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ACTA CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Mal Dyson

How time flies! The final National event for 2023, the National Sporting Championship is over, having been successfully run at our National Ground, Wagga Wagga over the 25th to 27th of August.

With the exception of Western Australia and Tasmania, all States and Territories were represented. Just over 100 competitors enjoyed the fresh mornings followed by warm sunny days. Congratulations to Robert Hall on winning the Overall Championship High Gun, a full report and photos are in this edition.

If all goes to plan, next year's National Sporting Championship will include Australian Team selection for the proposed 2025 ICTSF World Sporting event, to be held in Canada. No doubt this will draw some serious interest from our Sporting competitors.

Additionally, for member's information, the first National event for 2024 will be the ACTA National ISSF Championships, which will be held in mid January at the Brisbane Gun Club, Belmont Qld.

Coaching Notice referencing Insurance

One important item that I wish to bring to the attention of affiliated Club Committees, specifically relates to information regarding club coaches, or members receiving payment for their coaching activities. After discussion with our ACTA insurance company, I have been informed that our ACTA Public Liability policy does not cover any member receiving remuneration for coaching. Therefore if a coach/member is receiving payment for coaching from an individual, then they need to have their own Public Liability insurance. Any ACTA accredited coach, club coach, or member coaching at any club without receiving payment is covered under the ACTA Public Liability policy.

ACTA Board Meeting

The ACTA Board met on the 28th of August. This was the first face-to-face meeting since the introduction of a Board of Management, all prior meetings having been held via Zoom. It was reported that all Sub-Committees have already held their first meetings. For members' information Sub-Committee titles and members are as follows:

Marketing and Communication –
(Chairman Les Kadziela), Ian Watson, Colin Kneebone, Mal Dyson and Jim Shepherd.

Disciplines and Championships –
(Chairman Colin Kneebone), Terry Marsden, Jim Shepherd, Brian Murison and Glenn Kable.

Sport Support Committee –
(Chairman Gary Read), Ian Watson, David Coleman and Kim Nealon.

Hall of Fame – *(Chairman Glenn Kable), Gary Read, Arthur Turner, Steve Haberman, Nigel Hughes and Shane Bennett.*

From this Board meeting the following are notable Items.

Firstly the removal of the "New Start" category from the membership selection list. This designation of membership is confusing to both Clubs and members as it only allows members to shoot at their home club. As Membership fees have remained unchanged over the past few years and after informed discussion, membership fees will see a small increase for 2024, in line with CPI as at 30th June 2023, of 6%.

All Commonwealth Championships, shot at major ACTA carnivals will be eligible for ACTA Hall of Fame Points, for example, Commonwealth DTL Carnival will attract the same points as State DTL Carnivals. The National Skeet Carnival, the Commonwealth event will also be awarded points.

Conference Centre/Grounds

Over the past 3 months we have witnessed a considerable increase in the number of events being held at the Range Function Centre, 17 in total. This has kept Nathan, our Conference Centre manager, extremely busy and is rewarding for the ACTA to see this great facility attracting so much interest and providing the ACTA with a more substantial income. On a sad note our groundsman John has handed in his resignation. John will finish towards the end of September. We have subsequently advertised this position locally and are hopeful of finding a replacement groundsman in the near future.

EO/General Manager & Board Positions

As Members will be aware, nominations for the two vacating positions on the ACTA Board have now closed, I believe that we may have at least 4 nominations for the two positions. Clubs will be updated and kept informed of their responsibilities regarding the voting procedure. In reference to the

EO position, interested applicants had until the 15th of September to apply for this vacant position. I will inform members of the outcome, possibly in my next Chairman's report.

ACTA, State President and Secretaries Meeting

A scheduled meeting of the ACTA, with affiliated State Presidents and Secretaries will be held via Zoom on the 28th of September. The meeting will take the form of a general discussion group, where States will be able to bring forward any issues of relevance. Prior meetings have been held before with general acknowledgement of their value and the ACTA is committed to their continuance.

To date the New South Wales, Northern Territory, Queensland, South Australian, Victorian and Western Australian Associations have all committed to attending. Unfortunately Tasmania has advised that they will be unable to participate on that date.

I look forward to our discussions.

Mal Dyson



Current ACTA Board Members. L-R: Colin Kneebone, Glenn Kable, Malcolm Dyson (Chairman), Les Kadziela, Garry Read, Ian Watson

MCMS UPDATE 2023

CHANGES ARE NOW COMPLETE

As previously advised the MCMS grade floors have now been updated for all disciplines, and are available for viewing on the ACTA website.

The main changes this year have involved Skeet grading, as we now have sufficient data to address both singles and doubles since splitting that sport into two disciplines in 2022.

The next review is planned for August 2024.

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28th ACTA National SPORTING CLAYS CHAMPIONSHIP

August 25 – 27, 2023

Friday 25th August saw the ACTA Sporting Nationals once again held on the National Ground in Wagga Wagga. This year however, the 2023 event was managed and run by the ACTA, rather than by the Wagga Gun Club. Competitor numbers were down on previous years and the cap of 120 shooters never looked like happening, peaking at 103.



For the second year, this competition was run under the new 3-day format, which included the Sportrap sporting discipline. Three separate events of one hundred targets each, shot independently for National and Commonwealth sashes and badges but culminating in recognising this year's ACTA National Sporting Champion over all three events.

The 4 sporting layouts were as usual, set-up and managed under the masterful eyes of Tournament Director Dave Coleman, who

had spent many selfless hours designing and preparing a great variety of targets on each ground. We thank Dave for his ongoing commitment. Thank you also to Lynne Curtis who acted as Shoot Marshal and to Brad Kidd for assisting Dave each day in ensuring that all the electronics were running well and that the traps were always ready and full of clays. ACTA Board Member, Les Kadziela, did amazing work in running the MCMS system so efficiently, including the pre-nominations, squadding, scoring, shoot-offs and who also

assisted with the presentations. Thank you to Jannene Kidd for tirelessly running the canteen and to her helpers Donna Campbell and Helen Dyson who were always on hand to assist with the multitude of tasks, and thank you to ACTA curator, John Winkels, who must be congratulated on the presentation of the grounds.

Targets for the weekend were White Flyer, supplied by Winchester Australia who also sponsored and presented a magnificent Browning shotgun to the ACTA Sporting

sporting disciplines which dictates that each shooter on each station must shoot at one single target followed by a report pair and a simultaneous pair of targets. Numbers for this event were only slightly less than for the following 2 days, but 99 shooters nominated. 38 shooters came from New South Wales, 3 from the Northern Territory, Queensland had 9, South Australian competitors numbered 11, Victoria had 38 and there were no representatives from Tasmania or Western Australia. The field was made up of 10 Women, 7 Juniors and 14 Veterans, while the open section had 68 shooters.

Shooting a score of 96/100, Adam Shale from the Wangaratta CTC was declared the winner of the 2nd National Sportrap Championship.

AA first went to Robert Hall, Melbourne GC 94/100, with Luke

Clays High Gun. Thank you Winchester for your past and ongoing support.

For the entire three days the weather was pleasant, with little wind and generally sunny. The fog that threatened the first day did not eventuate and no one could have asked for better conditions.

2nd National Sportrap Championship

Day one saw the running of the 2nd 100 target National Sportrap Championship. This event is a variant of our other 5 Stand

Adam Shale, Overall winner National Sportrap with ACTA Board Member Colin Kneebone





Sportrap: AA – Luke Willemsen, Robert Hall & Martin Seymour

Willemsen also from the Melbourne GC running second, shooting 93/100 and Martin Seymour (Yarrowonga) took third with a score of 91/100.

In A grade Alistair Kirby shooting 91/100 from the Beaufort GC placed first, Wayne Gatt, registered with the Bendigo CTC ran second and John Koolbanis from Sydney CTC finished third.



Sportrap: A – Wayne Gatt, Alistair Kirby & John Koolbanis



Sportrap: Ladies – Bianca Norris & Lyndall McNiel

B grade was taken out by Bailey Gatt from the Bendigo CTC, with a score of 80/100. Joe Tombolato, Melbourne GC, 85/110 ran into second place after a shoot-off



Sportrap: B – John Tombolato, Bailey Gatt & Michael Easton



Sportrap: Junior – Bailey Coulston, Nate Palubiski & Bailey Gatt

Below: Sportrap: C – Vicki McDonagh, Bill O'Grady & Terrence Nieuwenhout

Below: Sportrap: Veteran – Phillip Stowe, Barry Hall & Kat Mules



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with Michael Easton Bendigo who managed third place. Bill O'Grady, from Singleton CTC, shooting 67/100 took out C grade, Vicki McDonagh from the Wagga GC placed second and third place went to Yarrawonga GC member Terrence Nieuwenhout.

This is the first time that second and third placings have been awarded for sections and this proved popular. The Junior prize went to Nate Palubiski from the Wangaratta GC shooting 86/100, Bailey Coulston ran second and Bailey Gatt came third.

MCCCTC member Lyndall McNeil won the Ladies with a score of 78/100, second place went to Bianca Norris from the Echuca Club and Janette Densley, Mount Gambier finished in third place.

In the Veteran division the first place award went to Barry Hall from the Downside Club, 84/100, Phillip Stowe, Maryborough GC, came home second and Kat Mules, Mount Gambier third.

2023 Commonwealth 5 Stand Sporting Championship

Day two featured the 100 target 2023 Commonwealth 5 Stand Championship, with a field of 103 competitors. The outright win went to Robert Hall from the Melbourne GC who shot a great 96/100. Winning AA grade was Adam Shale 112/120, following on with his form from the previous day's shooting and after a shoot-off with Martin Seymour who placed second. Bronson Barden from the Gold Coast Club took third place.



Robert Hall, Overall winner Commonwealth 5 Stand Sporting Championship with ACTA Board Member Garry Read





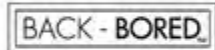
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Commonwealth 5 Stand SC: AA – Martin Seymour, Adam Shale & Bronson Barden

A grade first went to Nate Palubiski on 93/100, with second in A grade going to Aaron Goodchild from Caboolture 98/110 after a shoot-off with Alistair Kirby who ran third. Bailey Gatt 89/110 took home the B grade prize with Michael Easton relegated to second place. Joe Tombolato, Melbourne GC, managed third. C grade first went to Billy O'Grady,



Commonwealth 5 Stand SC: A – Aaron Goodchild, Nate Palubiski & Alistair Kirby



Commonwealth 5 Stand SC: Junior – Bailey Coulston, Nate Palubiski & Bailey Gatt



Commonwealth 5 Stand SC: B – Michael Easton & Bailey Gatt



Commonwealth 5 Stand SC: Ladies – Lyndall McNiel, Bianca Norris & Janette Densley

Below: Commonwealth 5 Stand SC: C – Vicki McDonagh, Billy O'Grady & Darren Bull

Below: Commonwealth 5 Stand SC: Veteran – Barry Hall, Robert Yeo & Alec Ceccato



Singleton, shooting a score of 79/100, Vicki McDonagh took second place and Darren Bull from Wagga third.

The Junior award, for the second day in a row was won by Nate Palubiski 82/100, Bailey Coulston came second and Bailey Gatt third. Bianca Norris 86/100 took out the Ladies section with Lyndall McNeil second and Janette Densley third. Robert Yeo from the Wagga GC received the Veteran award shooting 89/100, with Barry Hall running second and Alec Ceccato also from Wagga placing third.

2nd National 5 Stand Sporting Clays Championship

Into the last day and the competition for the second National 5 Stand Championship. 102 shooters made up the field with Gavin Dyson from Mount Gambier taking out the major win, with a score of 105/110. John Younger from the Werribee

Club won first in AA with a score of 94/100 and after a shoot-off between Robert Hall and Martin Seymour, Robert placed second



Gavin Dyson, Overall winner National 5 Stand Sporting Championship with ACTA Board Member Ian Watson





National 5 Stand SC: AA – Robert Hall with Martin Seymour

and Martin third. Alistair Kirby, won A grade 96/100, Nate Palubiski ran second and Stephen Peck, another Wagga shooter, came third. In B grade the winner was Jake Guzelian from Mendooran shooting 85/100 from Phillip Toose, Bendigo second and Bailey Gatt third. Billy O’Grady won C grade 72/100, with Darren Bull coming second and Terrence Nieuwenhout third.



National 5 Stand SC: A – Nate Palubiski , Alistair Kirby & Stephen Peck



National 5 Stand SC: unior – Bailey Coulston, Nate Palubiski & Bailey Gatt



National 5 Stand SC: B – Phillip Toose, Jake Guzelian & Bailey Gatt



National 5 Stand SC: Ladies – Janette Densley, Lyndall McNeil, & Bianca Norris

Below: National 5 Stand SC: C – Darren Bull , Billy O’Grady & Terrence Nieuwenhout

Below: Commonwealth 5 Stand SC: Veteran – Jake Guzelian, Robert Yeo & Barry Hall



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For the third time Nate Palubiski 89/100 took away the Junior award, second in Juniors went to Bailey Coulston with Bailey Gatt third. Lyndall McNeil picked up her second Ladies section prize with Janette Densley running second and Bianca Norris third. Robert Yeo also won his second Veteran section sash of the tournament, Jake Guzelian took second place and Barry Hall third.

28th National Sporting Clays Championship

The ACTA National Sporting Clays Championship is the combined scores of all 3 days of competition and culminates in the very best of the competitors being rewarded for their consistency over the entire competition.

The 28th National Sporting Clays Championship, was won by Robert Hall, shooting a great score of 283/300. For his win Robert received the Browning under/over shotgun donated by Winchester Australia, a cash prize and he will again



Robert Hall, 28th National ACTA Sporting Clays Championship Overall High Gun



28th National ACTA Sporting Clays AA Grade High Gun, Adam Shale



28th National ACTA Sporting Clays A Grade High Gun, Alistair Kirby



28th National ACTA Sporting Clays B Grade High Gun, Bailey Gatt



28th National ACTA Sporting Clays C Grade High Gun, Billy O'Grady

have his name inscribed on the prestigious Australian Clay Target Association Sporting Clays perpetual trophy. AA grade went to Adam Shale 281/300, A grade Alistair Kirby 275/300, B grade Bailey Gatt 243/300 and C grade Billy O'Grady 218/300. Nate Palubiski 268/300 won the Junior section, Lyndall NcNeil 250/310 made this the third Ladies



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28th National ACTA Sporting Clays Junior High Gun, Nate Palubiski



28th National ACTA Sporting Clays Ladies High Gun, Lyndall McNeil

State Teams Match:

Only 4 teams competed for the National Sporting Clays Bruce Hall Perpetual Trophy, this was again won by the Victorian team, making it at least 4 in a row for Victoria. Team members were Robert Hall, Frank Vella and Bill Zogogiannis who finished with a total combined score of 801/900.

Other State Teams to enter were: NSW 764/900, Robert Yeo, Lance North and Steven Atkins, QLD 753/900, Aaron Knowles, Bronson Barden and Matthew Baldwin, SA 759/900, Gavin Dyson, Jeremy Kent and Bruce Oakley.



28th National ACTA Sporting Clays Veteran High Gun, Robert Yeo

sash for the weekend and Robert Yeo 256/300 won the overall Veteran section award.

3 Persons Club Team

This event is open to any team of three members. Team members must be affiliated with the ACTA and registered with the same Club.

This year's winning team of Jeremy Kent, Joseph Densley and Gavin Dyson representing the Mount Gambier CTC, shot a combined winning score of 530/600. Mount Gambier also won this event in 2022.



New South Wales State Sporting Team – Lance North, Robert Yeo & Steven Atkins

Below: The winning 3 person Club Team – Mount Gambier, Gavin Dyson, Joseph Densley & Jeremy Kent



Queensland State Sporting Team – Bronson Barden, Aaron Knowles & Matthew Baldwin



*South Australia State Sporting Team –
Gavin Dyson, Bruce Oakley & Jeremy Kent*



*Victoria State Sporting Team –
Frank Vella, Robert Hall & Bill Zogogiannis*



Victoria winning State Sporting Team – Bill Zogogiannis, Frank Vella holding the Bruce Hall Interstate Teams Match Trophy & Robert Hall



2023 NSWCTA State Skeet Carnival

Thank you to everyone who made the effort to attend this year's 2023 NSW State Skeet Carnival, although numbers were down, the skeet fraternity still managed to bring their humour and competitive nature with them to create the atmosphere we love.

We had shooters from far and near come to compete for the red sashes and grade medals and there was no disappointment when it came to competition.

Victoria travelled up with their top-notch crew bringing the NSW shooters the competition they needed to keep them on their toes. NSW GC were the hot contenders for the weekend bringing 3 squads to the competition.

The weather wasn't the best, but at least the rain held off for the majority of the weekend making the conditions pretty typical for a winter's weekend in Wagga Wagga.

On Saturday evening we inducted Harry Bader into the NSWCTA Skeet Hall of Fame. Jane Vella, NSWCTA President Brad Kidd and current Skeet Hall of Fame members Scott Wright, Shane Bennet and Mark Corbett assisted with the process of welcoming Harry into their wall of glory.

The evening was quite entertaining and heartfelt, and it brought in pretty much all of the weekend's competitors to witness history being made.

The NSWCTA Executive Committee would like to thank the following people/businesses for their assistance throughout the Carnival.

Shane Bennett our Tournament Director, Shane was there for the nitty gritty rule enforcing/grievance controlling position that no one likes

to do and he was good at it. Hopefully we haven't scared him off and he will be able to offer his assistance again next year.

David O'Brien our Shoot Marshal, although he isn't a Skeet shooter himself, he kept the wheels turning on that buggy and kept the cogs turning throughout the weekend.

Scott Wright, although he didn't have any official title, with all his experience over the years, he was a great person to turn to when we got stuck on a technical issue.

Brad Kidd kept the scores rolling through MCMS and those score sheets rolling out the door to keep the shoot going.

Jannene Kidd, our canteen lady, kept everyone fed and at such great choices and prices. I heard all good reviews for her delicious catering.

All the trappers and the mechanic for keeping the traps throwing the targets everyone needs to shoot.

Our sponsor, Beretta Australia, for sponsoring the inaugural Skeet Champion of Champions, this new event has been suggested by ASSA and was welcomed by the Skeet community.

And finally, Jane Vella for coming up and presenting a memorable induction for Harry. Jane had everyone enthralled with her speech and entertained with Harry's memorable moments.

We hope that everyone who attended had a wonderful weekend and that they will be back again next year with hopefully more competition in tow.

If anyone has any suggestions on how we can improve and grow our Skeet Carnival, we would love to hear from you with your suggestions, you can send them in writing to nswcta1@bigpond.com.



20 Gauge Skeet Overall
Jack Stockdale



20 Gauge Skeet
1st A Grade Jim Kalaboukas



28 Gauge Skeet Overall Mark Corbett



Above: 20 Gauge Skeet 2nd C Grade
Robin Perkins
Left: 20 Gauge Skeet Overall Junior
Francesco Buttigieg

Event 1 – NSW 20 Gauge Skeet Championship was shot over 50 targets
Overall: Jack Stockdale with 56/56. 1st in AA: Mark Corbett with 55/56, 2nd David Muir with 53/54. 1st in A: Jim Kalaboukas with 54/56, 2nd Simon Hewitt with 53/56. 1st in B: Paul Kouroupis with 45/50, 2nd Rod Nicholson with 44/50. 1st in C: Tony Anecchini with 47/54, 2nd Robin Perkins with 46/54. Overall Veteran: Paul Kouroupis with 45/50. Overall Ladies: Sarah Bennett

with 51/58. Overall Junior: Francesco Buttigieg with 53/58.
Event 2 – NSW 28 Gauge Skeet Championship was shot over 50 targets
Overall: Mark Corbett with 59/60. 1st in AA: Jack Stockdale with 58/60, 2nd Daniel Sacchetta with 52/54. 1st in A: Michael Kruger-Davis with 54/56,



28 Gauge Skeet
1st B Grade Bert Deacon



28 Gauge Skeet Overall Junior
Austin Gibbs

2nd Austin Gibbes with 53/56. 1st in B: Bert Deacon with 46/50, 2nd Rod Nicholson with 45/50. 1st in C: Tony Anecchini with 42/50, 2nd Mia Zhang with 46/60. Overall Veteran: Michael Kruger-Davis with 48/50. Overall Ladies: Sarah Bennett with 44/50. Overall Junior: Austin Gibbes with 48/50.

