessions were conducted inside. While this was not optimal it was adequate. Follow up sessions will allow participants to complete all the course work.

Day 2 included the use of technology and was the highlight of the weekend for the presenter. Budding Coach Tim Widdison, who the other guys reckon is a bit of a gear freak, brought along some excellent coaching aids that he purchased in the US when attending the 2015 FITASC World Championship.

In particular the laser that displayed a moving target on the wall was an excellent aid when coupled with another laser that was placed in the action of a gun and showed exactly what the shooter was doing with his or her gun. This session was very informative and the lasers are great tools to use with both new and established shooters. It also cuts down on ammunition costs and allows practise at home.

All in all, and despite the bad weather on Day 2, this was a very successful programme. Any Club or group of Clubs in South Australia who would like to boost their coaching capacity should contact the SA State Director of Coaching Peter Perry on 0488128399 or by emailing him on the SAFGA email system on coaching@safga.org.au



Tim at work with his laser target simulator. I want one!

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ROCKY GULLY SPORTING CLAYS

February 2016

Here we go again with another year of great sporting clays. The weather gods have been kind to us in what are normally the hottest months of the year so we are off to a flyer.

Apart from the normal shooting activities we have been hard at work getting ready for the 28th Oceania Championship which is being held at our club on the Anzac Day weekend. It may be done and dusted by the time you are reading this but at this point in time it looks like being a full field of 162 or very close to it.

Shoot Format

In 2016 we are again trying something a bit different (for us anyway) and trying the 'Split Old Style' shooting format. This is what was used at the Nationals in Geelong last year. It seemed to run very smoothly at Geelong so we thought we would give it a go. Our first run with this format was in January and while it worked well we had a few minor hiccups. In February after some fine tuning around squading and timing it ran beautifully.

The Committee has also decided that because of the very low numbers in some categories, to enable us to make prizes more substantial, and to make prizes more meaningful we would award prizes only to grades. Where possible there will also be a handicap high gun competition.

Shoot Sponsorship

During 2016 and thanks to the generosity of some of our wonderful sponsors we will be offering prize pools of \$1000.00 or more in a number of our Club Shoots (hopefully all of them). This increase in the prize pool, where it is cash, will allow the Committee to put more imaginative prizes on the prize table. The first of these shoots was our February event where, thanks to Warrick Stanfield of WASDRILL, \$1000.00 was available to the committee for prizes. Prizes on the day included 20 free lunches, great door prizes, a gift voucher for any junior or sub-junior who won their grade, three monster meat trays, a slab of shells and eight slabs of beer. This was topped off with some great hi-viz work wear donated by BUNNINGS. Two of their executives were visiting the Club as guests of the Committee.

Oceania

The planning is now well advanced and we are pleased to welcome Hellenic Shooting Sports to the organizing crew. Our Greek friends who are just up the road are putting in two grounds for us with their equipment. Many of the guys who are working on this are also members of RGSC and since we have a very enjoyable inter-club series each year with them it seemed only natural to have them involved in this important shoot.

Power is now available in the car park where campers will be able to set up.

There will of course be a small charge to cover the power used. This is going to be a welcome improvement in our facilities. Unfortunately we still need to hire in extra showers and toilets but we are looking forward to having our own amenities block in the not too distant future. We have some more pressing calls on our finances at this time that need to be prioritized but we will get these facilities one day.

JANUARY RESULTS 100 SPORTING SPONSORED BY O'BRIEN PIPELINE SOLUTIONS			
A Grade	1st	Eddy Benc	88
	2nd	Shane Terry	87
	3rd	Peter Hicks	85
B Grade	1st	Aaron Went	91
	2nd	Luc Palumbo	83
	3rd	Phil Rowe	80
C Grade	1st	Con Kapralos	73
	2nd	James Pangrazio	69
	3rd	Harry Kaplatzis	68
Vets		Greg Dawes	91
S Vets	1st	Richard Dean	86
	2nd	John Torresan	83
	3rd	John Monaghan	80
Jun		James McNeil	61
Sub Jun		Daniel Falco	86
Ladies		Jillian Marden	65

Rocky Gully 1000 Series

The February shoot was the first of our \$1000.00 shoots and to spread the 'booty' around it was decided to include a Handicap High Gun competition. Now while this seemed like a great idea, there was one small problem. Our sponsor

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- Wassa Stanfield won it. This of course was lucky for the second place shooter, Steve Spelman, who walked away with a slab of beer, a slab of GB Shells and a new work shirt from Bunnings and was last seen staggering toward his 4x4 with his arms full. As an incentive to get shooters to stay back for presentations the Committee has decided that for a shooter to actually collect the Handicap High Gun prize they must be present at the presentation. When sponsors are supporting the Club to this extent the Committee is of the view that shooters should respect that and stay back for the presentations. Whether or not this has the desired effect only time will tell. There were also 3 lucky door prizes of meat trays and 20 free lunches to be won so the prizes really did get spread around.



