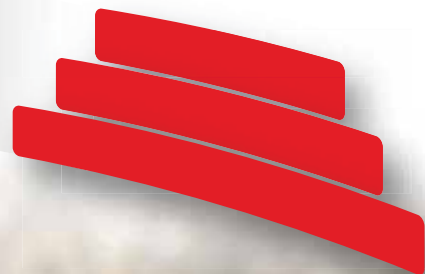


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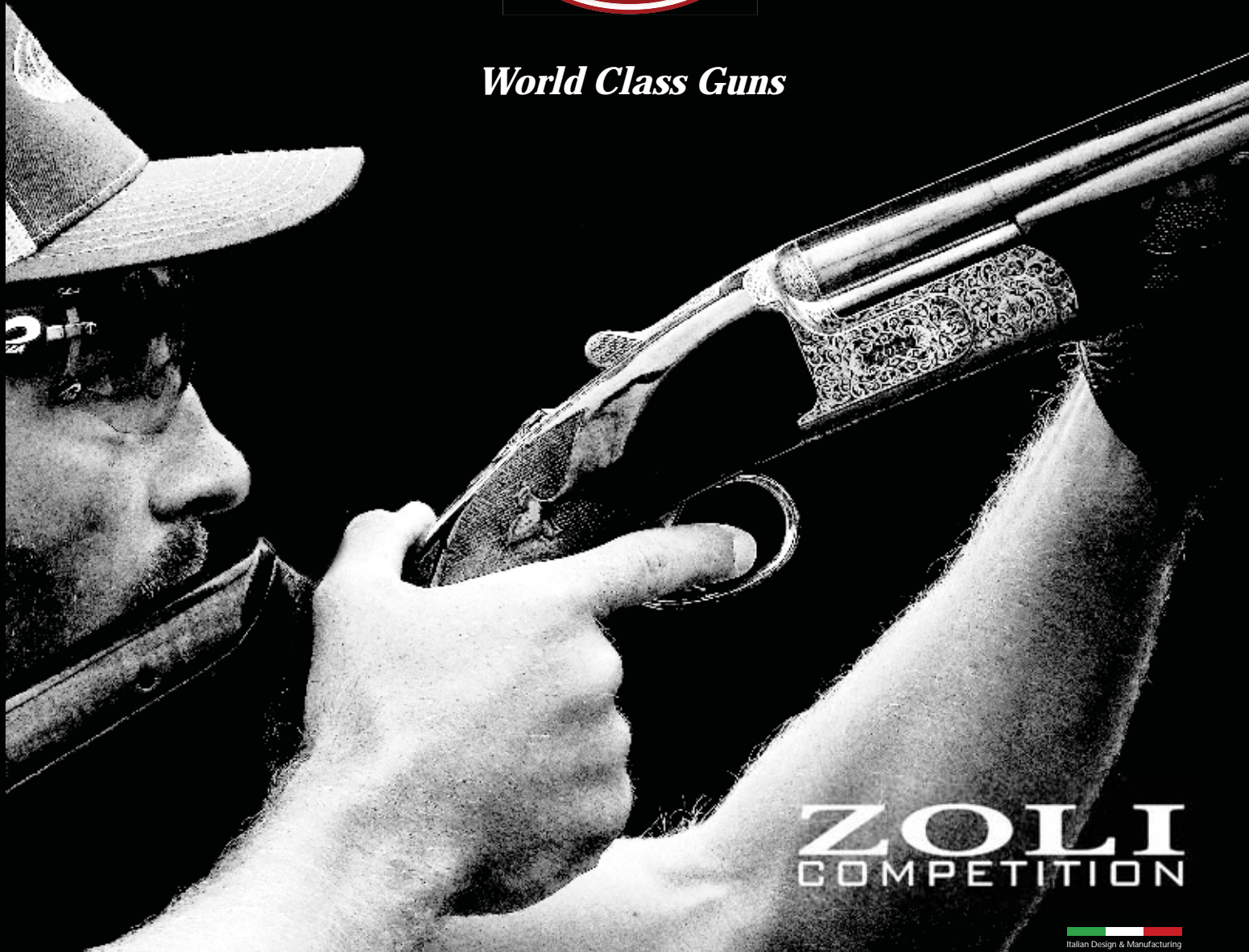
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OUTGOING SCA PRESIDENT'S REPORT

With the Nationals being held a little later on our calendar this year the last few weeks has been non-stop. No sooner had we finished the Nationals and more about that shortly, then the agenda needed to be set for the AGM, dates ratified for our 2019 events, the final magazine of the year needed to be put together and Christmas is just a few weeks away.

It is great to be able to look back and see the positive outcomes for the year as we begin to look at what 2019 may bring us. I believe our Board has been very pro-active in moving Sporting Clays forward particularly with Full Fields in all the SCA Events, and podium finishes at the world sporting and U.T. Series

Our major National events have been well supported by our members and the record nominations we received for the Nationals at Laang last month are a testament to that. And we could not run these events without the support of our wonderful sponsors, many are consistently there supporting Sporting Clays at club, state and national level.

Our membership continues to grow and I would urge clubs to use the marketing knowledge at SCA Head Quarters to move ahead.

And while talking about the clubs, once again to Steve and the team at Laang another fantastic effort in putting on the Nationals again this year. To Rocky Gully who got us off to a great start with the FITASC Australian Grand Prix back in March, Sydney for hosting the English Nationals and Brisbane for the COMPAK Nationals another series of excellent competitions and we start the 2019 season with the FITASC Oceania over Easter and then wrap up 2019 with the Nationals at Cooma in October.

We are very fortunate to have a dedicated and passionate Board that is continually striving to make each year a better year. On your behalf I thank them for their service. To the club executives, do an excellent job keeping the wheels turning and I am sure your members appreciate your diligence; I know the Board certainly does and acknowledges that too. And to the state executives I thank you for your tireless effort in keeping Sporting Clays going.

May I take this opportunity on behalf of Sally and myself to wish each of you a wonderful Christmas, a great start to 2019 and safe travels if you are on the roads.

Yours in shooting,

Tony Trainor

President Sporting Clays Australia

NEW SCA PRESIDENT'S REPORT



Hello all in the SCA world!

With Christmas around the corner, my favourite time of the year, I'm sure most would agree that the stress caused by the upcoming deadlines we have to meet, the numerous presents we have to buy, and the odd job around the house that was meant to be finished this time last year, is simply creeping up on us.

We held our National AGM on 2nd December, 2018, in Tullamarine, Victoria. The meeting saw a change of the guard, and I would like to personally thank our former president Tony Trainor for his two years in the captain's seat and countless hours he selflessly applied to the SCA. I would like to, on behalf of the SCA, thank Tony and his wife Sally for all they have done. Their passion and enthusiasm for the sport are attributes that money cannot buy.

The meeting also saw an exciting change for the future of SCA as the board members were presented with a new design of the SCA Coat Of Arms for the Australian National Teams. It is in this issue of the magazine that we are going to reveal three different Coat Of Arms designs. As the member base of the sport, you are invited to vote on the design that you favour most and would like to see on our National Teams uniforms. You can vote via the SCA website.

The 2018 year has been a great year for our competitive shooting members, the standard that our elite shooters are attaining just keeps improving each year. Our Juniors are right up there with the rest of the world, our Open Category members keep putting in unbelievable scores at all of our major competitions, no longer is any shooter assured of a place in the Australian Teams.

Our World Lady Champion, Renae Birgan, scored another accolade when it was announced at the Shooting Australia awards night that Renae was the winner of the Senior Lady for 2018. This certainly caps off a year to remember.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank all of our sponsors, both past and present, for their continued support of the sport and would like to wish them the best.

For those of you travelling during the festive season, please take care on the roads and travel safe. Remember, it's better to arrive late than to not arrive at all.

Merry Christmas to you all and a happy new year.

Regards,
Ralph Ali

SCA NATIONAL *UPDATES*

SCA recently held their AGM & the new team was elected by the members to run the Association over the next 12 months, to keep progressing us forward & growing the association during 2019. Please help support the Association, it is all run by volunteers at National, State & Clubs to provide everyone with the platform to participate in Sporting Clays.

- Ralph Ali – National President
- Greg Dawes – Vice President
- Kathy Cain – Treasurer
- Glen Rider – Secretary
- National Target Director – Steve Chilton
- National H&H Director – Howard Barks

OTHER ITEMS OF NOTE

- **It may not sound like much, but the SCA Environmental policy document & Environmental policy statements** have been approved for distribution to the member bodies to assist Clubs in this process. This is a powerful document that is there to provide help & assistance to the Clubs who are associated by membership to SCA through their State bodies as members to SCA. We need to protect our sport & whether we like it or not the march forward by Governments cannot be ignored in this area. Help is at hand though should your Clubs need access to an Environmental Document & an engineer who can assist in steering you through this minefield in our ever-changing world.
- **New SCA National team logo** – The continued process of our evolution marches on & several options will be presented to be selected from. Most members are not aware but the only source of support for our team is supplied by SCA. We receive no funding or support from the Australian Government to assist our members getting to this event. This is one of the main reasons the Association made the decision that SCA (& in turn our members) are recognised in the Team logo as the major sponsor. The photo's that are taken go around the World & we need to have this exposure & be recognised. SCA needs to assist our members to get to this World Championship event who need our assistance to make this happen, it has always been the mantra of SCA that we want our best to represent us, not limit it to only those that can afford to go. It should also be noted that **NO** support to our Team members is received from membership Capitations. Any support provided to these members is supplied out of the income received back from the SCA National Competitions held throughout the year.

COMPETITION RULE CHANGES

- **Exotic Targets marked on Menu's** - A few years ago the decision by FITASC was made to remove marking the menu boards with exotic target notations. Good news is that this change in late 2018 by FITASC & it has been rescinded in Australia as well when it was voted on by the National Target Directors to make it a part of our rules again as from 1st January 2019. This is a good result, how many times have we looked at a target & cannot tell if it is a 90mm midi, a rocket, a Battue or the new 70mm that is starting to show up. To clarify an Exotic target is defined by its size. It is not defined by its flight. Some members have considered a Chondel or Teal

are considered exotics. **This would only be true if these targets were not a 120mm diameter standard.** So for clarity any target that is not a Standard 120mm diameter target is considered an Exotic target type & these should be written against the target on the menu board. Use the Target diameter (90mm – 70mm – 60mm) along with Battue or Rabbit to define them.