Event 3 – NSW 410 Bore Skeet Championship shot over 50 targets



410 Bore Skeet Overall
Michael Buttigieg

Overall: Michael Buttigieg with 49/50. 1st in AA: Wayne Petersen with 48/50, 2nd Paul Saliba with 47/50. 1st in A: Paul An with 48/50, 2nd Harry Bader with 53/58. 1st in B: Karl Bowen with 41/50, 2nd Fugui Chen with 38/51. 1st in C: Tony Anecchini with 39/50, 2nd Robin Perkins with 36/50. Overall Veteran: Karl Bowen with 51/50. Overall



Skeet Doubles Overall Michael Buttigieg

Ladies: Sarah Bennett with 44/50. Overall Junior: Austin Gibbes with 42/50.

Event 4 – NSW Skeet Doubles Championship shot over 25 pairs

Overall: Michael Buttigieg with 49/50. 1st in AA: Matthew De Paoli with 47/50, 2nd Jack Stockdale with 46/50. 1st in A: Sarah Bennett with 48/50, 2nd Savid Caputo with 47/50.



410 Bore Skeet
Overall Veteran Karl Bowen



410 Bore Skeet 1st A Grade
Paul An



Skeet Doubles 1st AA Grade
Matthew De Paoli



Skeet Doubles 1st B Grade
Robert Wylie

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*Skeet Doubles Overall Junior
William Miller*

1st in B: Robert Wylie with 45/50, 2nd Mark McDonald with 43/50. 1st in C: Hugh Bickerstaff with 43/50, 2nd Fugui Chen with 42/50. Overall Veteran: James Wilberforce with 43/50. Overall Ladies: Sarah Bennett with 48/50. Overall Junior: William Miller with 43/50.



*Skeet Handicap 2nd
Mark McDonald*



*Skeet Handicap 3rd
Tony Hickman*

Event 5 – NSW Skeet Handicap was shot over 50 targets

1st Overall: Shane Bennett with 150/150. 2nd: Mark McDonald with 149/150, 3rd:



*Skeet Handicap Overall
Shane Bennett*

Tony Hickman with 97/98, 4th: Tony Anecchini with 68/69, 5th: Michael Buttigieg with 67/68.



*Skeet Handicap 4th
Tony Anecchini*



*Skeet Handicap 5th
Michael Buttigieg*

Event 6 – NSW Skeet Championship was shot over 100 targets

Overall: Nathan Campbell with 108/108, 1st AA: Jack Stockdale with 107/108, 2nd James Sacchetta with 99/100. 1st in A: Sarah Bennett with 104/105, 2nd James Wilberforce with



*Right: 100T Skeet Overall
winner Nathan Campbell*

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100T Skeet Overall Lady Sarah Bennett & Veteran James Wilberforce



100T Skeet 2nd AA Grade James Sacchetta



100T Skeet 1st B Grade Denis Pearce



100T Skeet 2nd B Grade Hugh Bickerstaff

103/105. 1st in B: Denis Pearce with 94/100, 2nd Hugh Bickerstaff with 95/104. 1st in C: Tony Anecchini with 89/100, 2nd Carl Strachan with 86/100. Overall Veteran: James Wilberforce with 99/100. Overall Ladies: Sarah Bennett with 99/100. Overall Junior: Francesco Buttigieg with 95/100.

Event 6 – NSW Beretta Skeet Champion of Champions, sponsored by Beretta Australia, was shot over the last 25 targets of the 20 Gauge, 28 Gauge, 410 Bore and 100 target Skeet events

Overall: Jack Stockdale with 98/100. 1st in AA: Wayne Petersen with 98/102, 2nd Nathan Campbell with 97/102. 1st in A: Simon Hewitt with 96/100, 2nd Mark McDonald with 94/100. 1st in B: Karl Bowen with 89/100, 2nd Rod Nicholson with 85/100. 1st in C: Tony Anecchini with 84/100, 2nd Mia Zhang with 79/100. Overall Veteran: Karl Bowen with



Skeet Ch/Ch Overall Jack Stockdale

89/100. Overall Ladies: Sarah Bennett with 93/100. Overall Junior: Austin Gibbes with 92/100.

High Guns sponsored by NSW Clay Target Association

Overall High Gun: Michael Buttigieg with 342/350. AA Grade High Gun: Jack Stockdale with 340/350. A Grade High Gun: Sarah



Skeet Ch/Ch 1st A Grade
Simon Hewitt



Skeet Ch/Ch 2nd A Grade
Mark McDonald



AA Grade HG
Jack Stockdale



A Grade HG
Sarah Bennett



Skeet Ch/Ch 2nd B Grade
Rod Nicholson



Skeet Ch/Ch 2nd C Grade
Mia Zhang



B Grade HG
Rod Nicholson



C Grade HG
Tony Anecchini



Skeet Overall HG Michael Buttigeig with John Shima sporting the blue NSW cap

Bennett with 325/350. B Grade High Gun: Rod Nicholson with 298/350. C Grade High Gun: Tony Anecchini with 294/350. Overall Veteran High Gun: James Wilberforce with 311/350. Overall Ladies High Gun: Sarah Bennett with 325/350. Overall Junior High Gun: Austin Gibbes with 313/350.

Interstate Teams Skeet Match

(In qualifying order 1st to last)

Open Team (1-15) Wayne Petersen, Shane Bennett, James Wilberforce, Sarah Bennett, John Rodden, Mark Corbett, David Muir, Paul Saliba,



Veteran HG James Wilberforce



Ladies HG Sarah Bennett

Sarah Bennett, Katie Hoskins, Jacki Richards, Mia Zhang and Robin Perkins.

NSWCTA State Teams High Guns

Open Team High Gun Wayne Petersen. Ladies Team High Gun Jacki Richards. Veteran Team High Gun Rod Nicholson.



NSW State Open Postal Team HG Wayne Petersen



Junior HG Austin Gibbes

Denis Pearce, Tony Hickman, Harry Bader, Robert Wylie, Austin Gibbes, David Caputo and Scott Wright.

Veterans Team (1-6) Rod Nicholson, Michael Kruger-Davis, Tony Anecchini, Geoffrey Turner, Bert Deacon & Karl Bowen.

Ladies Team (1-6)

NSWCTA Zone Teams Match

Being awarded the Hawkeye Shield was Southern Zone with 143/150. They were Sarah Bennett, Wayne Petersen and David Caputo.

NSWCTA Skeet Three Member Club Team

Being awarded the Wakehurst CTC 3 Member Team



NSW State Veteran Postal Team HG Rod Nicholson



NSW State Ladies Postal Team HG Jacki Richards



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NSW State Postal Open Team for 2023

Shield Perpetual trophy was NSW Gun Club, Wayne Petersen, David Muir & Austin Gibbes with a score of 431/450.

NSW Skeet Two Person Team

Being awarded the NSW Skeet Carnival Perpetual Trophy 2 Man Team was Shane Bennett and Wayne Petersen, scoring 385/400.



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Greg Hipwell – World Champion ON TARGET & BEATING THE ODDS



Article submitted by Kim Thompson

Photos supplied by Travis Williams

Greg Hipwell, a Cohuna Clay Target Club member, or “Hippy” to anyone who knows him/of him, realised a long-time dream of participating in the world-renowned Amateur Trapshooting Association of America (ATA) — Official Group Grand American tournament in Sparta, Illinois, USA.

The tournament runs for 11 days straight, and is a spectacular feat of stamina.

Each event is 100 targets, and there are three events/day (last five days is two events per day).

That’s something like 2600 targets in that time.

So, the ability to maintain the stamina for 11 days, for that many targets, is a feat in itself.

‘Hippy’ had long talked about the Grand American, and had wanted to attend his entire shooting life, but circumstance, had never allowed it to happen. He had been a formidable competitor in the '80s, and would have won more tournaments than you could imagine.

He stopped competing for quite some time, but a couple of years ago, he reconnected with the trap shooting.

With some planning, Travis Williams and Scott Mackenzie helped turn Hippy’s dream of getting to the Grand into reality, and a crew of Hippy, Travis, Scott, Robert Nelson and Stephen Haberman set off on a whirlwind boys’ trip to the States to compete.

In the lead-up to the trip, Greg invested in a set of 34” barrels for his Caesar Guerini and was shooting the best he had ever shot.

He was feeling super confident in his ability with that gun and the longer barrels. He had used this gun for probably 18 months, and finally felt relaxed with it.

Any shooter will tell you, that mostly, poor performance comes down to 'not having your head right'.

At Sydney airport, an unfortunate paperwork/ gun registration number mismatch meant Hippy's gun could not leave Australia!

Defeated, and probably ready to walk off the plane and call it a day, the boys nevertheless dragged him off to the US.



*Belt buckle presented to Greg recognising his achievement.
ATA World Clay Target Veteran Champion*

There was a frantic search for a replacement gun at 40,000 feet en route to the US, with Travis reaching out to Australia's Ray Collins, a regular at the Grand, who kindly offered his beautiful spare Perazzi High Tech 5.

We all know the difficulty of picking up a new gun anyway, but to pick

one up that's not fitted to you, that you've never shot and attempt to compete, shooting that many targets, was next-level challenging.

In his younger days, Hippy was renowned for turning up at competitions, borrowing someone's gun and winning the event.

Reminded of this, his reply was that "I'm not in my 20s anymore. However he decided to give it a go.

The first port of call was Vegas for a few days, and then they were to fly on to St Louis, then drive to Sparta, Illinois,

That would have given them time to get to the shooting grounds and spend the rest of the day practicing before the tournament started on August 2.

At Vegas airport, they were informed of the cancellation of their flight along with many others due to bushfires, and a scramble to rebook via other cities was in vain.

Hiring a car and driving the five-plus hours to Phoenix, Arizona, to then fly over to St Louis was the only choice.



Greg still shooting at sundown and still hitting the targets

They arrived by 2am on August 2.

The car hire company wasn't available until 4am, but they managed to get a car sooner and drive the hour to Sparta, finally falling into bed for a couple of hours, only to get up and immediately compete.

Hippy, Trav and Scott all got sick along the way with flu-like symptoms, which also made competing challenging.

Greg took a few days to adjust to the Perazzi, his scores were in the high 90s most days, which is quite remarkable shooting, with all events being shot single barrel, but not good enough, and not the 100-straight that he had hoped to shoot.

His borrowed Perazzi gun was great, but unfamiliar to Hippy, it also had a high rib, which was very different to the flat rib that he usually shoots.

The third last day of competition arrived, the 200 target ATA World Clay Target Championship sponsored by Browning, and Greg shot a perfect 25-25-25-25 using Challenger ammunition, and was stoked with the achievement. The second set of 100 commenced, and he continued his unbroken run of 25-25-25-25.

With 200 single barrel targets shot he commenced the shoot-off that evening along with the 57 other shooters

who had also managed to shoot the 200 shoot-off targets.

Hippy went on to shoot a further 200 straight targets that evening, when the officials called it a night, to resume the following evening.

He was one of the last eight remaining in the shoot-off and the only veteran or sub-vet (55 years and over).

The next day, after the 200 targets for the day, the shoot-off recommenced and Greg shot a further 25 straight.

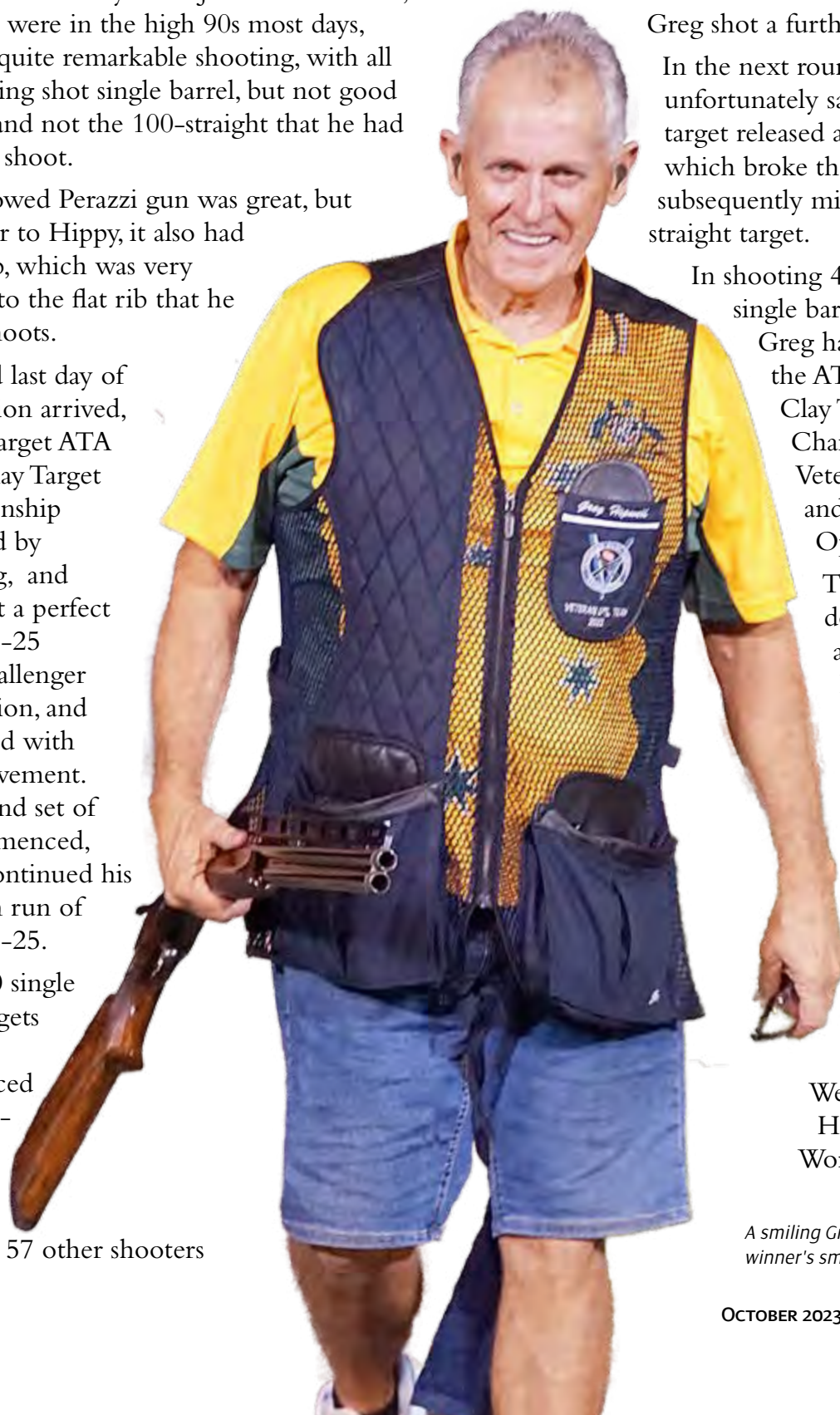
In the next round unfortunately saw a broken target released at his call, which broke the spell, subsequently missing his 428th straight target.

In shooting 427 targets single barrel straight, Greg had won the ATA World Clay Target Championship, Veterans division, and No. 8 in the Open section.

The fact he had done so well after all that had happened, and with a borrowed gun, is nothing short of remarkable and a sporting achievement to be celebrated.

Well done
Hippy!
World Champion.

A smiling Greg, no mistaking a winner's smile.





QCTA State Skeet Carnival

***Blackwater Clay Target Club
31st August to 3rd September 2023***

Blackwater, named after Blackwater creek, known as the coal capital of Queensland and 160km west of Rockhampton, was the host for this year's 2023 State Skeet Carnival. They said it couldn't be done, that west was too far to travel but we topped last year's carnival with an impressive 78 shooters flocking out west to spend four days chasing clays.

The country feel, the hospitality, the friendly faces and the well maintained club grounds could not be faulted. Caravans filled the camping ground and along with much laughter, helped to set the mood for a fantastic weekend. Although the weather was a bit dramatic with cold chills at night and hot days, the conditions delivered a high standard of competition, even throwing in some continental skeet when the wind picked

up on day 2 to ramp up the competition.

Aaron Daniels from Yarrabee Mine, Yancoala, one of our major sponsors, opened the carnival, trying his luck at the discipline and surprising himself by hitting 2 clays. The sub-gauge events kicked off the Carnival with 44 shooters participating in the 28g and 410 Championships.



Aaron Daniels from Yarrabee Mine fires the opening shot under supervision of Laurie Sceresini



Gerard Battiato & Antony Ballarino, Overall High Gun



*Aaron Daniels with Overall 28g Champion
Antony Ballarino*

Leading off with the 28g Championship, Antony Ballarino, Mark Corbett, Dean Baird and James Wilberforce all shot 49/50. The shoot-off was won by Antony Ballarino taking home the 28g Overall sash, shooting 67/68, closely followed by Cooma's Mark Corbett, 1st in AA with 66/68. Dean Baird from Gold Coast took out 2nd in AA grade with a 53/55. James Wilberforce from Taree Wingham was 1st in A grade beating his score last year with a 62/64 after his shoot-off for Overall. Nigel Hughes from Caboolture was 2nd in A grade shooting a 57/59. Moving on to B Grade we had another shoot-off for first with Matt Rhue and Tracey Ashton shooting 44/50. Matt Rhue shot 48/54 in the shoot-off putting him in first place for B grade followed by Tracey Ashton in 2nd place with a 47/54, well done. First for C Grade was Blackwater's own Vic Marshall shooting 44/50, followed closely by Suellen Heyman from Toowoomba with 43/50. Best Junior was Bodhi Bignell from Roma with 42/50, Lorraine Hughes won the Ladies again with 46/50 and 1st in Veterans was James Wilberforce with a 62/64.

The second event on Thursday was the 410 Championship and Steven Makris won the Overall sash with 50/54 after a shoot-off with Nigel Huges. Matthew De Paoli from Collie, Western Australia came first in AA with a 50/55

with John Rodden from Cecil Park coming in second in AA with 53/59. First place for A grade was Nigel Hughes with 48/54, followed by Laurie Sceresini from Toowoomba taking 2nd place for A grade with 45/50. Ashley Mason and Wayne Read took to the layouts for a shoot-off for 1st place in B Grade. Both shot well, however Ashley Mason was 1st with a 50/56 closely

followed by Wayne Read from Townsville with 49/50. C Grade was taken out by both Blackwater members, 1st place was shot by Christopher Bourne with 38/50 and running in 2nd place Vic Marshall shooting 34/50.

Great shooting by Laurie Sceresini to win 1st in the Veteran category 45/50, Paulette Walker was the best Lady 40/50, and Bodhi Bignell was 1st Junior shooting 33/50.

The first event on Friday morning was the Queensland State 20g Championship. Craig



*Steven Makris, Overall winner
410 bore Championship*



*QCTA President Gerard Battiato, with
Overall 20g Champion Craig O'Neill*

O'Neill shot 50/50 to take the Overall sash, with Matt De Paoli shooting off and coming 1st in AA with 57/58. John Rodden was 2nd in AA with 56/58. 1st in A grade was Darryl Chapman 57/58, 2nd in A grade was Nigel Hughes 53/55. 1st in B Laurie Chelepy from Rockhampton shot 47/50 with Bodhi Bignell coming 2nd in B grade on 54/58. The C grade winner was Cherie Reeves 49/54 winning in the shoot-off against Lindsay Groat who took out 2nd place in C with 47/54. Athan Phillis from Townsville took the Junior prize 47/50, Lorraine Hughes was the best Lady 49/50 with Mal Briggs winning 1st in Veteran category with 56/58.

