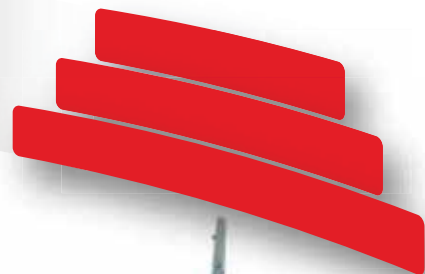


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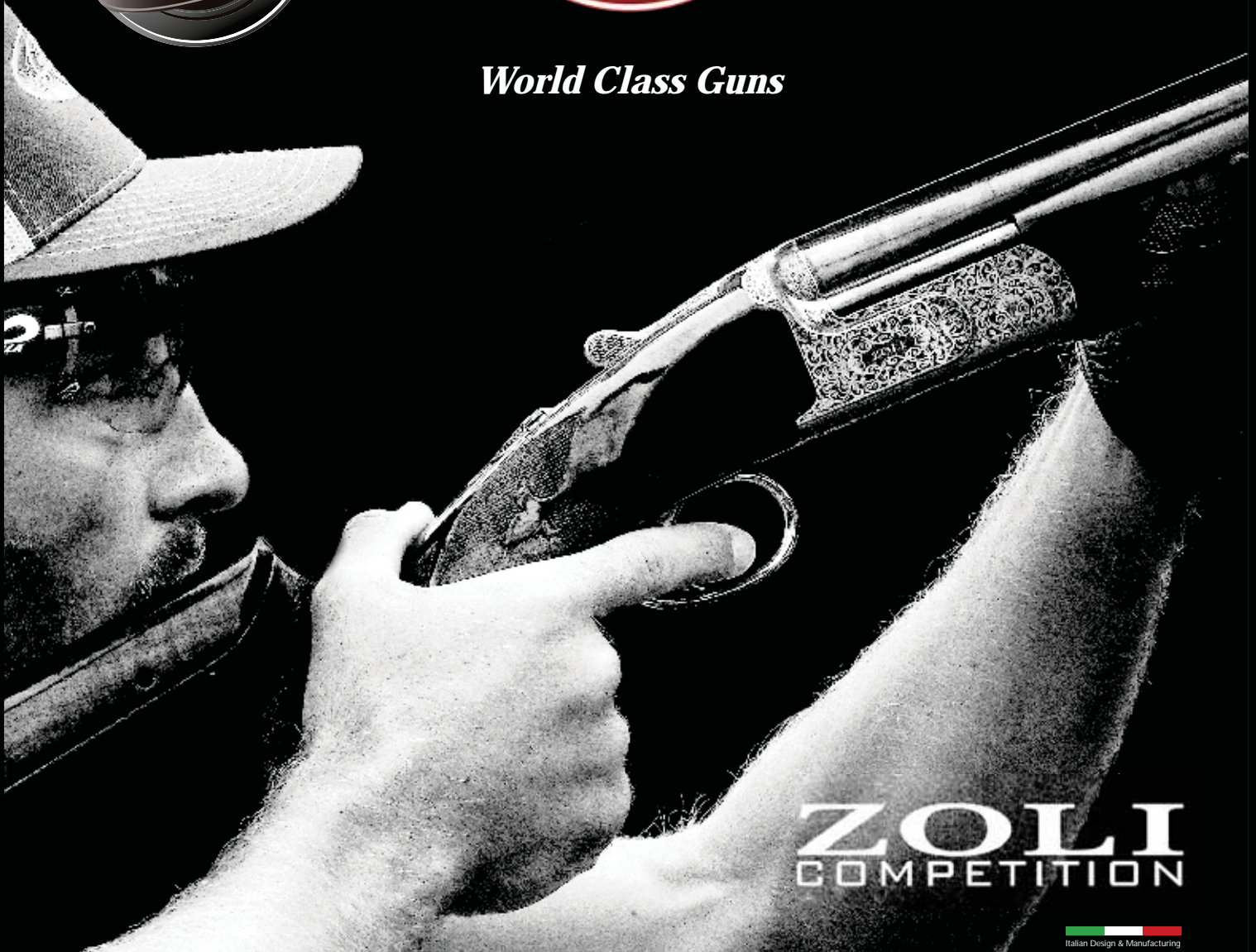


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SCA PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Here we are, half way through 2019 already, how time flies when you're having fun.

I would like to fill you all in with what has been happening in the world of SCA.

The former "Mind-Body" operating system that ran our member base, competition entries, and all online requirements has been switched to the current "RevSport" operating system. This new system is an Australian-based system that is used in various other sports as a management method. The change in systems has occurred to further support Australian companies and benefit the way you, our members, can interact with the executives of the sport, renew memberships, and enter shooting competitions. I would like to extend my personal thanks to you all for your understanding and patience during the transition.

The shift in management systems required endless hours of involvement and work, so thank you to the other executives Greg, Kathy, and Glen. The work of the executives is done completely voluntarily as they manage to intertwine their personal lives, work commitments, and SCA commitments. The work they have done to manage SCA is undoubtedly extraordinary, and I am grateful for their contribution.

SCA have also taken a turn for the better, implementing Environmental Plans for gun clubs to better preserve our lands. The reduction of plastics, lead, etc. is a vital action to take to reduce waste and minimize harm to our environment, so documents and plans have been put in place to show our commitment.

I would also like to extend a personal thanks to all our sponsors. Your generosity and support is imperative to the survival of our sport, for without it we would not be able to present the generous prizes, or hold the astonishing shoots we do. So I reach out to all members, and ask to support those who support us.

Finally, on behalf of all members, volunteers, executives, and the organization as a whole, I would like to wish all Australian Team members and SCA members that are travelling to England for the World Championships well wishes and safe travels. I have no doubt that our team members will do our country proud and dominate the shooting scene, as always. I hope all travelers be safe, and enjoy their time abroad.

Ralph Ali

TEAM MANAGER'S REPORT

Hello SCA world,

The World Championships are fast approaching.

By the time you all read this article, the Australian team members will most likely be packed and kitted up with their new uniforms, bound for the UK.

This year the team uniform has been fitted with our very own SCA Coat of Arms, allowing the team members to proudly represent Australia and SCA together.

The design and final selection of the coat of arms raised several questions regarding how the design was picked, and the meaning behind the SCA Coat of Arms. Towards the beginning of the year, an advertisement was placed in the quarterly magazine expressing a chance for the members to vote and have their say regarding a few designs of the Coat of Arms that our representing team can proudly wear at the World Championships. Allow me to explain the meaning behind the design selected. The shield of the Coat of Arms consists of the Australian flag and has been designed to seem as though the flag is spinning anti-clockwise. This is a representation of the Australian Team travelling the world. The kangaroo and emu have been placed as, commonly known, they are the only two Australian fauna that can never take a step backwards, representing our team members always pushing forward and doing their best. The falling clay target in the Coat of Arms has been placed to represent the sporting discipline. This design was carefully and thoughtfully designed to best represent Australia, the SCA, and the Australian Team Members that will wear the uniform proudly.

I am also very certain, as you would all agree, that the Australian Team are the stand-out team, in terms of skill and attire, at both the opening and closing ceremonies.

We have a very strong line up again this year with the open team consisting of:

MAN	LADIES	JUNIORS	SENIOR	VETERAN
Blake Nankervis	Tasha Bellinger	Mathew Wilesmith	John Younger	John Torresen
Cameron Kivenin	Britt Melbourne	Bryce Paglia	Ronald Rhook	Bob Brown
Chris Brown	Rena Birgan	Xavier Russell	Colin Johns	Wayne Nankervis
Mathew Libbis				

It is with great pleasure and excitement that I can announce two father-son teams attending the World Championships this year. I believe that it would be a first in Australian Sporting Clays that this has occurred, with Blake & Wayne Nankervis and Chris & Bobby Brown all representing their country. A terrific accomplishment by these great shooters, as well as the 70 odd Australian members that are attending what will be an outstanding shoot.

Good luck to all Team Members and members attending the shoot.

Safe travels to you all.

2019 FITASC GRAND PRIX GEELONG



The 2019 FITASC Grand Prix held at the Geelong Range was not one of our best efforts.

As I do not duck criticism when things do not turn out as planned, I assume full responsibility for the problems we had with targets being wind effected etc.

A lot of work went into it by a number of people and what looked good on the Friday with a light Northerly wind blowing, turned nasty on the Saturday when the wind changed to the South and only got worse over the weekend as the wind increased and kept changing directions.

As it was a International event and one on which our National Team is finalized it was set to be a challenge for the shooters.

With the change of the wind on a Range that is totally exposed it was too difficult and for many not enjoyable (it is known as pleurisy plains), especially the tower targets and the incomers that with the wind on their back fell way short of from where they were set.

I was disappointed and it was not our intended outcome but despite all this there were some fantastic scores shot.

There were 8 Ranges set to a similar format to what is shot at the Nationals, a total of 60 traps were used to give great variety. The ranges were built with four sets of two ranges set close together so as the competitors shot 50 targets in a run. This worked well and as the competitors could drive to each Range, the provision of bus transport was not required.

We were well served by Sponsors with Clay and Hunt (platinum sponsors for this event) providing a \$6,000 Zoli under & over Shotgun for the overall winner.

Other Sponsors for this event, Outdoor Sporting Agencies - Gold, Winchester Australia – Silver Outdoor, Trading Company - Bronze. Together they provided a very impressive trophy table and our thanks go to them all.

Trophy presentations where conducted inside the club house due to the inclement weather and we never got to use the prepared dais to unfurl the flags for the winners and placegetters.

There were two shoot-offs, Scratch Chris Brown and Cameron Kivinen, Juniors

Mathew Wilesmith and Mark DuRose.

They were held over at the scaffold, with the wind blowing we shot it from off the ground to the "Old Style FITASC" format, Chris and Cameron had a great battle with Cameron taking the Bronze Medal in front of Chris, in the Juniors it looked all over for Mathew even though he was shooting brilliantly Mark was on a higher level again and did not look like missing, Mathew hung in and on the last stand Mark 22/25 faltered and let Mathew in 23/25 to again win the Gold Medal.

I must also thank those who helped with the setting of the targets and keeping the shoot going over the weekend. Robert Hall, Cameron and Karl Kivinen, Colin MacPherson, Keith Cruickshank, Wayne Nankervis and Craig McNeill to name a few.

Colin deserves special praise for the time he has spent at the range, without his help we would not have got there.

Brent Harbour and Steve Raven in the office and Shane O'Brien, Huss Hussein and Dominic Branca for the quick clean up.



2019 FITASC GRAND PRIX - RESULTS			
SCRATCH	1st	Blake Nankervis	186/200
	2nd	Matthew Libbis	181/200
	3rd	Cameron Kivinen	180/200
MASTERS	1st	Bryan Rafferty	145/200
	2nd	Alec Ceccato	135/200
	3rd	Max Kavanagh	132/200
VETERANS	1st	Malcolm Whitehead	162/200
	2nd	Rex Barber	158/299
	3rd	Tony Power	148/200
SENIORS	1st	Colin Johns	169/200
	2nd	Colin MacPherson	166/200
	3rd	Craig Hobbs	164/100
LADIES	1st	Renaë Birgan	166/200
	2nd	Brittany Melbourne	150/200
	3rd	Tasha Bellingier	131/200
JUNIOR	1st	Mathew Wilesmith	174/200
	2nd	Mark DuRose	174/200
	3rd	Bryce Paglia	163/200



SCA SPORTING NATIONALS

HEAD TO THE NSW HIGH COUNTRY IN OCTOBER 2019



Cooma Sporting Clays is excited about being given the opportunity to host the 2019 Sporting Clays Nationals. We are working hard to produce the top-level event that is expected of the SCA Nationals. It has been 21 years since Cooma held the 1998 Australian Sporting Clays Championships which incorporated the inaugural English Sporting Championship. This was the first year that the event was held over 3 days. (South Australia were to hold the 1997 Nationals and the first English Sporting Championships, unfortunately torrential rain washed out the event without a shot being fired.)

Cooma Sporting Clays range is based centrally in the Monaro, Snowy mountains region of NSW. The club's grounds boast a wide variety of terrain that affords itself to high quality shooting with a broad array of targets on any given range, in addition CSC with the generosity of neighbouring landholders have been able to gain approval to offer even more variety. Five of the eight competition ranges will be held on new country offering different terrain which will allow the range setters a broader canvas to set this year's event. The club will also be operating two practice ranges.

Sporting Clays Australia is looking forward to a good presence with their Sponsors in 2019. Perazzi, Berretta, Outdoor Trading Company, Top Shot Industries and others will all be in attendance with trade stores to add to the atmosphere.

Famous as a snow holiday destination, the Snowy Mountains attract over 700,000 visitors per year with its stunning scenery, unique history and variety of attractions. With European settlement, Cattle country, the man from Snowy River and now the home of Kosciuszko National Park and numerous Ski Resorts to name a few.

Its beauty and stark contrasts span its length and breadth. There is a real passion for this amazing part of the country, with its distinct seasons of fresh summer air and winter snow across an expansive mountain landscape. The area is steeped in history with the traditional land holders using the mountains as a meeting ground and the destination for the summer "Bogong Moth" expeditions.

With Australia's fascination for skiing, kindled in the early gold rush days of Kiandra, the area has become a major destination for the winter sports, this in turn has led to the growth of a multimillion-dollar tourist industry mainly focused on the winter months. Accommodation, attractions and fantastic food outlets are a result of this. In recent years the attraction of trout fishing, hiking, mountain biking and relaxation have seen a fulfillment of a year-round holiday destination.

The highlights of the 2018/2019 local calendar have included. The "L'tape Australia" associated with the 'Tour de France', Australian Mountain Bike Championships, The Australian Waterski Championships, The National Busking Championships and the 70th year of Land Rover Australia reunion.

The Cooma Sporting Clays club is centrally located in this diverse tourism area. Cooma obviously the closest town (24km) has numerous accommodation options. The next major centre, Jindabyne (60km), is located on the foreshores of Lake Jindabyne. For more "rural" locations there is Berridale (27km) or Adaminaby (54km).

To help you plan your stay, we offer you a small amount of information to make your visit as enjoyable as possible.

