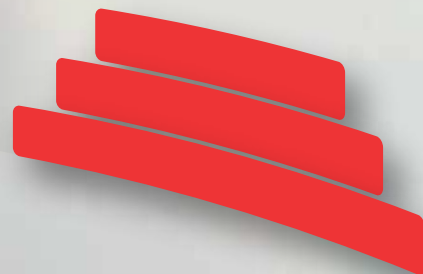


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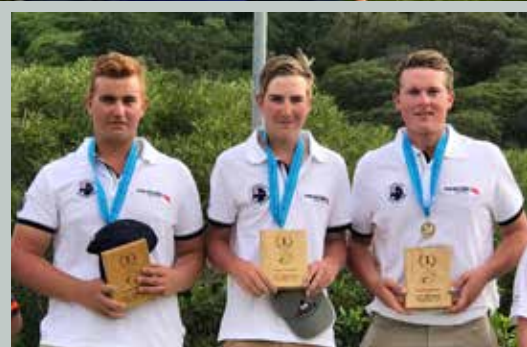
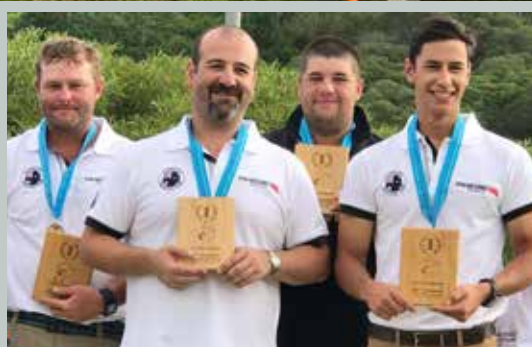
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SCA PRESIDENT'S REPORT



I would like to congratulate Laang for their efforts hosting another fantastic Compak Nationals. The crew always show great hospitality and once again the event was a great success. Sox proved again he is on top of his game. To all the other winners, congratulations.

I must also congratulate everyone who made the Australian Team to go to Hungary (you can read more about the Team in this edition of the SCA Magazine). We wish you and the all other SCA members travelling a safe trip. Shoot well!

As the Association continues to move forward, I would like to send out a thank you cheer to our Executive Team who dedicate many hours of their own time each week, remembering that these are all volunteer positions.

I would like thank Kathy and Ralph who have done a fantastic job organising the Team uniforms and the forming of a new partnership with Lowes. A mammoth amount of time and effort goes on behind the scenes to make this happen. Additionally, Glen and Kathy for implementing the new policies and procedures to be used to guide decision-making and providing transparency.

I am looking forward to our Nationals in Geraldton, WA. Time is going fast and spots are filling so get your nominations in. I can guarantee it will be a great shoot.

Yours in Shooting,

Tony Trainor
SCA President

NATIONAL COACHING DIRECTOR

Still searching for coaching assessors if anyone is interested. Potential candidates need to have a Cert IV in Training and Assessing. The other way of assessing Club Coaches is to become a Competition Coach.

I'm also keen to hear from any person interested in becoming the State Coaching Director for Tasmania. I'm hoping Vic will be sorted by the time you read this as I have been speaking to a potential candidate and look forward to welcoming that person soon. Maybe a little more arm twisting required.

For anyone interested in undertaking a club coaching course or the competition coaching course, please contact your State Coaching Director (visit sportingclaysaustralia.com.au/about-us/coaching/ for contact details). To complete the competition coaches course you must have you Club Coach accreditation.

Regards,

Anthony Panetta
National Director - Coaching



FAST X FIVE

with SCA Director of Coaching Anthony Panetta



The person who introduced me to shooting was my dad when I was about 2 years old.



My favourite venue to shoot at is Piancardato, Italy but Piata in New Caledonia comes in at a close second.



When I'm not shooting I like to HUNT! And take my partner Debra out for dinner.



My greatest achievement in shooting is winning the 2011 SCA National Championship and representing Australia.



The quote/song that gets me in the zone to compete is I don't really have one.



Hunting and Habitat Report

- by Howard Barks



DUCK SEASON

Duck season is here again. Victoria, South Australia and Tasmania have all enjoyed a good spell this year. Hope our members have taken advantage of the opportunity and have "bagged out". Quail season continues in South Australia until the 13 August.

Congratulations to the South Australian Field & Game Association and those providing a fantastic incentive for hunters to put in their hunter report forms.

FIREARM LEGISLATION

State Governments' actions to implement all or parts of the February "National Firearm Agreement" (NFA) need to be monitored carefully. It has already affected our clay target shooting members who own semi-automatic shotguns as well as hunters in some states where changes to lever-action shotgun regulation has also taken place. Sporting Clays Australia is pursuing the section of the Agreement regarding semi-automatic shotguns. I urge all members and state associations to take an active interest in the NFA. It is available to download from the Commonwealth Attorney General's website if you Google National Firearms Agreements 2017 or email me on hbsm7@bigpond.com and I will forward it.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA

I'm very pleased to advise the West Australian Field & Game Association (WAFGA) has signed a memorandum of understanding with the Department of Parks & Wildlife (DPAW) which sees WAFGA as a recognised hunting organisation.

Over time, this is expected to provide more opportunities for members of WAFGA clubs to participate in feral animal control on lands managed by DPAW once a member is accredited. W.A. members can email me on hbsm7@bigpond.com if you wish to become accredited.

This is something other State organisations can do to expand the range of hunting opportunities for their members.

The rainbow lorikeet "season" has come to a virtual close with the tally of around 450 well down on last season of nearly 3,400. Fruit growers in the Swan Valley are very appreciative of WAFGA members' efforts to help eradicate the bird, which is a declared pest in the region.

RIVERS AND WATERS

Thanks to Peter Teakle, we have the following information regarding rivers and wetlands, which are so important to the continuation of duck seasons throughout the country.

Alongside most gun cabinets, there are generally fishing rods and other gear, including devices of various shapes and sizes to keep the weekend's catch cold.

Let's cast a thought over the value of water – wetlands, rivers and lakes – that have been and will be the realm for keen shooters and fishers across all states for years to come. Recent field trips in the Murray Darling Basin have seen the environment bounce back following the drought, although the River Darling Ana branch hasn't flowed for three years and is in a poor degraded state, the Commonwealth Water Holder allocated lifesaving environmental flows has seen the system regenerated with thousands of waterbirds... and fish.

Queensland and New South Wales creeks and rivers, including the Barwon and many others, are the engine room for most of the fish species in the Murray River where there's been little recruitment over the last three years. Timely, but thought provoking, of the value of our precious pastimes – whether it be target shooting, fishing or hunting – and how we enjoy it. Why have an empty esky?

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2017 FITASC OCEANIA CHAMPIONSHIP

- by Ray McFarlane

A record field of 127 competitors competed in New Caledonia at the 29th FITASC Oceania Championship from April 7 – 9, with the host nation making up the majority of entries. Sporting Clays is now well supported in New Caledonia and the results show their standard is lifting to new highs.

The enormous effort that had gone in to make this a great and memorable event was noticeable when I arrived at Club de Tir Calédonien the day before the competition commenced; the grounds were presented like a golf course in their presentation.

The event was conducted over eight "Old Style FITASC Layouts" and the target setters had made great use of the fantastic terrain available. The Club had invested in a number of new La Porte Traps and even had a trap mechanic out from France to make sure the competition was faultless and ran like clockwork. The locals offered their assistance and gave me free rein to review the targets set for the shoot, allowing me to move some stands and adjust the trajectories to provide more variety and ensure the targets were tough – but not unbreakable. The comments from many of the competitors was that the event was one of the great Oceania Championships. Congratulations to all who made this such a memorable occasion.

DAY ONE

Each night brought heavy rainfall in Paita and this continued even on the drive out. When the shooting got started the weather was fine, but hot and steamy.

Open

Damien Birgan set the pace early on Day One with 68/75 followed by Anthony Panetta on 66/75, Junior Mathew Wilesmith with 65/75 and Geoff Wells with 64/75 showing they were the main contenders. Adam Green from New Zealand arrived late in the afternoon as the airports in NZ had been closed due to flooding. Considering the extreme circumstances, the Shoot Jury allowed him to go out with a Referee and shoot his three first-day rounds to catch up to the field, putting in a great effort to tie with Damien in the lead with 68/75.

Juniors

Mathew Wilesmith 65/75, Luke Willemsen 61/75, Cameron Kivinen 60/75

Ladies

Felicity Paglia 59/75, Tara Lawrence (NZ) 58/75, Anna Hirschfield 58/75

Veterans

Bob Brown 65/75, Philippe Simoni (New Caledonia) 60/75, Phil Brown (NZ) and John Leach 59/75

Super Veterans

Alan Backman 63/75, Daryl Mawson 58/75, Gordon MacPhee (NZ) and Ross Christian 58/75

DAY TWO

Open

Damien Birgan continued on with 69/75 for a total of 137/150, Adam Green slipped back a little with 135/150 and sharing third place was Yann Blanquet (New Caledonia) and Anthony Panetta on 134/150. The performance from New Cal shooter Yann Blanquet was amazing as he scored 25, 23, 23 for a day's total of 71/75.

Junior

Matt Wilesmith held on to his lead finishing the day on 129/150 followed by Luke Willemsen and Billy Cain on equal second with 127/150 after Billy came back into the race with an impressive 68/75.

Ladies

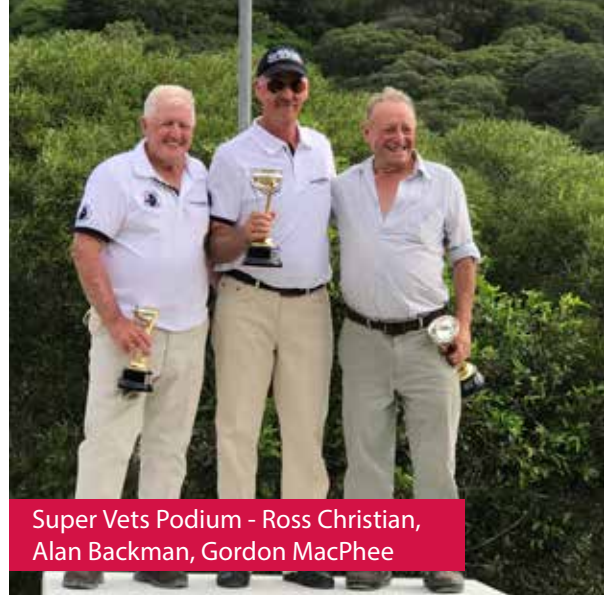
The race was on. Anna Hirschfield forged to the front with a total of 118/150 ahead of Tara Lawrence on 116/150 and Felicity Paglia on 115/150.

Veterans

The Veterans were also shooting neck and neck. Bob Brown was joined in the lead by Philippe Simoni on 123/150 with John Leach one target behind on 122/150.



Team Photo



Super Vets Podium - Ross Christian, Alan Backman, Gordon MacPhee



Ladies Teams Podium



Open Teams Podium

Super Veterans

Alan Backman was the clear leader on 127/150, with Gordon MacPhee and Ross Christian tied for second on 118/150.

DAY THREE

With only Alan Backman cruising into the third day with a clear lead, all the other Categories promised exciting finishes and victory would go to those who held their composure throughout the day.

Open

Damien Birgan went out hard and posted a score of 43/50 to total 182/200. After shooting 43/50, Yann Blanquet fell five targets short with 177/150, leaving it all up to Adam Green to challenge Damien. Adam turned in a 24/25 in his first round, meaning a 23/25 would ensure a shoot-off for the Championship. Adam proceeded to keep breaking targets and with the last double to shoot he was on a possible 23/25 to force a shoot-off. Unfortunately, the last target escaped and Adam had to settle for second. But what a great effort: cancelled flight, flying in late on day one of the competition, having to shoot his first three rounds with only a Referee. We take our hats off to you, Adam.

Juniors

Here's where the excitement was. Mathew Wilesmith finished with 172/200, leaving Luke Willemsen to shoot 45/50 to force a shoot-off. After a first round 20/25 this seemed unlikely, but then Luke proceeded to shoot an amazing 25/25 to trigger the tie and make it a shoot-off for the Junior Title, which Mathew won by two targets. Billy Cain came home strong to finish on 170/200 to claim third place.

Ladies

Tara Lawrence held it together to finish on 157/200 to give New Zealand a well-deserved gold medal. Anna Hirschfield came in second on 153/200 and Felicity Paglia in third on 152/200.

Veterans

Bob Brown hit a clean 25 break on the last day to post 168/200, taking the win from John Leach on 165/200 and Philippe Simoni on 163/200.

Super Veterans

Alan Backman was the runaway winner here with 170/200 over Gordon MacPhee on 160/200 and Ross Christian in third on 154/200.

TEAM RESULTS

Australia was successful in winning all the Team events. Congratulations to all our Team Members on such a fantastic achievement.

I would like to take my hat off to the New Zealand Open Team. NZ replaced Adam Green with their reserve, James Simpson, on Day One due to the uncertainty of Adam's arrival. If Adam's score had counted towards the Open Team total it would have given the win to New Zealand by two targets. Commiserations to the Team; you are great sportsmen and a credit to our sport.

I also want to highlight New Caledonia's silver medal in the Veterans Team division. Well done!

Full results and scores can be viewed on the SCA website.

Congratulations to Club de Tir Calédonien for conducting this prestigious event to the highest standard. I truly appreciated the support they gave me as Vice President of FITASC (Oceania) to manage the event according to the rules and expectations of FITASC. The hospitality and support they offered to each and every competitor throughout the competition was much appreciated. A lot of us are keen to return – hopefully we'll avoid the cyclones next time though.



Veterans Winners Podium - Philippe Simoni, Bob Brown, John Leach



Ladies Holding Trophies



Damien Birgan
**WINNER OF THE 29TH
FITASC OCEANIA SPORTING
CHAMPIONSHIPS**



Aus Junior Team - Billy Cain, Luke Willemsen, Mathew Wilesmith



Aus Open Team - Damien Birgan, Anthony Panetta, Robert Hall, Jeremy Paglia

INTERVIEW WITH DAMIEN BIRGAN

WINNER OF THE 29TH FITASC OCEANIA SPORTING CHAMPIONSHIPS

Have you ever shot over in New Caledonia before this year's Oceanias?

Yes, I've attended all the Oceanias in New Caledonia including the first one in 1996. They've all been in Païta, except for the last one in 2014 which was in Koumac in the north of New Caledonia. All have been great shoots and it's also a great holiday destination

What did you think of Club de Tir Calédonien?

The shooters from the Païta Club did a fantastic job! The grounds were amazing as always. The New Caledonians made you feel like you were part of the Club and go so far out of their way to make you feel welcome.

Did you do any special prep for the Oceanias?

No specific prep; just coaching on the weekends and some monthly shoots on Sundays.

