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Molly Bretag
2024 New Zealand
National ISSF
Champion
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At the recent New Zealand ISSF Championships, Australia's Molly Bretag became the first woman in the history of the event to become the 2024 NZCTC National ISSF Champion.

Congratulations Molly.

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ACTA CHAIRMAN'S ANNUAL REPORT

Mal Dyson – Chairman

It gives me great pleasure to deliver this report to the Australian Clay Target Association (ACTA) members on behalf of the Board, reporting on the Association affairs for the 12-month period ending the 31st of December 2023.

MEMBERSHIP

Membership for the year was 14,087, a small increase of 29 on the 2022 number of 14,058 members. While still maintaining a strong membership, new members numbered 2,474, again a significant number. If clubs could manage to retain lapsed members, our Association would show a significant yearly increase in membership. Membership fees have remained the same for the past few years and the Board made the decision to increase the 2024 fees by 6%, keeping within CPI.

During the previous year, 7,600 of our members shot in competition events. This year that participation has increased to 8,176. This information is supplied to the ACTA through the MCMS algorithm, where the system also noted that some clubs are still allowing unregistered people to shoot competition. This practice exposes the Association and Clubs to uninsured legal claims.

FINANCIAL

Having finally returned to a normal trading year, after the previous year's interruptions due to the Covid Virus, I can report that the Association is in a sound financial position with a total Equity of \$11,061,606.04 at the end of November 2023. A full financial report for the year ended 31st of December 2023 is in this Annual Report.

NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

After all the interruptions to our National event programs over the past couple of years due to the Covid, we've finally been able to conduct our National events on their scheduled dates. Firstly, in January we held the National ISSF Trap and Skeet events at the Western Australian Gun Club. With five days of mostly clear blue skies and moderate winds, this provided excellent shooting conditions for the competitors. Thank you to all

the competitors who made the trip to Perth and thank you also to Shooting Australia for their provision of officials – Tournament Director, Christine Alexander, Jane Vella (SA's Events and Communications Manager) and the SA High Performance Team. Congratulations to James Willett in taking out the Overall Trap High Gun and Frank Morris the Overall Skeet High Gun.

In early March, and the first time in many years, both the ACTA Skeet and Trap Nationals were held consecutively at our National Ground in Wagga Wagga.

For Skeet shooters, the move from the May timeframe to March, ensured that they enjoyed both warmer and better weather conditions. Commencing on the 5th of March with 150 plus competitors competing over an eight event program, we witnessed an excellent week of shooting. Congratulations to our New Zealand visitor Andy Peters, for taking out the Overall Carnival High Gun. Thank you to all who attended and enjoyed the recreational, competitive and social atmosphere during this National Skeet Carnival.

After a two-day break following the National Skeet Championships, the camping area changed dramatically with the Skeet shooters moving out and the Trap campers moving in. The weather was again perfect and the new trade area adjacent to the Function Centre was well received.

The National Executive made the decision to change the format of the Trap program by moving the Double Barrel Championship to the first day of competition, followed by the Single Barrel and the Points Score on the third day. There was some contention among members that competitors would not stay and shoot the entire National program, fortunately this did not eventuate and well over 400 competitors attended the National Trap Championship events.

Overall Trap High Gun winner was Wagga Wagga member Ben Woodhouse. This year our Australian Glenn Cup Team of Phil Grainger, Ben Woodhouse, Ash Hawker, Glenn Barton and Darryn Nicholls,

scoring 249/250, were successful in defeating the visiting New Zealand Team.

During the month of March, the 14th ICTSF World DTL Championships were held at the Valley Clay Target Club, Cape Town, South Africa. The ACTA sent five teams in total to compete in the Open, Ladies, Junior, Veteran and Super Veteran sections. We managed to win all classes other than the Junior. Congratulations to Bella Woolcock on winning the individual Ladies title. Congratulations also to Matt Stokes on running second and Glenn Barton third in the overall Championship. Winning team members: Open Team – Greg Coleman, Ash Hawker, Glenn Barton, Darryn Nicholls and Ben Woodhouse; Ladies Team – Bella Woolcock, Jessica Robb and Kate Schiller; Veterans Team – Glenn Kable, John Sleightholme and Steve Atkins; Super Veterans – Clyde Mitchell, Gavin Height and Kim Nealon.

From the 25th to the 27th of August, the final National event for 2023 saw only 103 competitors shoot in the ACTA National Sporting Championships. Held at the National Ground in Wagga Wagga, this event shot over three days of competition, included the ACTA National Sportrap, the Commonwealth 5 Stand Sporting and the National 5 Stand Sporting. With Wagga providing perfect weather conditions for the event it was somewhat disappointing to see that competitor numbers were down a little on the previous year. Thank you to David Coleman on again setting up 4 fields of excellent and challenging targets. Congratulations to Robert Hall on winning the ACTA Sporting Championship Overall High Gun.

On the International scene, I congratulate all ACTA members who travelled and competed overseas representing our Association. Following winning performances at ISSF World Cups this year, congratulations to Penny Smith ranked No 1 in Women's Shotgun Trap and James Willett ranked No 2 in Men's Trap. To all International competitors, on behalf of the ACTA Board, we wish you all the best in your endeavors to achieve the opportunity to attend the Paris Olympics.

SPONSORS

The ACTA is once again most grateful for the exceptional support received from our sponsors and industry dealer network. We thank you for agreeing to continue with the sponsorship proposals into the future and appreciate your on-going support and development of the Associations events.

BOARD/SUB-COMMITTEES

In April, a General Meeting was held in Queensland at the Roma Clay Target Club, during the 2023 Queensland State Trap competition. I can report that at this meeting, the motion to finalise the endorsement of the new Constitution and the motion to move the ACTA to a Company Limited by Guarantee was accepted.

The inaugural Board members as elected by the previous ACTA Executive were Mr. Malcolm Dyson (VIC) Board Chairman, Mr. Colin Kneebone (NSW), Mr. Gary Read (SA), Mr. Ian Watson (WA), Mr. Glenn Kable (NSW), and Mr. Les Kadziela (VIC), were duly appointed to the Board after those positions were advertised, filling the two remaining Board vacancies.

Following the Board's first meeting the following Management Committees were formed: Finance & Governance (Board), Marketing & Communication, Chairman Les Kadziela; Disciplines & Championships, Chairman Colin Kneebone; Sports Support/Coaching, Chairman Gary Read; Hall of Fame, Chairman Glenn Kable.

All committees except Finance & Governance have additional members of our Association co-opted and all committees have had several meetings over the past few months.

The Hall of Fame Committee is progressing well with the introduction of Hall of Fame Member photos to be displayed in the Function Centre foyer.

Sports Support/Coaching has seen Mr. David Coleman, our ACTA Coaching Co-Ordinator busy travelling the country, organising member's Coaching Accreditation. Disciplines & Championships Committee has recently updated the ACTA Rules covering all disciplines. No major changes, but with some small rewrites to ensure that the Rule Book is more user friendly. Changes have also been made to the ACTA National Trap and Skeet Championships to be held in March 2024.

Marketing & Communication have developed the ACTA Firearm cover to be increased from \$12,000 to a maximum claim of \$15,000. This cover is included in your membership fee.

ACTA Board members have conducted several meetings with State and Territory Presidents and Secretaries. This has been well accepted and has resulted in excellent discussion and shared information with all attendees.

ADMINISTRATION

The National Office has again witnessed several changes during the year, firstly Paul Gilbert's resignation from the role of Executive Officer in May. We have now appointed Mr. Brett Somerville. Brett resides in Wagga Wagga and took up the position of Executive Officer in November. Grant Hinds took up the position of Groundsman after the resignation of John Winkels, and Stephanie Lynch had a short stay, working in the office before returning to her home in Adelaide. Nathan Gale has now taken over the position of Manager of the Range Function Centre. The Function Centre has been very busy over the past few months, a great testimonial to the work and effort contributed by Nathan and his staff.

NATIONAL BOARD

As the ACTA has now moved from an Executive Council to a Board of Management, I wish to thank

the past Executive Members for the time and effort they gave in the running of our Association. Thank you to Brian Murison, Geoff Moore (QLD), Len DeCandia (SA), Lynne Curtis (VIC), Terry Marsden (WA), Mark Dennis, Allan Kenny (TAS), David O'Brien (NSW) and Pat Coogan (NT). Gentlemen your contribution to our Association was greatly appreciated and I am confident the whole membership joins me in thanking you.

On a final note, I would like to thank both Judy Ferry and Jenny Robinson for their work in running the Office and the Association affairs, especially during the period when we had no Executive Officer.

Yours in Clay Target shooting



Chairman, ACTA Board
Malcolm Dyson



88th Annual General Meeting

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Notice of 88th Annual General Meeting

Notice of the 88th Annual General Meeting of the Australian Clay Target Association Incorporated is hereby given to the members.

The meeting will be held on
Monday 11th March 2024
Commencing at 7 pm

Registration commences at 6.30 pm

(for clubs that have Delegates in physical attendance at the AGM),
at

The Range Function Centre,
Tasman Road, East Wagga Wagga
and

(For clubs that are not able to have Delegates in physical attendance at the AGM)

ELECTRONICALLY

via Microsoft Teams Meeting Clubs must register for the Video Conference

(All Videoconference Delegates will be sent an email advising their access link during the week prior to the meeting)

AGENDA

The order of business of the meeting shall be as follows:

1. Opening
2. Attendance
3. Apologies
4. Roll Call and Quorum: (25 members who are entitled to vote)
5. Confirmation of the Minutes of the 2023 Annual General Meeting
6. Reports
 - a. President: M. Dyson
 - b. Financial: L Kadziela
7. Announcement of the appointment of elected Board Members in place of the retiring Board Members
8. Confirmation of Auditor for 2024
9. Close of Meeting

By order of the National Board of Management



Brett Somerville
Executive Officer
Australian Clay Target Association
12 February 2024



EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S ANNUAL REPORT

Brett Somerville – Executive Officer

TRANSITION PROVIDING A FRESH PERSPECTIVE

To Our Valued Members,

2023 marked a year of significant change with the election of a new Board of Directors as well as myself in the role of Executive Officer. The new core leadership is composed of individuals with diverse expertise and fresh perspectives. This transition reflects our commitment to continuous improvement and ensures that the ACTA is well-positioned to meet the evolving needs of our members and the sport at large. The new Board is already working diligently to implement a strategic plan that prioritizes growth, inclusivity, and excellence. We are confident that their leadership will be instrumental in propelling the ACTA to even greater heights in the years to come.

A SEASON OF SUCCESS:

- *National Championships Return: All national championships, including Trap, Skeet, and Sporting Clays, were held successfully across the country, showcasing the talent and dedication of our athletes.*
- *MCMS Takes Root: The MCMS Shoot Program and Grading/Handicapping system saw widespread adoption and positive feedback. Its efficiency and accuracy further streamlined competition management and enhanced the member experience.*
- *Governance Evolution: The transition to a Company Limited by Guarantee, as approved in 2022, was successfully completed, solidifying our governance structure and paving the way for future growth.*

FOCUSING ON THE FUTURE:

As we enter 2024, we are focused on:

- *Sustaining Growth: Continuing to attract new members and build a diverse and vibrant clay target shooting community, by supporting our clubs and supporters.*
- *Elevating Performance: Providing high quality coaching, training, and competitive opportunities to help our athletes achieve their full potential.*

We look to leverage the success of our gold medal hopefuls at the 2024 Paris Olympics to inspire the next generation

- *Enhancing Accessibility: Making clay target shooting more accessible through innovative programs and facilities.*
- *Strengthening Partnerships: Collaborating with stakeholders to build a stronger future for the sport in Australia.*

A thank you for all you have done and all you will do.

The heart of our vibrant clay target shooting community lies in the unwavering dedication of our volunteers at clubs across Australia. From setting up targets and scoring sheets to welcoming newcomers and fostering camaraderie, their countless hours of service form the bedrock upon which our sport thrives. They are the friendly faces that greet new members, the patient instructors who guide aspiring shooters, and the passionate organisers who ensure competitions run smoothly. Their tireless efforts, often unseen and seldom fully appreciated, deserve our deepest gratitude and recognition. This year, we want to shine a spotlight on the exceptional contributions of our volunteers and say a heartfelt thank you for their continued commitment to building a stronger, more inclusive, and enjoyable experience for all clay target shooting enthusiasts.

IN CONCLUSION:

2023 was a year of significant progress for the ACTA. We achieved our goals, embraced new opportunities, and solidified our position as a leading force in clay target shooting. With your continued support, we are confident in building an even stronger and more sustainable future for the sport in Australia.

Brett Somerville
Executive Office
Australian Clay Target Association

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- 4 **Entries on the day will be taken in the events office at the Carnival for an additional \$20 per event, however squadding preferences will NOT be permitted.** Such entries will close prior to the advertised starting time for the day.
- 5 Competitors who advise their withdrawal from an event prior to it commencing will be eligible for a refund less a \$10 administration fee. **Competitors who withdraw after the commencement of an event will not be entitled to any refund for that event.**
- 6 **Squads who hold up following squads by taking longer than normal (20 minutes) will be sent to the practice trap to complete the round. Rule 7.1(d) (ii)**
- 7 **No competitor is entitled to view targets outside of the prescribed rules 1.19.5. Those competitors who do so will be penalized two targets.**
- 8 MCMS will automatically grade all entrants, in the case of insufficient data, the decision will be made by the National MCMS Handicap Supervisor.
- 9 Squads of up to 5 competitors will shoot 50/100 targets in brackets of 25 targets or pairs, one or two visits only to the traps as designated by the Tournament Director.
- 10 The National 28 Gauge Championship cartridge load is limited to a maximum of 21 Grams (3/4 oz), shot size not larger than no 7. The National .410 bore Championship cartridge load is limited to 14 Grams (1/2 oz) shot size not larger than no 7.
- 11 Each shooter is to take enough cartridges to shoot at the 50 targets or 50 pairs. A time limit of two minutes will be imposed for the changeover for each bracket of targets. **Should the time limit be exceeded a penalty of the Loss of one target will occur.**
- 12 **Any shooter missing their squad and requiring re-squadding will be penalized one target.**
- 13 Should a shooter be late for his/her squad and elect to withdraw from the event they will not be eligible for any refund. **It is the shooters responsibility to make sure they are where they should be and when.**
- 14 All competitors are to check and sign the score sheet after each bracket. Once a shooter has signed their score sheet the score is accepted. Any score sheet not signed by the shooter will be credited with the score as recorded.
- 15 All competitors will be required to referee/score during the period of competition. The persons designated to referee/score must fulfill their obligation to do so. **While replacement referees and scorers are permissible, if the replacement does not fulfil the obligation, the penalty of a loss of one target for failing to officiate will be made against the officially designated person. Failure to either referee or score will incur a penalty of the loss of one target.**
- 16 **Any competitor interfering with or attempting to interfere with the traps will be penalized five targets.**
- 17 All appeals must be lodged in writing with the Tournament Director together with a \$50 appeal fee. The Tournament Director shall arrange a jury hearing and should the appeal be upheld the fee will be returned.
- 18 When Team selection is involved shooters will automatically represent in the highest team they qualify for. Team selection criteria available on the ACTA website.
- 19 Eligible competitors are entitled to receive awards in Open, Women, Junior or Veterans section, however the overall winner cannot take any grade prize.
- 20 There must be a minimum of three competitors in sections or grades, including High Guns for any prizes to be awarded and a minimum of 5 entrants to constitute a sectional National Championship.
- 21 Section & grade prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd, 3rd provided they meet clause 20.
- 22 Any interpretation of the program and conditions of entry will be the responsibility of attending members of the Executive Committee, their decision shall be final.
- 23 ACTA dress code is to be adhered to, Tournament Director is to adjudicate, failure to comply will result in disqualification.
- 24 **All competitors must comply with the Firearms Laws of the State hosting the National Championships.**
- 25 Payment of the nomination only entitles the shooter to enter the event. Changes to the program including the number of targets shot will not entitle competitors to a refund.
- 26 Squadding details will be available on MCMS. It is the shooters responsibility to monitor for changes.
- 27 A junior who has not previously competed at any National Championship in any discipline shall be entitled to shoot for the cost of the admin fee of \$10 per event paid at the time of entry.
- 28 The setting of targets will be under the direction of the Tournament Director and trap mechanic prior to the start of the events daily. No further adjustment will be made without authorization of the Tournament Director or Shoot Marshal.
- 29 **The National Skeet Championships will be conducted under the NSW Covid protocols in force at the time. Good luck to all and stay safe.**

THE AUSTRALIAN CLAY TARGET ASSOCIATION *Presents the* **2024 NATIONAL SKEET CHAMPIONSHIPS**

**TO BE HELD AT THE NATIONAL SHOOTING GROUNDS TASMAN RD WAGGA WAGGA
SUNDAY MARCH 3rd TO SATURDAY MARCH 9th 2024
National Events to commence at 8.30am daily**

Placings Overall – Graded AA, A, B, C, 1st, 2nd, & 3rd plus 1st, 2nd, 3rd in Women's, Juniors, Sub Juniors & Veterans.
A minimum of three competitors must compete in sections to constitute a competition
& 5 competitors for a National sash to be presented.

SUNDAY MARCH 3

EVENT 1: POWER AMMO 9th NATIONAL 28G SKEET CHAMPIONSHIP OF 100 TARGETS



MONDAY MARCH 4

**EVENT 2: POWER AMMO 9th NATIONAL 410 BORE
SKEET CHAMPIONSHIP OF 100 TARGETS**



2024 Hall of Fame Dinner

TUESDAY MARCH 5

EVENT 3: BERETTA 25th NATIONAL 20G SKEET CHAMPIONSHIP OF 100 TARGETS

The Overall Winner shall receive the John Withers Memorial Perpetual Trophy



WEDNESDAY MARCH 6

**STATE SHOULDER TO SHOULDER TEAMS SHOOT commencing at 8.00am
GLENN TROPHY TEAM SHOOT**



EVENT 4: KRIEGHOFF 24th NATIONAL SKEET HANDICAP OF 50 TARGETS

The Overall Winner shall receive the Col Burt Memorial Perpetual Trophy
Placings 1st to 5th



Opening Ceremony to be in the evening

THURSDAY MARCH 7

EVENT 5: WINCHESTER 2024 COMMONWEALTH SKEET CHAMPIONSHIP OF 100 TARGETS

The Overall Winner shall receive the Adrian Hayes Memorial Perpetual Trophy



FRIDAY MARCH 8

AUSTRALIA/NEW ZEALAND SKEET POSTAL CHALLENGE

(TEAM IS SELECTED ON EVENTS 4 & 5)

Commencing at 8am



**EVENT 6: 54th CLAY & HUNT NATIONAL 12G SKEET CHAMPIONSHIP
OF 100 TARGETS**

The Overall Winner shall receive the A&E Pederson Memorial Perpetual Trophy



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SATURDAY MARCH 9

**EVENT 7: ON TARGET SPORTING ARMS 37th NATIONAL
SKEET DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIP OF 100 TARGETS**

The Overall Winner shall receive the Paul Johnston Perpetual Trophy



EVENT 8: PERAZZI 17th NATIONAL SKEET CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS

Shot 25tgt 28g, 410 Bore, 20g, 12g

The Overall Winner shall receive the Casella Wines Perpetual Trophy

To be eligible, shooter must enter events 1, 2, 3 & 6 (28, 410 Bore, 20, 12 gauge) events,

Championship score is the total of the last (25tgts) score in each of the 4 events



ACTA/ASSA Junior Initiative

A joint venture to promote junior participation for Skeet Shooting in Australia

Prize: 1st Place \$1,000 and 2nd Place \$500

Eligibility: Under the age of 18 years at the start of the Skeet Nationals and an ACTA member.

Criteria: Any 100 target score from any State or Territory 12g State title of any State carnival.

Submit as many State 12g scores as you like and use the best one. Plus the combined scores of the National – Handicap, 20g, 12g and Commonwealth events. Eg: 100+350=450 targets total. Best two scores win.

Commencement: 1st April 2023 until the completion of the 2024 Skeet Nationals

Additional awards include: FITASC Five Person Club Team Event, Two Person Team Event; Two Women Team Event; Mixed Pairs Team Event; All Australian Skeet Team

CASELLA /BRONZE WING HIGH GUNS on Events 3 to 7:

OVERALL; GRADED AA, A, B, C; WOMENS; JUNIOR; SUB JUNIOR & VETERANS.

Glenn Trophy team to be selected over events 4, 5 and 6. (To travel 2025)

World USA Team to be selected over events 3, 4, 5 and 6. (To travel 2024)



The ACTA reserves the right to alter the program.