ACCOMMODATION

Whether it be a Pub stay, B&B, motel, or caravan park that you prefer to stay at, Cooma has you covered. 'Visit Cooma' is a great resource to see all accommodation options within a short distance of Cooma Sporting Clays. For address and contact details take a look at the 'Visit Cooma' accommodation website at <http://visitcooma.com.au/accommodation/> or call 'Visit Cooma' on 1800 636 525.

FOOD AND ENTERTAINMENT

Once you are done shooting for the day, you might like to pull up a chair around our fire and recount your days battle, or otherwise take to the road and enjoy the food and entertainment in the Snowy regions. Cooma offer a selection of restaurant's with Lebanese cuisine from Rose's restaurant, to a club meal at Cooma Ex-Serviceman's club. For the full list of places to take in a drink or enjoy a meal, we recommend Visit Cooma's website at <http://visitcooma.com.au/coffee-food-wine/>

During your stay at the national, Cooma Sporting clays will have an egg and bacon roll and a coffee to start your day, a hearty lunch will be available with plenty of variety. Something sweet or a cool drink will also be available from the clubhouse. Keep an eye on the club facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/coomasportingclays/> for more details. We will also have ammunition and merchandise sales from the club and vendors.

- ▶ If you are frustrated by a target that you just can't hit or haven't had enough of our ranges, Cooma Sporting Clays will be hosting the "Give me another go" shoot from 9am on Monday 21st October.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

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ENGLISH SPORTING NATIONALS

LAANG SSAA WARRNAMBOOL

In our first big event for 2019 we hosted the English Sporting Nationals, at Laang SSAA Warrnambool on May 4th & 5th. This was our first time hosting the English Sporting Nationals, and was a challenge for our target setters with everything set up as either report pairs or sim pairs. Looking at the scores I think we got the level of difficulty spot on!

With the Oceania Championships being held in Brisbane only 2 weeks prior plus School and Easter Holidays, numbers were down although everyone in attendance had a great weekend away shooting.

Saturday greeted us with some light showers, otherwise weather was ideal with limited wind to affect targets and Sunday's weather was perfect.

With some very tricky targets on display, the competition was tight from the outset. Even the best couldn't afford to take it easy on any target as you only had one shot at each. This format of shooting is great for improving your concentration and maximising each shot.

Chris Brown and Nick Guerra once again led from the front and after 200 targets they could not be separated on 187/200. This left 7 shooters to head into the 'Super Shoot Off' consisting of 24 targets over 3 stands with scores to be carried over to final result.

Chris was first shooter to start in the shoot off and on the first stand he hit 6/8 targets with Nick hitting 5/8 giving Chris the lead.

From here on in Chris hit his remaining 16 straight giving him the win by 4 targets. Final scores Chris 209 Nick 205.

Luke Willemsen also put on an impressive performance shooting 21/24 to put him equal 3rd with Frank Cefai; resulting in sudden death shoot off. Luke shooting 4/4 to Frank's 3/4.

A huge thank you to all committee members who helped out leading up to the event and throughout the competition to ensure everything was presented as it should be. Those involved in the setting up and running of these events appreciate the work that goes in to ensure everyone has a great event.

Thank you also to the staff in the Nominations Office and especially to the Canteen volunteers for keeping everyone fed and hydrated throughout the weekend.

We would also like to take this opportunity to thank the team from Outdoor Trading Company for providing valuable sponsorship for this event. Outdoor Trading Company are a great supporter of our sport and also our club, thanks again Lee and Simon. ■

2019 SCA ENGLISH SPORTING NATIONALS - LAANG

OPEN 1	HIGH GUN	CHIRS BROWN	209 (187+22/24)
OPEN 2		NICK GUERRA	205 (187 +18/22)
OPEN 3		LUKE WILLEMSSEN	196 (175+21/24 +4/4)
OPEN 4		FRANK CEFAI	196 (180 + 16/24 + 3/4)
OPEN 5		RHYS MCGAURAN	192 (175 + 17/24 + 1/2)
OPEN 6		RON RHOOK	192 (175+17 + 0/2)
OPEN 7		ANTHONY PANETTA	191 (177 +14)
LADY	1ST	RENAE BIRGAN	172
SENIOR	1ST	RON RHOOK	175
VETERANS	1ST	BOB BROWN	161
JUNIOR	1ST	LUKE WILLEMSSEN	175
A GRADE	1ST	RHYS MCGAURAN	175
	2ND	MICHAEL BLACKWELL	168
	3RD	ERNIE SHIEDL	166
B GRADE	1ST	PETER READING	156
	2ND	BRENDAN O'BRIEN	154
	3RD	KATRINA CLANCY	146
C GRADE	1ST	CHRIS RHODES	142
	2ND	JOHN WHEELER	131
	3RD	MICHAEL GATES	122

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EXCITING SPONSOR PARTNERSHIPS

Sporting Clays Australia is excited about formalising our longterm sponsor partnership for our Sporting Clays National event with Outdoor Sportng Agencies, OTC and Perazzi.

With more to follow in the future.



**ENGLISH SPORTING
NATIONALS
4-5 MAY 2019**



RULES CORNER

FITASC CATEGORIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES FOR TEAM QUALIFIERS

With the various age categories in FITASC there can be confusion when a competitor moves from one Category to another.

- Juniors upgrade to Man Category in the year of their 21st birthday
- Competitors become Seniors in the year of their 56th birthday
- Competitors become Veterans in the year of their 66th birthday
- Competitors become Masters in the year of their 73rd birthday

For competitors who are seeking to qualify for Australian Team Selection, they must notify their State Target Director when they are moving from one category to another, this is to make sure that they are selected in the correct category. This is a common occurrence as the National Training Squad Lists are finalised in the year prior to the next Oceania and World Championships for which they are seeking Team Selection.

The FITASC Rules state that if for instance a competitor who is by age a Master, they can be chosen in a National Veteran Team but by doing so must relinquish their Individual Masters Category and compete individually as a Veteran.

FITASC OCEANIA CHAMPIONSHIP 2019

BRISBANE SPORTING CLAYS



It has been 18 years since the last Oceania Championships in 2001 were held at Brisbane Sporting Clays. The Club has seen many improvements over this period that allowed them to confidently put their hands up for another FITASC Oceania event in the area of trap purchases, ground preparations & amenities.

The Club members elected a new Committee last year with John English taking on the role of President. The dedicated Committee and members had spent many tireless months preparing for this international FITASC event and nothing was missed.

This Oceania event at Brisbane Sporting Clays was not going to disappoint with anyone that made the trip up to Queensland for Easter. The expectations from the Sporting Clay Australia members & international visitors attending the event at Brisbane Sporting Clays always knew they were going to produce the goods; everything was thought of and catered for.

The only area that could not be controlled was the weather. The black clouds rolled in but fortunately the weather generally behaved itself apart for a few heavy showers on the first day of Competition. Fortunately, these showers only lasted a few minutes and cleared away for good shooting conditions & with the cloud cover that partially remained, it produced civilised shooting conditions for everyone.

Eight separate shooting grounds with World Class targets had been set up by the new BSC Target Director – Jason Pole (and his small crew). There was a great variety of trajectories, angles and speed to keep the entertainment value up & also with this mix of targets it kept the members moving through the stations without any hold ups. The top four grounds up the hill had a bus shuttle servicing to assist the competitors to arrive at the start points of each ground feeling fit and able.

The traps were set up well with very few breakages (apart from one Rabbit trap that required a little TLC after the timing went out on the first day). The targets performed to expectations, with the under-painted clays also providing another angle to the itinerary of the target setters. The background at BSC is difficult with the bush and trees. The club has been trailing the new under-painted options that have been in the Australian market for a while which allowed the club to throw underbelly clays at low level and still have them visible. Some SCA members have seen the orange under-painted, but no one outside of Brisbane had seen the new neon Yellow under-painted.

The first day's competition started well and this theme continued throughout the Competition with grounds running to time and the day's Competition completing on schedule allow competitors time to catch up at the end of the day in the Clubhouse to catch up with old & new friends over some refreshments. A packed Clubhouse at the

end of the day's shooting is always a good sign people are enjoying themselves.

The scoring Computer programme had a small glitch that was causing a problem when the admin team tried to print out the next two days start rotation for the squads. These gremlins are not always easy to resolve, but Ashley and his team persevered and got on top of the problem by the end of the first day. Other than this small issue the operation ran perfectly.

In the other important area at any event..... Food. The Club under head Chef Charmaine's guidance produce great product, that was also well priced. As always if the food is good quality and priced correctly it does not hang around long. Each day the Club put on a different menu outside of the usual BBQ Burgers, Sausages and the options on sale catered for all tastes, no one was left out. Well done to the BSC Chefs in keeping the hordes fed & hydrated.

When the targets and menus were being set and fine tuned the O/A High Gun score of 192/200 was the total score the technical committee had in mind and this proved to be on the money. The idea behind this thinking is to do with the majority of the Competitors who make up an event. Experience has taught us that if you keep the expectations of the winning score around this area, the experience is enjoyed by all levels of competitors attending. Our sport has expense associated with & people need to feel they have received value for the Dollars they spend. When you attend a World Title FITASC Sporting event the O/A High Gun score is expected to be around 192/200 to 194/200. If you do not take this into consideration and the winning O/A High Gun score is below 190/200 experience shows the majority of our members attending will not be enjoying the competition and they will have second thoughts about returning to another. If our sport is to grow, we have to consider all levels of ability. The Competition has to be set with enough difficulty to make the top end shooters work for their targets but also allow the majority to also achieve their level. A fine line to get this right, but it has to be a priority of any competition.

After the final Clay had been broken, the scores were tallied up & unusually there were very few shoot offs to be done.

B Grade for Third position had a three-way affair with - Nicholas Marlier (163/200 + 11) taking out the third position – with Marion Roumange (163/200 + 10) – Joseph Clifford (163/200 + 10) just missing out. The graded shoot off was over 12 targets.

The other shoot off was for third & fourth in the O/A Scratch. This was between Blake Nankervis (190/200 + 24) and Cameron Kivenen (190/200 +23) This shoot off was over 25 targets. These two men put on a great show for the crowd that had gathered to watch. It went down to the last stand before the deadlock was broken. Well done Gentlemen & fine display of your skills.

- Well done to **Robert Hall (192/200)** for taking out the overall High Gun for this event & taking home the High Gun Miroku Shotgun, sponsored by Outdoor Sporting Agency (OSA).
- FITASC Oceania Ladies Champion - **Renae Birgan (183/200)**
- FITASC Oceania Senior Champion – **John Leach (185/200)**
- FITASC Oceania Veteran Champion – **Bob Brown (181/200)**
- FITASC Oceania Junior Champion – **Luke Willemsen (186/200)**
- FITASC Oceania Master Champion – **Max Cavanagh (155/200)**

BERETTA OCEANIA CUP

2019 FITASC OCEANIA - BRISBANE			
OPEN			
	HIGH GUN	ROBERT HALL	192/200
	2nd O/A	CHRIS BROWN	191
	3rd O/A	BLAKE NANKERVIS	190/200 + 24
	4th O/A	CAMERON KIVENEN	190/200 + 23
	5th O/A	BRIAN DEADMAN (NZ)	189/200
A GRADE	1st	YANN BANQUET (NC)	183/200
	2nd	RHYS McGAURAN	182/200
	3rd	BOB BROWN	181/200
B GRADE	1st	TOM ANDRIES	167/200
	2nd	AMY BUYS	164/200
	3rd	NICHOLAS MARLIER (NC)	163/200 +11
		MARION ROUMANGE (NC)	163/200 +10
C GRADE	1st	JOSEPH CLIFFORD	163/200 +10
		DONALD JESSOP	152/200
	2nd	CEASAR TORRE	147/200
	3rd	DEAN SHORT	146/200
LADIES	1st	RENAE BIRGAN	183/200
	2nd	BRITTANY MELBOURNE	174/200
	3rd	VICKI JOHNSTONE	165/200
SENIOR	1st	JOHN LEACH	185/200
	2nd	CHRIS BALL	184/200
	3rd	PETER HALL	180/200
VETERAN	1st	BOB BROWN	181/200
	2nd	ALAN BACKMAN	172/200
	3rd	REX BARBER	169/200
JUNIOR	1st	LUKE WILLEMSSEN	186/200
	2nd	MATTHEW WILSMITH	183/200
	3rd	RHYS McGAURAN	182/200
MASTER	1st	MAX KAVANAGH	155/200
	2nd	GORDON McPHEE (NZ)	154/200
	3rd	RUSSELL COOPER (NZ)	182/200

2019 FITASC FINAL BERETTA OCEANIA CUP - BRISBANE			
OPEN			
	HIGH GUN	BLAKE NANKERVIS	198.96%
	2nd O/A	CAMERON KIVENEN	197.93%
	3rd O/A	BRIAN DEADMAN (NZ)	196.89%
	4th O/A	CHRIS BROWN	196.25%
	5th O/A	CHRIS SCULLY (NZ)	192.23%
LADIES	1st	RENAE BIRGAN	200%
	2nd	VICKI JOHNSTONE	188.98%
	3rd	BRITTANY MELBOURNE	185.44%
SENIOR	1st	JOHN LEACH	195.86%
	2nd	LES HOFFMAN (NZ)	185.26%
	3rd	GLENN RASTRICK (NZ)	179.83%
VETERAN	1st	BOB BROWN	195.45%
	2nd	ALAN BACKMAN	191.62%
	3rd	REX BARBER	190.90%
JUNIOR	1st	MATTHEW WILESMITH	198.39%
	2nd	RUSSELL XAVIER	190.32%
	3rd	RHYS McGAURAN	189.23%
MASTER	1st	GORDON McPHEE (NZ)	199.35%
	2nd	MAX KAVANAGH	191.03%
	3rd	STUART NICHOLLS (NZ)	177.62%

Thanks goes out to our valued event partners for the 31st FITASC Oceania:

- Outdoor Trading Company – Gold Event Partner - GB Shotgun Shells (supplied as Trophies) other products are Promatic Clay Targets – Promatic Clay Target Machines
- Outdoor Sporting Agencies (OSA) – Silver Event Partner - Miroku Shotgun, Travel Bags, Hunting Knives – Binoculars - Cleaning Equipment (All supplied as trophies)
- Global Clay Technologies – Bronze Event Partner – Clay Target Machines Australian manufactured & built

Before closing, SCA would like to applaud and say “WELL DONE” to the Brisbane Sporting Clays (BSC) crew, who produced a fantastic carnival from start to finish & also to all the Competitors that came. Without you all, this event would not have been the success that it was.