How did you find the targets at the comp? Were any stations more difficult than others?

I thought the targets were absolutely world class. Club de Tir Calédonien have one of the best grounds in the Oceania region with fantastic terrain to shoot old style FITASC. I personally found seven of the eight layouts to be of similar difficulty, with the exception of layout 1 which was a little wind-affected on the Friday afternoon. I found that one to be quite tough but Billy Cain shot a brilliant 24/25 on the same layout on Saturday so perhaps I'm getting a bit soft in my age.

Were you confident in taking out the win or was it down to the wire the whole way through?

I wasn't confident at all. I felt I shot steady on most of the layouts, but

not up to where I would say I was happy with. It was a slog right down to the last pair.

What were the standout performances?

The first one that comes to mind is my mate Yann Blanquet (New Caledonia) with his third place overall and Adam Green's (NZ) second place as well.

The Junior shoot-off was also a pleasure to watch with a display of what's to come in the not too distant future.

Tell us: what do you shoot with and what's in your kit?

GUN: I currently use a Perazzi MX2000S 32" fixed choke 1/2 and 3/4.

GLASSES: I've been wearing Pilla glasses for nearly 10 years and use the Outlaw with an N66 most of the time.

CARTRIDGES: I shoot B&P F2 HV and have been a big fan of 7.5s for a long time; I've found the shot size covers most situations.

Top Shot Industries has also supplied me with some sweet shooting apparel and have some really nice wild hare bags and slaps.

You've been named in the Australian Team again this year. How does this impact your 2017 season? Any goals you're out to achieve?

I'm stoked to be part of the new-look Australian team going to the FITASC Worlds in Hungary. My only goal is to represent the Open Team to the best of my ability and if I do well as an individual, that would be a bonus. I would also like to add that if any of the Team wants to chat or needs advice on anything shooting related – I'm here to help.



Compak Warnamabool Rainbow



Sox Pilipasidis on target

2017 COMPAK NATIONALS

- by Ray McFarlane

2017 has been a great year for those who have followed the major Sporting Clays events so far.

After the Australian Grand Prix and what was a fantastic start to the local season in March, the weekend of May 3rd and 4th was again the chance for Warrnambool SSAA (Laang) to show us what they could do. It was another 200 target event conducted over four FITASC Compak Sporting Fields. Three of the layouts had a program of three singles and one double per stand, the other had one single and two doubles per stand. The competition was again sponsored by GB Corsivia, and we thank Bruce Burns and his team for their continued support of Sporting Clays Australia.



SCA President Tony Trainor with Open winners (L to R) Sox Pilipasidis (1st), Brenton Irons (2nd), Jack Gibbs (3rd) and Brian Mortensen (4th).

DAY ONE

Saturday started off with calm weather but heavy showers did come in throughout the day. Fortunately, each time it rained my squad was either in the clubhouse or sitting in vehicles waiting for our turn to shoot. No matter what the weather, it was great to see the Queenslanders shivering as they're not used to the balmy sort of conditions that Warrnambool can provide at the drop of a hat.

The weather certainly didn't affect the competition, with good scores coming in off all layouts.

Opens: Socrates "Sox" Pilipasidis was the standout with 97/100, followed by Chris Brown (just off the plane from San Antonio) on 95/100 and a host of others still in with a chance.

Ladies: Renae Birgan was back leading the Ladies with 83/100, just clear of new talent April Thompson on 77/100 and Anna Hirschfield sitting in third with 70/100.

Juniors: Mark DuRose was the standout with 91/100, but the Cain boys were in hot pursuit with Billy on 89/100, Mitchell on 85/100 and Reece on 82/100.

Veterans: John Leach was way out in front on 93/100, with Ron Rhook 88/100 and Robert Passarin chasing.

Super Veterans: A tight competition saw Colin Barker and Ray McFarlane tied in front on 84/100, with Allan Backman just one behind on 83/100.

DAY TWO

Sunday was cold, but reasonably fine, and so the show went on.

Opens: Sox shot 95/100 to keep hold of the lead, going into the six person final with a total of 192/200 followed by Chris Brown 189/200, Jack Gibbs and Brenton Irons 188/200, and Brian Mortensen and Adam DuRose 185/200.

The targets were altered to be a little more difficult and the start of the final was signalled with the firing of a 55mm cannon courtesy of Brian Cockayne. It may have only been loaded with a wooden plug (a lead ball would fly 3km plus) but the noise was enough to give anyone a heart attack.

Sox was first away and let his opening target, a battue from trap E, escape. That was his only blemish though and he shot the rest for a 24/25 total of 216/225 to become the 2017 Compak Nationals Champion. Brenton was clear second after shooting 21/25 for a total of 209, leaving Jack, Chris and Brian all tied on a total of 207/225. Unfortunately Adam was eliminated.

Chris was first away in the final shoot-off and let his second target, an F target off the tower, escape. Jack cleaned the stand and Brian missed his last, putting Jack into 3rd place and Brian 4th.



Compak Tower

Ladies: Renae was back in fine form and took out first place with a convincing 174/200. Second and third was much closer, with April finishing up with 149 and Anna on 148.

Juniors: Mark (182/200) kept his foot on the pedal and took home the win with a ten target buffer from Billy (172/200) and Reece another three targets back (169/200).

Veterans: Ron Rhook and Robert Passarin came home strong to finish up on 177/200 at the end of normal competition. Ron came out on top by one target in the shoot-off to claim first position from Robert. John's total was 175/200 for third place.

Super Veterans: Another shoot-off after Colin Barker and Allan Backman were tied on 164/200. Colin claimed first place by one target from Allan in second, with Ray on third after hitting 160/200.

We, as shooters and competitors, are being spoilt by the quality of the targets and organisation we are able to enjoy at the major SCA events. Entry numbers are close to capacity, with most categories selling out, and we continue to benefit from the support of our event partners. The ongoing effort and hospitality displayed by the host Clubs and their teams of volunteers must also be applauded.

The next major is the English Sporting Nationals hosted by Brisbane Sporting Clays. The event will most likely have been and gone by the time this edition is delivered, so I hope plenty of you made your way to Queensland to have a shot.

The one not to miss this year is the SCA Sporting Nationals from September 8th to 10th. Held at Echidna Park near Geraldton, this will virtually be a "Green Fields Site" as it's the first major event to be conducted on the property of Ian Grant, the Echidna Park President. The last edition of the magazine provided details and photos of what you can expect around the grounds and what's available in the nearby township of Geraldton. It's shaping up to be another of the great competitions conducted under the SCA banner. Love to see you all there!



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2017 ENGLISH SPORTING NATIONALS

BRISBANE QLD | 3-4 JUNE 2017

- by Glen Rider

What a great time to host an event in Queensland: sunny days, no humidity, just perfect weather. The English Sporting National event for 2017 was granted to Brisbane Sporting Clays as the host club to provide another National event for SCA members.

The competition was set over two grounds with 14 stations to shoot 100 targets each day. Each ground was named after the event sponsor – GB and Corsivia. English Sporting, as the advertisement on the SCA Facebook page says, is a discipline where “the clays go smashing two by two”. Well that was the expectation anyway. English Sporting has a different format to our usual FITASC competitions and if you miss with the first shot you are 50% down on the score of a pair (FITASC has “Doubles”, English Sporting has “Pairs”). When you have the Pair three or four times in a row and you can’t work it out quickly – holes start to show up in your final score. The benefits of shooting this discipline are obvious; it makes you better at picking your sweet spot to break the clays time and again, making your shooting more consistent with first barrel breaks which translates into FITASC as well. It certainly shows how much we sometimes depend on our second barrel breaks.

DAY ONE

The first day’s competition had the competitors lining up at the noms hut waiting to sign in and get out onto the ranges. Odd number squads were sent to layout one (Corsivia) and evens to layout two (GB). If anyone was thinking the courses were going to be set on the soft side because it was English Sporting, it quickly became apparent that this was not going to be a walk in the park. There were some serious targets out there and you had to work at it to keep the scores showing up on the score card. Every angle, swirl and curl of the target was considered, from going away to a sim pair of driven overheads from the boom lift members were first introduced to at the Nationals in October last year (the lift was only at half-mast; there was another 15 metres still to reach full height!). There was a great turn out from our interstate members as well as an international visitor from New Caledonia.

The first day ran to programme with shooting completed early afternoon, allowing the competitors time to enjoy the rest of the day and head home.

Billy Cain and **Billy Zogogiannis** were at the top of the leader board after the first one hundred on 90/100.

Veterans – Bob Brown from Victoria on 84/100

Super Vets – Colin Barker on 73/100

Ladies – Maree Birgan on 69/100

A Grade – Scott O’Brien on 81/100

B Grade – Paul Smidt on 70/100

C Grade – Olindo Mazzarotto on 72/100

There was room for movement with no one running away with a position. Special mention to Anthony Panetta who shot the Corsivia Ground straight. Well done Anthony!

DAY TWO

The courses were reset with extra traps brought in, shooting positions shifted and new menus placed out. Competition got underway and squads were sent out to the opposite of their Saturday start. There were totally different layouts to day one and it was game on. The leader board remained fairly static from the Saturday, with Billy Cain holding on to his overall lead finishing on 182/200, three clear of Peter Tobin on 179/200. Billy Zogogiannis dropped back finishing on 168/200. The Ladies and Veterans remained as-is with the same leaders as Saturday. After the last score card came back it became apparent no shoot-offs were needed to decide the grades or categories. All that was required to complete the Competition was to prepare a shoot-off area for the Super Final. The top six names to go forward were Billy Cain 182/200, Peter Tobin 179/200, Damien Birgan 177/200, Chris Brown 177/200, Jason Pole 174/200 and Jamie Dunn 173/200.

It was a fairly challenging final 25 bird shoot-off for the six top shooters, which saw Chris Brown take first-place honours over Peter Tobin and Billy Cain. Chris’ solid performance taking down 19 targets secured his second National Championship title for 2017 after winning the Australian Grand Prix in March. Congratulations to Chris for taking home the win, to Peter for holding on to second and to Billy for showing he’s got what it takes to challenge the competition.

Thanks goes out to Brisbane Sporting Clays with special mention to those behind the scenes to make this event happen: Ashley Mead in the noms hut collating and updating the live scores to the website; Kathy Cain, Glenis Pukallus and Judy Barker serving the food and refreshments; and Daniel Gibson, Vern Porter and Ian Collison for their preparations and trap filling on the grounds.

The only competition left in the SCA Calendar for 2017 is the Sporting Nationals in Geraldton, Western Australia. The event is starting to fill up and you also have to apply for a WA permit to get your shotgun into the State. Sue Green is assisting with this if you need a hand (email Secretary@wafga.org). The message here folks is to nominate and start planning – this event will be one to remember.



SCA President, Tony Trainor, congratulating Overall Winner, Chris Brown



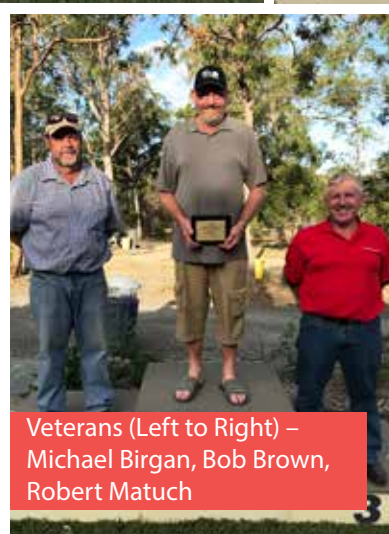
Ladies (Left to Right) – Katrina Brown, Maree Birgan, Karen Rider



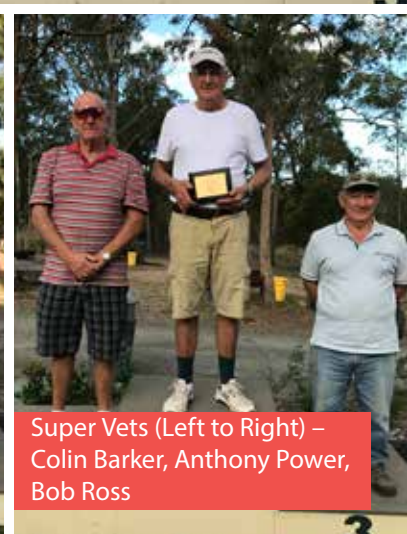
Junior Winner, Billy Cain



Overall placeholders – Chris Brown (1st), Damien Birgan (4th), Billy Cain (3rd), Peter Tobin (2nd)



Veterans (Left to Right) – Michael Birgan, Bob Brown, Robert Matuch



Super Vets (Left to Right) – Colin Barker, Anthony Power, Bob Ross

SCA ENGLISH SPORTING NATIONALS BRISBANE SPORTING CLAYS

| FINAL SCORES | | | |
|--------------|-----|-------------------|---------|
| TOP SIX | 1st | CHRIS BROWN | 196/225 |
| | 2nd | PETER TOBIN | 195/225 |
| | 3rd | BILLY CAIN | 194/225 |
| | 4th | DAMIEN BIRGAN | 193/225 |
| | 5th | JAMIE DUNN | 188/225 |
| | 6th | JASON POLE | 186/225 |
| A GRADE | 1st | SCOTT O'BRIEN | 162 |
| | 2nd | WADE MCGIRR | 150 |
| | 3rd | RENZO RENDA | 147 |
| B Grade | 1st | VINCENT VITALE | 143 |
| | 2nd | PAUL SMIDT | 140 |
| | 3rd | CHRIS CHAPMAN | 133 |
| C Grade | 1st | OLINDO MAZZAROTTO | 142 |
| | 2nd | CHAD PORTER | 119 |
| | 3rd | RICKY KENNEDY | 114 |
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| | 3rd | KAREN RIDER | 90 |
| JUNIORS | 1st | BILLYCAIN | 132 |
| | 2nd | MITCHELL CAIN | 130 |
| VETERANS | 1st | BOB BROWN | 169 |
| | 2nd | MICHAEL BIRGAN | 159 |
| | 3rd | ROBERT MATUCH | 153 |
| SUP VETS | 1st | ANTHONY POWER | 142 |
| | 2nd | COLIN BARKER | 140 |
| | 3rd | BOB ROSS | 126 |



B Grade (Left to Right) – Paul Smidt, Vincent Vitale, Chris Chapman



A Grade (Left to Right) – Wade McGirr, Scott O'Brien, Renzo Renda



C Grade (Left to Right) – Chad Porter, Olindo Mazzarotto, Ricky Kennedy



Lucky Door Prize Winner, Dennis Dinte, with his GB shells



A MESSAGE FROM RALPH ALI, NATIONAL TEAM MANAGER

1 June 2017



Hello everyone.

Well before we blinked, we are in June already. There's only five weeks to go until the 2017 World FITASC Sporting Championships take place in Galgamácsa, Hungary.