Terrific shoot-offs in the Queensland State Handicap sorted the placegetters for this event. 1st place and winner of the sash, cash and Queensland silver badge was Antony Ballarino from Port Denison. Antony made the Australian Skeet Hall of Fame with this event. Huge congratulations Antony. 2nd Cherie Reeves from Normanton, 3rd Darryl Chapman from Townsville, 4th place went to Cooper Rodden from Mackay & Sarina, and 5th Cecil Park's John Rodden. Well done to all.

Saturday proved to be a bit more of a challenge with the wind ramping up, turning the carnival into a continental event. A big thank

you to Ashley from Toowoomba, Elliot from Gladstone, Malcolm from Rockhampton, Veronika from Roma and Gene and Vic from Blackwater for assisting with repairs to low-house thrower on trap one during the heat of the day for a few hours to get it up and running for Sunday's events.

The 100 target State Skeet Championship on Saturday saw John Rodden shooting a 50/50 earning the Overall sash defending his title from last year and beating his previous score by one target. Antony Ballarino was 1st in AA



John Rodden,
Overall 100T Skeet Champion



Cherie Reeves, C Grade &
Ladies 100T Skeet Champion



Gerard Battiato & Antony Ballarino,
Overall Handicap winner



Athan Phillis,
Junior 100T Skeet Champion



Chris Langley,
Veteran 100T Skeet Champion



*Skeet Team High Gun Winners
 Veteran Wayne Read, Ladies Lorraine Hughes, Open Steve Makris, Junior Athan Phillis*

with 99/100 with Mark Corbett from Cooma taking 2nd in AA 98/100. Nigel Hughes from Caboolture was 1st in A grade 97/100, Darryl Chapman 2nd on 107/112. Chris Langley and Paulette Walker shot off for 1st in B with Chris Langley taking out 1st on 97/104 and Paulette Walker 2nd with 96/104. Cherie Reeves was 1st in C grade 94/100 and Brett Graving took 2nd place with 96/110. Athan Phillis won the Junior prize again this year with 91/100, Cherie Reeves won Ladies 94/100 with Chris Langley the top Veteran 97/104.

The team events followed with strong performances in all categories. Well done to all Queensland representative team members who will compete in Wagga in 2024. Open Team: Antony Ballarino, Craig O'Neill, Nigel Hughes, Steven Makris and Lorraine Hughes, 1st reserve Glen Walker. Ladies Team: Paulette Walker, Cherie Reeves and Tracey Ashton 1st reserve Veronica Forsythe. Junior Team: Athan Phillis, Bodhi Bignell and Cody Ryan 1st reserve Mitchell Cross. Veterans Team: Wayne Read, Laurie Sceresini and Chris Langley with

1st reserve Phil Keller. Team High Guns were Steve Makris Open 54/54, Lorraine Hughes Ladies 24/25, Athan Phillis Juniors 25/25 and Wayne Read Veterans 25/26. Congratulations to all.

The first event on Sunday was the 50 target Yancoal Skeet Champion and Cody Chapman won the State sash shooting 54/54 in a shoot-off with Craig O'Neill and Matthew De Paoli. Craig O'Neill was 1st in AA grade 58/60 with Matthew De Paoli 2nd 57/60. Wayne Reeves took out 1st in A grade 51/52 winning the shoot-off against Nigel Hughes who came 2nd on 50/52. 1st in B grade was Bodhi Bignell 66/68 shooting off with Don Mabbutt who came 2nd 64/67. Christopher Bourne and Cherie Reeves shot off for first with Chris taking 1st in C grade 46/51 and Cherie 45/51. Bodhi Bignell won the Junior section with an impressive 48/50, Lorraine Hughes was best Lady 48/52, and Wayne Reeves won the Veterans with 49/50.

The last event of the carnival was the 50 target State Doubles Championship with 77 shooters.



Cody Chapman, Yancoal Skeet Champion



Gerard Battiato & Antony Ballarino, 2023 Skeet Champion

With 1 possible on the board, Antony Ballarino came out on top shooting 50/50 to take the State title win. Matthew De Paoli was first in AA on 50/56 after a shoot-off with Craig O'Neill, coming in second for AA on 49/56. 1st in A grade was Wally Clarke with 48/50, 2nd in A was Nigel Hughes with 47/50. B

grade 1st place was Cooper Rodden with 44/50 and 2nd was Wayne Read with 43/50. Gerard Battiato from Ballandean was 1st for C grade shooting 42/50 closely followed by Chris Langley from Toowoomba with 41/50 for 2nd place. Bodhi Bignell was the best Junior 53/58, Lorraine Hughes won the Ladies section 44/50, and James Wilberforce won the Veterans shooting 46/50.



Gerard Battiato & Antony Ballarino, Overall High Gun, Doubles Championship

The 2023 Skeet Champion, a combination of the qualifying and team events, was Antony Ballarino with a great score of 199/200.

The Two Person Team trophy with a combined score of 485/500 went to John Rodden and Matthew De Paoli. The Two Lady Team winners were Paulette Walker and Lorraine Hughes with 459/500.

High All Around, combining the sub-gauge and carnival events and generously sponsored by Pat Dury, was Antony Ballarino with a very consistent 390/400 – well done Antony.

John Rodden took the AA grade High Gun on 245/250, with Caboolture's Nigel Hughes winning A grade 240/250. Chris Langley won B grade 228/250 and Cherie Reeves was the C grade High Gun winner 221/250. Junior was won by Athan Phillis 228/250, Ladies







Pat Dury & Antony Ballarino, High All Around

Well done to the 2023 Overall High Gun winner Antony Ballarino who finished 1 target down with a massive 249/250. Great shooting Antony, congratulations on a brilliant win.

A big thank you to the Blackwater Clay Target Club and members for hosting the State Skeet Carnival this year, in particular Gene Storch and Vic Marshall who were kept busy with traps, targets and other chores, and Greg Steinhardt for his assistance all around. Thank you also to Toby and Tom our young trappers for keeping the traps filled, greatly appreciated. Thank you to the volunteers and ground staff who assisted with catering, bar service, and taking care of the campers in general. Massive thanks to Vere Storch and Antony Ballarino for your

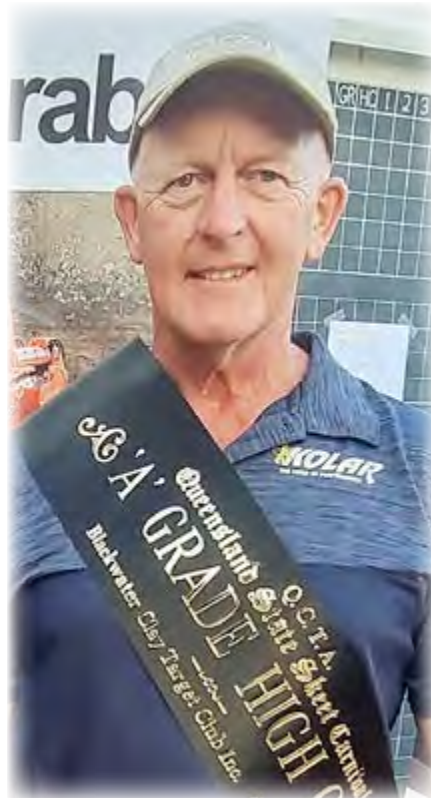
help leading up to the Skeet Carnival with sponsorships.

The efforts of Ashley Mason, Shoot Marshal for this year's carnival, were greatly appreciated by shooters and the QCTA. Ashley ran an

winner was Lorraine Hughes 232/250, and Wayne Reeves won Veterans with 235/250. Congratulations to all the High Gun winners, some very impressive scores.



John Rodden, AA Grade High Gun



Nigel Hughes, A Grade High Gun



Chris Langley, B Grade High Gun



Cherie Reeves, C Grade High Gun

extremely efficient event and kept shooters well informed and events, shoot-offs, and team shoots running on time over the whole weekend, resulting in a very smoothly run carnival. Thanks also to everyone who helped with setting, adjusting and

fixing traps, among other duties which were not really within his scope of works – much appreciated.

From myself I would like to thank Lorraine Hughes, Jessica Tate and Bradford Leggo for

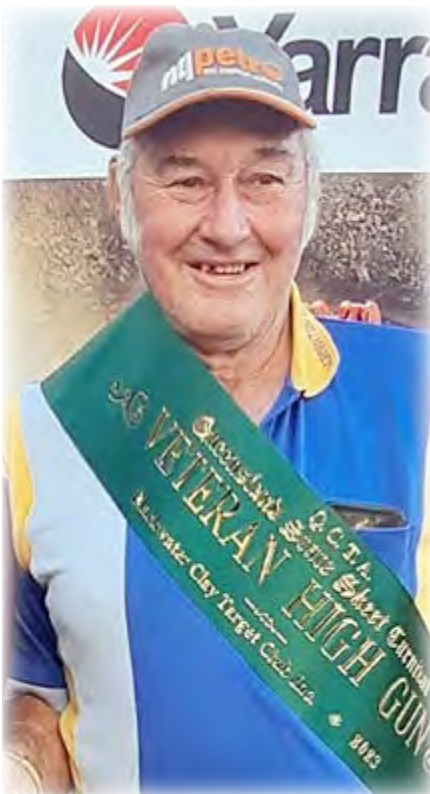
their help in the office along with Tracey Ashton for assistance when needed, it was not unnoticed. Lorraine you are a wealth of knowledge, and your guidance was appreciated.

Thank you to Gerard Battiato, QCTA President and State Secretary, Barry Lansdown along with Council Members Ben Beazley and Graham Noffke for showing their support at the State Skeet Carnival.

Massive thank you to all our sponsors of the 2023 State Skeet Carnival, Yarrabee Mine Yancoal, G-Spot Engineering & Mechanical, Best, N & S Abrasive Blasting, 24 Hour Hose, Blackys Mobile Welding Pty Ltd and Pat Dury for your continued support to the State Skeet Carnivals.

Lastly thank you to all the shooters who attended, especially those who travelled long distances to compete and to make the carnival such a success. Congratulations to all the winners and team members, and we look forward to seeing you in Townsville next year.

Amanda O'Brien,
State Administrator



Wayne Reeves, Veteran High Gun



Lorraine Hughes, Ladies High Gun



Athan Phillis, Junior High Gun



The Aussie team at the Opening ceremony (minus Eric)

2023 World Universal Trench Championships

The team this year all met in Madrid at the Crowne Plaza Airport Hotel on Sunday 30th of July where a bus was organised for a 12 noon pick up to take us all to Avila, approximately 130kms out of Madrid where the 41st World Championships for Universal Trench were to be held. This allowed for team members and their families to arrive anytime they wished as some flew in via Italy after competing in events held there while others did the tourist thing prior to the event.

Checking through Madrid airport was hit and miss with some having no issues at all, while others had a long wait with a couple having to come back the next day. A big thank you to Dave DePedro who speaks fluent Spanish in his help with all of this.

A team of 15 was selected this year with one last minute change needed with Martin

Collumb having to withdraw due to an eye injury and Greg Hunt who had already decided to attend the event as an individual, getting the late call up. Thanks Greg and our thoughts are with Martin, hoping for a full recovery.

Shooters travelling were Men's – Mitch Iles, Gabe Sensi, Craig Henwood. Ladies – Kiara Dean, Anna Shedrina & Georgia Pistone. Juniors – Marco Corbo, Ben de Pedro & Lucas Furlan. Seniors – Mark Coleman, Paul Santarossa & Greg Hunt. Veterans – John Maxwell, Eric Bullmore and Craig Bentley. Individuals – Mel Treller, Luca Grapiglia and Catherine Skinner.

After a 90 minute bus ride we found ourselves in the beautiful medieval town of Avila where the main landmark in the city is the imposing Walls of Ávila which has been constructed completely around the town to protect it

during these barbaric times. Construction of the wall begun in 1090. The enclosed area is 77 acres with a perimeter of 2,516 metres and comprises of 88 blocks of semi-circular towers, curtain walls 3 metres thick, and with an average height of 12 metres high and 9 gates makes for a very impressive sight, especially at night time when all lit up.

Here is where the fun began!! Buses of course cannot get into the main town centre so we were dropped off outside the wall with a VERY steep walk uphill to get to our hotel, complete with suitcases, guns and bags. Thankfully we only had to do this trip with our luggage once with everyone exhausted on reaching the hotel for check-in!

The hotel we were staying at was as equally spectacular as the wall itself, being originally a Palace built in the 14th Century as the house of Gonzalo Davila. The outside of the Palace still original, the inside was reconstructed to a hotel becoming Hotel de Valderrábanos. A beautiful hotel with 80 rooms and very welcoming to our team. The hotel was located 15 metres from the main cathedral of Avila which was even more spectacular.

We all checked into our rooms and made ourselves at home. As it was siesta time in town finding something open to eat and drink became a mission but did give us a chance to explore the amazing city while trying to find some lunch.

Monday dawned and after a great breakfast at the hotel the bus was arranged to take us to the range at Campo de Tiro El Fresnillo located a short 15 minutes drive from the city of Avila. Our first impressions of the range were great and that high scores would be needed. The range comprised of 5 layouts (one which has only recently been constructed) and all 5 having differing backdrops that ranged from a dirt fishbowl, to flat, to a drop off on trap 1. Practice tickets were purchased, ammo sorted and our guys and girls hit the layouts. We must take this chance to thank Bronzewing Australia and Nobel Sport Italia for arranging ammunition for our team members who wished to use NSI loads. It was greatly appreciated by all who took up the offer. Everyone had a few rounds except poor Georgia Pistone who had some issues with her gun. A local gunsmith was found who rectified the problem, being a broken spring which was repaired and would see Georgia right to go from Tuesday. The team all trained well over the next 2 days with everyone feeling confident leading up to competition. Tuesday night we held our famous "Aussie Team Dinner" where all Aussies at the event are invited to join, including families and friends, seeing 35 of us at Restaurante Siglodoce, a beautiful steak and seafood restaurant located 100m from our hotel. A great feed, a few drinks and a lot of laughs were had by all and Gabe Sensi was named



Avila Wall by day. The wall around the town of Avila.



Avila Wall wall at night



The team marching at the opening ceremony led by Gabe Sensi, flag bearer



*Team Australia's gun table.
Which one would you choose?*

to be our flag bearer for the opening ceremony. Congrats Gabe!!!

Wednesday was the last day of training and also the opening ceremony which was to be held at the golf club just down the road from the shooting range later that evening. Eric had woken up Wednesday not feeling well and had decided to remain in bed for the day to rest. On return to the hotel to check on him it was evident that he wasn't in the best of health so an ambulance was called by the hotel and Eric taken to the nearby hospital to sort treatment.

He was diagnosed with a bad lung infection and spent the next 8 hours in hospital, missing the opening ceremony and us not being sure if he would compete the next day.

The opening ceremony got underway around 9pm (it doesn't get dark in Avila until after 10pm) and all Aussies were looking smart in their uniforms thanks to Martin from Collumbo Shooting. We were the first team to march out as always and really looked the part with Gabe leading. After all teams had marched some local Spanish dancers did a performance



One of the layouts at the range in Avila

and the event was declared open. Some finger food and drinks were also offered and we all made our way back to the hotel to get some rest.

Thankfully we were in the afternoon session for day 1 which started at 2:30pm. Eric woke up feeling much better and to his credit decided he would give it a go to shoot and see how he felt. After struggling through day 1 he was improving all the time and slugged it out to shoot the 4 days. A great effort.

Perfect weather greeted us for the 4 days of competition, not too hot with cool mornings and mid 20's but it did heat up for the final day. Strong breezes picked up on the first couple of days but not enough to effect the scores too much.

Day 1 saw one layout fall behind with Gabe completing his round at 9:20pm!!! The mornings were very tricky to see with the first couple of waves having to look right into the sun, so a bit of luck was needed on where and when you were drawn to shoot. 50 targets



Gold to our Junior team - Lucas Furlan, Marco Corbo & Ben de Pedro

were shot each day over 4 days. A field of 430 were competing from 15 countries.

On the last day we had a few shooters right in the hunt for individual medals. Marco and Lucas were up there in the juniors with Ben not far behind. All 3 having the chance to bring home an individual medal and also having a strong lead in the team's event. Catherine and Anna in the ladies also were in a strong position with Kiara not far behind, and John Maxwell in the Veterans also looked to be in a good position but needed a strong day 4. The veterans' team also were looking good for a medal as were the Men's team and the Women's team.



Corbo Furlan - Silver in Juniors to Marco Corbo & Bronze to Lucas Furlan



John Maxwell takes bronze in the Veterans

Day 4 we were all to shoot in the morning session, good in that it allowed us to put the scores on the board and the rest would have to catch us, bad because it meant we did have shooters having to look right into the early sun! Marco and Lucas went out to shoot their last rounds both at the same time. The equation for them was simple. Marco needed a 25 to tie for the gold medal, and Lucas needed a 24 to at least win bronze, talk about pressure!!! Marco powered through the first 23 targets with ease and we were all confident he would force a shoot off for the gold with Italian Adrea Diana who had finished on 194. Unfortunately Marco let target 24 land to finish one target short with a brilliant 193 to take silver with Lucas also shooting a brilliant 24, his last round to end on 192 and the bronze medal. Joined with Ben who shot a great 185 to finish in 7th place of the Juniors, our boys took home the gold medal in the teams with a 7 target lead from 2nd place. Well done lads.

John had punched the first 25 in the morning and needed another 25 in his last round to secure the bronze medal in the Veterans. Again John showing what he is made of and putting the 50 straight for the day together to come in with a 190/200 to take home the bronze. Combined with Craig Bentley 181 (14th

place) and Eric Bullmore 174 (24th place) our Veterans' team took out the gold in the teams match as well by 6 targets over the Italian team. Our boys were 10 targets behind going into day 4 for the team's gold and did a great job to make this up and more in the last 50 targets. The first medals Australia has ever won in the Veterans category at the World Champs!! The veteran's winner was Manuel Gonzalez Perez from Spain with 195 + 24 + 5.

The ladies all had bad luck!!! Catherine shot a great 49/50 on day 4 for a 185 and for a while it had looked like it might be enough for a bronze medal. The last lady in the last squad in Beatriz Martinez (better known as the wife of Alberto Fernandez) came in with a 186 to relegate Catherine to 4th place. A great effort regardless as it was the very first UT event Catherine had ever competed in. Anna finishing on 179 (12th place), Kiara 178 (14th place) and Georgia 164 (26th place). The girls were tied for the bronze medal in the teams but unfortunately lost it on countback. Bad luck girls. The ladies winner was Caroline Arnaudeix from France with 189/200.

In the Seniors Mark Coleman put a great 25 to kick off day 4 and finished on a 186 (28th place), Paul on 181 (51st place) and Greg 174 (77th place) saw the boys finish in 5th place in



Veterans team Gold to Craig Bentley, John Maxwell & Eric Bullmore

the teams. The Seniors title was taken out by Pietro Zecchi from Italy with 196/200.

The Men's team all had a reasonably strong day 4 with the team collectively shooting 320 out of the last 325 targets to move up the ranks very fast. Gabe and Craig finishing on 193 (28th place) and Mitch on 190 (69th place) saw the Men's team finish just 2 points behind the victorious South African team settling for Silver. Well shot guys. The Open winner went

to Luca Peacock of South Africa with a 198/200 + 24 + 1, great shooting.

Two golds, two silvers and two bronze medals for Team Australia. It was great to hear the Aussie anthem played twice at the awards ceremony that night, again held late at the golf club down the road from the range with the team not getting home until just before midnight and Burger King was the popular choice for dinner, being the only place still open. An early morning start saw us all on the bus at 10am to head back to Madrid where some flew out on Monday and others flying out Tuesday and a group taking advantage to head to Ibiza to party!!