FYI - Everyone is (or are now) aware the Sporting Clay Nationals will be here in the latter part of 2020. Do not delay getting your nominations in for this Nationals as it will be a sellout event for sure.

Full Results can be viewed on the SCA Website:

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OUTDOOR TRADING COMPANY

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Outdoor Trading Company (OTC) is extremely proud to announce that we have secured distribution rights to the full Promatic Trap and componentry catalogue for the Australian Clay Target industry. This achievement not only allows OTC to distribute our current range of Clubman & personal traps, it now enables us to fulfil any club need from small sporting machines all the way up to commercial traps for all disciplines. The benefits of this announcement will be long-lasting in the Australian market allowing OTC to expand Promatic's world leading products across the country and entrenching the brand as the benchmark in trap technology. Promatic produce over 80 models to suit DTL /ABT, Skeet, Olympic Trap, Sporting & FITASC disciplines and for over 25 years Promatic have been designing and building the finest automatic traps and shooting equipment for the world market supplying major national and International Shooting events. This significant addition to our existing and

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- by Peter Hicks

FRUIT AND ALMOND STUFFING



Ingredients:

- 110 g chopped onions
- 55 g chopped seedless raisins
- 55 g blanched almonds, coarsely chopped
- 30 g sultanas
- 8 dried apricots, coarsely sliced (you may substitute fresh fruit)
- 1 tablespoon lemon juice
- grated rind of ½ lemon

Method:

Sauté chopped onions in a little fat. Add raisins, almonds and sultanas and cook for 3–4 minutes. Remove from heat and add apricots, lemon juice and rind, and mix thoroughly.

DUCK FRUIT SALAD



Ingredients:

- leftover duck, sliced
- 1 grapefruit
- 4 oranges
- 3–4 tablespoons French dressing

Method:

Remove pith from oranges and grapefruit. Dice oranges and divide grapefruit into segments. Toss all ingredients together and chill. Serve on crisp lettuce leaves

HUNTING AND HABITAT UPDATE

MAY 2019

First & foremost my apologies for omitting details of the Tasmanian game bird and animal season information in the last edition .

By the time you receive this edition duck seasons will have finished except for the quail season in S.A which concludes 31st August, hope many members had a successful season.

While the 2019 duck seasons are behind us there are plenty of other hunting opportunities available.

VICTORIA – **Game birds:** pheasants, partridges, European quail, California quail. **Deer:** Red, Sambar(until 30th Nov), Fallow, Chital & Rusa

N.S.W – great opportunities exist for hunting on Public land, see DPI NSW website for details.

TASMANIA – The Wallaby season continues until 23rd Feb 2020.

In **WA** we have been very active in Rainbow Lorikeet control with a total of 4671 birds destroyed this fruit growing season in vineyards in the Swan valley and hills orchards.

We have also responded to requests from Local Govt. for help in Corella control which has been much appreciated by residents.

Planned donkey control trips in station country have had to be postponed to later in the year due to much needed rain arriving.

Safe & Happy Hunting!

Howard Barks, SCA Hunting & Habitat Director

FOX DRIVES LOWER SOUTH EAST OF SA

MAY 2019

A local group of fox hunters has spent last couple of months doing fox drives on various properties in Lower South East of SA. Ages vary from as young as 5 years up to 65 years of age, male & female. Hunters using dogs, firearms and motor bikes to push foxes out of tree plantations to hunters sitting and waiting to shoot any suspect foxes exiting the scrub in a hurry.

The highest tally of foxes shot in one day has been 64. The effort by the group of hunters is a fantastic help for farmers who are lambing and calving, protecting valuable stock from foxes.



"AROUND THE CAMP FIRE"

NSW - WILD DEER HUNTING

NSW hunters are still enjoying some better than average access and relaxed restrictions thanks to NSW DPI, Department of primary Industries.

To minimise the impacts of abundant wild deer herds across the State, some of the deer hunting regulations have been suspended. The current suspension applies across all of NSW for a period of three years.

Wild deer were identified as a priority species in the 11 Local Land Services Regional Strategic Pest Animal Management Plans. Suspending the normal rules for deer hunting allows more options to control and minimise their impacts on landholders, the environment and communities.

Licensed, reputable hunters are invited to add their details to the Deer Assistance Hunter Register so landholders may contact them for help managing the impacts of wild deer.

BEING PLACED ON A HUNTER REGISTER IS NOT A GUARANTEE OF BEING CALLED BY A LANDHOLDER OR OF GAINING ACCESS TO A PROPERTY TO HUNT DEER.



WILD DEER HUNTING RULES			
Must have permission of the landholder before entering lands to hunt deer	YES	YES	Public land - Written Permission from NSW DPI
Must hold a NSW game hunting licence	YES	YES	General or restricted
Must obey the Hunters Code of Practice	YES	YES	
Must hunt all deer species all year-round	YES	YES	Legal season for fallow, red, wapiti and hog deer suspended
May use a bait, lure or decoy to attract deer	YES	YES	Does not include poison baits
May hunt deer at night	YES	YES	Not suspended on public land due to public safety issues
May use a spotlight or other electronic device	YES	YES	Not suspended on public land due to public safety issues
May hunt from a motor vehicle	YES	YES	Not suspended on public land due to public safety issues

A fact sheet produced by DPI can be found at the following -

https://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/__data/assets/pdf_file/0004/1086358/pf-1467-hunting-wild-deer.pdf



DPI have also been very proactive in the southern parts of the state having held public meetings and forums in an effort to share information on their efforts in fallow deer control. Meetings have been well attended on the most part with community interest high on sustainable utilization of the resource rather than eradication and disposal of the carcass. DPI are very keen to involve registered hunting organizations (RHO's) at the local level to help with control measures. If you belong to a club that is an RHO and would like to be involved, please contact Your local DPI office to find further info. ■

LOXTON FIELD & GAME - NOORA DUCK HUNTING

Loxton Field & Game have conducted 2 shoots at Noora Evaporation Basin up until now, the first hunt was conducted on Saturday 13th April and the second was Sunday 26th May.

So far to date we have struggled to have enough water in the basin to enable suitable hunting area for hunters to conduct a successful harvest of waterfowl and we have had to cancel hunting weekends due to low water and the lack of waterfowl. We (Loxton F&G) have no control over the volumes of saline water that is transferred to the site,



this is managed by SA Water SIS (Salt Interception Scheme) personnel in conjunction with DEW (Department of Environment and Water) and MDBA (Murray-Darling Basin Authority).

Before the first shots were fired some local members were busy building new duck blinds in a few areas, this will help to try and get a few more areas covered and allow for a few extra hunters when we have our bigger shoots during the season.

The first hunt on the 13th April where we had 10 hunters saw a total of 35 Grey Teal taken. Water levels were considerably lower which didn't deter the keenness of our local members who were eagerly waiting for the camp out, cook up and a few frothies around the campfire. As predicted there wasn't that many birds taken but it was a great weekend and catch up with friends.

The second hunt was conducted on Sunday the 26th May. On the Saturday evening we had good numbers of campers staying the night, we had one member cook up a Red Deer shoulder in a Webber Q for the campers that were present. It was a beautiful cooked meal washed down with a Red Wine and more. This hunt was conducted on the Sunday morning which was due to the clash of a popular clay target event that was held at a neighbouring club on the Saturday. On the Sunday morning we had 11 keen duck hunters in attendance, water



levels were considerably higher than the previous shoot this time and we had large numbers of Grey Teal that were spread out the back of basin number 2 (southern basin). There was also good numbers of Pink Eared duck as well and most hunters shot their bag of 8 ducks all being Grey Teal. All campers had a memorable weekend and we are looking forward to the next shoot which is our annual 2 day "shoot, roast & raffle" weekend.

Some other Noora updates; our new camp shelter is fully completed giving campers a large under cover area for weather protection and camping. We also were given permission to extend our camp site which is now also completed and fully fenced. In addition, we have also been successful and received an NRM Volunteer Small Grant to the value of \$1,000. The money has been used to purchase a spotting scope for waterfowl monitoring and surveying and also to purchase some trees to be planted around the Noora campsite perimeter fence. DEW recently coffer dammed the water regulator on number 1 basin (northern basin) to carry out modifications to improve the regulator and to construct a fish ladder. These works will take only one week to be completed as the SIS system will not be shut down to complete regulator upgrades, this will then allow water to flow back into the southern basin.

Regards,

Rick Gibbs,

Vice President Loxton Field & Game Association Inc. ■

INSURANCE REGISTRATION DETAILS FOR HUNTING ACTIVITIES

The process for hunting as an Individual outside of registered events will require the following to be observed to provide you with Third Party Liability Insurance cover on the day of your hunt.

Any member Hunting outside of Club registered activities will be required to register their Hunting activity via Email or SMS informing the post address of their Name(s) – Area they are going to and duration of the activity. This registration can be made either by Computer or Mobile phone. The message will be received at the designated address for the registration process and a copy saved on your own device. This registration can be made at any time prior to you setting foot on the property.

Please contact your State Body or Club Officials for the contact number required.

This is a simple affair. By registering your hunt to the contact details supplied by your Club or State Association there will be a record on your device (Computer or phone) and at the registration device for the Club or State. You will have proof of the message being sent on your device. This will be sufficient to cover your Insurance requirements and shows that care has been taken by you to record your hunt for Insurance purposes. All communication records with this process will be dated and cannot be refuted.

There is a very good reason for this process and the benefits to our members are obvious.

When our members sign on at a shooting ground this process automatically registers you for insurance cover. In signing the range attendance book for the day, you have proof that you were there at the shooting range on a specific day. This confirms you were there on this day, should you be unfortunate in having an accident.

When a Club or State organises a Hunting event, a sign on process is followed & proof exists that you have been in attendance on that day. You are covered for Insurance. The old ways are changing and we have to change as well. **Unfortunately for us the system we had previously has been tested** and consequently required a rethink in our processes to show proof that members were at a specific area on a specific day.

This lack of accountability is a concern to the Insurance provider who is expected to provide the necessary cover. Previously there has been no official way of registering your activity and no proof to accompany a claim being made. There is no record that a person was actually out hunting on a particular day. In the case of an accident we would not be able to provide the necessary proof that our member was out hunting on that day. This is exposing our members out hunting on their own to a grey area of accountability outside of the Club activities. We have a Duty of Care to our members to provide a system that addresses this concern.

The simplest and easiest way to registered proof, is to register this electronically, which also removes the inconvenient phone calls to your already overworked Executives. Most members have access to a computer (not all I know) and everyone seems to have a mobile phone these days. This simple process will register your activity and give you peace of mind recording your hunting trip for the insurance provision.

This is the Hunting equivalent to a Range Register at the shooting range.

There are benefits to be made from this process for both the members and Club/State.

- Greater contact between the two parties. Some hunters do not visit their club or have any other contact with them throughout their membership.
- The Club or State has the ability to offer these members important Email contact, informing members of any changes to seasons or developments in other areas of hunting.
- Information available to the Hunting & Habitat Committee on actual hunting days carried out. This would benefit the H&H Committee with statistics when they talk to the Government bodies.

Regards

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LAKE BONNEY SPORTING CLAYS

MARCH 2019



Lake Bonney Sporting Clays March event had a great turn out of 46 shooters competing in the 50 target Event. The weather conditions for the day were perfect - quite warm but with a south breeze to keep flies out of shooters eyes.

Darren Beyer shot out the flash Five for the day winning the cash money.

There were also three 25 target rounds shot by Leigh Peterson, Gavin Dyson and Terry Scicluna.

High Gun was claimed by Kingston shooter Leigh Peterson.

In **AA Grade** Terry Scicluna shot only clear 1 target to take the win from Danny Bellinger and Gavin Dyson.

In **A Grade** Locky Irons claiming first by 1 target, Mick Banning claiming second and Kingston shooter Bruce Parker claiming third.

In **B Grade** Tim Lloyd claimed first over committee member Cliff Lee second and Cameron Scheidl third.

In **C Grade** Trevor Whitehead shot clear 2 targets to win with Ian 'Squeak' Lister coming second and Slim Fennell third.

In **Veterans** Bob Jones claimed first, Wayne Evans second and Andrew Green third.

In **Super Veterans** Kevin Dyson claimed first, Greg Todd claimed second over Garry Dangerfield third.

In **Ladies** Tasha Bellinger claiming first over Kingston shooter Kellie Peterson second, Meagan Whitehead claimed third.

RESULTS - MARCH 2019			
High Gun		Leigh Peterson	49
AA	1st	Terry Scicluna	48
	2nd	Danny Bellinger	47
	3rd	Gavin Dyson	47
A	1st	Locky Irons	45
	2nd	Mick Banning	44
	3rd	Bruce Parker	44
B	1st	Tim Lloyd	44
	2nd	Cliff Lee	44
	3rd	Cameron Scheidl	43

High Gun

STATE COMPAK CHAMPIONSHIP

Loxton Field and Game hosted the SAFGA - Loxton Hotel State compak championships on Sunday 14th April 2019.

48 shooters from all over the state and Victoria enjoyed great weather conditions and some challenging targets, with 3 shooters shooting perfect rounds of 25

James Bologiannis, Joe Densley and Craig Scheele. Some very high scores and close scores with shoot offs in A and B grades determined the winners of those grades.

The lucky door prize of the Miroku MK70 donated by Platinum Ag Loxton was won by Ray Pash.

Great shooting from James Bologiannis (Rocky Gully) who shot a 96/100 to claim the High Gun placard.

AA Grade

- 1st: Tony Trevorrow 93/100
- 2nd: Chris Ball 91/100
- 3rd: Ben Garraway 90/100

A Grade

- 1st: Peter Hicks 88/100 - 24/25 in s/o
- 2nd: Mike McKinnon 88/100 - 22/25 in s/o
- 3rd: Ernie Scheidl 88/100 - 19/25 in s/o

B Grade

- 1st: Wendel Litchfield 79/100
- 2nd: Glenn Benham 77/100
- 3rd: John Mognahan 75/100 23/25 in s/o

C Grade

- 1st: Mike Lane 78/100
- 2nd: Todd Angus 75/100
- 3rd: Dave Farr 69/100

Thanks again to sponsors for the day Loxton Hotel, Platinum Ag Loxton, Angoves Family Winemakers (Renmark), Marsh Advantage Insurance.