The new-look Team uniforms have been sent to the embroiders so everyone will be looking as sharp as a razor during the opening and closing ceremonies. This should leave enough time for people to get any alterations done if need be. The uniforms were supplied by Lowes Menswear (Lowes Manhattan Pty Ltd), who I would like to welcome on board as an SCA Partner. Lowes is a private, family-owned business that was established in 1898 by William Lowe so they have a long history in the Australian retail space. I'd especially like to thank Dean Isdale from Lowes for enduring my multiple telephone calls, messages and emails to ensure that the uniforms were delivered on time.

We have a very strong Team heading to Hungary this year and being the champions they all are, they will not come home empty handed, I'm sure. I would like to thank all the Team Members and wish them the best. Safe travels and I'll see you all in Hungary!

Best regards,
Ralph Ali

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OSA "CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS" SERIES UPDATE

– by Ray McFarlane

With three of the four qualifying events for this fabulous Series completed for 2017, 21 competitors have already managed to attain their three qualifying scores.

Only the various State Championships remain and there are large a number of shooters who can still get three qualifying percentages on the board to be in contention for a place in the Top Six. The Top Six will shoot-off at the Nationals in Geraldton for the prize of a Deluxe Miroku U/O Shotgun donated by OSA who originated this unique event last year in Brisbane. The shoot-off will be held on the Saturday afternoon (9 September 2017) using an "Old Style FITASC " layout. This will be a great opportunity for fellow competitors to view the best of Australian Sporting Clays competitors in action.

A link to the current standings of competitors who have the opportunity to post three qualifying scores has been included in the online version of this article on the Sporting Clays Australia website (sportingclaysaustralia.com.au/2017/06/osa-series-update-jun17/). Be mindful that these shooters also have the chance to increase their score with a good result at their respective State Championship. Only competitors who are members of that particular State may gain a percentage at the event. The shooters who have already shot their three qualifying scores are at the top of the tally, with the remaining names listed in alphabetical order.

Victorian Adam du Rose won the series last year.

We thank OSA, our generous sponsors, for their foresight in allowing all competitors to enter this event. I'm sure the winner will not only celebrate their achievement, but also value the fantastic prize they will receive.



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RULES CORNER

- Ray McFarlane

There has been some confusion about the various rules of FITASC Sporting, FITASC Compak Sporting and English Sporting regarding the way that Doubles are to be shot and scored in each discipline.

FITASC Sporting

Simultaneous or Rafale Double

In any Simultaneous or Rafale Double the targets may be shot in any order. You may shoot both shots at the one target. If both targets are broken by the one shot, either on the first or second shot, the score is "one-one".

Double on Report

If a shooter misses the first target and fires the second shot at the first target and breaks it, the score is recorded as "one-lost". If both targets are broken by the second shot the score is recorded as "one-one".

NOTE: On a Repeat Double where the score on the first target has been noted and a new Double is thrown to establish the result of the second shot, the shooter must make a reasonable attempt to place the first shot in a similar position as they shot it in the original double.

FITASC Compak Sporting

In Compak Sporting the scoring of Doubles is different than that for FITASC Sporting.

Rule 2.5.3 In any Double, both targets must be shot at. It is prohibited to fire two shots at the one target of any Double.

Simultaneous Double

The targets may be shot in any order. If both targets are broken in one shot, the Double is declared as "no-targets" with no score established. The Double must be repeated for a result on both targets.

Explanation: In Compak Sporting you must fire a shot at every target; double barrelling of the one target on any Double is prohibited.

English Sporting

Single targets are allowed to be thrown as double barrel targets.

In Doubles, the shooter may fire both shots at the one target as in FITASC Sporting.

Doubles rules for scoring are the same as FITASC Sporting.

A maximum of 10 targets can be thrown from the one shooting stand.

Report Doubles

Rule 24.22 When re-shooting a Report Double for a result on the second target, the competitor must make a reasonable attempt to break the first target before attempting to shoot and break the second target.

Rule 24.23 Referees must ensure that competitors adhere strictly to rule 24.22. If a violation of the rule takes place, the Referee shall ask the competitor to repeat the Double (1st target score established). If the competitor violates rule 24.22 on three occasions, then at the third occasion the second target of the Double will be declared "lost".

Do you have a question about a rule or another shooting-related enquiry? Email admin@sportingclaysaustralia.com.au and the SCA Team will provide an answer in a following edition of the magazine.

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BROKEN HILL FIELD AND GAME NEWS

By "Shellshocked"

2 APRIL 2017

On 2 April the Broken Hill Field and Game Association conducted a 75 Target Simulated Field Graded Championship. The weather was warm and sunny and despite a strong and gusty wind, the conditions were pretty good for shooting clay targets. Organisers were pleased with a good attendance of 29 shooters given the absence of a number of our regulars.

The range was set by Josh and Gerard and Clay who did an excellent job to build a very good variety of targets into a single range layout, which was shot three times to make up the competition. Some of the targets were new to the shooters; one or two were a bit hard to see and a couple of the long ones were a bit wind affected. Consequently, the targets were quite challenging and required a bit of hard work to ensure a good score with most shooters scoring a bit below their handicap. Nevertheless, the range was very interesting and great fun to shoot. The best shooters recorded some pretty respectable totals at the finish.

The best score off the gun was a very good total of 58 shot by reigning Club Champion, Clay Johnston. Clay shot consistently and finished that one vital shot ahead of the competition at the finish to claim the High Gun sash.

Evan Stephenson also shot very consistently and was an easy winner of the A Grade prize with a score of 57. The result in B Grade was very close with Craig Lawrence and Brian Casey tied for first place on a score of 53. Craig got the nod from the scorers on countback thanks to his excellent final round score of 21 and he won the first place prize. There was similar story in C Grade with Bob Tweedie and Travis Casey tied for first place with a score of 42. Bob got the nod from the



Grade winners of the 75 Target Club Championship, left to right, Craig Lawrence (B Grade), Clay Johnston (High Gun), Cassie McEvoy (Ladies), Gus (Best Dog), Kyle Mahoney (Juniors), Bob Tweedie (C Grade) and Evan Stephenson (A Grade).

scorers on countback with a final round score just one target better than Travis to win first place. Cassie McEvoy won the Ladies Grade with a score of 36, and Kyle Mahoney won the Juniors Grade with a total of 41.

On the Friday and Saturday before the shoot the Association conducted a working bee at the range. Organisers were delighted with valuable contributions from almost twenty members over the two days and a lot of good work was done at the range. A number of members camped at the range on Friday and Saturday nights and enjoyed a drink and a feed and a talk around the fire. Additional working bees are being planned and members will be notified in due course.

Additional information for any Association event is available from President Rod Weaver on 0407 187 498.

| BROKEN HILL - 2 APRIL 2017 75 TARGET GRADED CHAMPIONSHIP | | | |
|---|-----|-----------------|----|
| High Gun | | Clay Johnston | 58 |
| A Grade | 1st | Evan Stephenson | 57 |
| | 2nd | Jeff Glasson | 53 |
| | 3rd | Kym Files | 51 |
| B Grade | 1st | Craig Lawrence | 53 |
| | 2nd | Brian Casey | 53 |
| | 3rd | Josh Holmes | 52 |
| C Grade | 1st | Bob Tweedie | 42 |
| | 2nd | Travis Casey | 42 |
| | 3rd | Peter Hoare | 41 |
| Ladies | 1st | Cassie McEvoy | 36 |
| | 2nd | Elissa Tweedie | 28 |
| Juniors | 1st | Kyle Mahoney | 41 |

6 - 7 MAY 2017

The Broken Hill Field and Game Association conducted a big weekend of shooting on 6 and 7 May with Sporting Clays on Saturday evening and Simulated Field on Sunday. The weather was magnificent, mild and sunny, and despite a sometimes cool and gusty breeze conditions were just about perfect for shooting clay targets. Organisers were rewarded with an excellent attendance of 40 plus shooters over two days of shooting which included visitors from Bermagui, Adelaide and Milparinka.

On Saturday afternoon and under lights in the evening, 32 shooters competed in a 51 target Sporting Clays shoot. An excellent layout was set up by Brian and his merry band of helpers. These events are always a lot of fun; the targets are not too difficult and not too far away and shooters in all grades get to have a good crack at them.

MILPARINKA AND BROKEN HILL FIELD AND GAME NEWS

By "Shellshocked"



Grade winners of the Sporting Clays shoot, left to right, Richard Murphy (B Grade), Clay Johnston (A Grade and High Gun) and Bob Tweedie (C Grade)



Josh Holms calls for his next target while Arnaud Fuster and Col O'Brien wait their turn



Grade winners of the Milparinka Challenge Interclub Shoot (left to right) - Richard Murphy (B Grade), Clay Johnston (A Grade), Gerard Mahoney (High Gun) and Kyle Mahoney (C Grade) with Ellie, Gus and Jazzy at front (Best Dogs on Range).

The best shooter off the gun was Clay Johnston who shot very consistently to win A Grade and the High Gun prize with a score of 48/51, just one point clear of Josh Holmes who also shot very well for 47. Richard Murphy was a clear and easy winner in B grade, his score of 47 good enough for an A Grade prize. C Grade shooters Bob Tweedie and Rodger Sands both shot 36 for equal first place, but Bob got the nod on countback for the first place prize.

On Sunday, 39 shooters competed in a 75 target Simulated Field Graded Championship shoot that was sponsored by Josh Edgecumbe who very generously provided prizes for the winning shooters.

The range was set by Josh and Josh and Clay and Brian who did an excellent job to present a very good variety of targets in a compact range of five stations which made for very enjoyable shooting. The targets did not appear to be particularly difficult but as the day progressed and the tally of missed targets continued to grow, it became apparent that there was more going on than met the eye. Nevertheless the best shooters, as usual, managed the conditions well and recorded some very impressive totals.

The best shooter off the gun was Clay Johnston who shot very consistently, and well, for a total of 65/75 which, at the finish, was only just good enough for the High Gun medal. Josh Holmes tried to chase Clay down all day but finished just that one vital point short. However, Josh's total of 64 was easily good enough for the A Grade win. Richard Murphy had to shoot well to keep Adelaide shooter Trevor Forgan at bay, shooting 59 with a couple of shots up his sleeve to take out first place. C Grade shooter Peter Hoare started very well and hung on for a total of 50 which was easily good enough to claim first prize in the Grade. Elissa Tweedie was the only shooter in the Ladies Grade, but shot very well for a score of 36 and a well-deserved first place prize. Preston Slater had his first crack at competition shooting in the Juniors Grade and ended up with a score of 35 as well as the first place prize.

BROKEN HILL - 6 MAY 2017 51 TARGET SPORTING CLAYS

| | | | |
|---------|-----|----------------|----|
| A Grade | 1st | Clay Johnston | 48 |
| | 2nd | Josh Holmes | 47 |
| | 3rd | Jeff Glasson | 43 |
| B Grade | 1st | Richard Murphy | 47 |
| | 2nd | Bruce Tiver | 41 |
| | 3rd | Ray Johnston | 41 |
| C Grade | 1st | Bob Tweedie | 36 |
| | 2nd | Rodger Sands | 36 |
| | 3rd | Aaron Darley | 34 |
| | 3rd | Peter Hoare | 41 |

BROKEN HILL - 7 MAY 2017 75 TARGET GRADED CHAMPIONSHIP

| | | | |
|----------|-----|----------------|----|
| High Gun | | Clay Johnston | 65 |
| A Grade | 1st | Josh Holmes | 64 |
| | 2nd | Jeff Glasson | 55 |
| | 3rd | Wayne Haskard | 50 |
| B Grade | 1st | Richard Murphy | 59 |
| | 2nd | Trevor Forgan | 57 |
| | 3rd | Rod Weaver | 56 |
| C Grade | 1st | Peter Hoare | 50 |
| | 2nd | Bob Tweedie | 43 |
| | 3rd | Aaron Darley | 41 |
| Ladies | 1st | Elissa Tweedie | 36 |
| Juniors | 1st | Preston Slater | 35 |

MILPARINKA & BROKEN HILL - 29 & 30 MAY 2017 150 TARGET INTERCLUB CHALLENGE

| | | | |
|----------|-----|-----------------|-----|
| High Gun | | Gerard Mahoney | 129 |
| A Grade | 1st | Clay Johnston | 127 |
| | 2nd | Josh Holmes | 126 |
| | 3rd | Jeff Glasson | 116 |
| B Grade | 1st | Richard Murphy | 120 |
| | 2nd | Ray Johnston | 107 |
| | 3rd | John Lemmich | 103 |
| C Grade | 1st | Kyle Mahoney | 109 |
| | 2nd | Peter Hoare | 81 |
| | 3rd | Rodney Grenfell | 80 |

29 - 30 MAY 2017

On 29 and 30 May the Milparinka and Broken Hill Field and Game Associations conducted their annual interclub shoot (Grudge Match), the Milparinka Challenge Shield, at the Milparinka simulated field shooting range. The competition comprised 75 targets shot on Saturday afternoon and another 75 targets shot on Sunday morning for a 150 target event.

The shooters camped out on the range which made for an excellent social atmosphere. The range was set by Rowan and his merry band of helpers who did an excellent job to present a very good selection of targets. The targets were not overly difficult, which made for very enjoyable shooting and some pretty good scores from the top shots.

The best shooter off the gun was Gerard Mahoney who, despite a slow start on Sunday morning, shot very consistently for an excellent score of 129. This was a very good effort from Gerard who won the first place prize with just a couple of shots up his sleeve at the finish.

First place prize in A Grade was won by Clay Johnston who pushed Gerard all the way and finished with an excellent total of 127, just one point clear of the next best shooter. Richard Murphy put in a good weekend of shooting and shot 120 to win first place in B grade, light years ahead of the next best shooter. Junior shooter, Kyle Mahoney, had a crack in C grade and shot well for a total of 109, easily good enough for first place in the grade and a score that gave the B Graders a real hurry up.

Milparinka Club President, Rowan Young, went into a huddle with himself at the end of the shoot to consider the scores. After a number of recounts and more changes made to the already dodgy Milparinka rules, Rowan proudly announced to general acclaim that Milparinka had won the Interclub Challenge Shield. A fitting conclusion to an excellent weekend of shooting and a very good time was had by all.

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BERMAGUI FIELD AND GAME

- By Barry Dunn

SUNDAY 26TH MARCH 2017

Eight squads of local and visiting shooters from Cooma, Bombala, Illawarra and Canberra attended the Club's March shoot. The event was the 100 target Dave Cook and Mark Raabe Memorial handicap event to commemorate these two highly-respected men who were active members of the Club and who made significant contributions to its well-being. The event was sponsored by the Cook, Raabe, Robinson and Field families who provided magnificent seafood trays as prizes. Chris Raabe, Craig Field and their helpers had thoughtfully constructed two shooting layouts to take advantage of light conditions while presenting shooters with new and challenging targets. One layout was used for the morning's program of 50 targets and the other in the afternoon; all targets were highly visible.