Thanks to 'Wassa' Stanfield we had some great prizes



There were 5 possibles shot at the February shoot. Guess which one of these guys took home a badge. Yep that's right.

FEBRUARY RESULTS 100 SPORTING SPONSORED BY WASDRILL			
AA Grade	1st	Eddy Benc	88
	2nd	Aaron Went	86
	3rd	Richard Dean	86
A Grade	1st	James Bologiannis	91
	2nd	John Torresan	86
	3rd	Robby Marcoionni	82
B Grade	1st	Mike Gill	85
	2nd	Mat Jansen	78
	3rd	Garry Fitzgibbons	76
C Grade	1st	Glen Benham	74
	2nd	Steve Spelman	71
	3rd	John Hayward	69
Hcp HG	1st	Warrick Stanfield	121
	2nd	Steve Spelman	119
	3rd	Mat Marveggio	115
	4th	Glen Benham	114
	5th	John Hayward	113



James Bologiannis was a big winner winning A Grade & collecting a meat tray door prize.

See you soon at ROCKY GULLY SPORTING CLAYS

LAKE BONNEY SPORTING

January Report

2016 started with a bang at the Lake Bonney Sporting Clays shooting ground on Sunday 17th. A total of 75 shooters ventured out to participate in the Peter and Lee Sims, Dakin Exhaust and Bike repairs 50 target event. The warm weather testing a few shooters in the first round thankfully a cool breeze from across Lake Bonney made sure the second round was much more comfortable. Herb Whitehead, Plum Werchon and their team of course setters made an effort to utilise the many shady spots around the grounds, setting a range of overhead and crossing targets. The fast moving midi set on the stand in front of the clubrooms causing a number of shooters some grief. Many needing to remember to move the gun quickly to get their shot anywhere near the target. This target was adjusted a little and used in the shoot off for high gun between Mick Brennan and Chris Wright. While the spectators found it hard to see the target, Chris and Mick were right on it, with Chris edging his way out in front to take the prize, Mick finishing first in A grade. Third place in B grade was contested by Plum Werchon and Darren Beyer, Darren managing to hit the midi target a few more times than Plum to go home with the prize. Congratulations to Sub-Junior shooters

Brodie VonStanke and new club member Mason Patzel who also stood in front of the crowd to shoot off for 2nd and 3rd, a pretty nerve racking experience for such young shooters, they both did a great job and showed that they will be the ones to watch in the future. Thanks to Chris Wright and Mick Brennan for giving these young lads their support and encouragement while they stood in the stand. Declan Wright won sub-juniors with an impressive 32 out of 50, won't be long and this young shooter will be giving his dad a run for his money.

Lake Bonney Sporting Clays has a couple of busy months ahead on the shooting calendar including 2 shoots in February on the 7th and 21st both 50 target events. The first State Qualifying Shoot for the year will be on March 6th followed by the regular monthly shoot on March 20th. All members and nonmembers are encouraged to come along and enjoy a great day out, any help with the setup and pack up of these events would be greatly appreciated. Please contact any of the committee members if you have some time to spare to help the club continue to put on quality events.

The committee decided late last year that in 2016 the club will be shooting on fire ban days unless there is a total fire ban (severe or catastrophic) called

LAKE BONNY 50 TARGETS			
High Gun	H.G	Chris Wright	45
AA	1st:	Danny Bellinger	44
	2nd:	Malcolm Whitehead	43
	3rd:	Jeremy Kent	42
A	1st:	Mick Brennan	45
	2nd:	David Hart	44
	3rd:	Brenton Ferguson	42
B	1st:	John Prance	41
	2nd:	Mick Banning	37
	3rd:	Darren Beyer	36
C	1st:	Matthew Nettle	33
	2nd:	Reg Hamilton	29
	3rd:	Michael Gates	28
Ladies	1st:	Tasha Ballinger	33
	2nd:	Vicki Fabris	27
	3rd:	Kellie Peterson	23
Sub Jun	1st:	Declan Wright	32
	2nd:	Brodie VonStanke	23
	3rd:	Mason Patzel	23
Veterans	1st:	Wayne Gurney	43
	2nd:	Barry Hill	40
	3rd:	Neville Kent	40
Sup Vets	1st:	Kevin Dyson	39
	2nd:	Greg Todd	37
	3rd:	Daryl Small	33

across the region, if this happens the committee will do its best to ensure that all shooters are notified before the event is scheduled to start.

