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ACTA National Skeet Overall
High Gun went to Antony
Ballarino, shooting a score
446/450.

At the Skeet Hall of Fame
dinner Antony received the
honour of being inducted into
the Skeet Hall of Fame.

Congratulations to Antony.

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ACTA CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Mal Dyson

With this year's National Skeet and Trap Championships now over, I can report that we again witnessed two excellent Carnivals.

Having arrived in Wagga a week prior to the commencement of the Carnivals I was able to assist with the ground preparation, trap maintenance and with distributing targets into trap houses. I would particularly like to thank both Terry Marsden and Robert Hunter for their assistance in preparing for both Carnivals in extreme heat.

Congratulations and thank you to Dan Power on the completion of the first stage of the Trap and Skeet Hall of Fame exhibit in the Range Conference Centre foyer. Anyone visiting the ground should take the opportunity to check out the excellent display that Dan has created. The next part of this project is the cabinetry to display all the National trophies and artifacts.

During the National Skeet Championships, in extremely hot weather conditions, we witnessed some really excellent scores. One hundred and fifty-six competitors took part in the week-long competition which included two shooters from the USA as well as 10 visiting shooters from New Zealand.

The Hall of Fame Dinner is an event well patronised by skeet shooters and their families who attend to celebrate the year's outstanding achievements of their fellow skeetees. This year it was Richard Sammon who accepted the role as Master of Ceremonies. Richard certainly made the evening flow seamlessly and I thank him for his commitment and skills in performing that role.

A buffet style dinner was also provided for the Skeet Hall of Fame Dinner, 147 patrons attended to witness the induction of Antony Ballarino into the Skeet Hall of Fame. Congratulations Anthony.

This year also saw buffet evening meals introduced on

two of the competition days, both proved very popular and were well supported and enjoyed by all.

During the Carnival I, with Board members Les Kadziela and Michael Kruger-Davis, had the opportunity to meet with the Australian Skeet Shooters Association Committee. This meeting included some worthwhile discussion relating to future objectives aimed at improving this National Event.

I also take this opportunity to congratulate Antony Ballarino on winning the National Skeet High Gun scoring a great 446/450.

After the Skeet events we had a 2-day break scheduled to prepare for the Trap Carnival. Over 500 competitors nominated, contributing to another great Carnival. Congratulations to Royce Normington on winning the Double Barrel event scoring 847/847, and also congratulations to Alexander Incani, who placed second scoring 846/847, great shooting by both competitors.

Congratulations also to Trap Carnival Overall High Gun, James Willett, shooting a score of 712/725 to take out this prestigious title.

Buffet style meals were also introduced to the Trap Carnival and were well supported. After one of the buffet meals Ross Cummings presented "Elvis Live in Concert", plus karaoke which proved to be an entertaining night and was enjoyed by all in attendance. Thank you Ross, for a great night's performance.

The Trap Hall of Fame Dinner and Presentations were held on the Wednesday evening, with probably the most-ever members and visitors attending, some 160 plus. Those in attendance were able to congratulate Tom Turner on his induction into the ACTA Trap Hall of Fame. Evening Master of Ceremonies Russell Mark, was also presented with his Life Registered Membership to the ACTA.

Congratulations Russell and congratulations also to all award recipients of the night. During the evening Russell interviewed guest speaker Greg Mathews. Greg's stories from his cricketing career playing Test Cricket for Australia was most interesting and entertaining.

On a final note, during the Trap Carnival I had the pleasure of presenting Ray and Pat Mack (EARWORX) with a plaque in recognition and appreciation of their 50 years of continuous commitment as exhibitors to the Australian Clay Target Association Nationals.

A full report of the Skeet National Championships is within this edition, while the report on the Trap Nationals will feature in the May issue.

I would like to take this opportunity to mention retiring Board members Colin Kneebone and Gary Read, and to thank them both for their time and

input whilst on the ACTA Board. Furthermore I would like to welcome Malcolm Collins and Michael Kruger-Davis to the Board who replace Colin and Gary and who I am sure will serve the Board well in their first 3 year term.

The National Trap and Skeet events for 2025 will be held at the Whiteman Park Shooting Grounds in Perth. Skeet will commence on the 2nd of April and Trap on the 10th of April. Camping on the grounds will be open to caravans and camper trailers from 12pm on the 31st of March. Swags are welcome but must be placed under a caravan awning and the erection of tents will not be permitted.



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Shooters Travelling to Northern Territory Take Note

Ammunition Sales in the Northern Territory

No doubt there has been a large amount of conversation about the changes concerning ammunition sales in the Northern Territory. There are reviews going on for the NT Firearms Act and Regulations, with this comes changes in how things are being done.

One of those is the sale of ammunition to those that hold an Interstate firearms licence when attending one of the NT's approved shooting competitions. For those that do not hold an NT firearms licence and wish to purchase ammunition, you now are required to produce your licence together with the *Recognition of Interstate Licence – Category A & B*.

To obtain the Recognition of Interstate Licence – Category A & B you are to write to the Commissioner. This is a simple email to firearmsregistry@pfes.nt.gov.au. The fact sheet does not outline what you need to provide. The minimal requirement of information is: Firearms licence number and State held, make/

brand of firearm, Model, Serial number, Action type, Calibre and dates you will be in the NT. Notice is to be made at least 4 weeks before you travel. However, July sees many shooting competitions in the NT so get in earlier to ensure your application is processed, we do not want you or the club being put at risk of litigation for not following the Act.