A grade



AA grade



B grade



C grade



Lucky door prize winner



3 x possibles



C	1st	Trevor Whitehead	36
	2nd	Ian Lister	34
	3rd	Slim Fennell	32
Veterans	1st	Bob Jones	46
	2nd	Wayne Evans	44
	3rd	Andrew Green	43
Super Veterans	1st	Kevin Dyson	47
	2nd	Greg Todd	45
	3rd	Gary Dangerfield	43
Ladies	1st	Tash Bellinger	41
	2nd	Kellie Peterson	33
	3rd	Meagan Whitehead	32

APRIL 2019

Lake Bonney Sporting Clays April event had a great turnout of 66 shooters competing in the 50 target Event. The weather for the day was a wet start with rain showers, but clouds soon lifted and the sun was out.



Tom Weir shot out the flash Five for the day winning the cash money.

Gavin Dyson with sharp eyes shooting a 25-target round and also winning High Gun for the day.

High Gun was claimed by Burrengule shooter Gavin Dyson, only missing 2 targets all day.

In AA Grade Malcom Whitehead shot only clear 1 target to take the win from Jamie Dunn.

In A Grade Tom Weir claiming first by 1 target, Tony Sellars claiming second and Mick Banning claiming third.

In B Grade Cliff Lee claimed first over committee member Glenn Crowe Owen second and Gary Banning third.

In C Grade Slim Fennell shot clear 2 targets to win with Nathan Smith coming second and Robert Michalski third.

In Veterans Wayne Evans claimed first, Wayne Gurney second and Peter Hales third.

In Super Veterans Kevin Dyson claimed first, Greg Todd claimed second over Garry Dangerfield third.

In Ladies Nicola Harradine claiming first over Meagan Whitehead second, Annabell Jurgenson claimed third.

In Sub Juniors Charlie Sims shot better than his younger brother Eli to claim first, Second Eli Sims and third James Whitty.

Clays Only Targets Peter Chant first, Angus Parkinson second and Jason Gurney third.



RESULTS - APRIL 2019			
High Gun		Gavin Dyson	48
AA	1st	Malcom Whitehead	43
	2nd	Jamie Dunn	42
A	1st	Tom Weir	46
	2nd	Tony Sellars	45
	3rd	Mick Banning	44
B	1st	Cliff Lee	44
	2nd	Glenn Crowe Owen	44
	3rd	Cameron Scheidl	43
C	1st	Slim Fennell	39
	2nd	Nathan Smith	37
	3rd	Robert Michalski	36
Veterans	1st	Wayne Evans	44
	2nd	Wayne Gurney	40
	3rd	Peter Hales	37
Super Veterans	1st	Kevin Dyson	47
	2nd	Greg Todd	42
	3rd	Gary Dangerfield	39
Ladies	1st	Nicola Harradine	34
	2nd	Meagan Whitehead	29
	3rd	Annabell Jurgenson	26
Sub Juniors	1st	Charlie Sims	19
	2nd	Eli Sims	12
	3rd	James Whitty	7



SOUTH AUSTRALIAN OLD STYLE SPORTING CHAMPIONSHIPS HELD AT ROCKY GULLY

MAY 2019

Rocky Gully Sporting Clays was the host for this year's Outdoor Trading Company South Australian Old Style Sporting State Championship, an event that is always looked forward to from many shooters both in SA and interstate. Old Style Sporting isn't something that many get a chance to shoot very often, so there is always a great deal of interest and this year was no exception. This event was once again sponsored by Outdoor trading company providing a generous prize pool of GB shot shells, we thank them for their ongoing support of Rocky Gully

This year the format was changed to a one day shoot over 4 old style courses for 100 targets total. Rocky Gully felt that this format was easier for our crew to organise and set up, however, running less courses did mean that places would be tighter than previous years. Not surprisingly, the event filled up with a week still to go and there was a list of people on the waiting list in case anyone dropped out. If you're reading this and you are keen to be a part of next year's event, keep this in mind and send your nominations in early to avoid disappointment. We'd love to take everyone, but old style is that kind of event that has a firm cap for numbers.

The courses were layed out, with the help of some of experienced members who haven't tilted their hand at course setting for a while and were itching to have a go again. They definitely did an excellent job, with plenty of variation on targets moving around as well as back to have pads with some distance on them. The pads on courses were also placed up and down slopes or on a walk up to play with height and overhead targets quickly became ones under your eye level, catching a few people off guard. Ground 4 proved to be the most difficult course with very technical targets, so many shooters were missing target E off pad 3 and 4 and it was only a 20 metre crosser or a 15 meter driven target you had to shoot down from the platform.

Conditions all week were fine, but the predicted weather change did come in early



HIGH GUN ALEX BUTTON



and it was raining before noon. Black clouds passed across the grounds all day, sometime drizzling, other times dumping rain in bursts but some waves did escape the elements and stayed dry. You were the lucky ones! Moreover the clouds, being thick and very black, were clouding the sun in the afternoon, making shooting conditions very gloomy due to low light. It tested us all, but that's what shooting is all about and sometimes you have to persevere through tough conditions and everybody did just that with pretty good spirits.

The only thing that marred the otherwise excellent event was that the first wave got started shooting late, and thus compacting every wave behind and dragging the day behind schedule from the start. We love to see new shooters (or shooters who have only shot club shoots in the past) get involved into bigger state level shoots, but it is an important lesson to those new shooters that the time posted for your squad to shoot is the time you need to be pulling the trigger on your pad, not the time you decide to drive into the car park. It's a reminder to get to the ground nice and early in order to get to some more remote courses with plenty of time up your sleeve. Adding to the time drag was that some shooters were clearly taking longer than the allotted 15 seconds between shots. It doesn't sound like much, but turning that

15 seconds into 20 or 30 translates into many additional minutes per stand, so by the end of the day this alone added over an hour onto our expected finish time.

By the time the final wave shot, it was already very dark from the black clouds overhead. While my squad finished at 4.45pm (and you would have sworn it was an hour later, it was that dark), one squad that followed a particularly slow group was forced to finish when the light was so poor as to be completely unsuitable for shooting. On behalf of the club, I apologise to that squad as it is completely unacceptable and something you don't expect or deserve. It's a lesson hard learned. Next year we will ask our referees to enforce the 15 second rule and being ready to shoot on time at your designated course at the listed start time. This is something that will be strictly adhered to at future events. If you get warned by your referee, take it with good grace as your actions impact all shooters at the event and not just yourself.

Some very good scores were achieved across all of the grades, especially considering the at times very wet and windy conditions.

Congratulations to Alex Button on taking out high gun for the event and the \$500.00 cash prize with a very solid 88 - Well done!

SAFGA OLDSTYLE CHAMPIONSHIPS - FINAL RESULTS FOR SUNDAY 19 MAY 2019

	NAME	SQUAD	GRADE	G1	G2	G3	G4	TOTAL
DOOR PRIZE	Bologiannis, James	7	AA/3	24	22	19	21	86
	Benham, Glenn	6	A/5	23	21	16	19	79
SCRATCH	Button, Alex	7	A/5	22	22	23	21	88
	Mckinnon, Michael	8	A/5	23	23	23	17	86
AA GRADE	Bologiannis, James	7	AA/3	24	22	19	21	86
	Dunn, Jamie	5	AA/0	21	20	21	24	86
	Baum, Grant	4	AA/3	20	14	18	23	75
A GRADE	Mckinnon, Michael	8	A/5	23	23	23	17	86
	Litchfield, Wendel	6	A/5	22	21	20	19	82
	Hicks, Peter John	1	A/5	22	21	21	16	80
	Pash, Raymond	6	A/4	19	23	20	18	80
	Benham, Glenn	6	A/5	23	21	16	19	79
	Calicchio, Emilio	2	A/5	14	17	18	22	71
	Went, Aaron	1	A/5	19	11	20	19	69
	Rugless, Peter	8	A/6	19	18	17	14	68
	Beltrame, Josh	8	A/6	16	17	18	15	66
	B GRADE	Palumbo, Luciano	2	B/7	22	21	17	18
Terry, Shane		5	B/7	21	18	20	16	75
Saligari, Rod		7	B/9	16	22	19	16	73
Kelly, Stephen		2	B/8	17	18	16	19	70
Jensen, BJ		8	B/8	13	20	18	17	68
Nunn, Nicholas		1	B/8	17	21	10	17	65
David, Robert		1	B/9	16	20	12	15	63
Hendy, Peter		2	B/9	18	17	11	14	60
Douvos, Apostolos		3	B/7	11	17	16	13	57
Wallis, Charles		1	B/9	13	17	10	12	52
C GRADE	Angus, Todd	7	C/10	17	19	18	20	74
	Gates, Michael	2	C/10	17	15	18	12	62
	Hall, Scott	3	C/10	15	16	15	16	62

	NAME	SQUAD	GRADE	G1	G2	G3	G4	TOTAL
C GRADE	Campbell, Robert	5	C/11	15	12	20	14	61
	Ayers, Paul	2	C/11	22	11	12	13	58
	Warren, Colin	6	C/12	12	16	16	14	58
	Pawlowski, John	8	C/11	15	17	10	15	57
	Carr, Chris	4	C/12	9	17	14	13	53
	Carlton, Tom	6	C/14	18	12	12	11	53
	Jordan, Nic	5	C/14	6	16	13	14	49
	Vasileff, Michael	5	C/11	7	14	13	11	45
	Edwardson, David	4	C/10	15	10	11	8	44
	Austin, Brian	4	C/14	10	10	10	10	40
SENIORS	Holbrook, Mark	2	C/14	11	7	9	4	31
	Shaw, Adam	5	C/11	7	10	13	dnc	30
	Shawyer, Robin	8	A/4	21	18	22	20	81
	Dawes, Greg	6	A/4	22	19	22	15	78
	Scheidl, Ernie	5	A/6	21	21	21	12	75
	Cross, Rob	3	B/7	17	17	18	21	73
	Both, Jeffrey	3	B/7	20	12	19	18	69
	Low, Robert	1	B/9	10	13	14	12	49
	Bennett, John	4	C/10	13	8	9	7	37
	VETERANS	Torresan, John	4	A/5	25	21	12	16
Dean, Richard		1	A/6	22	22	19	19	82
Benc, Edward		3	AA/3	17	17	21	22	77
Forgan, Trevor		3	B/9	15	17	17	19	68
Stokes, Bryan		6	B/8	18	14	14	18	64
Smith, Colin		3	C/10	dnc	dnc	dnc	dnc	0
LADIES	Densley, Janette	4	A/6	16	24	20	19	79
SUB JUNIORS	Bologiannis, Nicholas	7	B/9	16	17	15	15	63
	Button, Zakary	7	C/14	10	11	15	11	47
	Angus, Seb	7	C/10	5	5	10	8	28



SAFGA'S SUCCESSFUL SHOOT VIDEO

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The South Australian Field & Game Association's promotional video was a concept born at a State Council meeting where a strategy into growth of membership was being considered. A budget of \$1000 was approved for the project and a videographer was found in the shape of Mitch Devlin. Mitch makes high quality videos of Sprintcar racing and having seen a promotional video of a speedway driver on Facebook that he had produced, an approach was made. He was keen to try something different and came along to a couple of shoots with his camera gear and drone. The footage he captured with veterans, sub juniors, Ladies, families and the like really emphasises how inclusive this sport is.

After one week the video reached over 16 thousand with nearly 100 shares and positive feedback in the near 100 comments and of course close to 400 likes.

The SAFGA Facebook page picked up 150 new followers in the first week. The original intention of the video was to enable individual SA branch Facebook pages to be able to use the video as a promotional tool specifically with paid advertisements targeting particular demographic groups in respective areas. With Facebook having tightened up its attitude to shooting sports it remains to be seen how viable this option will be down the track. Wendel Lichfield did a good job with the narration and the project came in under budget at \$800, with the feedback thus far would appear to make it a worthwhile project. The proof of the pudding will be in a year or so with the measure of any growth in membership and participation. The SAFGA state council have also approved a promotional Hunting video, this will need to be edited and handled with due care and consideration.

Charles Wallis, SAFGA State Publicity Officer

SOUTH EAST FIELD & GAME

28 APRIL 2019

The South East Branch of the South Australian Field & Game Association held its first Sporting Clay shoot of 2019 Season at Burrungule Park. 70 shooters nominated for the 75 Target event shot over 3 grounds using the Semi Old style format. Sponsors were Cocky's AutoPro, Millicent Tyre Centre & O.G.R.



Jamie Dunn won the Gambier Shooting Supplies High Gun with 73/75, Chris Wright 70/75 took out AA Grade from Jeremy Kent

& Terry Scicluna. Steven Scheidl 67/75 won A Grade 3 targets clear of Tim Widdison and Tom Weir in third. The visiting Clinton Hall 62/75 took out B Grade from Gary Banning & Tim Lloyd.

Matt Crook 47/75 needed a shoot-off to win C Grade over Michael Gates with Frank Kentish rounding out the Podium. Ernie Scheidl



63/75 took out seniors from, National Target Director, Steve Chilton & Wayne Evans in third place. Greg Todd took out veterans from Geoff Lowe and Bob Jones.