Next shoot this month is the Burrungule 50 target compack shoot at the Mt. Gambier Gun club on Sunday 24th noms open at 10:30am.

► February Report

Lake Bonney Sporting Clays held an extra summer shoot on Sunday 7th of February. The Collins Court Butchers and Bowman's Earthmovers and Landscaping 50 target event was well supported by 72 shooters. Once again we welcomed a number of new faces to the club with one couple travelling from Minyip, Victoria to enjoy a day out shooting. The majority of the course was set amongst the trees to ensure shooters were kept cool and out of the sun. Course setter Herb and his crew provided shooters with a combination of targets varying in difficulty, one particular stand combining a chondalle and a fast moving overhead tested a lot of squads changing scores dramatically in some cases. Winning scores across the grades were reasonably consistent ranging between 44 and 41 from AA to Super Vets.

We saw a number of family groups enjoying the day's competition, with sons out shooting fathers and daughters giving their dads a run for their money.



Jeremy Kent



Matt Sorella



Peter Klieve and Bill Morrison



Mason Patzel and Declan Wright

LAKE BONNY 50 TARGETS			
High Gun	1st:	J. Kent	46
AA	1st:	Danny Bellinger	44
	2nd:	Aaron Leopold	41
	3rd:	Chris Wright	40
A	1st:	Mick Brennan	42
	2nd:	Allan Cowin	42
	3rd:	Peter South	41
B	1st:	Bill Agnew	43
	2nd:	Scott Harlow	41
	3rd:	Mick Banning	41
C	1st:	Dale Fabris	42
	2nd:	Alex Gordon	36
	3rd:	Michael Gates	36
Ladies	1st:	Tasha Ballinger	37
	2nd:	Vicki Fabris	30
Juniors	1st:	Matt Sorella	29
Sub Jun	1st:	Ethan Hellyer	33
	2nd:	Mason Patzel	30
	3rd:	Declan Wright	29
Veterans	1st:	Chris VonStanke	43
	2nd:	Neville Kent	43
	3rd:	Wayne Gurney	39
Sup Vets	1st:	Peter Klieve	43
	2nd:	Kevin Dyson	38
	3rd:	Bill Morrison	36

It is also great to see a number of grandfathers sharing their passion for the sport with their grandchildren as well as husband's with their wives.

Winners on the day took home a variety of meat packs kindly supplied by sponsor Mick Lamond from Collins Court Butchers, a great idea for prizes which was gratefully received by all.

A big thank you to all those members who worked tirelessly once again to ensure the day ran smoothly a reminder to all competitors that these events wouldn't happen without the efforts of this small group of workers, any time you can give to helping either to set up or pack up is always very much appreciated and means that everybody can get back to the clubrooms for that well deserved drink a whole lot quicker.

Congratulations to High Gun winner Jeremy Kent shooting 46/50, our sub-junior shooters had a great day out all scoring well with Ethan Hellyer taking our 1st on 33, new member Mason Patzel 2nd on 30 and Declan Wright 3rd on 29. Well done also to junior Matt Sorella who shot a respectable 29, returning to the club after a break from the sport. Three of the grade winners finished on a 43 - B grade Bill Agnew, Vets Chris Von Stanke and Neville Kent, Super Vets Peter Klieve. C grade shooter Dale Fabris shot a 42 equaling A grade shooters Mick Brennan and Allan Cowin, great shooting by all.

The next shoot is our normal monthly shoot on Sunday 21st February, 50 target Handicap all grades.



Bill Agnew, Scott Harlow and Mick Banning



Chris von Stanke, Neville Kent and Wayne Gurney



Dale Fabris, Alex Gordon and Michael Gates



Danny Bellinger Aaron Leopold and Chris Wright



Mick Brennan, Allan Cowin and Peter South



Tash Bellinger and Vicki Fabris

SOUTH EAST FIELD & GAME

Burrungule Park

Christmas Shoot December 20th 2015

The 50 target Christmas shoot was recently held on a cooler day at Burrungule Park.

87 shooters competed in the Whitty Engineering, Southwest freight, Collins Court Butchers event to try and win some Christmas fare.

Kongorong's Kenny Atkin took out Gambier Shooting Supplies High gun with 47/50.

FGA national champion Jeremy Kent won AA grade from star trotting horse trainer Malcolm Whitehead with Lake Bonney shooter Danny Bellinger in third. Kent also won another "25" badge.