- **Placement of Cartridges in Bins – FITASC have now introduced this rule at their events. SCA will also introduce this into our rules.** It is only common courtesy that members place their empty shells in the bins provided at the shooting stands. Unfortunately, this receptacle is not always used & if we are to present ourselves in a professional manner to the world, this is another small gesture to show our respect. The prime areas of concern are generally Auto users (not a fault of people that use Auto's, just a part of the guns action) & the Dummy spitters when they miss targets. If you do not place your empty shells in the bins it shows us all up. It also presents the clean-up crews at the end of the day with the trouble of cleaning up after you if these empties are thrown all over the place. If you do not pick up your empties before you leave the stand you will be given a warning first & then a penalty of a lost target (if repeated) will be imposed on you with the first target at the next stand you visit. This rule will only affect those who do not use the bins provided. The moral of this is to clean up after yourself before you leave the shooting stand.

SCA COMPETITION DATES FOR 2019

- Australian FITASC Grand Prix – Geelong Sporting Clays – 9th – 10th March 2019
- Oceania FITASC Championships – Brisbane Sporting Clays – 20th 21st – 22nd April 2019
- SCA National English Sporting Nationals – Laang – 4th & 5th May 2019
- SCA National Compak Sporting – Geelong Sporting Clays – 15th & 16th June
- SCA National Sporting Championships– Cooma – 18th – 19th – 20th October 2019
- Lady & Junior Training Camp – Geelong – 17th & 18th August 2019
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SCA COMPETITIONS FOR 2020

- Australian FITASC Grand Prix – Laang – 7th – 8th March 2020
- SCA National English Sporting Nationals – Date & Club TBA – West Australia
- SCA National Compak Sporting – Date & Club TBA – South Australia
- SCA National Sporting Championships– Brisbane – 18th – 19th – 20th October 2019
- **New for 2020** – Australian FITASC Grand Prix Compak – Date & Venue TBA
- **New for 2020** – Oceania FITASC Compak – Date & Venue TBA

FROM SCA HQ

I've never been one to be stuck for words, but I have been trying to find the right word or even words to best describe what the recent SCA Nationals at Laang did for me, and in all honesty, I am still at a loss how to sum up my experience.

I have to say from the outset what an amazing set up Steve and the Laang crew have at their range and the work they and many of their friends from around the region put in to make the Nationals happen was amazing.

Many of you, probably most of you have been part of Sporting Clays a lot longer than my handful of months, but we (using the collective) have a fantastic sport and I want everyone who has never been to a Sporting Clays event to come and see the sport in action.

Everyone looked happy; genuinely happy to be out there in the bushland settings Laang offered; whether shooting out across beautiful valleys or aiming high in the sky to hit those tiny little targets.

And then after each round, heading back to Laang HQ to check on how mates were firing up on the score board, grabbing one of the 65,432 coffees Anita and her team served up (well maybe that's a slight exaggeration).

Hospitality was excellent, weather almost perfect, targets I believe well set, prizes from sponsors fabulous (again thanks Perazzi, Outdoor Trading Company, Moyne Shire, Outdoor Sporting Agencies and Beretta).

For me personally it was fantastic to say hi to our members from all over the place, Greg from Singapore, friends from across the ditch and all states and ACT, lady members, young members, not so young members, crack shots and others who just simply love the sport of Sporting Clays.

Thanks for making me feel welcome and a part of the SCA team. Who knows I might even find time to take a shot in the new year.

And on that note, from the SCA office may I take this opportunity to wish you, your family and friends, a wonderful festive season and a safe and happy start to 2019.

Peter Carey

Membership & Marketing

HUNTING AND HABITAT UPDATE

As there are no current active H&H directors* in other States that I am aware of this report will cover what we do in WA in the hope it will encourage other States to become active.

There is no doubt an active H&H section will increase membership as there are members of WAFGA Clubs who have joined to become involved in our hunting programme. Currently we have around 100 members on the H&H register which is roughly 1/3rd of WAFGA members. We carry out feral/pest control shoots for private landholders, pastoralist's, as well as local and state Government. In addition, individual members also organise their own "private" shoots.

As an example of what we do, during the last year WAFGA has carried out the following shoots:

- Dept. of Parks & Wildlife feral goat shoots in National parks x 41
- Pastoral cattle stations x 3 (each a 7day operation) donkey, camel & wild dogs
- Rainbow lorikeet shoots x 83
- Farm shoots, urgent crop protection x 3 (kangaroos and emus)
- Corella control shoots x 2

Similar opportunities are available in other States and I suggest this is a way to get out into the "bush" with your fellow members and at the same time give something back to the communities in which we live.

If any State wishes to get an active H&H section going, I am happy to assist.

Yours faithfully

Howard Barks, SCA Hunting & Habitat Director

*** BREAKING NEWS – Adam Mower appointed H&H Director for NSW. Let's see other States follow this move.**



MEMBERS - PLEASE TAKE NOTE FOR THE FUTURE!

It is unfortunate, but sometimes we are our own worst enemy.

The biggest delay at the Nationals this year was from a minority of competitors unable to keep to the specified time for the bus pick up & arrival at peg one of the shooting ground to start their round.

We are fully aware that sometimes an event will have a trap break down. This is unfortunate and not something that is planned for but all reasonable precautions are taken into consideration to avoid this happening. Late arrivals by competitors are avoidable. Running late when you are in the car park is not acceptable when you have had 1 hour between rounds to have something to eat, go to the ablutions & talk to your mates.

The bus timetables & station start times were advised long before & also during the event. This was a disappointing lack of consideration by a few towards your fellow competitors & caused some grounds to run behind. The frustration of the Laang crew to keep reminding people to get moving was evident at the bus pick up point as they kept cajoling & chasing people up to get on the bus & get moving to the grounds.

Some of the competitors slowing up proceedings are very experienced competitors & would not follow this practice at a World or International FITASC event as they know only too well the consequences of arriving late at the start of the round with the outcome that they would be marked with lost targets.

Most of the members at this event kept to the advertised timed programme, but the few cause issues to the many.

Please consider the event organisers who are always the last to leave the grounds, often working into the dark to tidy up & prepare for the next day's competition while we are back at the accommodation enjoying the evening.

The SCA competitions are selling out & reaching maximum numbers it is obvious we have to maintain schedules to avoid the tail end of the competition shooting in the dark. The hanging around & waiting is unfair on our members who are doing the right thing, but are being delayed by the practise of the few.

It is getting to the stage that something will have to be implemented to avoid these unnecessary delays & keep the competition moving to programme & be fair to everyone.



42ND NATIONAL SPORTING CLAY CHAMPIONSHIPS

LAANG COMPLEX

16 - 18 NOVEMBER 2018

The last major competition of the year for SCA and what an event & venue to finish on. The Laang complex has great experience at major events & it just gets better with each one they hold. This year they excelled with their preparations & made a fantastic job of their grounds (along with some help from mother nature earlier) & also in the presentation of the targets.

The SCA Members came from across Australia to enjoy the weekend of festivities at Laang with the event reaching maximum numbers again for another of our events in 2018. The Sporting Nationals had reached maximum numbers one month earlier (before the closing date). After discussion with the Laang President (Steve Chilton) SCA had cause to open up another full wave of eight squads to fit in as many of our members that we could into this event with the constrictions of the available light at this time of year.

The grounds were looking the best that I can remember for any competition. The weather for the 3 days of competition did not disappoint either, sunshine with a little cloud with warm temperatures. This is not like this area at all which can put on the 4 seasons in the one day. The wind was also kind for most of the competition with only a little turbulence around the middle of the day on day two to keep things interesting, but not unfair for all competitors.

The Laang course designers made great use of the terrain with grounds set to make full use of their topography with stands shooting up, flat, under your feet, fast slow & in-between. Each target presented was different & this shows off the skill & imagination of the course designer. Very few target breakages which kept the action flowing & avoided any major build up of squads. Only one trap played up after shedding a carousel push bush, which caused a delay while the trap mechanics sourced a part. All in all, a very well-run event & a big congratulation to Laang crew for putting on a fantastic Nationals that was equal to any world title event. Each year the SCA National Sporting events are making the conscious decision to lift the bar of expectations in this ever-changing world. Many of our members attend these events to be entertained & we trust this event made this happen for you & you did achieve the satisfaction expected when you travel to these events & that you were entertained.

Here are a few statistics from the event for those who follow & like to dissect the final tally.

GROUND	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
AVERAGE SCORE	19	18	17	18	17	16	18	18
AVERAGE PERCENTAGE	75.53%	70.00%	68.85%	70.26%	67.28%	65.48%	71.99%	70.54%
CLEAN ROUNDS	8	2	5	3	0	2	3	1

The other great development at SCA events is the live scoring that is broadcast with updates at regular intervals as the action happens. Members no longer congregate in great numbers around the score board, many can review the action from the live score app on their smartphones in the car park. John Mackenzie has to be congratulated on developing this programme for us, thanks John.

At the end of Sunday, the final tally of scores came in & with the shoot offs organised the members who achieved the best results from the rest of us were called up to the Podium to collect their trophies.

HIGH GUN – TOP SIX	SCORE	S/OFF
Nankervis, Blake	188	
Gibbs, Jack	187	24
Kivinen, Cameron	187	23
Durose, Adam	187	22
Brown, Chris	186	
Libbis, Matthew	184	

A GRADE	SCORE	S/OFF
Keirl, Mick	170	
Rendell, Phillip	164	
Maier, John	163	4
Panagiotou, John	163	3

B GRADE	SCORE	S/OFF
Nelson, Phillip	158	
Fry, Julian	150	
Clifford, Joseph	148	
Keane, Marty	144	8
Morosini, Antonio	144	6

C GRADE	SCORE	S/OFF
Wright, William	128	
Short, Dean	124	
Harrison, Col	121	
Piper, Lee	118	

SENIORS	SCORE	S/OFF
Rhook, Ron	180	
Ball, Chris	170	
Hall, Peter	169	
Domenico, Molina	168	



VETERANS	SCORE	S/OFF
Backman, Alan	164	
Barber, Rex	163	20
Whitehead, Malcolm	163	17
Ceccato, Alec	160	

MASTERS	SCORE	S/OFF
Rafferty, Bryan	147	
MacPhee, Gordon	143	
Kavanagh, Max	140	
McFarlane, Raymond	139	

LADIES	SCORE	S/OFF
Melbourne, Brittany	167	
Birgan, Renae	163	
Bellinger, Tasha	156	18
Dunnett, Maria	156	17

JUNIORS	SCORE	S/OFF
Wilesmith, Mathew	177	
Paglia, Bryce	172	
Cain, Reece	171	20
Willemsen, Luke	171	17

SUB-JUNIORS	SCORE	S/OFF
Russell, Xavier	166	21
Du-Rose, Mark	166	20
O'Brien, Brendan	145	
Brighenti, Nicholas	141	

Congratulation to all the Podium winners but also to ALL our members that came to this great event, without you all it would not have been the success that it was.