Emma Lawford won the Ladies class from Sonya Vanderhorst & Annebell Jurgenson. Ben Hastings shot consistently to win juniors from Carter Rossouw & Will Crook. Sub juniors was taken out by Declan Wright 47/75 from Brodie VonStanke-Dowie & Shakielle VonStanke

Gambier Shooting Supplies **High Gun; Jamie Dunn 73/75**

AA Grade 1st C.Wright 70/75, 2nd J.Kent 68/75, 3rd T.Scicluna 68/75

A Grade 1st S.Scheidl 67/75, 2nd T.Widdison, 3rd T.Weir 62/75

B Grade 1st C.Hall 62/75, 2nd G.Banning 57/75, 3rd T.Lloyd 57/75

C Grade 1st M. Crook 47/75, 2nd M.Gates 47/75, 3rd F.Kentish 45/75

Seniors 1st E.Scheidl 63/75, 2nd S.Chilton 62/75, 3rd W.Evans 58/75

Veterans 1st G.Todd 61/75, 2nd G.Lowe 58/75, 3rd R.Jones 57/75

Ladies 1st E.Lawford 33/75, S.Vanderhorst 30/75, 3rd A.Jurgenson 27/75

Juniors 1st B.Hastings 39/75, 2nd C.Rossouw 38/75, 3rd W.Crook 33/75

Sub-Juniors 1st D.Wright 47/75, 2nd B.VonStanke-Dowie 43/75. 3rd S.VonStanke 41/75

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NSW PRESIDENT'S REPORT MAY 2019

by Andrew Fairfield-Smith

It always amazes me how quickly the days the months and the shoots roll through. We are rolling through the NSW Calendar at pace, a busy program, and its easy to have a few distractions, before you know it you are down some shoots you wanted to attend. With six state selection shoots, five second tier shoots (Compak, English Sporting, 20 gauge, Old style Fitsac, Side x Side State Championships) the State Championships and the Nationals all in New South Wales there is ample opportunity to attend top level, quality competitions.

At the time of writing this report, the first three selection shoots have been held Majura Park, Ardlethan / Beckom, Shoalhaven and Mudgee. Unfortunately, due to work commitments I could only attend Majura Park which was a well-run and attended shoot. By all reports the other shoots have been just as successful.

Ardlethan / Beckom ran a referee's course in March with 4 new referees attaining their badges. Thanks to Ardlethan for organizing this and Mick Munroe for running the course.

Ken Jones, State Coach similarly ran a club coaches course at Cooma with 8 attendees from Cooma, Bermagui and Sydney gaining club coach accreditation.

I am excited to be able to advise that Mellissa Bourke from Dubbo has joined the SCNSW executive as State Treasurer, welcome aboard Mellissa.

Paul Smidt and I attended a meeting in April with the NSW Office of Sport to continue with our lobbying to get Sporting Clays NSW recognized as a State Sporting Organisation (SSO). We were well received, although with all things government we still have some lobbying to do.

As soon as we get confirmation of the 2020 National Calendar, we will be posting the scheduled dates for the 2020 SCNSW Selection Shoots and the State Championships.

On a house keeping note. It has come to our attention that the NSW Firearms registry will be doing spot checks on the registered ranges over the next 12 months.

They will be paying special attention to

- Firearms that are unattended be locked up ie in a locked car.
- All shooters attending and competing on ranges must have their current firearms license on their person.

I encourage clubs to enforce the policy of checking licenses at the time of nominations.

Andrew Fairfield-Smith
President.

Sporting Clays NSW

ASC SYDNEY NEWS

by Paul Smidt

17 MAY 2019

Big news! Barbara is back on deck after some time off this year for medical reasons. As they say you don't miss someone till they are not there. Thanks to Dana and Clare for holding the fort in Barbs absences.



Second big news - Congratulations to ASC member Andrew Bell for his HG victory at the Mudgee selection shoot on May the 12th. It's a tough job for most shooters to get in the top ten let alone take the shoot off for HG and at Mudgee, one of the toughest grounds in the country.

Yes, there's more good news. Thanks to club member Tom Zorgios and Danny Genovese from Gamebore Australia.

We are pleased to announce Gamebore will be the sponsor for the 2019 ASC Big Bird series. So, don't miss the remaining dates 30th June & 29th September.

We are now well into the shooting year with major events every weekend so the numbers attending our regular Saturday practice events has been a pleasant surprise. The most positive aspect is the new faces at every weekend. Word is definitely getting around Sydney and beyond that ASC is the place to shoot quality targets.



Range news. We have applied to our landlords for permission to remove some dangerous dead trees in the carpark and tracks to ensure public safety and are awaiting their reply. So, be ready for a working bee?

The clubhouse will be getting a second scoring monitor and new computer thanks to George Kassianou.

The generator has received the kiss of life from Maca & Ray and is now running better than ever, they even cleaned out the shipping container so it's now much easier to do maintenance. Thanks guys. The new drinks fridge in the canteen has proved a great improvement over the extended summer Sydney has had so far.

Last issue we thought the new complex sign would be up soon however as usual there were some delays and it looks like it will happen very soon. Keep your eyes open you won't miss it.

Regards
ASC President

Paul Smidt

BERMAGUI SPORTING CLAYS

LADIES DAY

Unfortunately, due to a few personal probs, the last few months have been a bit of a blur, hence we have missed the last couple of editions of S.C.A. news, but now, hopefully, life has returned to some sort of normality, and all systems are go.

By the time you read this we will, hopefully, have had our once a month "Safety and Training Day" granted by the B.S.V.C.



Mark Lazzaro, with Nev Brady handing over \$200 for shooting the compulsory 8 targets in our shoot raffle

This has been an on going saga for many, many years, and all because of a few, self centred, local anti gun crusaders, who have just made life a pain in the bum.

Our shoot numbers have averaged out at about 45 throughout the year, and although good, we hope numbers will increase once / if, the Safety and Training day is granted.

Over the last 6 months our travelling shooters have been on the dais at many shoots around the country, while Matty Wilesmith has been by far and away our most successful representative winning, or being thereabouts, at many of the major shoots on the Sporting Clays Australia calendar. Keep up the good work mate.

Our hunting fraternity have been busy harvesting ducks down East Gippsland way, whilst the deer shooters amongst us, have freezers full of some lovely venison.

This coming weekend marks the end of the Victorian duck season, and I dare say, a few of our members will be making their way down south to partake in proceedings. Good luck to all.

This weekend will also be our Federal election, and one can only hope that the Shooters, Fishers, and Farmers Party gets its fair share of votes, to give us some sort of power in the main stadium.

By the time you read this we will have had our A.G.M. where ALL positions became vacant, well done to the outgoing committee and good luck, and lots of success, to the incoming committee.

On our sick bay list we have Pat Tennant and Dale Allison, who are both doing it a bit tough at the moment. Get well quick fella's, your club needs ya.

Like all clubs, our Junior numbers could do with a boost and we are hopeful that a Safety and Training day will hopefully promote the sport with some Come and Try days, ladies days, etc etc.



Local squad of Fella's with the young lad wearing his P650 jacket. Luke Kingston, Rob Shaw, Lachlan Morosi (P650), Yannis Gantner, Luke Morosi.

I would like to take this opportunity to say a huge THANKYOU to our wonderful sponsors.

JANUARY 1 - Bruce Arthurson and Vicki and Wazza Marshall.

JANUARY 2 - Muzz and Barbie Magrin. Thankyou.

FEBUARY - Gary Georgiou from Safari Firearms.

MARCH - The Family and Friends of Mark Raabe and David Cook.

APRIL - Rob Beauziville, the Board and members of the Bermagui Country Club.

MAY - GRUMPY, thanks mate for your continued support.

JUNE - Scotty and Lisa Bradley from Bermagui Bait & Tackle.

JULY - Patrick and Tatia Jubb, thanks as always gang.

AUGUST - Nev & Shirl Brady from Bermagui Welding.

SEPTEMBER - Jimmy & Rhonda Drakos from Drakos Bros Construction & 777 Supermarket.

OCTOBER - Rainer Brandermeir, a non shooter but great supporter.

NOVEMBER - Santa & Mrs. Clause, just magnificent as always.

Thankyou ALL once again from the Committee and members of Bermagui Sporting Clays.

We would also like to thank Anna Shedrina and staff from Bronze Wing, for their great service and prompt delivery of clays and shells, along

with some very handy promotional gifts. Thanks gang.

To our N.S.W. State President, Andrew Fairfield/Smith, thanks mate for single handedly helping every club out, with different issues along the way, and being instrumental in organizing government grant access for new traps, to a lot of clubs that struggle with this kind of thing.

Also to the rest of the State committee, in particular Paul Smidt, for his dedication to the cause over a very long period of time.

In closing I would like to thank our Committee, members and their families for their unfaltering devotion to making our little club one of the best in the land, and well worth a visit if you haven't already been.

Nev B. ■

MUDGEE SPORTING CLAYS BOB BURNS CUP

24 MARCH 2019

On Sunday the 24th March our club members shot for the BB cup. This is a handicap event which is calculated on your first 50 targets, although most participants shoot at 100 targets on the day. The idea being is to encourage some of our older members to participate. A lot of our members particularly those who are local, strive to have their name engraved on the trophy. Bob who is the patron of our club and a life member is over 90 years of age also shot in the event. Looking at the dates and the winners names that are engraved on the trophy it is incredible to think that our members have been competing in this event for 24 years. At this particular event the range captain mostly sets one station that incorporates a manual trap just to remind members of how simulated field clubs mostly started and how we have progressed to having no trappers. After scores were calculated first position went to Jeffrey Merrick (after a count back), second to Ian Stewart and third to our vice president Scotty King (after a count back).

Mudgee club would like to advise that due to circumstances out of our control a change of date will take place for the JIM TAYLOR MEMORIAL & NSW STATE SELECTION event in May.

This event will be moved forward one week from the 18th & 19th May . It will now take place on SATURDAY 11TH & SUNDAY 12TH MAY 2019. ■

COOMA SPORTING CLAYS

MARCH ARPIL MAY SHOOT REPORTS

MARCH

37 shooters took to the course for the March Cooma Sporting Clays 100 target off the gun event.



100 Target Club shoot High Gun

It's was a drizzly start, but quickly cleared up to a dry day. 2 ranges were set with a great mix of targets for all grades. There was a good turn out from Bermagui who always provide a great level of friendly competition. Darren Redman from Bermagui took out the day with a High gun score of 87.

Club members Oscar Mower, James Byrne, Charlie Kimber, and Robin Perkins took out A, B, C, and Ladies grades respectively. New Junior Callan Jamieson showed constant improvement through out the day and took out Juniors with a handy 33.

Thanks to McMahons Earthmoving for sponsoring the day's events.

As March will have a 5th Sunday, we will be hosting a Compak shoot on Sunday March 31st.

MARCH COMPAK

Cooma Sporting Clays March Compak was shot over two ranges with great contrasting targets. Curls, Chippy and the setup crew did a great job with challenging targets for all. After a rainy and windy couple of days, the weather was perfect for an Autumn shoot.



High Gun

Highlights from the day were an impressive shoot by club stalwart and life member Richard Mould who pipped an in-form Ian Armstrong for the C Grade win. Robin Perkin had an impressive day taking out lady's grade, while B grader Rowan Venables showed the way taking out High Gun.

Our friend's Darren and Jan Redman from Bermagui made their final trip up the hill before heading off for the winter season and both came away with prizes.

Safe travels Darren and Jan, and we will see you later in the year.

Curls Thistleton won the rabbit raffle and elected to shoot for the prize of 6 packs of ammo. Without hesitation, he knocked off all 5 pairs of rabbits and took out the major prize. Well done Curls.

APRIL COOMA EASTER CLASSIC



Easter Classic Tri Gun overall

April saw the 26th Cooma Easter classic run again over 4 days. This involves shooting '20-gauge' on Friday, 'Under and Over' on Saturday and Sunday, then 'Side by Side' on Monday. At the end of the weekend an off the gun and handicap total is calculated giving us our winners.

Rob Passarin in Veterans showed the way over the 75 target event with a 65, closely followed by Chris Davis in AA grade. Chris was the defending 2018 off the gun winner, so Rob had some tough competition. Johnny Passarin and Rod Laidlaw were also in the mix having a solid shoot in 20-gauge.

Saturday and Sunday bought 100 targets per day with Chris Davis picking up a handy 3 point lead, while Mick Munro and Brett Inch also put in a good performance. Sub Junior Daniel Davis, not to be outdone by his Father, also put in an impressive effort to take out his category. C grader and the 2018 Handicap champion, Jason Mouheit started showing he may be in with a chance to take back to back titles.

Monday and the final 75 target 'Side by Side' challenge was in full swing. Matthew Harris-Spencer, who had been a solid contender all weekend, hit his stride and took out the event by one target from Chris Davis. Rob Passarin and Mick Munro also put on a strong show but were unable to hunt down Chris in the end.

As the weekend drew to a close, we had a repeat of 2018 with Chris Davis taking out the off the gun title with a total of 220 followed by Rob Passarin with 214 and third to Mick Munro with 209. The handicap shoot favourite Jason Mouheit putting in an impressive 361 to take out top place followed by Daniel Davis with 347 and Mick Munro also taking out third on handicap with 334.

MAY

The Monaro turned on a beautiful day for the Cooma Sporting Clays May shoot. 42 shooters took advantage of autumn in the high country with two ranges of challenging

targets with a variety to keep everyone on their toes. High gun shooter for the day was local Andrew Fairfield-Smith with a handy 82. Andy Vaccaro from Madura Park took out AA grade with John Starr right on the heels of our High gun taking out A grade. B grade went to Barry Dunn from Bermagui, while Charlie Kimber stood out once again to take out C Grade. Ladies was a close-fought tussle with Michelle Craig ending up on top of the leader's board for the day. Angus Schofield rounded out the winner's circle with a win in Juniors. Well done to all for a great day. Our next shoot is the Mid winter Cup on the 16th June. All are welcome to join us.