**THE
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Invites Members to attend the

**2024 Hall of Fame
Induction (SKEET)**

**HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE
ANTONY BALLARINO**

and presentation of the

2023 Adrian Cousens Medalist

**MEDAL FINALISTS
MICHAEL BUTTIGIEG
JAMES SACCHETTA
DANIEL SACCHETTA**

*To be held on Monday 4th March 2024
at the Range Function Centre, ACTA National Ground,
72 Tasman Road, Wagga Wagga*

Time is 6.30pm for a 7pm start

CARVERY – Cost \$35, children 12 years old and younger \$15

RSVP Wednesday 28th February 2024

All tickets are available online – copy the below link to your browser

<https://www.claytarget.com.au/hall-of-fame-acta/skeet-hall-of-fame-dinner.html>

Please contact Jenny Robinson on
0269 382121 at the National Office for further details

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6. MCMS will automatically grade all entrants, in the case of insufficient data the decision will be made by the National MCMS Handicap Supervisor.
7. Squads of up to 6 competitors will shoot 50/75/100 targets in brackets of 25 targets or pairs, one or two visits only to the traps. The National Handicap event is to be shot as 5 (five) person squads, 5 targets per lane then change lanes.
8. Shooters will be squadded as per ACTA rules and regulations and any interpretation of this will be the responsibility of the Tournament Director.
9. Each shooter is to take enough cartridges to shoot at the 50/75 targets or 50 pairs. A time limit of two minutes will be imposed for the changeover for each bracket of targets. Should the time limit be exceeded a penalty of the **Loss of one target will occur.**
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11. Should a shooter be late for his/her squad and elect to withdraw from the event they will not be eligible for any refund. **It is the shooters responsibility to make sure they are where they should be and when.**
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13. All competitors will be required to referee/score during the period of competition. The persons designated to referee/score must fulfill their obligation to do so. **While replacement referees and scorers are permissible, if the replacement does not fulfil the obligation, the penalty of a loss of one target for failing to officiate will be made against the officially designated person. Failure to either referee or score will incur a penalty of the loss of one target in the next event. Should a competitor not be shooting a following event then the penalty will apply in the event concerned.**
14. Any unauthorized shooter interfering with or attempting to interfere with the trap **will be penalized five targets.**
15. All appeals must be lodged in writing with the tournament director together with a \$50 appeal fee. The Tournament director shall arrange a jury hearing and should the appeal be upheld the fee will be returned.
16. Mackintosh and World DTL selection will be as per ACTA selection criteria listed on the ACTA website. Shooters will automatically represent in the highest team they qualify for.
17. State shoulder to shoulder representatives may only represent in one team section.
18. Eligible competitors are entitled to receive awards in Open, Women, Junior or Veterans sections, however the overall winner cannot take any grade prize.
19. There must be a minimum of three competitors in sections or grades, for any prizes to be awarded.
20. Section prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd, 3rd with placing for 2nd and 3rd **decided by count back.**
21. Any interpretation of the program and conditions of entry will be the responsibility of attending members of the Board, their decision shall be final.
22. ACTA dress code is to be adhered to, Tournament Director is to adjudicate
23. **All competitors must comply with the Firearms Laws of the State hosting the National Championships.**
24. Payment of the nomination only entitles the shooter to enter the event. Changes to the program including the number of targets shot will not entitle competitors to a refund.
25. Squadding details will be available on MCMS. It is the shooters responsibility to monitor for changes.
26. A junior who has not previously competed at any National Championship in any discipline shall be entitled to shoot for the cost of the admin fee of \$10 per event paid at the time of entry.
27. The setting of targets will be under the direction of the Tournament Director and trap mechanic prior to the start of the events daily. No further adjustment will be made without authorization of the Tournament Director or Shoot Marshal.
28. **The National DTL Championships will be conducted under the NSW Covid protocols in force at the time. Good luck to all and stay safe.**

THE AUSTRALIAN CLAY TARGET ASSOCIATION

Presents the

2024 NATIONAL TRAP CHAMPIONSHIPS

TO BE HELD AT THE NATIONAL SHOOTING GROUNDS TASMAN RD WAGGA WAGGA
TUESDAY MARCH 12th TO SUNDAY MARCH 17th 2024

TUESDAY 12TH MARCH 2024 (8am)

State Teams Shoulder to Shoulder Match – Open, Ladies, Veterans & Juniors

10am Presentation Ceremony

11AM

71st National Double Barrel Championship 50T – in conjunction with the
42nd Ladies National Double Barrel Championship and the
42nd Junior National Double Barrel Championship
19th Sub – Junior National Double Barrel Championship
23rd Super Veteran 65 plus National Double Barrel Championship
6th Veteran 55-65 National Double Barrel Championship



WEDNESDAY 13TH March 2024 (8.30am)

68th National Single Barrel Championship 100T – in conjunction with the
34th Ladies National Single Barrel Championship
31st Junior National Single Barrel Championship
19th Sub – Junior National Single Barrel Championship
23rd Super Veteran 65 plus National Single Barrel Championship
6th Veteran 55-65 National Single Barrel Championship



Hall of Fame Dinner (6.30pm for 7pm)

THURSDAY 14th March 2024 (8.30am)

61st National Points/ANZ Trap Championship 100T – in conjunction with the
30th Ladies National Points/ANZ Championship
30th Junior National Points/ANZ Championship
19th Sub – Junior National Points/ANZ Championship
23rd Super Veterans 65 plus National Points/ANZ Championship
6th Veteran 55-65 National Points/ANZ Championship



FRIDAY 15th March 2024

Mackintosh Teams Presentation

Mackintosh Teams Shoot – Open, Ladies, Juniors, Veterans and Super Veterans

21st National Deauville Doubles Championship 20 Pair

SATURDAY 16th March 2024 (8.30)

62nd National Double Rise Championship 50 Pair – in conjunction with the
28th Ladies National Double Rise Championship and the
28th Junior National Double Rise Championship
19th Sub – Junior National Double Rise Championship
23rd Super Veteran 65 plus National Double Rise Championship
6th Veteran 55-65 National Double Rise Championship



72nd Grand Australian Handicap 50T

SUNDAY 17th March 2024 (8.30am)

82nd National Champion of Champions 75T – in conjunction with the
28th Ladies National Champion of Champions and the
28th Junior National Champion of Champions
19th Sub – Junior National Champion of Champions
23rd Super Veteran 65 plus National Champion of Champions
6th Veteran 55-65 National Champion of Champions



Overall High Gun

Open, Ladies, Junior, Sub-Junior, Veterans and Super Veteran High Gun



2024 All Australian Trap Team,
Selection of 2024 World DTL Team
Selection of 2025 Glenn Cup Team



**THE
AUSTRALIAN
CLAY TARGET
ASSOCIATION**

Invites Members to attend the

**2024 Hall of Fame
Induction (TRAP)**

HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES

TOM TURNER

and presentation of the

2023 Doug Smith Medalist

MEDAL RECIPIENT

PHIL GRAINGER

*To be held on Wednesday 13th March 2024
at the Range Function Centre, ACTA National Ground,
72 Tasman Road, Wagga Wagga*

Time is 6.30pm for a 7pm start

CARVERY – Cost \$35, children 12 years old and younger \$15

RSVP Wednesday 8th March 2024

All tickets are available online – copy the below link to your browser

<https://www.claytarget.com.au/hall-of-fame-acta/trap-hall-of-fame-dinner.html>

Please contact Jenny Robinson on
0269 382121 at the National Office for further details

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At Beretta, we understand that the right gun can make all the difference. From the Silver Pigeon I DTL to the 694 DTL to the DT11 DTL, our Steelium barrels ensure a more gentle shot with better consistency. With each advancement, a higher grade Steelium barrel means an even more consistent pattering when your shots hit their target. Steelium, Steelium Plus and Steelium Pro, when you need the extra edge, Beretta provides a complete range of competition shotguns to suit any discipline and any budget. It's all about you.



DT11

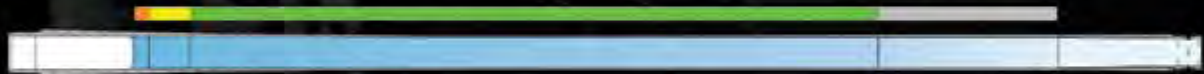


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DTL version starts from **\$18,299 RRP**

STEELIUM PRO TRIPLE CONE About 450mm*

CYLINDER SECTION



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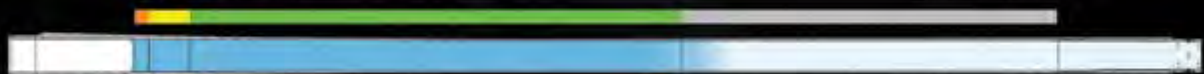


Featuring **STEELIUM PLUS**

DTL version starts from **\$7,799 RRP**

STEELIUM PLUS TRIPLE CONE About 320mm*

CYLINDER SECTION



SILVER PIGEON I

*sporting model shown



Featuring **STEELIUM**

DTL version starts from **\$3,399 RRP**

STEELIUM DOUBLE CONE About 80mm*

CYLINDER SECTION



Australian Clay Target Association Inc.

ABN: 14 590 029 414

and

Australian Clay Target Association Ltd

ACN: 089 878 893

Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2023

DIRECTORS REPORT

The Directors present their report together with the accounts of Australian Clay Target Association Ltd ('the Company') for the year ended 31 December 2023 and the auditors' report thereon.

DIRECTORS

The Directors of the Company in office at the date of this report are:-

Malcolm Dyson
Director since June 2023

Garry Read
Director since June 2023

Glenn Kable
Director since June 2023

Colin Kneebone
Director since June 2023

Les Kadziela
Director since June 2023

Ian Watson
Director since June 2023

DIRECTORS' MEETINGS

The number of Directors meetings and number of meetings attended by each of the Directors of the Company during the financial year are:

Director	Number attended	Number eligible to attend	Director	Number attended	Number eligible to attend
Malcolm Dyson	6	6	Colin Kneebone	6	6
Garry Read	6	6	Les Kadziela	6	6
Glenn Kable	6	6	Ian Watson	6	6

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES

The principal activity of the Company during the 2023 financial year was to administer, promote and develop the sport of clay target shooting.

RESULT

The net operating surplus of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2023 was \$42,163. This compares to a net operating surplus after depreciation in 2022 of \$86,158.

SIGNIFICANT CHANGES TO STATE OF AFFAIRS

During 2022 the members voted for ACTA to become a Company Limited by Guarantee. The Company was registered on 21 June 2023, and the Board are currently in the process of transferring all assets, liabilities and future operations to the new Company.

In the opinion of the Directors there were no other significant changes in the state of affairs of the Company that occurred during the financial year under review not otherwise disclosed in this report or the accounts.

EVENTS SUBSEQUENT TO BALANCE DATE

There has not arisen in the interval between the end of the financial year and the date of this report, any item, transaction or event of a material and unusual nature likely, in the opinion of the Directors of the Company, to affect significantly the operations of the Company, the results of those operations, or the state of affairs of the Company in subsequent financial years.

SHORT AND LONG TERM OBJECTIVES

The short term objective of the Company is to service its members through:

- Organisation of local, state, national and internal competitions,
- Ongoing coaching and development,
- Collaboration with State Associations and affiliated Clubs.

The long term objectives of the Company are to promote the sport, service its members and to work collaboratively with all state organisations to manage the future development of the sport.

KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

The Company monitors key performance indicators against industry standards and internal expectations. The indicators are both financial and non-financial with the results presented for the Director's discussion.

LIKELY DEVELOPMENTS

The Board is planning to reassess the ongoing valuation methodology of the property, plant and equipment held by the Company in the coming financial year.



DIRECTOR INTERESTS AND BENEFITS

Since the end of the previous financial year no Director has received or become entitled to receive any benefit because of a contract made by the Company or a related corporation with a Director or with a firm of which a Director is a member, or with a company in which the Director has a substantial interest.

AUDITOR'S INDEPENDENCE DECLARATION

A copy of the Auditor's independence declaration as required under section 307C of the Corporations Act 2001 is set out on the following page.

Signed at Wagga Wagga this 31st day of January 2024 in accordance with a resolution of the Directors:

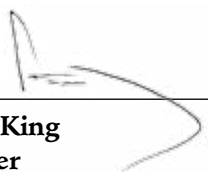
President		Treasurer	
Malcolm Dyson		Les Kadziela	

AUDITORS INDEPENDENCE DECLARATION UNDER SECTION 307C OF THE CORPORATIONS ACT 2001 ACT TO THE DIRECTORS OF AUSTRALIAN CLAY TARGET ASSOCIATION LTD

I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, during the year ended 31 December 2023 there have been:

- (a) No contraventions of the auditor independence requirements as set out in the Corporations Act 2001 in relation to the audit; and
- (b) No contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.

JOHN L BUSH & CAMPBELL Chartered Accountants


Peter King
Partner
Wagga Wagga
31 January 2024

STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

For the Year Ended 31 December 2023

	Note	2023 \$	2022 \$
Revenue	2	2,066,681	2,003,456
Administrative expenses		(412,601)	(366,903)
Coaching expenses		(2,071)	(1,362)
Committee expenses		(45,735)	(40,775)
Competition expenses		(455,224)	(370,172)
Depreciation expense		(303,768)	(314,965)
Employee expenses		(452,141)	(472,001)
Promotional and other distribution costs		(78,163)	(81,237)
Ground maintenance and other occupancy expenses		(114,033)	(91,876)
Merchandise expenses		(21,877)	(35,179)
Other operating costs		(138,905)	(142,828)
Surplus/(deficit) from ordinary activities before income tax		42,163	86,158
Income tax expense	1		
Surplus/(deficit) after income tax		42,163	86,158
Other Comprehensive income		-	-
Total Comprehensive income		42,163	86,158

The Statement of Comprehensive Income is to be read in conjunction with the notes to and forming part of the financial statements.

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

As At 31 December 2023

	Note	2023 \$	2022 \$
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash & cash equivalents	3	2,548,273	2,314,844
Trade & other receivables	4	367,191	349,550
Inventories	1	82,286	19,566
Other current assets	5	109,746	60,565
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		3,107,496	2,744,525
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Property, plant & equipment	6	9,073,938	9,315,982
Other non-current assets	7	7,200	27,200
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS		9,081,138	9,343,182
TOTAL ASSETS		12,188,634	12,087,707
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Trade & other payables	8	320,240	305,290
Provision for employee benefits	9	62,739	124,437
Other current liabilities	10	765,957	660,445
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		1,148,936	1,090,172
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Other non-current liabilities	11	-	-
TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES		-	-
TOTAL LIABILITIES		1,148,936	1,090,172
NET ASSETS		11,039,698	10,997,535
EQUITY			
Retained earnings		9,013,269	8,951,056
Reserves		2,026,429	2,046,479
TOTAL EQUITY		11,039,698	10,997,535

The Statement of Financial Position is to be read in conjunction with the notes to and forming part of the financial statements.

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

For the Year Ended 31 December 2023

	Retained Earnings	Competition Reserve	ISSF Levy Reserve ¹	Asset Revaluation Reserve	Travelling Team Reserve ¹	Environmental Levy Reserve	Legislation Reserve	Trap Levy Reserve ¹	J Newton Thomas Junior Reserve	Hall of Fame Trust	Total
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Balance at 1 January 2022	8,883,352	233,571	–	1,068,738	–	112,574	603,821	–	–	9,321	10,911,377
Surplus available to members	86,158	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	86,158
Transfers to/from reserves	(18,454)	21,869	–	–	–	6,801	(10,216)	–	–	–	–
Balance at 31 December 2022	8,951,056	255,440	–	1,068,738	–	119,375	593,605	–	–	9,321	10,997,535
Surplus available to members	42,163	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	42,163
Transfers to/from reserves	20,050	(9,988)	–	–	–	7,407	(17,469)	–	–	–	–
Retained earnings at 31 December 2023	9,013,269	245,452	–	1,068,738	–	126,782	576,136	–	–	9,321	11,039,698

1 – ISSF, Travelling Team & Trap Levy reserves were consolidated into the Competition Reserve during the 2022 financial year.
The Statement of Changes in Equity should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

For the Year Ended 31 December 2023

	Note	2023 \$	2022 \$
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Cash receipts in the course of operations		1,981,377	1,998,230
Cash payments in the course of operations		(1,793,066)	(1,608,082)
Interest received		67,005	6,371
Net cash provided by operating activities	12(ii)	255,316	396,519
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Payments for property, plant and equipment		(70,069)	(6,504)
Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment		28,182	–
Net cash used in investing activities		(41,887)	(6,504)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
Repayment of borrowings		–	–
Proceeds from loans to members		20,000	10,000
Net cash used in investing activities		20,000	10,000
Net increase/(decrease) in cash held		233,429	400,015
Cash at the beginning of the financial year		2,314,844	1,914,829
Cash at the end of the financial year	12(i)	2,548,273	2,314,844

The Statement of Cash Flows is to be read in conjunction with the notes to and forming part of the financial statements.

NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE ACCOUNTS

For the Year Ended 31 December 2023

NOTE 1 – STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial report covers Australian Clay Target Association Inc (ABN: 14 590 029 414) and Australian Clay Target Association Ltd (ACN: 089 878 893). These entities form the Australian Clay Target Association Ltd – Group, referred in this financial report as ‘the Group’. The Group is a not for profit entity for financial reporting purposes under Australian Accounting Standards.

The nature of each entity is as follows:

- Australian Clay Target Association Ltd is a company limited by guarantee, incorporated under the Corporation Act 2001, and registered and domiciled in Australia. The company was incorporated on 21 June 2023.
- Australian Clay Target Association Inc is an incorporated association registered in Victoria.

The Directors are currently in the process of transferring all assets, liabilities and future operations to the new Company. These financial statements are general purpose financial statements that have been prepared in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001 and Australian Accounting Standards – Simplified Disclosures, and comply with other requirements of the law.

The following is a summary of the material accounting policies adopted by the entity in the preparation of the financial statements:

(a) Income Tax

No provision for income tax has been raised as the entity is exempt from income tax under Division 50 of the *Income Tax Assessment Act 1997*.

(b) Cash & cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and demand deposits, together with other short-term, highly liquid investments that are readily convertible into known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value.

(c) Receivables

Accounts receivable include amounts due from members. Accounts receivables are recognised at the amounts as they are due for settlement. Accounts receivables do not carry any interest and are stated at their nominal value.

(d) Inventories

Inventories comprises goods for resale and goods for distribution and use at no or nominal consideration as part of the Company’s ongoing activities.

Inventory held for sale is measured at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

(e) Trade creditors and other payables

Trade and other payables represent the liability outstanding at the end of the reporting period for goods and services received by the Company during the reporting period, which remain unpaid. The balance is recognised as a current liability with the amounts normally paid within 30 days on recognition of the liability.

(f) Property, plant and equipment

Each class of property, plant and equipment is carried at cost less, where applicable, any accumulated depreciation and impairment.

Where the cost model is used, the asset is carried at its cost less any accumulated depreciation and any impairment losses. Costs include the initial purchase price and other directly attributable costs.

Land

Land held for use is stated at re-valued amounts. Revalued amounts are fair market values based on appraisals prepared by external professional valuers once every three to five years or more frequently if market factors indicate a material change in fair value.

Increases in the carrying amount arising on revaluation of land and buildings are recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated in the revaluation surplus in equity. Revaluation decreases that offset previous increases of the same class of assets shall be recognised in other comprehensive income under the heading of revaluation surplus. All other decreases are recognised in profit or loss.

Buildings, plant & equipment

Buildings, plant and other equipment (comprising fittings and furniture) are initially recognised at acquisition cost, including any costs directly attributable to bringing the assets to the location and condition necessary for it to be capable of operating in the manner intended by management.

Buildings, plant and other equipment are subsequently measured using the cost model, cost less subsequent depreciation and impairment losses.

Depreciation is recognised on a straight-line basis to write down the cost less estimated residual value of buildings, plant and other equipment. The following useful lives are applied:

• Buildings	2.5%	• Office equipment	20%
• Plant and equipment	10% – 20%	• Computer software	33%
• Motor vehicles	20%		

At the end of each annual reporting period, the depreciation method, useful life and residual value of each asset is reviewed. Any revisions are accounted for prospectively as a change in estimate.

(g) Revenue

The Company applies AASB 15 for recognising revenue. Revenue is recorded as the amount of the transaction price that is allocated to the performance obligation, excluding any amounts of variable consideration, when the performance obligation has been satisfied. All revenue is stated net of the amount of goods and services tax (GST). The Company has the following specific policies for when the performance obligations have been met:

Provision of Membership Services

Revenue for membership subscriptions is recognised in the period to which the benefits of the membership is provided.

Sale of Goods

Revenue from the sale of goods is recognised upon the delivery of goods to customers.

Grants and other Funding

Grant funding is recognised as income to the entity when all obligations contained in the underlying funding agreement have been met.

Any grants funds remaining unspent or non-acquitted are deferred at the end of the reporting period.

For acquisitions of assets, the revenue is recognised when the asset is acquired and controlled by the Company.

Donations

Donations collected, including cash and goods for resale, are recognised as revenue when the Company gains control of the asset.

Interest revenue

Interest income is recognised on an accrual basis using the effective interest method.

(h) Goods and services tax (GST)

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of GST, except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office (ATO). In these circumstances the GST is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of an asset or as part of an item of expense.

Receivables and payables are stated inclusive of GST.

(i) Employee benefits

A provision is made for the Company's liability for employee benefits arising from services rendered by employees to the end of the reporting period. Employee benefits that are expected to be wholly settled within one year have been measured at the amounts expected to be paid when the liability is settled.

The Company's liabilities for other employee obligations are included in other long-term benefits as they are not expected to be settled wholly within 12 months after the end of the period in which the employees render the related service.

(j) Reserves

Asset revaluation reserve comprises gains and losses from the revaluation of land.

All other reserves comprise surplus funds that have been designated to be spent for a specific purpose in the future to which the individual reserve relates.

(k) Financial Instruments

Initial recognition and measurement

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised when the entity becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument. For financial assets, this is equivalent to the date that the entity commits itself to either purchase or sell the asset (i.e. trade date accounting is adopted).

Financial instruments are initially measured at fair value plus transaction costs except where the instrument is classified 'at fair value through profit or loss' in which case transaction costs are expensed to profit or loss immediately.

Classification and subsequent measurement

Finance instruments are subsequently measured at either fair value or amortised cost using the effective interest rate method or cost. Fair value represents the amount for which an asset could be exchanged or a liability settled, between knowledgeable, willing parties. Where available, quoted prices in an active market are used to determine fair value. In other circumstances, valuation techniques are adopted.

Amortised cost is calculated as:

The amount at which the financial asset or financial liability is measured at initial recognition less principal repayments; plus or minus the cumulative amortisation of the difference, if any, between the amount initially recognised and the maturity amount calculated using the effective interest method; and less any reduction for impairment.

The effective interest method is used to allocate interest income or interest expense over the relevant period and is equivalent to the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash payments or receipts (including fees, transaction costs and other premiums or discounts) through the expected life (or when this cannot be reliably predicted, the contractual term) of the financial instrument to the net carrying amount of the financial asset or financial liability. Revisions to expected future net cash flows will necessitate an adjustment to the carrying value with a consequential recognition of an income or expense in profit or loss.

(i) Financial assets are classified at fair value through profit or loss

When they are held for trading for the purpose of short-term profit taking, or where they are derivatives not held for hedging purposes, or when they are designated as such to avoid an accounting mismatch or to enable performance evaluation where a group of financial assets is managed by key management personnel on a fair value basis in accordance with a documented risk management or investment strategy. Such assets are subsequently measured at fair value with changes in carrying value being included in profit or loss.

(ii) Loans and Receivables

Loans and receivables are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market and are subsequently measured at amortised cost.

(iii) Financial Liabilities

Non-derivative financial liabilities (excluding financial guarantees) are subsequently measured at amortised cost.

Fair value

Fair value is determined based on current bid prices for all quoted investments. Valuation techniques are applied to determine the fair value for all unlisted securities, including recent arm's length transactions, reference to similar instruments and option pricing models.

Impairment

At each reporting date, the entity assess whether there is objective evidence that a financial instrument has been impaired. In the case of available-for-sale financial instruments, a prolonged decline in the value of the instrument is considered to determine whether an impairment has arisen. Impairment losses are recognised in the statement of comprehensive income.

De-recognition

Financial assets are derecognised where the contractual right to receipt of cash flows expires or the asset is transferred to another party whereby the entity no longer has any significant continuing involvement in the risks and benefits associated with the asset. Financial liabilities are derecognised where the related obligations are either discharged, cancelled or expired. The difference between the carrying value of the financial liability, which is extinguished or transferred to another party and the fair value of consideration paid, including the transfer of non-cash assets or liabilities assumed, is recognised in profit or loss.

(I) Critical Accounting Estimates and Judgements

The Committee' evaluate estimates and judgements incorporated into the financial report based on historical knowledge and best available current information. Estimates assume a reasonable expectation of future events and are based on current trends and economic data, obtained both externally and within the Company.

Key Estimates – Impairment

The Company assesses impairment at each reporting date by evaluation conditions specific to the Company that may lead to impairment of assets. Where an impairment trigger exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is determined. Value-in-use calculations performed in assessing recoverable amounts incorporate a number of key estimates.

Key Judgements – Provision for Impairment

The doubtful debts provision represents amounts that the recoverability of the receivable is doubtful.

The provision is measured in accordance with AASB 9 using the expected credit loss approach. This requires the Company to apply a forward-looking credit loss methodology.

The Company applies the simplified approach to its trade receivables and measures the loss allowance at an amount equal to the lifetime expected credit losses.