Victorian Leigh Dunn won A grade with 45/50, Tim Widdison took second after a countback due to tying with Rob Whitty, the pair having shot 44/50.

Al Scheidl trounced the B grade competitors with 43/50 to take out the South East Vets minion trophy.

Michael Edwards won C grade with 36/50.

Neville Kent won a competitive veteran's class 43/50 from Bob Jones and Wayne Evans.

Barry Hill overcame shoulder problems to win supervets with 40/50.

The Ladies class was won by Lake Bonney's Tash Bellinger 39/50 from Liz Rymill and Vicky Fabris

Dylan Scheidl topped a good day out for the Scheidl family by winning junior division with 41/50 from Callum Hein and Richard Wallace.

There was a tight tussle in the sub juniors with Will Vickery winning on countback with 28/50 from Declan Wright and Liam Bottomley 26/50.



High Gun Winner Ken Atkin waiting to shoot



Gavin Dyson in action

2015 AGGREGATE WINNERS

Open Joint Winners	Ken Atkin Malcolm Whitehead
Veterens	Neville Kent
Supervets	Kevin Dyson
Ladies	Tash Bellinger
Juniors	Dylan Scheidl
Sub Juniors	Declan Wright

A 20 target side by side event was the final event giving shooters the chance to compete with this older style of gun, not often used by clay target shooters. Gavin Dyson won from Chris Wright and Trent Telford.

Christine Telford and Gary Clifford were awarded life membership. This honour was bestowed on these club stalwarts for years of work and the many positions of office they have held within the club.



Gavin Dyson receiving the spoils of his victory from Sponsorship coordinator Ken Atkin



Sponsor Gambier shooting supplies (L to R) Dane Hastings With High Gun Winner Ken Atkins



AA grade winners (L to R) Jeremy Kent, Malcolm Whitehead, Danny Bellinger



Life Member (L to R) President Ernie Scheidl presenting to Gary Clifford



Life member (L to R) President Ernie Scheidl presenting to Christine Telford



Side by side winners (L to R) Gavin Dyson, Chris Wright, Trent Telford

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The Bayside Automotive Mornington Peninsula 200 2016

Mornington VSCA's showpiece and sporting clay flagship, the BAMP 200, continued to impress those that attended over the last weekend in January.

Many of the 100 plus shooters were treated to an event worthy of a major event in the Victorian Sporting Clay Association calendar and is the only two target club event in the State.

Bayside Automotive Group, the major sponsor in its second year, were given top billing for the event and local businesses from across the Mornington Peninsula and beyond gave their support to the event. Port Phillip Field & Game, Kivtrons and John Argilla from Intoshooting P/L provided the necessary traps and infrastructure for the event to take place. Better Rentals also provided two mobile cranes and Westernport Tractors an ATV bike which all helped.

With all this at hand the ground team went ahead and prepared two grounds, Jeep and Dodge. Each with varying degrees on difficulty to test the competitor's skill. Day one was shot with beautiful blue skies and the evergreen John Younger set the pace with 91/100 and day one bragging rights.

Two new layouts were constructed at the conclusion of day one and a fine feed of Greek food awaited those who assisted in the changeover. Many thanks to Zen Trailers for providing the meal.

Day two started well and by the scores it was going to be a very tight finish. In an event first it would come down to a shoot off to decide the 2016 BAMP 200 High Gun Champion between John Younger and Jack Gibbs. Jack a past winner of the event prevailed over John to take his second title and accept his High Gun Trophy from another two time winner, Mr. Anthony Panetta



Squad shot 2



High Gun Shootoff



High Gun winner

Mornington Vice President, Mr Greg Sugars addressed the presentations thanking all the 'red shirts' for their tireless effort over the weekend. He spoke highly of the atmosphere of the event, the trade displays provided by AMFX Metal Art, Royal Flair Caravans and Westernport Tractors as well as Daniella Ranson from Oasis Sunergy. Dean Giakoumakis from Bayside Automotive also addressed the presentation area pledging his support of the event for 2017 and was met by loud applause from the crowd showing their appreciation.