RESULTS - MARCH

High Gun		Darren Redman	87
A Grade	1st	Oscar Mower	76
	2nd	Terry Thistleton	75
	3rd	John Starr	73
B Grade	1st	James Byrne	80
	2nd	Barry Dunn	79
	3rd	Col Brownlie	77
C Grade	1st	Charlie Kimber	73
	2nd	Mark Coleman	68
	3rd	Dick McInnes	59
	4th	Richard Mould	58
	5th	Glenn Simmons	54
Ladies	1st	Robin Perkins	75
	2nd	Jan Redman	64
	3rd	Kerry Donald	61
	4th	Penny White	56
	5th	Wendy Crouch	52
Junior	1st	Callan Jamieson	33

RESULTS - MARCH COMPAK

High Gun		Rowan Venables	
AA Grade	1st	Darren Redman	
	A Grade	1st	Phil Craig
		2nd	Curls Thistleton
3rd		Col Brownlie	
B Grade	1st	Andrew Fairfield-Smith	
	2nd	Chippy Wholohan	
	3rd	Russ Rowling	
C Grade	1st	Richard Mould	
	2nd	Ian Armstrong	
	3rd	Mark Coleman	
Ladies	1st	Robin Perkins	
	2nd	Michelle Craig	
	3rd	Jan Redman	
	4th	Kerry Donald	
	5th	Sally Armstrong	

RESULTS - MAY

High Gun		Andrew Fairfield-Smith	
AA Grade	1st	Andy Vaccaro	
	A Grade	1st	John Starr
		2nd	John Sankey
3rd		Phil Craig	
B Grade	1st	Barry Dunn	
	2nd	David Aldridge	
	3rd	Richard Seears	
C Grade	1st	Charlie Kimber	
	2nd	Dick McInnes	
	3rd	Mark Coleman	
Ladies	1st	Michelle Craig	
	2nd	Penny White	
	3rd	Wendy Crouch	
Junior	1st	Angus Schofield	
	2nd	Callan Jamieson	

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Grade winners of the Broken Hill Field and Game 50 Target Graded Handicap Championship, left to right, Anthony Elliott (B Grade), Ashden Hall (Juniors), Josh Holmes (AA Grade and High Gun), Andrew Ashwood (A Grade) and Neil Treganowan (C Grade).



Grade winners of the 75 Target Club Championship, left to right, Leigh Norton (AA Grade), Travis Casey (B Grade) and Murray Barker (A Grade and High Gun).

BROKEN HILL FIELD AND GAME NEWS by "Shellshocked"

3 MARCH

On Sunday 3 March the Broken Hill Field and Game Association conducted a 50 Target Graded Handicap Championship. The shoot was conducted in hot conditions with just a light breeze. But the shooting started and finished early and with all shooters in the shade of the club house by noon it was an enjoyable day for shooting clay targets. Organisers were rewarded with a good attendance of 32 shooters.

Range marshals the two Joshes, Andrew, Ashden, Richard and Rod very sensibly set a warm weather range, just five stations and finishing within a stone's throw of the club house. The range had plenty of interesting and fun targets to shoot at. The degree of difficulty was a few targets on the easy side of average with the majority of shooters bursting their handicap, and the best shooters recorded some very good totals and some very close results.

The best off gun total for the shoot was an excellent 44 shot by Josh Holmes. Josh shot pretty consistently and won the High Gun medal with a couple of shots up his sleeve at the finish.

The Grade results were decided on handicap totals.

Josh Holmes was the lone ranger in AA Grade but with the best off gun score in the bank he shot 50 off handicap and his first place prize was very well deserved. Andrew Ashwood was best in A Grade and an equal second best score off the gun contributed to a good handicap total of 54 for a comfortable win at the finish. Anthony Elliott and Josh Edgecumbe both shot 56 to tie for top spot in B Grade, but Anthony got the nod from the scorers on count back to claim the first place prize. The result in C Grade saw a three way tie for first place, Neil Treganowan, Peter Hoare and Grant Cox all shot a good score of 56 and once again the scorers got to work and Neil was awarded first place on count back. It is always encouraging to see junior shooters at the range and Ashden Hall shot an excellent handicap total of 59, the best for the shoot,

to finish top in the Juniors Grade from a fast finishing Tom Casey who shot a good 54.

7 APRIL

On 7 April the Broken Hill Field and Game Association conducted a 75 Target Simulated Field Club Championship. The weather was pretty good, warm and sunny, but a brisk breeze got stronger as the day went on and made the conditions very interesting for shooting clay targets. Organisers were delighted with an excellent attendance of 36 shooters.

The range was set by Edgey, Ashy and Nev who did a very good job to build an impressive variety of targets into a single range layout that was shot three times to make up the competition. The targets were a bit more difficult than usual, especially with the strengthening wind, and most shooters finished below their handicap average. Which only made the good scores shot by the best shooters all that more remarkable.

The best score off the gun was an excellent total of 68 shot by A Grader Murray Barker. Murray got off to a great start with 24/25 in the first round and just kept the pressure on all day, a very good effort in the conditions. He claimed a well deserved High Gun medal with a few shots up his sleeve at the finish.

Mildura shooter Leigh Norton travelled up for the day and was rewarded with a very good score of 65 and a comfortable first place in AA Grade. The result in A Grade was an easy win for High Gun Murray Barker who finished light years ahead of his opposition. Travis Casey absolutely starred in B Grade with a great score of 60 and was also a very easy grade winner. The result in C Grade was a bit closer and Neil Treganowan shot 45 for the grade win but was still a few shots ahead of the opposition. It was good to see a crew of four keen shooters battling it out in the Junior Grade. Ashden Hall shot consistently for a score of 44 and a fairly close grade win ahead of Calan Lawrence who finished with 42.

4-5 MAY

On the weekend of 4 and 5 May, the Broken Hill Field and Game Association conducted a big weekend of shooting. A sporting clays shoot was conducted on Saturday and on Sunday a 75 target simulated field graded handicap championship shoot. Both shoots were sponsored by Josh Edgecumbe who very generously provided an excellent range of prizes for the winning shooters. Saturday night was quite cool for the many who camped out but both days were mild and sunny, and conditions were just about perfect for shooting clay targets. Organisers were pleased with a good attendance of 24 shooters on each day given that many of our regulars were rostered on at work.

The ranges on both days were set by Josh and Ashden and Ashv and Rod and



Travis Casey smacks another target in the sporting clays twilight shoot while Rod Weaver and Rod Grenfell patiently wait their turn.

a cast of thousands, about 15 blokes on the range at one stage, who did an excellent job and presented a very good variety of targets for the shooters. The targets were a bit easier than average which made for very enjoyable shooting and the better shooters, as usual, recorded some excellent totals both off the gun and on handicap. Most shooters managed to better their handicap by quite a few shots at the finish and the big winner will

inevitably be the handicapper.

The sporting clays shoot was held on Saturday afternoon, and under lights in the evening. The targets were not overly difficult which made for good fun shooting, particularly after dark when clays smashed under the lights looked spectacular. With a sausage sizzle tea and a warm fire to hold off the evening chill a very good time was had by one and all.

Best sporting clays shooter was Josh Holmes



Grade winners of the Josh Edgecumbe 75 Target Graded Handicap Championship, left to right, Ben Millar (A Grade), Peter Hoare (C Grade), Josh Holmes (High Gun and AA Grade), Wayne Haskard (B Grade) and Ashden Hall (Juniors).

who shot 33 to win the High Gun prize. Clay Johnston shot 31 for second place while Renmark shooter Ben Millar and Josh Edgecumbe both shot 30 to share third place.

On Sunday it was back to business with a 75 target simulated field graded handicap championship shoot.

The best shooter off the gun was Josh Holmes who continued his good form from Saturday to shoot an exceptional total of 67/75 to win the High Gun medal quite comfortably at the finish.

The remaining prizes were awarded for handicap totals.

Josh Holmes exceptional high gun score plus a dollop of handicap came to a handicap total of 76 which was good enough for a comfortable win in AA Grade. Renmark shooter Ben Millar started slowly but finished very strongly and he shot 80 in A Grade to finish light years ahead of his competition for the first place prize. The result in B Grade also witnessed a very easy win for Wayne Haskard who shot very consistently for 88. The scores in C Grade were much closer and Peter Hoare and Jason Butcher both shot 89 to tie for first place. Peter got the nod from the scorers on countback and was awarded the first place prize. Ashden Hall won the first place prize in the Junior Grade with a good score of 84.

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

BROKEN HILL - 7 APRIL 2019 75 TARGET GRADED CHAMPIONSHIP			
High Gun		Murray Barker	68
AA Grade	1st	Leigh Norton	65
	2nd	Josh Holmes	61
A Grade	1st	Murray Barker	68
	2nd	Josh Edgecumbe	54
	3rd	Kym Files	53
B Grade	1st	Travis Casey	60
	2nd	Ian Featherstone	51
	3rd	Peter Ellis	50
C Grade	1st	Neil Treganowan	45
	2nd	Jason Butcher	42
	3rd	Will Evans	41
Juniors	1st	Ashden Hall	44
	2nd	Calan Lawrence	42
	3rd	Will Norton	41

BROKEN HILL - 5 MAY 2019 75 TARGET GRADED HANDICAP CHAMPIONSHIP			
High Gun		Josh Holmes	67
AA Grade	1st	Josh Holmes	76
	2nd	Clay Johnston	70
A Grade	1st	Ben Millar	80
	2nd	Brian Casey	72
	3rd	Andrew Ashwood	72
B Grade	1st	Wayne Haskard	88
	2nd	Rod Weaver	82
	3rd	Travis Casey	82
C Grade	1st	Peter Hoare	89
	2nd	Jason Butcher	89
	3rd	Jason Milne	86
Juniors	1st	Ashden Hall	84
	2nd	Tom Casey	77

BROKEN HILL - 3 MARCH 2019 50 TARGET HANDICAP CHAMPIONSHIP			
High Gun		Josh Holmes	44
AA Grade	1st	Josh Holmes	50
A Grade	1st	Andrew Ashwood	54
	2nd	Gerard Mahoney	52
	3rd	Brian Casey	51
B Grade	1st	Anthony Elliott	56
	2nd	Josh Edgecumbe	56
	3rd	Neville Hill	54
C Grade	1st	Neil Treganowan	56
	2nd	Peter Hoare	56
	3rd	Grant Cox	56
Juniors	1st	Ashden Hall	59
	2nd	Tom Casey	54



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QSCA UPDATE

- by Ashley Mead

QSCA has had an interesting quarter, hosting a State Team Selection shoot and a sponsored coaching clinic. Member branch Brisbane Sporting Clays also hosted the FITASC Oceania competition over Easter.

QSCA has been progressing with Governance updates and is currently reviewing a draft constitution. We are also looking to update our other documents (code of conduct, member protection policy, dispute resolution and privacy policy etc.). As these drafts are developed and reviewed, we will release them for review and comment by QSCA members, with the aim to vote at the February 2020 Annual General Meeting. When these documents are released – please take the time to get involved – it's your Association.

QSCA is also in the process of supplying new batteries and pads for the Defibrillators purchased for each member branch. QSCA will also reimburse clubs for members who undergo first aid/defibrillator training.

QSCA's State Development Program 3-year funding program runs out at the end of 2019, and we are investigating options for future funding. We would like to take this opportunity to thank the Queensland Government – Department for Sport and Recreation for their ongoing assistance.

QSCA REMINDERS

- 3rd QSCA Qualifier – 75 targets. Childers Sporting Clays, Sat 3th August
- 4th QSCA Qualifier – 75 targets. Fraser Coast Sporting Clays (held at Childers Sporting Clays), Sun 4th August
- Old Style FITASC – 75 targets. Beaudesert Sporting Clays, Sun 25th August
- QSCA State Titles – 150 targets. Fraser Coast Sporting Clays, Sun 31st Aug – Sun 1st Sep
- COMPAK State Titles – 75 targets. Redcliffe City Clay Target Club, Sunday 24th November.

QSCA COACHING CLINIC

QSCA recently hosted two days of training for its members, including a dedicated Junior Coaching Clinic. This training clinic was held after the FITASC Oceania at host club – Brisbane Sporting Clays.

The training clinic was conducted by Renae Birgan, the reigning FITASC Ladies World Champion - recently named by Shooting Australia as the 2018 'Senior Female Target Sport Athlete of the Year'.

Adult members received training at a subsidised rate, while Juniors had all costs covered (including having ammunition supplied).

QSCA is aiming to continue providing subsidised training to its members on a more regular basis.

2ND STATE TEAM QUALIFIER – GYMPIE SPORTING CLAYS

Gympie Sporting Clays put on a great show for the 2nd QSCA State Team Qualification event on Sunday 17th February.

To help prepare their grounds, Gympie applied for a grant from QSCA which they then invested in flood remediation works at the club, just in time for the competition.



Earthworks at Gympie Sporting Clays



40 shooters made the trip and were rewarded with good targets and a relaxed atmosphere. Congratulations to Aaron Knowles for taking out the event with a 73/75 – great shooting.



QSCA President - Glen Rider thanking those who made the trip to a great competition

Thanks, from QSCA to host club Gympie Sporting Clays and its volunteers for running a great event. Full results available at

www.scalivescores.com.au

QSCA 2019 – 2ND QUALIFIER GYMPIE SPORTING CLAYS – 75 TARGETS

OPEN		
High Gun	Aaron Knowles	73
AA	1st Jason Pole	72
	2nd Will Smith	40
A	1st Glen Graham	71
	2nd Dennis Dinte	67
	3rd Steve Blake	66
B	1st Clinton Davies	69
	2nd Chris Chapman	67
	3rd Joe Clifford	66
C	1st Will Lawrie	61
	2nd Max Irsic	46
	3rd Brett Taylor	45
Ladies	1st Maree Birgan	64
	2nd Karen Rider	59
	3rd Lyndall Groundwater	59
Senior	1st David Evans	70
	2nd Michael Birgan	69
	3rd Max Whiting	68
Veterans	1st Darryl Groundwater	67
	2nd Dennis Bullimore	66
	3rd John Floquet	60
Junior	1st Matthew Collingwood	68
	2nd Nic Stewart	38



BRISBANE SPORTING CLAYS REPORT

- by Ashley Mead

MAY 2019 REPORT

2019 has been a very busy year, and since our February report BSC has:

- Held our normal monthly competition in March and May, with great numbers attending
- Held a working bee weekend in preparation for the FITASC Oceania
- Hosted the FITASC Oceania's, with over 200 participants
- Worked on several range improvements, including repairs and upgrades to the grounds, facilities and equipment
- Continued progressing the new clubroom.

FITASC Oceania wrap-up - a big THANKYOU!

Easter saw 203 competitors descend on BSC for the FITASC Oceania, our first big test as a new committee.

The event ran smoothly and the feedback from shooters and visitors has been excellent; however, all of this did not happen by accident.

BSC would like to take this opportunity to thank the FITASC Oceania sponsors for their help and assistance in making the event a success, including:

- Outdoor Trading Company (OTC) – Promatic, and GB shell (Prius, Competition and Extreme)
- Outdoor Shooting Agencies (OSA) – Miroku and B&P shells
- Global Clay Technologies
- Hutchison Builders
- Alllift Forklifts & Access Equipment.