Many of the shooters shot above their handicap, though the Ladies stood out for consistency with all three winners coming in with 104 and countbacks required to determine placings.



Ladies winners Rhonda White, Robin Perkins and Michelle Craig with sponsors Carol Cook, Chris Robinson, Jan and Chris Raabe

B Grade shooters also performed well with Jimmy Drakos doubling up from last month's shoot taking out first place again.



B Grade winners Warren Marshall, Jim Drakos and Pat Jubb with sponsors Carol Cook, Jan and Chris Raabe, Chris Robinson and Craig Field

High Gun on handicap was Dale Alison on 112 while Phil Craig was the OTG High Gun with 88/100.

Both the slab raffle and \$500 Jackpot raffle were won by Richard Watkins. Richard failed to shoot the required number of targets in the shoot-off so had to settle for the consolation meat tray donated by Benny's Butchery.

| BERMAGUI F&G RESULTS | | | |
|----------------------|--------------|-----------------|-----|
| High Gun | Dale Allison | | 112 |
| A/AA Grade | 1st | Mark Gschwend | 100 |
| | 2nd | Tony Crome | 96 |
| | 3rd | Barry Dunn | 91 |
| B Grade | 1st | Jim Drakos | 107 |
| | 2nd | Warren Marshall | 106 |
| | 3rd | Pat Jubb | 100 |
| C Grade | 1st | Neville de Smet | 111 |
| | 2nd | Owen Gauslaa | 106 |
| | 3rd | Bernie Parker | 99 |
| Ladies | 1st | Michelle Craig | 104 |
| | 2nd | Robin Perkins | 104 |
| | 3rd | Rhonda White | 104 |
| Juniors | 1st | Holly Gschwend | 110 |

SUNDAY 28TH MAY 2017

Sunday 28th May started out crystal clear until a few showers rolled in during the afternoon. This wasn't enough to dampen the enthusiasm of local and travelling shooters from Illawarra, Canberra, Cooma and Moe and a good day was enjoyed by all. The event was 56 pairs of double targets from seven shooting stations that was set and sponsored by Barbie and Mario Magrin. A great range of prizes were on offer for those who could concentrate and handle the mostly falling targets; a really good effort from Barbie and Mario.



First place in Grades: Mark Gschwend (AA/A), Penny White (Ladies), Owen Gauslaa (C), Jimmy Drakos (B) and Holly Gschwend (Juniors) with sponsors Barbie and Mario Magrin

Gavin Moulding attracted a good crowd of onlookers for his shoot-off for the \$500 Jackpot raffle and demonstrated that even the really good shots do sometimes miss. Consolation was at hand with a meat tray generously donated by Benny's Butchery of Cobargo.

| BERMAGUI F&G RESULTS | | | |
|----------------------|-----|------------------|----|
| AA/A Grade | 1st | Mark Gschwend | 99 |
| | 2nd | Gavin Moulding | 96 |
| | 3rd | Phil Craig | 93 |
| B Grade | 1st | Jimmy Drakos | 85 |
| | 2nd | Ron Manly | 82 |
| | 3rd | Ray Summerell | 80 |
| C Grade | 1st | Owen Gauslaa | 80 |
| | 2nd | Andrew Whitbread | 74 |
| | 3rd | Dick Brown | 74 |
| Ladies | 1st | Penny White | 74 |
| | 2nd | Michelle Craig | 70 |
| | 3rd | Vicki Marshall | 48 |
| Juniors | 1st | Holly Gschwend | 83 |
| | 2nd | Pat Thompson | 34 |

Next shoot: 10.00am Sunday 25th June 2017

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COOMA FIELD AND GAME

- By Andrew Fairfield-Smith



Perfect weather for the 34th Cooma Easter Classic

COOMA EASTER CLASSIC

The 34th Easter Classic saw an excellent turnout at the club. With a full four day program the local members were kept busy entertaining and providing a top class event for shooters from around the country.

Friday saw the 20 Gauge State Championship shot over three ranges with 75 targets on offer. The event was hotly contested with shooters from far and wide competing. Cooma member Chris Davis proved too good on the day taking out the State Title.

Saturday saw us shoot the first 100 of the 200 target Easter Classic combined with the NSW State Selection shoot. The Club's best range setters set up four excellent layouts.

Two cranes were brought into play to offer an array of world class targets. With the backdrop of beautiful blue skies above the greening Monaro, the range was at its picturesque best.

Sunday followed with another perfect day for the second 100. Aaron Knowles took well to the targets winning both Saturday and the High Gun for the two day event.

The final day greeted 95 shooters with the State Side x Side Championship run in conjunction with the Easter Springing Teal Challenge. Rob Passarin won the state title with Chris Davis taking out the springing teal.

The weekend also saw the second running of the State Tri Gun Championship. This event combined the scores of the three disciplines of shotgun from Friday, Saturday and Monday. This year's winners were Aaron Knowles Off the Gun and Geoff Irvine taking out the Handicap event.

All in all, the weekend was a great success with everybody being very complimentary of the shoot and effort put in by the Club membership. The targets were of an extremely high standard, with the highlight of the weekend being the cranes kindly supplied by Cooma Cranes.

Special thanks to all of the sponsors without which events like this could not take place. Also to the large majority of the Club's own members who didn't compete in order to help set up, run the ranges, provide lunches, tally scores and pack up.



The cranes were a highlight of the weekend

BUSH SKEET



Andrew Fairfield-Smith with High Gun Winner Mark Corbett

The first Sunday of May saw the second running of "Bush Skeet" at the Cooma Field and Game Range at Middlingbank. Skeet is not a discipline typically shot at a Field and Game club but it does involve clay targets and shotguns so the Club has decided to run a couple of events in the normal sporting clays calendar.

"Bush Skeet" is essentially run under American skeet rules but not in open space as would traditionally be the case. The set up crew did an excellent job making sure that the two layouts were measured out to a correct skeet pattern and that the traps threw the clays at the correct angles and speed. Coloured targets were thrown to help distinguish the crossing clays against the tree background. Still, even the best skeet shooters were tested by the different surroundings. Mark Corbett, an excellent skeet shooter (NSW Skeet Team Member and rated AA Elite), had some trouble in his first 25 shooting a 23. Like the champion he is, he recovered to shoot the following 50 without a miss. Unfortunately, he missed a single bird in the last 25 to come home with a 97/100 which was well and truly enough to take High Gun for the day. Doug Allcock should also be specially mentioned for his 94/100; also a great effort on the day.

| BUSH SKEET | | | |
|------------|--------------|------------------------|--------|
| High Gun | Mark Corbett | | 97/100 |
| A Grade | 1st | Doug Allcock | 94 |
| | 2nd | Russell Rowling | 81 |
| | 3rd | Andrew Fairfield-Smith | 80 |
| B Grade | 1st | Adam Mower | 73 |
| | 2nd | Lindsey Blewitt | 59 |
| C Grade | 1st | Oscar Mower | 64 |
| | 2nd | Richard Warner | 59 |
| | | Chippy Wholohan | 59 |
| Ladies | 1st | Marg Warriner | 51 |
| | 2nd | Sally Armstrong | 39 |
| | 3rd | Corina Rowling | 35 |

Thanks to the sponsors for the day South East Tile and Bathroom Supplies.

MAY SHOOT – MIXED TARGET CHALLENGE



Ian Armstrong watched on by Junior Jack Newson



A shooter takes aim

Seventy-two shooters attended the range again with a record turnout of new shooters. Eighteen "C" graders combined with eight target-only shooters, mixed with some new Juniors and Ladies, meant that approximately half the field were newer shooters.

Richard Mould set the range and it was a baptism of fire. Even the more experienced shooters scores suffered with High Gun for the day, Phil Craig, scrambling to a 76. There were two ranges, five stations with five targets on each. One single and two pairs didn't leave much room for error. Having said that, all targets were well presented and visible. Range setters take pride in deception and the targets on the day proved, by the scoreboard at least, to be very deceptive.

Another twist to the day was the mixing in of some oddly-coloured targets, the concept being that if a different coloured target was presented there was a prize up for grabs. Shooters could choose to refuse the target at which point it would be a no target, or take the challenge and go for the prize. We must be a greedy group as 50 packets of ammo were handed out for mixed targets.

Results for the day

High Gun - Philip Craig

AA - 1st Chris Davis, 2nd Graham Bennett, 3rd Andy Vaccaro

A - 1st James Byrne, 2nd Tony Crome, 3rd Andrew Fairfield-Smith

B - 1st Richard Seears, 2nd Jimmy Drakos, 3rd Ron Manly

C - 1st Andrew Whitbread, 2nd Michael Bowerman, 3rd Steve Blyth

Ladies - 1st Robin Perkins, 2nd Penny White, 3rd Marg Warriner

Juniors - 1st Daniel Davis, 2nd Oscar Mower, 3rd Jack Fairfield-Smith

Thanks to the very generous support of Jindabyne Joinery for sponsoring the day.

| MONDAY UNDER/OVER GRADED | | | |
|--------------------------|-----------------------|---------|------------------------|
| A/AA Grade | | B Grade | |
| 1st | Craig McNeil 63/75 | 1st | Lyndall McNeil 56/75 |
| 2nd | Chris Barrowman 60/75 | 2nd | Cameron Hall 53/75 |
| 3rd | Matt Hall 56/75 | 3rd | Terry Thistleton 53/75 |
| C Grade | | | |
| 1st | Jordyn Perkins 47/75 | | |
| 2nd | Barbie Magrin 42/75 | | |
| 3rd | Doug Blewitt 42/75 | | |

| FRIDAY UNDER/OVER GRADED | | | |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|---------|------------------------|
| AA Grade | | A Grade | |
| 1st | Matt Hall 64/75 | 1st | Bob Duncan 58/75 |
| 2nd | Darryl Groundwater 63/75 | 2nd | Stephen McIntyre 55/75 |
| 3rd | Craig McNeil 62/75 | 3rd | Grant Woods 54/75 |
| B Grade | | C Grade | |
| 1st | Victor Bowman 57/75 | 1st | Brendan Wholohan 51/75 |
| 2nd | Brett Cummins 55/75 | 2nd | Jordyn Perkins 48/77 |
| 3rd | Byron Perkins 51/75 | 3rd | Thomas Knight 46/75 |

| 200 TARGET COOMA EASTER CLASSIC | | | |
|---------------------------------|-------------------|---------------|------------------|
| High Gun | | Arron Knowles | |
| AA Grade | | A Grade | |
| 1st | Matt Duncan | 1st | Andrew Bell |
| 2nd | Grant Sandford | 2nd | Kevin Haskins |
| 3rd | Mick Munroe | 3rd | Chris Barrowman |
| B Grade | | C Grade | |
| 1st | Gary Adams | 1st | Bob Warren |
| 2nd | Robert Briscas | 2nd | Thomas Knight |
| 3rd | Brett Cummings | 3rd | Mark Hoggan |
| Ladies | | Veterans | |
| 1st | Emalene Munroe | 1st | Rob Passarin |
| 2nd | Helen Overton | 2nd | Russell Taylor |
| 3rd | Lyndall McNeil | 3rd | Stephen Newcombe |
| | | Juniors | |
| 1st | Daryl Groundwater | 1st | Tom McGrath |
| 2nd | Toby Edwards | 2nd | Oscar Mower |
| 3rd | Roger Kerslake | 3rd | Byron Perkins |
| Sub juniors | | | |
| 1st | Jordyn Perkins | | |
| 2nd | Mathew Worez | | |
| 3rd | Marshall Bowerman | | |

| 20 GAUGE STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS | | | |
|------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| High Gun | | Chris Davis - 68/75 | |
| AA Grade | | A Grade | |
| 1st | Steve Atkins 65/75 | 1st | Anthony Cahill 59/65 |
| 2nd | Andrew Garvie 63/75 | 2nd | Andrew Bell 58/75 |
| 3rd | Sam Sweeny 62/75 | 3rd | Stephen Cooper 57/75 |

| B Grade | | C Grade | |
|----------------|------------------------|----------|------------------------|
| 1st | Robert Murray 53/75 | 1st | David Whiteman 48/75 |
| 2nd | Rowan Venables 53/75 | 2nd | Bob Warren 45/75 |
| 3rd | Craig Bottom 52/75 | 3rd | Mark Hoggan 41/75 |
| Ladies | | Veterans | |
| 1st | Emalene Munroe 52/75 | 1st | Peter Kay 62/75 |
| 2nd | Michelle Craig 42/75 | 2nd | Milton Cartright 58/75 |
| 3rd | Melissa Phillips 39/75 | 3rd | Geoff Irvine 57/75 |
| Super Veterans | | Juniors | |
| 1st | Phillip Craig 66/75 | 1st | Oscar Mower 52/75 |
| 2nd | Lawrence Redfern 56/75 | 2nd | Kimberley Atkins 43/75 |
| 3rd | Barry Dunn 51/75 | 3rd | |
| Sub juniors | | | |
| 1st | Daniel Davis 51/75 | | |
| 2nd | Nick Davis 37/75 | | |
| 3rd | Jack Newson 32/75 | | |

| SIDE X SIDE STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS | | | |
|---------------------------------|------------------------|---|------------------------|
| High Gun | | Rob Passarin 63/75 | |
| Springing Teal Champion | | Chris Davis 30/40 | |
| State Trigun Champion OTG | | Aaron Knowles / Handicap - Geoff Irvine | |
| AA Grade | | A Grade | |
| 1st | Mick Munroe 63/100 | 1st | Stephen Cooper 60/75 |
| 2nd | Grant Sandford 62/75 | 2nd | Brett Inch 60/75 |
| 3rd | Aaron Knowles 61/75 | 3rd | Wayne Amos 59/75 |
| B Grade | | C Grade | |
| 1st | Ron Manly 51/75 | 1st | Mark Hoggan 49/75 |
| 2nd | Daniel Webb 50/75 | 2nd | Ray Warren 43/75 |
| 3rd | Craig Bottom 48/75 | 3rd | Ian Armstrong 38/75 |
| Ladies | | Veterans | |
| 1st | Emalene Munroe 61/75 | 1st | Russ Taylor 60/75 |
| 2nd | Michelle Craig 46/75 | 2nd | Geoffrey Irvine 59/75 |
| 3rd | Melissa Phillips 31/75 | 3rd | Milton Cartright 57/75 |
| Super Veterans | | Juniors | |
| 1st | Lawrence Redfern 62/75 | 1st | Oscar Mower 47/75 |
| 2nd | Bob Duncan 57/75 | 2nd | Byron Perkins 46/75 |
| 3rd | Toby Edwards 57/75 | 3rd | |
| Sub juniors | | | |
| 1st | Daniel Davis 55/75 | | |
| 2nd | Nick Davis 32/75 | | |

| SATURDAY STATE SELECTION SHOOT | | | |
|--------------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|
| High Gun | | Arron Knowles - 89/100 | |
| AA Grade | | A Grade | |
| 1st | Daniel Baskerville 86/100 | 1st | Andrew Sinclair 84/100 |
| 2nd | Matthew Duncan 85/100 | 2nd | Kevin Haskins 80/100 |
| 3rd | Stephen Payne 84/100 | 3rd | Andrew Bell 80/100 |
| B Grade | | C Grade | |
| 1st | Gary Adams 79/100 | 1st | Bob Warren 65/100 |
| 2nd | Colin Smith 73/100 | 2nd | Thomas Knight 63/100 |
| 3rd | Robert Briscas 72/100 | 3rd | Mark Hoggan 61/100 |
| Ladies | | Veterans | |
| 1st | Emalene Munro 74/100 | 1st | Russell Taylor 81/100 |
| 2nd | Amy Buys 71/100 | 2nd | Robert Passarin 80/100 |
| 3rd | Helen Overton 70/100 | 3rd | Peter Kay 77/100 |
| Super Veterans | | Juniors | |
| 1st | Lawrence Redfern 80/100 | 1st | Mathew Wilesmith 79/100 |
| 2nd | Tony Power 78/100 | 2nd | Jack Roth 76/100 |
| 3rd | Phillip Craig 76/100 | 3rd | Oscar Mower 75/100 |
| Sub juniors | | | |
| 1st | Jordyn Perkins 57/100 | | |
| 2nd | Tayla Roth 48/100 | | |
| 3rd | Mathew Woez 39/100 | | |

QUEENSLAND SPORTING CLAYS

JUNE 2017 REPORT

Second Qualifying Event for the 2017 Team

The event was held at Gympie Sporting Clays on Sunday 19th March with 53 shooters competing. The weather was great and so were the targets, which were on the difficult side, but the shooters managed to produce some great scores.