	2023	2022
	\$	\$
NOTE 2 – REVENUE		
Sale of goods	103,683	83,336
Fees	1,653,026	1,682,737
Function centre	152,862	134,117
Interest	67,005	6,371
Other income	90,105	96,895
	2,066,681	2,003,456
NOTE 3 – CASH & CASH EQUIVALENTS		
Cheque account	924,168	1,217,646
NAB term deposit 1#	591,062	583,641
NAB term deposit 2#	508,366	501,983
NAB term deposit 3#	500,000	–
Petty cash & unbanked sales	24,677	11,574
	2,548,273	2,314,844
NOTE 4 – TRADE & OTHER RECEIVABLES		
Trade debtors	372,578	354,279
Less: Provision for impairment	(5,387)	(4,729)
	367,191	349,550
NOTE 5 – OTHER CURRENT ASSETS		
Accrued Interest	41,733	–
Prepayments	48,013	40,565
Loan to VCTA	20,000	20,000
	109,746	60,565

	2023 \$	2022 \$
NOTE 6 – PROPERTY, PLANT & EQUIPMENT		
Land – at valuation	1,674,911	1,674,911
ACTA function centre – at cost	7,538,722	7,513,924
Less: accumulated depreciation	(1,011,401)	(823,793)
	6,527,321	6,690,131
National office – at cost	229,152	227,367
Less: accumulated depreciation	(60,745)	(53,031)
	168,407	174,336
National grounds – at cost	1,282,261	1,255,584
Less: accumulated depreciation	(675,012)	(589,612)
	607,249	665,972
Plant & equipment - at cost	647,295	630,486
Less: accumulated depreciation	(551,245)	(532,688)
	96,050	97,798
Motor vehicles – at cost	21,817	63,571
Less: accumulated depreciation	(21,817)	(50,737)
	-	12,834
Total property, plant & equipment	9,073,938	9,315,982
Property, plant & equipment – movement		
Balance at the beginning of the year	9,315,982	9,624,443
Additions	70,069	6,504
Disposals	(41,754)	-
Disposal effect on depreciation	33,409	-
Depreciation	(303,768)	(314,965)
Carrying amount at the end of the year	9,073,938	9,315,982
NOTE 7 – OTHER NON-CURRENT ASSETS		
Loan to VCTA	10,000	30,000
Less: Provision for impairment (ECL)	(2,800)	(2,800)
	7,200	27,200
NOTE 8 – TRADE & OTHER PAYABLES		
Trade creditors	221,566	209,456
Accrued expenses	21,820	21,585
Super payable	5,278	3,924
GST payable	62,146	62,395
PAYG payable	9,430	7,930
	320,240	305,290
NOTE 9 – PROVISIONS		
Current		
Provision for annual leave	42,365	99,871
Provision for long service leave	20,374	24,566
	62,739	124,437

	2023 \$	2022 \$
NOTE 10 – OTHER CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Income in advance	734,653	640,672
Other deposits	31,304	19,773
	765,957	660,445
NOTE 11 – OTHER NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Other deposits	–	–
	–	–
NOTE 12 – NOTES TO THE STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS		
(i) Reconciliation of cash		
For the purposes of the Statement of Cash Flows, cash includes cash on hand and at bank and short term deposits at call, net of outstanding bank overdrafts. Cash as at the end of the financial year as shown in the Statement of Cash Flows is reconciled to the related items in the Statement of Financial Position as follows.		
Cash & Cash Equivalents (Note 3)	2,548,273	2,314,844
	2,548,273	2,314,844
(ii) Reconciliation of operating profit to net cash provided by operating activities		
Surplus for the year	42,163	86,158
Add/(Less) non-cash items		
Depreciation	303,768	314,965
Gain on disposal of equipment	(19,837)	–
	326,094	401,123
Net cash provided by operating activities before change in assets and liabilities during the financial year		
(Increase)/decrease in receivables	(17,641)	1,043
(Increase)/decrease in prepayments and other assets	(49,181)	(10,735)
(Increase)/decrease in inventories	(62,720)	18,286
Increase/ (decrease) in payables & other accruals	120,462	(36,519)
Increase/ (decrease) in employee benefits	(61,698)	23,321
Net cash provided by operating activities	255,316	396,519

NOTE 13 – RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Transactions with related parties are on normal commercial terms and conditions no more favourable than those available to other persons unless otherwise stated.


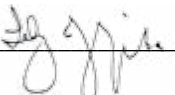
DIRECTORS DECLARATION

The Directors of Australian Clay Target Association Ltd declare that:–

1. The financial statements and notes to the financial statements are in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001 and:
- 2 a) comply with Accounting Standards – Simplified Disclosures and the Corporations Regulations 2001; and
b) give a true and fair view of the financial position as at 30 June 2023 and the performance for the year ended on that date of the Australian Clay Target Association Ltd.
3. At the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that the company will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

Dated at Wagga Wagga this 31st day of January 2024

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Directors:

President		Treasurer	
Malcolm Dyson		Les Kadziela	

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF AUSTRALIAN CLAY TARGET ASSOCIATION LTD

Opinion

We have audited the accompanying financial report, being a general purpose finance report, of Australian Clay Target Association Ltd, which comprises the statement of financial position as at 31 December 2023, and the statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year ended on that date, notes comprising a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory notes and the Directors' declaration.

In our opinion, the financial report of Australian Clay Target Association Ltd has been prepared in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001, 2012, including:

- (i) giving a true and fair view of the Company's financial position as at 31 December 2023 and of its financial performance and cash flows for the year ended on that date; and
- (ii) complying with relevant Australian Accounting Standards – Simplified Disclosures and the *Corporations Regulations 2001*.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities* section of our report. We are independent of the Company in accordance with the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants* (the Code) that are relevant to our audit of the financial report in Australia. We have also fulfilled our other responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Information Other than the Financial Report and Auditor's Report Thereon

The Directors are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the Company's annual report for the year ended 31 December 2023, but does not include the financial report and our auditor's report thereon.

Our opinion on the financial report does not cover the other information and accordingly we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial report, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial report or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

Directors' Responsibility for the Financial Report

The Directors of the Company are responsible for the preparation of the financial report in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and the Corporations Act 2001 and for such internal control as the directors determines is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

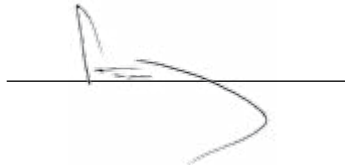
In preparing the financial report, the Directors are responsible for assessing the Company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Company or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so. The committee is responsible for overseeing the Company's financial reporting process.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of the financial report.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial report is located at the Auditing and Assurance Standards Board website at: <http://www.auasb.gov.au/Home.aspx>. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

JOHN L BUSH & CAMPBELL Chartered Accountants



Peter King, Partner.

Wagga Wagga.

31 January 2024

AUSTRALIAN CLAY TARGET ASSOCIATION LTD

DISCLAIMER:

The additional financial data presented with this report being the detailed profit and loss statement is in accordance with the books and records of Australian Clay Target Association Ltd which have been subjected to the audit procedures applied in our statutory audit of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2023. It will be appreciated that our statutory audit did not cover all details of additional financial data. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on such financial data and no warranty of accuracy or reliability is given.

In accordance with our Firm's policy, we advise that neither the Firm nor any member or employee of the Firm undertakes responsibility arising in any way whatsoever to any person (other than the Company) in respect of such data, including any errors or omissions therein, arising through negligence or otherwise however caused.

JOHN L BUSH & CAMPBELL Chartered Accountants



Peter King, Partner.

Wagga Wagga.

31 January 2024

STATEMENT OF PROFIT AND LOSS

For the Year Ended 31 December 2023

	2023	2022
	\$	\$
INCOME		
Sale of targets & other merchandise	103,683	83,336
Registrations, nominations, fees & levies	1,653,026	1,682,737
Function centre	152,862	134,117
Interest income	67,005	6,371
Insurance recoveries	1,000	4,959
Camping fees	36,856	40,773
Ground hire	29,218	47,278
Other income	3,194	3,885
Gain on sale of asset	19,837	–
	2,066,681	2,003,456
EXPENDITURE		
Audit fees	17,250	15,700
Bad debts	658	–
Bank charges	9,038	7,502
Coaching expenses	2,071	1,362
Committee expenses	45,735	40,775
Competition expenses	455,224	370,172
Computer expenses	42,256	35,898
Consulting and professional fees	46,664	36,500
Cost of sales	21,877	35,179
Electricity, gas & water	60,522	48,082
Equipment hire	7,116	–
Function centre – operating costs, catering and maintenance	39,082	39,494
Ground maintenance	74,951	52,382
Hall of Fame expenses	17,699	18,003
Insurances	226,657	205,511
Motor vehicle expenses	11,577	17,171
Permits, licences and subscriptions	51,192	48,640
Postage, printing and stationery	78,163	72,767
Promotional costs	–	8,470
Rates and taxes	31,645	37,262
Salaries, wages & other staffing costs	400,814	425,769
Security costs	3,776	10,216
Superannuation contributions	41,518	40,470
Telephone and fax	19,544	17,152
Travel – local	5,912	12,094
Workers compensation	9,809	5,762
	1,720,750	1,602,333
Net surplus from ordinary activities	345,931	401,123
Less: Depreciation expense	(303,768)	(314,965)
Net surplus/(deficit) for the year after depreciation	42,163	86,158

Molly Bretag – NZCTC National ISSF Champion 2024

Australian Glenn Shield Team Claim the Calrossie Trophy

The first weekend of February 2024 saw the Australian Glenn Shield team comprising Lucas Furlan (MCC), Renae Jones (Bairnsdale CTC) and Molly Bretag (Monarto) jet off to the Land of The Long White Cloud to challenge the NZ team at the NZCTA ISSF National Championships at Waikato Clay Target Club. The Jim McKenzie/Jack (Calrossie) Sutherland trophy is a three-person team competition amongst juniors (under 21) from NZ and Australia to foster ISSF Trap participation. For 2024 the Calrossie Trophy was to be contested on NZ soil at their National Championship.



Molly Bretag, Lucas Furlan, Renae Jones

The NZCTA North Island and National Championship event was run as a 4 day carnival over 1-4 Feb, comprising the North Island ISSF Championships in both Trap and Skeet on the Thursday and Friday, followed by the NZ National ISSF Championships in both disciplines on the Saturday and Sunday.

Waikato Clay Target Club is situated about an hour drive south of Auckland in a picturesque rural setting surrounded by neatly kept and very high hedges which along with the lush

green ground made for a good background for trench targets. The well-presented club ran a very good event, with Chris Robinson as Contest Director and organiser. The efficiency of organisation saw 7 squads complete their 75 target days on one layout with barely a gap between squads.

Meeting up at the ground on the Wednesday for some practice the 3 Australians looked quite at home on the Waikato Range and generally shot well. An advantage of running an event on a single range was that

less time was taken acquainting to the ground, without having to practice on several ranges.

Competition kicked off at 9:30 on Thursday for the North Island Championship in good conditions, though the forecast for the remainder of the event was questionable. Molly Bretag had a strong start with a perfect round of 25 which she backed up well wind picking up a little in the afternoon to finish the day on 68/75. Renae Jones finished the day on 65/75 and Lucas Furlan 62/75. The visibility well into the late afternoon was good due to



their daylight savings and allowed all squads fair competition.

The locals were promising the weather would not hold, with 40-50kmh wind predicted for the remainder of the carnival and probably rain at times. Having just come of the very wet Brisbane ACTA ISSF Championships no one was too perturbed.

Friday's weather was probably as expected. The wind did spring up in the late morning and by afternoon was very strong. Despite that most targets flew relatively true with the wind mainly affecting the higher right handers. Renae shot 41/50 to finish on 106/125, Lucas's very tidy 45/60 gave him a 107/125 and Molly Bretag with 44/50 finished on 112/125 shooting off the tie for 6th bib into the all open final with Brant Woodward. Brant claimed 6th bib on the second station left hander.

The NZ format is very different to that we see in Australia. There is no separate women's event substantially due to lack of numbers, so the category like veterans is decided on qualification (unless a woman makes the final.) As highest ranked female of the 5 competing, Molly Bretag claimed the NZ North Island ISSF Women's Trap Championship.

Owen Robinson (NZ) shot 122/125 to take bib 1 in the final but in the end it was NZ Junior James Sullivan who came out as the NZ North Island ISSF Champion with 43/50 in the final to Robinson's 41. Brant Woodward finished the final in 5th place after

30 targets with 20 single of the single barrel targets called hit.

The weather did turn and day 1 of the NZ National ISSF Championship event was a significant deterioration on the earlier part of the week. While the locals had promised on Friday we might get a few showers the clouds rolled in, and in wave after wave that seemed to coincide nicely with the end of Molly's round and start of Renae's the rain came in heavily.

Despite the weather though, and several changes of clothes in some cases, Molly shot strongly finishing Saturday on 69/75 with another 25/25 for the trip in her final round. Lucas tied with Molly on 69/75 and Renae sat just off the pair on 68/75.

The NZ Glenn Shield Team comprising James Sullivan (17y/o – Waikato CTC), Taylor Gray (20y/o – Waitemata CTC) and Reuben Lawler (21y/o – Waitemata CTC) finished the day on 70/75, 65/75 and 62/75 respectively. The Aussie Team had 206 in the bag as a team score against the NZ team's 197, so would start day 2 with a comfortable lead in the Calrossie Trophy.

The weather gods smiled despite torrential rain and wind overnight, and Sunday dawned with blue sky and not a breath of wind. The weather would ultimately hold for the entire day to make for a fantastic day of competition.

The remaining two rounds to determine finalists concluded in the perfect conditions with Molly shooting a pair of 24's to make up



Renae

her final total and new PB of 117/125. Lucas's pair of 22's earned a total of 113/125, closely followed by Renae who's final day 20 and 24 gave her a 112/125.

Tied for 6th place in the final, Renae shot off with NZ junior Nicholas Hutt and claimed the finals berth after just one target hit in the shoot off, setting up an awesome 50:50 AUS:NZ split for the finals.

While the NZ junior camp watched, the three Australian Juniors headed out for the final against Owen Robinson (bib 1 – 121), Nic Wiseman (bib 2 – 117+2) and James Sullivan (bib 4 – 117+1). Molly claimed bib 3 with Lucas bib 5 and Renae bib 6.

At the end of the very well fought final by all three Aussies the finals results determined B grade overall as described above, with Renae taking 1st B grade on 23/30, Lucas 2nd B grade on 17/25. The real excitement though was the battle beyond 3rd place after James Sullivan dropped out on 28/35.

Entering the final three places and last 20 targets Molly was neck and neck with Nic Wiseman and Owen Robinson. Owen Robinson dropped out on 33/40 in third and going into the final 10 targets to decide first and 2nd finals placing Molly was sitting on 35/40 to Nic Wiseman's 36/40. It was going to be very close and the murmuring behind the



Renae, Molly & Lucas

layout was getting interesting too. Molly drew on her experience from the 2023 Junior World Championship final in Korea and looked comfortable and strong in the finals space.

As they shot the final 10 targets over 2 passes the lead changed several times. However after a strong finish from Molly and total of 43/50 she defeated a gracious Nic Wiseman by just 1 target. The assembled NZ crowd, while assumably a little disappointed to have lost their title, were immensely impressed and congratulatory towards the young Australian lady who'd just managed to achieve something no other woman has achieved in the history of the NZ event. Molly Bretag – NZCTC National ISSF Champion 2024.

After presentations it was pointed out that not was Molly's win historic, but also some of the other internationally respected Australian shooters including John Maxwell, Russell Mark, Bill Iles, Brett Dunstan, have their names etched on the trophy.

In the final wash up for the Australian Glenn Shield Team who stepped up resplendent in their ACTA uniform and claimed the Calrossie trophy win on 342/375 to the NZ Junior Team on 324/375.

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Australian Glenn Shield Team, Lucas, Renae & Molly, winners of the Calrossie Trophy

Molly Bretag spoke passionately and very well when presented the 2024 NZ HOA sash. She was a little overwhelmed to collect her first blue sash, and very honoured that it was an overall win. In doing so she also accepted the Ladies title to go with her open NZ ISSF National Championship. Renae Jones stepped up in ACTA uniform with Lucas Furlan to claim B grade 1st and 2nd respectively.

*Dave Jones
Bairnsdale Clay Target Club*



WARATAH NOTES

Hello Shooters,

2024 Blue Books (NSW Shoot Programs) are on sale through the State Office for \$12 each (mailed to your door).

For orders, contact the State Office on 02 6931 9980 or send an email to nswcta1@bigpond.com

The shortened version of the program is also available to be downloaded for free (PDF) from our website; www.nswcta.org

Our State Skeet Teams heading to Wagga in March are as follows:

Open Team – Wayne Petersen, Shane Bennett, James Wilberforce, Mark Corbett & David Muir

Veteran's Team – Rod Nicholson, Michael Kruger-Davis & Tony Anecchini

Ladies Team – Sarah Bennett, Katie Hoskins & Robin Perkins

Our State Trap Teams heading to Wagga in March are as follows:

Open Team – Matt Schiller, Glenn Barton, Jason Griffin, Bryan Manns & Rohan Fleming

Veteran's Team – Kim Nealon, Glen Castellaro & Grant Thatcher

Ladies Team – Tracey Stringer, Helen Overton & Kylie Rees

Junior Team – Riley Horsburgh, Charlie ward & Archie Smith

We wish our Skeet & Trap Teams the best of luck and safe travels!





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Mount Gambier Gun Club 2024 Supershoot

The Mount Gambier Gun Club held its annual 2 day Supershoot on the weekend of January 13–14, with light showers on Saturday morning but clearing in the afternoon with windy conditions and Sunday being fine and sunny, proving favourable apart from gusts of winds.

As in previous years many dedicated trap shooters travelled to the Mount Gambier Club to be warmly welcomed and find the Club grounds picturesque and equipment to be in excellent condition as the committee and members had spent considerable time preparing for a successful 2 day Supershoot.

Friday was practice in the afternoon with many shooters taking advantage of this time to fine tune their guns, ammunition and mindset. Early morning practice on the Saturday resulted in shooters arriving early, practicing and organising which squad they would like to participate in and nominating for the two days. After all this the competition started on time at 10am.

Competitors, 121 in all, travelled from Victoria, NSW, NT and all over SA to contest the 6 events held across 2 days, vying for a share of the \$21,000 worth of prizes on offer. Each event prizes were for the grades AA, A, B, C

and each grade 1st to 5th placegetter prizes. High Gun prizes over the 2 days' events were awarded to Overall, Grades, Veteran, Ladies and Junior.

Event 1 Pick Avenue Deli & Bakery 25 target Points Score was the first event with shooters eagerly awaiting their turn even though the conditions were overcast and slight rain. With one shooter attaining a perfect score, shoot-offs were needed in all grades to ascertain the placegetters. These were quickly done moving on to the next competition AA grade – 1st Bernard Pay 77/78, 2nd Dougal Simson 76/78, 3rd Allan Pollock 73/75, 4th Gavin Height 129/132, 5th Warren Williamson 126/132. A grade – 1st Neil Ham 75/75, 2nd Stephen Holt 82/84, 3rd Bruce Dean 79/84, 4th Rhys Hirth 78/78, 5th Peter Minhard 72/75. B Grade – 1st Louis Stolk 79/81, 2nd Trevor Pevitt 76/81, 3rd Tristan McKinnon 71/75, 4th Hayden Megaw 91/96, 5th Andrew McKinnon



Pick Ave Deli & Bakery Points Score: Warren Williamson, Reece Fleming, Louis Stolk, Bernard Pay, Darren Murrell sponsor



Bendigo Bank Single Barrel: Wayne Sanders, Peter Winser, Garry Allison, Rodney Summers sponsor, Robert Clark

88/96. C Grade – 1st Reece Fleming 68/78, 2nd Ricki Kelly 67/78, 3rd Garry Allison 67/78, 4th Jett Ferris 66/78, 5th Troy Crouch 61/75.

Event 2, the Mount Gambier Community Bank (Bendigo Bank) 25 target Single Barrel was next up and again the shooters were in fine form with high scores attained, trying to win the cash prizes on offer and once more shoot-offs had to be performed in the now overcast and slight windy conditions with the following results. AA Grade – 1st Robert

Cook 27/28, 2nd Willis Jenkins 26/28, 3rd Warren Lindner 25/27, 4th Harry Brown 28/30, 5th Trevor Dehne 27/30. A Grade – 1st Wayne Sanders 24/25, 2nd Amanda McCrone 24/26, 3rd Matthew Fleming 28/31, 4th Peter Minhard 27/31, 5th Tim Dunn 32/35. B Grade – 1st Peter Winser 25/25, 2nd Louis Stolk 25/27, 3rd Andrew Aldersey 24/27, 4th Garry Pike 25/28, 5th James McKinnon 24/28. C Grade – 1st Garry Allison 22/25, 2nd Doug Harris 28/32, 3rd Kane Stolk 27/32, 4th Andrew Pretlove 20/25, 5th Brian Case 19/25.



South West Freight Double Barrel: Ian Urch, Fraser Baker, Sam Rundell, Robert Clark

Last event for the day, and in rather windy conditions, was Event 3, the South West Freight 25 target Double Barrel and the shooters were showing their fine marksmanship with numerous competitors shooting perfect scores. Shoot-offs began and eventually the AA Grade was taken out by Robert Clark 36/36, 2nd Bill Jorgenson 35/36, 3rd Allan Pollock 30/31, 4th Harry Brown 26/27, 5th Dougal Simson 42/43. A Grade – 1st Sam Rundell 31/31, 2nd Kane Hawker 30/31, 3rd Tim Dunn 62/63, 4th Andrew Evans 61/63, 5th Amanda McCrone 48/50, B Grade – 1st Frazer Baker 25/25, 2nd Nicola Dunn 27/29, 3rd Tristan McKinnon 26/29, 4th Nicholas Crowe 24/26, 5th Lincoln Brown 35/37. C Grade – 1st Ian Urch 24/25, 2nd Garry Allison 24/27, 3rd Jett Ferris 23/27, 4th Shannon Megaw 21/25, 5th Troy Crouch 25/30.

The George Yoey Club Team competition was held over the 3 events on Saturday with the team entry conditions being 1 competitor from grades AA, A, B, C plus 1 from Vet, Lady or Junior from the same Club .

The Colac team of AA Warren Williamson, A Matthew Fleming, B Louis Stolk, C Kane Stolk and Stephen Holt Veteran won the \$500 prize money, sponsored by Guy Yoannidis.

A Junior High Gun prize for the day was donated by Scott Fleming with Harry Brown 120/125 winning the cartridges.

The completion of this event saw the end



*Saturday's Junior High Gun
Harry Brown*

of the day's shooting. Competitors gathered around to congratulate those who received places in the 3 events as the numerous prizes were presented to the winners. Following this the Saturday raffle was drawn with 15 winners receiving the goods. Then

many a shooter telling stories of their near misses – was it the gun! was it the cartridges! maybe the targets or could it be just the shooter?

Finally the shooters and families enjoyed a sumptuous meal of a variety of BBQ meats, vegetables and salads followed by an array of delicious sweets and were eagerly consumed by all, finishing off a successful day .

Sunday dawned bright and sunny but with some wind thrown in, the shooters arrived early beaming with enthusiasm. High scores again were shot and shoot-offs in all events were necessary. So after some practice for the



George Yoey Team: Stephen Holt, Kane Stolk, Matthew Fleming, Louis Stolk, Warren Williamson

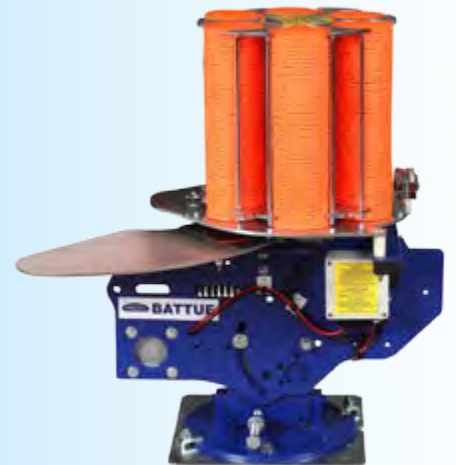


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shooters the competition started at 9.30am. Event 4, the Zema Estate Winery 25 target Single Barrel, was up first with shooters eagerly squadding up to try and win the prized personally selected Zema Estate wines on offer. This event had an overall prize in memory of the late Matt Zema consisting of personally selected premium bottles of Zema Estate wine and a shooting jacket. The overall winner was Gavin Height with a perfect 25/25. AA Grade – 1st Robert Clark 28/29, 2nd Andrew Hoare 27/29, 3rd Warren Lindner 26/28, 4th Allan Pollock 42/44, 5th David Fenn 41/44. A Grade – 1st Lisa Hawker 29/32, 2nd Garry Jennings 28/32, 3rd Neil Ham 25/27, 4th Greg Kessegian 30/32, 5th Ian Heard 29/32.



Zema Wines Matt Zema Memorial O/A Gavin Height & Nick Zema



Zema Wines Single Barrel: Nick Zema sponsor, Lisa Hawker, Trevor Pevitt, Ian Urch, Robert Clark

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Winchester Points Score: Matthew Fleming, Mick Little, Kane Hawker, Tom Jenkins



Trident Tyre Centre Continental: Warren Williamson, Matthew Fleming, Trevor Pevitt, Garry Allison

B Grade – 1st Trevor Pevitt 26/27, 2nd Peter Winner 25/27, 3rd Lincoln Brown 31/34, 4th Stephen Harris 30/34, 5th Maxwell Mannes 24/28. C Grade – 1st Ian Urch 21/25, 2nd Jett Ferris 20/25, 3rd Ricki Kelly 19/25, 4th Garry Allison 18/25, 5th Frank Kentish 19/29.