MORNINGTON SPORTING CLAYS BAYSIDE AUTOMOTIVE			
High Gun	1st	Jack Gibbs	
AA	1st	John Younger	
	2nd	Adam Durose	
	3rd	Robert Hall	
A	1st	Matt Hall	
	2nd	Hayden Kneebone	
	3rd	Doug McLeod	
B	1st	Jason Barclay	
	2nd	Justin Couch	
	3rd	Shane Walsh	
C	1st	Dave Keeling	
	2nd	Shane Cull	
	3rd	Bob Hutton	
Ladies	1st	Brittany Cole	
	2nd	Natasha Lonsdale	
	3rd	Gaye Shale	
Junior	1st	Christian Crocitti	
Veterans	1st	Fred Botica	
	2nd	Eddie Magee	
	3rd	Mark Reynolds	
Sub Jun	1st	Mark Du Rose	
	2nd	Michael Stevens	
	3rd	Harry Wilkie	

The event also had other valued sponsors, Aspire Accounting, K&K Steel, Lindens Meats, Mobile Welding Services, MY Marine, ProCote Powdercoaters, Rawlings Financial, Reseal Decks, Rosebud Office Choice, Rosebud Windows, Royal Flair Caravans and Zen Trailers. Without this underbelly of support the event would not be what it is.

Mornington VSCA received many people's positive comments towards the weekend and how this would only get bigger in atmosphere. Rest assured it was heard and we look forward to the 2017 event and the rest of the years cracking Sporting Clay events.

Matthew Munroe *Mornington VSCA*



WESTERN AUSTRALIA

Xmas Shoot

Wanneroo held its Xmas shoot on November 29. For an end of year shoot it was well attended with about 30 coming along for the day. A mixed course of Sporting & English Sporting Pairs was set so it was off the card.

Despite the Xmas atmosphere of the day the scores were still competitive. Ken Green pulled off a 25 and the next closest to that were several @ 23.

Sub Junior Danon Randazzo, was awarded a club polo shirt for his brilliant effort for 2015. Danon won WA Sub

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Junior Champ and WA SSAA Champ for 2015. He often beats the scores of A & B grade shooters and is well on his way to AA grade when he leaves Sub & Juniors. Well done Danon.

XMAS SHOOT 2015			
High Gun		Ken Green	89/100
A Grade	1st	Roun Schlottman	86/100
	2nd	Pat Taylor	86/100
	3rd	Ben Sgro	82/100
B Grade	1st	Mike Hudspith	82/100
	2nd	Craig Pethrick	73/100
	3rd	Stuart Wynn	71/100

C Grade	1st	Trent Walker	77/100
	2nd	Paul Bailey	75/100
	3rd	Wayno Mascord	73/100
Veterans	1st	Bill Clarke	77/100
Ladies	1st	Tracey Grayer	65/100
Sub Juniors	1st	Danon Randazzo	82/100

Rifle group had their last shoot for the year on 6/12/15. Despite miserable weather, and some heavy showers, the shoot was well attended and went ahead. There were 3 squads, and very promising was the 5 juniors that shot.

Scores as follows:

XMAS SHOOT 2015

High Gun		Andrew Peters	580/600
A Grade	1st	Mark Williams	525/600
	2nd	Fredrick van der Walt	375/600
	3rd	Kim Green	235/600
Veterans	1st	Hendrik de Beer	481/600
	2nd	Paul Sinderberry	410/600
	3rd	Tony Smith	260/600
Juniors	1st	Z van der Walt	325/600
	2nd	J Cloete	230/600



It is with sadness that I inform you that long time member & helper to the PMBF&GA, Mr. Les Le Warne, has passed away. Les was cremated on December 31st, at a "private" ceremony. Les was of great assistance in kicking off the present grounds at Whiteman Park and also enjoyed attending the rifle shoots as well. He will be sadly missed.

January 2016 Rifle Shoot

On an overcast and unpleasant day (31 January) we were quite surprised to see 23 shooters turn up for our first scheduled Practise shoot of 2016. I am convinced that with better weather, we could have had more people. It was also promising to see that there were 5 juniors shooting. Like the attendance, the scores were also pretty good, given the conditions.

Results are as follows:

RIFLE 2016			
High Gun		Mark W	600
A Grade	1st	Andrew P	560
	2nd	Mark R	475
	3rd	JP de B	391
Vet	1st	Hendrik De B	520
	2nd	Tony S	375
Juniors	1st	Matthew de B	330
	2nd	Carl J	220

Some improvements have been made at Wanneroo, with the completion of concrete under the east side of the patio. The planned busy bee also brought on some great results with the erection of a lean-to, the removal of the old black board & installation of a white board that was kindly donated by Ken G, the painting of the clay shed doors & flag poles, replacement of old leaking tek screws, a chimney cap, and more. There was also a much needed tidy up.

Thanks go to those that attended to help out, in particular to Iain & his little bro Paul, Chris, Mark R, Mark W, Wayne, Peter, David, Kent & Preston. All of whom gave up their time to make the grounds a better place.

What's coming up at Wanneroo?