THE STATE TEAM COMPETITION RESULTS FOR 2019

TEAM NAME	SCORE
Victoria	1230
South Australia	1161
New South Wales	1110
Queensland	1095
Western Australia	998
Tasmania	837

We have to make mention of our generous Event Partners & sponsors who continue to support these events for SCA. Without their generosity we would not be able to offer the podium winners with the trophies that we do. We bring to your attention & recognise these companies that continue to support SCA.

REMEMBER TO SUPPORT THOSE THAT ARE SUPPORTING YOU

Footnote – FYI - All the major SCA Competitions this year were held in a different State. This is showing a very positive action as it is exposing members to these events & with this, members are starting to show an interest to go on to other events around the country which is a win - win for the Clubs hosting the event, SCA & the sport in general. The more people that keep coming the greater our sport is becoming. Well done everyone for your support let's keep the Sporting Clay train rolling in 2019.

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A GRADE

WINNERS OF THE NATIONAL SPORTING CLAY CHAMPIONSHIPS



LADIES



MASTERS



B GRADE

2018

AWARDS OF EXCELLENCE



On Saturday 3rd November 2018, Shooting Australia conducted their Shooters of the Year Awards Night in Sydney, at the Novotel Rooty Hill.

The Shooting Australia Awards of Excellence is our night of nights where we celebrate all that is great

about our sport. It is a unique and special evening to celebrate our sport, our athletes, and our wonderful achievements for 2018.

SENIOR FEMALE TARGET SPORT ATHLETE OF THE YEAR AWARDED TO RENAE BRIGAN

This is the first time that Shooting Australia has recognized competitors from our discipline of Sporting Clays in any of their Shooter of the Year awards.

It was pleasing to see Shooting Australia nominate Renae Birgan and Nicholas Guerra in the Senior Female and Senior Male Shooters of the Year categories, a great honor to both.

Nicholas Guerra's Shooting Australia Award of Excellence nomination led to a finalist position for the Target Shooter of the Year - Senior Male Award. While on this occasion, he did not win the award, Shooting Australia and our SCA Sporting Community are both grateful and proud of Nicholas's contributions and achievements. To be acknowledged as a finalist is a fantastic achievement.

Renae has had a fantastic year of top level competition. It started with a win in the FITASC Australian Grand Prix in Rocky Gully, she then went on to win the FITASC Championship of Oceania held at the Rotorua Gun Club.

She was also awarded the Oceania Cup for her performance over the two events in the Oceania Region.

Renae also emerged supreme in the Sydney and the SCA English Sporting Nationals. English Sporting is not a strange event to Renae as she is a twice World Champion in this demanding discipline.

Competing in the FITASC Grand Prix in France, she came out the winner against a World Class field of Ladies.

At the St. Lambert Ball Trap Club for the World Championships, Renae battled the best the World could offer and came out triumphant as the 2019 FITASC Sporting Lady World Champion.

Being also announced the winner of the World Cup, she is now ranked by FITASC as the No. 1 Lady in the World.

With such a successful year it is no surprise that Shooting Australia honored Renae Birgan's achievements. Even the strong competition in this category from many highly funded competitors and finalists from various shooting disciplines didn't stop her from winning the prestigious Senior Female Target Shooter of the Year Award 2018.

To be awarded Lady Shooter of the year is a true recognition of her achievements, hard work and dedication to the sport of Sporting Clays over many years and truly deserved.

Congratulations Renae Birgan!



41ST FITASC WORLD SPORTING CHAMPIONSHIP

E.J. CHURCHILL - ENGLAND - JULY 2019

SCA/AUSTRALIAN 2019 NATIONAL TEAM FINALISTS

Following on from the Nationals, the members mentioned below have selected themselves from their performance at their respective State events & from the Laang Australian Nationals recently held.

With one more event to go before the 2019 SCA/Australian Team will be selected to represent SCA/Australia at the 41st World FITASC Sporting Championships being held at EJ Churchills in South East England from Wednesday 10th to Saturday 13th July 2019. Take note everyone, this is an unusual time frame as the events previously have been from Thursday to Sunday. Make sure you note this earlier kick off day when you are booking your arrival & Accommodation for the event!

The final selection event for the team process will be the Australian FITASC Grand Prix being held at Geelong Sporting Clays on 9th & 10th March 2019. The final team selection is made from the total combined target scores of both the Laang Nationals and the FITASC Grand Prix.

Well done everyone & good luck as we run into the Australian Grand Prix event organised at Geelong Sporting Clays for the final selection event for the SCA/Australian National team.

OPEN	
Blake Nankervis	188
Jack Gibbs	187
Cameron Kivinen	187
Chris Brown	186
Matt Libbis	184
Robert Hall	181
Jeremy Kent	179
Peter Tobin	179
Nick Guerra	178
Sox Pilipasisdis	177
Reece Turner	177
Bart Brighenti	175
Bill Zogogiannis	172
Adam Shale	172
Jeremy Paglia	172

JUNIORS	
Matthew Wilesmith	173
Bryce Paglia	172
Luke Willemsen	171
Xavier Russell	166
Jack Roth	163
Daniel Falco	162

SENIORS	
John Younger	180
Ron Rhook	180
Chris Ball 1	170
Peter Hall	169
Colin Johns	168
Russell Pigdon	168

VETERANS	
Alan Backman	164
Rex Barber	163
Alec Ceccato	160
John Torresan	153
Neville Johnson	153
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Brittany Melbourne	167
Renaë Birgan	163
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HELP US CHOOSE! **OUR NEW AUSTRALIAN TEAM UNIFORM LOGO**

PROPOSED AUSTRALIAN SHOOTING TEAM UNIFORM

At the 2018 SCA AGM the board shortlisted these three logos - now integrating the Sporting Clays Australia logo with the important elements of our Australian identity.

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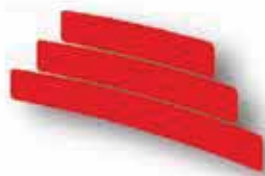
It was decided at this meeting that we would ask our valued members to help us choose our future Australian Team uniform logo!

So please vote for one of these 3 concepts, which you feel best represents our Association and our country when SCA Australian Team members compete in international competitions.

Please take the time to visit our website and vote, as your input will determine our uniforms for the foreseeable future.

To vote please visit:

**[www.sportingclaysaustralia.com.au/
about-us/teamlogo](http://www.sportingclaysaustralia.com.au/about-us/teamlogo)**



**AUSTRALIAN FITASC
GRAND PRIX**

Geelong Sporting Clays
9 & 10 March 2019

Australian
FITASC
Grand Prix

**Oceania FITASC
Championships**

Brisbane Sporting Clays
20 to 22 April 2019

Oceania
FITASC
Championships

**SCA ENGLISH
Sporting Nationals**

Laang - Victoria
4 & 5 May 2019

SCA English
Sporting Nationals

**SCA COMPAK
Sporting Nationals**

Geelong Sporting Clays
15 & 16 June 2019

SCA COMPAK
Sporting Nationals

**SCA AUSTRALIAN
Sporting Clay Nationals**

Cooma - NSW
19 to 20 October 2019

SCA Australian
Sporting Clay
Nationals

NSW PRESIDENT'S REPORT NOVEMBER

by Andrew Fairfield-Smith

2018 has been a good year for NSW. The state AGM was held in Bathurst in September, with a unanimous decision to change the Association name to Sporting Clays NSW (SCNSW). This will not only bring the State body in line with the National body, it also carries on to the clubs who refer to sporting clays within their names. The hope is that this will make it easier for the State body and the clubs to access grant programs at numerous levels. We are now well advanced with the program to getting Sporting Clays NSW as a registered State Sporting Organization.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Michael Munroe and Melissa King for their efforts on the State Executive. Michael served as President for 3 years and Vice President for 4 years. Melissa was Treasurer for 1 year. Welcome to the team for Steve Atkins, taking on the Vice Presidency and Mathew Webster as Treasurer.

In an effort to distribute some State funds, SCNSW partnered with the Clubs on a dollar for dollar basis to purchase automatic traps through the most recent Safe Shooting program. The results of this are not in yet, but it is hoped this will get some new traps, remotes and trailers out on the ranges.

I congratulate all clubs for their efforts this year. All shoots have been run well with good attendance rates across the board. The six selection shoots were well attended and thanks to the host clubs who put in the extra effort to hold those events. Mudgee once again held an excellent State Championship. The NSW national event for the year was the English Sporting Nationals; well done to Paul Smidt and his team for pulling off a flawless event that was well received by all.

50 NSW shooters attended the SCA Nationals in Laang. The NSW team came 3rd. with William Wright taking out the championship

in C Grade. Special mention should be made of Matthew Wilesmith who shot exceptionally well to take out the very competitive National Junior Championship, well done Matthew.

There will not be time to draw breath however, as we push forward into the new year. Shoalhaven, Majura Park, and Ardlethan Beckom are stepping up to the plate to hold State Selection Shoots. It will be the first year that NSW will hold State Championships for all four sporting disciplines. Compak (Cooma), English Sporting (Gunnedah), Old Style Fitasc (Sydney) and Sporting (Sydney) culminating in the SCA National Championships in Cooma in October.

And with that I would like to wish everybody a Merry Christmas and all the best for the New Year.

Andrew Fairfield-Smith,
President, Sporting Clays NSW



NSW SPORTING CLAYS CHAMPIONSHIP 2018

13 - 14 OCTOBER

Over the weekend of October 13-14th Mudgee Sporting Clays hosted the NSW state championship at the Windamere range. 100 competitors had nominated to shoot in the 200-target event. Two ranges had been set and after every round of twenty-five the shooting position was changed so the competitor never shot from the same spot twice. By moving the shooting position only a few metres, some targets became incredibly different. Additionally, the shooting grounds looked a picture after a few millimetres of moisture fell helping to keep the dust under control, in contrast to our last two-day event!

It was obvious after Saturday's scores started rolling in that Mudgee member Jake Mackenzie was the shooter to watch with a brilliant 96/100. Jake, along with Matt Wilesmith, were the only two shooters to crack

a possible 25 all weekend. When Sunday's results were finalised, Jake Mackenzie was down 10 targets on his previous day's effort, but was still good enough to win the weekend by nine targets with 182/200. Jake was also crowned the NSW STATE CHAMPION for 2018. Congratulations from all Mudgee members.

Results as follows:

HIGH GUN - Jake Mackenzie 182/200

AA - Bart Brighenti 173/200, Grant Barton 160, Steve Atkins 159.

B - John Koolbanis 162/200, Frank Scambellone 160, Jason Solomons 154.