We would also like to thank:

- The BSC staff, members and visitors who helped to prepare and run the event, from the working bees, ground, maintenance and equipment work, competition setup and the physical running of the event
- Charmaine and her dedicated team for their efforts in keeping us incredibly well fed
- Michael Pole for professional photography during the event
- Sporting Clays Australia, particularly Glen Rider for his assistance in preparing and running the event
- The BSC Committee Members for their efforts to make this a successful competition.

BSC REMINDERS:

- English Sporting State Titles – 100 targets, Sun 9th June
- Past Members Memorial Shoot (high gun and top 10 handicap), Sun 11th August
- OTC Classic – 150 targets, Sat 28th Sep – Sun 29th Sep.

RANGE ACTIVITIES

Friday and Saturday practice has continued to prove popular with members and visitors, with good numbers attending.

BSC's trial of opening on the third Sunday of the month for general practice has been received well, and we will continue this for the rest of the year as a trial.

Corporate guest numbers have been steady throughout the period, helping to generate the income required to maintain and grow our club. We are already receiving enquiries for company Christmas functions!

RANGE FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT UPDATE

BSC has been conducting work around the site, including the re-roofing of our current clubroom. At the same time, we invested in upgrades (electrical, CCTV, TV and security) to support the new clubroom planned.

Our new clubroom is proceeding (slowly but surely). We recently signed an Infrastructure Agreement with the Brisbane City Council. Once finalised, it should result in a significant reduction of our Infrastructure Charge for the new clubroom allowing us to proceed.

We are now moving to have plans and certifications developed so we can go to tender for the new clubroom - thanks to Dave Evans for his help in guiding us through this process.

We have also upgraded our scoring system cabling and displays – thanks goes to Enzo Gigante for his continued assistance.

RANGE EQUIPMENT UPDATE

Our five new Promatic traps arrived and were put straight into service for the Oceania's. An extensive servicing campaign was also conducted with the arrival of our inventory of spare parts, which saw over 60 traps serviced in a very short space of time.

We also conducted extensive repairs and servicing conducted on the site Manitou, which we hope will provide us with a reliable machine through the upcoming years.

BSC COMPETITIONS

Our March monthly shoot was well attended, with 65 competitors attending. A good shoot-off saw Brett Chambellant take out High Gun on 67/75 from Joe Clifford.

MARCH MONTHLY COMPETITION 75 TARGETS

OPEN			
High Gun	Brett Chambellant		67/75
AA	1st	Paul Lillis	65
	2nd	Daniel Lillis	63
	3rd	Jason Pole	63
A	1st	Andrew Leech	61
	2nd	James Palfreeman	60
	3rd	Dennis Dinte	60
B	1st	Joe Clifford	67
	2nd	Aaron Goodchild	63
	3rd	Nicholas Aird	58
C	1st	Gene Deriz	51
	2nd	Daniel McKiernan	47
	3rd	Dean Short	47

Ladies	1st	Maree Birgan	57
	2nd	Lyndall Groundwater	54
		Shannon Palfreeman	44
Senior	1st	Michael Birgan	66
	2nd	Greg Mitchell	60
	3rd	Ian Collison	56
Veterans	1st	Darryl Groundwater	58
	2nd	Bob Ross	51
	3rd	Carl Law	49
Junior	1st	Harrison Lillis	54
	2nd	Christopher Christensen	53
	3rd	Matthew Collingwood	46



Our May competition (held on Mothers Day) was well attended by 57 competitors. A spirited shoot off was required, with Michael Birgan taking out High Gun on 70/75 from Daniel Lillis.

Notable performances of the day included 25 Break Badges going to Aaron Goodchild and Harrison Lillis.

MAY (MOTHER'S DAY) MONTHLY COMPETITION - 75 TARGETS

OPEN			
High Gun		Michael Birgan	70/75
AA	1st	Jason Pole	67
	2nd	Paul Lillis	65
	3rd	Enzo Gigante	60
A	1st	Daniel Lillis	70
	2nd	Steve Blake	69
	3rd	Aaron Goodchild	62
B	1st	Michael Lucas	60
	2nd	Tom Andries	59
	3rd	Dean Crouch	56
C	1st	Col Harrison	51
	2nd	James Christensen	50
	3rd	Bruce Wilson	48
Ladies	1st	Maree Birgan	58
	2nd	Shannon Palfreeman	57
		Lyndall Groundwater	49
Senior	1st	Glen Rider	68
	2nd	Greg Mitchell	60
	3rd	Dave Evans	60
Veterans	1st	John Floquet	62
	2nd	Darryl Groundwater	55
	3rd	Ian Waldron	50
Junior	1st	Harrison Lillis	63
	2nd	Christopher Christensen	54
	3rd	Matthew Collingwood	53

We still have a lot of work to do, but with the help of our volunteers and staff we are chipping away at it!

Ashley Mead

BSC Secretary/Treasurer
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FRASER COAST SPORTING CLAYS

Fraser Coast Sporting Clays has had a huge start to 2019. In March Fraser Coast held a Come & Try Day which with an aggressive marketing campaign on social media, TV & newspaper coverage as well as other well communicated resources we were able to attract over 200 participants on the day and many others contacting us weekly to try out the sport! The work put in by the organising committee & volunteers having the number of attendees register, squadding up, running through safety procedures and coaching at each stand certainly showed how our club members take their sport seriously and welcoming possible new members. We appreciate the assistance of our sister club Gympie Sporting Clays to assist with coaching and taking charge of our canteen, a top job!



Back in November 2018 Fraser Coast hosted a morning tea and shooting activities event for the Rally For A Cause charity dubbed the Dunga Derby, this attracted 80 participants to the club and raised over \$2000 for the charity. These two events have put Sporting Clays in the spotlight for the Fraser Coast area giving thousands of people our presence and hundreds a better understanding of the sport as well as developed local community awareness, highlighting Fraser Coast Sporting Clays as the premiere hub for elite shotgun sports on the Fraser Coast! Our volunteer members put in a mammoth task in the organising and operation of these events and although a busy day they are fun, enjoyable and exciting. A big thank you to those volunteers that do assist our club during these events!

Membership is on the rise and participation is ever increasing, getting greater numbers of participants to our club events. Fraser Coast is making great progress on club development, plans are being made to invest more

equipment and infrastructure to give the club national standard facilities and increase our ability to provide first class events in the future. We continue to actively engage with community groups and seek further education and participation in Sporting Clays and keeping with our commitment leading into the second half of the year we have in planning more charity and community group events.

Up coming for August this year is the QSCA State Qualifier with both Childers & Fraser Coast combining together in Childers for this two day event also August 30 the QSCA State Titles to be held at Fraser Coast Sporting Clays club grounds. The QSCA State Titles will be a fun filled two day event and a night event being planned also. Our club members are hard at work preparing the grounds and looking forward to show our usual hospitality for the QSCA State Titles. Camping facility's onsite and accomodation is available in Maryborough and Hervey Bay if anyone is intending to stay longer with the whale watching season in full swing.

CHILDERS SPORTING CLAYS NEWSLETTER

- by Max Whiting

JUNE 2019

Childers Sporting Clay held a Come and Try day in May that was well attended. Hopefully we will gain some new members as a result.

We have our 2 x day state selection shoots coming up in August on 3rd and 4th. There will be some new shooting areas introduced from recent clearing and improvements which are sure to please. CSC aim to start the event on both days as early as possible thus ensuring those who have long distances to travel can get away without holdups.

Good shooting

Max Whiting
CSC - President



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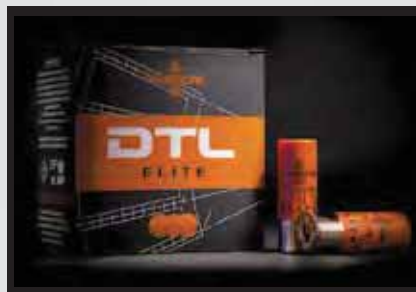
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WAFGA REPORT

by State Secretary Sue Green

WOW what a flying start to the 2019 shooting season for WA members. Our own State newsletter "The Shooters of Today" and thanks once again to Carrie Paulsen for continuing in the role, Carrie is our Chief Editor which clubs need to send their info to. Hopefully all clubs have sent to members a copy, but if you have not received a copy please let State know and we will sort that out for you. Available on the Clay Target West facebook site.

It is great to see the Clubs all working together and we are seeing increased numbers at our shoots. The 1st State Qualifier held at Harvey had 85 shooters to start the year off and that kept the office staff very busy!

One of our oldest clubs in WA being Moora, had received some funding and a grant from WAFGA for new machinery and in March they held the inaugural State Compak Championships. It was 20 years ago when a State shoot was last held at Moora. The comradery shown in our sport by all our members is outstanding. Ask and he shall receive, the volunteers came in droves to assist this club with machinery, ground setting, catering, admin and the help from not only our members but their families and friends. Thank you to all those wonderful people who came together to make this event such a success. Moora is once again a strong club and there will be many more events to come in the future. Congratulations on a job well done Moora.

Coaching is getting back on track here in WA with our new coaching co-ordinator Stacey Bell. WAFGA is extremely grateful that Tracey Grayer has agreed to help State with presenting the club coaching course and we have 5 candidates doing the Club Coaching 2 day course with more to follow. We also need to have more qualified Referees and that course will be happening soon.

Our funding from the Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries has once again been granted and the ongoing assistance our State is receiving from the Department is so valuable to guide us through all the requirements by law like Working with Children policies and procedures. We are hoping for more funding to assist our sport as we need to bring our governance policies and procedures up to date.

The Pegasus club arranged for a world champion International shooter Gebben Miles to provide some coaching to our

members recently. That was extremely beneficial and a huge success for those who attended. Gebben is currently residing in Sydney and would like to come back to WA later in the year to do more coaching.

It just keeps getting better and it sure is exciting times over here in the wild west with State getting coaching courses and referee courses happening back on track and now WAFGA have approved a training session with former World and British Champion Mark Marshall who has recently joined the team at Ian Coley Sporting as chief instructor and shooting school manager.

Mark Marshall is well known for setting top-class sporting layouts such as the World Sporting and Beretta World Championships. During his stay here in Perth he is making himself available for coaching, sporting clays and hunting, gun fit and general shooting development. WAFGA is proud to announce that we have engaged his services to teach our up and coming course setters and further develop the skills of the more experienced course setters. Members are asked to contact State for more information.

In the words of our famous Bruce's Shooting Academy – State safe and hit 'em all.

**State President
Vern Godfrey**

HARVEY 1ST STATE QUALIFIER – 17TH MARCH 2019

I would like to say a huge thank you to all the shooters that turned out at Harvey Sporting Clays for the first state qualifier last month. The club had 85 shooters participating in the event including the Echidna Park gang travelling down from Geraldton and shooters from Augusta and throughout the South West



HARVEY SQ 1 Mike Hudspith STD, Nick Melanko HG and Vern Godfrey

The shoot was not without its problems however we will continue to work on those, and we will get better.

A special thank you to all contributing Harvey members and others, both on the course and running canteen and office and preparing Saturday nights meal. We had over 50 guests for dinner on Saturday night and campers as far as you could see. A great night was enjoyed by all.

The club was caught with its pants down to some extent as we simply did not anticipate the numbers that rolled in. Hopefully good results will continue for the whole of the state team selection shoots at all of the clubs and we can start to see some real growth in numbers in our sport throughout the year.

Congratulations to Nick Melanko who managed his first high gun at a state shoot and to all the other winners on the day. Also, Ken Green who shot the only 25 break on the day.

Stay safe everyone

**Vern Godfrey
Club President**

1ST STATE QUALIFIER HARVEY 17TH MARCH 2019			
High Gun		Nick Melanko	85/100
AA Grade	1st	Rhys Howard	83/100
	2nd	Ken Green	83/100
	3rd	Paul Bowles	83/100
A Grade	1st	Michael McDonald	83/100
	2nd	Luke Turner	83/100
	3rd	Joe Gurak	80/100
B Grade	1st	Pal Pitaro	79/100
	2nd	Brian Backhouse	75/100
	3rd	Glen Doran	70/100
C Grade	1st	Graeme Gemmell	75/100
	2nd	Jay Waterhouse	67/100
	3rd	John Walton	64/100
Seniors	1st	Tony Trainor	82/100
	2nd	Mike Daden	76/100
	3rd	Peter Grayer	75/100
Ladies	1st	Maria Dunnett	81/100
	2nd	Laura Coles	72/100
	3rd	Tracey Grayer	71/100
Juniors	1st	Angus Grant	79/100
	2nd	Cory Backhouse	64/100
	3rd	Oscar Evans	62/100
Sub Juniors	1st	Tristan Noble	65/100
	2nd	Kate Cooper	33/100

MOORA STATE COMPAK CHMPIONSHIPS 31ST MARCH 2019

T'was the eve before COMPAK, and all through the night many punters were groovin, to tunes by DJ MIKE!

MOORA BACK WITH BANG!

After a near on 20 year hiatus, the big bad banksia scrub at Moora was filled with the percussion of boomsticks as the Moora Clay Target Club hosted the 2019 WAFGA COMPAK championships, sponsored by Target Solutions, WAFGA, Echidna Park and Dennis Agri Services.

56 shooters contested the Sunday shoot over two grounds and 100 targets with Nick Melanko taking the chocolates, being crowned the 2019 WA COMPAK Champion with a score of 95/100.



Mick Thomas drove back to Moora in his 46-year-old land rover.

Mick said it was 20 years ago when he drove his land rover to Moora for a State shoot and they would have 60 plus shooters back in the old days. Now in 2019 Moora is back with 56 shooters.



Overall Winner Nick Melanko



A GRADE Michael McDonald, Ryan McPherson and Mick Thomas



B GRADE PAUL PITARO

Nick shot 49 straight in the second half of the day, backing up his morning lead to earn another 25-break badge.

Paul Pitaro shot an incredible 50 straight to earn his first (- and second! -) 25 break badge.