So concluded another successful World Championships for team Australia.

All shooters are to be congratulated not only for their efforts but their sportsmanship and comraderie with everyone supporting each other where they could and being a great bunch to be around. We are the envy of the rest of the UT countries who all make comment on how the Aussie team is always happy and enjoying themselves and all bond as a team and support each other, so well done all.



Mens Team silver medal to Craig Henwood, Mitch Iles & Gabe Sensi

Again a big thanks must go to all our sponsors for UT during the year and to everyone who supports the UT Series. Without the support of all involved it just would not be possible to make this happen.

Next year's World UT Championships are believed to be held in Ychoux, France and our Aussie team will be there to hopefully bring home the bling again.



Psychological Skills for Shooting

by Michael Kruger-Davis

An interview with John Shima

Over the years of writing these articles, I have drawn on many sources; some have been sport psychology textbooks, some have been research articles, some have been books and articles written by champion shooters, sports psychologists, independent athletes and so on.

One of the sources I enjoy reading is *Clay Target Nation*, a magazine dedicated to sporting clays and skeet shooting published in the United States. These magazines often feature articles written by John Shima. Most skeet shooters are aware of John Shima and his achievements on and off the skeet field. As a shooter he has been 5 times world champion, but off the field he is renowned skeet instructor and visual training expert. Some of my previous articles I drew from John Shima's articles: Target Acquisition, Converting Anxiety into Confidence and The Execution of Tension.

At the recent NSWCTA skeet championships, John was in attendance. He comes to Australia often, to catch up with his sister and while he is here he runs skeet shooting clinics but he attended the NSWCTA skeet carnival to catch up with old friends, help out anyone who wanted some help on the practise trap and make some new friends in the process.

Unfortunately, I didn't have time to seek him out at the practise trap, but I did have the opportunity to sit with him and ask him a few questions about his life, his shooting and his passion: teaching others to shoot well.

From the moment we sat down, I felt I was in a very comfortable place. His website states that John puts shooters completely at ease. Actually, it is much more than that: when John is talking and listening to you, he provides unconditional

positive regard. He treats you with respect and is nice to you because you are you, not for anything he is getting out of the interaction. I felt that during our time together John was listening to understand and not just listening to respond. When he did respond the answer, was related to the topic at hand and often involved using an analogy or a story to get the listener involved in process behind the answer and not just the outcome of the question.

John stated that he started to shoot after his father introduced him to the sport and the greatest motivation was to shoot well to please his father. John has a degree in psychology and spends his time teaching, so we had some things in common. John said that teaching was his passion and he enjoyed combining the psychological components to get the message across to his students.

During our discussion we talked about shooting-related topics such as eye focus: soft and hard focus. As a visual training expert he is keen to get shooters to understand focus. When and how to change from soft to hard focus, and be aware that what you do in practise sometimes can be totally different to what you do, or what is needed in the competition.

We talked about the need to be mindful and stay in the moment. Deal with the process of shooting the target and he was keen to point out that your score does not define who you are. Shooting well, working hard, being competitive and sportsmanship is what defines you.

John was eager to point out how wonderful he thought shooting in Australia was. He said that in the United States shoots often have

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WARATAH NOTES

Hello shooters!

The NSW State Trap Carnival preparations are now in full swing.

NOMINATIONS ARE NOW OPEN! You can nominate through My Club My Scores.

If anyone has any issues with nominating, please contact the State Office, I am more than happy to assist you.

Save the date of the October long weekend Friday 29th September to Monday 2nd October 2023.

If you need to book a campsite, contact the ACTA on 02 6938 2121.

Accommodation is also available throughout the Wagga district, however bookings are quickly filling due to other events on in Wagga on the same weekend.

We will be keeping everyone updated on our

Website and Facebook of any changes as they are made regarding the Carnival.

At the Opening Ceremony on Friday 29th September 2023 we will be inducting Glenn Barton into the NSW Hall of Fame.

A carvery dinner has been arranged through the Range Function Centre for the Opening Ceremony/Hall of Fame induction on the Friday night with tickets to the dinner being available through the State Office at \$26 per person. Childrens meals are also available.

To book your tickets email or phone the State office. Email: nswcta1@bigpond.com Phone: 02 6931 9980.

Bookings need to be received by 1pm Thursday 21st September to confirm numbers for the caterers.

Psychological Skills for Shooting

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paid referees and scorers, so there is no need for shooters to stay at the ground and meet other shooters. You shoot with your squad and when you have finished shooting you leave, until you are required to come back to shoot off.

Here in Australia, because we are obliged to referee and score, shooters stay on the ground and get to meet and see other shooters shoot. This allows for greater interaction between the whole shooting field and not just your squad. He felt that this was a real plus for our Association and the sport here in general.

Since meeting with John, I have visited his website regularly and if you are interested in visual aspects of the sport, maintaining focus, mindfulness and beating anxiety, and much

more, then his website is very much worth the visit, www.johnshima.com

After sitting with John for the short time we had together, I was very impressed not only by his shooting credentials but his ability to talk, listen and explain complex concepts in an easy to understand way, all the while making me feel relaxed, at ease and valued. The only regret I have is that I never got to the practise trap to get some help in shooting the targets, but I am sure he will be back again and I will jump at the chance to be at one of his clinics.

I have put together all the articles that I have written for the CTSN (and some that have not yet been submitted) on USB. These are available for \$25.00 (which includes GST and Postage). If you wish to purchase a copy, please contact me at the email address below.

Michael Kruger-Davis is a consulting psychologist and a member of Newcastle Lake Macquarie CTC. He uses ammunition from Hunts Shooting Supplies. Questions regarding psychological aspects of sport and shooting can be addressed to him at mjkrugerdavis@gmail.com

Competition Results



VCTA

Ararat 05/08/2023

Cool but fine (23): 10T CONT PS E/O: G Horrigan 29/30, D Watts 29/30, T Perry 28/30, M Collins 28/30, B Sands 28/30; 10T CONT PS Gr CS: AA: J Nixon 88/90, D Watts 87/90; A: T Perry 87/90, M Collins 82/90; B: B Sands 79/90, G Hargraves 77/90; C: N Pengelly 78/90, R Hardy 73/90. OA: J Nixon 88/90; 30T DB Gr CS: AA: J Nixon 44/46, D Watts 29/31; A: A O'Connell 69/70, M Collins 31/33; B: G Hargraves 68/70, W Calaby 35/38; C: A Long 27/30, R Hardy 26/30. OA: A O'Connell 69/70; HG: OA: D Watts 145/150; LAD: T Perry 141/150; VET: B Sands 134/150.

Bendigo Clay Target Club 02/09/2023

Nice (36): Alan Mason Mem D/B C/Ship: O/A & AA P Akkermans 59/59; M Appleby 49/50; A: C Langridge 58/59; D Button 50/51; B: T Weeks 63/64; A Wright 62/64; C: S Arkininstall 50/51; R Stewart 50/52; 20P D/R C/Ship: O/A & A L Marsh 38/40; M Appleby 57/70; AA: M De Carli 29/40; B: B Lambevski 32/40; H Carlesso 39/60; C M Rocca 35/40; D Knight 34/40; 25 Target P/S C/Ship: O/A & A L Vella 102/102; K Edwards 99/102; AA: M De Carli 73/75; P Akkermans 72/75; B: G Daley 74/75; H Carlesso 73/74; C: S Arkininstall; M Easton 69/75; H/G: L Marsh 159/165.

Callawadda/Stawell CTC 19/08/2023

Cool & Overcast (15): 25 Pr DR CS: O/A C.Reading 44/50; AA: A.Bolwell 40/50; A: W.Hawker 41/50; L.De Carli 37/50; B: C.Dunn 38/50; R.Black 34/50; C: B.Dean 44/50; W.Sanders 43/50; 30 tgt DB CS: O/A: A: W.Sanders 49/49; AA: A.Bolwell 48/50, C.Reading 29/30; A: W.Sanders 49/49, R.Black 34/35; B: C.Dunn 29/30, C: K.McPherson 26/30; O/A HG: W.Sanders & C.Reading 73/80.

Euroa Clay Target Club

Cold: 25T DB CS: A & OA. L Comensoli, 29/29; G McClure, 24/25; AA: P Akkermans, 28/29; A.Rohrlach.24/25; B: M Spencer, 26/27; B Burns, 25/27; C. P. McNair, 24/25; L Tonks, 27/29; 25T DB CS: C & OA. L Tonks, 55/56; T Apps, 26/30; AA: A Rohrlach, 27/29; P Akkermans, 21/25; A: G McClure, 54/56; L Comensoli, 32/34; B:A Kidd, 38/40; M Spencer, 24/26; 25T HC: L .Comensoli, 23/25; V, Surace, 23/26; J. King, 22/26; BM.L.Fitzpatrick,20/25.

Melbourne 26/08/2023

Fine (54): 25T PS: OA: D Macgregor 75/75; AA: D Macgregor 75/75, D Saliba

74/75; A: T Gray 75/78, S Incani 72/78; B: V Burzomi 73/75, A Beltrami 79/84; C: B Battle 67/75, M Incani 63/78; 50T DB: OA: J Africano 113/114; AA: J Africano 113/114, S Howlett 61/63; A: S Incani 85/87, J Adamo 51/53; B: D Naylor, H Carlesso 49/51; C: L Parks 45/50, M Incani 44/50; 25T HC: 1. M Incani 25/25; S Incani 34/35; R Wiggins 33/35; BM. D Appleby 20/25.

Mt Bogong Clay Target Club 03/09/2023

Fine (39): 10T CONT E/O: B McInnes, R Ehlers, J West, K Jones, G Evans, P Matthews, D Taylor, J Tomasoni, G Rowe, P Roper, J Hamilton 10/10; 30T CONT PS: AA: K Jones 85/90, P Matthews 84/90; A: G Evans 86/93, R West 83/93; B: P Antonello 82/90, P Wilkins 81/90; C: B McInnes 85/90, B Ellis 65/90; 30T HC: P Matthews 31/32; J Tomasoni 30/32; P Wilkins 29/30; HG: P Matthews 124/130.

Yarrowonga Gun Club 13/08/2023

Cool & Cloudy (34): 30T SB CD: AA: A Beechey & B Thompson 29/30; A: I Cooksey 28/30; A: S Murphy, R Nixon & D Saunders 27/30; B: R Rees 27/30; B: P Woods, C Lewis & P

North East Zone/V.C.T.A. OCTOBER 2023 PROGRAM

SATURDAY 30TH SEPTEMBER

St. James 12:00noon

Murphy and Wilson Memorials

50tgt D/B

50tgt P/S

SUNDAY 1ST OCTOBER

Mansfield 10:30am

50tgt Skeet C/ship

20tgt Tower P/S C/D

Nurmkah Shepparton 11.00 am

100tgt Medley C/ship, 25 D/B, 25 S/B, 25 P/S, 25 D/B Cont.

SATURDAY 7TH

Bendigo 11.00 am

25tgt H/cap

75tgt Ch/Ch C/ship

SUNDAY 8TH

Echuca 10:00am

Rich River Classic

50tgt D/B

25tgt S/B

25tgt P/S

Euroa 11.00 am

25tgt NEZ P/S Tower C/ship

20tgt D/B Gr Gift

20tgt S/B Gr Gift

20tgt P/S Gr Gift

High Gun over program

Yarrowonga 11.00 am

30tgt Cont. C/D

50tgt D/B C/ship

SUNDAY 15TH

Kyneton 11:00am

30tgt D/B C/ship

30tgt S/B C/ship

30tgt D/B C/ship

O/A program Medley Shield

Mansfield 10.30 am

50tgt D/B C/ship

50tgt B/T C/ship

SATURDAY 21ST

Bendigo 10.00am

100tgt S/C Compak Ian Perks Mem.

C/ship

1st Leg of Mountain Duck Trophy

Wangaratta 12noon

DTL – Program can be seen on the club website, MCMS and social media/ Facebook page

SUNDAY 22ND

Colbinabbin 11.00 am

20tgt P/S C/D

25tgt S/B C/ship

25tgt D/B C/ship

20tgt H/Cap

FRIDAY 27TH

Mathoura 7.00 pm

30tgt Night W/U C/ship, OA, 3 gr

50tgt State Night W/U C/ship, OA, 3 gr

SUNDAY 29TH

Cosgrove 11:30am

100tgt P/S C/ship, OA, 4 gr, 1-3

TUESDAY 31ST

Zone Delegates meeting

Peppermill Hotel Shepparton 7:30pm



SAVE THE DATE -

2023

STATE TRAP CARNIVAL

THURSDAY 9 - SUNDAY 12 NOVEMBER

6 EVENTS & ZONE TEAM EVENTS

Venue: State Grounds-Echuca

Practice available from Midday Wednesday 8th November

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\$10 per night***



***Nominations available
through MCMS***



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OCTOBER 2023 PROGRAM

All Events - Less than 5 entrants per grade no 2nd place.

The committee reserves the right to alter the program.

FREE NOMS FOR ALL JUNIORS


SUNDAY 1st OCTOBER

11:00am Start

Event 1	25 Target Points Score AA,A,B&C	\$17.00
Event 2	50 Target Handicap O/All Cash & Sash 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th	\$36.00
Event 3	25 Target Single Barrel AA,A,B&C	\$17.00

15th OCTOBER – SUNDAY FUNDAY

10:00am Start Skeet, 11:00am Start DTL

Event 1	100 Target Skeet South East Zone Championship O/All,AA,A,B&C LJV	\$70.00
Event 2	 50 Target ASSA Skeet Handicap O/All Cash & Sash AA,A,B&C (Pre-Nomination for the Skeet events preferred)	\$30.00
Event 3	100 Target Double Barrel O/All Cash & Sash AA,A,B&C	\$70.00

IF YOU SHOOT A POSSIBLE (25/25) YOU GO INTO A DRAW TO PICK FROM A TABLE OF 'SECRET PRIZES' THAT MAY INCLUDE AMMUNITION, MERCHANDISE, GIFT VOUCHERS, FOOD AND DRINKS AND MORE!

IF YOU SHOOT THE EVENT CLEAN (100/100) YOU WILL HAVE A CHANCE TO PICK A PRIZE FROM THE 'GRAND TABLE' OF PRIZES INCLUDING AMMUNITION.

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MELBOURNE GUN CLUB

presents the 2023



SUNDAY 15th of OCTOBER

10:00am start – practice from 9:00am

40tgt Points Score OA.AA.A.B.C - \$27

OA – 3 Slabs of Bronzewing Ammunition – RRP \$390

1st AA.A.B.C – 1 slab of Bronzewing Ammunition – RRP \$130

2nd AA.A.B.C – \$80 cash



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20tgt Single Barrel OA.AA.A.B.C - \$15

OA – 2 Slabs of Bronzewing Ammunition - RRP \$260

1st AA.A.B.C – \$80 cash

2nd AA.A.B.C – \$50 cash



BRONZE WING
AUSTRALIA

40tgt Double Barrel OA.AA.A.B.C - \$27

OA – 3 Slabs of Bronzewing Ammunition – RRP \$390

**1st AA.A.B.C – 1 slab of
Bronzewing Ammunition – RRP \$130**

2nd AA.A.B.C – \$80 cash



OA HIGH GUN – Pointer ST1000 Straight Pull Shotgun RRP \$725

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Ladies High Gun – Slab of Bronzewing Ammunition RRP \$130

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All OA winners to have their names en graved on our Champion of Champions board

Thanks to BRONZEWING AUSTRALIA for their flood relief support for all affected clubs in Australia for making this event possible

South East Zone DTL Carnival is on Saturday 14th of October (see separate advert)

Come and make a 2 Day weekend at MGC with FREE powered camping available with hot showers & meals and snacks from the cafe!!!!

The committe reserves the right to alter the program and prizes if necessary

For further information contact Craig Henwood – Ph: 0403 508 046



VCTA South West Zone

2023 DTL Trap Carnival

Sunday 22nd October

Colac Gun Club

Colac – Lavers Hill Rd, Elliminyt

Starting at 10 am

Event 1: **25tgt South West Zone Double Barrel c/ship**

Event 2: **25tgt South West Zone Single Barrel c/ship**

Event 3: **25tgt South West Zone Points Score c/ship**

Event 4: **25tgt South West Zone Handicap**

High Guns: Overall, Ladies, Junior, Veteran

SWZ Team: Open, Ladies, Veteran and Juniors selection

Overall Junior Double Barrel winner receives sash & cash

Nominations: \$18 per event or **\$70 entire program**

Juniors \$10 per event

South West Zone President – Sam Rundell – 0427 784 202

South West Zone Secretary – Fiona Dobbins – 0447 933 745

Colac Gun Club – Stephen Holt – 0497 843 122

*Pre-nominations will be available on MCMS.



South East Zone DTL Carnival 2023



**Melbourne Gun Club
Saturday 14th Oct - 9am**



25T H/Cap - 25T DB - 25T SB - 25T PS

Full Noms \$96 - Reduced \$72



**Series High Guns proudly sponsored
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Pre-nominate via MCMS for a chance to win a slab of ammunition
kindly donated by Craig Henwood



Lucky door prize for Juniors kindly donated by Anna Shedrina of
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- Carnival Shoot Marshall (SM) – Craig Henwood
- At the SM's discretion, shoot offs may be altered by metreage or discipline to determine a winner
- Competitors will be squadded in relation to their handicap metreage and remain in those squads for all events
- Reduced noms applies to juniors and ladies only



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MARYBOROUGH GUN CLUB INC.

44th Annual

CENTRAL VICTORIAN GRAND PRIX

**Saturday October 28th 2023
9.00am start**

CASH & CARTRIDGES

EVENT 1

25 tgt Single Barrel C/ship \$30
– AA, A, B, C LJV Noms \$27

Overall & grade: **Sash & 750 Shotshells**

1st each other grade – **Sash & 500 Shotshells**

2nd – **250 Shotshells**

EVENT 2

50 tgt CENTRAL VICTORIAN GRAND PRIX \$60

Double Barrel off 15m – AA, A, B, C

After 50 shoot-off targets, shoot-offs will be from 18m plus

Overall: **Sash & \$1000 CASH**

1st each 4 grades – **Sash & \$500**

2nd each 4 grades – **\$250**

3rd each 4 grades – **500 Shotshells**

EVENT 3

25 tgt Points Score C/ship – AA, A, B, C \$30
LJV Noms \$27

Overall & grade: **Sash & 750 Shotshells**

1st each other grade – **Sash & 500 Shotshells**

2nd – **250 Shotshells**



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Overall High Gun —
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Graded High Guns AA, A, B, C —
250 Shotshells

Ladies, Veterans & Junior —
250 Shotshells

NOTE: NO PRIZES WILL BE GIVEN OUT BEFORE PRESENTATIONS

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*Outdoor Trading Company, Allen Dunn Plumbing Supplies,
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PRACTICE: Available from 8 .30am

CANTEEN: Open Breakfast, Lunch Saturday & food all day

CAMPING: Plenty of space, NO powered sites
For further information on camping phone
Garry Cassells 0418 501 339

AMMENITIES: Hot water and showers available

Nominations on day of shoot. Credit Card facilities available

The committe reserves the right to alter the program and prizes if necessary

Ground located: Bucknall St, Carisbrook, Victoria, adjacent Trotting Track

Sec: Craig Jennings 0419 761 384

Pres: Darren Watts 0427 945 488

Antonello 26/30; C: T Marchant & C Henderson 25/30; 50T Continental CS: OA: AA: T Walls 50/50; AA: P Mathews 76/77; A: D Saunders 49/50; A: J Fothergill

48/50; B: Rob Rees 48/50; B: Peter Antonello 52/55; C: C Henderson 48/50; C: L Robinson 46/50; HG: B Thompson 86/87.