The 2017 qualifying series is fully sponsored by GB/Corsivia and QSCA, with each Club event having 2750 rounds of GB ammo as prizes and the Brisbane State Titles having 6750 rounds (27 slabs). Thanks to Bruce Burns and GB/Corsivia for their continuing support of these events in Queensland.

| RESULTS | | | |
|------------|-----|---------------------|-------|
| High Gun | | Billy Cain | 68/75 |
| AA | 1st | Jason Pole | 66 |
| | 2nd | Brett Chambellant | 63 |
| | 3rd | Peter Tobin | 62 |
| A | 1st | Glen Graham | 61 |
| | 2nd | Paul Collingwood | 61 |
| | 3rd | Mark Cain | 60 |
| B | 1st | Peter Dow | 54 |
| | 2nd | Andrew Sawers | 50 |
| | 3rd | Bill Philo | 48 |
| C | 1st | Clive Salmond | 53 |
| | 2nd | Greg Brown | 43 |
| | 3rd | Clinton Davis | 43 |
| LADIES | 1st | Maree Birgan | 58 |
| | 2nd | Shannon Palfreeman | 53 |
| | 3rd | Lyndall Groundwater | 45 |
| JUNIORS | 1st | Reece Cain | 59 |
| | 2nd | Damon Hall | 55 |
| | 3rd | Joshua Dow | 50 |
| VETERANS | 1st | Michael Birgan | 64 |
| | 2nd | Mark Farrow | 59 |
| | 3rd | Leo Cao | 54 |
| SUPER VETS | 1st | Darryl Groundwater | 60 |
| | 2nd | Denis Bullimore | 52 |
| | 3rd | Vern Porter | 51 |

Full results and current standings are available at qldsportingclays.org.au.

The next qualifying event is at Fraser Coast on 24 to 25th June.

State Titles – Brisbane Sporting Clays, 12 to 13th August

English Sporting State Titles – Beaudesert Sporting Clays, 28th October

Old Style FITASC State Titles – Cherrabah Sporting Clays, 26th November

Compak State Titles – Fraser Coast Sporting Clays, Postponed - date TBA

The 2017 State Team positions are available on the QSCA website.

Club Update

Beaudesert Sporting Clays applied for a grant to place two containers on their range to house their equipment. QSCA has granted Beaudesert \$5000 to be used for these improvements.

Membership Update

The QSCA membership at time of writing this report (30th May) has reached 597, a new record with Brisbane at 491. If any members are struggling with the new system and require help, please get in touch with Sporting Clays Australia for assistance.

Para Trap Update

Para Trap has officially been recognised for inclusion in the international calendar. Technical regulations and classification will be made official in the coming weeks and available to the world community. Guidelines for international participation in the World Cup from 15th to 16th September in Lonato, Italy have also been set.

The hope is that Para Trap will enter the Paralympic by 2024, if not in Tokyo 2020.

Please contact Mark Farrow via email msfarrow@bigpond.net.au or mobile 0404 024 220 for more information.

I thank you all,

Mark Farrow
President

BRISBANE SPORTING CLAYS

Well Clay fans, a few very active months have passed since the last report made in the SCA magazine. The Club is still growing in strength with membership, which continues to grow every week. This is a great result for us and comes down to all of those that help out our members on the weekend and assist newcomers to our Club. Reports coming back to the Committee from our many visitors comment on how friendly everyone is. Well done! This is a great response from people coming in for corporate events and trying the sport out for the first time. Keep it up and keep spreading the word about the great activity of Sporting Clays.

One of the year's great Sporting Clay events for BSC is the Annual GB/Corsivia Classic hosted over the weekend of Saturday 29 and Sunday 30 April with sponsorship provided by the generous support of Bruce Burns and GB / Corsivia. Hard to believe this event has been going for six years now and is growing in popularity as time goes by. It only seems like yesterday we held the first one.



The Weekend was typical Queensland: perfect weather, the trap gods looked upon us kindly and the event ran like clockwork. The semi old-style system was employed, with 12 shooting stations over six shooting grounds. Not only does this make the event more enjoyable when you only visit a ground once, but the event is quicker, allowing more R&R between rounds for people to fuel up and stock up on water. This year we tried a different format to the usual 150 targets and ran 100 targets on Saturday followed up with the final 50 targets on Sunday. By shooting 100 targets on Saturday, everyone was done by 3:00pm and competitors had time to catch up with each other at the club house and still be at home in time for afternoon tiffin (or beer).

There was an interesting array of scores just over the halfway mark of Saturday's 100 targets.

AA - Peter Tobin and Mitchell Cain leading the event on 89/100, Jason Pole 88/100, and Denis Dinte and Brett Chambellant 87/100

A Grade - Glen Rider 84/100, James Palfreeman 81/100, Mark Cain 80/100

B Grade - Spencer Dertz 79/100, Andrew Sawyers 77/100, John English 73/100

C Grade - Olindo Mazzarotto 71/100, Keith Connor and Frank Cooper 66/100

Juniors - Mitchell Cain 89/100, Billy Cain and Reece Cain 86/100

Ladies - Maree Birgan 86/100, Helen Overton 85/100, Shannon Palfreeman 61/100

Veterans - Mike Birgan and Bob Brown 87/100, Leo Cao 80/100

Sup Vets - Colin Barker 80/100, Darryl Groundwater 78/100, Bob Ross 77/100



Compak Drawn Score Shoot-off Final

The final 50-target run on Sunday had the main competition finished by 2:00pm, with shoot-offs for the grades and the final Compak draw completed by 3:00pm. We have had different grades shooting off for this final every year and this time it was the High Guns from the O/A that ended up in the Compak cages: Billy Cain, Peter Tobin, Mitchell Cain, Jason Pole, Reece Cain and Bob Brown made up the six competitors to go head to head for one of the \$1500 prizes.



Peter Tobin, Simon Gunther (GB/Corsivia) and Bob Brown

After a full round of 25 targets Bob Brown and Peter Tobin were still tied for first place and with such a hefty prize on offer, there was no option but to send the pair back to the cages for another round of 25 birds to decide the winner. Peter Tobin surfaced the champion of the Drawn Score and the event was over for 2017.

The final scores on Sunday reflected a competitive competition, with five 25 straight shot over the weekend. Results in the grades also reflected the level of difficulty was just about right.

There are two major prizes at this event: \$1500 for the O/A High Gun and \$1500 for the Drawn Score. The Drawn Score also has a GB loyalty prize of \$250 if the successful winner uses GB Shells for the event. It was a great result for the two successful competitors, Billy Cain for O/A and Peter Tobin for the Compak Drawn Score event.



Top five overall (L to R): Reece Cain, Jason Pole, Peter Tobin, Billy Cain, Mitchell Cain, Presenter Simon Gunther from GB/Corsivia

6TH GB/CORSIVIA CLASSIC - BRISBANE

| FINAL SCORES | | | |
|--------------|------|---------------------|-------|
| HIGH GUN | | BILLY CAIN | 134 |
| AA GRADE | 1st | PETER TOBIN | 132 |
| | 2nd | JASON POLE | 131 |
| | 3rd | DAVID EVANS | 128 |
| A GRADE | 1st | GLEN RIDER | 124-9 |
| | 2nd | JAMES PALFREMAN | 124-5 |
| | 3rd | DAVID CUNLIFFE | 123 |
| B Grade | 1st: | SPENCER DERTZ | 117 |
| | 2nd: | NICK ORR | 115 |
| | 3rd: | JOHN ENGLISH | 113 |
| C Grade | 1st | OLINDO MAZZAROTTO | 109 |
| | 2nd | KEITH CONNOR | 99 |
| | 3rd | CLINTON DAVIS | 97 |
| LADIES | 1st | MAREE BIRGAN | 124 |
| | 2nd | HELEN OVERTON | 114 |
| | 3rd | SHANNON PALFREMAN | 96 |
| JUNIORS | 1st | MITCHELL CAIN | 132 |
| | 2nd | REECE CAIN | 130 |
| | 3rd | MATTHEW COLLINGWOOD | 96 |
| VETERANS | 1st | BOB BROWN | 130 |
| | 2nd | MICHAEL BIRGAN | 123 |
| | 3rd | LEO CAO | 122 |
| SUP VETS | 1st | DARRYL GROUNDWATER | 122 |
| | 2nd | COLIN BARKER | 119 |
| | 3rd | DAVID WILLIAMS | 111-8 |
| | | BOB ROSS | 111-6 |

With the new format the event was all over by 3:30pm, allowing those that travelled to Brisbane Sporting Clays time to hit the road in daylight for the trip home and for those that stayed behind, the chance to catch up and discuss the hits and misses from the weekend over a cold one.

A great turnout from members and interstate travellers keeps this event firmly in our calendar. We are already planning for 2018. Thanks again GB/Corsivia. Remember everyone, without this partner's generous support we would not be able to offer the prizes we do. Support those that continue to support your sport.

Glen Rider,
BSC Secretary



VICTORIAN SPORTING CLAYS

- By Ray McFarlane

Well it's that time again: mid-year, very cold, attendances down.

April and May have been wet months in Victoria and it's showing in the attendance at club shoots; numbers are down a little on past years.

In May, Traralgon held their State Selection event on the Geelong Range. The Clancys, Adam Hirschfield and Tony Power travelled down from Gippsland to set up the event and what a fine job they did. High Gun for the day was shared by Cameron Kivinen and John Younger with 72/75 each.

Also at the end of May, Little River Sporting Clays held a 100 target State Selection event where both Chris Brown and Bill Zogogiannis shot 93/100 to be equal high guns for the day.

June will see the final State Selection for the year at Geelong Sporting Clays. There's keen competition amongst the various categories to qualify for the Victorian Team going into the Nationals in Geraldton. It will also finalise those who have qualified to seek selection in the National Training Squads, which will also be finalised in Geraldton.

The National Ladies and Junior Training Camp is being held in the first weekend in June. Geelong Sporting Clays, together with Laang Sporting Clays, have chosen to fund this coaching day and provide training from voluntary coaches to selected Ladies and Juniors from each State. This camp is not for beginners, it is for accomplished Ladies and Juniors and is designed to give those Ladies and Juniors who have shown promise the opportunity to be coached by some of our elite competitors. Hopefully it will improve the pool of Ladies and Juniors who will vie in future years to represent Australia at World

and Oceania events. Geelong Sporting Clays have conducted this weekend for many years now and it would be great if other clubs could do likewise. When you see the Ladies and Juniors who have participated in this program over the years achieve success on the International scene it makes it all worthwhile.

Preparations are underway for our VSCA members competing at the FITASC World Sporting Championships in Hungary in July. We wish them all the best of luck and straight shooting.

The VSCA Championships are being conducted on the 19th and 20th August at the Geelong Range. Be sure to get in early to secure your place in the event.

Also, don't forget the 2017 Sporting Nationals in Geraldton will be here before you know it. This promises to be another successful event for Sporting Clays Australia. The competition will be held on the property of Ian Grant at Echidna Park. Most of the layouts will be on a Greenfield Site and from the pictures I've seen of the terrain it's shaping up to be a fantastic Nationals. You must nominate online via the SCA website. VSCA will set up a central register for Firearms Licence application in Western Australia. The permit will be free if you apply through VSCA. If you do it individually, the WA authorities will charge each applicant \$60. VSCA will send out email advice as to how you apply for a permit.

On a lighter note, the last weekend in May was very busy for the Paglia family. Felicity, who is a member of the Australian Ladies Team heading to Hungary, tied the knot with her fiancé, Santo. We wish them all the very best in their future life together. ■

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GB CORSIVA 100

The GB Corsiva 100 was held on March 6th and was sponsored by GB Corsiva through Tony Trainor. There was a great range of prizes for all grades and the sponsorship is very much appreciated. The day and the shoot were outstanding to say the least. Mike and Peter set a brilliant course which saw some great scores.