B - Scott King 158/200, George Roth 149, Julian Fry 147.

C - Ned Leonard 132/200, Arkie Dovitas 127.

VETERANS - Peter Kay 154/200, John Collier 148, Mick Munroe 147.

S/VETERANS - Ross Christian 153/200, John Monaghan 148, Laurie Redfern 145

LADIES - Helen Overton 141/200, Amy Buys 140, Emalene Munroe 137

JUNIORS - Matt Wilesmith 170/200, Jack Roth 162, Tom McGrath 139.

S/JUNIORS - Nick Brighenti 132/200, Chris Koolbanis 115, Jack Fairfield/Smith 108

At presentations, the NSW state team was announced and will be made up of the following shooters—Jake Mackenzie, Steve Atkins, Bart Brighenti, Steve Payne. Mick Munroe the Veteran representative, Amy Buys the lady and Matt Wilesmith the junior.

We are very proud to mention that four of these shooters come from our Mudgee club!

At all NSW state selection events the ADRIAN HAYES teams' event is shot for with the results added at the championship event. Mudgee's team which consisted of Jake Mackenzie, Ross Christian, Craig Kurtz and Scott King triumphed and Mudgee will once again be engraved on the trophy.

The Mudgee club would like to thank NSW Sporting Clays, Tasco Australia, Horsley Park Gun Shop, our caterers, all those who travelled and those members who helped make a success of the weekend. ■



COOMA SPORTING CLAYS

The spring months definitely had better weather conditions at Cooma Sporting Clays.

September always an exciting month on the South East Calendar with the running of the "Coomagui Cup" now in its 17th year. Bermagui visits the Cooma grounds on the third Sunday with a reciprocal visit the following weekend. Neville Brady, Bermagui President, was committed to winning the cup back after a lengthy 3-year absence from the Bermagui trophy cabinet, as we all know trophy cabinets can look a bit sad with a blank space. Nifty Nev pulled out all stops to rally the troops, late member sign ups, dodgy grading the lot. Unfortunately for Nev, with the home ground advantage Cooma managed to come out of the first leg with a 21-target lead. Scores are taken from the best two shooters from each club across three grades AA/A combined. (total targets per leg 600)

The day was run in conjunction with the "Rabbit Challenge" sponsored by Snowy Plain Monaro Stud. (The Hedger family.)

RESULTS FOR THE FIRST LEG

- AA** - 1st Mark Gschwend 85
- A** - 1st. Oscar Mower 78. 2nd Craig Field 77. 3rd Doug Alcock 76.
- B** - 1st. Andrew Fairfield-Smith 80. 2nd Chris Robbo 76 3rd Charlie Kimber 75.
- C** - 1st Dominic Mooney 74. 2nd Brendan Whoolohan 74. 3rd Russell Rowling 73.

LADIES

- B GRADE** - 1st Holly Gschwend. 70
- C GRADE** - 1st Kerry Donald 64. 2nd Barbie Magrin 62. 3rd Penny White 61

JUNIORS - 1st Jake Hedger.

RABBITS

- HIGH GUN** Mark Gschwend.
- A** - Doug Alcock.
- B** - Dave Alderidge.



C - Dominic Mooney.

LADIES - Holly Gschwend.

JUNIORS - Jake Hedger.

The following weekend Cooma headed to the coast on a Cooma coaches bus to defend the cup knowing from past events that a 21 target lead was possibly not going to be enough. Bermagui shot well to claim back 16 targets thru the day but this fell 5 short of the total. Final tallied scores Cooma 868/1200 Bermagui 863/1200.

October saw the third running of the club's annual picnic shoot day. To celebrate the better weather on offer the membership ignores the comforts of the club house and moves the show to the far end of the shooting grounds. This is a big task as the office, kitchen, scoreboards are all relocated for the day. Fortunately, the weather was on song with a magical spring day appearing after some early mist.

The day was well attended with 49 enjoying the picnic atmosphere. Thanks to the effort of the travelling shooters from Bermagui, Goulburn and Majura Park their support is appreciated.

Adam Mower and team set up two excellent ranges with good targets on offer. Nobody managed to shoot a perfect round of 25 however Curls Thistleton and James Byrne got close both shooting 24's



DUBBO FIELD AND GAME COAKER EVERETT MEMORIAL SHOOT

15-16 SEPTEMBER 2018

The 2018 Coaker Everett Memorial shoot brought shooters together for what was a great weekend. Although numbers were down this year, it didn't stop those who attended from having a great time.

And it wouldn't have been a shoot at Dubbo if the wind wasn't blowing! All weekend, day and night!

As you drove in the gate, it was like a caravan park! – With quite a few shooters deciding to camp on the grounds – great to see.

With the drought how it is, the club trucked in a load of water so no one missed out on a hot shower

Once again Denis Coaker and Tony Everett along with their band of helpers set a challenging but brilliant range.



Denis Coaker on the Bernie Rawson memorial Stand



Josh Bell during the shoot off for Coaker Everett High Gun

Range 1 consisted of low crossers, incomers that fooled quite a few, a rabbit that just seemed to keep going, teal that had a mind of its own, over the head and an outgoer from beside the shooter. The last stand being the Bernie Rawson Memorial trophy, created from a man who loved rabbits and teals. On it was both those targets along with an outgoer from the castle and a nice sim pair just to keep shooters on their toes. Brett Hall took the honours of the trophy with an impressive 27 out of 28. Congrats Brett on an impressive result.

Range two were the timed events, well thought plans went out the window along with a few shells.

The Tom Everett Black Duck Memorial trophy stand for the first time became a timed station with a coming from over the trees landing in the middle of the dam and a crosser sneaking along the opposite bank from amongst the trees and reeds. Depending on how you shot at the incomer decided on whether you were quick enough to reload for the next target.

Peter Kay came away with the win with 29 from 32. Congrats PK.

Next were the rabbits, starting with a right to left running to the safety of a fallen tree, second target coming from that same tree left to right. Attached to this stand were bragging rights only. With only a few seconds in between each target, the shooter became the entertainment to the rest of their squad.

With only seeing the Black Duck and Rabbit stands once per day, shooters proceeded to the Dick Coaker High Pheasant memorial trophy stand and Stuart Coaker Grouse Butt Memorial Trophy on their second round.

High Pheasants consisted of targets coming high from the truck, one quicker than the other. Simple high incomers; why not get on them early, no; then learn to bend over backwards, still missed them then wave goodbye to the clay! This stand is always fun and frustrating at the same time.

Defending title holder Brett Hall took on the creator Denis Coaker in what was a nail biting shoot off. Both shooters coming into it with 32/32, Brett took the first battle with another 16/16, Denis shooting next, unfortunately dropping the very last target with still a shell loaded (not realising that was the last target and to double barrel it) and walked out with 15/16.

Much to Denis' credit, he had just finished his day of shooting to then go in a shoot off for High Gun against the young Josh Bell which included timed events and then the High Pheasant Shoot off. I know a few shooters who wouldn't have been able to cope.

Next in line to torment shooters was the Grouse stand, 8 sim pairs on Saturday they were R to L and just to play with everyone's

OTHER RESULTS

HIGH GUN Mathew Webster.

AA GRADE - 1st Darren Redman, 2nd Brad Brault.

A GRADE - 1st John Sankey, 2nd Craig field, 3rd Doug Alcock

B GRADE - 1st Tim Kiernan, 2nd Barry Dunn, 3rd Reg Mc Gufficke.

C GRADE - 1st Mark Coleman, 2nd Charlie Kimber, 3rd Josh Lean.

LADIES - 1st Shelley Craig, 2nd Jan Redman, 3rd Penny White.

November traditionally "Bring a Mate Day" this year clashed with the Nationals in Laang. Some senior members of the club were absent which left the old guard (Richard Mould) to rally the troops. 2 x excellent ranges on offer from the experienced range setter which kept everybody honest in the handicap event. The most encouraging aspect of the day is the number of C Grade shooters (20) and lady shooters (9) attending the events.

This is becoming a normal occurrence at Cooma and looks promising for good membership numbers into the future.

RESULTS FOR THE DAY

HIGH GUN - Mark Coleman 115.

AA - 1st Darren Redman 89. 2nd Daren Jones 83

A - 1st Doug Alcock 99. 2nd Phil Craig 95 3rd Russell Rowling 94.

B - 1st David Noakes 93 2nd Dominic Mooney 84.

C - 1st Shaun Rowling 118. 2nd Lindsey Blewitt 111. 3rd Richard Warner 107.

LADIES - Corina Rowling. 109. 2nd Wendy Crouch 107. 3rd Rhonda White 106.

JUNIORS - 1st Jack Newson 115 2nd Charlie Alcock 93. ■



COAKER EVERETT MEMORIAL TROPHY WINNERS DENIS COAKER, BRETT HALL & PETER KAY



DUBBO FIELD & GAME CLUB CHAMPIONS 2018

minds, DC changed them to L to R for Sunday.

Sim pair of crossers – easy you might think? Added to the mixture was that the stand was placed down in a creek, changing the way you saw them, especially since you had been watching them fly past from the top of the creek bed.

A very honoured Denis Coaker took the title with 27/32.

Presentation took place with Denis & Tony thanking everyone for travelling to the shoot and hoped they all enjoyed themselves.

Tony finally got to present a 25 Break Badge for the Coaker Everett which I think is a first!

Congrats to Stephen Cooper on receiving a very special 25 Break Badge!

John Sidoti has been busy and DC & Tony presented him with his International Referee Badge - Well Done John.

Presidents Trophy - unfortunately due to other commitments President Rob Murray himself was unable to present the Dubbo Field & Game Presidents trophy to the well deserving recipient Luke Tomlin. Vice President Tony Everett had the honours.

RESULTS FROM 2 DAY EVENT SAT 15TH AND SUN 16TH			
High Gun		Josh Bell	200+28
AA Grade	1st	Mitch Hook	192
	2nd	Stephen Cooper	188
	3rd	Alister Lyne	181
A Grade	1st	Luke Cross	197+37
	2nd	Brett Hall	192+31
	3rd	Christopher Bourke	188
B Grade	1st	John Koolbanis	198
	2nd	Craig McPherson	193
	3rd	Stephen Bell	180
C Grade	1st	Jason Mouhet	150
	2nd	Scott Kelly	139
	3rd	Luke Tomlin	128
Masters	1st	Denis Coaker	200+25
	2nd	Les Townsend	149
	3rd	Keith Lyne	147
Senior	1st	Peter Kay	199
	2nd	Col Dorman	166
Ladies	1st	Zazana Navara	170
	2nd	Lauren Judge	164

	3rd	Mel Phillips	158
Junior	1st	George Lyne	178
	2nd	Eli Kelly	138
	3rd	Chris Koolbanis	163
Sub Junior	1st	Tom Lyne	171
	2nd	Charlie North	166
	3rd	Chris Koolbanis	163
Bernie Rawson Memorial		Brett Hall	27/28
Tom Everett Black Duck Memorial		Peter Kay	29/32
Stuart Coaker Grouse Butt Memorial		Denis Coaker	27/32
Tom Everett Black Duck Memorial		Brett Hall	32/32 + 16

**SIDE X SIDE EVENT
MONDAY 17 SEPTEMBER**

Monday saw numbers down again for the newly introduced separate SxS and Classic Pheasant Gun event. Normally held as part of the Coaker Everett Memorial shoot, the instigators DC and Tony thought they would change it up abit.