TCTA

Hobart Clay Target Club 27/08/2023

Sunny and Warm (24): 100 MXD T: A: Steve Glover 139/150; B: Ian Leighton 133/150; C: Michelle Stubbs 132/150; 25 T SKT: C: Steve Glover 24/25.

Spring Bay 09/09/2023

Windy but fine (21): 25T PS C/D:

AA: S Bennett 72/75; A: S Glover 70/75; B: P Matters 69/75; C: S Quinn/D Silk 65/75; 50T DB C/S: OA & AA: S Bennett 49/50; A: G Ellis 47/50; B: J Allen 43/50; C: S Quinn 41/50; 25T DB Cont: AA: S Bennett 22/25; A: G Ellis 23/25; B: A Creed 22/25; C: S Quinn 21/25.



QCTA

Atherton Tableland Gun Club Inc 27/08/2023

Overcast, very cool (23): 25T DB CD: AA: J Smaniotto (Silkwood) 25/25; A Lemphers (Silkwood) 25/25; A: Greg Braid (Atherton) 24/25; T Friend (Canberra) 23/25; F Scamnello (Silkwood) 23/25; B: P Vit (Atherton) 23/25; R Draper (Atherton) 22/25; B Hall (Melbourne) 22/25; C: C De Brueys (Atherton) 22/25; D Beard (Atherton) 22/25; 50T PS: AA: P Hill (Brisbane) 140/150; J Smaniotto (Silkwood) 139/150; A Lemphers (Silkwood) 135/150; A: A Azzopardi (Western Sydney) 137/150; B Draper (Atherton) 136/150; F Scamnello (Silkwood) 132/150; B: R Draper (Atherton) 123/150; P Luppi (Atherton) 120/150; B Hall (Melbourne) 117/150; C: D Beard (Atherton) 168/183; C De Brueys (Atherton) 167/183; M Chuck (Atherton) 125/150;; 45T Medley: AA: P Hill (Brisbane) 75/75; A Lemphers (Silkwood) 93/100; A Bennett (Hobart) 88/100; A: A Azzopardi (West Sydney) 69/75; T Friend (Canberra) 67/75; S Harper (Atherton) 65/75; B: P Vit (Atherton) 64/75; J S (Silkwood) 63/75; R Draper (Atherton) 59/75; C: P Neubecker (Silkwood) 63/75; M Chuck (Atherton) 62/75; C De Brueys (Atherton) 60/75.

Ballandean 20/08/2023

Sunny, still (30): 50T DB: AA: S Smith 98/98 2nd S Waugh 97/98; A: 1st S Cannizzaro 90/91 2nd S

Harker 89/91; B: V Stiller 47/50; K Stevenson 45/50; C: G Loudon 44/50; G Adler 35/50; 50T Cont Ron Sonego Mem: OA: R Smith 89/89; AA: S Smith 88/89; J Lee 61/62; A: A Smith 51/52; P Westbury 75/76; B: M Arthur 49/50; H Brown 47/50; C: G Adler 39/50; S Nucifora 37/50; HG: OA S Smith 100/100.

Bundaberg 02/09/2023

(10): 50T CD: B: A Spinks 41/50; C: T Delley 45/50; 25T CS: OA T Delley 25/25; B A Spinks 17/25; C T Delley 25/25.

Bundaberg 03/09/2023

Shifting clouds and NE winds (20): 25T DB CD: AA: P Grove 25/25; A: D Large 25/25; B: B Charteris 23/25; C: T Gardner, C: Large and J Robinson 23/25; 25T DB CS: OA P Grove 25/25; AA: P Grove 25/25; A: D Large 24/25; B: J Trill 23/25; C: T Gardner 25/25; 25T DB PTS: AA: P Grove 71/75; A: S Smith 71/75; B: R Howie 70/75; C: C Large 74/75; 25T DB 18M: AA: P Grove 25/25; A: M Rogers 25/25; B: J Trill 23/25; C: T Gardner 25/25; HG: OA: P Grove 146/150.

Caboollure CTC

(25): Ev 1: 25T Cash Divide: AA: G Walker 25/25; D Baird 25/25; A: B Harris 25/25; A Corless 25/25; B: T Ashton 25/25; C: M Wright 23/25; Ev 2: 50T Championship: AA: D Baird 49/50; AA: G Walker 47/50; A: W Clarke 54/56; A: B Harris 53/56; B: T Long 48/50; B: T Ashton 51/54; C: L Given 48/50;

C: M Wright 44/50; Ev 3: 50T Doubles: AA: L Sceresini 46/50; AA: G Walker 45/50; A: N Hughes 48/52; A: P Plumridge 47/52; B: C Pedler 44/50; B: E Benjamin 44/52; C: L Given 42/50; C: G McKay 41/50; OA: Open: D Baird 119/125; AA: G Walker 117/125; A: A Corless 117/125; B: T Ashton 123/139; C: L Given 111/125.

Caboollure CTC 03/09/2023

Warm, cloud cover (24): 30T D/Barrel Cash divide: AA: D McDonald, G Langridge, J Langridge all 29/30; A: B McDonald, W Yet Foy 30/30; B: G Keegan 26/30; B: D Reynolds 25/30; C: T Lutherborrow 29/30; C: J Laird 28/30; 45T Medley: AA: G Langridge 70/75; AA: J Gemmill 69/75; A: B Barnes 71/75; A: B McDonald 70/75; B: D Reynolds 65/75; B: G Keegan 56/75; C: J Laird 71/75; C: T Lutherborrow 54/75; 25T Points Score: AA: J Langridge 72/75; AA: 80/87; A: P Strange 74/75; A: W Yet Foy 71/75; B: D Reynolds 67/75; B: G Keegan 61/75; C: J Laird 67/75; C: T Lutherborrow 56/75; 25T Single Barrel: AA: J Langridge 24/25; AA: G Langridge 23/25; A: D Reeves 24/25; A: B McDonald 23/25; B: G Keegan 21/25; B: D Reynolds 20/25; C: J Laird 19/25; C: B Campbell 18/25; HG: John Langridge 193/205; AA: Gavin Langridge 190/205; A: Paul Strange 189/205; B: D Reynolds 177/205; C: J Laird 185/205.

Gold Coast 12/08/2023

Near perfect (94): 30T Medley CD: AA: G Matson, A Incani, M Pain, K Thompson 50/50; A: B Bignell, S Weeden 50/50; B: P Van De Langenberg 47/50, E Snelling 46/50; C: N Davis 46/50, B Phillis 45/50; 25T Pacific Coast SB CS: Overall: M Pain 33/33; AA: G Noffke 32/33, T Ryder 30/31; A: L Hart 46/47, L Anderson 45/47; B: J Shand 24/25, M Chounding 23/26; C: G Hayne 23/25, N Keegan 22/25; Junior: J Langridge 24/25; Ladies: J Moore 22/26; Veteran: J Porter 29/30; 50T Pacific Coast DB CS: Overall: J Moore 172/172; AA: A Incani 171/172, P Keller 146/147; A: A Nolan 61/62, J Murphy 57/58; B: M Chounding 49/50, T McKenna 52/54; C: R Smith 58/60, N Keegan 57/60; Junior: J Langridge 51/52; Ladies: J Shand 45/50; Veteran: C Witt 86/87; 25T Gold Coast PS CS: Overall: G Harrington 75/75; AA: P Naude 74/75, G Langridge 109/111; A: L Hart 91/93, S Cannizzaro 88/93; B: E Snelling 74/75, S Baumer 75/78; C: R Smith 70/75, N Keegan 68/75; Junior: J Langridge 91/93; Ladies: F Mills 71/75; Veteran: J Porter 90/93; 40T Queensland State Mixed Targets CS: Overall: G Matson 87/89; AA:

J Porter 114/118, A Incani 113/118; A: B Bignell 85/89, L Anderson 84/89; B: P Van De Langenberg 57/60, R Bourke 56/60; C: B Phillis 48/60, S Heyman 47/60; Junior: R Chounding 56/60; Ladies: J Moore 55/60; Veterans: C Witt 56/60; 50T DB Cont CS: Overall: J Murphy 59/59; AA: P Naude 58/59, T Ryder 98/99; A: A Nolan 54/55, B Bignell 57/58; B: G Pincham 48/50, R Bourke 47/50; C: R Smith 43/50, B Boylin 41/50; Junior: J Langridge 62/63; Ladies: F Mills 49/50; Veteran: C Witt 54/55; HG: Overall: M Pain 302/310; AA: J Porter 316/326; A: A Nolan 300/310; B: P Van De Langenberg 288/310; C: R Smith 266/310; Junior: J Langridge 299/310; Ladies: J Moore 287/310; Veteran: K Thompson 297/310.

Gold Coast 11/08/2023

(40): 25T SEZ Night DB CS: Overall: G Matson 97/97; AA: B Jurd 96/97, P Santarossa 55/56; A: M Psaras 73/74, D Smith 46/47; B: D Cokley 24/25, T Morony 23/25; C: N Keegan 22/25, J Jonklaas 20/25; 25T SEZ Night PS CS: Overall: G Langridge 75/75; AA: J Langridge 74/75, B Jurd 72/75; A: A Struhs 96/99, P Strange 93/99; B: T Morony 70/75, G Pincham 69/75; C: N Keegan 67/75, R Smith 57/75.

Gold Coast 06/09/2023

(31): 75T Night Medley: AA: A Incani 122/125, M Pain 189/200; A: B Barden 119/125, S Weeden 137/150; B: V Vaina 113/125, B Wiseman 110/125; C: H Roach 107/125, J Cai 101/125.

Gold Coast 10/09/2023

Windy (51): 25T PS CD: AA: A Incani, G Harrington 73/75; A: M Heritage 74/75, R Collins 73/75; B: T McKenna 73/75, V Vaina 63/75; C: J Gelkov 66/75, B Phillis 63/75; 25T DB: AA: A Incani 53/53, J Langridge 52/53; A: M Voutounos 25/25, S Weeden 33/34; B: P Van De Langenberg 30/31, V Vaina 29/31; C: J Gelkov 36/36, A Crandon 35/36; SEZ Ch/Ch (Viva Foods Supershooter): Overall: S Weeden 122/125; AA: A Incani 120/125, P Naude 117/125; A: A Snelling 111/125, G Pincham 110/125; B: T McKenna 105/125, S Lutter 104/125; C: G Hayne 94/125, A Crandon 90/125; Junior: R Chounding 115/125; Ladies: K Brandolino 101/125; Veteran: C Witt 115/125; HG: OA: A Incani 218/225; AA: R Chounding 211/225; A: S Weeden 217/225; B: T McKenna 202/225; C: A Crandon 175/225; Junior: J Langridge 199/225.

Kingaroy 03/09/2023

Fine, Cloudy (32): 100T DB: OA: S Gittins 168/169, AA: R Ridder 143/145, G Matthews 98/100, C Brown 97/100, A: 1st A Haig 167/169, G Brown 111/114,



**TASMANIAN
CLAY TARGET
ASSOCIATION**

2023 SKEET CARNIVAL



EVENT DETAILS:

When? Saturday 28 - Sunday 29
October 2023

Where? State Shooting Ground,
200 Nile Road, Evandale

28

COSTS

★ Whole carnival: O,L,V - \$325, J- \$275
Events 1-3: O,L,V - \$65, J - \$55
Event 4: O,L,V - \$130, J - \$110

★ Pre nomination form to be
released late September &
CLOSE Friday 27th October 2023.

★ Nominations on the day incur a
\$10 late fee per event,
CASH ONLY payment.

NOTES

- Canteen available
 - **CASH ONLY**
- Tasmanian State Postal Teams selected
over Events 1, 2 and 4.
- Camping available from Friday 27th October.
- Practice available from Friday 27th October.

T&C's

By nominating you are agreeing to the conditions
of entry as found on the TCTA website.

◦ www.tcta.com.au

SATURDAY 28 OCTOBER

Event 1: 50T State Skeet Handicap

- 1st - 5th place
- Shot 5 per squad

Event 2: 25 Pair State Skeet Double
Championship

Event 3: 50T State Skeet 20g
Championship

SUNDAY 29 OCTOBER

Event 4: 100T State Skeet
Championship

 Tasmanian Skeet Postal
Team Selection

29

CARNIVAL PRIZES

Event 1:

1st = Sash and Cash Trophy
2-5 = Medallion & Cash Trophy

Events 2-4:

Overall:

- Sash and Cash Trophy

1st Each Grade:

- Medallion & Cash Trophy

Ladies, Juniors & Veterans:

- Medallion only





Atherton Tableland Gun Club Inc.

2023 ANNUAL TRAP CARNIVAL

Rifle Range Road, Atherton, Queensland

Friday 20th October to Sunday 22nd October

Friday 20th October Practice from 1pm

Saturday 21st October 9:00am Start

Event 1 - 30 Target Points Score Cash Divide	\$25
Event 2 - 30 Target Medley 1 st /2 nd	\$25
Event 3 - 30 Target Single Barrel 1 st /2 nd	\$25
Event 4 - 50 Target Ross Cannon Memorial Double Barrel 1 st /2 nd /3 rd	\$40

Sunday 22nd October 8:30am Start

Event 5 - 30 Target Handicap 1 st /2 nd /3 rd /4 th /5 th	\$30
\$1000 First Prize	
Event 6 - 50 Target Double Barrel Continental 1 st /2 nd /3 rd	\$40

***High Gun over all events -
Overall, AA, A, B, C, Ladies, Junior, Veteran***

Total Nominations \$185

- On-site camping with power/water/hot showers
 - Friday night BBQ
- Cooked breakfast available Saturday and Sunday
 - Fabulous smoko all weekend
 - Saturday night dinner – all welcome

***Old-fashioned country hospitality on the
beautiful Atherton Tablelands***

The Committee reserves the right to alter the program without notice

For further information:

ATGC President Scott Harper 0400 406 510
Secretary Rowena Draper 0447 600 477



Caboolture Clay Target Club



2 DAY TRAP CARNIVAL

November 4th & 5th 2023

DAY 1 SATURDAY 4TH 9.00AM START

- ☀ Event 1: 30 Target Double Barrel Cash Divide, 1st & 2nd AA, A, B, C \$25
- ☀ Event 2: 30 Target Double Barrel \$25
Sash & Trophy O/A + 1st & 2nd AA, A, B, C, L, J, V
- ☀ Event 3: 30 Medley O/A + 1st & 2nd each grade \$25
- ☀ Event 4: 50 Target Double Barrel QCTA State Continental Championship \$25
Sash & Trophy O/A + 1st & 2nd each grade

DAY 2 SUNDAY 5TH 8.30AM START

- ☀ Event 5: 30 Target Points Score \$25
Sash & Trophy O/A + 1st & 2nd each grade
- ☀ Event 6: 30 Target Handicap, 1st to 5th \$25
- ☀ Event 7: 30 Target Single Barrel \$30
Sash & Trophy O/A + 1st & 2nd each grade, L, J, V

HIGH GUNS – Overall Grades – Ladies, Juniors, Veteran

- * All ACTA Financial Members Welcome
 - * White Flyer Targets * Camping * Hot Food Both Days
 - * Bar * Breakfast Sunday Morning
 - * Lucky Draw if Nominating Both Days
- Sponsored by Concut Qld PTL

Nominations: Shooting whole program Open \$165.00
Ladies - Veteran \$135.00 - Juniors \$100.00

"No Vouchers can be used"

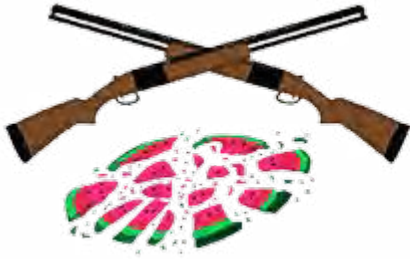
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CHINCHILLA CLAY TARGET CLUB

30th September - 2nd October 2023 - (Long Weekend)

Over \$11,000 Ca\$h & Prizes - Practice from 3pm Friday

Saturday 30th September - 8.30am Start 6 layouts - White Flyer Targets

Event 1 30 T **Medley** - 10T DB - 10T SB - 10T Points

O/A Sash, AA, A, B & C **1st & 2nd**

Event 2 50 T **Single Barrel** - **Stayover by Ausco**

O/A Sash, AA, A, B & C **1st & 2nd**

Event 3 50 T **Double Barrel** - **RIE Group**

O/A Sash, AA, A, B & C **1st & 2nd**

Saturday Night - Under Lights - Handicap Shoot Out - Lucky Draw

12 Random Shooters Drawn to Shoot - 1st, 2nd, 3rd, Ca\$h Prizes

Sunday 1st October - 8.30am Start

Event 4 50 T **Points Score**

O/A Sash, AA, A, B & C **1st & 2nd** - L, J & V

Event 5 50 T **\$3,000 CFP Australia**

Cash Handicap

1st \$1500 - 2nd \$600 - 3rd \$400 - 4th \$300 - 5th \$200

Total Noms: 230 Targets (Events 1 to 5) **\$170**

Lady, Junior & Veteran Noms (Events 1 to 5) **\$150**

High Guns O/A - AA, A, B, C - Ladies, Veterans & Juniors

Monday 2nd October - 8.30am Start

Event 6 50 Pair **Double Rise** - **\$60**

First National Real Estate Surat Basin

O/A Sash & Cash, AA, A, B & C **1st & 2nd**

(Not Included in High Guns)



Free camping facilities available on grounds - ample power & hot showers

Great Meals: Friday, Saturday & Sunday Nights - Breakfast: Sat, Sun & Mon

Club Contacts:

President Les Merton 0427 963 066 or Brenda Collins 0427 056 928

The committee reserves the right to alter or change the program if necessary.

GLADSTONE CLAY TARGET CLUB

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2023 ANNUAL TWO DAY CARNIVAL 7TH & 8TH OCTOBER

Saturday 7th October – shooting commences 9am

EVENT 1	30T MEDLEY TRAP 15m (sponsored by <i>Inspex Asset Inspection</i>)	\$30
EVENT 2	25T DOUBLE BARREL TRAP 15m (Club Championship – sponsored by <i>Cutuli Electrical</i>)	\$25
EVENT 3	25t SINGLE BARREL TRAP 15m (Club Championship – sponsored by <i>Xtreme Engineering</i>)	\$25
EVENT 4	15pr DOUBLE RISE 15m (Club Championship – sponsored by <i>Ausproof</i>)	\$30

Sunday 8th October – shooting commences 9am

EVENT 5	25t POINTS SCORE TRAP 15m (Club Championship – sponsored by <i>Xtreme Engineering</i>)	\$25
EVENT 6	25t HANDICAP (Club Championship – sponsored by <i>Tams Group</i>) (1st - \$2000, 2nd - \$1000, 3rd - \$500, 4th - \$250, 5th - \$125)	\$25
EVENT 7	25t CONTINENTAL DOUBLE BARREL TRAP 15m (Club Championship – sponsored by <i>Peter Lambert Accounting</i>)	\$25

OVERALL HIGH GUN WINNERS – sponsored by *ConocoPhillips APLNG*

OPEN NOMINATIONS:	\$165
LADIES/JUNIORS/VETERANS:	\$155

2023 CENTRAL ZONE NIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP

7th October commences 6.30pm

EVENT 1	15pr DOUBLE RISE TRAP 15m (Central Zone Night Championship – sponsored by <i>Ausproof</i>)	\$35
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Over 11k cash prizes proudly sponsored by -



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TOOWOOMBA CLAY TARGET CLUB



"Mad Hatter" Skeet Doubles

\$50 for each visit with a 50/50

21st & 22nd October 2023

Saturday 21st - 9.00am start

Event 1 – \$80

100 Targets Doubles – Cash Divide
Shot in 2 visits

Event 2 – \$80

100 Targets Doubles – Cash Divide
Shot in 2 visits

Sunday 22nd - 9.00 am Start

Event 3 – \$80

100 Targets Doubles – Cash Divide
Shot in 2 visits

High Guns –

Overall – Sash & Cash Prize & name on Perpetual Trophy

Grades –

Cash Prizes – Section Prizes if 3 or more shooters

Nominations –

Open, Ladies, Veteran – \$240, Junior – \$120

Lunch – Saturday and Sunday, Breakfast Sunday

Powered sites – \$10 per night

Practice – \$11 per round – Practice from 1 pm Friday 1pm.