The Corsivia 100 will be held at Wanneroo on March the 6th. This shoot is sponsored by **GB Corsivia in conjunction with Tony Trainor.**

The **Compak championships** on April the 3rd starting at 8:30. This will be shot over 4 layouts.

The **ANZAC Commemorative** shoot on April 24. **Sponsored by Kevin Jones** from BEST, Ballistic Equipment & Sports Technology. There will be a great range of prizes for places in all grades.

A Busy Bee & Practice day on May the 14th. The busy bee starts at 8:30 to 12 noon and the practice starts at 1 to 4pm.

The **3rd WA State Qualifier** is on the 19th of June starting at 8:30.

For those of you have not done so yet please visit the Perth Metro Field & Game web site at www.pmfg.org.au

PEGASUS SPORTS SHOOTING CLUB

Pegasus Sports Shooting club has had a very busy off season, with the assistance and support from the local Gingin Shire in the form of a 60k grant we have been able to purchase and install an ablution block, septic, run water to our grounds, hook up power, refurb the entry road and install a small kitchen facility.

Special thanks to Gary Turley (President of the Three Springs Club) for running the power cables and doing all connections for only half the cost of the materials. Also Todd Bastow for helping us setting up and installing the kitchen as well as supplying the bench tops, splash backs etc at a reasonable price.

Colin Walker a local Outdoor World agent has been a rock assisting with his time and labour during this process. I would also like to thank Doug Coleman one of our members as well as Ryan a possible future member for laying limestone blocks. Doug also constructed the wheel chair access ramp and laid all the brick paving.

Arthur, Bill and Kevin for their continued assistance with odd jobs, ie sheeting container, clearing rubbish, building

stand for water tanks etc. It's been a massive effort from all concerned.

On the 21st Feb we decided to have a practice day and were rewarded with some 30 odd participants.

Nice to see some old faces back at the club and some new ones, thanks to Lee Granger for running the kitchen, what a difference facilities make. Everyone had a great time shooting, talking, eating and drinking (water, soft drinks, coffee & tea). A very relaxed and friendly atmosphere, we look forward to many more days like that.

A great start to a busy year as we are hosting the Australian Hellenic Sporting Clay Challenge 12th June. We expect to get many shooters from the other participating states as well as from our local shooters. We have secured some great sponsorship from Roy Alexander & Sons, GunAmmo (Q-LINE, Game Bore), Ross's Auctions, Kailis etc

All the best to all other clubs for 2016 season- we look forward to catching up with everyone around the traps this year.

Tommy Papadopoulos



7th & 8th May 2016

8.30 am start

Brisbane Sporting Clays

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Enquiries to Laurie Stubbs 0498 775 592

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Grades: AA - A - B - C - Juniors - Ladies - Veterans - S-Veterans

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QUEENSLAND REPORT

The past year has been a busy, productive and rewarding one with most of the work done behind the scenes.

Each of the qualifying shoots were well attended, Brisbane, Gympie, Fraser Coast, Beaudesert Club did a fantastic job in running the events and showing great hospitality to the visiting members. The final event the State Titles were held in Childers in September ending the State Team selection for 2015. The State Titles only attracted 38 shooters with 3 Victorian's competing. The numbers were disappointing. Congratulations to Victorian Chris Brown 136/150 winning by 1 target over Damien Birgan. Unfortunately I was unable to attend both the Beaudesert and State Titles shoot as I was holidaying in the USA after competing at the World Sporting Championships in Minnesota, but from all reports the events were presented at the highest standards that we Queenslanders expect from these events. I must thank Glen Rider, Leo Cao, Max Whiting, Ray Whitehead, Chris Wright and the crew of members that presented great targets at all these events. Once again it's the dedication to the sport that only a few have, that will see the sport continue along a great path in Queensland.

Congratulations to Damien Birgan after narrowly missing out on a Second World Championship by 1 target to George Digweed, Damien continued to perform by winning the Nationals in October in Geelong. Well done Damien. Also congratulations to Billy Cain – National Sub-Junior Champion with a score of 173 which was good enough to win over-all in the Juniors, Great Job Billy. Mitchell Cain was placed 4th in the Juniors, Maree Birgan 5th in the Ladies and Lance Marshall 5th in B Grade. Well done to you all.

The 2015 team of Damien Birgan, David Evans, Mike Birgan, Dennis Dinte, Maree Birgan, Leo Cao and junior Mitchel Cain were placed Second to Victoria once again. Third place were South Australia. Well done team.

The second year of a three year Qld Government funding agreement was received in January. This funding was used across all branches of the association to help achieve better management and profile, growth and coaching. No Club Coach Courses were delivered in 2015 but 2016 will see a course run in Childers in March.