Shooters got to have another go at the 114 targets except this time preferably with their SxS's and Classic Pheasant Guns.

Trophy for the highest score OTG using a SxS and also a Pheasant gun.

Option of using an under & over gun was available.

Those that stayed or came out to have a go enjoyed themselves. Timed events became even more hectic (and funnier) due to the non-existent ejectors on most of the guns!

RESULTS FROM SIDE X SIDE EVENT MON 17TH		
High Gun Classic Pheasant	Peter Kay	96
High Gun Side x Side	John Sidoti	92
High Gun Under&Over	Craig McPherson	102
Side x Side Event 1st	Peter Kay	96
2nd	John Sidoti	92
3rd	Stuart Cole	86
4th	Denis Coaker	85
5th	Brett Hall	83
Under & Over Event – 1st	Craig McPherson	102
2nd	Lance North	95
3rd	Darren Guy	90
4th	Mel Phillips	86
5th	Charlie North	83

2018 CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS

This year the Club Championships were run over 3 rounds.

Sinochem – August Coaker Everett (Sunday only) – September Country Wide Industries – October

Overall Club Champion went down to the wire with Peter Kay just keeping Ken Purvis out by 2 targets.

What a great shoot off that would have been!

Highest score from over the 3 shoots gave these lucky shooters the titles

- AA GRADE** Club Champion - Steve Cooper
- A GRADE** Club Champion - Chris Bourke
- B GRADE** Club Champion - Ken Purvis
- C GRADE** Club Champion - Luke Tomlin
- LADIES** Club Champion - Mel Phillips
- VETERANS** Club Champion - Tony Everett
- SENIORS** Club Champion - Col Dorman
- MASTERS** Club Champion - Denis Coaker
- SUB JUNIOR** Club Champion - Jake McPherson
- OVERALL CLUB CHAMPION** - Peter Kay

**BROKEN HILL
FIELD AND GAME
NEWS** by "Shellshocked"

6-7 OCTOBER

On 6 and 7 October the Broken Hill Field and Game Association hosted its premier simulated field clay target shoot for the year, the thirty fifth annual 150 target Silver City Championships. The weather conditions over the weekend were warm and sunny, with a light breeze, just about ideal for shooting clay targets. Organisers were pleased with a very good turnout of 69 shooters from across New South Wales, Victoria and South Australia,

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particularly from Sunraysia and the Riverland, who competed for an impressive range of sashes and trophies.

Range marshals Josh, the other Josh, Gerard, Richard and Brian worked very hard to set an excellent range layout that provided plenty of variety and interest. Although some of the targets were challenging most were fairly straightforward and the degree of difficulty overall was definitely on the friendly side of average. This made for very enjoyable shooting and a number of the best interstate shooters described the targets as the best they had shot anywhere. Two possibles were recorded over the course of the event and were shot by Ben Garraway from Sunraysia and by Gerard Mahoney from Broken Hill.

continued his good form into B Grade with an excellent score of 124 for a close win in both graded events. Broken Hill's Tim Millsteed was second in the grade with his personal best score of 122 and he also won the Handicap High Gun sash over 150 targets with an amazing score of 176. Broken Hill shooter Josh Edgcombe won the handicap event with a score of 58.

Brock Mannix from Balranald made his first visit to the Silver City one to remember and he shot a very good score of 114 to finish well ahead of the opposition and take a clean sweep of every first place prize in C Grade.

It is always encouraging to see a good field of shooters in the Lady, Veteran and Junior

The Claypan Penguins Handicap Team Championship was won by the Broken Hill team, Four Blind Mice. Tim Millsteed, Jeff Glasson, Anthony Elliott and Rod Weaver combined well to score 631 on handicap which was easily good enough for the championship win. Balranald and Riverland teams tied for second place with 624 and the Balranald team got the nod from the scorers.

At the conclusion of the shoot Association President Rod Weaver thanked all shooters for their attendance and presented the trophies to the lucky winners. The visitors, who made up nearly three quarters of our shooters, and who in many cases had travelled a long way to participate, received special



SILVER CITY HIGH GUN CHAMPION BEN GARRAWAY (RIGHT), HANDICAP HIGH GUN CHAMPION TIM MILLSTEED (LEFT), PRESIDENT ROD WEAVER (MIDDLE)

The best overall score for the shoot was an excellent total of 140 recorded by AA Grade shooter Ben Garraway from the Sunraysia club who won the Silver City Shield High Gun sash with just a few shots up his sleeve at the finish. This was Ben's first Silver City Championships, his score is a record for the event, and we look forward to seeing him back to defend his title.

Brian McGaffin from Sunraysia won AA Grade with an excellent score of 137 which was good enough to win both of the graded events. Ben Garraway and Broken Hill's Josh Holmes both shot 52 in the handicap event and Ben got the nod from the scorers on countback.

The result in A Grade was very close indeed and Bradley Harris from Sunraysia and Gerard Mahoney from Broken Hill both shot an excellent score of 133 for a first place tie. Brad was awarded the first place sash at the finish while Gerard was Broken Hill's highest scoring shooter. Loxton shooter Colin Nunn won the handicap event with a score of 54.

Renmark shooter Matthew Redway was last year's C Grade Champion and he has

categories and some excellent shooting as well.

Broken Hill shooter Cassie McEvoy is a great contributor to our club and a regular competitor at the Silver City Championships. This year she was easily the best of the Lady shooters taking a clean sweep of the two graded championships with a good score of 97, well clear of her opposition. Julie Gillespie from Loxton shot 60 for a first place finish in the handicap event.

Peter Rudd from the Sunraysia club and Dave Gagnon from Central SA have been regular participants at the Silver City Championships for as long as anyone can remember, specially Dave who has his name on a few of the club's perpetual trophies. Both shot very well in the Veterans Grade, Peter scored 119 to win both graded events and Dave scored 57 to win the handicap event.

The Junior Grade was dominated by young lady shooters from the Sunraysia club. Zoe Heinrich shot 84 to win both graded events, and Latisha Dekoning shot 55 to win the handicap event.



acknowledgement. Rod thanked all who had helped with the organisation and running of the shoot; Steve, Brian, Geoff and Barry for managing the kitchen; Cassie, Cil, Mal

and Brian for a great job in the nominations office; and of course, the range marshals for an exceptional job with the targets.

Rod extended a special vote of thanks to the Association's sponsors; Western Auto Electrical, Broken Hill Credit Union, the Claypan Penguins, Brian Hoare and Richard Murphy for their valued support which is essential to the success of the Silver City Championships.

Information for any event at Broken Hill is available from Association President Rod Weaver on 0407 187 498, and Secretary Josh Holmes on 0424 968 802.

Photo 2.

Silver City Championship grade winners; (left to right), Matt Redway (B Grade), Brock Mannix (C Grade), Brad Harris (A Grade), Brian McGaffin (AA Grade), Cassie McEvoy (Ladies), Peter Rudd (Veterans) and Zoe Heinrich (Juniors).

Photo 3.

Western Auto Electrical Championship grade winners (left to right), Matt Redway (B Grade), Brock Mannix (C Grade), Brian McGaffin (AA Grade), Peter Rudd (Veterans), Cassie McEvoy (Ladies), Zoe Heinrich (Juniors) and Gerard Mahoney (A Grade).

Photo 4.

Broken Hill Credit Union Handicap Championship grade winners (left to right), Ben Garraway (AA Grade), Brock Mannix (C Grade), Julie Gillespie (Ladies), Colin Nunn (A Grade), Josh Edgumbe (B Grade), Latisha Dekoning (Juniors) and Dave Gagnon (Veterans).

Photo 5.

Claypan Penguin Handicap Team Championship winners (left to right), Tim Millsteed, Anthony Elliott, Rod Weaver and Jeff Glasson.

Photo 6.

Field and Game President Rod Weaver presents Ben Garraway (at left) and Gerard Mahoney with Possible Badges for shooting a perfect round of 25/25 targets.

BROKEN HILL SILVER CITY CHAMPIONSHIP 150 TARGET GRADED			
High Gun		Ben Garraway	Sunraysia 140
H/Cap HG		Tim Millsteed	Broken Hill 176
AA Grade	1st	Brian McGaffin	Sunraysia 137
	2nd	Greg McSwain	Sunraysia 132
	3rd	Kevin Nickolai	Loxton 128
A Grade	1st	Bradley Harris	Sunraysia 133
	2nd	Gerard Mahoney	Broken Hill 133
	3rd	Colin Nunn	Loxton 128
B Grade	1st	Matthew Redway	Renmark 124
	2nd	Tim Millsteed	Broken Hill 122
	3rd	Brad Gillespie	Loxton 121
C Grade	1st	Brock Mannix	Balranald 114
	2nd	Kevin Jones	Brisbane 105
	3rd	Leith Venning	Central SA 102
Veterans	1st	Peter Rudd	Sunraysia 119
	2nd	Brian Casey	Broken Hill 114
	3rd	Bill Harker	Sunraysia 113
Ladies	1st	Cassie McEvoy	Broken Hill 97
	2nd	Julie Gillespie	Loxton 88
	3rd	Karen Miller	Renmark 79
Juniors	1st	Zoe Heinrich	Sunraysia 84
	2nd	Latisha Dekoning	Sunraysia 74

WESTERN AUTO ELECTRICAL CHAMPIONSHIP 100 TARGET GRADED				
AA Grade	1st	Brian McGaffin	Sunraysia	93
	2nd	Ben Garraway	Sunraysia	92
	3rd	Greg McSwain	Sunraysia	89
A Grade	1st	Gerard Mahoney	Broken Hill	90
	2nd	Bradley Harris	Sunraysia	89
	3rd	Jarrold Leerson	Sunraysia	83
B Grade	1st	Matthew Redway	Renmark	85
	2nd	Brad Gillespie	Loxton	85
	3rd	Tim Millsteed	Broken Hill	84
C Grade	1st	Brock Mannix	Balranald	76
	2nd	Kevin Jones	Brisbane	71
	3rd	Leith Venning	Central SA	71
Veterans	1st	Peter Rudd	Sunraysia	81
	2nd	Bill Harker	Sunraysia	75
	3rd	Richard Murphy	Broken Hill	71
Ladies	1st	Cassie McEvoy	Broken Hill	64
	2nd	Julie Gillespie	Loxton	56
	3rd	Karen Miller	Renmark	55
Juniors	1st	Zoe Heinrich	Sunraysia	53
	2nd	Latisha Dekoning	Sunraysia	47