NT Firearms and Policy Unit have produced a fact sheet on what is going on in the NT. Darwin Clay Target Club have placed the fact sheet on its website under the competition tab for easy access or you can find it on pfes.nt.gov.au/police/firearmsweapons/licence-and-permit-information scroll down to miscellaneous documents to Interstate licence holders fact sheet.

If you have further questions on the process, please contact the firearms registry on 08 8922 3543.

See fact sheet notes following.

*Tania Harris,
Darwin CTC Secretary*



Purchasing ammunition and use of firearms in the NT by interstate licence holders

What is happening?

The Firearms Policy and Recording Unit and Northern Territory Police Legal Branch recently reviewed the operations of the Northern Territory *Firearms Act 1997* ('the Act') and Northern Territory *Firearms Regulations 1997* ('the Regulations') with respect to the sale of ammunition to persons who hold an interstate firearms licence.

The review established that the Act and Regulations does not provide any automatic ability for an NT firearms dealer or NT

ammunition retail permit holder to sell ammunition to an interstate firearms licence holder, and also identified limitations in the use of firearms in the NT by interstate licence holders.

What is the problem?

Sections 68A and 69 of the Act stipulate that ammunition can only be sold to, or possessed by, the holder of a licence. The definition of a licence within the Act does not include a corresponding licence (i.e. an interstate licence). This means that interstate licence holders cannot purchase or possess ammunition under these sections.

Section 92 of the Act enables the holder of a corresponding category A / B / C or H firearms licence to attend the Northern Territory for the purpose of participating in an **approved shooting competition**. This section allows the holder to possess and use firearms in the NT for the shooting competition, and therefore allows the **possession** of ammunition. However, it does not provide an avenue for the holder to **purchase** ammunition in the NT.

Regulation 33 of the Regulations provides that the holder of a corresponding category A or B licence may **possess** firearms in the NT for up to three months. This regulation does not provide the holder with an ability to **use** a firearm or to possess or purchase ammunition. Section 58(3) of the Act permits a licence holder to use their firearms under the supervision of a NT firearms licence holder.

Section 93 of the Act provides that the holder of a corresponding category A or B licence will be taken to be a 'licence' authorising the possession and use of firearms (of those categories) for **3 months**, provided that the holder has notified the Commissioner in writing, and subject to any directions of the Commissioner.

Section 93 of the Act further provides that the holder of a corresponding category C / D or H licence will be taken to be a 'licence' authorising the possession and use of firearms (of those categories) for **2 days**, provided that the holder has notified the Commissioner in writing, and subject to any directions of the Commissioner.

What does this mean for me?

You do not need to do anything if:

- you are the holder of a firearms licence and are attending the NT to participate in an approved shooting competition; and
- you do not need to purchase ammunition (bringing your own); or
- you are the holder of a corresponding category A or B firearms licence and you are temporarily in the NT (less than 3 months); and
- you are in possession of your firearms only

(no ammunition) and not intending to use your firearms (unless under the supervision of a NT firearms licence holder) while in the NT.

What you should do?

If you are attending an **approved** shooting competition in the NT and need to purchase ammunition in the NT, you will need to provide notification in writing to the Commissioner via the Northern Territory Firearms Policy and Recording Unit (firearmsregistry@pfes.nt.gov.au). You must provide information regarding your stay in the NT, including the firearms that will be in your possession. You will be provided with a notice formally recognising your corresponding licence to be an NT licence for the purposes of your stay. This will enable you to purchase ammunition for up to 3 months (category A or B licence) or 2 days (category C / D or H licence). When purchasing ammunition, you must produce the notice along with your corresponding licence.

If you are intending to be temporarily in the NT (less the 3 months) and wish to bring your category A or B firearms (and ammunition) to use for recreational hunting or shooting, you will need to provide notification in writing to the Commissioner via the Northern Territory Firearms Policy and Recording Unit (firearmsregistry@pfes.nt.gov.au). You must provide information regarding your stay in the NT, including the firearms that will be in your possession. You will be provided with a notice formally recognising your corresponding licence to be an NT licence for the purposes of your stay. This will enable you to also possess and purchase ammunition for up to 3 months. When purchasing ammunition, you must produce the notice along with your corresponding licence.

Any notification to the Firearms Policy and Recording Unit for either of the above purposes must be made at least 4 weeks prior to your intended travel into the NT.

Contact

firearmsregistry@pfes.nt.gov.au or 8922 3543



ACTA NATIONAL SKEET CARNIVAL

March 3 - 9, 2024



The Australian Clay Target Association (ACTA) welcomed shooters and their families to a week of exceptional competition and camaraderie at the National Skeet Carnival held at the ACTA National Grounds in Wagga Wagga.

The Skeet National Championship hosted a strong field of shooters from across Australia, New Zealand and the United States, setting the stage for exceptional shooting performances. The competitive yet supportive nature fostered vibrant atmosphere where families and friends came together.

The 2024 National Skeet Carnival thrived under the leadership of a dedicated team. Lead by Tournament Director Lynne Curtis and Shoot Marshal David O'Brien, Les Kadziela ensured the smooth running of the MCMS shooting program. This combined effort, along with a team of volunteers, created a seamless and enjoyable experience for everyone at the National Skeet Carnival.

The ACTA extends its sincere gratitude to all sponsors for their unwavering commitment to the sport. Their support makes hosting events like this possible. A special thank you goes out to competitors for their participation and cooperation. Their continued presence strengthens the event year after year.