The funding was also used by the committee in the areas of growth, junior support, training and management of QSC. We thank Qld Government for their support.

The new membership card system is working really well. I must thank Ashley Mead for the time and effort he has put into managing the membership database.

There has been good membership growth over the past 12 months increasing again by 30% to 571 last year 438 and the year before that 419. Over the past 5 years our membership has increased by over 200 members. All I can say is well done to you all.

Our delegates to Field and Game Federation of Aust were part of an historical achievement at the AGM in November 2015. The meeting agreed to a name change which now sees the birth of Sporting Clays Australia (SCA).

There will be some changes over the 12 months one being the introduction of centralised membership across Australia and online nominations to major events control by SCA. I hope all members will help SCA in its growth.

All branches have had a fairly good year with consistent numbers with Brisbane leading the way with a healthy increase in participation across all their events. 2016 sees 40th Australian Sporting Clays Nationals shoot in Brisbane on the 14th, 15th and 16th of October a mile stone in a number of ways – 1. New name SCA, 2. 40th Nationals, good marketing tools for this event. All Queensland members will have the chance to compete at the highest level of competition without traveling long distances - so be there.

I must thank the members and branches for their support. The committee meetings were well attended and are very constructive this allows the association to run smoothly with not many hiccups. I thank the committee and the workers, with a special thanks to Secretary - Ashley Mead and Treasurer - Sue Farrow your outstanding commitment to the Sporting Clays.

A special mention to Doug Austin from Gympie Sporting Clays for his nomination for QSCA Life Member. Doug joined Gympie back in March 1988 and has been a dedicated member for 28 years. Many kilometres have been travelled representing the association and many hours spent over those years. In recent times Doug has battled with health issues over the past years and I wish him the best in the years ahead.

On the note of long time members I must take some time and mention the following long timers –

26 years: Paul Collingwood, Keith Day, Mike, Maree & Damien Birgan and Lyell Pettman,
27 years: Glen Shepperd,
28 years: Doug Austin,
29 years: John McLachlan,
31 years: Greg Mitchell, Keith Rhoades,
32 years: Les Kowitz,
33 years: Mark Farrow,
34 years: Denis Bullimore,
35 years: Ray Cavanagh, Allan Bott.

What a great achievement of these members well done.

I thank you all

Mark Farrow *QSAC President*

QSCA AGM

The Annual General Meeting was held on Saturday 13th February at Brisbane Sporting Clays Belmont Range. The following members were elected to the positions on the committee.

Mark Farrow – President – 0404 024220

Leo Cao – Vice-President

Ashley Mead – Secretary

Sue Farrow – Treasurer

Membership Protection Policy

(MPP) sent out to all members will be presented to the members for approval at the QSCA General Meeting in Childers on the 17th April. Any changes to the MPP must be sent to the Secretary by 31st March. If there are any changes these changes will be posted on the QSCA website by 10th April.

1st Qualifying Event for the 2016 Team

The event was held at Brisbane Sporting Clays on Sunday 14th February with 87 shooters competing. The weather was hot and so too the targets. The ground setters set and ran 3 grounds with 2 layouts on each ground having 2 shooting stand on each layout. The system worked well having to only visit each ground once. The targets were once again presented at a high standard thanks to Glen Rider and his crew.

The 2016 qualifying series is fully sponsored by GB/Corsivia and QSCA with each club event having 2750 rounds of GB ammo as trophies and the Gympie State Titles having 6750 rounds (27 slabs). Thanks to Bruce Burns and GB/Corsivia for their continuing support of these events in Qld.

RESULTS			
HG		Peter Tobin	71/75
AA	1st	Damien Birgan	70
	2nd	James McIver	68
	3rd	David Groundwater	
A	1st	Daniel Baskerville	69
	2nd	Dennis Dinte	63
	3rd	Brett Chambellant	63
B	1st	Renzo Renda	60
	2nd	James Plafreeman	59
	3rd	Lincoln Hall	59
C	1st	Chris Chapman	57
	2nd	Mark Fanning	54
	3rd	Glen Graham	54
Ladies	1st	Maree Birgan	60
	2nd	Shannon Palfreeman	50
	3rd	Karen Rider	49

Veterans	1st	Mike Birgan	68
	2nd	Ian Collison	60
	3rd	Greg Mitchell	57
S/Vet	1st	Denis Bullimore	57
	2nd	Carl Law	54
	3rd	Peter Shuttlewood	51
Junior	1st	Mitchell Cain	69
	2nd	Billy Cain	65
	3rd	Reece Cain	62

Full results available at
www.qldsportingclays.org.au

Next qualifying event is at **Childers 17th April then Fraser Coast 7th June.**

English Sporting State Titles - Brisbane Sporting Clays - 26th June 100 targets

Compak State Titles – Brisbane Sporting Clays – 31st July 100 targets

From the Secretary - QSCA Membership Reminder

The QSCA Secretary wishes to remind members to check the status of their membership. QSCA recently been contacted by QLD Police Weapons Licensing in regards to the financial status of several individuals.