COMMUNITY CREDIT UNION CHAMPIONSHIP 50 TARGET GRADED				
AA Grade	1st	Ben Garraway	Sunraysia	52
	2nd	Josh Holmes	Broken Hill	52
	3rd	Brian McGaffin	Sunraysia	50
A Grade	1st	Colin Nunn	Loxton	54
	2nd	Gerard Mahoney	Broken Hill	53
	3rd	Chris Rayner	Sunraysia	53
B Grade	1st	Josh Edgumbe	Broken Hill	58
	2nd	Mark Hogan	Lake Bonney	57
	3rd	Mike Lane	Central SA	57
C Grade	1st	Brock Mannix	Balranald	58
	2nd	Grant Cox	Broken Hill	58
	3rd	Paul Boseley	Sunraysia	58
Veterans	1st	Dave Gagnon	Central SA	57
	2nd	Brian Casey	Broken Hill	54
	3rd	Richard Murphy	Broken Hill	51
Ladies	1st	Julie Gillespie	Loxton	60
	2nd	Karen Miller	Renmark	52
	3rd	Cassie McEvoy	Broken Hill	51
Juniors	1st	Latisha Dekoning	Sunraysia	55
	2nd	Calan Lawrence	Broken Hill	51
		Zoe Heinrich	Sunraysia	49

CLAYPAN PENGUINS TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP 150 TARGET GRADED			
1st	Broken Hill Four Blind Mice	Tim Millsteed Jeff Glasson Anthony Elliott Rod Weaver	631
2nd	Balranald Sparky and Her Assistants	Rachel Johnson Mark Hogan Robbie Linnett Brock Mannix	624
3rd	Riverlanders	John Redway Ian Jones Leith Venning Dave Gagnon	624

2 DECEMBER - XMAS SHOOT

On Sunday 2 December the Broken Hill Field and Game Association concluded another very successful year of clay target shooting with our very popular Christmas Shoot. The event was generously sponsored by the Silver City Workingmen's Club. After a wild, windy, wet and dusty day on Saturday, shoot day was clear and mild with a light breeze, conditions that were perfect for shooting clay targets. Organisers were very pleased with an excellent turn out of no fewer than 44 shooters including visitors from the Sunraysia and Milparinka clubs.



Clay Johnston (at left) is presented with the Ian West Memorial Trophy for 2018 by Association President Rod Weaver.

The range was set by Josh, Brian, Gerard and Rod who provided an excellent variety of targets that were a tad on the easy side of average, which made for good fun shooting, as it should be at a Christmas shoot. The range comprised four stations and was shot twice to make up the 60 target competition. The best shooters in each grade shot some very good totals.

The High Gun trophy was won in very fine style by Sunraysia shooter Brian McGaffin who shot extremely well for a total of 56 off the gun, just a single shot clear of local shooter Josh Holmes.

All other results were determined on handicap totals with the top ten shooters winning Christmas hams and the next five shooters winning Christmas cakes. The top handicap score was 66 and was shared by Junior shooter Ashden Hall and Milparinka shooter Rod Grenfell. Ashden got the nod



CLUB GRADE CHAMPIONS FOR 2018 (LEFT TO RIGHT), ANTHONY ELLIOTT (B GRADE), BRIAN CASEY (A GRADE), CASSIE MCEVOY (LADIES), TRAVIS CASEY (C GRADE) AND ASHDEN HALL (JUNIORS).



A happy Handicap High Gun winner Ashden Hall with his well deserved Christmas ham.

▶ from the referee for Handicap High Gun but both shooters scored a ham for their excellent shooting.

At the conclusion of shooting the Association's President Rodney Weaver thanked all present for their attendance and support. Rodney presented the prizes to the winners, and also presented the Association's annual awards.

The Ian West Memorial Trophy is a significant event on the Association's calendar. Ian was a very popular and highly regarded member of the Field and Game Association. His Trophy is presented in memory of all valued members of the Association who have passed away and is keenly contested and sought after by all of our shooters. The shoot was held in November and was won by Clay Johnston who accepted the trophy at the presentations.

The result of our annual club championship was a tie and the Rex and Sidney Carroll Club Championship Cup for 2018 is shared by Clay Johnston and Josh Holmes who both finished with 37 points, a comfortable margin clear of the next best shooters. These two shooters have competed head to head all year and each has tried their very best to improve their shooting and their results. But they have matched each other's scores remarkably closely all year and both are very deserving winners of the club championship. Other shooters who scored prominently in the championship were Jeff Glasson who finished with 20 points, Gerard Mahoney with 17 points and Brian Casey with 15 points.

Perpetual trophies were also awarded to the most successful shooters for 2018 in each Grade. Richard Murphy presented the trophies to Brian Casey (A Grade), Anthony Elliott (B Grade) and Travis Casey (C Grade). Ashden Hall was the winner of the Junior shooter, and was a very pleased recipient of the perpetual shield donated by the Rawson family, and Cassie McEvoy was our best Lady shooter.

Rod Weaver also presented the President's Shield that is awarded to a member who makes an outstanding contribution to the Association during the year. For 2018 the Shield was presented to Josh Edgecumbe. Josh is an active member of the Association's committee and has also made an outstanding contribution at the range setting up for shoot days. Josh is certainly a very worthy recipient of this award.

The President and members of the Field and Game Association take this opportunity to thank our many sponsors and supporters for the valuable assistance they have given us during 2018. We also thank all of those members who have made a special effort on our behalf during the year, particularly our range office staff; Mal, Brian, Cassie, Elissa and Cil. We extend best wishes for the festive season to all in Broken Hill, and to all of our fellow shooters good shooting for 2019.

Information for any event at Broken Hill is available from Association President Rod Weaver on 0407 187 498, and Secretary Josh Holmes on 0424 968 802.

BROKEN HILL XMAS SHOOT 2018 60 TARGET HANDICAP SHOOT			
High Gun		Brian McGaffin	56
AA Grade	1st	Josh Holmes	61
	2nd	Leigh Norton	52
	3rd	Clay Johnston	50
A Grade	1st	Brian Casey	62
	2nd	Jeff Glasson	61
	3rd	Andrew Ashwood	59
B Grade	1st	Travis Casey	64
	2nd	Rod Weaver	60
	3rd	Richard Murphy	59
C Grade	1st	Rod Grenfell	66
	2nd	Malcolm McEvoy	62
	3rd	Kieran McEvoy	61
Ladies	1st	Cassie McEvoy	50
Juniors	1st	Ashden Hall	66
	2nd	Tom Casey	64
	3rd	Calan Lawrence	63



Club Champions for 2018, Josh Holmes (at left) and Clay Johnston with the Rex and Sidney Carroll Cup.



Association President Rod Weaver (at right) presents the President's Shield for outstanding service to the Association during 2018 to Josh Edgecumbe.

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AUSTRALIAN SPORTING CLAYS SYDNEY NEWS

Australian Sporting clays Sydney has had another very positive year with increasing numbers at shoots and plenty of new faces.

Our corporate events have also added to our bank balance, work load and introduced new shooters to our sport thanks to Allan for his efforts in this area.

Our ground crew have worked their butts of this year ensuring plenty of new target presentations and the smooth running of all our equipment, special mention to Tom Zorgios, Peter Cassar and Colin Bradbury for stepping up and running our extra Saturday practice shoots this year.

We held some major events this year with the National English sporting in May, a state selection in September and the state old style championship in November, all of these events were successes with shooters leaving after a good days shooting.

As always, our committee has worked together in all areas and deserve a thank you from all members.

Like all sporting clubs we could not run without all our volunteers, staff and of course sponsors. We are very lucky to have two prolific sponsors within our region in Horsley Park Gun shop and Safari Firearms thanks to both John and Garry for your support in 2018

We have more upgrades planned for our ground in 2019 and have secured the SCNSW State championship in September along with the SCNSW old style in November.

Regards

ASC President
Paul Smidt

SCNSW STATE SELECTION 6 SYDNEY

16 SEPTEMBER

Sunday the 16th September was a big day shooting with some fantastic scores recorded over some very tricky targets plus the added gusty winds that arrived throughout the day.

Shooters were greeted with two ranges with some new target presentations for the day.

Stand 4 on A range was wind affected during the day and all shooters needed some luck throughout the day as targets ducked and weaved around the shot at virtually every stand.

Stand 3 on B range had tricky going away from below the scaffold which tested many and stand 4 had a fast battue quartering across the shooter which required a good plan of attack to hit.

All those who shot over mid-eighties shot exceptionally well but to venture into the nineties was a superb effort by several shooters in these conditions.

Thanks to our Sponsor Safari Firearms with their support we had a fantastic prize pool.

It was a little disappointing that another major NSW shoot was scheduled on this weekend but it does show sporting clays is healthy in NSW as numbers were still strong.

Regards

ASC President
Paul Smidt

ASC STATE SELECTION SCORES 2018			
High Gun		STEVE ATKINS	92
AA Grade	1st	BART BRIGHENTI	91
	2nd	ANDREW BELL	87
	3rd	JACOB MACKENZIE	86
A Grade	1st	ANDREW GARVIE	91
	2nd	ANGELO SALAMON	81
	3rd	FRANK ARACO	81
B Grade	1st	GEORGE ROTH	72
	2nd	SCOTT KING	71
	3rd	ALI ISMAIL	69
C Grade	1st	SVEN KROLLPFEIFFER	72
	2nd	RICK HOOLIHAN	67
	3rd	MARK JONES	66
Veterans	1st	DOUG BRENTON	74
	2nd	BILL TSAGAROPOULOS	71
	3rd	ALEX CECCATO	70
Seniors	1st	MIKE MUNRO	82
	2nd	JOHN COLLIER	78
	3rd	STEPHEN NEWCOMBE	74
Ladies	1st	AMY BUYS	81
	2nd	EMALINE MUNRO	76
	3rd	HELEN OVERTON	71
Juniors	1st	JACK ROTH	84
	2nd	MATHEW WILESMITH	83
Sub Juniors	1st	NICHOLAS BRIGHENTI	74
	2nd	JACK ATKINS	53
	3rd	CHRISTIAN SELIMIOTIS	39

ADRIAN HAYS TEAM EVENT

1ST Ardlethan Beckom Sporting Clays TEAM 1 **325**

Nick Brighenti, Bart Brighenti, Alec Ceccato, Mike Munro.