We look forward to seeing you all in Perth in 2025.

SUNDAY MARCH 3
9th National 28 Gauge Championship
Sponsored by Power Ammo



*28 gauge Overall, Michael Buttigieg
with sponsor Don Power from Power Ammo*

On Day 1 111 shooters competed for the first event of the National Championships, the 9th National Skeet 28 Gauge Championship. There were 29 from NSW, 1 from NT, Queensland 27, SA 3, Tas 2, Vic 30, WA 7 and 12 International competitors. Making up the sections were 13 women, 6 junior, 30 veteran, 62 open. 48 shooters were AA grade,

34 A grade, 22 B grade and 7 in C grade. This event was sponsored by Power Ammo. Whilst there weren't any possibles, Michael Buttigieg from the Frankston Club took out



*28 gauge A Grade,
2nd Sam Agostino, 1st Benn Baker, 3rd Cam Gardner*



*28 gauge B Grade,
2nd Jason McLaren, 1st Kira Waldron*



*28 gauge AA Grade,
2nd Clay Baldwin, 1st Michael Dennis, 3rd Adrian Cousins*



*28 gauge C Grade,
2nd Leonie Johnston, 1st Peter McWilliam, 3rd Gregory Steinhardt*



28 gauge Womens,
3rd Sarah Bennett, 1st Deb McPherson, 2nd Lorraine Hughes



28 gauge Juniors,
2nd Austin Gibbes, 1st William Miller, 2nd Kira Waldron



28 gauge Veterans,
2nd Mal Briggs, 1st Adrian Cousens

MONDAY MARCH 4

9th National 410 Bore Championship Sponsored by Power Ammo

Day 2 and the 410 bore competition got underway on time and in excellent conditions. Power Ammo sponsored this event and we thank Don for his ongoing support.

100 shooters entered this competition and at the conclusion, as in the 28 Gauge on Day 1, not one shooter had managed to shoot the possible. Paul Saliba from NSWGC won the Overall, shooting 99/100. Paul was presented

Below: 410 Bore Overall, Paul Saliba
with sponsor Don Power from Power Ammo

Overall, shooting 123/124. Michael received the Royal Blue National Championship Sash and Silver Australia Badge and sponsor's prize. AA grade was won by Michael Dennis from USA, 122/124, Clay Baldwin (USA) came 2nd and Adrian Cousens (Bairnsdale) placed 3rd. A grade 1st was Benn Baker 101/108 (International), 2nd Sam Agostino (Cecil Park) and 3rd Cam Gardner from Korumburra. In B grade Kira Waldron (Korumburra) took the first place on 90/100, with Jason McLaren from Burnie 2nd and John Fordyce (Caboolture) 3rd. C grade winners were Peter McWilliam 80/104 from Griffith 1st, Leonie Johnston (Melbourne) 2nd and Gregory Steinhardt 3rd (Blackwater). The Women's section was won by Deb McPherson from Lake Albert, shooting 94/100, William Miller (Frankston) won the Juniors 95/100 and Adrian Cousens 98/100 took out the Veterans.



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with the Royal Blue Sash, Silver Australia Badge and sponsor's prize.

AA 1st was Michael Buttigieg 100/104 (Frankston), 2nd place went to Wayne Petersen (NSWGC) and 3rd to Jack Stockdale. (Korumburra). In A grade Benn Baker on 95/102, from International, took out the win, with Terry Marsden (Three Springs) running 2nd and Paul Johnston (Melbourne) 3rd. Laurie Chelepy from the Rockhampton Club won B grade with a score of 84/100, Peter Ballarino (Port Denison) 2nd and Michael Chelepy (Rockhampton) placed 3rd. C grade 1st went to Gregory Steinhardt 69/100 (Blackwater), 2nd to Peter McWilliam (Griffith) and 3rd to Leonie Johnston from Melbourne. Lorraine Hughes (Caboolture) 94/100 won the Women's, Austin Gibbes

92/100 (NSWGC) won the Junior award and Adrian Cousens 95/100 from the Bairnsdale Club took home the Veterans.



410 Bore B Grade,
2nd Peter Ballarino, 1st Laurie Chelepy, 3rd Michael Chelepy



410 Bore AA Grade,
2nd Wayne Petersen, 1st Michael Buttigieg, 3rd Jack Stockdale



410 Bore C Grade,
1st Gregory Steinhardt, 3rd Leonie Johnston



410 Bore A Grade,
2nd Terry Marsden, 1st Ben Baker, 3rd Paul Johnston



410 Bore Womens,
2nd Tracey Ashton, 1st Lorraine Hughes, 3rd Sarah Bennett



410 Bore Veterans,
2nd Terry Marsden, 1st Adrian Cousins, 3rd Paul Johnston



410 Bore Juniors,
2nd William Miller, 1st Austin Gibbs, 3rd Francesco Buttigieg



TUESDAY MARCH 5
25th National Skeet 20 Gauge
Championship
Sponsored by CR Kennedy Outdoor
& Hunting

139 shooters competed on Day 3, with 53 in AA grade, 50 in A, 24 in B and 12 in C. NSW was represented by 38 shooters, the NT

had 2, Qld 33, SA 6, Tas 2, Vic 36, WA 10 and 12 International. There were 2 possibles shot. The Overall went to Antony Ballarino, (Port Denison) 118/118. For his win Antony



Matt Swanton of CR Kennedy Outdoor & Hunting with Antony Ballarino, Overall National 20 Gauge Skeet Champion