On behalf of Perth Metro, I sincerely thank our sponsor.

| GB CORSIVA 100 | | | |
|----------------|-----|----------|----|
| High Gun | | Colin G | 88 |
| A Grade | 1st | Ryan Mc | 84 |
| | 2nd | Tony T | 84 |
| | 3rd | Steve T | 79 |
| B Grade | 1st | John R | 79 |
| | 2nd | Mike H | 74 |
| | 3rd | Crooksy | 72 |
| C Grade | 1st | Kim G | 62 |
| | 2nd | Bruce Y | 56 |
| | 3rd | Stuart C | 55 |
| Ladies | 1st | Carrie P | 54 |

| MARCH RIFLE SHOOT | | | |
|-------------------|-----|-----------------------|--------------------------------|
| High Gun | | Andrew Peters | 604/600 (incl. 4 bonus points) |
| A Grade | 1st | Jim Powell | 376 |
| | 2nd | Mark Williams | 352 |
| | 3rd | Andre du Toit | 345 |
| Veterans | 1st | Hendrik de Beer | 410 |
| Juniors | 1st | Zietsman van der Walt | 320 |
| | 3rd | Crooksy | 72 |
| C Grade | 1st | Kim G | 62 |
| | 2nd | Bruce Y | 56 |
| | 3rd | Stuart C | 55 |
| Ladies | 1st | Carrie P | 54 |

| APRIL RIFLE SHOOT | | | |
|-------------------|-----|------------------|----------------|
| High Gun | | Wayne Cunningham | 561 out of 600 |
| A Grade | 1st | Andrew Peters | 560 |
| | 2nd | Mark Williams | 540 |
| | 3rd | JP de Beer | 450 |
| Veterans | 1st | Paul Sinderbury | 420 |
| | 2nd | Leon Shrouy | 380 |
| Juniors | 1st | Matt de Beer | 310 |

Eleven shooters attended the March Practice which was shot in quite windy conditions, as reflected in the scores. Thanks to Andrew Peters and Mark Williams for running the shoot.

| MARCH RIFLE SHOOT 2017 PRACTICE | | | |
|---------------------------------|-----|------------------|---------|
| High Gun | | Andrew Peters | 540/600 |
| A Grade | 1st | Kim Kelvington | 385/600 |
| | 2nd | Mark Williams | 365/600 |
| | 3rd | Jim Powell | 350/600 |
| Veterans | 1st | Tony Smith | 380/600 |
| | 2nd | Paul Sinderberry | 275/600 |
| | 3rd | Howard Barks | 270/600 |

It was a nice and sunny day for the April Club Qualifier.

| APRIL RIFLE SHOOT 2017 3RD CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP QUALIFIER 2017 | | | |
|--|-----|------------------|---------|
| High Gun | | Andrew Peters | 561/600 |
| A Grade | 1st | Mark Robins | 498/600 |
| | 2nd | Graham Ledword | 430/600 |
| | 3rd | Wayne Cunningham | 420/600 |
| Veterans | 1st | Hendrik de Beer | 502/600 |
| | 2nd | Leon Schroy | 441/600 |
| | 3rd | Tony Smith | 260/600 |

ANZAC COMMEMORATIVE SHOOT "LEST WE FORGET"

The ANZAC Commemorative Shoot was sponsored by Andrew Smedley from Allscope Firearms & Accessories. Andrew provided a great range of shooting accessories as prizes for High Gun through to 5th place.

Recognising that prizes are won by the usual top shooters in each grade, Andrew asked that we "level the playing field" to ensure that everyone had a good chance of winning. The shoot was scored using the handicap system and the scores below proved that the system worked.

Kim, a C grade shooter, took out High Gun with 105 while Tony, an A grade shooter, scored 101. While three shooters ended with 101, there was no shoot-off as the countback of missed targets method was used to determine which shooter took which place.

A great English Sporting course was set by Mike, David, Clyde and Preston. I must mention that Wannamal member Paul B helped out as well. Paul has been helping out at Wanneroo, which is much appreciated as is the help from those that stay behind to help pack up.

On behalf of Perth Metro, I sincerely thank our sponsor.

| ANZAC COMMEMORATIVE SHOOT | | | |
|---------------------------|--|--------|-----|
| High Gun | | Kim G | 105 |
| 2nd | | Tony T | 101 |
| 3rd | | Merv | 101 |
| 4th | | Ian C | 101 |
| 5th | | John R | 100 |

WHAT'S COMING UP AT WANNEROO?

- Wanneroo 100 on July the 16th
- A hard stand in front of the club rooms
- Another new trap courtesy of WAF&GA

Keep up to date with what's going on at Perth Metro. Visit our website at www.pmfg.org.au

WANNAMAL 4TH STATE QUALIFIER

- By Sue Green

28 May 2017



Wannamal President Glenn Povey, High Gun Winner Ben Sgro and WAFGA State Target Director Mike Hudspith.

It's always a great day when shooting clay targets and the weather was perfect for WA's 4th State Qualifier! It was fantastic that 54 shooters travelled to Wannamal for the State competition. Those who were M.I.A. missed a great day.

The Overall State Championship was won by Ben Sgro with 91/100. In his acceptance speech, Ben gave thanks to the coaching he received the week before from Damien Birgan at the Pegasus Club. He thanked Damo and commented that "the coaching really paid off". Congratulations Ben on his win. Junior shooter Danon Randazzo was runner up with a score of 88/100.

As everyone knows, there is generally a core group of tireless volunteers in the days leading up to any event to ensure the shoot runs like clockwork. We must give a big cheer to Sue Ellis who ended up having to run the canteen single-handed at the last minute due to our lovely Helen being injured. We wish Helen a speedy recovery and hope she's back on her feet soon. We missed you and to Sue – thanks again, you did a top job.

WAF&GA would sincerely like to thank the Wannamal Club Members and their families who put on a great weekend as per usual. Our sport is extremely reliant on volunteers we appreciate everyone who got involved and made the day a success.

| WANNAMAL 4TH STATE QUALIFIER | | | |
|------------------------------|-----|------------------|----|
| High Gun | | Ben Sgro | 91 |
| AA Grade | 1st | Rhys Howard | 84 |
| | 2nd | Michael McDonald | 84 |
| | 3rd | Kai Tonkin | 82 |
| A Grade | 1st | Nick Melanko | 81 |
| | 2nd | Merv Holben | 81 |
| | 3rd | Alastair Crookes | 80 |
| B Grade | 1st | Jarrold Whitney | 77 |
| | 2nd | Ash Puglia | 77 |
| | 3rd | Andrew Charleson | 73 |
| C Grade | 1st | Glen Doran | 64 |
| Veterans | 1st | Tony Trainor | 84 |
| | 2nd | Dave Knight | 82 |
| Ladies | 1st | Jenny Temessl | 68 |
| | 2nd | Antonia Mylonas | 60 |
| Juniors | 1st | Danon Randazzo | 88 |
| Sub Juniors | 1st | Cory Backhouse | 51 |

WANNAMAL SPORTING CLAYS

DENNIS AGRI SERVICES 100

- By Carrie Paulsen

Sunday 7 May 2017



High Gun winner Rhys Howard

After a seven month break from our beloved Wannamal Sporting Clays we were excited to finally crank up the pot belly and kick off our much anticipated season with the support of our brand new sponsor, Dennis Argi Services. Shooters were very eager to see what kind of

experience our brand new Course Setter, Ian Callan, had in store for us.

The Club is renowned for their incredible hospitality and this weekend was no exception. On the menu was the delicious roast pork, gravy and vegetables thanks to Grant Cooper and his lovely team of assistants. The Club also stepped it up a notch and showcased some of the most talented (or not) karaoke singers in WA. Unfortunately the people trying to sleep did not appreciate the "talent" on display!

The weather certainly put on a show on the Sunday with temperatures reaching 30 degrees. The course was new and surprisingly unfamiliar; targets were big, bold and beautiful! A perfect combination of targets was on offer for the shooter. An amazing score shot by Rhys Howard (94/100) saw him take out the High Gun, followed closely by Michael McDonald shooting a 91/100. Well done to Aidan Cooper, Rhys Howard, Michael McDonald and Trevor McDonald who maintained their focus and shot a 25/25.

We had another great turnout, with special mention to the growing group of ladies. Thank you to all who attended our opening shoot: our new sponsors, Kylie and Clayton Dennis; the helpers in the kitchen and office; and all the boys that helped Ian set up the course. Without you, our shoots would not be as successful as they are. Let's make our final year at this ground be the best one yet.

We hope to see you at our next shoot.



Veterans winner Grant Cooper

| RESULTS | | | |
|----------|-----|------------------|--------|
| High Gun | | Rhys Howard | 94/100 |
| AA Grade | 1st | Michael McDonald | 91/100 |
| | 2nd | Mick Thomas | 87/100 |
| | 3rd | Ben Sgro | 84/100 |
| A Grade | 1st | Craig Ellis | 86/100 |
| | 2nd | Clayton Dennis | 86/100 |
| | 3rd | Glenn Povey | 84/100 |
| B Grade | 1st | Ash Puglia | 79/100 |
| | 2nd | Jarrold Whitney | 74/100 |
| | 3rd | Brendan Karow | 73/100 |
| C Grade | 1st | Glen Doran | 67/100 |
| Veterans | 1st | Grant Cooper | 83/100 |
| | 2nd | Steve Bastow | 80/100 |
| Ladies | 1st | Carrie Paulsen | 69/100 |
| | 2nd | Antonia Mylonas | 65/100 |



AA Grade placegetters: Mick Thomas (2nd) and Michael McDonald (1st)



A Grade placegetters: Craig Ellis (1st), Clayton Dennis (2nd) and Glenn Povey (3rd)



B Grade placegetters: Jarrod Whitney (2nd), Ash Puglia (1st) and Brendan Karow (3rd)



C Grade placegetters: Glen Doran (1st) and Fred Carnaby (2nd)



Ladies placegetters: Antonia Mylonas (2nd) and Carrie Paulsen (1st)



Wannamal's up and coming shooter, McKenzie

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

FOR SOUTH AUSTRALIA

Here we are again, with half of the year gone. Qualifying shoots have been well attended with 3 qualifying shoots to go, to finalise the state team. Good luck to all competitors vying for the top 15 positions.

Greg Dawes (State Target Shooting Director) and Club Delegates have done a great job setting great targets.

Preparations are well on the way at Centrals Branch which will host the State Championships on the 5th and 6th August, with nominations going well.

Don't forget to fill in your Hunter Report Form, which will be drawn at the State Championships. The lucky winner will win an ATA Under/Over Shotgun, with 2nd winning a case of steel shot and 3rd will win duck decoys. This initiative and sponsorship has been put forward by SAFGA and Bryan Stokes. It also gathers information that state will use for future duck and quail seasons.

Talking about the duck season, what a great year with good numbers and water to most areas hunted well. Quail have been a bit quiet, but some areas did quite well.

On a state level, the state is currently upgrading our constitution to bring it up to date with relevant changes, with all state clubs having an input to the changes. Thanks must go to Loxton Branch, particularly Ray Pash for his input.

State council this year has been held at different branches and has been well received with all clubs attending and great initiatives put forward, which state can act on, to inform and improve all clubs of SAFGA, in memberships, coaching and recruitment programs with financial assistance from state for agreed programs.

The World Championships will be held in Hungary from July 6th – 9th and we wish the Aussie team all the best and all of the Aussie competitors attending this event. I'm sure you will do your country proud.

The achievements of our shooters overseas, has been nothing short of being outstanding in the last 10 years. These shooters put in a lot of work leading up to these events and deserve all the success.

The LCS225 will be held in June on the 10th, 11th and 12th at 3 venues with fantastic prizes. \$2000 cash overall prize and \$500 for first in all grades, along with great prizes for 2nd and 3rd in each grade. The handicap highgun winner at all 3 venues will win a Miroku Under/Over Shotgun for each day. One shotgun at each venue should create a great competition.

I would like to thank our sponsors for this event, Major Sponsor – OSA Outdoor Sporting Agencies, Gold Sponsors – K & S Fuels, Best Ociana Seafood, Global Clay Technologies and GB Corsivia, Silver Sponsors – Midfield Group and Torresan Estate and our Bronze Sponsors, E. & L.J. Scheidl – General Builders, The Tile Place, Dicker Earthmoving, Kubpower, Baxter Hire, SEPFA Insurance Fund, Sealey Spring Works and Rob Whitty Fencing and Hard Rock Drilling.

Please remember to thank all of your sponsors, regardless of whether it is a club event or state event and support them where possible.

Ernie Scheidl

State President

South Australia Field & Game Association



CENTRAL BRANCH

WINCHESTER

75 STATE QUALIFIER RD 1

- By John Berryman

The first round of the State team selection took place, under near perfect conditions. With light precipitation on the Saturday kept the dust down and Sunday overcast and low 20's; the wind however reminded everyone that Winter was around the corner. Before the wind steadied and the sun came out

AA Grade

Joe Densley and Ernie Scheidl didn't take full advantage of the familiar conditions dropping 2/3 targets on the first 25, following the fast starting Alex 'Browning' Button on 24/25. Those who shot local were used to the crafty target setters posting solid scores all around 22 and 23 respectively.

Rd 2 saw more of the same, Peter Hicks had an unfortunate lapse of concentration and dropped 3 off his first round hitting 18. Joe found some magic with 24.

Rd 3 James Boglogiannis was uncharacteristic in dropping some critical targets. Ernie's early start to drive to the ground cost him a top 4 position. Daniel Falco was an announcers dream shooting 22, 22, 22. Usual Central suspects Richard Dean and Chris Ball and Robin Shawyer tested their friendships in a shoot off for 3rd all producing scores of 67. With Chris getting the better of Richard, Robin Shawyer closed out 5th. Nothing was going to ruin Alex's day 24,22,23 keeping the pressure on the chasing pack and taking out High Gun Honors

A Grade

Greg Dawes started his bank account with a 23. Litchfield and Ferrari were close behind on 22. Shane Terry and Peter Rugless keeping the place getters honest with respectable 21's.

Loxton local Ray Pash wasn't seeing them at all closing his first Rd on 19.

Rd 2 Wendel took the lead from Greg, posting some healthy scores 2 x 22. As the winds picked up, so the scores dropped off and high teens looked around the mark. Peter Rugless and Shane Terry were posting the same scores from either ends of the paddock. Ray put his name back into contention with a very sharp 23.

Rd 3 Local hopes Ferrari and McKinnon promised early and faded as the rounds progressed. Allan Marden was consistent with 19/18/20. Greg used his experience to finish well. No one saw the Loxton Locomotive Ray Pash coming finishing off a fantastic round closing with the last sim pair posting 24. Rugless finished off Terry and Litchfield for 3rd position with 22

B Grade

Was always going to be a game of ever changing fortunes with a big grade. Bruce Tiver and Paul Douvos started sharp both with 20's Rob Low was amongst it early with 19. Followed by Stephen Kelly and Netty Densley on 18. Rd 2 Bryan Stokes posted equal best 2nd rd scores along with Kelly with 19. Early Leader Bruce Tiver binned it with 14 and promptly retired. Rob Cross used all his magic on the practice trap. Professional Outback Shooter Nick Nunn; rescued his first round effort of 16 and backed it up with 21.

Rd 3 Bryan Stokes continued his form with an 18 in the third, but couldn't make up for his first round of 14. Paul Douvos couldn't back up his first round form either falling away. Rob Low kept everyone honest with his 19/17/17, well deserved 2nd place. Steve Kelly couldn't quite keep a grasp of his new gun and rescued his round to limp into 3rd. No one was stopping Nick Nunn though finishing with 20 in the final round.