2ND Ardlethan Beckom Sporting Clays TEAM 2 **319**

3RD Australian Sporting Clays Sydney **318**



OLD STYLE CHAMPIONSHIP WINNERS

SC NSW OLD STYLE FITASC CHAMPIONSHIP

This year's event was looking like a sell out as shooters nominated early to secure a spot and we were almost there except for a few late withdrawals.



We had three layouts each day with four stands per layout, some changes were made for the second day on each layout. With great weather, plenty of varied target presentations and a fantastic lunch each day, what more could you want? That's right, prizes, well a 22-lever action was up for HG to start, then a 6-gun safe for the lucky door prize to back it up not to mention over \$600 in prizes in each grade. Superb work from Horsley Park Gun Shop and John Dickey for his hustle to arrange this support.

Old Style is always a tricky discipline to set up both for its safety aspects and target presentation due to Sydney's range



orientation. But we definitely got it right with some super targets.

A range a simple looking straight pink going away claimed many all weekend as did the sim pair on B range. From the low stand a nice pair of crossing overheads so how did I and many others blow them? C range had some rabbits to deal with or in most cases watch them scoot on through your shot and a distant std off the tower on Saturday which shrunk over night to a midi for Sunday that somehow looked twice as far away.

Thanks to Allan, Hugh, Ray and John for their mid-week work to get his event ready and

Colin for his help on Friday in the stinking heat setting ranges B & C

Special thanks to Clare for her efforts in the kitchen and office over the weekend and putting up with me prior to this event.

Once again young Andrew Zorgios help insure all the scores where up to date all weekend.

Regards
ASC President
Paul Smidt

SPORTING CLAYS NSW OLD STYLE FITASC SYDNEY			
High Gun		Andrew Bell	128 +22
A Grade	1st	Frank Sgambellone	121
	2nd	John Collier	119
	3rd	Frank Araco	117
B Grade	1st	Stephen Newcombe	116
	2nd	John Dickey	108
	3rd	Colin Bradbury	105
C Grade	1st	Andrea Barrowman	101
	2nd	Hayden Valeri	99
	3rd	Sam Koudsy	94

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SAFGA SPORTING CLAYS CHAMPIONSHIPS

BURRUNGULE PARK, 27 - 28 OCTOBER

The South East Branch of the South Australian Field & Game Association recently held the State sporting clays championships at Burrungule Park. 104 competitors from across Victoria and South Australia nominated for the event. Near perfect weather conditions over the weekend ensured titles in all grades and categories were hotly contested. Course setter Ken Atkin together with Neville Kent and their crew of workers presented Burrungule Park grounds immaculately with two courses of clay targets with varying speed, angles and direction to test the shooters skills and concentration.

Day one saw competitors shoot both courses twice to get 100 targets, prizes on the day were awarded in each grade and category on handicap scores, Sub Junior Carter Rossouw took out the Handicap High Gun for the day.

Day two had each competitor shoot each ground once for 50 targets, so all grades and categories would be decided over 150 targets, off the gun.

Amazing consistency from Jeremy Kent with 143/150 over six rounds saw him retain the South Australian title ahead of the chasing pack of Victorian shooters with Sox Pilipasidis taking out AA Grade ahead of Matt Libbis and Bill Zogogiannis.

A Grade needed shoot offs to determine a winner in Steven Crawford from Jo Densley and Michael Brilley also needed a shoot off with Rob Marcoianni to take third spot on the podium.

B Grade also needed a shoot off for Allan Cowin to finish ahead of Dale Smith, likewise Danny Genovese need to shoot off with Romain Devaud to claim third place.

C Grade champion Brenton Denney has been improving steadily over recent times to overtake his rival Mike Gates in second with the experienced Frank Kentish rounding out the podium in third.

Ron Rhook shot the second overall highest score to demonstrate his class to win Seniors by 11 targets over Australian team Seniors Chris Ball & Peter Hall.



The evergreen Malcolm Whitehead took out the Veterans title by 5 targets from Chris VonStanke Snr and the experienced John Torresan in third.

Reigning Ladies World Champion Renae Birgan had to work hard on the second day to overcome Tasha Bellinger to win the Ladies title by 2 targets, Deanna Van der Zalm rounded out the podium in third.

Australian Junior team representative Daniel Falco took out the junior Title. The eight Sub juniors saw Declan Wright take out the title from Shakielle VonStanke and Nicholas Bologianis.

Day one possible 25 badges were awarded to Sox, Ron Rhook, Peter Reading, Jack Gibbs, 2 to Matt Libbis and a first to Matt Jones. Day two saw Pros Van der Zalm the sole recipient.

The South East Branch was praised by competitors and sponsors for hosting the event which ran smoothly, on time and presented quality targets.

SOUTH AUSTRALIAN STATE SPORTING CLAYS CHAMPION

Jeremy Kent 143/50

AA GRADE

1st S.Pilipasidis 141/150 2nd M.Libbis 140/150
3rd B.Zogogiannis 139/150



A GRADE

1st S.Crawford 129/150 2nd J.Densley 129/150
3rd M.Brilley 128/150

B GRADE

1st A.Cowin 109/150 2nd D.Smith 109/150 3rd
D.Genovese 107/150

C GRADE

1st B.Denney 96/150 2nd M.Gates 91/150 3rd
F.Kentish 89/150

SENIORS

1st R.Rhook 141/150 2nd C.Ball 130/150 3rd
P.Hall 130/150

VETERANS

1st M.Whitehead 122/150 2nd C.VonStanke
117/150 3rd J.Torresan 116/150

LADIES

1st R.Birgan 2nd T.Bellinger 128/150 3rd
D.VanderZalm 120/150.

JUNIORS

1st D.Falco 128/150

SUB-JUNIORS

1st D.Wright 109/150 2nd S.VonStanke 96/150
3rd N.Bologianis 94/150

SOUTH EAST FIELD & GAME

SAGE/ MARTIENSEN MEMORIAL SHOOT 25 NOVEMBER

Near perfect weather conditions for sporting clays greeted the 76 shooters that nominated for the annual Sage Martiensen memorial shoot. Richard Sage was on hand to present the sashes to "Off the Gun" team winners Ernie Scheidl, Leigh Dunn, Steven Scheidl and Wendel Litchfield whilst the Handicap team of Declan Wright and the Rossouw family of Alan, Fletcher & Carter got the sash.



Course setter Ken Atkin again used the semi old style sporting layout over the three courses for the 75 target event sponsored by Fennell Forestry. Jeremy Kent and Ernie Scheidl, who both earned a possible 25 badge, were tied on 71/75 and needed a shoot off to determine the Gambier Shooting supplies High Gun. Scheidl prevailed to take the honours.

Kent duly took out **AA GRADE** from Gavin Dyson 70/75 with Daniel Ashby third on 69/75. Andrew Green won **A GRADE** with 67/75 whilst it took a shoot off between Steven Scheidl and Brian Shelton to determine second & third, making it a good day for the Scheidl family, Steven duly won that shoot off as well.

B GRADE shooter Heath Telford dominated to win by six targets with 65/75, minor placings taken up by Dale Smith and Wendel Litchfield. Doug Rohde made a welcome return to claim the **C GRADE** honours ahead of Alan Rossouw and Dwayne Bell.

SENIORS was won by Neville Kent shooting 63/75 from Wayne Evans and Robert Clark. The experienced John Monaghan won **VETERANS** with 65/75 from Chris VonStanke Snr and Bob Jones in third.

Vicki Fabris shot well enough in the shoot off to edge out Nicola Harradine to claim honours in the **LADIES** category from Emma Lawford in third. Declan Wright took out the **SUB JUNIORS** with 55/75 from Fletcher Rossouw and Brodie VonStanke-Dowie.



RESULTS

Sage Martiensen Memorial Shoot

OTG Team; Ernie Scheidl, Steven Scheidl, Leigh Dunn & Wendel Litchfield

Handicap Team; Alan Rossouw, Carter Rossouw, Fletcher Rossouw & Declan Wright

FENNEL FORESTRY 75 TARGETS

Gambier Shooting Supplies High Gun; Ernie Scheidl 71/75

AA GRADE

1st J.Kent 71/71, 2nd G.Dyson 70/75, 3rd D.Ashby 69/75

A GRADE

1st A.Green 67/75, 2nd S.Scheidl 63/75, 3rd B.Shelton 63/75

B GRADE

1st H.Telford 65/75, 2nd D.Smith 59/75, 3rd W.Litchfield 59/75

C GRADE

1st D.Rohde 39/75, 2nd A.Rossouw 35/75, 3rd D.Bell 33/75

SENIORS

1st N.Kent 63/75, 2nd W.Evans 61/75, 3rd R.Clark 53/75

VETERANS

1st J.Monaghan 65/75, 2nd C.VonStanke Snr. 63/75 3rd R.Jones 60/75

LADIES

1st V.Fabris 40/75, 2nd N.Harradine 40/75, 3rd E.Lawford 35/75

SUB-JUNIORS

1st D.Wright 55/75, 2nd F.Rossouw 48/75, 3rd B.VonStanke-Dowie 43/75

LAKE BONNEY SPORTING CLAYS

DECEMBER 2018

Lake Bonney Sporting Clays December event had 71 shooters competing in 60 target novelty Christmas event. The course set differently, this shoot as English Sporting Pairs. The weather conditions for the day was quite warm with north wind making few clays change directions unexpectedly.

It was great to see a few shooters dressed up in Christmas attire for the day. Most shooters had an enjoyable day of shooting and enjoyed roast dinner for tea and chilled refreshments.

Husband and wife duo, Danny and Tasha Bellinger shot well for the day. Danny claiming High Gun, shot only 2 targets clear to claim highest score for the day. Tasha coming first in ladies.

In **AA GRADE** Malcom Whitehead shot only clear 1 target to take the win from Jeremy Kent and Chris Wright.

In **A GRADE** Mick Brennan claiming first by 2 targets, Matthew Jones claiming second and Mick Banning claiming third.

In **B GRADE** Jon Prance claimed first over Vice President Cliff Lee second and Perry Gurney third.

In **C GRADE** Committee member Reg Hamilton shot clear 1 target to win with Michael Gates coming second Committee member Trevor Whitehead third.

In **VETERANS** the two Wayne's competed for prizes but committee member Wayne Gurney claimed first, Chris Vonstanke second and Wayne Evans third.