Management reserves the right to change the Program.

S McCullough 154/154, B: R Brittain 96/100, D Reay 96/101, P O'Hanlon 95/101, C: S Forsyth 93/105, C Giles 92/105, S Harrold 86/100.

Port Denison Gun Club 27/08/2023

Very windy (23): 25T DB Sweepstakes: AA: P Scalia, J Rossato 25/25, G Maltby, R Gough, C Tremlett 24/25; A: J Cerqui, G McHenry 24/25, R Zarb, K Zarb 23/25; B: N Kirkman 21/25, J Taylor 19/25, R Mikkelsen 16/25; C: B Bonanno 23/25, A Gangemi 20/25, P LeBlowitz, W Rossato 17/25; 25T SB Sweepstakes: AA: G Maltby, C Tremlett 24/25, J Rossato, R Gough 23/25; A: B Gall 23/25, J

Sebastiani Snr 22/25, D Rossato, C Edgerton 20/25; B: J Taylor 21/25, R Mikkelsen, N Kirkman 18/25; C: B Bonanno 18/25, W Rossato 16/25, P LeBlowitz 15/25; 25T PS Sweepstakes: AA: P Scalia, J Rossato 74/75, G Maltby 69/75; A: K Zarb 72/75, C Edgerton 69/75, R Zarb 67/75; B: R Mikkelsen 65/75, J Taylor 59/75, N Kirkman 57/75; C: B Bonanno 64/75, R Ness 57/75, J Dickersen, W Rossato 56/75; 25T HC: 1st N Kirkman 24/25, 2nd G Maltby 28/30, 3rd R Zarb 27/30; Overall for the Day: AA: P Scalia, J Rossato 142/150; A: K Zarb 137/150; B: N Kirkman 120/150; C: B Bonanno 125/150.

N. Crowe 22/27 (B17); 25 Pr D/R: AA: R. Schubert 43/50, R. Clark 42/50; A: T. Dunn 45/50, B. Sims 41/50; B: K. Robinson 38/50, N. Crowe 37/50; C: G. Foster 44/50, M. Williamson 37/50; OA: HG: T. Dunn 88/100.

South Australian Gun Club 19/08/2023

Overcast (55): 50T Skt.: A: R Warden 50/50, L Schubert 152/155; B: D Yon 48/50, R James 38/50; C: N Dimasi 46/50, N Hallyday 44/50; Vet: R Borzillo 45/50; 25T TWR: A: L Schubert 33/34, T Picicella 32/34; B: M Sutton 21/25, R James 22/28; C: N Dimasi 23/27, J Hallyday 22/27; Vet: Rito Borzillo 21/25; 25T HC: T Haggerty 29/29, A Sologub 28/29, T De Padova 24/25; 50T DB: A: G Carter 63/64, K Anderson 62/64; B: M Pontifex 51/56, B Quinzi 49/55; C: A Pike 41/50, G Letterio 39/50; Ladies: S Byrnes 44/50; Vet: R Warden 48/50; 50T Skt.: A: L Forza 82/83, L Schubert 78/80; B: D Yon 44/50, R James 40/50; C: T Carlesso 43/50, A Kulikovsky 39/50; Ladies: T Haggerty 33/50; Vet: R Warden 47/50.; 50T PS/Cont: AA: BSims 70/75; A: A Sologub 74/75, R Borzillo 73/75; B: N Droukas 70/75, R James 67/75; C: S Byrnes 62/75, P Ward 61/75; Ladies: K Anderson; Vet: R Warden 70/75; 25T SB: AA: B Sims 22/25; A: R Warden 31/31, R Damin 30/31; B: L Schubert 27/28, D Halikiopoulos 26/28; C: A Pike 19/25, S Byrnes 20/27; Ladies: K Anderson 21/25; Vet: M Sutton 23/25; 50T DB: A: B Sims 48/50; A: Sologub 50/50, T Carlesso 49/50; B: M Pontifex 48/50, D Halikiopoulos 53/56; C: T Haggerty 45/50, S Byrnes 43/50; Ladies: K Anderson 47/50; Vet: R Borzillo, R Warden 73/75; OA: HG: R Warden 330/350; DTLHG: A Sologub 214/255; Vet HG: R Warden 213/255.

22/25 D.Bishop 20/25; 25 T PS: AA: R.Clark 72/75; L.Higgins 70/75; A G.Schmidt 72/75; R.Smeda 71/71; B: R.Frocione 69/75; M.Humberstone C B.Baxter 64/75 A.Souter 63/75; HG OA: R.Clark 121/125.

Southern Yorke Peninsula Gun Club 27/08/2023

Very pleasant (13): 50T DB Gr: AA/A: L. Smith 48/50, T. Johnson 47/50; B: P. Raison 50/50, S. Bowley 46/50; C: J. Dropulic 43/50, T. Haggerty 50/59; 25Pr D/R Gr: A: T. Johnson 37/50; B: P. Raison 38/50, S. Bowley 35/50; C: T. Haggerty 35/50, P. Roney 39/60; JNRHG: X. Leong 59/100; OAHG: P. Raison 88/100.

SACTA Western Zone DTL Carnival 25/08/2023

Slightly Cool and foggy (42): 50T State Night Continental: D Nicholls 50/50, AA: J Nicholls 60/62, S Gallagher 59/62; A: H Phillips 46/50, L Holtham 45/50; B: J Moore 46/51, R Hammat 45/51; C: M Meaney 45/50, R Marshall 41/50; 30T Day Continental WZ CS: AA: D Nicholls 89/89, D Porter 88/89; A: J King 32/32, G Hopgood 31/32; B: B Bradtke 31/33, G Karageorgis 30/33; C: R Marshall 28/30, J Gallagher 27/30; 75t Medley CM WZ CS: Open: D Nicholls 125/125; AA: S Gallagher 122/125, D Porter 121/125; A: P Grossi 120/125, H Phillips 118/125; B: J Grocke 142/150, B Bradtke 139/150; C: J Gallagher 112/125, S Seppelt 110/125; J: L Holtham 113/125; L: J Strainer 110/125; V: R Walsh 117/125; 25T Handicap WZ CS: J Stainer 33/34, S Seppelt 32/34, J Gallagher 38/41, H Phillips 37/41; 50T Double Barrel WZ CS: Open & AA: D Nicholls 50/50, S Gallagher 94/95; A: G Carter 95/96, P Grossi 58/59; B: J Moore 65/67, J Grocke 64/67; C: D Cumerlato 54/58, W Channing 53/58; J: L Holtham 49/50; L J Strainer 45/50; V: R Walsh 49/50; 50T Pointscore WZ CS: Open & AA: D Nicholls 150/150, S Gallagher 148/150; A: G Hopgood 148/150, J King 147/150; B: M Sutton 140/150, J Grocke 139/150; C: D Cumerlato 144/150, S Seppelt 133/150; J: H Phillips 142/150; L: S Reynolds 132/150; V: P Grossi & R Andrews 142/150; OA HG: D Nicholls 378/380.



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Peel Gun Club 13/08/2023

Chilly but lovely 18 degrees (33): 100DB: O/A: R. Riggs 100/100; AA: G. Scott and W. Kuser 99/100; AA: J. Scherini 98/100; A: L. Scherini 100/103, A: L. Bager

99/103; A: S. O'Brien 96/100; B: M. Bowles 96/101; B: R. De Sousa 95/101; B: L. Harvey 94/100; C: M. Bowles 94/100; C: R. Tuckey 92/100; C: D. Guadagnino 87/100.



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Broken Hill Gun Club 12/08/2023

Fine & Sunny (15): 25tgt Skeet Graded: A: D Nicholls 24/25; C: W Reed 30/33, C: B Grossi 29/33; 25tgt Single Barrel: A: J Nicholls 26/26, A: B Grossi 25/26; B: M Dally 22/26, B: D Peters 21/26; C: W Channing 20/25, C: R Gardner 19/25; Nicholls Printers 25tgt Continental Double Barrel Championship: O/ALL: D Nicholls 41/41; AA: B Grossi 40/41; A: W Reed 33/34, A: P Grossi 24/25, B: D Peters 24/25; B: M Dally 23/25; C: T Harman 23/25; C: R Gardner 20/25, Vets: L Gray 20/25; 20PR Double Rise: A: D Nicholls 39/40, A: J Nicholls 38/40; B: D Peters 32/40, B: W Channing 30/40; C: P Smith 31/40, C: T Harman 26/40; HG: O/ALL: D Nicholls 111/115.

50T CONT: AA/A: H. Bowman 48/50, R. Damin 47/50; B: T. Bowman 44/50, B. Duncan 40/50; C: P. Thomson 44/50, S. Barling 42/50.

Mount Gambier 12/08/2023

Showers, sunshine, windy: 25T SKT;HC: W Lindner 44/44, K Atkin 41/43, B Spring 37/38, M Robinson 36/38, D Robertson 37/40; 25T B/T : AA: J Dunn 25/25, A Hoare 19/25; A: G Height 24/25, W Lindner 32/34; B: M Robinson 21/25, J McKinnon 20/25; C: G Bowd 21/25, P Klieve 17/28; 25pr D/R: AA: D Pratt 39/50; A: H Clark 42/50, G Height 40/50; B: A Hoare 44/60, T Clark 43/60; C: M Robinson 40/50, R Marcato 37/50; HG: W Lindner 83/100.

Monarto Clay Target Club Inc. 13/08/2023

Fine (26): 25 T SB: AA: R. Clark 24/25, R. Schubert 23/25; A: T. Dunn 29/31, P. Kelly 28/31; B: K. Robinson 25/25, T. Oakes 22/25; C: G. Foster 22/25, P. Dunn 22/26; 25T HC: K. Robinson 23/25 (B17); P. Kelly 23/27 (A19):

Southern Clay Target Club 27/08/2023

(26): 25T DB : AA: R.Schubert 25/25 51/51 B. Sims 50/50 A G. Schmidt 27/28 R.Smeda 26/28 B M.Humberstone 25/25 G.Ferguson 24/25; C A.Souter 25/25; T.Smart 23/25; O/A: R.Schubert; 25T SB: AA: R.Clark 25/25 R.Schubert 22/25; A: J.Higgins 24/26; R.Smeda 23/25 B M.Humberstone 24/25 R.Frocione 21/25 C A.Souter



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1pm – 4pm: 25 Pair Double Rise

Wednesday 11 October

9am – 12pm: 50 Targets Skeet

1pm – 4pm: 50 Targets Double Barrel

Thursday 12 October

9am – 12pm: 50 Targets Single Barrel

1pm – 4pm: 50 Targets Points Score

Overall High Gun – Men's & Women's

Games Entry Fee

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FRIDAY 13TH - SUNDAY 15TH OCTOBER 2023

Friday 13th October - 10:00am Start

(Practice available from 9:00am)

EVENT 1: 50 Target Skeet Championship

EVENT 2: 50 Target DTL Handicap

Saturday 14th October - 9:30am Start

EVENT 3: 50 Target Single Barrel Championship

EVENT 4: 50 Target Double Barrel Championship

Sunday 15th October - 9:30am Start

EVENT 5: 50 Target Point Score Championship

EVENT 6: 75 Target Champion of Champions - 18m

NOMINATIONS:

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total noms: \$220

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Saturday 7th October

ISSF Trap:
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9:00 am

75 Target Qualification
75 Target Qualification

Sunday 8th October

ISSF Trap:
ISSF Skeet:

9:00 am

50 Target Qualification
50 Target Qualification

ISSF Trap:
ISSF Skeet

1:00 pm (approx.)

Final
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**PLEASE NOTE THAT THESE ARE OPEN EVENTS
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The NTCTA committee reserves the right to alter the program should the need arise

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Second: NT Medallion and Cash or Sponsor Prize

Third: NT Medallion and Cash or Sponsor Prize

Nominations through MCMS

For additional information and conditions of entry,
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NSWCTA

Cowra Gun Club 02/09/2023

Glorious (29): 25T DB Gr CD: AA: T O'Leary, T Barton, J Finn, A Smith 25/25; A: C Oehm, E Dun, P Bradford 25/25; B: P Rosconi, P Taylor, M Crowe, G Oliver 24/25; C: I Crisp 22/25, B Williams 21/25; Lachlan Valley 50T DB CS: OA: J Finn 92/92; AA: T Stringer 91/92, T Barton 71/72; A: P Bradford 55/56, B Wilson 54/56; B: D Turner 59/62, M Crowe 58/62; C: B Williams 45/50, I Crisp 44/50; Central Zone Noel Dwight Mem HC: D Ferguson 28/29, T Stringer 27/29, P Taylor 23/25; HG: D Ferguson 98/100.

Hay Gun Club 27/08/2023

Overcast and windy (15): 30T SB: AA: C Anderson 29/30; AA: B Doyle 28/30; A: V Haidy 25/30; B: B Hay 27/30; B: P Ledwidge 25/32; C: J Headon Snr 16/30; 30T DB: AA: C Anderson 45/45; AA: W Dunbar 44/45; A: V Haidy 27/30;

B: P Ledwidge 28/30; B: S Evans 27/30; C: J Headon Snr 20/30; 30T HC Mitchell Cup: J Turner 27/30; E McCullough 26/30; 3rd S Evans 33/38; 10T G HC: A Gobbo 10/10; HG: C Anderson 84/90.

MPGC 16/08/2023

Cold and calm (14): 50T CS (25T DB and 25T PS): R Fleming 120/120; AA: M Skinner 119/120; A: D Jarvis 98/100; B A Jarvis 89/100; C: D Churchill 69/100.

MPGC 23/08/2023

Cold (22): 30T PS CD: B Higgins 89/90; A: D Brightenti 87/90; A: D Jarvis 87/90; A: P Place 87/90; B: A Jarvis 83/90; C: D Churchill 60/90; 25T HCP Masters Round 8: Total Score S/O Score; M Skinner 24/25; M Harris 34/37 12 (+0) /12; A Jarvis 33/37 11 (+0) /12.

MPGC 30/08/2023

Cold and calm (18): 50T PS CS: D Power 149/150; AA: M Harris

143/150; A: M Scott 142/150; B: A Jarvis 125/150; C: W Simon 119/150.

MPGC 03/09/2023

Warm slight breeze (36): 10T PS EO: Open: J Goldstraw 30/30; D Power 30/30; T Stringer 30/30; A Smith 30/30; 50T DB Honour Board Club C'ship: Ja Goldstraw 76/76; AA: M Patmore 75/75; AA: A Smith 75/76; A: C Weekes 49/50; A: D Jarvis 48/50; B: D Meakin 46/50; B: A Jarvis 61/67; C: M North 41/50; C: F Cicala 40/50; Ladies: T Stringer 49/50; Vet: W Cameron 49/50; 50T Presidents Cup HCP Honour Board Club C'ship: A Jarvis 50/50; T Stringer 49/50; M Patmore 66/68; G Serafin 65/68; G Barton 51/54; O/A HG: T Stringer 128/130.

MPGC 06/09/2023

Cool and calm (22): 40T Southern Zone Night Mixed Target CS: D Power 60/60; AA: C Goodwin 56/60; A: P Hart 55/70; B: A Jarvis 51/60; C: B Frost 50/60.

Richmond River Gun Club 27/08/2023

Overcast (36): 50 Medley CD (25PS/25SB): AA: P Batson 99/100, D Johnson 96/100; A:

D Bodley 95/100, K O'Brien, C Doust, P McKenzie, A Clarke 94/100. B: R Bourke 95/100, J Tait 92/100. C: Jaidan Johnson 85/100; 50DB C/Ship: OA, Sash & AA: P Batson 50/50 (70/70), AA: D Johnson 49/50. A: K O'Brien 50/50 (69/70), D Bodley 49/50 (59/60). Intermediate Sash & B: G Pincham 49/50, R Bourke 48/50. C: Jaidan Johnson 45/50; 25HC: G Pincham 24/25 (25/26); T Morgan 24/25 (24/26); K O'Brien 23/25 (41/44); HG's: OA HG: P Batson 172/175. Intermediate HG: R Bourke 166/175.

Richmond River Gun Club 08/09/2023

Windy (27): 25PS CD: AA: P Batson 74/75. A: R Bourke 71/75. B: I Essery 67/75. C: G Goldthorpe 63/75; NSWCTA Night 50SB CS: OA: G Goldthorpe 47/50. AA: P Batson 46/50, L Hart 43/50 (17/17); A: A Clarke 45/50, F Binding 44/50. B: I Essery 46/50, J Oliver 41/50. C: G Goldthorpe 47/50, B Copper 36/50.

See NSWCTA Trap Carnival advertisement on following page



The ACTA has reduced the cost for Clubs, Zones and States to advertise in the Clay Target E-news. The new rates will allow clubs to advertise their events at very minimal cost, with some additional incentives.

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NEW SOUTH WALES CLAY TARGET ASSOCIATION INC

2023 NSW STATE TRAP CARNIVAL

NATIONAL SHOOTING GROUNDS - WAGGA WAGGA

FRIDAY 29TH SEPTEMBER- MONDAY 2ND OCTOBER

Friday 29th September, 10.00am Start

Event 1 NSWCTA Beretta Australia Champion of Champions

Pre-Nominations: All Entries \$85

75 Targets from 18m

OA - Sash

1st AA,A,B,C - Medal

2nd AA,A,B,C - Medal

3rd AA,A,B,C - Medal

Ladies, Veterans, Juniors - Sash



Followed by-with a 3pm start;

Zone Teams Matches (Open, Ladies, Juniors & Veterans)

Saturday 30th September, 8.30am Start

Event 2 NSWCTA "J & A Geotech" Double Rise Championship

Pre-Nominations: All Entries \$55

25 Pairs from 15m

OA - Sash

1st AA,A,B,C - Medal

2nd AA,A,B,C - Medal

3rd AA,A,B,C - Medal

Ladies, Veterans, Juniors - Sash



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Sunday 1st October

Event 4 NSWCTA Handicap Championship

Pre-Nominations: All Entries \$55

50 Targets from 15m

OA - Sash

1st AA,A,B,C - Medal

2nd AA,A,B,C - Medal

3rd AA,A,B,C - Medal

Ladies, Veterans, Juniors - Sash



Saturday 30th September

Event 3 NSWCTA Double Barrel Championship

Pre-Nominations: All Entries \$55

50 Targets from 15m

OA - Sash

1st AA,A,B,C - Medal

2nd AA,A,B,C - Medal

3rd AA,A,B,C - Medal

Ladies, Veterans, Juniors - Sash



BRONZE WING AUSTRALIA



Monday 2nd October, 8.30am Start

Event 6 NSWCTA Points Score Championship

Pre-Nominations: All Entries \$55

50 Targets from 15m

OA - Sash

1st AA,A,B,C - Medal

2nd AA,A,B,C - Medal 3rd AA,A,B,C - Medal

Ladies, Veterans, Juniors - Sash



Followed by NSW Postal Teams Match at the completion of the High Guns

Nominations are available through My Club My Scores

Pre-Nominations close Friday 22nd September 2023 at 5pm

Zone Teams Photos from 5pm with The Opening Ceremony, Zone Teams & Ch/Ch Presentations along with the Hall of Fame Presentations of Glenn Barton will be from 6pm on Friday 30th Sept.

A Carvery Dinner will be available for \$26 per head, bookings for the Carvery close 5pm Thursday 21st September. Bookings can be made through the NSWCTA Office via emailing nswcta1@bigpond.com or phoning 02 6931 9980

All events to be shot in one visit - six shooters per squad "shoot and walk". Handicap to be shot 5 per squad, 5 targets per lane then move.