20 Gauge A Grade,
 2nd Chelsea Beechey, 1st Patrick Reid, 3rd Greg Schweikert



20 Gauge B Grade,
 2nd Laurie Chelepy, 1st Jason McLaren, 3rd Glen Farmer



20 Gauge AA Grade,
 2nd Paul Saliba, 1st Clay Baldwin, 3rd David O'Sullivan



20 Gauge C Grade,
 2nd Leonie Johnston, 1st Terry Nieuwenhout, 3rd Philippa Martino

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20 Gauge Veterans,
2nd Adrian Cousens, 1st John Tonkin



20 Gauge Juniors,
3rd William Miller, 1st Francesco Buttigieg, 2nd Austin Gibbes



20 Gauge Womens,
2nd Sarah Bennett, 1st Chelsea Beechey, 3rd Lorraine Hughes

received the John Withers Memorial Trophy, Silver Australia Badge, Royal Blue Sash and sponsor's prize. Antony will have his name added to the John Withers Memorial Trophy.

USA shooter, Clay Baldwin took out AA, shooting 114/115, Paul Saliba (NSWGC) 2nd, David O'Sullivan (Frankston) 3rd. A grade 1st went to Patrick Reid 98/100 from Berrima, Chelsea Beechey (Bairnsdale) came in 2nd and Greg Schweikert (WAGC) ran 3rd. In B grade Jason McLaren (Burnie) 94/110 managed first place, Laurie Chelepy (Rockhampton) came 2nd and Glen Farmer (Townsville) ran 3rd. Terry Nieuwenhout won C grade with 84/100, Leonie Johnston (Melbourne) 2nd and Philippa Martino (NSWGC) 3rd.

The Women's event went to Chelsea Beechey, 97/100, from Bairnsdale, Francesco Buttigieg

98/100 from Frankston won the Juniors and New Zealander, John Tonkin, shooting 101/104 took home the Veterans.

WEDNESDAY MARCH 6

Open State Teams

Day 4 of the Nationals saw favourable weather once again, still in the 30's and without wind.

The day started with the shooting of State Shoulder to Shoulder Team Matches.

For the third successive year, the winning Open Team was Victoria, shooting 246/250. Team members were David O'Sullivan, Michael Buttigieg, Francesco Buttigieg, Hayden Mountjoy and James Sacchetta. 2nd was Queensland 245/250, 3rd New South Wales 242/250 and 4th South Australia 238/250.

Victoria appeared to be on a winning streak with the Women's team claiming 1st place. Members were Chelsea Beechey, Julie Freeman and Sarah Caldwell, shooting a total of 69/75. Queensland ran 2nd 67/75 and New South Wales 3rd 65/75.

The Veterans team, also from Victoria, was successful, shooting a total of 70/75. Members were Adrian Cousens, Max Oakley and Lesley Grumley. Placing 2nd was South Australia (CB) 69/75, 3rd New South Wales (CB) 69/75 and 4th Queensland 67/75.

States did not field teams in the Junior competition although the Victorian team was in attendance. They were William Miller, Kira Waldron and Hunter Crane.



Winning Open Team, Victoria. David O'Sullivan, Hayden Mountjoy, Francesco Buttigieg, James Sacchetta, Michael Buttigieg



Winning Womens Team, Victoria.
Julie Freeman, Sarah Caldwell, Chelsea Beechey



Winning Veterans Team, Victoria.
Max Oakley, Les Grumley, Adrian Cousins

Below: No junior Team competition but the Victorian Team was in attendance. William Miller, Kira Waldron, Hunter Crane



GLENN TROPHY AUSTRALIA vs NEW ZEALAND

This year was Australia's turn to host the Glenn Trophy. Shooting a perfect score of 250/250 Australia took the trophy over New Zealand, 236/250.

Australian team members were Michael Buttigieg, Matthew De Paoli, David O'Sullivan, Antony Ballarino and Lorraine Hughes, all scoring 50/50. Members of the New Zealand team were Steven Cooper 49/50, John Tonkin 49/50, Mike Ashton 47/50, Jarrod Watt 46/50 and Gregor McKenzie 45/50.



Australian and New Zealand Glenn Trophy Teams

Back row, L-R: Gregor McKenzie NZ, Jarrod Watt NZ, John Tonkin NZ, Mike Ashton NZ, Steven Cooper NZ, Lorraine Hughes AUS, Michael Buttigieg AUS. Front row, L-R: Antony Ballarino AUS, David O'Sullivan AUS, Matthew De Paoli AUS



Adrian Cousins, representing Krieghoff with Handicap winner, Sam Agostino

24th National Skeet Handicap. Sponsored by Krieghoff

Krieghoff's generosity in sponsoring this event was greatly appreciated. 142 shooters competed with 44 possibles being shot. Sam Agostino, from the Cecil Park club was successful, taking the Overall title with a score of 143/143. For his win Sam received the Colin Burt Memorial Trophy, Silver Australia Badge and Royal Blue Sash. In second place was Antony Ballarino (Port Denison) 142/143, 3rd Robert Wylie (Korumburra) 138/139, 4th Michael Crappela (Darwin) 128/129 and Kevin Mules from Mount Gambier was 5th 112/113.