C Grade

Rd 1 decided who was going to place in C grade, but in what order? Gary Dyer, John Berryman, Darren Kemp, and Col Smith put in some good scores.

Rd 2 Darren Kemp didn't help his chances, posting 11. Dyer and Berryman continued their argument both posting 16's. Colin Smith turned back the clock with a very handy 19 putting him in outright 1st.

Rd 3 Gary Dyer couldn't quite keep his form going through the day, dropping away from second with 14. Darren Kemp found something in the baked spuds and lifted in the 3rd with 15. John Berryman kicked the yips and finished off strongly with 19.

Super Vets

Rd 1 John 'Yoda' Monaghan and Robert David found great starts with 20's, Mike Lane continued his form from NZ with 18. Local identities BJ and Dave Gagnon rounded out the rest on 17's.

Rd 2 Trevor Homfray found a little something in the 2nd posting 20. Robert David posted Trevor first round score of 15 and found them in a tussle for 2nd, Dave Gagnon and BJ kept up the pressure only being a couple behind.

Rd 3 Robert David tidied up his scores with a 17 and finishing in 3rd position, 2 clear of Trevor on 50. Dave Gagnon saved his energy and put all of his eggs in the last basket finishing on 23 and securing 2nd position. No one was going to close in on John Monaghan who showed a clean pair of heels all day, and collected the biscuits with 20/20/20

From what looked like a very doable circuit, the grounds staff and course setters did a great job of deception with their targets, leaving the shooters with what could have been missed opportunities. All reports from each squads are that everyone seemed to enjoy themselves.

Many thanks to Winchester Australia, for the opportunity to host a fantastic event on their behalf. I can't speak highly enough of their team as we look to build a stronger relationship into the future. So thank you Aaron.

Full report on Facebook page: Central Sporting Clays - SAFGA



UPDATE ON STATE TITLE

I'm not sure about you but this year has just flown by! Due to the early nationals in WA, State Titles will be around even quicker this year and the early bird registrations have already closed for the event in Early August.

The Volunteers at Central Branch have been busy pruning trees, clearing the under growth and mowing lawns and polishing the boots in preparation for the coming State Titles. First deliveries from the sponsors in signage and advertising are already starting to roll in.

Word from the Target Director Mick McKinnon is that the blue print for the State Titles targets is almost complete. If you have been lucky to shoot at Central, then you may have had a sneak preview of some targets.

The new inclusion of our raised Stand on top of a container has been a huge success, extending the clubs target variety on the tight grounds. It certainly wasn't without its set up issues and the clubs Target Director Mick McKinnon has been experimenting with several different targets in preparation for the State Titles. Many thanks need to be shared with our Volunteers Brad and Sarah Harris, without them it just wouldn't have been the success it is.

Central is pleased to report steadily growing memberships and interest around the club via corporate days, and in conjunction with Facebook (central sporting clays –safga) has been able to keep the forward momentum. Many thanks needs to be extended to Chris and Kate Ball, because of all the stuff you don't see that happens behind the scenes and the one person working bees.

The Club also has seen some success off the field as well with some new and former sponsors coming back and joining the club for 2017. With New sponsors Peter Seppelt Wines, Landmark, The SMART Centre. And continued sponsors Fisher Firearms and Winchester Australia extending their involvement in our Sport. This level belief and support from the Sponsors shows that the Committee and Club have a sound business plan and direction.

Next time you'll hear from us it will be after the State Titles, now it's time to bring it altogether. For one big event in August.

See you all soon

Happy Shooting, Central Branch

| WINCHESTER 75 STATE QUALIFIER RD1 | | | |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------|-----|---------------------|
| High Gun | Alex Button 69/75 | | |
| AA Grade | A Grade | | |
| 1st | Joe Densley 68 | 1st | Ray Pash 66/75 |
| 2nd | Chris Ball 67 | 2nd | Greg Dawes 64 |
| 3rd | Richard Dean 67 | 3rd | Peter Rugless 63 |
| B Grade | C Grade | | |
| 1st | Nick Nunn 57/75 | 1st | John Berryman 53/75 |
| 2nd | Rob Low 53 | 2nd | Colin Smith 51 |
| 3rd | Steve Kelly 52 | 3rd | Darren Kemp 42 |
| Super Veterans | | | |
| 1st | John Monaghan 60/75 | | |
| 2nd | Dave Gagnon 56 | | |
| 3rd | Robert David 52 | | |

THE ADELAIDE GUN SHOP

75 SPORTING RESULTS

The day started out with increasing cloud cover, which at times looked ominous for the afternoon sessions. As the day progressed the clouds failed to worsen but the chilly SE winds rolled through the unprotected side of the Valley. Which kept the Club house wood fire a focal point all day.

AA Grade

Was a 2 horse race between some old Foes. Chris Ball and John Torresan. John's welcomed return to the sport is still on track and kept Chris Ball honest all day. Chris wasn't messing about with opening his bank account with a 25 and 24 in the opening 50 targets.

After lunch John recovered with a 21, but it was a case of Chris having the better match fitness finishing with a 22.

A Grade

All the eyes were on the A grade today, and the 1st round scores failed to disappoint with 6 shooters all within 1 shot of the leader Aaron Went 23/25. The chasing pack included the like of Eddy Benc, Richard Dean, Greg Dawes, Peter Rugless and Ray Pash. By the end of the next round there would only be 2 eligible for 1st, Aaron and Ray. Ray was seeing them the size of basketballs and couldn't miss; shooting 25 taking a 2 shot lead into lunch. Rd 3 Aaron couldn't quite match Ray's 2nd round score, dropping a target at the Sim pair on Stand 3. Ray's experience was enough to see him across the line with a steady 22 in the last. Greg Dawes was the best of the rest closely followed by Eddy Benc.

B Grade

In B Grade Glenn Benham was out first with 21, closely followed by Mark Rover on 20. Rod Salargari closed out the placings in Rd 1 not far behind were locals Steve Kelly and Rob Low. Rd 2 Saw Glenn and Mark continue their argument both returning to lunch with 40/50 with Rod lurking closely with a 36. No one saw Rob Low all day until he popped up to claim 4th, Steve Kelly picking up a handy 3 and Mark Rover claimed the dessert with ever reliable 60/75.

C Grade

Harry Kaplatzis and Darren Kemp were early leaders with scores of 18, and were 4 ahead of 3rd position Mark Pohl and John Berryman. Darren decided the kitchen was smelling too good and best course of action was an early lunch.

Rd 2 saw Colin Smith and John mount some kind of challenge both scoring 17's, but it was for the leaders to lose. By Rd 3 Harry had the jump on the rest and cruised through the final round, Darren recovered his form to fall only 1 target short of Harry, followed by John and Colin in 3rd and 4th respectively.

Ladies

Ladies Division came down to a tale of experience with all shooters at different stages of their SCA careers. Deanna did her best to handicap herself with a much needed girls night. Deanna still showed her class when it counted finishing with 61. Marlene Pohl kept an honest score card, which showed consistency throughout. Her continued improvement is a credit over the past year. We'll be keeping an eye out for her in the future. Lori Mann was pre occupied with cold winds in the early round. It's amazing watching the transformation a hot chocolate can make. Some consistency with the sporting clays will see Lori improve greatly.

Super Vets

The sleep in suited the Super Vets, all scoring heavily in the first Round. You could have thrown a blanket over the field. All scores between 18 - 22.

BJ kept the scoring up in the second Round and backed up his first scores with 2 x 21's. Mike Lane found himself 1 target behind at lunch. Kurt Grunet decided after his 2nd round score, his best chance was the raffle.

By the 3rd round BJ was already dreaming of his holidays overseas and dropped important targets which allowed Mike Lane back in the game. Bob David relinquished 3rd to Pros Van Der Zalm. Mike looked solid through the back half of the last round and took home the Chocolates.

Finally to our long time partner The Adelaide Gun Shop many thanks once again. Remember to support those who support our Sport without them it all just wouldn't be possible.

Full report available at Facebook page: Central Sporting Clays - SAFGA

| THE ADELAIDE GUN SHOP 75 SPORTING RESULTS | | | |
|--|---------------------------------|----------------|----------------------------|
| AA Grade | | A Grade | |
| 1st | Chris Ball 71/75 (1st rd 25/25) | 1st | Ray Pash 69/75 (25/25 rd2) |
| 2nd | John Torresan 61 | 2nd | Aaron Went 69 |
| | | 3rd | Greg Dawes 64 |
| | | 4th | Eddy Benc 63 |
| B Grade | | C Grade | |
| 1st | Mark Rover 60/75 | 1st | Harry Kaplatzis 51/75 |
| 2nd | Glenn Benham 56 | 2nd | Darren Kemp 50 |
| 3rd | Steve Kelly 54 | 3rd | John Berryman 47 |
| 4th | Rob Low 49 | 4th | Colin Smith 45 |
| Ladies | | Super Veterans | |
| 1st | Deanna Van Der Zalm 61/75 | 1st | Mike Lane 62/7561/75 |
| 2nd | Marlene Pohl 42 | 2nd | BJ 58 |
| 3rd | Lori Mann 19 | 3rd | Pros Van Der Zalm 57 |

LAKE BONNEY SPORTING CLAYS APRIL REPORT

- By Vicki Fabris

A sunny Easter Sunday enticed 55 shooters out to Lake Bonney for the Herb Whitehead Fencing, Dave Reilly's Panel & Paint, Thirty Three Hairdressing and J&M Shanks Engineering 50 Target event. The five-stand format continued to prove popular with competitors, providing a varied combination of targets testing everybody's shooting skills. Course setters were able to set a course that saw competitors from all grades shooting above their handicaps, which meant a lot of happy faces at the end of the day.

Joe Densley had a great day out, dropping only one target all day and securing High Gun for the event with a fantastic score of 49/50. President and sponsor, Herb Whitehead, presented Joe with a club 25 badge along with the prizes for High Gun. AA shooters Jeremy Kent, Danny Bellinger and Mark Fabris followed closely behind with only a target between each of them. Daniel Banning shot well to finish first in A grade fromn Herb Whitehead and Tom Weir. Winning certainly runs in the family, with Daniel's uncle Gary shooting the same score as Daniel (46/50) to win B grade, while Jon Prance and Cliff Lee battled for second and third in a shoot-off. Jon shot well to win and was happy to end up with second prize. C grade continues to be a tight competition between a small group of shooters. Graham Fennell was victorious this time winning with 40/50 ahead of Michale Gates and Doug Rohde. Barry Hill was on target shooting 47/50 to win Veterans from rivals Wayne Gurney and Neville Kent. Super Vets Kevin Dyson, Peter Caskey and Greg Todd thanked the course setters for a great day out. There were no suprisers in the Ladies competition with Tash Bellinger first and Janette Densley second; both ladies are enjoying a friendly competition each week. Vicki Fabris was third. Junior Mason Patzel and Brodie VonStanke were happy with their scores and enjoyed the day out with their grandfathers.

HIGH GUN – JOE DENSLEY 49/50

| 1st | | |
|------------|------------------|----|
| AA | Jeremy Kent | 48 |
| A | Daniel Banning | 46 |
| B | Gary Banning | 46 |
| C | Graham Fennell | 40 |
| Vets | Barry Hill | 47 |
| Super vets | Kevin Dyson | 41 |
| Ladies | Tash Bellinger | 42 |
| Juniors | Mason Patzel | 32 |
| Sub/Junior | Brodie VonStanke | 25 |
| 2nd | | |
| AA | Danny Bellinger | 47 |
| A | Herb Whitehead | 43 |

| B | Jon Prance | 42 |
|------------|-----------------|----|
| C | Michael Gates | 37 |
| Vets | Wayne Gurney | 45 |
| Super vets | Peter Caskey | 36 |
| Ladies | Janette Densley | 35 |
| 3rd | | |
| AA | Mark Fabris | 46 |
| A | Tom Weir | 42 |
| B | Cliff Lee | 42 |
| C | Doug Rohde | 32 |
| Vets | Neville Kent | 43 |
| Super vets | Greg Todd | 34 |
| Ladies | Vicki Fabris | 31 |

MARCH 5TH

Lake Bonney Sporting Clays held the Fennell Forestry 50 target shoot on Sunday March 5th. Course setters delivered a challenging combination of targets spaced out across the grounds, allowing for the optional flush shoot to run in front of the clubrooms. High Gun Chris Wright had to work hard for the top position, competing in a shoot-off with A grade shooter Jeremy Hellyer. A close result kept the spectators entertained at the end of the day.

A number of participants took advantage of the chance to practice their skills at the Flush stand, including representatives from Fennell Forestry, Barry Fennell and Scott O'Dea, who enjoyed the challenge. Once again it was great to see some new faces, including a couple of international visitors from Canada, join the 55 shooters on the day.

The Fennell Forestry team enjoyed the day even though some of the targets were quite tricky to smash. Barry Fennell, Steve Heeny (visiting Canadian) and Scott O'Dea all finished with scores similar to some of the regular competitors. President, Herb Whitehead, presented each Clays Only shooter with a Lake Bonney glass, thanking them for supporting the club and participating on the day.

Mark Fabris took home 1st in AA from Malcolm Whitehead and Bruce Parker, while Jeremy Hellyer finished on top in A grade well ahead of John Hill and Allan Cowin. Consistent scores likes these will see Jeremy move up into AA in the near future. Al Scheidl was the clear winner of the B grade, while a count-back decided second and third with Romain Devaud taking home second and Gary Dangerfield third. Russell Fisk happily accepted first in C grade from boss, Barry Fennell. 86-year-old life member, Colin Whitehead, received the prize for second, reminding the crowd that you are never too old to shoot. Newcomer Doug Rhodes took home third on the day. The Veterans and Super Veterans competitions continues to be tightly contested, with a battle between the two Waynes in Vets and the Peters in Super Vets. Young Wayne Evans finished ahead of Wayne Gurney and Neville Kent this week, while Greg Todd showed Peter Caskey and Peter Klieve that he is still the one to beat.

Meagan Millard had a great day out shooting 33/50 on a hard course, with Vicki Fabris second and Renae Hunt happily accepting her first prize ever for third.

Declan Wright and Ethan Hellyer were the only young shooters on the day and both spoke very well when presented with their prizes; these two are going to be the ones to watch in the future.