HIGH GUNS

STATE OPEN HIGH GUN - EVENTS 1 to 6

AA, A, B, C HIGH GUN - EVENTS 1 to 6

LADIES, JUNIORS, & VETERANS HIGH GUN - EVENTS 1 to 6

A three Man Club Teams Match will be conducted in conjunction with the Points Score Championship.

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Ladies State Team - 25T Points

Six highest scores Events 3, 5 & 6

Junior State Team - 25T Points

Six highest scores Events 3, 5 & 6

Veteran State Team - 25T points

Six highest scores Events 3, 5 & 6

**Nominations after 22nd September will be as follows; Ch/Ch \$95, DR \$65, DB \$65, HCP \$65, SB \$65, PS \$65
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Bundaberg Clay Target Club Annual One Day Shoot

Bundaberg Clay Target Club held its Annual One Day shoot for 2023 on Sunday 6th of August. As the club is hosting the Annual Three Day SE Zone (Qld) on the 27th, 28th and 29th October, we elected to hold a one day this year with the availability of practice and a novelty event of 50 targets UIT for shooters that hadn't experienced this type of shooting on the Saturday afternoon. 12 shooters arrived to have a go.



Winners are grinners – winners of events and High Gun winners

With forty-eight shooters vying for the trophies and cash in wet conditions to start on Sunday which cleared but left us with windy conditions and then threatened rain again late in the afternoon. Although only down by two in numbers from the previous Annual Two-Day shoot, shooters traveled from, Maryborough, Gympie, Central Burnett, Callide Dawson, Brisbane, Guyra, Cloncurry and Bundaberg. Numbers may have been down due to the weather or the cost travelling at the time but those that attended had an enjoyable time. The shoot progressed well with no interruptions or breakdowns. It is always good to finish the shoot early letting the travelling shooters get on the road before dark. The shoot produced good targets. Good shooting was had by all that attended.

Event 1. 30 target Double Barrel Championship sponsored by Costi Farms. Produced only two possibles over the grades. Overall was taken out after a shoot-off by Darren Large with 30/30. AA Grade 1st Garry Wright 30/30, A Grade 1st Paul Rehbein 29/30, B Grade 1st was won by Brodie Charteris 29/30 and C Grade 1st Tim Gardner 28/30.

Event 2: 30 target Bundaberg Toyota Double Barrel Points Championship. Overall Gavin Langridge 89/90, AA Grade 1st Nicho Nicholson 84/90, A Grade 1st Phil Grove 84/90, B Grade 1st Bryce Simpson 86/90 and C Grade 1st Tim Gardner 83/90.

Event 3: 30 target Double Barrel Handicap sponsored by Archer River Roadhouse. Winner was Brodie Charteris 29/30 who took home the \$500.00 after a short shoot-off, 2nd Grahame



Darren Large, Overall DB, A Grade High Gun with Paul Rehbein



Tim Gardner, 1st C Grade DB, DB PS, Continental, C Grade High Gun

Noffke 29/30, 3rd Brett Otto 28/30 after a shoot-off and 4th Lonnie Grace 28/30.

Event 4: 30 target Continental Championship sponsored by Kens Plumbing Plus. Overall was Grahame Noffke 30/30, AA Grade 1st Garry Wright 29/30, A Grade 1st Phil Grove 29/30, B Grade 1st Simon Ross 29/30 and C Grade 1st Tim Gardner 27/30.

The NIOA Overall High Gun went to Graham Noffke 171/180.

Grade High Guns sponsored by Stahmann Webster, Winchester, Irvine Wynyard and Rehbeins Guns. AA Grade Gavin Langridge 171/180, A Grade Darren Large 163/180, B Grade Simon Ross 162/180 and C Grade was won by Tim Gardner 162/180.



Gavin Langridge, Overall DB PS, AA Grade High Gun



Brodie Charteris, 1st Handicap



Brett Otto, 3rd Handicap



Graham Noffke, O/A Continental, O/A High Gun



John Varley, 2nd B Continental



Simon Ross, B Grade High Gun

Rob Rehbein Memorial Section High Guns, sponsored by Rehbeins Guns. Ladies High Gun was won by Tracey Harker 155/180. Veterans High Gun was Phil Grove 163/180 and Junior High Gun went to John Langridge 155/180.

Thanks to all who helped and organised the running of the shoot and our resident photographer Ryan Howie for the continued support in taking the photos.

Bundaberg Clay Target Club Inc wish to thank the following sponsors for their support for our annual shoot, Costi Farms, Archer River Roadhouse, Bundaberg Toyota, NIOA, Kens Plumbing Plus, Rehbeins Guns, Winchester Australia, Stahmann Webster, Irvine and Rose Wynyard, Coles Quarries (Joseph Twidale and Dennis Jackell) Spika and Merrill and Tim Gardner.



John Langridge, Junior High Gun



Phil Grove, Vets High Gun



Tracey Harker, Ladies High Gun



What's happening in the VCTA

Earlier this year, in the June edition, I telegraphed the VCTA's decision to increase the State Affiliation fee for all adult members, including Recreational members.

Adult members will have their affiliation fee increase by \$5 to \$25 per person. Recreational members will see the introduction of a \$25 fee. Only Junior members will be exempt from the increase.

The increase in fees is a direct result of the increase in costs associated with running the VCTA. The cost of everything seems to have 'skyrocketed' in recent times and our Association, and the sport we participate in, has not been exempt from inflation.

And, of course, the first question that is asked when people are told of the membership fee increase is, 'so what does the VCTA do for me?', or 'what does the VCTA do with all of the money it gets?'

For those few club representatives that attend the VCTA's Annual General Meeting each year at the State Carnival, most of the meeting is spent explaining the VCTA's financial position and there is the opportunity to ask questions about what has happened 'with all of the money it gets'.

The VCTA has two main financial streams – Competition income and Memberships. In 2022, Competition income totaled \$97,000, a significant amount of money. But when you consider that \$51,500 (53%) was returned to the members in prize money, prizes, medals, trophies and sashes and a further \$27,000 was spent on targets for those competitions, that only leaves about 15% of the competition income and no allowance has been made for other costs associated with those events, like trappers, toilet and light hire, administration costs etc.

From a Membership perspective, income

during the same time was \$47,000. So where did all that money go? More than \$36,000 went to the upkeep of the State Grounds at Echuca. Insurance, repairs and maintenance of equipment, rubbish removal, groundskeeping, legal fees and VCTA's share of electricity, gas, phone and rates all add up over a year – and for most of these costs this is only VCTA's 50% share. Echuca CTC pay their 50% as well!

On top of all of this, the VCTA pays out around \$10,000 a year for the uniforms for our State DTL, Skeet, ISSF, Sporting Clays teams and the professional look of our State Executive.

And even further to this, the VCTA supports Junior development within Victoria with grants to Zones and Sporting Academies in excess of \$10,000 to ensure the ongoing future of our sport for those coming through the ranks.

The VCTA and Echuca Clay Target Club have even joined forces to fundraise monies to pay for a mower, a forklift and other necessary equipment, for the upkeep of the State Grounds.

So, in rough figures, the State's income is approx. \$140,000 and its expenses are about \$135,000 and no allowance has been made in these figures for general administration costs, fees and affiliations, Executive meeting expenses or the State secretary/treasurer's remuneration.

In reality, that leaves three options for the Association;

1. Reduce costs – this would need to be a significant reduction as a substantial saving would be required to make ends meet.
2. Reduce the amount of money returned to the members through prize money, trophies

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Whats happening in the VCTA

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and sashes at State events – this is not a desirable alternative.

3. Increase membership fees.

It is essential that the VCTA Executive looks at all the options available to it to ensure that it can continue to run as a productive sporting body. All three of these options may be implemented as appropriate to the needs and objectives of the Association.

The VCTA provides some of the premier clay target competitions in Australia. VCTA prides itself in what it offers back to the members both in the provision of a state facility and the professionalism with which it conducts its competitions and the way it supports the upkeep and development of the sport at all levels.

While no one likes the increase in prices, and the associated increase in the cost of living, in all aspects of our lives, we also must be realistic

and accept that some of these increases are unavoidable.

As stated earlier, the full, audited financial report of the VCTA is presented to the clubs at the Annual General Meeting that is held in conjunction with the State Trap Carnival each year in November. If you would like more detailed information about the operations of the VCTA, what it does and what it stands for – you could come along to the next AGM as your club's delegate, or even think about becoming a member of the VCTA Executive and being part of the decision-making process.

Speaking of the Trap Carnival . . . It will return to its usual time slot of early November with the competition being held from the 9th to the 12th. Nominations will open soon and we encourage all prospective competitors to keep an eye on Facebook for when nominations are open.

Hope to see you on a trap soon.

Jeff Bell
State Secretary

From Our Archives – 20 YEARS AGO

This article is from the September 2003 Clay Target News – 20 years ago!

Phil Grainger probably had hair and Nathan Cassells was certainly not a grandfather.

Maryborough Gun Club – Silver Anniversary Grand Prix

One hundred and fifty-four competitors from 39 clubs took part in the 25th Central Victorian Grand Prix held at the Maryborough Gun Club on Saturday 28th June, on a cold, overcast day.



Ken Jacka, of Graham Jacka Holden with John Raeburn, Maryborough club president and Phil Granger, AA grade winner.

Event one was the 25 Target Single Barrel, sponsored by Graham Jacka Holden. AA grade was won by Phil Grainger with a score of 42/42. Peter Mills came second, 41/42. In A grade Alan Bebend was first, 26/27 from Nick Kirley, 24/26. B grade went to Dennis Edwards, 24/25, from Dean Butterworth, 24/26 and C grade was won by Greg Connelly, 24/26 from Chris Peak, 23/26.

The main event for the day was the 25 Target Double Barrel Grand Prix which was won by our own Nathan Cassells, 126/126. Well done, Nathan. AA grade was won by



Nathan Cassells, overall winner of the Central Victorian Grand Prix.



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Phill Chryssovelonis Wins Cobar's Golden Clay Championship

At the 46th Annual Golden Clay and NSW Junior Masters Championship, shot in August 2023, Phill Chryssovelonis won the coveted Overall Golden Clay Championship. It was the first time he had been to Cobar and what a memory he has. Congratulations to Phill, who has been a sterling competitor both at home and regionally. Phill is understandably honoured and over the moon about this achievement.

The Overall Golden Clay Trophy, sponsored by Peak Gold Mines again this year, was a 9ct solid gold miniature clay. The sponsorship of gold for this trophy is particularly appropriate by Peak Gold Mines and reflects the Peak's continued support to sporting organisations and community events in Cobar. Cobar Club President, Mr Bryan Manns, presented Phill with this prestigious award, on behalf of the Peak Gold Mine, whose score was 283/285.



The 46th annual event attracted a fabulous crowd, and it is plain to see that Cobar Club is renowned for its hospitality. There were shooters from all parts of the country, including Victoria, South Australia, Queensland and Northern Territory, being well represented too, all travelling long distances for the event.

The sport of clay target shooting encourages family involvement which was

evident with many families seen during the weekend either as spectators or participants. Families from away, including Arthur, were there to run the show smoothly. Similarly, the Schiller family threw themselves into the spirit, and not to be left out was Janene in the Office running the program this year, a big thank you. There was noticeable absentees' from the weekend, but they had other commitments elsewhere. Also, some



*Phill Chryssovelonis,
Overall High Gun*



*Harry Brown,
Junior Champion of Champions*



familiar faces weren't seen due to illness and new babies.

All hands were on deck with the kitchen keeping everyone watered and well fed over the weekend with some mouth-watering, belly filling, hot meals for the cold nights and beautiful days. A big thank you to Amy Thompson who showed she can run the kitchen just like Mum can. Well done Amy. An excellent assortment of home

cooked meals for dinner on Saturday night and scrumptious desserts were eagerly consumed by all, whilst the Calcutta auction simultaneously created extra excitement.

Friday night was the commencement of the weekend carnival, with the sponsor being Kevin Hatch Engineering, starting the proceedings with the 30 target Night Points Score event on 16m, being contested

in the rain and night lights. I know some of our competitors thought we had ordered the rain, but it showed the skills required for the weekend. However, 99 shooters stepped up, with the following competitors being successful. 1st C Grade, Darcy Manns 75/90, with Aiden Barraclough 2nd, 69/90. 1st B Grade Douglas Osborne 85/90 and 2nd Luke Scales 84/90. 1st A Grade Matt Harland 86/90, 2nd Paul Phillips 85/90. 1st AA Grade Brendon Cox 102/105, 2nd Peter Hosie 95/96. Overall winner of the Night Points Score event was Andrew Fiek 105/105.

The skies were clear and very crisp on Saturday morning which brought out 139 shooters to commence Saturday and Sunday's Golden Clay and NSW Junior Masters program.

First event was 30 target FWD Cobar Powerhouse Points Score Championship, with Matty Patmore Overall winner on 204/204. He had to fight for this one. 1st AA Grade Ben Woodhouse 201/204, then 2nd was Wayde Hawkins 195/198. 1st A Grade George Depaoli 113/114, 2nd Ray Welch 89/90. 1st B Grade Jason Mitchell 88/90, 2nd John Wild 90/93. 1st C Grade Daniel Seton 83/90, 2nd Darcy Manns 90/102. Junior Encouragement award went to Harry Brown.



Bryan Manns with Matty Patmore, Points Score Overall

Event 2, 45 targets FWD CSA Mine - MAL Medley. Overall winner was Ben Woodhouse 100/100. 1st AA Grade with Phill Chrysovelonis 99/100, Ben De Pedro and Dustin Hone 163/175, tied for 2nd. 1st A Grade George Depaoli 73/75 and 2nd Mark Dunn 117/125. 1st B Grade Max Ingleton 72/75, 2nd Jason Mitchell 95/100. 1st C Grade Koby Brown 64/75, 2nd Aiden Barraclough 63/75.



Ben Woodhouse, Medley Overall



Craig Ceely, Double Barrel Overall

45 shooters had possible scores in the final event on Saturday which was the 30 target FWD LGB Marine & Contracting Double Barrel Championship. Eventual Overall was Craig Ceely, giving James Turner 147/148 1st AA Grade and Matty Patmore 2nd on 137/138. 1st A Grade George Depaoli 89/90, 2nd Glen Evans 57/58. 1st B Grade Blake Osborne 42/43, 2nd Victor



Ben de Pedro, Junior Double Barrel

Papierniak Wojtowicz 37/38. 1st C Grade Jason Foster 28/30, 2nd C Grade Daniel Seton 31/34. Junior Encouragement went to Cody Gallagher. The Schiller family sponsored special awards for Best Score by Lady won by Desiree Baynes 41/42, Best Score by

Veteran won by Greg Hope 130/131, and Best Score by Junior won by Ben De Pedro 90/91.

Sunday morning promised another beautiful day, but some competitors were reluctant to face the bright morning sunshine, because



Erik Geltch, Single Barrel Overall

of a great night before! Slowly, a 30 target Single Barrel Championship, sponsored by Epiroc commenced with 9 shooters making a possible, and Erik Geltch emerged as Overall with 57/57. Ben Machul 1st AA Grade

56/57, and 2nd Robert Thompson 42/43. 1st A Grade Ray Welch 36/37, 2nd George Depaoli 29/30. 1st B Grade Max Ingleton 30/31, 2nd Ross Morris 29/31. 1st C Grade Koby Brown 27/30, 2nd Aiden Barraclough 24/30. Junior Encouragement went to Riley Horsburgh.

The second event on Sunday was the 30 target Bryan's Empire Hotel Mafeesh Handicap, which is sponsored by the Hawkins family in memory of Frosty Singleton who was instrumental in commencement of clay target shooting on Mafeesh Station in Cobar. This event carries a reward of the "Mafeesh Cup" with placings from 1st to 5th. Additional enthusiasm is generated throughout the weekend with a Calcutta being held in conjunction with this event. A total of 3 competitors shot a possible score, who were then required to participate in the shoot-off, as well as 27 shooters having to shoot off to get to the final placements, which was achieved. The eventual winner was Beau Brown from Cessnock, with a score of 46/46, congratulations Beau. 2nd was Phill Chryssovelonis 45/46, 3rd was Douglas Osborne with 34/35, 4th was Cameron Ford with 50/51 and 5th was Daniel Seton with 49/51. This event also had a special award,



Wayde Hawkins with Beau Brown, Mafeesh Handicap winner



Brian Doyle, Double Rise Overall



Drew Burton, Junior Points Score



Harry Brown, Junior Single Barrel

sponsored by the Schiller Family, the Best 25m Shooter, which was won by Phill Chryssovelonis 45/46.

The final event for the weekend was the 15 pair FWD Broughton's Field Services Double Rise Championship with Brian Doyle showing how it's done, with 30/30 for the Overall winner. 1st AA Grade Matty Patmore 39/40, 2nd was Peter McDonald 38/40. 1st A Grade Garry Burton 39/40, 2nd Stephen Holdsworth 46/50. 1st B Grade Erik Geltch 28/30, 2nd Chloe Evans 36/40. 1st C Grade Adam Hone 36/40, and 2nd James O'Neill 35/40.

Competition for the NSW Junior Masters Cups saw some close scores. Points Score

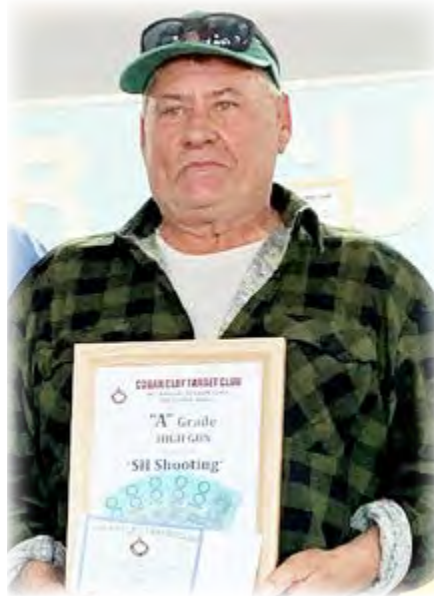
Junior Masters, sponsored by J Bourke and family, was won by Drew Burton 144/147. Double Barrel Junior Masters, sponsored by Outwest Pest Control, was won by Ben De Pedro 90/91. Single Barrel Junior Masters, sponsored by K Grogan Transport, was won by Harry Brown 31/32. The Junior Masters Champion of Champions, sponsored by the Polack family, was won by Harry Brown 147/150. Well done Harry. Everyone needs to keep their eyes on these juniors, as they are all exceptional ambassadors of our sport.

High Gun winners for the weekend were Ladies, sponsored by the Taylor Family, Tracey Stringer 268/285; Veterans, sponsored by





Matty Patmore, AA Grade High Gun



George Depaoli, A Grade High Gun



Max Ingleton, B Grade High Gun



Daniel Seton, C Grade High Gun

GE and L Jones, John Reid 271/285; Juniors, sponsored by the Nardi family, Ben De Pedro 294/309; C Grade, sponsored by JnB Industries, Daniel Seton 242/285; B Grade, sponsored by Cobar Shire Council, Max Ingleton 268/285; A Grade, sponsored by SH Shooting, George Depaoli 271/285; AA Grade, sponsored by Green Range Pty Ltd, Matty Patmore 280/285 and Overall High Gun, sponsored by Peak Gold Mine, Phill Chryssovelonis 283/285.

Cobar Clay Target Club would like to say thank you to all the shooters and their supporters for coming to Cobar yet again and supporting our annual event. We would also like to acknowledge all of our sponsors, who have helped to contribute and support us to put on a wonderful event. Everyone had a great weekend, with friendships renewed and mates catching up, doing a sport we all love, which is what makes it such a huge success. Next year we hope to see you all again.