Handicap 2nd Antony Ballarino, 3rd Robert Wylie, 4th Michael Crappela, 5th Kevin Mules





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Opening Ceremony

At the conclusion of competition on Day 4, the Opening Ceremony was conducted at The Range Function Centre where State Teams were presented. The official party was made up of ACTA Chairman Malcolm Dyson, ACTA EO Brett Somerville, ACTA Patron Kay Hull and Tournament Director Lynne Curtis. President Malcolm Dyson introduced ACTA

Patron, Kay Hull, who warmly welcomed shooters and their families to Wagga Wagga and spoke of her fondness for the ACTA and the sport itself.

Also, winning Shoulder to Shoulder teams were presented with their awards.

Following the official duties, a delicious BBQ buffet dinner was enjoyed by all who attended.

ACTA Patron, Kay Hull speaking at the Opening Ceremony

Opening Ceremony, ACTA Patron Kay Hull AM, ACTA Chairman Malcolm Dyson, Tournament Director Lynne Curtis





New South Wales Shoulder to Shoulder Teams



Queensland Shoulder to Shoulder Teams



Victorian Shoulder to Shoulder Teams

THURSDAY MARCH 7
Winchester 2024 Commonwealth Skeet Championship
Sponsored by Winchester

Day 5 and 146 shooters competed in the Commonwealth Skeet Championship. There were 18 women, 9 juniors, 40 veterans, with 79 competing in the open section and 12 International. There weren't any possibles shot.



Commonwealth Skeet Championship Overall, Michael Buttigieg

Overall winner was Michael Buttigieg with a score of 139/139. For his win Michael received the Adrian Hayes Memorial Trophy on which his name will be added for 2024, Royal Blue Sash, ACTA Commonwealth Badge and sponsors prize.

Clay Baldwin from US won AA with a score of 138/139. Jack Stockdale (Korumburra) was in 2nd place and James Sacchetta (Frankston) ran 3rd. In A grade Michael Raper (Wilkawatt) 101/102 won first place, with Benn Baker (International) in 2nd and Leslie Grumley (Bairnsdale) 3rd. B grade 1st went to Laurie Chelepy (Rockhampton) 95/100, Glen Farmer from Townsville ran 2nd and Mick Crapella (Darwin) 3rd. Leonie Johnston (Melbourne) won C grade with a score of 85/100, Charlie Ward of Guyra placed 2nd and Terry



Commonwealth Skeet Championship A Grade, 2nd Benn Baker, 1st Michael Raper, 3rd Lesley Grumley



Commonwealth Skeet Championship AA Grade, 2nd Jack Stockdale, 1st Clay Baldwin, 3rd James Sacchetta



Commonwealth Skeet Championship B Grade, 2nd Glen Farmer, 1st Laurie Chelepy, 3rd Mike Crapella

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Commonwealth Skeet Championship C Grade,
2nd Charlie Ward, 1st Leonie Johnston, 3rd Terry Nieuwenhout



Commonwealth Skeet Championship Veterans,
2nd Lesley Grumley, 1st John Tonkin, 3rd James Wilberforce



Commonwealth Skeet Championship Juniors,
2nd William Miller, 1st Austin Gibbes, 3rd Francesco Buttigieg



Commonwealth Skeet Championship Womens,
2nd Lorraine Hughes, 1st Elizabeth Rymill, 3rd Sarah Bennett

Nieuwenhout from Yarrawonga finished in 3rd place.

In the sections Elizabeth Rymill took the Women's 98/100, Austin Gibbes the Juniors with a score of 99/100 and John Tonkin shooting a score of 102/104 won the Veterans.

FRIDAY MARCH 8
Australia/New Zealand Postal Challenge

Open Team in qualifying order:
Michael Buttigieg 150/150, Antony Ballarino 149, Jack Stockdale 148, Austin Gibbes 148, David Muir 148, Michael Raper 148, James Sacchetta 148, Shane Bennett 147, Matthew de Paoli 147, Benn Baker 147, Mark



Australia/New Zealand Postal Challenge Junior Team



Australia/New Zealand Postal Challenge Open Team

Corbett 147, Wayne Petersen 156/160. Michael Buttigieg was the Open Team High Gun scoring 66 and received the Tri-Colour Sash.

Women's Team in Qualifying Order:

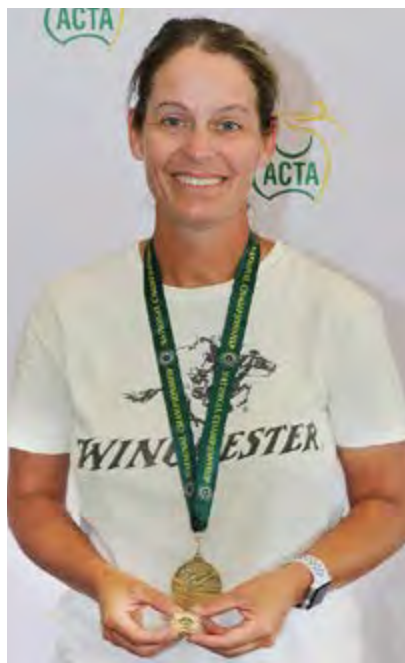
Lorraine Hughes 144/150, Sarah Bennett 143, Elizabeth Rymill 143, Julie Freeman 140, Sarah Caldwell 136, Chelsea Beechey 136. Sarah Bennett was the Women's Team High Gun winner on 49, receiving the Gold ACTA Medal.



Australia/New Zealand Postal Challenge Womens Team

Junior Team in qualifying order: William Miller 143/150, Francesco Buttigieg 141, Kira Waldron 139, Luke Given 135, Jack Griffiths 126, Charlie Ward 124. Francesco Buttigieg, 50, was the Junior Team High Gun, taking home the Gold ACTA Medal.