Event 5 was the Winchester Australia 25 target Points Score and was shot enthusiastically with contestants trying hard to win the Winchester cartridges. Even in the windy conditions shoot-offs were again needed. AA Grade – 1st Tom Jenkins 89/90, 2nd Robert Clark 86/90, 3rd Harry Brown 73/75, 4th Bill Jorgensen 75/78, 5th Mark Newcombe 72/78. A Grade – 1st Kane Hawker 75/78, 2nd Lisa Hawker 72/78, 3rd Mathew Fleming 70/75, 4th Ian Heard 69/75, 5th Amanda McCrone 109/117, B Grade – 1st Mick Little 71/75, 2nd Nicholas

Crowe 69/78, 3rd Allan Jones 66/78, 4th Martin Collumb 77/87, 5th Hayden Megaw 74/87. C Grade – 1st Jett Ferris 65/75, 2nd Peter Klieve 63/75, 3rd Ricki Kelly 62/75, 4th Kane Stolk 59/75, 5th Reece Fleming 57/75.

Event 6, the Trident Tyre Centre 25 target Continental with a terrific selection of prizes on offer, was fiercely contested with 6 shooters attaining perfect scores and 18 with 24's in the windy conditions. And so commenced the shoot-offs and after a short time the battle ended and AA Grade was taken out by Warren Williamson 36/36, just eliminating Wayne Hawker 35/36, 3rd Wayne Jenkins 27/28, 4th Robert Andrews 26/27, 5th Willis Jenkins 62/63. A Grade – 1st Matthew Fleming 46/47, 2nd Tom Clark 45/47, 3rd Kevin Mules 29/31, 4th Andrew Evans 28/30, 5th Peter Minhard



Junior High Gun Tom Clark & sponsor Scott Fleming



Overall High Gun sponsor Greg Kessegian congratulates winner Robert Clark

The two day shoot was enjoyed by all and 70 successful shooters won prizes in the \$22,000 prize pool and are looking forward to returning next year. Many thanks to all the competing participants, local and far distant travellers.

The Mount Gambier Gun Club again thanks all the

27/30. B Grade – 1st Trevor Pevitt 29/30, 2nd Lincoln Brown 28/29, 3rd Heath Telford 30/31, 4th Darren Murrell 29/31, 5th Martin Collumb 26/28. C Grade – 1st Garry Allison 26/28, 2nd Rolf Bugden 25/28, 3rd Frank Kentish 23/28, 4th Harry Simson 22/27, 5th Ian Urch 21/26..

2 Day High Gun Winners: Overall Robert Clark 242/250, AA Grade Harry Brown 239/250, A Grade Amanda McCrone 231/250, B Grade Trevor Pevitt 261/290, C Grade Garry Allison 205/250, Veteran Allan Pollock 237/250, Ladies Lisa Hawker 227/250, Junior Tom Clark 206/250

sponsors and those people who helped this shoot to run smoothly and successfully, the quiet achievers behind the scenes, the kitchen helpers, trappers etc who give so generously of their time, and the sponsors Pick Ave Deli & Bakery, Bendigo Bank, South West Freight, Zema Wines, Winchester, Trident Tyre Centre and Greg Kessegian along with Scott Fleming, South East Vets, Andrew Hoare, Max Medhurst, Ken Atkin, Guy Yoannidis, Warren Lindner, Brian Spring, for their generous and ongoing support our Supershoot, a most successful and entertaining event making this a great start to the 2024 competitions.



High Gun winners: Harry Brown, Allan Pollock, Lisa Hawker, Tom Clark, Garry Allison, Trevor Pevitt, Amanda McCrone



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TASMANIAN STATE TRAP CARNIVAL

Over the Australia Day long weekend, the 2024 Tasmanian State Trap Carnival was held at the Tasmanian State Shooting Grounds in Evandale.

We saw 174 competitors from Tasmania, around the country and even some New Zealanders in attendance with their friends and family. We had some extremely tough conditions with 50kmph winds creating havoc with the clay targets, but saw some great scores shot and great competition ensue.

The grounds were presented immaculately, we owe a big thank you to the Tasmanian Gun Club and TCTA members for working hard in the weeks and months leading up to the carnival preparing the grounds. A big thank you to the Rural Youth for

trapping and the few TCTA members for volunteering your time to assist in making the carnival run smoothly.

Competition started on Thursday with the Champion of Champions, kindly sponsored by Winchester Australia followed by the Tasmanian High Roller, kindly sponsored by the Tasmanian Government through Events Tasmania. We started the day with sunny conditions with a slight breeze which quickly progressed to cloudy conditions with winds increasing for the High Roller.

Champion of Champions overall winner was Lewis Kenny (Hobart) with a 171/175 after a shoot-off with AA grade winner Jason Griffin (Sydney), A grade winner was Allan Kenny (Hobart) with a 121/125, B grade winner was Blair Ward (Mersey) with a 136/150, C grade winner was Peter Scott (Townsville) with a 122/150, junior winner was Lewis Kenny (Hobart), ladies winner was Tracey Stringer (Boorowa) with a 116/125 and veteran winner was Allan Kenny (Hobart) with a 121/125.



Hobart's Lewis Kenny, Champion of Champions & Single Barrel winner





Above: Champion of Champions winners
Right: Toni & Peter Scott, 3rd place Champion of Champions
Left: High Roller winner & runner-up, Bruce Powell & Ross Cummings



The long anticipated return of the Tasmanian High Roller saw 40 people nominated to compete, however three people pulled out due to conditions. Congratulations to Bruce Powell (Springsure) on winning your third Tasmanian High Roller with an incredible 371/375! Second place winner was Ross Cummings (NSWGC) with a 370/375, third place was Aaron Jones (Boorowa) with a 368/375, fourth place was Phil Chryssovelonis (Sydney) with a 368/375 and fifth place was Steven Caltabiano (West Sydney) with a 368/375.



Handicap winners

(Cressy) with the only 50/50 shot, second place was Rhys Eeles (Echuca) with a 65/66 after a shoot-off with third place Nathan Ward

Friday we saw partly cloudy and windy conditions continue for our Double Rise and Handicap events.

Double Rise overall winner was Jason Griffin (Sydney) with a 48/50, AA grade winner Grady Evans (Boorowa) with a 75/80 after a shoot-off, A grade winner Amy Smith (Boorowa) with a 46/50, B grade winner Chris Chapman (Burnie) with a 42/50, C grade winner Warren Williamson (Colac) with a 41/50, junior winner Lewis Kenny (Hobart) with a 42/50, ladies winner Amy Smith and veteran winner Kim Nealon (Wagga) with a 59/70 after a shoot-off.



2024 State Handicap winner Amber Pitsch with her Dad, Michael Pitsch, who was the 2023 State Handicap winner

Handicap overall winner was Amber Pitsch



Double Rise winners



Paul & Jo Francis, 25m winner Nick Brown, Michelle Stubbs & Thaine Browning

Single Barrel overall winner was Lewis Kenny (Hobart) with a 55/56 after a shoot-off with Justin Smith who won AA grade with a 54/56, A grade winner was Chris Chapman (Burnie) with a 47/50, B grade winner was

Garry Adkins (Cressy) with a 45/50, C grade

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(Mersey), fourth place was John Duryea (Hay) with a 49/51 after a shoot-off with fifth place Lewis Kenny (Hobart). Best 25m shooter, sponsored by Thaine Browning, Michelle Stubbs, Paul and Jo Francis was won by Nick Brown (Mersey) with a 47/50. Amber's win was significant as this was her first 50 break and made even more special as her father, Michael Pitsch, won the Tasmanian Handicap title in 2023!

Saturday we held the Single Barrel, kindly sponsored by a few Tasmanian Clubs and Double Barrel kindly sponsored by the Aylett family, we saw partly cloudy conditions with 50kmph winds for these events, the wind creating havoc with the clay targets as the day progressed!



B Grade Single Barrel winner Garry Adkins with Annett & Brian Adkins



Single Barrel winners



Jack Stacey & Jebb Wilson



Ben Woodhouse & Ross Cummings



Karen Kempton & Sandra Ellis



John Murphy & James Hill



Jebb Wilson, Jack Stacey, Beau Caville, Michael Norris & Joshua Munn



Belinda & Amber Pitsch



Gary Enniss, Jake Wilson & Zarah Powell



*Joshua Munn, Chris Figgins,
Nico Pruis & Jack Stacey*



*Stephen Bennett,
Michael Kelly & James Hill*



*Fiona Atkins,
John Murphy
& Tim Atkins*



Hayley Kelly, Hannah Chapman, Ray Jones, Barry Bennett



Peter Scott & Mitchel Hill



Fiona Atkins & Paul Jones



Ted Richey & Beau Caville



Darren Quinn, Michael Goss, Brian Adkins & Garry Adkins



Aydan Morse, Nannette McCallum & Lester McCallum



Glenn Rush



Michael & Marcia Jones



Chelsea Woods & Michael Kelly



Andre Labuschagne & Tim Aulich

Robbie Elmer, Ray Jones & Peter Scott



Paul Francis, John Crosswell & Michael Goss



Double Barrel winner, New Zealander Aaron Harrison with sponsors Howard & Kath Von Stiglitz

winner was Michael Norris (Burnie) with a 48/50, junior winner was Lewis Kenny, ladies winner was Zarah Powell (Springsure) with a 49/53 after a shoot-off and veteran winner was Michael Norris (Burnie) with a 49/51.

Double Barrel overall winner was Aaron Harrison (New Zealand) with a 139/139 after a shoot-off, AA grade winner was Nick Brown (Mersey) with a 135/136, A grade winner was Alexander Bourke (NSWGC) with a 138/139, B grade winner was Darcy Manns (Cobar CTC) with a 55/57, C grade winner was Hayley Alho (The Forest) with 46/50, junior winner was Aaron Harrison, ladies winner was Zarah Powell (Springsure) with a 51/55 and veteran winner was Phil Turner (Mersey), 96/97.

Sunday we had a beautiful sunny 27 degree

day with minimal wind to conclude the carnival with the Points Score and our Tasmanian Postal Team shoots.

Points Score overall winner was Tim Atkins (Mersey) with a 177/177 after a shootoff with AA grade winner Graham Reed (Korumburra GC), A grade winner was Geoff Viney (Echuca) with a 153/156, B grade winner was Blair Ward (Mersey) with 149/150, C grade winner was Greg Coverley (Collie) with a 142/150, junior winner was Dustin Hone (Guyra)

with a 151/159, ladies winner was Tracey Stringer (Boorowa) 149/150 and veterans winner was Tim Blakeney (Geraldton) with 148/150.

Overall High Gun winner was Jason Griffin (Sydney) with 464/475, AA grade winner



Points Score winner, Tim Atkins



Double Barrel winners



Points Score winners



High Gun winners



Junior High Gun, Lewis Kenny



State Junior Team: L-R Rylan Eustace, Tyler Eustace, Garry Adkins, Lewis Kenny & Jake Glover



State Open Team



State Ladies Team L-R Kate Eustace, Chelsea Woods, Nannette McCallum, Kiara-Lee Gough & Fiona Atkins



State Veteran Team L-R Paul Jones, Michael Goss, Stephen Bennett, Allan Kenny & Phil Turner



Grady Evans (Boorowa) with 459/475, A grade winner Darren Quinn (Cressy) with 433/475, B grade winner Blair Ward (Mersey) with 424/475, C grade winner Peter Scott (Townsville) with 409/475, Junior winner Lewis Kenny (Hobart) with 455/475, Ladies winner Tracey Stringer (Boorowa) with 449/475 and Veteran winner Kim Nealon (Wagga) with 442/475. Tasmanian High Gun winner, sponsored by Sports Hut, was won by Lewis Kenny (Hobart), Lewis also won the

Tasmanian Kaye Woods Trophy (most state titles won in Tasmania throughout the year).

We would like to thank our sponsors the Tasmanian Government through Events Tasmania for making the High Roller event possible as well as Sports Hut, Winchester Australia, Southern Range Sports and the Aylett family for supporting our 2024 Trap Carnival.

*Sophie Hill,
State Secretary, TCTA*



State Postal Team High Gun winners, Ladies Nanette McCallum, Open Chris Rockliff, Junior Lewis Kenny & Veteran Stephen Bennett

VCTA Skeet Hall of Fame Inductee HAYDEN MOUNTJOY



2024 Victorian State Skeet Hall of Fame inductee, Hayden Mountjoy, wife Jaclyn and children Sam & Evi

Friday 26 January was Australia Day and all competitors were invited to a complimentary BBQ dinner to celebrate. This was also a very special evening for Bendigo member Hayden Mountjoy who was this year's inductee into the VCTA Skeet Hall of Fame. Hayden was supported by his wife Jaclyn, children Evi and Sam, and his parents Jenny and Gary. Previous Vic State Hall of Fame inductees Paul Johnston, David O'Sullivan, Michael Buttigieg and Leigh Roberts were also in attendance, with a special presentation of the blue jacket from Leigh to Hayden.

Hayden Mountjoy is 37 years of age and starting shooting from the age of 13. His brother Adam was already shooting and the original Bendigo Gun Club in Huntly was on the Mountjoy family property! Was there ever a doubt Hayden would take up the sport?



Hayden Mountjoy with parents, Jenny & Gary

It was through Adam that Hayden met Leigh Roberts who would become one of his best mates, both on and off the skeet tracks. The two have spent a great deal of time together, many trips away shooting, and many wise words spoke to Hayden, by Leigh, helping pave the way for skeet shooting success at Club, State, National and International levels.

Hayden made his first Victorian State Skeet Team in around 2002 as a Junior and then multiple State open teams since. In 2006 he met his now wife of 10 years Jaclyn, and the two have added to the family with daughter Evi and son Sam.

In 2009, Hayden made his first World Team and off to England he went with Jaclyn and his parents also travelling in support.

To summarise approximately 24 years in the sport, Hayden has achieved 1 National Title, 1 National Title Runner Up, 16 State Titles (plus an additional one during the Vic State Titles), 7 All Australian Teams, 7 Trans-Tasman Teams, and 1 World Team. And he is not finished yet!

Congratulations to an all-round humble and well deserving contender for this year's induction into the VCTA Skeet Hall of Fame.



2024 VCTA State Skeet Carnival

Frankston Australian Clay Target Club, 25 to 28 January, 2024

The 2024 Victorian State Skeet Carnival was hosted by the Frankston Australian Clay Target Club (FACTC) between 25 and 28 January, 2024. In some surprisingly fine and still conditions for Melbourne (despite a couple of passing showers!), 101 competitors took to the immaculately presented skeet layouts in a fine display of camaraderie, and an overarching desire to win one of 7 State title red sashes on offer.

Competitors represented most states and territories from across Australia, with some travelling as far as Townsville, Perth and Darwin. There was also representation from our friends 'across the ditch' with a couple making the journey from New Zealand. Thank you to those of you who travelled to this year's state carnival and significantly contributed to the amazing vibe across the four days of competition, also demonstrating spectacular sportsmanship with a full clubroom each evening for presentations.

Over \$10,000 was paid out in prize money, with the addition of over \$2000 in prizes, plus sashes and medals. Thank you to Spartan Global and Mialls Gun Shop for their support of this year's carnival.

These carnivals take months of preparation and this year would not have been possible without the significant contribution of FACTC Committee Members Charlie Galea, Barrie Webley and Paul Calvi. All three are extremely proud of their Club and spent countless hours ensuring the grounds and equipment were in tip top shape. Thank you! Thank you also to this year's Tournament Director and Shoot Marshal Richard Sammon who ran a tight ship and ensured the competition ran smoothly and fairly. Of course, a special mention to scoreboard extraordinaire Adrian Cousens who not only kept an immaculate scoreboard but also provided great support



to Richard. Lastly, thank you to everyone who contributed in other ways including in the canteen, behind the bar, trapping, cooking the BBQ and of course refereeing and scoring both during competition and shoot-offs.

Thank you again for your support and looking forward to seeing you back at FACTC for the 2026 Carnival. In the meantime, keep supporting those who support your sport!

*Jane Vella
FACTC Committee &*

2024 Vic State Skeet Carnival Administrator

Event 1 - 28 Gauge Vic State Championship			Club	Total Score	OTG Score	S/O Score
OPEN	1st	Wayne Petersen	AA0 NSWGC	68/68	50 / 50	18 (+0) / 18
AA	1st	Les Beechey	AA0 Bairnsdale	67/68	50 / 50	17 (+0) / 18
	2nd	Steven Makris	AA0 Townsville	50/51	50 / 50	0 (+0) / 1
A	1st	Cam Gardner	A1 Korumburra GC	60/62	48 / 50	12 (+0) / 12
	2nd	William Miller (J)	A0 Frankston CTC	59/62	48 / 50	11 (+0) / 12
B	1st	Joel Bassett	B3 Frankston CTC	44/51	43 / 50	1 (+0) / 1
	2nd	Kira Waldron (L)	B3 Korumburra GC	43/51	43 / 50	0 (+0) / 1
C	1st	Douglas Harvey (V)	C4 Bairnsdale	44/50	44 / 50	
	2nd	Isaac Robinson (J)	C4 Morwell	43/50	43 / 50	
JUNIOR	1st	William Miller (J)	A0 Frankston CTC	48/50	48 / 50	
LADIES	1st	Chelsea Beechey (L)	A1 Bairnsdale	50/56	46 / 50	4 (+0) / 6
VETERAN	1st	Adrian Cousens (V)	AA0 Bairnsdale	51/54	48 / 50	3 (+0) / 4
Nominated Shooters:			72	Sponsor:		

**Thursday 25 January – Event 1
2024 Victorian State 28 Gauge**



State 28 Gauge Championship winner, Wayne Petersen



28 Gauge Ladies Chelsea Beechey, Veteran Adrian Cousens, Junior William Miller



28 Gauge C Grade, 2nd Isaac Robinson, 1st Douglas Harvey

Event 2 - 410 Bore Vic State Championship			Club	Total Score	OTG Score	S/O Score
OPEN	1st	Daniel Sacchetta	AA0 Frankston CTC	50/50	50 / 50	
AA	1st	Justin Buttigieg (J)	AA0 Frankston CTC	51/54	48 / 50	3 (+0) / 4
	2nd	Michael Buttigieg	AA0 Frankston CTC	50/54	48 / 50	2 (+0) / 4
A	1st	Peter Finn (V)	A1 Cosgrove	48/50	48 / 50	
	2nd	William Miller (J)	A0 Frankston CTC	46/50	46 / 50	
B	1st	Cliff Chambers (V)	B3 Frankston CTC	43/50	43 / 50	
	2nd	Leonie Johnston (LV)	B3 Melbourne	35/50	35 / 50	
C	1st	Isaac Robinson (J)	C4 Morwell	33/50	33 / 50	
	2nd	Andrew Daly (J)	C4 Bairnsdale	31/50	31 / 50	
JUNIOR	1st	Justin Buttigieg (J)	AA0 Frankston CTC	48/50	48 / 50	
LADIES	1st	Sarah Bennett (L)	AA0 Cecil Park CTC	46/50	46 / 50	
VETERAN	1st	Adrian Cousens (V)	AA0 Bairnsdale	56/60	48 / 50	8 (+0) / 10
Nominated Shooters:			69	Sponsor:		

**Thursday 25 January – Event 2
2024 Victorian State 410 Bore**



State 410 Bore Championship winner, Daniel Sacchetta



410 Bore AA Grade, 1st Justin Buttigieg, 2nd Michael Buttigieg



410 Bore B Grade, 2nd Leonie Johnston, 1st Cliff Chambers

Event 3 - 20 gauge Vic State Championship			Club	Total Score	OTG Score	S/O Score
OPEN	1st	Barry Moss	A1 Frankston CTC	84/84	50 / 50	34 (+0) / 34
AA	1st	Ryan Miller	AA0 Frankston CTC	83/84	50 / 50	33 (+0) / 34
	2nd	David O'Sullivan	AA0 Frankston CTC	65/66	49 / 50	16 (+0) / 16
A	1st	Cam Gardner	A1 Korumburra GC	49/50	49 / 50	
	2nd	Francesco Buttigieg (J)	A1 Frankston CTC	52/54	48 / 50	4 (+0) / 4
B	1st	Oliver Smith	B3 Frankston CTC	51/56	46 / 50	5 (+0) / 6
	2nd	Kira Waldron (LJ)	B3 Korumburra GC	50/56	46 / 50	4 (+0) / 6
C	1st	Brian Hearne	C4 Frankston CTC	44/52	42 / 50	2 (+0) / 2
	2nd	Isaac Robinson (J)	C4 Morwell	43/52	42 / 50	1 (+0) / 2
JUNIOR	1st	Francesco Buttigieg (J)	A1 Frankston CTC	50/52	48 / 50	2 (+0) / 2
LADIES	1st	Sarah Bennett (L)	AA0 Cecil Park CTC	49/50	49 / 50	
VETERAN	1st	Adrian Cousens (V)	AA0 Bainsdale	49/50	49 / 50	
Nominated Shooters:			90	Sponsor:		

**Friday 26 January – Event 3
2024 Victorian State 20 Gauge**



State 20 Gauge Championship winner, Barry Moss



20 Gauge AA Grade, 1st Ryan Miller, 2nd David O'Sullivan



20 Gauge B Grade, 2nd Kira Waldron, 1st Oliver Smith

Event 4 - 50 Target Handicap Vic State Championship			Club	Total Score	OTG Score	S/O Score
OPEN	1st	Paul Pianezzola	B2 International	136/136	48 (+2) / 50	84 (+2) / 86
	2nd	Francesco Buttigieg (J)	A1 Frankston CTC	135/136	49 (+1) / 50	84 (+1) / 86
	3rd	Ben Gaskett	B3 Metro CTC	89/90	45 (+5) / 50	38 (+1) / 40
	4th	Oliver Smith	B3 Frankston CTC	88/90	48 (+2) / 50	34 (+4) / 40
	5th	Pedro Da Silva	A1 Frankston CTC	68/69	49 (+1) / 50	17 (+1) / 19
JUNIOR	1st	Francesco Buttigieg (J)	A1 Frankston CTC	135/136	49 (+1) / 50	84 (+1) / 86
LADIES	1st	Julie Freeman (L)	A1 Bairnsdale	49/50	47 (+2) / 50	
VETERAN	1st	Leslie Grunley (V)	B2 Bairnsdale	67/69	48 (+2) / 50	15 (+2) / 19
Nominated Shooters:			94	Sponsor:		

Friday 26 January – Event 4 2024 Victorian State Handicap



Handicap – 5th Pedro Da Silva, 3rd Ben Gaskett, 1st Paul Pianezzola, 4th Oliver Smith, 2nd Francesco Buttigieg



Handicap – Veterans Lesley Grunley, Ladies Julie Freeman, Junior Francesco Buttigieg

Event 5 - 100 Target 12 gauge Vic State Championship				Club	Total Score	OTG Score	S/O Score
OPEN	1st	Hayden Mountjoy	AA0	Bendigo	100/100	100 / 100	
AA	1st	James Sacchetta	AA0	Frankston CTC	102/104	99 / 100	3 (+0) / 4
	2nd	Shane Bennett	AA0	Cecil Park CTC	101/104	99 / 100	2 (+0) / 4
A	1st	Richard Sammon	A1	Frankston CTC	99/100	99 / 100	
	2nd	Andrew Watson	A1	Frankston CTC	98/100	98 / 100	
B	1st	Leslie Grumley (V)	B2	Bairnsdale	97/102	95 / 100	2 (+0) / 2
	2nd	Paul Pianezzola	B2	International	96/102	95 / 100	1 (+0) / 2
C	1st	Hunter Crane (J)	C5	Bairnsdale	92/100	92 / 100	
	2nd	Brian Hearne	C	Frankston CTC	88/100	88 / 100	
JUNIOR	1st	Justin Buttigieg (J)	AA0	Frankston CTC	98/100	98 / 100	
LADIES	1st	Sarah Bennett (L)	AA0	Cecil Park CTC	96/100	96 / 100	
VETERAN	1st	Leslie Grumley (V)	B2	Bairnsdale	105/110	95 / 100	10 (+0) / 10
Nominated Shooters:			99	Sponsor:			