In **SUPER VETERANS** Gary "Dangers" Dangerfield claimed first. The two Peters competed for second and third, but Peter Caskey claimed second over Peter Klieve third.

In **LADIES** Tasha Bellingher claiming first over Meagan Whitehead second, Rebecca Kober claimed third.

In **SUB JUNIORS** younger competitors with Shak Vonstanke claim first, Carter Rossouw second and Declan Wright third.

Lake Bonney Sporting Clays wishes everyone a Merry Christmas and a Safe New Year and looking forward to another great year for shooting for 2019.



RESULTS			
HIGH GUN		Danny Bellingher	58
AA	1st	Malcom Whitehead	56
	2nd	Jeremy Kent	55
	3rd	Chris Wright	55
A	1st	Mick Brennan	53
	2nd	Matthew Jones	51
	3rd	Mick Brennan	51
B	1st	Jon Prance	51
	2nd	Cliff Lee	48
	3rd	Perry Gurney	47
C	1st	Reg Hamilton	43
	2nd	Michael Gates	42
	3rd	Trevor Whitehead	39
Veterans	1st	Wayne Gurney	51
	2nd	Chris VonStanke	49
	3rd	Wayne Evans	48
Super Veterans	1st	Gary Dangerfield	48
	2nd	Peter Caskey	47
	3rd	Peter Klieve	47
Ladies	1st	Tasha Bellingher	55
	2nd	Meagan Whitehead	37
	3rd	Bec Kober	35
Sub Juniors	1st	Shak Vonstanke	40
	2nd	Carter Rossouw	38
	3rd	Declan Wright	35

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WEST AUSTRALIAN FIELD & GAME

2 DAY STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

6-7 OCTOBER

Another 2 Day State Championship held over the weekend 6th & 7th October continues to be proving a success amongst the members. This year it was held at the Perth Metro Wanneroo Sporting Clays Club with the new President Wayne Mascord and his dedicated, hardworking committee



WAFGA TOP 10 FOR 2018



Rhys Howard o/a State Aggregate Champion for 2018

and members. As we all know a massive amount of work happens in the days prior to a competition in setting up the grounds and ensuring the machines are all in tip top condition in preparation for the event. To all those members from other clubs who gave up their time and work commitments to help Wanneroo out it was greatly appreciated. The event was a huge success and Wayne and his committee are to be congratulated as they made sure everything ran like clockwork even to the point where club members gave up competing, just so everyone else who competed had a great weekend. Everyone was made welcome and nothing was too much trouble. The ladies in the kitchen absolutely looked after us all. Our 2018 State Carnival was full of plenty of fun, even an appearance from Bruce's Shooting Academy on the Saturday evening! good times, great mates, great shooting and everything ran like clockwork from the office to the traps and the kitchen was awesome. Top job everyone.

Volunteers do play a massive role in our

sport and are certainly undervalued but a HUGE THANK YOU to, members, family and friends that all played an important role in keeping our sport going and working together for the same goal, sure does make a difference. I would like to thank Mike, Dave, Clyde and Deanne for their assistance with helping me in the office and thanks Clyde for making sure our internet worked perfectly so we could have the live scores working.

Our Sponsors for the weekend which we are very grateful to were OTC and A & S Lawn Corsiva targets, / GB ammo, thank you to Lee, Tony and Sally for your ongoing generous support. Paul and Natalie Pitaro from Western Trap and Field (WTF) again we say thank you for providing our raffle prizes. Also, our sponsors for the Top 10 awards we really appreciate the support from Vern & Kirsty Godfrey and Kevin & Penny Dodd. We can never give enough recognition to our sponsors and I ask where ever you can please support our sponsors as they support us as shooters.

Congratulations to Tony Trainor O/A winner of State 200 target sporting clays champion 176/200.

The Aggregate WAFGA champion for 2018 was Rhys Howard (Boodg) who is certainly the crowd favourite and Boodg epitomises what being a great member and good sportsmanship is all about. A well deserved win. The top 10 State sporting shooters are Rhys Howard, Tony Trainor, Nick Melanko, Ben Sgro, Ryan McPherson, Clayton Dennis, Luke Turner, Michael McDonald, Grant Cooper and Ken Green who has been our Number 10 for the past 3 years!

Due to some champs not able to travel to Laang for the SCA Nationals Our State Team will be:

Open- Ben Sgro, Ryan McPherson, Clayton Dennis, Luke Turner. Lady Maria Dunnett, Senior Tony Trainor, Junior Byron Jones. Reserve Michael McDonald.

As the State Secretary I try hard to keep our Association on track and make sure everything keeps flowing and communications plays a vital role. Getting state team jackets ordered and ready for the Nationals in a short timeframe is a challenge but we got it done. There is a lot of work that goes on behind the scenes with admin and keeping members and families updated using the SCA live scores and results put up on social media immediately after the shoot is well worth the effort.

As I bid you all adieu, I say thank you for the memories. I came on board with WAFGA in

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2015 and it sure has been a roller coaster ride and after nearly 26 years in shooting sports admin I have decided to call it quits and will finish up at the AGM in January 2019. I really have made some wonderful friendships all throughout Australia and I will miss not being involved. It was an unexpected wonderful surprise when our State Target Director Mike Hudspith and State President presented me with a huge bunch of flowers at the State 2 day and thanked me for all the effort I have given to the sport as a volunteer. Very much appreciated and I think I was speechless ha ha.

Wishing everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. May 2019 be a great year.

Farewell Sue Green WAFGA State Secretary.



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State President Vern Godfrey, STD Mike Hudspith and State Secretary Sue Green

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CHILDERS SPORTING CLAYS REPORT

- by Max Whiting

NOVEMBER 2018

At Childers Sporting Clays (CSC) we held our 10th anniversary birthday shoot on October 28. Seventeen shooters turned up for the event and enjoyed three old-style FITSAC layouts set around the grounds.

On the day, the club raised \$250 which was donated to the Queensland Drought Relief Fund which was a great effort from such a small club.

Next year, CSC will host a 2-day selection shoot on behalf of Fraser Coast and Childers Sporting Clays; however at this time the date is yet to be finalised.

There are also plans to develop more shooting areas in preparation for the event.

Finally, I would like to thank our club members for their continued support throughout the year and wish one and all a very Merry Christmas.

Max Whiting
CSC - President

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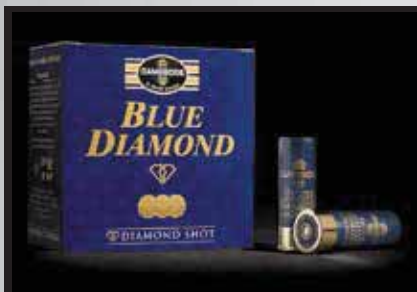
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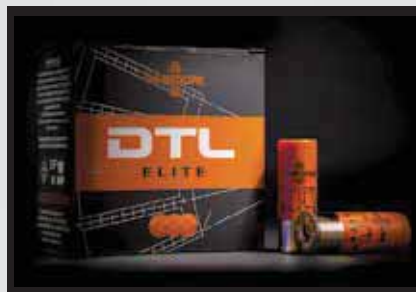
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BARREL LENGTH

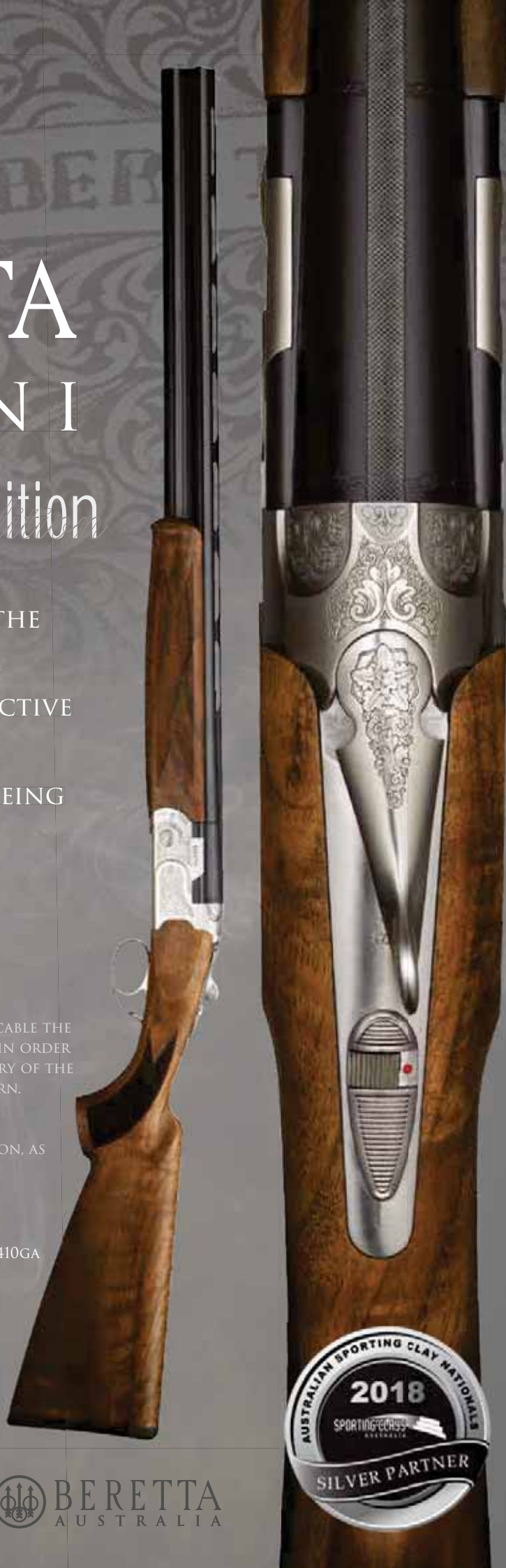
- FIELD 26", 28", 30"
- SPORTING 28", 30", 32"
- TRAP/DTL 30"

GAUGE

- 12GA, 20GA, 28GA, 410GA
- 12GA
- 12GA

*ALL AVAILABLE WITH AN ADJUSTABLE STOCK

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MK70

QUAIL SPECIAL
20G/28G COMBO
2 BARREL SET



Limited Edition - Only 60 Guns Produced **GRADE 5**



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Available Barrel Length 30" (20 G) / 28" (28G)

GAUGE	20 / 28	TRIGGER	Fixed
CHAMBER 20G	3"	CHOKES INC. 20G	3x Invector+
CHAMBER 28G	2 3/4"	CHOKES INC. 28G	3x Invector
STOCK GRADE	5	RIB WIDTH	6.2mm
PULL LENGTH	375mm	SIGHTS	White Bead
COMB	36mm	PAD	Polymer Butt plate
HEEL	56mm	CASE	Negrini Slim Case



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