Below: Postal Challenge Team High Guns, L-R Junior Francesco Buttigieg, Womens Sarah Bennett, Open Michael Buttigieg with Mal Dyson





Australia/New Zealand Postal Challenge Veterans Team



*Postal Challenge Veterans Team
High Gun John Rodden*

Veteran's Team in qualifying order: John Rodden 145/150, Barry Moss 144, Kevin Mules 143, Lesley Gumley 143, James Wilberforce 143, Rob Hunter 142. John Rodden was the Veteran Team High Gun and received the Gold ACTA Medal.

Clay & Hunt 54th National Skeet Championship

Sponsored by Clay & Hunt

Total competitors for this event numbered 142 and was sponsored by Clay & Hunt. Overall winner was visiting USA shooter Clay Baldwin with a score of 137/137. Clay received recognition on the A & E Pederson Perpetual Trophy and was presented with the Silver Australia Badge, Royal Blue Sash and the Clay & Hunt cash sponsorship. Travelling from USA was proving worthwhile with Clay shooting exceptionally well during the carnival.

Michael Buttigieg, finished first in AA 136/137, 2nd went to Antony Ballarino and Wayne Petersen (NSWGC) ran 3rd. In A grade Benn Baker shooting 101/102 placed 1st, Simon Hewitt (Frankston) ran into second place and Gil Farish (Wangaratta) took 3rd. B grade saw Kira Waldron 94/100 take 1st, Mick Crapella came in 2nd and Benjamin Stratton (Boypup Brook) took 3rd place. Kira's win was



Clay Baldwin, Overall National Skeet Championship

made even sweeter due to her achieving this on her 18th birthday. Charlie Ward (Guyra) on 96/100 won C grade with Leonie Johnston 2nd and Jack Griffiths (Boyup Brook) ran 3rd.

Charlie Ward took home the Women's with a score of 96/100, the Juniors went to Austin Gibbes 99/100 and Veterans to Gil Farish shooting 110/112.



*National Skeet Championship AA Grade,
2nd Antony Ballarino, 1st Michael Buttigieg, 3rd Wayne Peterson*



*National Skeet Championship A Grade,
2nd Simon Hewitt, 1st Benn Baker, 3rd Gil Farish*



*National Skeet Championship B Grade,
3rd Benjamin Stratton, 1st Kira Waldron, 2nd Mick Crapella*



*National Skeet Championship C Grade,
2nd Leonie Johnston, 1st Charlie Ward, 3rd Jack Griffiths*



*National Skeet Championship Womens,
2nd Kira Waldron, 1st Charlie Ward, 3rd Lorraine Hughes*



*National Skeet Championship Veterans,
2nd Kevin Mules, 1st Gil Farish, 3rd John Tonkin*



*National Skeet Championship Juniors,
2nd Francesco Buttigieg, 1st Austin Gibbes, 3rd Charlie Ward*

Glenn Trophy Team Selection

The Glenn Trophy Team to represent Australia at the 2025 New Zealand Skeet Nationals was

selected over the National Handicap and the Commonwealth and National Titles. Team members in qualifying order were: Michael Buttigieg 250, Antony Ballarino 248, Austin Gibbes 247, James Sacchetta 252, Benn Baker 251. Emergencies: Shane Bennett 249, Wayne Petersen 245, Matthew de Paoli 248, David Muir 247, Mal Briggs 258.

Australian Team for USA World Championships

This team is selected over Events 3, 4, 5 and 6. Members in qualifying order were: Antony Ballarino 348, Michael Buttigieg 345, Austin Gibbes 343, Shane Bennett 358, Benn Baker 357. Emergencies: Matthew de Paoli 345, Jack Stockdale 341, Paul Saliba 340, Steven Makris 348, David Muir 347.



*2025 Glenn Trophy Team
Back: Antony Ballarino, Michael Buttigieg, Benn Baker
Front: Austin Gibbes, James Sacchetta*



*USA World Championships Team
Back: Michael Buttigieg, Antony Ballarino, Shane Bennett
Front: Austin Gibbes, Benn Baker*

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ASSA Committee person Wayne Petersen, Michael Dennis, Lorraine Hughes & ACTA Chairman Mal Dyson



ACTA Chairman, Mal Dyson during presentations

During presentations a random draw was done to award two lucky shooters free nominations for the 12G National Championship at 2025 Skeet Carnival. This was due to the generosity of the Australian Skeet Shooters Association (ASSA). Recipients were American shooter Michael Dennis and Lorraine Hughes.

At the conclusion of the presentations, the Function Centre caterer, Nathan Gale and his energetic and efficient team, served a steak and schnitzel dinner which was thoroughly enjoyed by all in attendance.

17th National Skeet Champion of Champions Sponsored by Perazzi

This event, sponsored by Perazzi, is a combination of the total of the last 25 targets shot in the 28 gauge, 410 bore, 20 gauge and the National Skeet events. One hundred and ten shooters competed and the winner was none other than Adrian Cousins with a score of 100/100. Adrian received a trophy from Casella Wines, Silver Australia Badge and Royal Blue Sash.