**Friday 26 January – Event 5
2024 Victorian State 12 Gauge
Championship**



State 12 Gauge Championship winner, Hayden Mountjoy



12 Gauge AA Grade, 2nd Shane Bennett, 1st James Sacchetta



12 Gauge C Grade, 1st Hunter Crane

Event 7 - 50 Target Champion of Champions			Club	Total Score	OTG Score	S/O Score
OPEN	1st	Jack Stockdale	AA0 Korumburra GC	56/56	50 / 50	6 (+0) / 6
AA	1st	David O'Sullivan	AA0 Frankston CTC	58/60	50 / 50	8 (+0) / 10
	2nd	William Miller (j)	AA0 Frankston CTC	57/60	50 / 50	7 (+0) / 10
A	1st	David Peter	A Bairnsdale	55/58	49 / 50	6 (+0) / 8
	2nd	Julie Freeman (L)	A1 Bairnsdale	54/58	49 / 50	5 (+0) / 8
B	1st	Kira Waldron (L,j)	B3 Korumburra GC	48/50	48 / 50	
	2nd	Leslie Grumley (v)	B2 Bairnsdale	46/50	46 / 50	
C	1st	Nick Dean	C4 Echuca	44/50	44 / 50	
	2nd	Andrew Daly (j)	C4 Bairnsdale	43/50	43 / 50	
JUNIOR	1st	William Miller (j)	AA0 Frankston CTC	57/60	50 / 50	7 (+0) / 10
LADIES	1st	Sarah Bennett (L)	AA0 Cecil Park CTC	51/52	49 / 50	2 (+0) / 2
VETERAN	1st	Frank Bagnato (v)	A1 Bairnsdale	50/52	48 / 50	2 (+0) / 2
Nominated Shooters:			90	Sponsor:		

Thursday 25 January – Event 2 2024 Victorian State Champion of Champions



State Champion of Champions Championship winner,
Jack Stockdale



Champion of Champions A Grade,
2nd Julie Freeman, 1st David Peter



Champion of Champions C Grade,
2nd Andrew Daly, 1st Nick Dean

Event 8 - 50 Target Doubles Vic State Championship				Club	Total Score	OTG Score	S/O Score
OPEN	1st	Michael Buttigieg	AA	Frankston CTC	53/54	49 / 50	4 (+0) / 4
AA	1st	James Sacchetta	AA	Frankston CTC	58/60	49 / 50	9 (+0) / 10
	2nd	Jason Corbett	AA	Bairnsdale	57/60	49 / 50	8 (+0) / 10
A	1st	Adrian Cousens (V)	A	Bairnsdale	50/52	49 / 50	1 (+0) / 2
	2nd	Hayden Mountj�y	A	Bendigo	48/50	48 / 50	
B	1st	Max Oakley (V)	B	Wonthaggi	51/54	47 / 50	4 (+0) / 4
	2nd	Jason Barclay	B	MCC - ACTA	52/56	47 / 50	5 (+0) / 6
C	1st	Clive Glasgow (V)	C	Townsville	45/50	45 / 50	
	2nd	Rodney Gibbes	C	NSWGC	46/54	44 / 50	2 (+0) / 4
JUNIOR	1st	William Miller (J)	A	Frankston CTC	46/50	46 / 50	
LADIES	1st	Lorraine Hughes (L)	AA	Caboolture	47/50	47 / 50	
VETERAN	1st	Adrian Cousens (V)	A	Bairnsdale	50/52	49 / 50	1 (+0) / 2
Nominated Shooters:			90	Sponsor:			

Sunday 28 January – Event 8 2024 Victorian State Doubles Championship



State Doubles Championship winner, Michael Buttigieg



Doubles C Grade, 2nd Rodney Gibbes, 1st Clive Glasgow



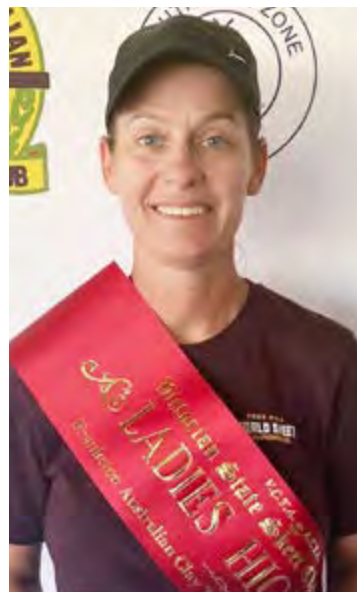
Doubles B Grade, 1st Max Oakley, 2nd Jason Barclay

Vic State Carnival High Gun				Club	Total Score	OTG Score	S/O Score
OPEN	1st	Michael Buttigieg	AA0	Frankston CTC	295/300	295 / 300	
AA	1st	David O'Sullivan	AA0	Frankston CTC	308/314	294 / 300	14 (+0) /14
A	1st	David Peter	A		286/300	286 / 300	
B	1st	Leslie Grumley (V)	B2	Bairnsdale	277/300	277 / 300	
C	1st	Hunter Crane (J)	C5	Bairnsdale	254/300	254 / 300	
JUNIOR	1st	William Miller (J)	AA0	Frankston CTC	322/342	284 / 300	38 (+0) /42
LADIES	1st	Sarah Bennoett (L)	AA0	Cecil Park CTC	286/300	286 / 300	
VETERAN	1st	Adrian Cousens (V)	AA0	Bairnsdale	287/300	287 / 300	
Nominated Shooters:			92		Sponsor:		

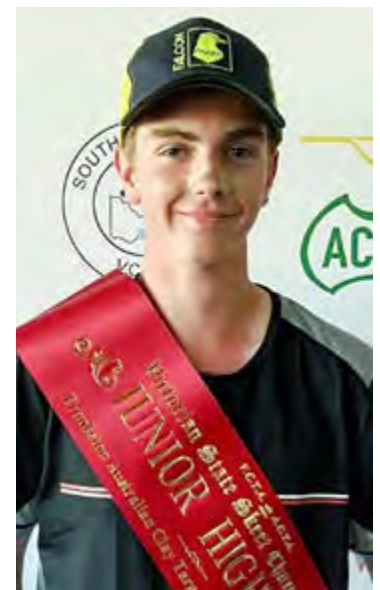
2024 Victorian State High Guns



Overall High Gun, Michael Buttigieg



Ladies High Gun, Sarah Bennett



Junior High Gun, William Miller



Veteran High Gun, Adrian Cousens

Victorian Postal Team Qualification

Victorian Postal Team Qualification				Club	Total Score	OTG Score	S/O Score
OPEN	1st	James Sacchetta	AA0	Frankston CTC	148/150	148 / 150	
OPEN	1st	Hayden Mountjoy	AA0	Bendigo	148/150	148 / 150	
	3rd	Michael Buttigieg	AA0	Frankston CTC	147/150	147 / 150	
	3rd	David O'Sullivan	AA0	Frankston CTC	147/150	147 / 150	
	3rd	Leigh Roberts	AA0	Bendigo	147/150	147 / 150	
	6th	Francesco Buttigieg	A1	Frankston CTC	146/150	146 / 150	
	6th	Jason Corbett	AA0	Bairnsdale	146/150	146 / 150	
	8th	Jack Stockdale	AA0	Korumburra GC	145/150	145 / 150	
	9th	Les Beechey	AA0	Bairnsdale	144/150	144 / 150	
	9th	Colin Finn	AA0	Echuca	144/150	144 / 150	
	11th	Ryan Miller	AA0	Frankston CTC	143/150	143 / 150	
	11th	Jim Kalaboukas	AA0	Frankston CTC	143/150	143 / 150	
	11th	Justin Buttigieg	AA0	Frankston CTC	143/150	143 / 150	
	11th	Daniel Sacchetta	AA0	Frankston CTC	143/150	143 / 150	
	15th	Andrew Watson	A1	Frankston CTC	144/152	142 / 150	2 (+0)/2
JUNIOR	1st	William Miller (J)	AA0	Frankston CTC	140/150	140 / 150	
	2nd	Hunter Crane (J)	C5	Bairnsdale	132/150	132 / 150	
	3rd	Lachlan McDonald (J)	A1	Wangaratta	121/150	121 / 150	
	4th	Andrew Daly (J)	C4	Bairnsdale	120/150	120 / 150	
	5th	Isaac Robinson (J)	C4	Morwell	106/150	106 / 150	
LADIES	1st	Sarah Caldwell (L)	A1	Melbourne	138/150	138 / 150	
	2nd	Julie Freeman (L)	A1	Bairnsdale	136/150	136 / 150	
	3rd	Chelsea Beechey (L)	A1	Bairnsdale	131/150	131 / 150	
	4th	Kira Waldron (L)	B3	Korumburra GC	130/150	130 / 150	
	5th	Linda Watson (L,V)	B2	Frankston CTC	125/150	125 / 150	
	6th	Louise Tingate (L,V)	B3	Melbourne	122/150	122 / 150	
VETERAN	1st	Leslie Grumley (V)	B2	Bairnsdale	143/150	143 / 150	
	2nd	Max Oakley (V)	AA0	Wonthaggi	142/150	142 / 150	
	3rd	Adrian Cousens (V)	AA0	Bairnsdale	141/150	141 / 150	
	3rd	Bill Bird (V)	AA0	Bairnsdale	141/150	141 / 150	
	5th	Peter Finn (V)	A1	Cosgrove	140/150	140 / 150	
	6th	Frank Bagnato (V)	A1	Bairnsdale	135/150	135 / 150	
Nominated Shooters:			60		Sponsor:		



Victorian Open Postal Team



Victorian Junior Postal Team



Victorian Ladies Postal Team



Victorian Veteran Postal Team



Postal Team High Gun, David O'Sullivan

Victorian State Shoulder to Shoulder Teams

Vic State Shoulder to Shoulder			Club	Total Score	OTG Score	S/O Score
OPEN	1st	James Sacchetta	AA0 Frankston CTC	197/200	197 / 200	
OPEN	1st	David O'Sullivan	AA0 Frankston CTC	197/200	197 / 200	
	3rd	Hayden Mountjoy	AA0 Bendigo	196/200	196 / 200	
	3rd	Michael Buttigieg	AA0 Frankston CTC	196/200	196 / 200	
	3rd	Francesco Buttigieg	A1 Frankston CTC	196/200	196 / 200	
	6th	Jason Corbett	AA0 Bairnsdale	198/204	194 / 200	4 (+0) /4
JUNIOR	1st	Justin Buttigieg (J)	AA0 Frankston CTC	188/200	188 / 200	
	2nd	William Miller (J)	AA0 Frankston CTC	165/175	165 / 175	
	3rd	Hunter Crane (J)	C5 Bairnsdale	153/175	153 / 175	
	4th	Kira Waldron (JL)	B3 Korumburra GC	150/175	150 / 175	
LADIES	1st	Sarah Caldwell (L)	A1 Melbourne	162/175	162 / 175	
	2nd	Julie Freeman (L)	A1 Bairnsdale	158/175	158 / 175	
	3rd	Chelsea Beechey (L)	A1 Bairnsdale	153/175	153 / 175	
	4th	Kira Waldron (JL)	B3 Korumburra GC	150/175	150 / 175	
VETERAN	1st	Leslie Grumley (V)	B2 Bairnsdale	168/175	168 / 175	
	2nd	Max Oakley (V)	AA0 Wonthaggi	166/175	166 / 175	
	2nd	Adrian Cousens (V)	AA0 Bairnsdale	166/175	166 / 175	
	4th	Peter Finn (V)	A1 Cosgrove	167/177	165 / 175	2 (+0) /2
Nominated Shooters:			60	Sponsor:		



State Open Team, Hayden Mountjoy, David O'Sullivan, James Sacchetta, Francesco Buttigieg, Michael Buttigieg



*Veteran Shoulder to Shoulder Team,
Max Oakley, Lesley Grumley, Adrian Cousins*



*Ladies Shoulder to Shoulder Team,
Julie Freeman, Sarah Caldwell, Chelsea Beechey*



*Junior Shoulder to Shoulder Team,
William Miller, Justin Buttigieg, Hunter Crane*



*Victorian Champion Zone, North East Zone,
Hayden Mountjoy, Leigh Roberts, Colin Finn*



*Five Person Club Team Champions, Frankston Australian,
Jim Kalaboukas, Francesco Buttigieg, James Sacchetta, Michael Buttigieg, Danial Sacchetta*



*Two Person Team Champions,
Francesco & Michael Buttigieg*



What's happening in the VCTA

There's never a dull moment in the VCTA – there's always something happening or being planned. The big challenge is keeping up with all the news and making sure it's getting out to the members. That's where this article has been so important in recent years!

In the last "What's Happening", I mentioned that there were a few changes on the cards with positions being advertised and an upcoming VCTA meeting.



The first appointment made was for the new position of State Director of Coaching. It is very exciting to announce that the new State Director is James Willett. James, of course, is well

known in the shooting fraternity for his world class achievements and the way he represents our sport on the world stage. James will bring a wealth of knowledge and understanding to the sport and, I believe, will be well received by the members. The majority of James's work will be in the training, resourcing and co-ordination of coaches at Zone and Club level. We wish James every success as he takes on this huge responsibility.

The other appointment was for the position of State Secretary – a replacement for me! The new State Secretary is Mark Zielezna from the Mornington Clay Target Club. Mark is already a member of the State Executive Committee, and this will cause a 'flow-on' vacancy for the South East Zone. The Zone has an AGM soon



and the hunt for a replacement is on.

Many would know Mark from his excellent photographic work around the traps. His publishing of photos on Facebook is something that many shooters look forward to and gives a different insight to the activities and atmosphere around some of our major events.

Mark comes to the post with a good understanding of the requirements of the position and a good 'skill set' for ensuring that the VCTA will continue to serve the clubs and members the best it can. We wish Mark every success and know that he will do a good job.

I would offer one important piece of advice to all of the club secretaries/administrators that currently hold or are thinking about taking on an administrative role – make sure you download and read the Secretary Handbook off the ACTA website. It holds a myriad of information, links and advice on how to administer memberships, the database and numerous other important pieces of information that every club needs to know. It's updated every year and, in fact, it's a good general read about administering our sport!

So, that's it from me. As I said in the last article, I have thoroughly enjoyed the position, but the time has come for me to move on.

I'd like to thank all those who have assisted me in the role over the years. I will leave the position having made many new friendships and enjoying the camaraderie that surrounds our activities.

Hopefully I'll see you at a club soon, enjoying a little shooting and the fellowship that comes from our sport!

Straight shooting and make sure you are having fun!

Jeff Bell
Outgoing VCTA State Secretary



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JAMES WILLETT: All bronzed up at Morocco World Cup

Australia's James Willett secured the bronze medal in the Men's Trap event at the Rabat, Morocco ISSF Shotgun World Cup, supporting his campaign towards a third consecutive Olympic Games.

Willett, who shot a score of 121 out of 125 targets, was the equal top qualifier with David Kostecky (CZE) and Mohammed Al Rumaihi (QAT).

Of his qualification Willett said, "Qualification was over two days. Yesterday [day one] I had a really good day shooting 74 out of 75 [targets], and then today 47 out of 50 [day two], to finish on 121 out of 125 ... It was

a tough event but very fair so the scores weren't super high, but high enough." Assimilating

the range in Rabat to back home, Willett

said "The range felt very

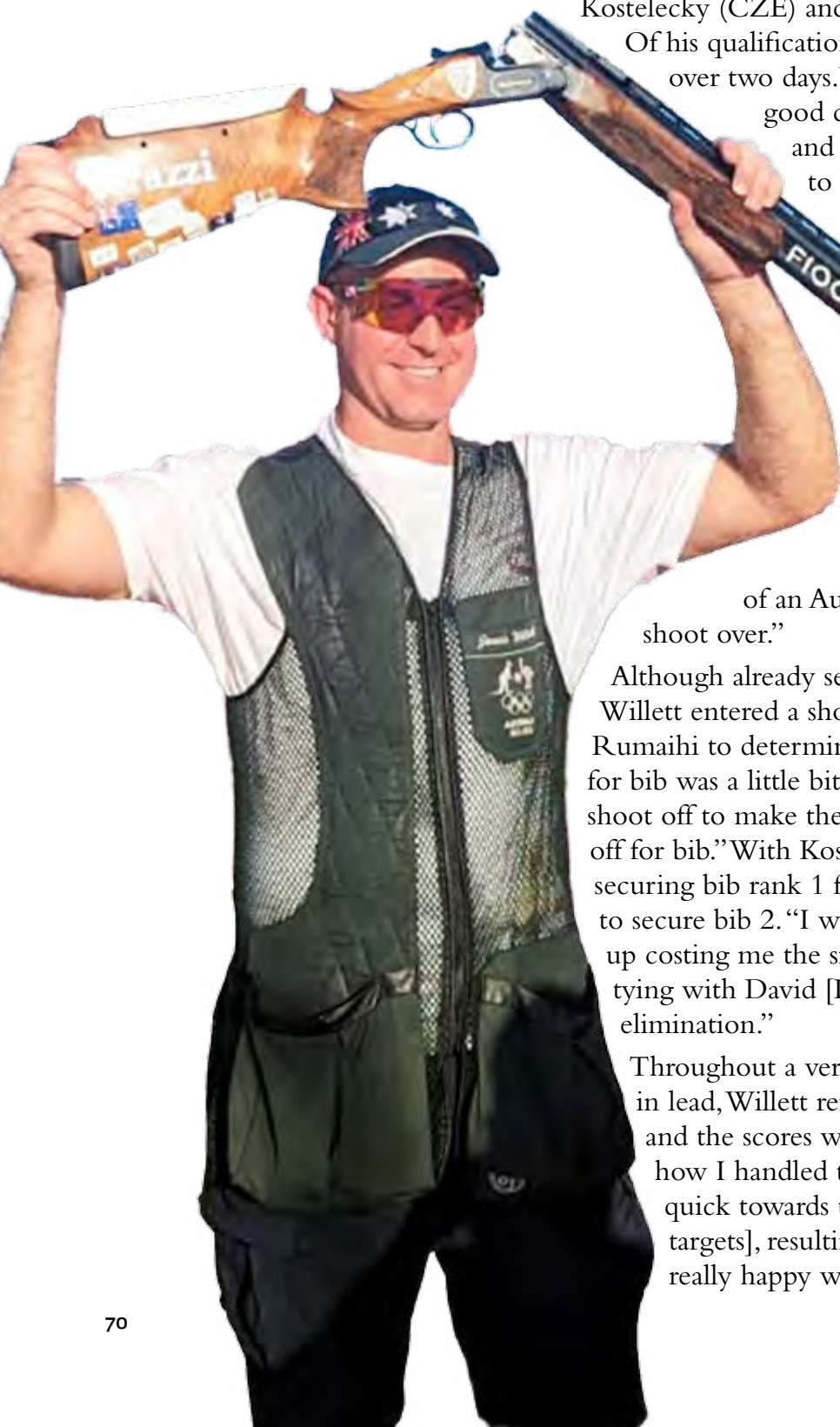
similar to the ranges we

compete on back home ... a bit of an Australian range which was nice to

shoot over."

Although already securing a place in the 6 man final, Willett entered a shoot off with Kostecky and Al Rumaihi to determine his bib ranking. "The shoot off for bib was a little bit unexpected. I thought maybe a shoot off to make the final, so it was nice to be shooting off for bib." With Kostecky winning the shoot off and securing bib rank 1 for the final, Willett was pleased to secure bib 2. "I was pleased with that, but it ended up costing me the silver medal on countback when tying with David [Kostecky] at the bronze medal elimination."

Throughout a very close final, and a frequent change in lead, Willett reflected, "It was tough all the way and the scores were really close. I was happy with how I handled the final and just got a little bit quick towards the end and missed a couple [of targets], resulting in my elimination. But I am really happy with the end result and happy to



be bringing home a bronze medal for Australia.”

Italy's Mauro De Filippis won the gold medal, with Kostelecky winning the silver medal.

Willett's number one supporter, wife Amy, was following her husband's progress from their hometown in Yarrowonga, Victoria and said, "I am so pleased with James' result as it means a lot for his preparation this year. He has sacrificed a lot to get this point and is a good lead into 2024."

This World Cup ends a three week international tour for Willett, where he also competed in the Cairo, Egypt World Cup, where he shot a qualification score of 117 out of 125, finishing in 17th place.

Willett will now head back to Australia where he will prepare for the next domestic nomination event in Sydney (16 to 18 February) as part of the 2024 Paris Olympic team selection process.



*Above: James in action and James accepting the Bronze medal
Right: James with Deserie Baynes, Shooting Australia's
shotgun coach*

Gold Coast Clay Target Club Spirit Shines Through Again

Christmas Day 2023, storms and following rain brought another flood event to the Gold Coast Clay Target Club. While not as bad as what we endured in 2022, the flood came with little warning and required urgent action.

Club legends Terry Morony, Adam Struhs, Paul Santarossa, Geoff Christopher and Tom Bright were able to remove all trench traps and

those in Layout 1 and 2 just before they were flooded. An outstanding effort that saved the club many thousands of dollars in repairs.

The damage was such that the Club's Annual January Two-Day Trap Carnival had to be postponed to February 9, 10 and 11.

What was amazing, was the number of phone calls of support and offers to assist from Q.C.T.A., South-East Zone and club members. A Recovery Bee was announced



How this for a water view!



Manual lifting was too slow

for January 13 to get the club ready to open again. This was another outstanding success and the transformation was simply unbelievable. Congratulations to the 25+ members who attended in stifling humidity. Particular mention to the team who washed, dried and stacked targets in the traphouses, the wad crew for gathering thousands of wads from the high and low tide marks, the sparkies who checked all electrical wiring, the mowing and edging teams. Special mention to Tracey W

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who braved the spiders to clean the windows in the clubhouse, junior member Liam M and his father Trevor for edging and blowing. Finally, to all the NEW members who turned up with a “Can Do” attitude – it was great to meet you in person and seeing the enthusiasm you bring to our club. This was simply an amazing effort and indicative of the great Gold Coast Clay Target Club.

Our grounds are almost back to normal and we are looking forward to welcoming trap shooters to our rescheduled Two-Day Carnival in February. The Gold Coast Clay Target Club would like to thank the Queensland Government for their assistance through the local area Recovery Grant Program and our Local State Member and Local Councillor for their support throughout this process.



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Psychological Skills for Shooting

by Michael Kruger-Davis

Preparing for the Nationals in March: Skeet or Trap

As this article is being read, most of us will be preparing for the 2024 Skeet or Trap Nationals. In terms of the mental aspects of the sport, how can we prepare? In researching this article, I re-read a paper by Jeffery Bond, former Chief Psychologist for the Australian Institute of Sport in Canberra on performance segmenting which argued that you should break up your competition experience into smaller and much more manageable units. These units can then be dealt with one at a time.

For the shooter attending the Nationals what are the segments that are important and need consideration. Firstly, it is necessary to explain that this list is made from my mind and experience and is by no means exhaustive or suitable for every reader. Each person will have to look to themselves to determine what is important for them.

Goals. Goals are important, as they provide a roadmap by which we need to travel to destination where we can achieve what we want. By the time the Nationals come around most of us should have a clear idea of what we want to achieve: a National championship, section win, grade win, high gun, personal best, etc. Whilst it is important to aim high it is also necessary to aim for important and achieve important steps along the way. Goals need to be integrated with your daily lives. Most shooters cannot spend every moment training and practising: most of us have to work, study or be part of a relationship or family. Therefore, it is important to not only focus on the physical and technical skills of shooting but also give attention to mental and competition skills. Other aspects of life such as relation, exercise, sleep, diet and work-life balance also have to be integrated into your goal setting and action plan. Goals are only as good as the action plan and the execution of that plan. It is the plan and how you action the plan that is

the important part of meeting your goals.