Saturday afternoon saw many competitors and spectators arrive, all excited at the chance to shoot the Moora grounds again. Saturday night saw around 40 campers socialising, serenading and 'mentally preparing' around the campfire at the club rooms. Tunes and general ambience were provided by DJ Mike Hudspith.

Thanks to the organising of Clayton Dennis and Co, a 'Smoke Off' was held and the mountain of meat that it produced fed the



SENIORS David Knight, Tom Papadopoulos and Peter Grayer



AA GRADE Clayton Dennis and Ken Green

masses Saturday night.....and Sunday and Monday.....and Tuesday.....

Ken Green was the winner of the raffle, taking home a giant YETI cooler to keep the drinks cold. The winners of the secondary prizes were spread across nearly all clubs, reflecting the strong support everyone gave to the raffle. Sponsors of the raffle included Target Solutions, Western Trap and Field, Roy Alexanders, Landmark Moora, Afgri Moora John Deere, Mark Robbins and Ozzie Reviews.

The Çonga Line / Walkthrough method of shooting COMPAK was trialled for the first time in WA and proved to be a faster way of moving shooters through the format.

Murphies law did its best to disrupt proceedings with 3 traps having issues on ground 2 at the start of the day, but all shooters showed remarkable patience and kept a smile on their faces as the issues were rectified which took a huge amount of pressure off the volunteers who were working to remedy the situation.

Everyone seemed to enjoy themselves, all shooters finding refuge from the sun in the ample shade at the Moora Grounds. The last shooters in squad 1 found themselves getting blown around late in the afternoon as a weather system moved in from the West but they still had smiles on their faces as the bar was opened and presentations held.

Moora would like to thank all those who travelled early to help setup, especially Clayton Dennis and Bruce who arrived Friday night to see what sort of animal was available for consumption at the Moora Pub.

Special thanks to Pegasus, Perth Metro and Clayton Dennis for the loan of traps.

Many members from other clubs contributed on the day and it was great to see the camaraderie around the grounds as WAFGA came together to make Moora's first shoot a success, there will definitely be more to come at Moora!

Julian Gardner

President Moora Club

**MOORA STATE COMPAK CHMPIONSHIPS
17TH MARCH 2019**

High Gun		Nick Melanko	95/100
AA Grade	1st	Clayton Dennis	92/100
	2nd	Ben Sgro	92/100
	3rd	Ken Green	88/100
A Grade	1st	Michael McDonald	91/100
	2nd	Ryan McPherson	87/100
	3rd	Mick Thomas	85/100
B Grade	1st	Paul Pitaro	87/100
	2nd	Merv Holben	83/100
	3rd	David Hamilton	81/100
C Grade	1st	Graeme Gemmell	82/100
	2nd	Brendan Van Beek	78/100
	3rd	Paul Camerer	75/100
Seniors	1st	Tom Papadopoulos	90/100
	2nd	Peter Grayer	86/100
	3rd	Dave Knight	85/100
Ladies	1st	Tracey Grayer	81/100
	2nd	Maria Dunnett	71/100
	3rd	Kylie Dennis	64/100
Juniors	1st	Angus Grant	82/100

**THREE SPRINGS 2ND STATE QUALIFIER –
14TH APRIL 2019**

2ND STATE QUALIFIER THREE SPRINGS 14TH APRIL 2019			
High Gun		Tony Trainor	92/100
AA Grade	1st	Rhys Howard	86/100
	2nd	Ben Sgro	82/100
	3rd	Ken Green	81/100
A Grade	1st	Clayton Dennis	90/100
	2nd	Michael McDonald	88/100
	3rd	Steve Tunnicliffe	82/100
B Grade	1st	Morgan Robins	74/100
	2nd	Jay Waterhouse	73/100
	3rd	Tim Blakeney	73/100
C Grade	1st	Mark Robins	62/100
	2nd	Paul Camerer	58/100
	3rd	Matt Harding	55/100
Seniors	1st	Tom Papadopoulos	75/100
	2nd	Peter Grayer	72/100
	3rd	Bill Clarke	70/100
Ladies	1st	Tracey Grayer	70/100
	2nd	Kylie Dennis	50/100
Juniors	1st	Angus Grant	71/100
Sub Juniors	1st	Tristan Noble	59/100
	2nd	Kate Cooper	50/100

▶ WAFGA THIRD STATE QUALIFIER HELD AT THE PEGASUS CLUB

5 MAY 2019

I would like to congratulate Ryan MacPherson & Clayton Dennis on their efforts to produce some world class targets never before seen in WA for this event. The boys spent countless hours going over the grounds and using their imaginations taking into account the coastal undulating grounds that we have. A lot of effort went into a few traps getting them up on sand dunes never used before.

They pretty much set 24 new presentations on these grounds with only one that was similar to last year's qualifier. Although some of the competitors found some of the target difficult (slow down hill bobbling rabbit), all that attended appreciated the efforts and am sure look forward to the 2-day championships that we will host in September.

The crew started arriving Friday morning to set the grounds, by 3pm we had heaps of helpers which allowed us to actually sit down and enjoy the company earlier than usual. As all clubs are aware most shoots have a problem here or there, we had our fair share with the 6-wheel Polaris blowing a radiator hose connector on the Friday arvo. This was quickly assessed and fixed, thank you Arthur Page & Peter Richie for attending to this. Later we found it was still running hot as the cooling fan was not working so the boys hot wired the fan to the ignition, cheers to Luke Turner and crew for that. All was running fine until the solar system packed it in Saturday arvo, the problem being a blown battery terminal. Luckily, we had generator power for cooking, the computer, water pump etc.

There are also a few bloopers – one young lady Friday night ran over a trailer tow hitch and gouged a hole in her tyre. Same car was found with flat battery the next morning. The same car Sunday night but with her husband driving pulled off the track to allow another car thru and when into a ditch, a bit of minor damage but very lucky not to have rolled it, thankfully no one injured. Both times the drivers were returning from getting pizza's in town. They have now both been banned from getting pizza's in town!

One thing that was perfect was the weather, a light breeze with mostly clear skies with temp's around 25. Saturday night was great fun with 27 people camping over and enjoying a few beverages and dinner. The dinner was provided by all that attended at no cost, everyone contributed, and everyone shared what was on the table. A great feast with great variety - thank you to all that help make this possible.

A very special thank you to the lovely ladies in the canteen – Penny, Kirsty & Anne. They are at every shoot helping out, all they ask in return is that I provide a vanilla slice. Speaking of helpers – we were inundated with helpers during the set up and packing up, too many to mention but thank you from the bottom of our hearts. The sport needs helpers; it's too much to expect that small clubs host state events.

Special thanks to Sue & Ken Green for setting up and running the computer system as well as taking nominations on the day, it's fair to say it's a thankless job, I hope all that attend these shoots appreciate your efforts!!

All in all, it was a good fun day with lots of other family members turning up ready to assist on request. For example, Mrs Richie and the kids assisted on the Saturday by cleaning the ablation block, picking weeds, wiping down tables and hosing off the concrete seating area. All these jobs take time and without assistance would sometimes be over looked. Once again thank you to the Richie family and to everyone who helped out over the weekend, our small club genuinely appreciated the help. See you all in September for the State 2 Day Championships.

Tom Papadopoulos
Club President

3RD STATE QUALIFER PEGASUS 5TH MAY 2019			
High Gun		Tony Trainor	84/100
AA Grade	1st	Ben Sgro	81/100
	2nd	Doug Coleman	81/100
A Grade	1st	Alastair Crookes	79/100
	2nd	Mick Thomas	74/100
	3rd	Steve Tunnicliffe	74/100
B Grade	1st	Luke Hayward	69/100
	2nd	David Hamilton	69/100
	3rd	Merv Holben	68/100
C Grade	1st	Deon Hibbert	66/100
	2nd	Josh White	63/100
	3rd	Julian Gardiner	62/100
Seniors	1st	Grant Cooper	71/100
	2nd	David Knight	69/100
	3rd	Tom Papadopoulos	68/100
Ladies	1st	Maria Dunnett	77/100
	2nd	Emily Trainor	51/100
	3rd	Kylie Dennis	31/100
Juniors	1st	Angus Grant	69/100
Sub Juniors	1st	Tristan Noble	60/100
	2nd	Kate Cooper	45/100

VICTORIA

VICTORIAN SPORTING CLAYS

A sad day today as I learnt of the passing of Rod Brain a great man in Sporting Clays.

I have known Rod for over 30 years and he was a stalwart of our sport. Rod suffered a major injury many years ago while cutting firewood which necessitated the amputation of his leg above the knee.

This did not deter Rod from the sport he loved whether breaking clay target or his passion for hunting.

Rod represented Australia a number of times as a member of our National Team at FITASC World and Oceania Championships. He was a big man but he never stood taller than when he was decked out in the green and gold uniform to represent our country.

Our condolences to his family.

The growth of Universal Trench and Compak Sporting has seen a number of Clay Target Clubs join VSCA, Bendigo, Wangaratta, Warrnambool Clay Target Clubs were recent inductees and we now have a membership application from The Melbourne Gun Club which I am sure will be approved at next weeks AGM.

Our membership is healthy and keeps growing, it is disappointing to see that there is a number of members who are not financial and will need to be reminded to re-join. It is pleasing to note that there are 12 VSCA members in the 16 person Australian Team to compete in the FITASC World Championships.

Universal Trench is a strong performer in Victoria with all of the Team Selection events being sell- outs.

Best of luck to all who are representing our country, we bat well above our weight in international competition.

Ray McFarlane
President

Echidna Park Open 2019

Saturday 7th & Sunday 8th September



Book your flights or hook up the camper/caravan, pack the bags and don't forget the bang stick... The best shoot on the SCA calendar is back!

- High Gun prizes of Echidna Park badges + 1st \$4000, 2nd \$2000, 3rd \$1000
- First prize AA, A, B, C: EP Badges + \$1000 Cash
- Cash prizes to 4th in all grades
- Juniors Under 18: EP Badge + \$500 Cash

Enquires:
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As mentioned in the last SCA Magazine, a new membership system will be rolled out as from 1st June 2019. You will find a few revisions to the old look system but the system will provide an improved visual & will be easier to navigate. The main change will be to your Profile access. The Log in access code will now be your Password. **You will be sent a welcome notice to your registered Email address advising you of the introduction to the revised system.** A new Temporary log in access code will be confirmed to you. Once in you will be able to change your code to something you can easily remember or are familiar with.

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CLOSING DATE: 6th September 2019

POSTAL NOMINATIONS: PO BOX 362 Burnside 5066

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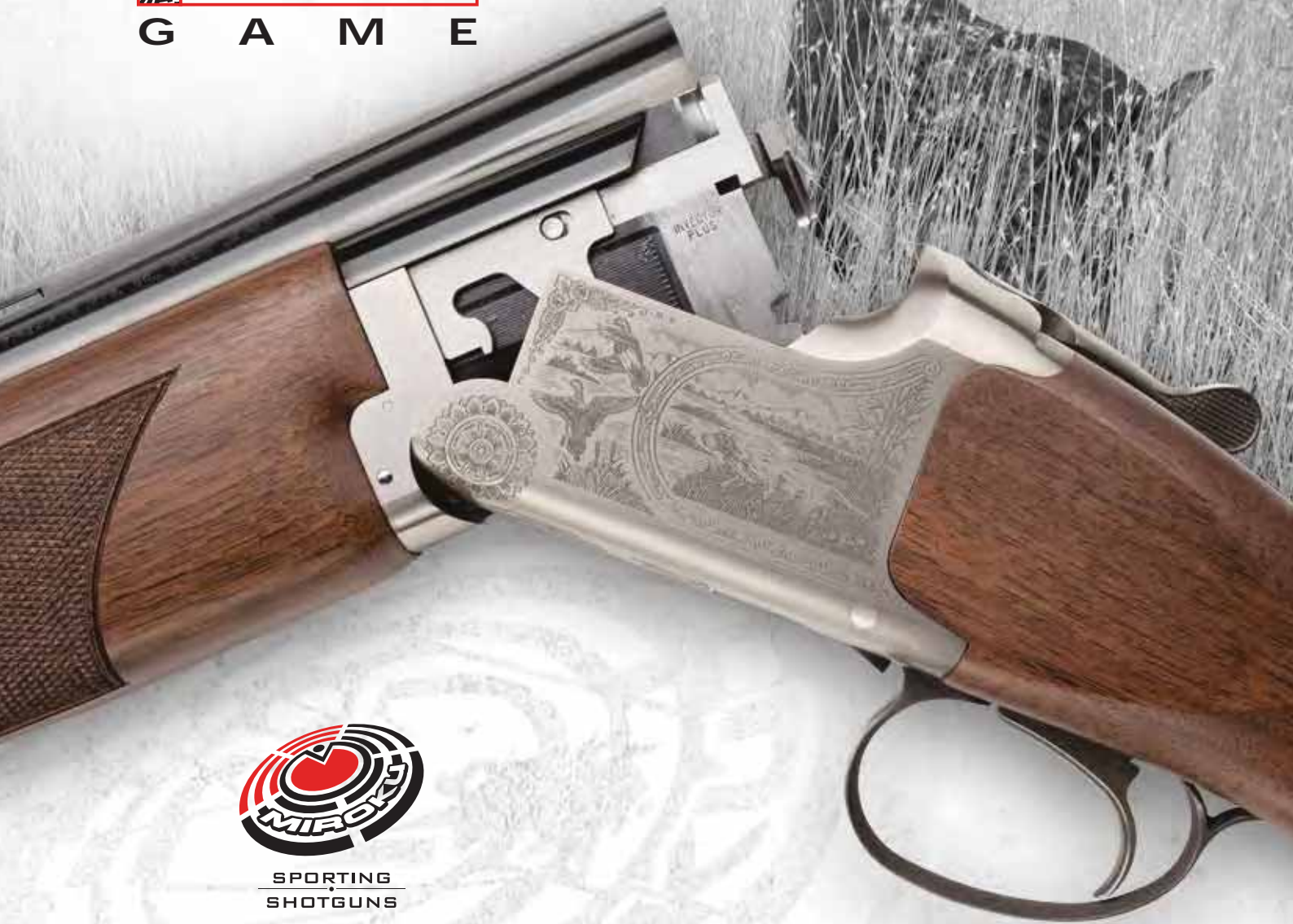
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