In AA grade 1st was Michael Dennis (US) 101/102, John Roden 2nd and Clay Baldwin 3rd. A grade went to Bill Bird (Bairnsdale) 96/100, Michael Kruger-Davis (Newcastle) ran 2nd and Pedro da Silva (Frankston) 3rd. Brian Clarke (NSWGC) won B grade with 963/100,



Mark Zielezna, representing Perazzi with Champion of Champions winner Adrian Cousins

Laurie Chelepy came 2nd with Michael Chelepy taking 3rd. The C grade title went to Isobel McLaren shooting 81/100, Leonie Johnston took 2nd place and 3rd was Gregory Steinhardt.

In the Sections Lorraine Hughes on 95/100 won the Women's division, Austin Gibbes

96/100 the Juniors and Adrian Cousens 100/100 the Veterans.



National Skeet Champion of Champions AA Grade, 2nd Michael Dennis, 3rd Clay Baldwin



National Skeet Champion of Champions B Grade, 2nd Laurie Chelepy, 3rd Michael Chelepy



National Skeet Champion of Champions A Grade, 2nd Michael Kruger-Davis



National Skeet Champion of Champions C Grade, 2nd Leonie Johnston, 1st Isobel McLaren, 3rd Greg Steinhardt



National Skeet Champion of Champions Juniors, 2nd Francesco Buttigieg, 1st Austin Gibbes, 3rd William Miller



National Skeet Champion of Champions Womens, 2nd Sarah Bennett, 1st Lorraine Hughes, 3rd Deb McPherson



National Skeet Champion of Champions Veterans, 3rd John Tonkin, 1st Adrian Cousens



SATURDAY MARCH 11
37th National Skeet Doubles
Championship
Sponsored by On Target Sporting Arms



Skeet Doubles Championship Overall, Antony Ballarino

Day 7, the final day of competition, saw the 37th National Skeet Doubles Championship shot with 131 competitors. 33 shooters competed in AA grade, 35 in A, 34 in B and 29 in C. For this event 17 women competed, there were 9 juniors, 30 veterans, 75 open and 11 International. This event was proudly sponsored by Glenn and Paulette Walker, On Target Sporting Arms.

Overall winner was Antony Ballarino shooting 102/104. Antony received the P Johnston Perpetual Trophy, Silver Australia Badge, Royal Blue Sash and prize from sponsor On Target Sporting Arms and will have his name added to the P. Johnston Perpetual Trophy.

Shooting a 101/104 and winning AA was Michael Buttigieg. Second place in AA went

to Steven Makris (Townsville) and Benn Baker placed 3rd. In A grade Francesco Buttigieg 94/100 took 1st place, Hayden Mountjoy came in 2nd and John Tonkin 3rd. Austin Gibbes



*Skeet Doubles AA Grade,
 2nd Steven Makris, 1st Michael Buttigieg, 3rd Benn Baker*



*Skeet Doubles A Grade,
 3rd John Tonkin, 1st Francesco Buttigieg*



*Skeet Doubles B Grade,
 2nd Paul An, 1st Austin Gibbes, 3rd Patrick Reid*



*Skeet Doubles C Grade,
2nd Sean Collins, 1st John Anderson, 3rd Terry Cole*



*Skeet Doubles Womens,
2nd Lorraine Hughes, 1st Aislin Jones, 3rd Sarah Bennett*



*Skeet Doubles Veterans,
2nd John Tonkin, 1st Mal Briggs, 3rd James Wilberforce*



*Skeet Doubles Juniors,
2nd Austin Gibbes, 1st Francesco Buttigieg, 3rd William Miller*

96/104 won B grade with Paul An (NSWGC) taking 2nd and Patrick Reid (Berrima) 3rd. John Anderson from Caboolture won 1st place in C grade shooting 94/100, Sean Collins (Cecil Park) was 2nd and Terry Cole from the Frankston Club ran third.

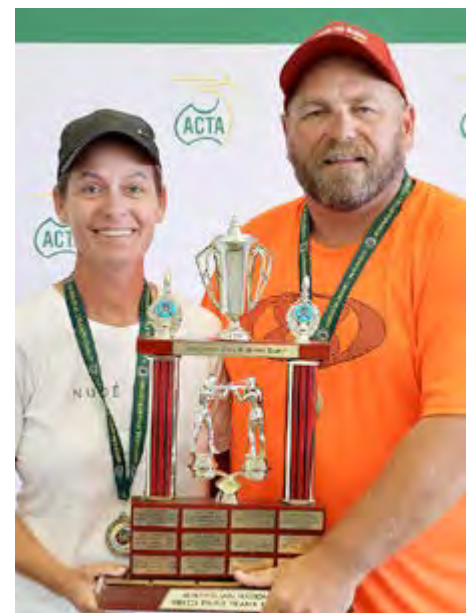
In the sections Aislin Jones 93/100 won the Women's, Francesco Buttigieg 94/100 the Junior and Mal Briggs the Veterans on 94/100.

TEAMS EVENTS

Mixed Pairs – Following on from their win in 2023, Shane and Sarah Bennett once again were the winners of the Mixed Pairs event with a score of 855/900. They were presented with the C & J Burt Mixed Pairs Perpetual Trophy and a Gold ACTA Medal each.

Two Person Team Event – Teams competed for the Adrian Cousens Perpetual Trophy with

Antony Ballarino and Jack Stockdale being the winning combination, shooting a combined score of 883/900. Both shooters received an ACTA Gold Medal.