Routines. Pre-competition routines and within competition routines are essential to reduce anxiety and maintain a level of consistency in both practice and competition. The essential tool for maintaining consistency is mental imagery and visualisation. The importance of using visualisation techniques is that you are able to give your right side of the brain (the side responsible for movement and motor tasks) the message you want to convey without resorting to talking to yourself (input from the left side of your brain) which is most likely to foster self-doubt. The pre competition routine may involve making sure you've got all your gear; favourite glasses, jacket, etc as well as the rituals you undergo as you wait for your squad to shoot. For some it might be sitting quietly on their own, for others it might be stretching or talking with other squad members. This is then followed by the pre-shot routine: the routine you go through to narrow and focus your attention before as you stand on the mark before you call for the target.

Performance segmenting. Cut the Nationals experience up into smaller segments of pre-competition, competition and post competition so that you can adequately prepare for each stage. Next, look at the Nationals as a series of events that go together to make a whole and look to see what you achieved with each section rather than look at the whole and be possibly disappointed.

Physical fitness. Arrive at the Nationals fit; mentally fit, physically fit and match fit. This is being confident in your ability; to both achieve and to improve, as there is always room for improvement. It is no good turning up to an event not believing in your own ability to achieve. There will be enough shooters out there trying to beat you, don't help them by beating yourself. Be positive and realistic about your ability.

Equipment confidence. To have confidence in yourself you need to have confidence in your equipment; gun, ammunition, accessories. You need to also be aware of comments that others may make can affect your thinking and produce doubt. Stay focused in the here and now. You can't shoot in either the past or the present. Finally, you have to enjoy the competition and remember that your whole world should not revolve around whether you win or lose.

Focus on the process not the outcome. If you focus on the process of shooting the target the product (score) will look after itself.

Remember, go to the Nationals prepared. Have your goals clearly defined, be confident in your ability and your equipment, break up the whole experience into manageable segments, stay focused in the here and now and most of all have fun.

Shoot to hit the target – rather than shoot to not miss. It is important to have the confidence and composure to tackle every target as if you are going to hit it. This must be executed for each and

every target, one after another. The problem is that sometimes, when we are shooting well, we often subconsciously change our mindset to 'trying not to miss', rather than purposefully trying to hit the target. This often happens when you are trying to 'protect a score' you don't actually have.

Have fun. We cannot all be winners but we can actually have fun when we compete at the nationals: we often improve, shoot a personal best, meet with old friends or make new ones, get a bargain from the sponsors and just enjoying our sport with like-minded others. This a win in itself because this keeps us fit gives us a sense of achievement and maintains our emotional well-being as well.

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.

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ACTA COACHING REPORT

Coaching has gained some momentum after a period of uncertainty.

The Sport Support Sub Committee which is responsible for coaching is now fully functioning and all decisions regarding coaching are tabled, discussed, debated and if accepted, forwarded to the ACTA Board for adoption.

An ACTA coaching structure has been adopted showing the level of coaching required for all positions. This document was published in the ACTA Clay Target magazine and forwarded to all State Secretaries and State Coaching Directors.

The long awaited competition level course has been adopted and two States have completed courses with 11 new competition coaches accredited.

In 2023 due to the change from the ACTA Committee structure to the ACTA Board Ltd, an update of the Coaching Risk Management

document was completed and sent to all State Secretaries and State Coaching Directors.

The Shooting Australia Coaching Reference Group held a Presenter and Facilitator course in Melbourne in September 2023 with 4 of the Member Organisations represented, Pistol, TRA, NRA and the ACTA. The ACTA was represented by Christine Alexander, Steve Trembath, Craig O'Neill and David Coleman. With these Competition level coaches now fully accredited they can now run Presenter and Facilitator courses and issue certificates thus lifting the standard of coaching within the ACTA.

Funding has been budgeted for 2024 with a junior camp planned for October.

Hoping this can happen as the junior program has stalled for several years.

David Coleman
ACTA National Coaching Supervisor

Competition Results



VCTA

Bendigo 26/01/2024

(82): 30T Australia Day D/B: OA & AA: C Ford 80/80, J Trotter 75/76; A: M Appleby 66/67, Glen Carroll 43/44; B: M Rocca 60/6, A Wright 29/30; C: R Davis 31/32, C Scarff 30/31; 25T Australia Day HC: 1st L O'Connor-Hudson 37/37, 2nd A Whitechurch 36/37, 3rd M De Carli 30/31, 4th P Attard 30/31, 5th D Hutchins 28/29; 30T Australia Day PS: OA & A: D Knight 129/129, A Boal 92/93; AA: S MacKenzie 128/129, J Saliba 99/102; B: J Wilkie 86/90, M Rocca 84/90; C: J Burrows 84/90, C Smith 83/90; Australia Day HG's: OA: P Attard 145/145; VET: C Langridge 140/145; LAD: K Edwards 136/145; JNR: M De Carli 137/145.

Mt Bogong 04/02/2024

Extreme heat (18): 15 PR D/R: AA: D Taylor 28/30; A: D Sutherland 27/30, K Jones 25/30; B: R West 30/40, J Hamilton 29/40; C: A Chad 32/40, G Pronk 31/40; 60T MEM MEDLEY: OA: K Jones 98/100; AA: D Sutherland 125/130, D Taylor 123/130, R Wojtowycz 93/100; A: K Jones 98/100, G Evans 97/100, A Chad 95/100; B: J Hamilton 96/100, G Pronk 94/100, P Roper 92/100; C: T Baker 83/100; HG: D Taylor 125/130.

Callawadda/Stawell 20/01/2024

Warm and windy (16): 50T CONT DB CS: OA & B: C Dunn 50/53, A Jones 45/50; AA: C Reading 46/50, T Hughes 44/50; A: I Heard 49/53, P Reading 46/50; C: J Rayner



BENDIGO CLAY TARGET CLUB

Change to Shooting Programs

Please note changes to programs for Bendigo:

Saturday the 20th April will now be 50 target Skeet Championship, 25 pair Skeet Doubles Championship and 45 target Tower Medley.

Saturday the 18th May will now be 100 target Sporting Clays Compak Championship.

North East Zone/V.C.T.A. MARCH 2024 PROGRAM

SATURDAY 2ND

Bendigo 12:00 noon

50tgt P/S C/ship
50tgt D/B C/ship

SUNDAY 3RD

Mansfield 10.30am

50tgt Skeet C/ship
25tgt Sporting C/D

Numurkah Shepparton 11.00 am

Pre-Nationals

50tgt P/S C/ship
50tgt H/Cap. Overall High Gun

SUNDAY 10TH

Echuca 10.00 am

Memorial shoot. in conj. with Cohuna CTC/Fletcher Memorial Shoot

25tgt P/S C/ship
25tgt H/cap
50tgt D/B C/ship
High Gun for both days.

Euroa 11.00 am

25tgt Barry Pyke Mem. D/B C/ship
30tgt P/S C/ship
20pr Craig Asquith Mem. D/D C/ship
If total fire ban, shoot cancelled.

Yarrowonga 11.00 am

30tgt P/S
50tgt D/B

MONDAY 11TH

Victorian Labour Day

Cosgrove 11.00 am

30tgt Medley C/ship, 10DB, 10SB, 10PS, 4 gr, 1&2
30tgt H/cap, 1-4
25tgt D/B C/ship, 4 gr 1&2
Max Feldtmann Mem. High Gun

SATURDAY 16TH

Bendigo 10.00am

100tgt S/C Compak C/ship

Wangaratta 11:00am

30tgt P/S
50tgt D/B

SUNDAY 17TH

Kyneton 11:00am

Peter McKenzie Memorial

30tgt D/B
30tgt S/B
30tgt P/S
Overall High Gun

Mansfield 10.30 am

5tgt E/O C/D
25tgt P/S C/D
50tgt B/T C/ship
25tgt NEZ Tower S/B C/ship

SATURDAY 23RD

Mathoura 11.00 am

Mathoura/Colbinabbin Circuit Shoot

50tgt D/B C/ship, O/A, 3 gr
50tgt P/S C/ship, O/A, 3 gr

SUNDAY 24TH

Colbinabbin 11.00 am

20tgt P/S C/D
30tgt D/B C/ship
40tgt M/T C/ship

SATURDAY 30TH

St. James 12 noon

Easter Shoot

30tgt D/B C/D
30tgt P/S
30tgt H/cap

MILDURA CLAY TARGET CLUB 2024 EASTER CARNIVAL

FRIDAY 29 MARCH 1PM START

GRADED CASH DIVIDE \$60

60 TGT MEDLEY

SUNDAY 31 MARCH 9:30AM START

EVENT 3- \$50 LJV \$40

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SATURDAY 30 MARCH 9:30AM START

EVENT 1 - \$50 -LJV \$40

50 TGT Single Barrel Championship

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Overall Sash + 750 Shells

1st AA,A,B,C Sash +500 Shells

2nd AA,A,B,C 250 Shells

LJV Sash + 125 Shells



EVENT 4 - \$50 LJV \$40

50 TGT Handicap Championship

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1st Overall Sash + 1500 Shells

2nd 1000 Shells

3rd 750 Shells

4th 500 Shells

5th 250 Shells



EVENT 2 - \$50 - LJV \$40

50 TGT Double Barrel Championship

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Overall Sash + \$1000 J&A Store Voucher

1st AA,A,B,C Sash + Prizes

2nd AA,A,B,C Prizes

LJV Sash + Prizes

MONDAY 01 APRIL 9:30AM START

EVENT 5 - \$50 / \$40

50 TGT Point Score Championship

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1st AA,A,B,C Sash + \$300 cash

2nd AA,A,B,C \$200 cash

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March 2024 PROGRAM

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

The committee reserves the right to alter the program.

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SUNDAY 3rd March 11am Start

Event 1. 25 Target H'Cap 1st-3rd	\$18
Event 2. 25 Target Single Barrel AA, A, B, C – 1st & 2nd	\$18
Event 3. 25 Target Points Score AA, A, B, C 1st & 2nd	\$18
Event 4. 20 Pair Double Rise AA, A, B, C – 1st & 2nd	\$25

Graded High Gun Sash's over events 1 – 4

SUNDAY 17th March 11am Start

Event 1. 50 Target Single Barrel AA, A, B, C, – 1st & 2nd	\$35
Event 2. 50 Target Point Score AA, A, B, C – 1st & 2nd	\$35
Event 3. 25 Target ISSF trench novelty event AA, A, B, C cash divide	\$15

Visit our website www.factc.com.au or Facebook for up to date information,
shoot calendar and results.



VICE PRESIDENT'S

**~~PRESIDENT'S~~ HANDICAP 100tgt
2 x 50tgt Handicap events
Saturday 9 March
10:30am start**

Best shooter over the 100 targets wins a

Beretta Silver Pigeon

Valued at nearly \$3,400

Cash Prizes for 1st to 5th for both events

Best backmarker (25m) over the 100tgts WINS \$250



Shared cash prize for anyone who shoots the day clean!

JACKPOT - \$450
and rises by \$100 per month until it goes off!

**\$70 nomination, \$65 concessions, Juniors Shoot Free.
BBQ lunch Included!**

Bar open after shoot.

STEEL SHOT ONLY - Ammo for sale - NSI, Falcon, Clever and GameBore.

Any questions - info@mctc.com.au or 03 8592 0182.

370 Craigie Road, Mount Martha VIC 3934

44/50, D Harris 42/50; 25 Pr D/R CS: OA & AA: C Reading 45/50; B: C Dunn 41/50, P Reading, R Black 39/50; C: R Jorgensen 42/50, A Jones 39/50.

Euroa 14/01/2024

Rather Hot (31): 30T DB CS: B & OA: M Spencer 70/70; AA: K Willet 69/70, A Rohrlach 64/65; A: D Clark 30/31, G McClure 29/31, L Fitzpatrick 29/30; C: T McGrath 28/30, I Lerner 32/37; 30T SB CS: AA & OA: K Willet 29/30, M Ward 28/30; A: J King 28/30, G McClure 34/38; B: W Forest 27/30, J Winter, L Fitzpatrick 26/30; C: L Tonks 25/30, T McGrath 23/30; 20T HC: 1st I Lerner 21/21, 2nd J Winters 20/21, 3rd R Cugley 20/21; BM: B Ford 18/20.

Maryborough 27/01/2024

25T DB: OA/AA: D Watts 36/36, 2nd AA: T Gull 35/36; A: B Dean 24/25, M Collins 26/29; B: T Karakizos 24/25, L Cook 25/27; C: N Pengelly 22/25, M Passalick 19/25. 25T PS: OA/AA: G Hipwell 75/75, 2nd AA: T Gull 130/132; A: M Collins 74/75, T Weeks 80/90; B: T Karakizos 73/75, W Calaby 69/75; C: L Obery 58/75, D Holt 59/78. 25T CONT DB: OA/AA: G Hipwell, 2nd AA: S Forbes; A: B Jennings 25/26, M Collins 24/26; B: L Comensoli 24/25, T Karakizos 23/25; C: L Obery 22/25, M Passalick 25/31. HG: OA: G Hipwell 124/125; LAD: L Obery 94/125; VET: B Jennings 111/125.

Melbourne 27/01/2024

(51): 25T PS: OA & AA: B De Pedro 87/87, G Hunt 72/75; A: D Appleby 84/87, G McClure 82/84; B: M Carr 71/78, V Burzomi 68/78; C: J Adams 68/75, B Battle 64/75; 50T DB: OA & AA: G Hunt 58/58, L De Carli 54/55; A: J King 57/58, R Godfrey 55/56; B: M Carr 52/53, V Burzomi 51/53; C: N Koutsogiannakis 48/50, T Siler 50/53; 25T HC: 1: M Rocca 39/40; 2: J Maiolo 38/40; 3: B De Pedro 27/28; I BM: D Ball 18/25.

Melbourne 03/02/2024

(42): 100T UT: OA: M Iles 100/100; AA: C Skinner 96/100, B De Pedro & C Henwood 95/100; A: D Milhuisen 116/125, J Wojcik 114/125; B: L Parks 88/100, D Burzomi 87/100; C: A Edwards 86/100, W Asmar 82/100.

Mt Bogong 07/01/2024

Rain (22): 50T DB Mem: OA: D Hunt 105/105; AA: D Hunt 105/105, D Sutherland 105/105; A: D Taylor 56/57, J West 55/57; B: P Wilkins 47/50, G Pronk 44/50; C: Y Hemmerling 44/51, B Ellis 43/51; 25T HC: 1st: B Ellis 28/29, 2nd: P Matthews 30/32, 3rd: P Antonello 29/32; HG: P Matthews 74/75.

Yarrowonga 14/01/2024

Hot (26): 100T PS CS: OA & AA: D Hunt 295/300, P Watkins 279/300; A: J Fothergill 284/300, R Nixon 282/300; B: C Lewis 277/300, A Kidd 272/300; C: L Wojtowycz 252/300, A Lewis 241/300; HG: D Hunt 295/300.

A: N Pruis 128/140; B: G Adkins 124/140; C: P Spaulding 116/140.

Spring Bay 13/01/2024

Beautiful summers day (29): 75T Medley: AA: L Kenny 122/125; A: J Glover 115/125; B: I Leighton 116/125; C: S Quinn 111/125; 15PR D/R: AA: C Kenny 25/30; A: L Kenny 26/30; B: S Glover 32/40; C: I Leighton 33/40.

Dunn 34/35, R Rossi 33/35; B: N Droukas 29/30, G Karageorgis 28/30; C: A Souter 26/27, P Hampel 25/27; 25T PS: AA: N Moroni 75/75, R Clark 74/75; A: R Rossi 84/87, M Williamson 83/87; B: T Scarff 70/75, B Peter 68/75; C: P Dunn 65/75, A Souter 63/75; Australia Day Medals: 1st: R Clark 142/150, 2nd: N Moroni 140/150, 3rd: B. Sims 152/170.

South Australian 14/01/2024

Windy 30 (25): 50T SKT: A: L Forza 56/58; B: A Forza 51/58; C: N Pike 39/50; 25T Bob and Shirley Mules DB CS: Team Shoot Winner: International Gun Club: OA: D Oliviero 25/25; AA: D Oliviero 25/25, A McKenzie 24/25; A: N Pike 39/41, B Cook 38/41; B: R Umbak 24/25, L Schubert 27/30; C: S Byrnes 23/27; VET: R Borzillo 29/32, R Borzillo, L Schubert, B Mudge, G Coppola, D Oliviero, 114/125; 25T SB: AA: R Borzillo 24/25, G Coppola 24/27; A: D

Ryan 22/25; B: B Duncan 27/30, L Schubert 26/30; C: P Schwerdt 21/25, P Bourne 20/25; VET: R Umbak 23/27; 50T DB: OA: B Mudge 51/52; AA: G Coppola 50/52, R Borzillo 47/50; A: D Ryan 48/50; B: B Mudge 51/52, B Duncan 46/50; C: S Byrnes 41/50; VET: T Robinson 47/50; HG: G Coppola 94/100.

Southern Yorke Peninsula

13/01/2024

27 and windy (15): 25T DB Gr: AA/A: A Dunn 25/25, P Raison 23/25; B: S Bowley 23/25, N Marsh 16/25; C: S Haggerty 23/27, B Cripps 22/27; 25T SB Gr: AA/A: P Raison 20/25, A Dunn 15/25; B: S Bowley 22/25, N Marsh 17/25; C: B Cripps 21/25, P Roney 19/25; 50T PS Gr: B: S Bowley 133/150, N Mashall 117/150; C: S Haggerty 131/150, P Roney 127/150; OA HG: S Bowley 178/200; JNR HG: X Leong 136/200.



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Cowra 03/02/2024

Very hot (24): 25T Gr PS CD: AA: T O'Leary 75/75, D Burt, A Ricketts 74/75; A: R Ricketts 74/75, A Brown 72/75; B: N Crisp, D Seton 70/75; C: I Crisp 68/75; Central Tablelands SB CS: OA: T O'Leary 49/50; AA: C Oehm 64/66, A Ricketts 62/65; A: E Dun 57/60, R Ricketts 56/60; B: D Seton 46/50, D McMillan 40/50; C: I Crisp 43/50; 25T HC: M Dutton 48/48, N Shelton 47/48, D Seton 49/50; HG: T O'Leary 148/150.

Grafton 14/01/2024

(23): 25 T DB CD: AA: K Nealon 25/25, T Ryder, A Clark, J Cunningham 24/25; A: A Tucker, K Connor, P Brown 25/25; B: C Doust 23/25, D Schneider 22/25; C: J Davis 22/25, Z Balint 20/25; 50T SB Club CS: OA: K Nealon 48/50; AA: K Nealon 48/50, Tony Ryder 46/50; A: K Connor 45/50, Romeo Spagnolo 51/59; B: C Doust 43/50, Lindsay Robson 41/50; C: J Davis 35/50, R Jackson 34/50; 50T CONT CD: AA: A Clark 50/50, T Ryder, J Wason 48/50; A: R Spagnolo 47/50, P Westbury, P Brown 46/50; B: C Doust 48/50, H Schneider 46/50; C: J Davis 41/50, B Woods 39/50; OPEN: K Nealon 119/128.

Majura Park 17/01/2024

Cold and rainy (12): 40T PS CS: OPEN: P Jenkins 134/135; AA: C Goodwin 118/120; A: M Hackett 133/135; B: A Jarvis 107/120; C: C Ewing 115/120. 50T BT: OPEN: B Burgess 49/50; AA: R Fleming

46/50; A: D Jarvis 41/50; A: A Scott 41/50; B: A Jarvis LB 41/50; C: M Hackett C 37/50; C: T Quill C 37/50.

Majura Park 24/01/2024

Calm and clear (21): 25T Rd1 HC Masters: 1st D Power 39/39, 2nd D Jarvis 38/39, 3rd R Fleming 27/28; 25T SB CS: OPEN: M Hackett 60/61; AA: B De Pedro J 59/61; A: D Jarvis 23/25; B: A Holt 22/25; C: W Simon 20/25.

Majura Park 31/01/2024

Cool light breeze (30): 50T DB CONT: OPEN: D Power 89/89; AA: B Burgess 88/89, P Simon 54/55; A: R Southwell 49/50, P Maloney 47/50; B: K Cox 48/50, A Jarvis 47/50; C: T Quill 45/50, D Churchill 43/50.

Majura Park 04/02/2024

Very hot, cloudy (15): 20T Graded PS: AA: D Maloney 57/60; A: M Hackett 60/60, W Cameron 60/60; B: R Kearns 57/60; C: W Murphy 46/60. 120T MT CS (30T DB, 30T SB, 30T PS, 15Pr DR): OPEN: J Winters 174/180; AA: D Crane 173/180; A: M Hackett 164/180; B: R Kearns 170/180; C: W Murphy 139/180; JNR: J Crane-Short 111/180; VET: G Serafin 170/180. HG OPEN: J Winters 228/240.

Richmond River 12/01/2024

Wet (9): 75T Medley (25DB, 25SB, 25PS): AA: L Hart 113/125; A: Dale Smith 112/125; B: Donnie Johnson 114/125; C: B Copper 108/125.



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Central Highlands 21/01/2024

Cloudy (24): 75T Medley: AA: L Kenny 123/125; A: S Glover 122/125; B: S Ellis 114/125; C: P Spaulding 111/125; 15 PR D/R: A: M Forrest 26/30; B: G Arnol 25/30; C: T Browning 22/30.

Cressy 04/02/2024

Fine light breeze (48): 100T MXD State CS: OPEN: M Stacey 135/140; AA: S Bennett 134/140;

A: N Pruis 128/140; B: G Adkins 124/140; C: P Spaulding 116/140.

Spring Bay 13/01/2024

Beautiful summers day (29): 75T Medley: AA: L Kenny 122/125; A: J Glover 115/125; B: I Leighton 116/125; C: S Quinn 111/125; 15PR D/R: AA: C Kenny 25/30; A: L Kenny 26/30; B: S Glover 32/40; C: I Leighton 33/40.



SACTA

Monarto 26/01/2024

(32): Perfect: 25 PR D/R: AA: R Clark 43/50, N Moroni 40/50; A: B Sims 41/50, P Kelly 30/50; B: T

Scarff 36/50, G Coppola 35/50; C: M Williamson 40/50, M Pontifex 34/50; 25T DB: AA: G Coppola 56/56, N Moroni 55/56; A: A



CONDOBOLIN CLAY TARGET CLUB Inc.

CONDO CLASSIC CHAMPIONSHIPS

2nd & 3rd March 2024

**Day 1 Saturday 2nd
12 Noon Start**

Event 1 : 5 Target Eyeopener

Event 2 :15 Pair Double Rise

Sash & Cash O/A & 1st ea grade + cash 2nd each grade

Event 3 : 30 Target Pointscore

Sash & Cash O/A & 1st ea grade + cash 2nd each grade



Day 2 Sunday 3rd 9.00am Start

Event 4 : 50 Target Double Barrel Championship

Sash & Cash O/A & 1st ea grade + cash 2nd each grade

Event 5 : 25 Target Single Barrel Championship

Sash & Cash O/A & 1st ea grade + cash 2nd each grade

Event 6 : 25 Target Pointscore Championship

Sash & Cash O/A & 1st ea grade + cash 2nd each grade

Event 7 : 25 Target Continental Championship

Sash & Cash O/A & 1st ea grade + cash 2nd each grade

HIGH GUNS - Events 2 to 7 Inclusive

Overall, Grades, Veteran, Ladies, Junior

Noms \$155, Veteran \$140, Ladies & Juniors \$100

**Lunch available Saturday & Sunday plus
Breakfast Sunday Morning plus AM/PM Teas**

No Camping on grounds.

Caravan park opposite range



Warren Gun Club Inc.

Presents

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THE GOLDEN IBIS TROPHY & DENIS HUNT MEMORIAL CUP

Saturday 9th & Sunday 10th March 2024

Saturday 9th March 2023 – starting 9:30am

Event 1: 30Tgt Single Barrel Championship

Event 2: 30Tgt Medley, 10db, 10sb, 10ps off 18m

Event 3: 50Tgt Double Barrel Championship

Sunday 10th March 2023 – starting 8:30am

Event 4: 30Tgt Point Score Championship

Event 5: 30Tgt Handicap

Event 6: 30T Point Score Presidents Trophy off 18m

Nomination through MCMS preferred.