If a member is relying on QSCA membership as a genuine reason for holding a Weapons Licence, and does not maintain an appropriate membership – they may be in breach of their licence conditions. Please check your status to ensure compliance and avoid any problems. Feel free to drop me an email at sec@qldsportingclays.org.au if you have any questions / concerns regarding your membership.

Ashley Mead QSCA Secretary

BRISBANE SPORTING CLAYS

Hello everyone.

As always it has been very busy at Brisbane sporting clays, Christmas has come and gone with the boxing day shoot "king of the Quarry" was another huge success.

We just had our first state selection shoot in February, Peter Tobin taking out the honors with high gun, it was a great shoot. The committee decided to use the same format as the Nationals with two positions on a layout.

It is a good format from my perspective.

I like the idea that once your ground is set that's it, ... just fill traps and away you go.

And you don't need a vast amount of real estate to set a ground.

The next big shoot on the calendar will be in May 8th (mother's day Chris Brown) the GB 150 a two day event, this will be another great event 75 targets per day with a shoot off on the Sunday evening for a side event as well.

This will be a little taste of our ground for the lead up to the Nationals so come along and have a great time.

Brisbane sporting clays would like to take this opportunity to thank GB-CORSIVA for their ongoing support for this event.

With the topic of sponsorship Brisbane sporting clays would like to thank all of our sponsors for their participation in sporting clays.

I would like to thank all our volunteers for their tireless efforts and their contributions to Brisbane sporting clays, without you people we wouldn't be where we are today.

From our corporate and visitor days to emptying rubbish bins to filling traps, all your efforts are always noticed.

Thank you everyone involved.

It is good to see changes, most of all from "Sporting Clays Australia"

With the new website and our new online booking system for competitions this is a great initiative and centralized membership coming soon how easy will it be.

It seems a little bit of effort to put your information in the beginning but after that it's as easy as putting in your email address in there and password and all done (as long as you can remember your password, another one to remember).

As for membership Brisbane will probably touch on 500 members this year which is very healthy for the sport, hopefully we will see good local

participation at the nationals in October.

Brisbane sporting clays has just purchased a 40 mtr (126 ft) boom lift, this will probably be the highest mobile trap tower in the southern hemisphere, it will be arriving very soon so look out then!!!

We have more Promatic traps on their way so this will be helpful for the National competition and looking forward to more expansion of our grounds.

At the moment we are doing a few renovations around the clubhouse please be patient everyone with this going on, it will be great when we finish.

To the Nationals we are working very hard as a committee as a whole to make these Nationals the best ever with trap purchases, clubhouse renovations and beautification work around the grounds.

As always we need more people to help with the Nationals getting closer, if you are able to contribute in any manner this would be great from filling traps to working in the canteen there is something there to do.

Remember to nominate for the Nationals you have to go to "Sporting Clays Australia" website and follow the prompts from there....

Cheers Loz...

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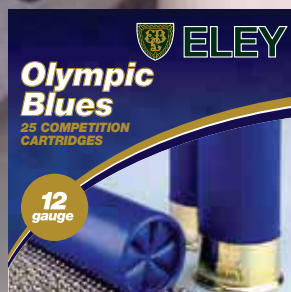
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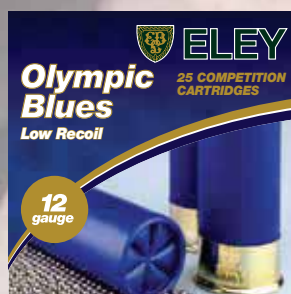


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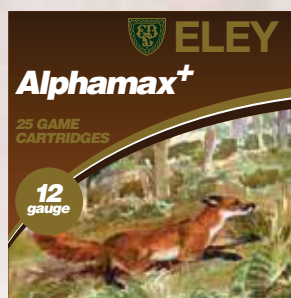
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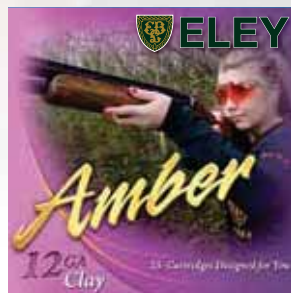
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