HIGH GUN – CHRIS WRIGHT 43/50

| 1st | | |
|------------|-------------------|----|
| AA | Mark Fabris | 41 |
| A | Jeremy Hellyer | 43 |
| B | Al Scheidl | 37 |
| C | Russell Fisk | 31 |
| Vets | Wayne Evans | 42 |
| Super vets | Greg Todd | 38 |
| Ladies | Meagan Millard | 33 |
| Sub/Junior | Declan Wright | 29 |
| 2nd | | |
| AA | Malcolm Whitehead | 40 |
| A | John Hill | 37 |
| B | Romain Devaud | 32 |
| C | Colin Whitehead | 29 |
| Vets | Wayne Gurney | 38 |
| Super vets | Peter Caskey | 32 |
| Ladies | Vicki Fabris | 20 |
| Sub/Junior | Ethan Hellyer | 23 |
| 3rd | | |
| AA | Bruce Parker | 39 |
| A | Allan Cowin | 34 |
| B | Garry Dangerfield | 32 |
| C | Doug Rhode | 28 |
| Vets | Neville Kent | 34 |
| Super vets | Peter Klieve | 31 |
| Ladies | Renae Hunt | 18 |

LOXTON APRIL/ MAY

- By Eric Schmaah

On the 9th of April, 29 shooters competed for the GB Corsivia, Bruce Burns. The event was shot over two fifty target rounds with 4 stands and two shooting positions on each stand. Weather conditions were extremely difficult, very windy and wet. At one stage shooter huddled behind anything they could as the rain came in sideways! Shooters travelled from Andamooka, Adelaide, Mildura, Renmark and Loxton. Shooting was at a very high standard considering the weather.

State Qualifying shoot held on May 14th The event was sponsored by Nickolai Engineering and Loxton Irrigation Centre. The event was well attended with visitors from the South East, Lake Bonney, Southern, Centrals and local Loxton shooters. The targets were of a standard that you would expect for such an event. The weather was kind to us although it was a little cold.

LOXTON RESULTS - APRIL

| | | |
|----------|---------------------------|-------------------------------|
| High Gun | Tony Trevorrow 84 Renmark | |
| AA Grade | A Grade | |
| 1st | Rob Shawyer 82 Renmark | 1st Mike McKinnon 78 Central |
| 2nd | Chris Ball 82 Central | 2nd Colin Nunn 77 |
| 3rd | Craig Scheele 78 Mildura | 3rd Ray Pash 77 |
| B Grade | C Grade | |
| 1st | Mark Rover 76 Renmark | 1st Kate Ball 55 Central |
| 2nd | Ian Jones 69 Loxton | 2nd Josh Andrews 47 Loxton |
| 3rd | Stephen Kelly 68 | 3rd Rachael Moss 46 Andamooka |

LOXTON RESULTS - MAY

| | | |
|----------|-------------------------|----------------------|
| AA Grade | A Grade | |
| 1st | Alex Button 66/75 | 1st Ray Pash 65/75 |
| 2nd | John Torresan 63/75 | 2nd Colin Nunn 60/75 |
| B Grade | | |
| 1st | Wendel Litchfield 52/75 | |
| 2nd | Dave Gagnon 52/75 | |

SOUTH EAST FIELD & GAME

- By Charles Wallis



28/05/17 - Report

Wet conditions met the 48 shooters that nominated for the Collins Court Butchers/J.W. Lamond Contracting 50 target sporting clays event held by South East Field & Game at Burrungule Park.

This event also doubled as the second leg of The Lake Bonney/ Burrungule Park inter club challenge, after leading by a meagre 2 targets after last week's event at Lake Bonney sporting clays, the shooters from Burrungule park were able to pull away and regain the inter club challenge trophy by 31 targets.

A three way shoot off between Jeremy Kent, Leigh Dunn Lake Bonney's Tony Sellars who all shot 48/50 was necessary to determine the Gambier Shooting Supplies High Gun, Burrungule's Kent held his nerve to win the shoot off, leaving Dunn to win AA grade from Sellars and Mark Fabris.

Kingston's Andrew Green took out A grade from Steven Scheidl and Chris VonStanke Jr.

B grade was won by Robert Clark from Matt Crowe and Matt Jones.

Cameron Scheidl shot well to win the C grade, with what would have been a B grade

winning score, Sponsor Jonny Lamond and Charles Wallis took out the C grade minor placings.

Lake Bonney's Wayne Gurney won the veteran's class from Burrungule pair of Wayne Evans and Neville Kent whilst the super veteran's class was won by Kevin Dyson from Peter Klieve and Frank Kentish.

Sub Junior Declan Wright showed his rapidly developing skills to win from cousins Brodie and Shakielle VonStanke.



RESULTS

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| Gambier Shooting Supplies High Gun | Jeremy Kent 48/50 | |
| AA Grade | A Grade | |
| 1st | L.Dunn 48/50 | 1st A.Green 45/50 |
| 2nd | T.Sellars 48/50 | 2nd S.Scheidl 44/50 |
| 3rd | M.Fabris 47/50 | 3rd C.VonStanke Jr 44/50 |
| B Grade | C Grade | |
| 1st | R.Clark 40/50 | 1st C.Scheidl 41/50 |
| 2nd | M.Crowe 40/50 | 2nd J.Lamond 34/50 |
| 3rd | M.Jones 37/50 | 3rd C.Wallis 33/50 |
| Veterans | Super Veterans | |
| 1st | W.Gurney 45/50 | 1st K.Dyson 41/50 |
| 2nd | W.Evans 43/50 | 2nd P/Klieve 39/50 |
| 3rd | N.Kent 43/50 | 3rd F.Kentish 36/50 |
| Sub Juniors | | |
| 1st | D.Wright 36/50 | |
| 2nd | B.VonStanke 30/50 | |
| 3rd | S.VonStanke 25/50 | |

SOUTH EAST BURRUNGULE RESULTS - SUNDAY 23 APRIL 2017

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| High Gun | Dunn, Jamie 74 | |
| AA Grade | A Grade | |
| 1st | Widdison, Timothy 74 (3) | 1st Brilley, Michael 70 |
| 2nd | Kent, Jeremy 72 | 2nd Green, Andrew 68 |
| 3rd | Simson, Dougal 70 (2) | 3rd Vandooren, John 67 |
| B Grade | C Grade | |
| 1st | Murrell, Darren 61 | 1st Edwards, Michael 58 |
| 2nd | Banning, Gary 60 | 2nd Gates, Michael 55 |
| 3rd | Bigmore, Fabian 59 | 3rd Chambers, Colin 54 |
| Veterans | Super Veterans | |
| 1st | Kent, Neville 67 | 1st Jones, Bob 65 |
| 2nd | Evans, Wayne 61 | 2nd Hill, Barry 64 |
| 3rd | Wombwell, Wally 60 | 3rd Dyson, Kevin 63 |
| Ladies | Sub Juniors | |
| 1st | Bellinger, Tasha 66 | 1st Wright, Declan 54 |
| 2nd | Rymill, Liz 59 | 2nd Vickery, Will 53 |
| 3rd | Densley, Janette 54 | 3rd Hellyer, Ethan 49 |

SOUTH EAST HUNTING, HABITAT & CONSERVATION REPORT.

DUCK Details

The following report is from my own experience and observations as well as feedback received from SE Branch members who were willing to share their exploits around the swamps for the 2017 Duck Hunting season.

Opening started off well no matter where you were and most shooters brought home a feed. Not everyone was shooting their bag limit, but everyone was enjoying the outing and took home some reward for their efforts.

The SE Branch members who attended the Duck opening at Wetlands & Wildlife had a good start to the season with plenty of birds around. The Wetlands & Wildlife shoots later in the season continued to draw a crowd although somewhat smaller due to the amount of water and bird life which was over the border drawing Victorian hunters back to their regular swamps.

Later in the season saw the opening up of swamps around the JIP JIP area which haven't been shot for many years. This was due to the amount of water still around and bird numbers still high. Thanks to the Wetlands & Wildlife Crew. (Good to see that more hunters are taking their sons along to keep the tradition going).

The issues closer to home remain the same as everywhere else with a lot of water and too few hunters once the Victoria Duck season opened.

Victorian duck hunting season closes this weekend, from all reports not too many ducks about the Edenhope area. Still some good hunting to be had on the SA side of the border if you have the contacts and the mates to join you who are willing to get out into the cold and wet.

Good Luck.

No more to report at this stage.

Hopefully more info on the next report on the Animal control program in the SE Region.

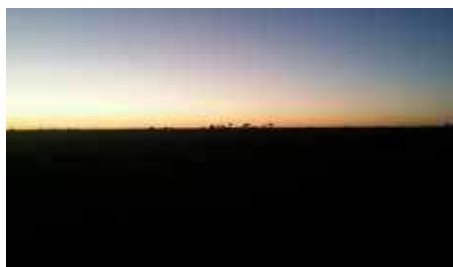
Regards

Al Scheidl

Hunting, Habitat & Conservation Officer SE Branch.

SOUTHERN BRANCH HUNTERS REPORT

- By Greg Dawes



Rocky Gully Game hunters have had 6 organised shoots since the last edition came out. Duck numbers have dropped off in a couple of swamps visited with black duck numbers lower, the crew have still taken full bag limits on all trips. Emilio organized an overnight trip to the Morgan area on a goat shooting trip which I was lucky enough to attend. I viewed for the first time goat catching pens in operation, the once feral pest has now become a valuable income stream on the farms with a male goat bringing up to \$200.00, who would've thought that. We bagged 2 young goats that were in great condition, these became a meal for many at the club and what a feast it was.



Quail numbers have not been good in the area with several members walking the crops a few weekends ago and no birds to be found. But this week when the farmer put the plough back through the same paddock ready for re sowing, birds were flying everywhere. Is that not the way sometimes, it was good exercise.

If any of our members want to participate in these activity please talk to Emilio or the club secretary Peter Hicks.

See you in the swamp.

CLAY TARGET REPORT - By Wendel Litchfield



Junior Daniel Falco AA winner May shoot Southern

It has been a sound start to the shooting year at Rocky Gully, with shoots generally well attended including a steady stream of new shooters enjoying themselves and getting to grips with the basics of shooting sporting clays. Fortunately we have been blessed with fair weather so far, with most shoots being clear and sunny with little wind.

Our setup crew have been working hard to ensure shooters get great variation in targets. We are making the most of our acreage, with courses being set in different locations to keep the regular shooters on their toes. The furious growth of some of our native tree planting efforts has seen us able to set some stands in locations never before used on our property. Everyone is enjoying the variety and to that end; we have shifted our heavy lifting equipment into new locations that should please the toughest critic for the next few months with some new and exciting trajectories. On that note, our big project of getting "Ladder 22", the old fire engine up and running is almost finished. The hydraulics are working, as is the 120 foot ladder and soon the great machine will be dragged into place where it will be able to throw some absolutely monster birds! We can't wait.

With the coming of the colder months and less daylight, we have altered our winter shoots to a 75 target format, still letting plenty of shooters time enough to get through a course but without having our crew packing up in the dark! With our state qualification shoot in July set to be a 75 target format anyway, the move was a no brainer.

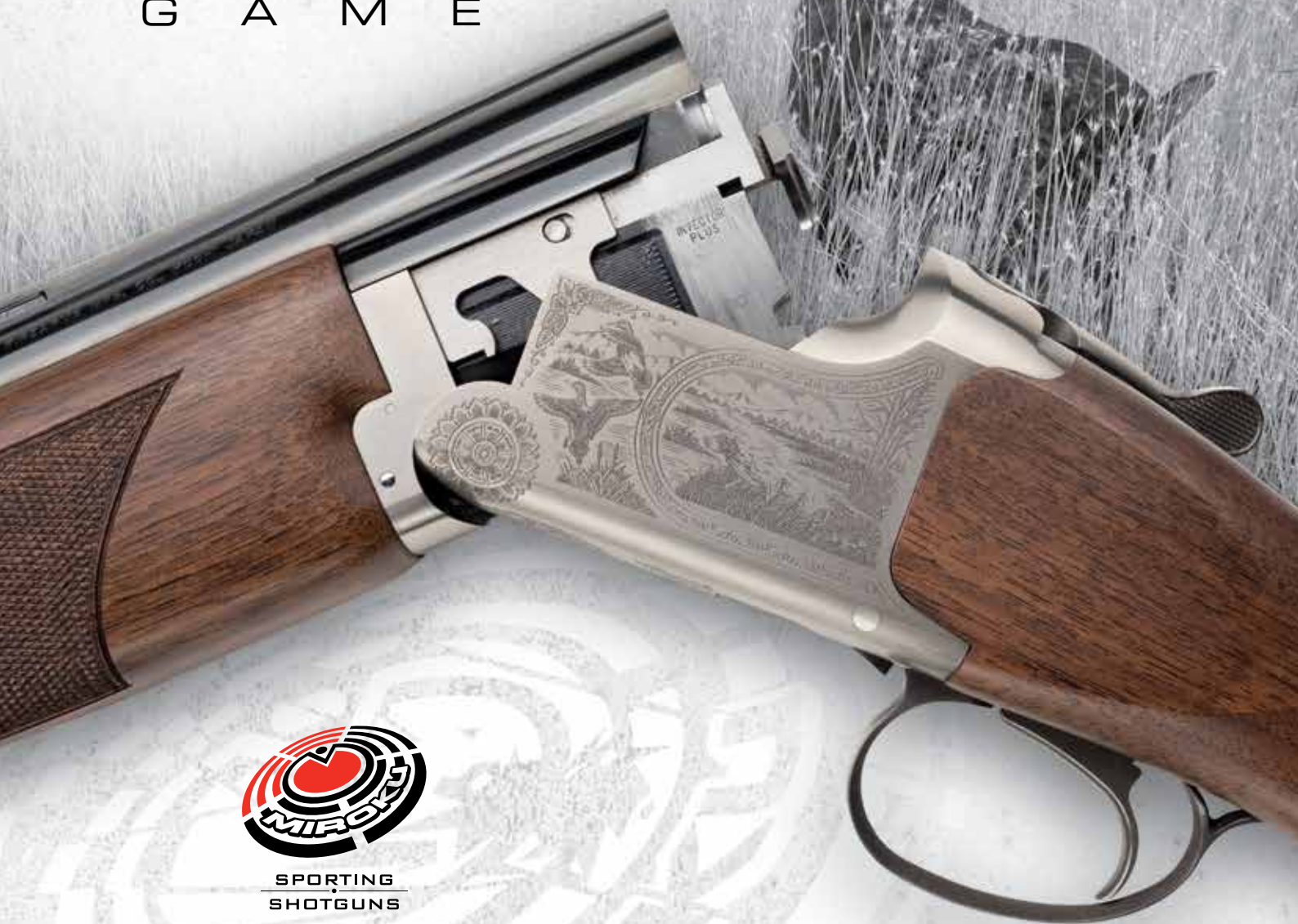
There has been some efforts in the kitchen as well, with some delicious additions to our regular menu. One big hit with the crowd has been the slow roasted goat with vegetables harvested during a foray into the bush by some of our avid hunting members. The roast was tender and very juicy with some people going back for a third helping! It certainly made the efforts of Chef Emilio worth staying up until 2am the night before.

Looking forward, the club is preparing for some flagship shoots for 2017, the two day 200 target SA State Old Style Championship in October and the SA State Compak Championship in November. We hope to see you there.

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