**WHITE FLYERS TARGETS
WILL BE USED**



High Guns - Overall and all grades, calculated on all events 1-6

Cash Prizes - **\$1000 for 1st in the Handicap.**

Catering available all weekend.

Camping facilities at the range or there is accommodation in town.

Come and enjoy Warren's hospitality, great food and good times!!



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For more information contact:

President - Trevor on 0409262222

Secretary - Douglas on 0414369669

Richmond River 21/01/2024

Hot (37): 30T DB CD: AA: 30/30 G Watson, T Ryder, N Hicks, B Wild; A: 30/30 F Binding, Allan Turner; B: G Bell 30/30, J Gelkov 29/30; C: T Milgate 29/30, J Davis 28/30; 45 Medley (15DB, 15SB, 15PS): AA: Graeme Turner 75/75, M Davis 98/100; A: M Hampson 73/75, F Binding 72/75; B: G Bell 73/75, J Oliver 72/75; C: T

Milgate 71/75, J Davis 69/75; 50T CONT CS: OA Sash & 1st AA: M Davis 50/50 (74/74), G Turner 50/50 63/64; A: Allan Turner 50/50 (73/74), Allan Clarke 49/50 (57/58). Intermediate Sash & B: G Hayne 49/50, G Bell 48/50; C: J Davis 45/50, B Copper 42/50; OA HG: Graeme Turner 154/155. Intermediate HG: G Bell 151/155.

35/50, L Hannant 34/40; HG: K Jarick 121/125.

Brisbane 10/01/2024

Warm (33): 75T Medley: AA: B Jurd 125/125, M Pain, P Naude 121/125; A: S Shariati Rad 119/125, M Le Mura 118/125; B: D Smith 123/125, B Buncic 117/125; C: P Siciliano 102/125, J Voutounos 98/125.

Brisbane 24/01/2024

Warm (33): 25T HC & 50T PS: AA: S Harker, M Pain 169/175; A: R Esposito, B Wiseman, M Voutounos 168/175; B: D Smith 161/175, R Davies 156/175; C: D Shelton 153/175, J Voutounos 112/175.

Brisbane 04/02/2024

Hot (17): 125T SKT: AA: R Mahony 121/125, N Hughes 117/125; A: M Briggs 122/125, L Hughes 121/125; B: J McKendrik 111/125, S Hook 109/125; C: C Maguire 99/125, C Hancock 91/125.

Brisbane 24/01/2024

Warm (31): 40 Pr D/R: AA: T Williams 73/80, A Incani 70/80; A: M Pain 71/80, R Woodrow

69/80; B: S Cannizzaro 64/80, P Naude 63/80; C: B Buncic 58/80, B Daniels 56/80.

Bundaberg 03/02/2024

HOT (8): 25T OG SKT: A: J Freeman 24/25; B: T Delley 22/25; C: D Large 21/25; 50T HC SKT: 1st G Seiler 48(+2)/50, 2nd D Large 46(+4)/50, 3rd T Delley 46(+4)/50.

Bundaberg 04/02/2024

Very hot & humid (19): 25T DB OG: AA: P Grove & D Large 25/25; A: I Wynyard 25/25; B: B Simpson 24/25; C: G Goding 25/25; 25T SB: AA: D Large 25/25; A: I Wynyard 23/25; B: B Simpson 24/25; C: B Otto 22/25; 25T DB 18M: AA: P Grove 25/25; A: P Rehbein 25/25; B: R Howie 22/25; C: G Goding 24/25; 25T DB CONT CS: OA: P Grove 25/25; AA: P Grove 25/25; A: P Rehbein 21/25; B: B Simpson 22/25; C: G Goding 25/25; HG: OA: D Large 98/100; JNR: C Large 58/100.

Caboorture 14/01/2024

(19): 50T CD: AA: D Bainbridge 49/50; A: T Davenport, T Ashton



QCTA

Ballandean 21/01/2024

Hot, cloudy: 25T DB CD: AA: L Hannant, D Crotty; S Favaro; T Rogers, J Rapisarda, K Jarick, G Costanzo, C Favaro, A Wilmot 25/25; A: P Westbury, J Kennedy 25/25; B: R Ross, N Warden 25/25; C: D Harwood, Z Scalia 25/25; 40T Mxd Targets SEZ QCTA CS: OA: T Haynes 71/72;

AA: T Rogers 70/72, K Jarick 58/60; A: J Lawrie 68/72, J Simon 58/60; B: M Vukovic 58/70, L Grassick 79/84; C: P Stein 53/60, Z Scalia 63/72; 20Pr D/R Jack Wise Trophy: OA: K Jarick 48/50; AA: G Costanzo 45/50, J Simon 35/40; A: S Coventry 36/40, J Lawrie 36/40; B: D Crotty 36/40, L Grassick 32/40; C: B Wehl

SAVE THE DATE

QCTA STATE CARNIVALS 2024

State Trap Carnival
Gemfields, Central Zone
4th - 6th May 2024

State ISSF Carnival
Brisbane, South-East Zone
13th - 16th June 2024

State Sporting Carnival
Townsville, Northern Zone
21st - 23rd June 2024

State Skeet Carnival
Townsville, Northern Zone
12 - 15th September 2024



2024 COMMONWEALTH CARNIVAL

Hosted by **TOOWOOMBA CLAY TARGET CLUB**

Friday 28th to Sunday 30th June 2024

10648 Toowoomba Connection Road (formerly Warrego Highway), Charlton

All Events except Handicap are shot from 18m. The Club has 6 Trap Layouts

Toowoomba is the most populous inland Australian city after Canberra

Average June temps are 7 to 17 degrees

On Site Accommodation: 14 Powered sites with water - \$10/night
20 Unpowered camping sites - free

To book: Include full name, ACTA number and car registration

Further information Email: secretary@toowoombaclaytargetclub.org.au
or phone Phil Keller - 0408 068 280

CLUB FACILITIES:

- * **Hot Showers** * **Licensed Bar**
- * **Ammunition - Falcon, Rio & Winchester**
- * **Meals - Dinner Sat night,**
- * **Breakfast - Sat & Sun,**
- * **Lunches - Fri. Sat. Sun**

THINGS TO DO IN TOOWOOMBA -

- Japanese Garden • Queens Park Botanic Garden
- Cobb and Co Museum • Picnic Point Lookout
- Mylne Bay War Memorial • Bunya Mountains - 2 hours drive

MOTEL ACCOMMODATION - 40+ Motels - Nearby are:

- Sunray Motor Inn - 07 4634 2200 • Altitude Motel - 07 4633 7000
- Wilsonton Hotel - 07 4634 2033 • Cotswold Motor Inn - 07 4633 3344
- Bridge Street Motor Inn - 07 4634 3299

2024 COMMONWEALTH CARNIVAL

FRIDAY 28th JUNE 2024 - 9.30 am

Event 1 - **75 T Champion of Champion**
Event 2 - **50 T Handicap**

SATURDAY 29th JUNE - 9.00am

Event 3 - **50 T Single Barrel**
Event 4 - **50 T Double Barrel**

SUNDAY 30th JUNE - 9.00am

Event 5 - **50 T Points Score**
Event 6 - **25 Pair Double Rise**

White Flyer Targets
\$20,000 Cash Prizes
"HALL of FAME Points

Although highly unlikely, the Committee reserves the right to change the program and/or prizes should an extreme weather, or other unforeseen catastrophic event arise.

NOMINATIONS - Self Nominations MCMS (no surcharge)
Open, Lady, Veteran - Full Program - \$270, Junior - \$150
Nominations close on Monday 24th June
Nominations at the Club -
Full Program - O, L, V - \$300, Junior - \$180 or
\$50 per event (all shooters)

Toowoomba Clay Target Club ANNUAL TRAP CARNIVAL

"White Flyer Orange Top Targets"

Friday 12th to Sunday 14th April 2024

FRIDAY 1 PM START (not included in High Guns)

Toowoomba Hill Climb 50 T Medley \$40

Layout 1 – 10 T DB, Layout 2 – 10 T Continental DB, Layout 3 – 10 T SB,
Layout 4 – 10 T PS, Layout 6 – 5 pr DR

All shooters start at Layout 1. Standard Practice on Layout 5
O/A & Grades – cash divide

SATURDAY 9.00 AM START

EVENT 2.30 Tgt Medley 10DB-10SB-10PS \$20
Each Grade Cash Divide

EVENT 3.25 Tgt Single Barrel Championship \$20
Sash & Cash Prize O/A, Prizes 1st & 2nd each Grade

EVENT 4.50 Tgt D/B Championship \$40
Sash & Cash Prize O/A, Prizes 1st & 2nd each grade, L,J,V

SUNDAY 9.00 AM START

EVENT 5.50 Tgt Points Score Championship \$40
Sash & Cash prize O/A, Prizes 1st & 2nd each grade

EVENT 6.50 Tgt Handicap \$40
Sash & Cash O/A, Prizes 2 to 5

HIGH GUNS – Overall, Grades, Ladies, Juniors, Veterans cash prizes

KOTZUR CUP - Interclub Shoot on Event 5 (50 T PS). Free to enter.

Teams of 5 shooters with any 2 of L,J,V or C grader.

\$500 cash prize to the winning team. Small clubs may combine.

Nominations close 5 pm Saturday 14th March.

Total Noms: Open, Veteran & Ladies – full program – \$200 – Juniors \$100
High Gun Program – (Saturday & Sunday) Open, Veteran & Ladies – \$160
Juniors \$80

Camping available (powered sites \$10 per night) • Hot showers
• Meals – Barbecue Friday night, Breakfast (Sat & Sun), Lunch (Sat & Sun),
Dinner (Sat night) • Ammunition • Bar • Refreshments

Thank you to our generous sponsors:-

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WT Med (Dr John Heinrich),

Accommodation: Altitude Motel 07 4633 7000

Discounts for participating Shooters

Practice from Friday 1 pm

Further information Phil Keller – Phone 0408 068 280

The Committee reserves the right to change the program

WARWICK CLAY TARGET CLUB ANNUAL SHOOT

Over
\$12,000
to be won
in **CASH**
& **PRIZES**

2nd & 3rd MARCH 2024

SATURDAY 2nd MARCH
- 9:00 am Start

EVENT 1. **\$30.00**
30 Target Medley
(10DB/10SB/10PTS)
Cash Divide

EVENT 2. **\$30.00**
25 Target Single Barrel
SASH O/A, 1st & 2nd AA, A, B, C

EVENT 3. **\$40.00**
50 Target Double Barrel
SASH O/A, 1st & 2nd AA, A, B, C
L, J, V

MEALS- Breakfast and Lunch
available Saturday & Sunday

PRACTISE- Available Friday
afternoon from 3:00-5:00pm

CAMPING- Power available-
BBQ/Shower & toilet facilities

FOR MORE INFORMATION
PLEASE CONTACT

JOHN - 0427 163 300

**NOW ACCEPTING NOMINATIONS
THROUGH MCMS.**

Warwick CTC
uses

WHITE FLYER
TARGETS

(COMMITTEE RESERVES THE RIGHT TO ALTER
THE PROGRAM)

SUNDAY 3rd MARCH
- 8:30 am Start

EVENT 4. **\$40.00**
50 Target Graded Meterage
1st- Sash & **Beretta**
Silver Pigeon Shotgun
2nd- \$500, 3rd- \$250,
4th-\$150, 5th-\$100



EVENT 5. **\$40.00**
50 Target Points Score
SASH O/A, 1st & 2nd AA, A, B, C
L, J, V

HIGH GUNS -

O/A, AA, A, B, C, L, J, V
(Events 1 – 5) Sash & Cash/Prizes

NOMINATIONS:

FULL NOMS \$180

JUNIORS \$160

**O/A winner of the Graded Meterage
event to walk away with a brand new
Beretta Silver Pigeon Shotgun
& Sash.**

(Must shoot entire program to be eligible)



48/50; B: A Mills 43/50; C: B Prosser 48/50; 50T CS: AA: H Bader 48/50; A: T Davenport 48/50; B: S Hook 45/50; C: M Knight 47/50; 50T Dbls: AA: H Bader 47/50; A: D Baird 48/50; B: D Bainbridge 47/50; C: B Posser 43/50; OPEN HG: H Bader 143/150; AA: D Bainbridge 142/150; A: D Baird 142/150; B: S Hook 133/150; C: B Prosser 129/150.

Caboolture

(33): Cloudy, high humidity: Ev 1: 30T CD: AA: B Sanderson, WKoitka 30/30, M Welk, C Witt 29/30; A: B Buncic, B Wiseman, G Buchanan, J Laird, F Mills 30/30; B: G Watson 30/30, G Keegan, J Barden 28/30; C: P Reeves, F Gee 28/30, A Munforte, L Casella 27/30; Ev 2: 75T Medley: AA: B Sanderson 123/125, C Witt 122/130, M Davis 122/125; A: A Mills 143/150, F Mills 140/150, C Koutsakis 117/125; B: G English 120/125, G Keegan 111/125, D Reynolds 109/125; C: M Reid 134/150, A Dougal 127/150, T

Hunt 104/125; Open: B Sanderson 153/155; AA: C Witt 146/155; A: F Mills 150/155; B: G English 146/155; C: M Reid 136/155.

Kingaroy 03/02/2024

Cloudy, Fine, Hot (414): 30T Medley: OA: D Sturgess (J) 100/100; AA: S Harker (V) 98/100, J Moore (L) 73/75; A: B Harker (V) 74/75, J Gemmill (V) 73/75; B: P O'Hanlon 72/75, C Barnes 74/75; C: M Holmes 73/75, C Nolte 49/50; JNR: M Gibbs 47/50; LAD: D Barletta 73/75; VET: G Kocho 74/75; 30T SB: OA: W Weimers 39/39; AA: C Cusack 38/39, D Zelinski 35/36; A: J Simon 35/36, M Gibbs (J) 34/36; B: D Reay 29/30, B Leggo 42/44; C: J Chown 28/30, N Nolte 30/33; JNR: J Langridge 28/30; LAD: B Collins 33/36; VET: M Smith 33/35; 30T DB: OA: A Incani 206/206; AA: G Langridge 205/206, G Kocho 171/172; A: M Stewart 162/163, M Gibbs (J) 128/129; B: B Leggo 93/94, S McGuiirk 58/59, C: N Muller 32/33, N Mara 31/33; JNR: G Gibbs 28/32; LAD: J Moore

65/66; VET: J Gemmill 109/110; 30T PS: OA: P Naude 276/276; AA: R Woodrow (V) 273/276, R Ridder 233/234; A: B Harker (V) 98/99, C Barletta 92/93; B: R Brittain 86/90, D Hermann 109/114; C: A Mitchell 89/90, C Nolte 87/90; JNR: M Gibbs 85/90; LAD: J Moore 92/96; VET: J Porter 89/90; 30T HC: 1st N Muller 51/51, 2nd C Barletta 50/51, 3rd C Barnes 46/47, 4th S Ross 37/38, 5th P Naude 36/37; 30T Combination @ 18m: OA: A Incani 99/100; AA: C Brown 97/100, J Moore (L) 74/75; A: K Block 72/75, P McAndrew (V) 74/75; B: C Barnes 49/50, G Love 95/100; C: C Nolte 49/50, J Chown 66/75; JNR: M Gibbs 47/50; LAD: C Barnes 48/50; VET: B Muirson 49/51; HG: OA: P Naude 318/324; AA: C Cusack 317/324; A: B Harker (V) 272/280; B: B Leggo 286/302; C: C Nolte 269/280; JNR: M Gibbs 265/280; LAD: J Moore 268/280; VET: J Porter 271/280.

Port Denison 28/01/2024

Sunny and extremely hot with

a gentle warm breeze in the afternoon (22): 60T Medley Grd Trophy Event: AA: S Steele 97/100; A: G McHenry 94/100; B: J Cerqui 87/100; C: T Bartlett 90/100; 20T DB HC: 1st J Dickerson 20/20, 2nd J Furini 35/36, 3rd T Bartlett 34/36; 10 Pr D/R Grd Sweepstakes: AA: T Coco 18/20, M Zabala 17/20, T Caruso, A Lemphers 16/20; A: G McHenry 17/20, A Lord, J Furini, C Edgerton 16/20; B: N Munro, D Stitt 15/20, S Steele 11/20; C: R Snell 16/20, D Bartlett 15/20, R Warwick 14/20.

Texas 28/01/2024

Fine & Hot (23): 25T PS: AA: J Sipple 74/75, J Allen 74/75; A: P Westbury 75/75, J Donovan 75/75; B: H Brown 74/75, R Deans 70/75; C: M Lang 73/75, J Wright 70/75; 100T DB: OA: J Sipple 100/100; AA: S Waugh 107/109, P Redman 106/109; A: M Johnson 124/125, R Waugh 124/125; B: H Brown 99/100, D Turner 90/100; C: M Lang 95/100, M Mundell 91/100.



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Sites for the Nationals are almost fully booked.

Conditions apply

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Bega Hosts Travelling Shooters

Despite the thirty plus sunshine, twenty-eight players attended Bega Gun Club's February shoot. Visitors from Wagga, Canberra and Cooma added to the local attendees with two events in contention, 50 target Double Barrel and 50 target Continental.



*Brendan Higgins,
High Gun; AA/A 1st DB;
1st AA/A Continental*

The 50 target Double Barrel opened proceedings with Canberra visitor, Brendan Higgins putting on a great display to win AA/A Grade with a score of 50/50. One target behind in second was Garry Burton from Wagga, enjoying his visit to the sunny South Coast. B Grade went to Kevin Hurt with a score of 47/50 and

Club President Chris Brown took second with a score of 46/50. C Grade went John Walker who surprised himself by collecting all twenty-five in the second half of the round to give him a score of 47/50. Second place went to Bert Deacon with a score of 55/59, after Bert survived a shoot-off with Tim Richards and Mick Diss, all three finishing the main rounds with a 46/50.

The second event, 50 targets

Continental, was split into two visits to the traps out of respect for the heat.

After the first half, Alf Niesar, Garry Burton, Brendan Higgins and Wayde Hawkins shared the lead in AA/A, John Siede, at 92, led B Grade after getting "the lot" and Tim Richards, on 24/25 showed the way in C Grade. After the final twenty-five, Brendan had nosed in front to win AA/A with 49/50 and Alf Niesar had captured second with 48/50. John Siede, with 47/50 had collected B Grade from Kevin Hurt on 45/50 and John Walker had sneaked through for his second win for the day, 47/50 from Tim Richards 44/50, to win C Grade.

Brendan Higgins capped off a fantastic day's effort by winning the High Gun award with a creditable 99/100.

John Gray kept the treasurer happy by missing a target in the raffle, thus settling for the voucher instead of the \$500 on offer – a damned fine clubman.

March sees the Fimac Engineering Mixed Target Championship, sponsored by Shane Platts of Fimac Engineering, Bega. Action begins at 10.00 am. Hope to see you there.



John Gray, raffle winner



*John Walker,
1st C Grade DB;
1st C Grade
Continental*



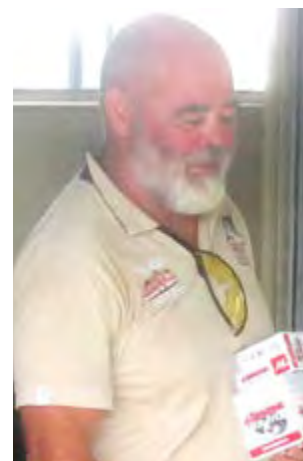
*Bert Deacon,
2nd C Grade DB*



*Alf Niesar,
2nd AA/A Continental*



*Super Vet. John Seide,
1st B Grade Continental*



*Tim Richards,
2nd C Grade Cont*

ACTA ISSF NATIONALS

Brisbane Gun Club, 13–18 January, 2024



The 2024 ACTA ISSF Nationals were held in Brisbane between 13 and 18 January. Hosted by the Brisbane Gun Club with support from the ACTA and Shooting Australia, this year's ISSF Nationals saw a full field across both skeet and trap disciplines with a total of 156 competitors from across Australia and New Zealand.

MEDAL FINALISTS



Commonwealth Mens Skeet: Gold Paul Adams, Silver Keith Ferguson, Bronze Darren Perkins



Commonwealth Womens Skeet: Gold Brittany Melbourne, Silver Chloe Tipple, Bronze Laura Coles



National Mens Skeet: Gold Keith Ferguson, Silver Joshua Bell, Bronze Paul Adams



National Womens Skeet: Gold Aislin Jones, Silver Chloe Tipple, Bronze Brittany Melbourne



Commonwealth Mens Trap: Gold Mitch Iles, Silver Charlton Vella, Bronze James Willett

Commonwealth Womens Trap: Gold Penny Smith, Silver Laetisha Scanlan, Bronze Stephanie Pile

National Mens Trap: Gold Mitch Iles, Silver James Willett, Bronze Gabe Sensi

National Womens Trap: Gold Penny Smith, Silver Kiara Dean, Bronze Stephanie Pile





Rain or no rain, keep on smiling



The Commonwealth and National titles for both Skeet and Trap were also the first two domestic events as part of the 2024 Paris Olympic Games Australian team nomination/selection process, and as expected the competition was fierce!

Not without its challenges predominately due to weather, where heat, high humidity and heavy rain impacted the Nationals, the Brisbane Gun Club and the Shooting Australia officials worked together to ensure the best, fairest and most equitable competition was delivered. Despite the significantly trying circumstances and a need to adjust the trap program, the ACTA is extremely appreciative and grateful of the efforts of those who were part of the event delivery, and the patience and understanding offered by most competitors.

A special thank you also to Laporte Australia for their considerable contribution to the Men's and Women's High Gun prizes for both Trap and Skeet, as well as their partnership with Brisbane Gun Club for the supply of competition targets.

2024 ISSF Trap State Shoulder to Shoulder Competition Results

(shot as part of the Trap National event)

MENS

1st SA 273/300: Jamie Dunn 93/100, Ash Hawker 95/100, Darren Beyer 85/100. **2nd VIC 271/300:** Milad Nasr 89/100, Charlton Vella 88/100, Acacio Mota 94/100. **3rd NSW 270/300:** Marco Corbo 86/100, Luke Cassar 88/100, Thomas Grice 96/100.



Team winners Ash Hawker & Jamie Dunn. Absent Darren Beyer

4th WA 251/300: Marc LaVeru 84/100, Michael Perira 83/100, James Evans 84/100. **5th QLD 249/300:** Campbell Taylor 79/100, Michael Cilli 90/100, James Furini 80/100.

JUNIORS

1st VIC 181/200: Ben De Pedro 90/100, Ollie Zielezna 91/100. **2nd QLD 180/200:** Ryan Chounding 88/100, Jack Brandt. **3rd NSW 154/200:** Fletcher Richardson 83/100, Dimitri Theodosiou 71/100.



Juniors Ben De Pedro & Ollie Zielezna

VETERANS

1st NSW 170/200: Joseph Skaf, Brant Woodward 85/100. **2nd VIC 170/200:** D. Sciglitano 88/100, Eric Bullmore 82/100. **3rd QLD 157/200:** Franco Di Bartolomeo 73/100, Fernando Cilli 84/100. **4th WA 135/200:** Grant Hyder 66/100, Russell Day 69/100.

2024 ISSF Skeet State Shoulder to Shoulder Competition Results

(shot as part of the Skeet National event)

MENS

1st NSW 327/375: Frank Morris 116/125, Josh Bell 119/125, Aaron Deans 92/125. **2nd WA 319/375:** Eli LaLoud 119/125, Tony Priestman 102/125, Joshua Dichera 98/125. **3rd SA 266/375:** Doyle Yoannidis 104/125, Nick Dimasi 81/125, Damien Yon 81/125.