Ben de Pedro, Junior High Gun



Tracey Stringer, Ladies High Gun



John Reid, Veterans High Gun



'Around the Traps' Shooting in Tasmania

August was a massive month for many of the clubs around Tassie, with many State titles and championships on offer for shooters to compete for.

Cressy Clay Target Club

Our August shoot drew a fantastic group of people to our club and some excellent scores were made. Our first event for the day was 50 targets Points Score with some targets becoming particularly challenging as the breeze picked up but it didn't stop some with the highest score coming in at a whopping 149/150.

Our second event today was 50 targets Handicap sponsored by the Pitsch Family, with a very generous donation of \$500 cash and sash for first prize. After a brief shoot-off between Lewis and Chris Kenny, Lewis came out victorious. We saw some spectacular shooting and we wish to thank all that attended. We also are very grateful for Stoney Creek and Swift Meats Longford, the sponsors of our August raffle.

Cressy CTC has seen many changes around the clubhouse in the past month with the arrival of our new shirts, trap house renovations and some rearrangements in the clubhouse. Our new shirts organised and designed by Michael Pitsch look outstanding, made with moisture wicking materials to keep us cool in the summer time heat that is quickly approaching



Cressy's Michael Pitsch



*Cressy Pitsch Family Handicap,
L-R Lewis Kenny, Chris Kenny and Brian Adkins*



Michael Goss attending to Cressy's trap renos

us. The clubhouse now has a TV up on the wall to display MCMS which has had a warm reception from our patrons. Our trap houses are looking very neat now. Micheal Goss has worked his magic on them, making the lids lift up and giving them a fresh lick of paint. The last change being made at Cressy CTC this month is the preparation of our first trap being sent off to be refurbished. We would like to thank the Tasmanian Gun Club and the Tasmanian Clay Target Association for allowing us to borrow one of their traps while we are getting both of our refurbished.

Spring Bay Clay Target Club

Spring Bay held the Iceman Challenge in memory of Phil Howes in August. Phil was a very well-respected member of Spring Bay for a number of years and when he passed away, Jake and Jeb Wilson and their family asked if they could sponsor an event in honour of him. After consulting with Phil's daughters, the Iceman Challenge became a reality. Phil's family donate sashes each year and provided the Phil Howes Memorial Trophy in 2022 that has the overall winner's name engraved on it. It is honouring Phil's win in the National Veterans Champion of Champions event a number of years ago and is shot from



Spring Bay OA winner, Tim Atkins with Lisina and Martala Howes

18 metres. Why the Iceman Challenge? Put simply, Phil was probably one of the most cool, calm and collected people to step onto a target range. This year 31 competitors lined up for the challenge with Tim Atkins coming out the Overall winner on 117/125. Spring Bay sincerely thanks everyone for coming and acknowledges the sponsorship from Jake, Jebb, the Wilson Family and the Howes Family who make the Iceman Challenge one of the most sort after events of the shooting calendar.



Spring Bay grade winner, Mike Johnson



Spring Bay members, Chris Chapman & Jake Wilson with Lisina and Martala Howes



Burnie winners, L-R Michael Kelly, Adrian Phillips, Lewis Kenny, Justin Bryan, Chris Kenny, Mark Phillip Hains, Fiona Atkins & Justin Strickland

Burnie Clay Target Club

Burnie CTC held the second of their night shoots in August, this consisted of 3 State Night Championships. Weatherwise you couldn't have asked for a better evening, no rain or wind, however I am sure there was snow on the mountains somewhere that made for a frosty night. Firstly thank you to our overall sponsor AmmoInk, we appreciate your support. The night started with the 50 target State Night Continental Points Score. C Grade winner was Mark Phillip-Haines

117/150. B Grade was Justin Bryan 123/150, A Grade Fiona Atkins 115/150, AA Grade Adrian Phillips 125/150 and Overall Lewis Kenny 134/150. Then it was on to the 25 pair Double Rise. C Grade was Justin Strickland 21/50, B Grade Fiona Atkins 27/50, A Grade Michael Kelly 41/60 after a shootoff with Lewis Kenny and Nico Pruis. Overall was taken out by B grader Justin Bryan with a 37/50. The last event of the evening was 50 targets State Night Skeet. C Grade went to Justin Strickland 37/50, B Grade Chris Kenny 37/50, A Grade Katrina McLaren 35/50 and Overall Michael Kelly 40/50.



Competitors at Burnie, Eddie McLaren & Allan Kenny



Competitors at Burnie Michael Kelly & Nico Pruis

We thank everyone that attended and helped out throughout the evening, it was great to see some visitors from Sporting Clays and others coming to cheer on their friends and family.



*Competitors at Burnie,
Sean Johnson & Lewis Kenny*



*Competitors at Burnie, L-R Mick Blackwell, Andrew Wratten, Brady Nash,
Bec McSherry, Amelia Burford, Roger Manton*

Tasmanian Gun Club

The Tasmanian Gun Club has had a busy couple of months with Wednesday practice days, Saturday practice and monthly shoots. Thank to those who have attended all events. Sunday shoot days continue to be well supported and it was encouraging to see so many skeet shooters shoot in August, in memory of Mr Peter Rockcliff.

Like all clubs we are short on volunteers with

a small number of members carrying the load – we appreciate the support of members from other clubs who always jump in to help out. We are excited to have Ball Trap running again and this has been well supported. We look forward to the warmer weather and seeing everyone from shooters to spectators around the club.

Central Highlands Clay Target Club

At Central Highlands Clay Target Club we



*Central Highlands winners, L-R Greg Peck, Lewis Kenny, Rene Knies, Mark Phillip-Haines, Allister Creed, Mitchel Hill,
Ray Jones, Brian Atkins*



Central Highlands competitors,
L-R Chris Kenny, Kiara-Lee Gough, Jason Groombridge



Central Highlands competitors,
Paul Francis, Rene Knies, Mitchel Hill



Central Highlands members,
Nanette McCallum & Kiara-Lee Gough



Central Highlands competitors,
L-R Alistair Creed, Allan Kenny, Lewis Kenny, Phil Spaulding



Central Highlands members,
Danny Belbin & Claire Bevan



Competitors at Central Highlands CTC, L-R Phil Spaulding, Richard Phair,
Rene Knies, Kay Ward & Sam Archer

have enjoyed some pleasant winter weather, with the sun shining nicely on our August shoot, with 30 shooters in attendance. Our participation numbers have been steady, we have been seeing an array of new and beginning shooters, women, juniors, veterans, people re-joining the sport and families coming along to support. The canteen has been successful with an array of options enjoyed.

West Coast Clay Target Club

Sadly the Tassie West Coast has lived up to its nickname, 'Wet Coast', again this month which has put a stop to a lot of the work around our grounds. Lucky for us, the sun came out for our shoot which brought along a fun group of shooters and their families to enjoy the day with us. We are looking forward to some better weather here at West Coast Clay Target Club. Our next shoot will be held on the 23rd of September and will consist of 50 targets Double Barrel, a 20 pair State Deauville Doubles Championship and 20 pair

Double Rise. We hope to see you all there.

Hobart Clay Target Club

Practice days at Hobart Clay Target Club have been well attended and the Club is considering extending the practice hours once daylight savings has started to give more people an opportunity to attend.

The club held our monthly shoot on Sunday 27 August. The event was kindly sponsored by Phil Spaulding and Andrew Doyle and comprised 25 targets Double Barrel, 25 targets Points Score, 25 targets Continental and 25 targets Ball Trap, run as a combined event. There were no AA shooters present and Steve Glover comfortably took out A Grade with 139/150, Ian Leighton won B Grade with 133/150 and Michelle Stubbs took out C Grade with an impressive 132/150. The main event was followed by a round of Skeet with Steve Glover getting the win with 24/25 followed by Ian Leighton with 22/25 and Phil Sandman with 20/25.

St Helens Clay Target Club



St Helens Ball Trap winners, L-R Lewis Kenny, Chris Kenny, Leslie Treloar, Jason Stagg



St Helens Max Coker Annie Oakley winners, Robbie Elmer & Dylan Bailey

2023 TCTA SKEET CARNIVAL
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VCTA School Students' Final

State Grounds, Echuca

Monday, 4th September 2023

Monday, September 4th saw the culmination of the Spartan Global School Students' Final with the winner and placegetters from the Zone Qualifying events gathering at the State Grounds, Echuca Clay Target Club, to decide the State Champions.

The VCTA State Grounds at Echuca looked an absolute picture after the recently completed upgrade works and a gathering of excited students, teachers and parents were ready for an early start to the day.

67 students attended the State Grounds after finals in each of the four Victorian Zones with students arriving from all over the State. From Hamilton to Bairnsdale to Mildura, there was a large diversity of schools represented.

The event was shot in two rounds of fifteen targets, all single barrel, with the final score out of 30.

Competition was of the highest quality with some excellent scores being submitted in all four competition divisions – Junior Girls, Junior Boys, Senior Girls and Senior Boys.

Junior Girls was won by Georgie Harris (SWZ, Monivae) with a score of 26/30. Second and third were decided by a shoot-off with second

going to Charley Mannes (NWZ, Mildura) 28/35 and third to Bridie Mason (SWZ, Emmanuel) 37/45.

Junior Boys was won by Harrison Glennen (SWZ, Mercy) 32/35 after a shoot-off with Jack Bateson (SEZ, Bairnsdale SC) 31/35 and third to Aiden Calleja (NEZ, St Josephs) 40/45.

Senior Girls was won by Rebecca Hayes (NWZ, Mildura) 27/30 with Hayley Carlesso (SEZ, Bacchus Marsh) second 26/30 and Alicia McGrath (SEZ, Mary McKillop) third with 24/30.

The Senior Boys winner was decided by shoot-off with James Wood (SWZ, Emmanuel) taking first place with a score of 37/40. Second place went to Henry Coombes (NWZ, Mildura) 36/40 and third place to



Overall Champion,
Maxwell Mannes



Junior Boys, L-R: Jack Bateson, Harrison Glennen, Aiden Calleja



Junior Girls, L-R: Charley Mannes, Georgie Harris, Bridie Mason

Ollie Zielezna (SEZ, Peninsula) 61/65.

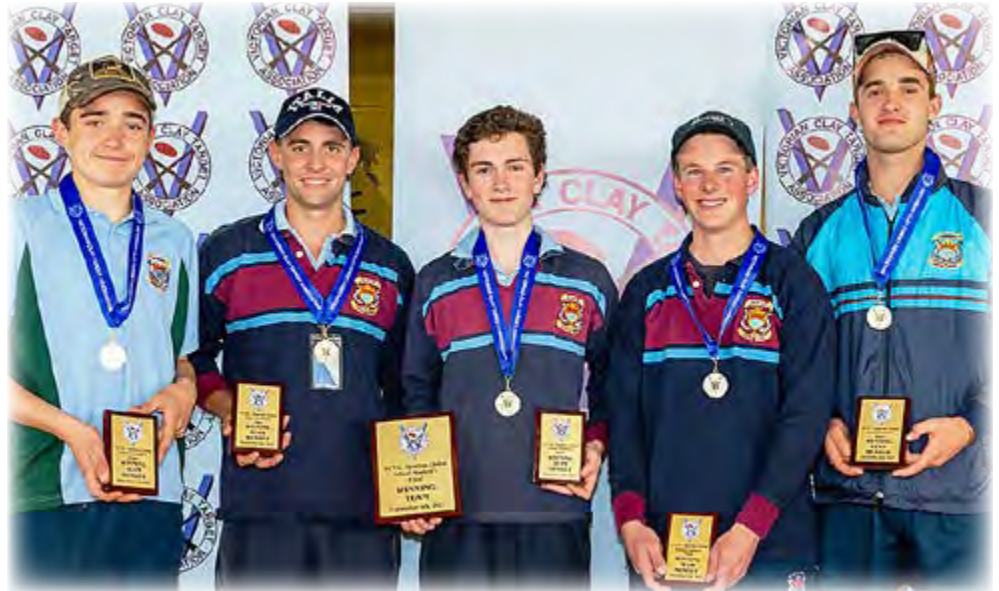
The Overall Winner of the event, and the next name to be added to the State Perpetual Trophy, was Maxwell Mannes (NWZ, Mildura) with a great score of 29/30.

There was also a very hotly contested Five Person Team event with each school team having won their respective Zone final in the previous weeks. In the end it was a run away win for the students from Monivae College Hamilton (SWZ) with a score of 121/150. The winning team members were Tom Clark, Rhys Daffey, Jake Hardy, Ryder Vansoneren and Ned Andrew.

Many thanks to the event sponsors, Spartan Global Australia, for supplying all of the ammunition for the Zone qualifying events and the final. VCTA are most grateful to Spartan Global for their support of the event and the encouragement of our young shooters.

Many thanks are also extended to Simone Tannous for catering for all those in attendance.

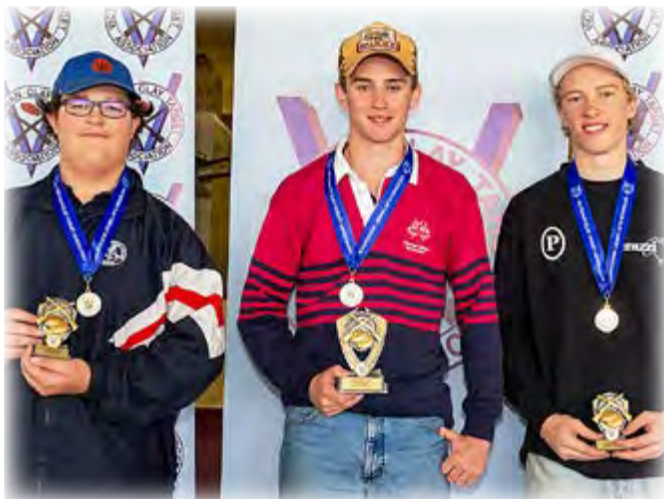
Thanks goes to Mark Zielezna for the photographs.



Winning team, Monivae College

The VCTA is also grateful to the members of the VCTA Executive who worked so hard to ensure the event was ready to go and worked so capably to ensure the event ran without a hitch. VCTA is also grateful to all of the volunteers who assisted with refereeing, scoring, supervising and administering the armoury for the event. It is only through the efforts of this large group of volunteers that events like this can take place and we are most thankful for your contribution. Finally, to the parents, family and friends, schools and clubs that support this event, it is only through your efforts that the event can even take place and your significant contribution is greatly appreciated.

We look forward to 2024 and the next series of qualifiers and final for this excellent event.



Senior Boys, L-R: Henry Coombes, James Wood, Ollie Zielezna



Senior Girls, L-R: Hayley Carlesso, Rebecca Hayes, Alicia McGrath

Fun at Bega Gun Club

It was a shirt sleeves day at Bega Gun Club for the September shoot with twenty hardy participants in attendance. To keep them entertained the club put on two events, a 50 target Double Barrel and a 50 target Points Score.



Alf Niesar, 1st AA/A DB

Opening the day with the 50 targets Double Barrel saw Alf Niesar and Phil Body taking an extra twelve targets to decide AA/A grade with Alf taking the prize 61/62 to Phil's 60/62. B Grade went to Chris Brown, with a well collected 47/50, with Bert Deacon taking second place with a score of 45/50. After a very average effort last month, John Walker found some long lost form to shoot a pair



*Phil Body, 2nd AA/A DB,
2nd AA/A PS, raffle winner*



*Chris Brown,
1st B Grade DB*

of 24/25's to win C Grade, one target up on Allain Magri, 47/50.

Round two, 50 targets Points Score, saw Charlie Smith take out first place in AA/A with a score of 141/150. Phil Body continued his first round performance with a 138/150



Shooting at Bega is always relaxing



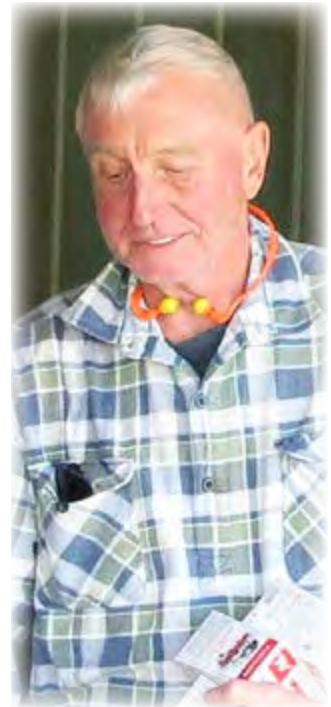
John Walker 1st C Grade DB,
1st C Grade PS



Allain Magri,
2nd C Grade DB



George Adamopoulos,
1st B Grade PS



George Toyne,
2nd C Grade PS



Charlie Smith, 1st AA/A PS,
High Gun

for second place. In B Grade, George Adamopoulos scored 131/150 to take the winner's prize with Pete Johnston on 121/150 taking second. John Walker continued to confuse himself by scoring 138/150 to win C Grade from George Toyne, 123/150.

High Gun went to Charlie Smith with a score of 189/200.

The shoot raffle saw Phil Body, shooting off 25m,

cream the first four of his five targets, before concern for the treasurer's stress levels saw him miss the final target and settle for the Woolies voucher instead of the cash – damned good clubman.

At presentation, President Chris Brown thanked all for their support of the club with a special tribute going to George Toyne for his

twelve years as ground mowing and general maintenance and 'fixer-upper'. He also made mention of the long supporting sponsors Shane Platts of Fimac Engineering and Phil Body of RV Repairs. Shane and Phil continually give to the club through their sponsorship of two of our major shoots each year.

Next shoot is on the 1st of October and will consist of 25 targets Points Score, 25 targets Single Barrel and 25 pair Double Rise.

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2023

Sept 29 – Oct 2	NSWCTA State Trap Carnival	ACTA National Ground, Wagga Wagga
October 10–12	Australian Masters Games	State Shooting Park, SA
October 28	Central Victorian Grand Prix	Maryborough & District Gun Club
October 28 – 29	TCTA Skeet Carnival	State Shooting Ground, Evandale
November 3–5	SACTA State Skeet Carnival	State Shooting Park
November 9–12	VCTA State Trap Carnival	State Ground, Echuca Clay Target Club

Break Badges

NAME	HOME CLUB	ACHIEVE	BREAK
Agustin, C	Bathurst	West Wyalong	Sporting 25
Ash, H	Kerang	Walmer	Tower 75
Burton, D	Downside	Junee	Cont 50, 75
Cameron, F	Roma	St George	Trap 100
Carlesso, H	Werribee	Werribee	Trap 50
Crsip, D	Darwin	Darwin	Trap 50
De Carli, M	Metropolitan	Metropolitan	Trap 50, 100, 150
Donovan, C	Texas	Warwick	Cont 100
Harland, M	Cobar	Griffith	Trap 100
Johnston, R	Geraldton	Geraldton	Trap 50, 75, 100
Kerr, G	Geelong	Darwin	Trap 150
Laureano, R	Metropolitan	Werribee	Cont 50, 75

NAME	HOME CLUB	ACHIEVE	BREAK
Loudon, A	Ballandean	Ballandean	Cont 50
Mollica, C	Sydney	Griffith	Trap 50
Muir, D	New South Wales	Cecil Park	Skeet D 100
Nash, A	Melbourne	Griffith	Trap 50, 75
Naylor, D	Melbourne	Melbourne	Trap 75
Oehm, C	Boorawa	Parkes	Trap 100
Palubiski, N	Wangaratta	Wagga	Sporting 50
Pridmore, G	Patewollock	Walmer	Cont 75
Raison, P	Southern Yorke	Southern Yorke	Trap 50
Sokaluk, B	Nepean	Nepean	Trap 50
Vella, L	Bendigo	Colbinabbin	Trap 75, 100
Waters, D	Alice Springs	Alice Springs	Cont 50
Wolff, W	Hay	Darwin	Trap 50
Wright, A	West Australian	Bendigo	Trap 50

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