International Shooter Medal - Trap

Nicholas Wiseman New Zealand 230/250

HIGH GUNS

Womens Trap High Gun

Penny Smith 238/250

**Mens Trap
High Gun**

Mitch Iles 243/250

**Veteran Trap
High Gun**

Terry Rumbel
175/200

**Junior Trap
High Gun**

Ben De Pedro 184/200

**Mens Skeet
High Gun**

Keith Ferguson
239/250

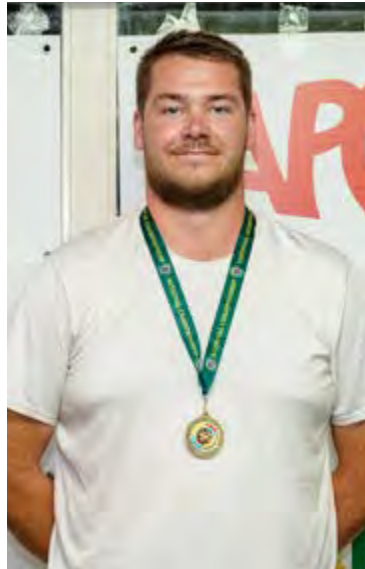
**Womens Skeet
High Gun**

Laura Coles 229/250.

**Trap Commonwealth
Title Grade Winners**

AA: 1st Thomas Grice
99/100, 2nd James
Willett 97/100, 3rd
Samer Salha 95/100.

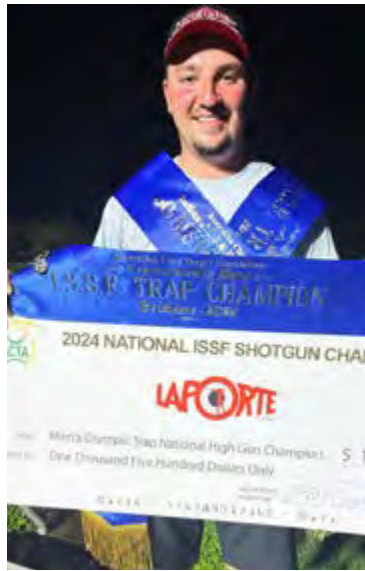
A: 1st Vic Vella 94/100,
2nd Ben Rumbel
93/100, 3rd Andrew
Leech 91/100. B: 1st
Jeff Richardson 88/100,
2nd Liz Schroeter
86/100, 3rd Hiroko
Monaghan 84/100.



*International Shooter Medal – Trap,
Nicholas Wiseman*



*Womens Trap High Gun, Penny Smith
with Laporte's Anna Shedrina*



*Men's Trap High Gun,
Mitchell Iles*



*Womens's Skeet High Gun, Laura Coles
with Anna Shedrina*



*Veteran Trap High Gun,
Terry Rumbel*



*Junior Trap High Gun,
Ben De Pedro*



*Men's Skeet High Gun, Keith Ferguson
with Anna Shedrina*

C: 1st Grant Pincham 82/100, 2nd Andrew Nolan 81/100, 3rd Ray Collins 80/100. Junior: 1st Ben De Pedro 94/100, 2nd Jack Brandt 91/100, 3rd Lucas Furlan 87/100. Veteran: 1st Terry Rumbel 89/100, 2nd Phil Keller 83/100, 3rd John Wojcik 82/100.



Commonwealth Trap Juniors,
2nd Jack Brandt, 1st Ben De Pedro



National Trap B Grade,
2nd John Wojcik, 1st Lloyd Parks



National Trap 2nd A Grade,
Ben Rumbel

Trap National Title Grade Winners

AA: 1st Mitch Iles 100/100, 2nd Penny Smith 97/100, 3rd James Willett 96/100. A: 1st Jack Brandt 92/100, 2nd Ben Rumbel 92/100, 3rd Stephanie Pile 91/100. B: 1st Lloyd Parks 90/100, 2nd John Wojcik 89/100, 3rd Dom Sciglitano 88/100. C: 1st Nathan Muller 85/100, 2nd Stuart King 84/100, 3rd Kai Price 82/100. Junior: 1st Jack Brandt 92/100, 2nd Oliver Zielezna 91/100, 3rd Ben De Pedro 90/100. Veteran: 1st John Wojcik 89/100, 2nd Terry Rumbel 86/100, 3rd Eric Bullmore 82/100.

Skeet Commonwealth Title Grade Winners

AA: 1st Keith Ferguson 122/125, 2nd Paul Adams 117/125 + 31/32, 3rd Joshua Bell 117/125 + 30/32. A: 1st Darren Perkins 113/125, 2nd Doyle Yoannidis 108/125, 3rd Zane Cottle



National Trap AA Grade,
2nd Penny Smith, 1st Mitchell Iles, 3rd James Willett



National Trap Juniors,
2nd Oliver Zielezna, 1st Jack Brandt, 3rd Ben De Pedro

106/125. B: 1st Joel Lewis 96/125, 2nd Nick Dimasi 91/125, 3rd Hannah Munro 91/125. C: 1st Darren Reus 83/125, 2nd Sarah Caldwell 80/125, 3rd Chris Stumkat 79/125.

Skeet National Title Grade Winners

AA: 1st Elie Lahoud 119/125 + 2/2, 2nd Joshua Bell 119/125 + 1/2, 3rd Keith Ferguson 118/125. A: 1st Darren Perkins 111/125 + 16/18, 2nd Zane Cottle 111/125 + 15/18, 3rd Paul Wilson



National Skeet AA Grade,
2nd Joshua Bell, 1st Eli Lahoud, 3rd Keith Ferguson



*Commonwealth Skeet AA Grade,
2nd Paul Adams, 1st Keith Ferguson, 3rd Joshua Bell*



*National Skeet C Grade,
2nd Sarah Caldwell, 1st Darren Reus, 3rd Deb McPherson*



*Commonwealth Skeet B Grade,
2nd Nick Dimasi, 1st Joel Lewis, 3rd Hannah Munro*



*National Skeet B Grade,
2nd Joel Lewis, 1st Hannah Munro, 3rd Jackson McKinley*



*Commonwealth Skeet A Grade,
2nd Doyle Yoannidis, 1st Darren Perkins*



*Commonwealth Skeet C Grade,
1st Darren Reus*



*National Skeet A Grade,
2nd Zane Cottle (NZ), 1st Darren Perkins*

110/125. B: 1st Hannah Munro 98/125, 2nd Joel Lewis 95/125, 3rd Jackson McKinley 89/125. C: 1st Darren Reus 86/125, 2nd Sarah Caldwell 76/125, 3rd Deb McPherson 54/125. Again, thank you to everyone who played a

part in the success of this years ACTA ISSF Nationals. The ACTA wishes all athletes who are vying for Olympic team selection this year, the best of luck as they continue their way through the nomination and selection process.

Bendigo Hosts Australia Day Shoot with Great Support

Bendigo Academy of Sport Students Excel

It was an early start for officials and support people on Australia Day at the Bendigo Clay Target Club. The Australian flag flying proudly along with the Bendigo Club banner presented a great sight to all arriving at the Annual Australia Day competition and with an 8.30am

start for practice, it was pleasing to see the practice traps soon filled with eager competitors.

A working bee held the previous weekend and the hard work of our groundsmen during the preceding week had the Club and surrounds looking their best. The unseasonal weather in the weeks prior added to the ground presentation with greenery normally found in Spring.

Although it was a fine, pleasant day a constant tricky wind added a little difficulty



to the targets. With shooters satisfied with their practice, the first event was away on time.

First up was the 30 target Australia Day Double Barrel Championship and at the conclusion of qualification, 15 possibles had been carded. With 5 traps in operation, the Shoot Marshal asked that a run of 10 targets on each be shot. After the completion of the run, Cameron Ford (Yarrowonga) was the only shooter to shoot the 50 – congratulations Cameron on an excellent Overall win. A grade went to Mathew Appleby (Loddon District) with a score of 66/67. The B Grade winner was Mick Rocca (Frankston CTC) shooting 60/61 and C Grade was won by Junior shooter, Roy Davis (Bendigo) carding his first ever possible in competition with 31/32.

The second event on the program was the 25 target Australia Day Handicap with 6 shooters managing to shoot



Bendigo President Robert Ross with Double Barrel Overall Cameron Ford

25/25 from varying marks. The front marker was off 15 metres and the back marker 26. After 12 targets in the shoot-off the front marker, Lachlan O'Connor-Hudson (Bendigo) was the winner.



Handicap winner, Lachlan O'Connor-Hudson

Double Barrel A Grade Matt Appleby, C Grade Roy Davis, B Grade Mick Rocca





Handicap 2nd Andrew Whitechurch, 3rd Marcus De Carli, 4th Peter Attard, 5th Damien Hutchins

Second placing to Andrew Whitechurch (Maryborough – 17m), 3rd Marcus De Carli (Metro – 21m), 4th Peter Attard (Echuca – 26m) and in 5th place Damien Hutchins (Frankston – 23m).

On to the final event of the day, the 30 target Australia Day Points Score Championship and 5 competitors carded the full 90/90. After 13 targets the popular Bendigo Shoot Marshal, “A” Grader Darren Knight emerged victorious with a total 129/129 from Scott McKenzie (Mathoura) on 138/139 winning AA. B grade to Jeff Wilkie (Loddon District) with a score

of 86/90 and C Grade to Jamie Burrows (Kyneton) scoring an impressive 84/90.

The Open High Gun went to Peter Attard shooting the program 145/145. A great effort, well done Peter. The Ladies High winner was Kate Edwards (Beaufort) scoring 137/145, the Junior winner was Marcus De Carli (Metro) on 137/145 and the Veteran winner was State President, Chris Langridge with 140/145.

A feature of the day was the outstanding performances of the Bendigo Academy of Sport students. In Event 1 former student, Cameron Ford won Overall with 80/80. C grade was won by Roy Davis (31/32). Of the other current students participating Liam Murray 29/30, Lachlan O’Connor – Hudson 28/30 Cooper Leask and Charlie Smith shot 28/30 with Jordan Giudice scoring 27/30. In the Handicap, Lachlan O’Connor – Hudson was the Overall winner and in the final event, Charlie Smith collected 2nd in C Grade with a score of 83/90. No doubt future Champions in the making.



Points Score Overall, Darren Knight



Points Score Grade winners, AA Grade Scott McKenzie, B Grade Jeff Wilkie, C Grade Jamie Burrows



VCTA President Chris Langridge, Overall High Gun Peter Attard & Bendigo President Robert Ross



High Guns, Junior Marcus De Carli, Ladies Kate Edwards, Veteran Chris Langridge

Thanks on the day must go to Elleasha and Janelle in the Canteen, Darren Knight, the Shoot Marshall, and his helpers who kept the traps filled and the squads backed up. To the Office Staff, thank you. A great big thank

you to our sponsors on the day – Warren Builders Pty Ltd, Outdoor Trading Company, Plumbworx Bendigo, Bendigo Mitsubishi and Shaun Dempsey Mechanical Repairs.



Presentations had shooters' attention





Down the Barrel

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The formal low down

Throughout the months of November and December, several clubs organised Come and Try Days with the proud support of the Queensland Government. These special events were aimed at welcoming and introducing individuals to the sport of Clay Target Shooting across Queensland. The main objective of the Come and Try Days was to encourage new participants to engage in this exciting and competitive sport. People of all ages and backgrounds were invited to attend these events and experience the thrill and skill involved in Clay Target Shooting. These initiatives provided an excellent opportunity for individuals to explore a new sport and potentially discover a passion for Clay Target Shooting.

In December the Gympie Clay Target Club held a coaching day with David Coleman from ACTA in attendance. The two-day coaching workshop allowed 4 club coaches to be reaccredited, 9 new coaches gain accreditation and 15 ACTA members coached by newly trained club coaches with the aid and guidance of ACTA Coach, David Coleman and coaches. As part of the new ACTA coaching structure

the QCTA will be holding more coaching days in the future.

Currently, the QCTA Constitution is being reviewed and we are collaborating with an external party to assist us in this endeavor. Additionally, QCTA is considering the implementation of a Strategic Plan. As more information becomes available, we will keep you up to date via email.

Now for the fun:

January brought some challenges for our clay target clubs, but their spirits weren't dampened! The Gold Coast Clay Target Club had to postpone their epic 2-day Carnival scheduled for February after some major flooding over Christmas. But this club rallied together – new members and veterans alike – for an intense clean-up effort to restore their grounds to pristine condition just in time for the new date in February.

Meanwhile, the Brisbane Gun Club hosted the prestigious ISSF Nationals, drawing sharpshooters from across Australia for some friendly competition. Despite some wet weather during the event, our Queensland shooters and team members kept smiles



Gympie Coaching Day: Gerard Battiato, Malcolm Collins, Craig O'Neill, Laurie Sceresini, ACTA's David Coleman, George Costanzo

on their faces and their eyes on the targets. Congrats to all who participated in this National showcase of talent.

The **Toowoomba** 2-day Summer Iron Man Challenge blasted off in January with 50 keen clay target crushers bringing the heat. Day one saw shooters lighting up the Sporting and Tower courses. Then day two rolled in with Skeet, Trap, more Tower and Sporting mayhem. Junior Lady shooter Georgia Rogers dominated the SEZ Tower Championship, outgunning 5 gents to grab the trophy. Bronson Barden was smokin' hot, taking home the Overall High Gun award. It was awesome shooting by all the competitors, and we can't wait to see what the next 2-day Iron Man Challenge will bring.

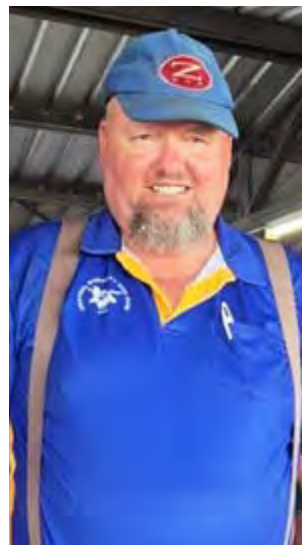


Georgia Rogers, SEZ DB Tower Champion at Toowoomba

Over in **Condamine**, 110 shotgun slingers from 33 different clubs across Queensland and beyond showed up for the Australia Day long weekend blowout. The weather dished up scorching sun with a side of rain, but nothing could stop these



Shooters on the layout at Condamine



Condamine - Frankie Robinson

unstoppable shooters. 9 break badges were snagged, including an incredible perfect 366/366. When the smoke cleared, Richard Morrison emerged victorious with a 255/260 score to claim the Overall High Gun win for Condamine's 2-day annual carnival in 2024.

Kingaroy Clay Target Club's annual 2-day carnival was an

action-packed weekend! With 144 travelling from across Queensland, the club was buzzing with excitement. Though the sun was beating down, the weather Gods blessed us with sunny



Robbie Smith with Bronson Barden, Toowoomba Overall High Gun



Condamine - Matthew Bach and Richard Morrison



Kingaroy – Gavin Langridge from G & S Firearms & Donna Barletta



Kingaroy – Rob Ridder & Clayton Cusack



Kingaroy – sponsor Mike Stewart & Ladies High Gun Jill Moore



Kingaroy – Alex Haig & Nathan Muller

skies and a gentle breeze – perfect shooting conditions.

The hospitality was top-notch, and clays were constantly being stacked to keep the shooters satisfied. Despite the larger-than-expected turnout, the club rallied to ensure a smooth weekend for all. Thirty-six competitors shot a flawless 30 targets in the Double Barrel event, forcing a shoot-off that saw Alexander Incani claim first place with a perfect 176/176, edging out Gavin Langridge. Meanwhile, Pierre Naude emerged victorious as the overall High Gun winner for the weekend after a 274/280 shoot-off triumph over Clayton Cusack. With camaraderie and clay pigeons aplenty, the

Kingaroy Club's annual carnival was a soaring success.

Stay locked and loaded for exciting QCTA updates, juicy gossip from the shooting range, and plenty of pics capturing your favorite shooters in action. Smile pretty, because our roving photographers just might catch you in the background rocking that sleek shooting vest.

This space is your inside scoop on the clay target scene around Queensland. So, grab your ear protection and keep your eyes peeled, for next month's story.

*Amanda O'Brien
QCTA State Administrator*

Maryborough GC – January 2024

Double Barrel, Points Score & Continental

Only 21 shooters competed in the January DTL competition. The weather was perfect, with bright sunshine, but a pleasant temperature and little wind to move the targets around. The soft red Promatic targets really stood out in the blue sky and the Club received some great comments from the shooters competing. There were three events on the day's program with no sashes provided for these events. However the Club did advise that if anyone winning an event wished for a sash, the Club would make the effort to acquire one. Interestingly at the end of the day no one came forward.

Event 1, the 25 target Double Barrel event went to Club Vice President Darren Watts, taking Overall and AA, 36/36, after a short shoot-off with another Maryborough member, Travis Gull, who was relegated to second prize. First in A Grade went to Bruce Dean from Callawadda/Stawell, shooting a score of 24/25 with Mark Collins, Maryborough second. Tony Karakizos, shooting with a borrowed gun and one of our newly Maryborough registered shooters, started to improve his shooting with a 24/25 and won the B grade prize, Len Cook, from the Beaufort Club ran second. C Grade first went to Natalie Pengelly, registered with Beaufort, 22/25, with our Club Treasurer Mark Passalick, running second.



Bruce Dean



Natalie Pengelly



Tony Karakizos

In the second event of the day, a 25 target Points Score, visiting shooter Greg Hipwell from Cohuna shot a possible 75/75 to take the Overall and AA prize. Travis Gull once again placed second in this grade. The A Grade prize was won by Mark Collins 74/75, and Ted Weeks, one of our regular supporters

from Castlemaine took home second place. In B Grade, Tony Karakizos, by now determined that a new gun was a “must have”, shot 73/75 to win from Wayne Calaby, Bordertown. The C grade competition saw Lyn Obery, from the Frankston CTC shooting a score of 58/75 take first place with Daryl Holt from Walmer running second.

The final event of the day was a 25 target Continental Double Barrel. Taking his second Overall for the day, Greg Hipwell finished with a score of 52/52, beating local Stewart Forbes who took out the AA grade second place. First place and A grade with a score of 25/26 was Bruce Jennings, with Mark Collins making it three prizes for the day, coming second. Les Comensoli from the Walmer Club



Greg Hipwell



Lyn Obery



Les Comensoli



Stewart Forbes



Mark Collins

won B grade 24/25, and Tony Karakizos also picked up his third prize for the day, promising that he would be out of B grade in no time. With a new gun, I think we can expect that! Lyn Obery again won the C grade section 22/25 and Mark Passalick ran second.

The Overall High

Gun for the day went to World Champion Greg Hipwell, with a great score, 1 point down shooting 124/125. The Veteran prize was taken out by Bruce Jennings, and the Ladies award was won by Lyn Obery.

Maryborough would like to acknowledge the effort put in by those members who assisted in setting up for the day's competition and thank you to our grounds keeper Garry, for keeping the grounds looking immaculate. As always the Club canteen was staffed by one of our hard working and reliable ladies. This month Jude, assisted by grandson Manny, drew the short straw. Thank you Jude for your time and effort.

Our February DTL shoot will incorporate the Central Victorian Junior Classic, an event wholly sponsored by the Maryborough Gun Club and members. Three other events will be run in conjunction on this day and we are looking forward to seeing junior shooters and hopefully parents attend this event.



Bruce Jennings



Overall HG, Greg Hipwell

KEEP THE DATE FREE
Central Victorian Grand Prix
Maryborough Gun Club
Saturday October 26th
9.00 am

SHOOT CALENDAR

2024

May 4 – 6	QCTA State Trap Carnival	Gemfields, Central Zone
June 1	SACTA State Sporting Clays Carnival	Mt Gambier Gun Club
June 13 – 16	QCTA State ISSF Carnival	Brisbane, South-East Zone
June 21 – 23	QCTA State Sporting Carnival	Townsville, Northern Zone
July 7	VCTA State Sporting	Maryborough & District Gun Club
September 12 – 15	QCTA State Skeet Carnival	Townsville, Northern Zone
October 26	Central Victorian Grand Prix	Maryborough & District Gun Club
November 1 – 3	SACTA State Skeet Carnival	State Shooting Park

Break Badges

NAME	HOME CLUB	ACHIEVED AT	BREAK
Beechey,A	Bairnsdale	NSW State Titles	Trap 400
Bone,C	Wonthaggi	Wonthaggi	Trap 50
Brown,H	Texas	Texas	Trap 50
Buttigieg,F	Frankston	Vic State Titles	Skt 50,75
Buttigieg,J	Frankston	Vic State Titles	Skt 50,75
Chown,J	Chinchilla	Condamine	Trap 50
Clark,A	Grafton	Grafton	Cont 50
Dawkins,C	Mersey	Mersey	Trap 50,75,100,150
Ferguson,A	Wangaratta	Wangaratta	50T @ 25m
Gibbs,M	Goondiwindi	Kingaroy	Trap 100
Grimshaw,Z	Gemfields	Condamine	Trap 200,250
Harris,C	Dysart	Condamine	Trap 50
Harris,N	Noorat	Noorat	Trap 50,75
Henderson,B	Border	Wangaratta	Trap 50,75,100
Hyde,C	Wonthaggi	Morwell	Trap 50
Kerridge,A	Toowoomba	Toowoomba	Twr 50
Knight,L	West Australian	Albany	Trap 50
Maffia,G	International	SACTA State Carnival	Trap 50
Makris,S	Townsville	Vic State Titles	Skt 28g 50
Matson,G	Eumamurrin	Condamine	Trap 250
Meredith,M	New South Wales	Singleton	Trap 75
Miller,R	Frankston	Vic State Titles	Skt 20g 50,75
Moffatt,J	Wagin	Albony	Trap 50,75

NAME	HOME CLUB	ACHIEVED AT	BREAK
Moss,B	Frankston	Vic State Titles	Skt 20g 100
Muller,R	Toowoomba	Toowoomba	Trap 50
Nash,R	Melbourne	Morwell	Trap 75
Newman,D	Tamworth	Tamworth	Trap 50
Phillips,H	International	SACTA State Carnival	Trap 100
Pitsch,A	Cressy	Tasmanian	Trap 50
Rogers,G	Toowoomba	Toowoomba	Twr 75
Rumbel,K	Tamworth	Tamworth	Trap 50,75
Struggess,D	Chinchilla	Condamine	Trap 100
Sturgess,K	Chinchilla	Kingaroy	Trap 75

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Membership Number <i>(compulsory)</i>		Shooters Licence Number	
Surname <i>(compulsory)</i>	Given Name <i>(compulsory)</i>		
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Email <i>(compulsory)</i>		Post Code	
Mobile Ph Number <i>(compulsory)</i>	Date of Birth <i>(compulsory)</i>	/	/
I hereby apply for membership of the			Club
Please tick one: As a continuing, or new member, together with my application for A.C.T.A. registration for the year ending 31st December 2024. I have previously been a registered member with the A.C.T.A.			
Type of Membership: (Membership includes Insurance)			
Club Membership			\$
State/Zone affiliations if applicable			\$
A.C.T.A. Full Membership		\$128.00	\$
Partner (spouse) of a Full Member of common address		\$90.00	\$
Veteran (Eligible to apply for Pension/65 years at 31/12/23)		\$90.00	\$
Concession/Loyalty (30 years adult membership)		\$90.00	\$
Junior Membership (Under the age of 18 at 31/12/23)		\$43.00	\$
Recreational Member (Shoot TARGETS ONLY & PRACTICE at any A.C.T.A. Club)		\$64.00	\$
Levy (applies to ALL new memberships except Juniors and Complimentary Free Limited Members)		\$10.00	\$
Failure to provide all information will see your application declined and returned			Total \$
The A.C.T.A. protects the privacy and security of information provided by you. By completing this form, you agree to the use of your personal information by A.C.T.A.: to process your registration details; to disclose to Clubs affiliated with A.C.T.A. for regulated events; and for internal purposes and other opportunities presented from time to time.			
I undertake to abide by the Rules and By-laws of the above-mentioned Club, my State Association and the Australian Clay Target Association and I advise that I conform with my State of residence Firearm Regulations and shall notify my Club immediately upon non-renewal, cancellation or suspension of my shooter's licence.			
Signature		Date / /	
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