Mixed Pairs, Sarah & Shane Bennett

Two Women Team Event – The award for this event is the NSWCTA Perpetual Trophy and



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Left photograph: 2 Person Team, Jack Stockdale & Antony Ballarino receiving the Adrian Cousens Perpetual Trophy from Adrian

Centre photograph: Two Women Team Lorraine Hughes & Paulette Walker

*Right photograph: Five Person Club Team winners, Frankston-Australian CTC
Back row: Daniel Sacchetta, Jim Kalaboukas, Michael Buttigieg
Front row: Francesco Buttigieg, James Sacchetta*

also carries with it an ACTA Gold Medal for each winner. Lorraine Hughes and Paulette Walker were successful, shooting 807/900.

Five Person Club Team – The 2024 winning team was the Frankston Australian CTC. Team members were Michael Buttigieg 443, Francesco Buttigieg 431, Daniel Sacchetta 426, James Sacchetta 432 and Jim Kalaboukas,

416, shooting a combined total score of 2148. As the winning team they received the FITASC Perpetual Trophy and each team member received an ACTA Gold Medal.

All Australian Team – Team members in qualification order were Antony Ballarino 446, Michael Buttigieg 443, Benn Baker 438, Shane Bennett 437, Jack Stockdale 437,

All Australian Team



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Bronze Wing's Anna Shedrina and Len De Candia with Carnival High Gun Antony Ballarino

Steven Makris 435, Austin Gibbes 435, Greg Schweikert 433, James Sacchetta 432, Mark Corbett 440. Each team member received an ACTA Gold Medal.

BRONZE WING HIGH GUNS

The prestigious Overall National High Gun went to Antony Ballarino, shooting an impressive total of 446/450. Antony will have

his name inscribed on the Cec Herbert Perpetual Trophy. He also received the Gold Australia Badge, Royal Blue Sash and shotshells from Bronze Wing.

AA grade High Gun went to Michael Buttigieg 443/450, A grade to Benn Baker on 438/450, B grade to Laurie Chelepy 415/450 and C grade to Charlie Ward 380/450. Each of these winners received an ACTA Gold Medal, Royal Blue Sash and shotshells from sponsor Bronze Wing.

The Women's High Gun went to Lorraine Hughes 424/450 who was rewarded with the

Nunawading/Ringwood Regent Perpetual Trophy, Royal Blue Sash and shotshells from Bronze Wing.

The Junior High Gun award was won by Austin Gibbes, 435/450. Austin will have his name placed on the W Attwood Perpetual Trophy, received a Royal Blue Sash and shotshells from Bronze Wing.

AA Grade High Gun Michael Buttigieg



A Grade High Gun Benn Baker



C Grade High Gun Laurie Chelepy





C Grade High Gun
Charlie Ward



Junior High Gun Austin Gibbes
with Adrian Cousins



Veteran High Gun John Tonkin
with Anna Shedrina



Womens High Gun Lorraine Hughes & Anna Shedrina



ACTA/ASSA Initiative Award, Francesco Buttigieg & Austin Gibbes,
presented by Paul Johnston

The Veteran's High Gun award went to John Tonkin from New Zealand on 433/450. John will be recognised by having his name added as the 2024 winner on the Ray Melville Perpetual Trophy and he also received a Royal Blue Sash and Bronze Wing shot shells.

ACTA/ASSA Initiative Award

The ACTA and ASSA also sponsored a generous Junior Initiative Award, which carried a first place prize of \$1000.00 and \$500.00 for second. The shooter to receive \$1000 was Austin Gibbes, 442/450 and \$500 went to Francesco Buttigieg, 434/450.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

As we conclude the 2024 Skeet Nationals here at the ACTA National Grounds in Wagga, the ACTA extends its deepest gratitude to everyone who participated. What a fantastic week of shooting together. We hope you enjoyed the camaraderie, friendly competition, and the thrill of hitting those targets.

Our sincere appreciation goes out to our esteemed Skeet sponsors: Power Ammo, Winchester. We express our sincere thanks to the following 2024 National Skeet sponsors:

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The 2024 National Skeet Carnival thrived under the leadership of a dedicated team. Led by Tournament Director Lynne Curtis and Shoot Marshal David O'Brien, Les Kadziela ensured the smooth running of the MCMS shooting program. The combined effort, along

with a team of volunteers, created a seamless and enjoyable experience for everyone at the National Skeet Carnival.

We would like to acknowledge the incredible facilities and grounds team led by Nathan Gale and Grant Hinds and thank you to all the volunteers who have lent a hand! Their tireless efforts in preparing the venue for our National carnival have been nothing short of phenomenal.

The smooth operation of the Nationals begins immediately following our previous carnival. This wouldn't be possible without the tireless efforts of our dedicated office staff Judy Ferry and Jenny Robinson. We also extend our gratitude to the hardworking competition office staff, Helen Dyson and Jim Shepherd, for their invaluable contributions.

The presence of our dedicated traders contributes significantly to the vibrant atmosphere at Nationals. Their strong showing is greatly appreciated, and we look forward to collaborating with them for many years to come.

Finally, a monumental thank you to all our competitors and guests who travelled from all corners of Australia, New Zealand and as far as the United States of America. Without your participation, there would be no National Championships.

We look forward to seeing you all in Perth in 2025.



2024 STATE TEAMS

VICTORIA



Victorian Combined Team



Victorian Open Team



*Victorian Junior Team:
No Junior Competition for 2024*



Victorian Women's Team



Victorian Veteran Team

2023 STATE TEAMS

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New South Wales Combined Team



New South Wales Open Team



New South Wales Women's Team



New South Wales Veteran Team

2023 STATE TEAMS

QUEENSLAND



Queensland Combined Team



Queensland Open Team



Queensland Women's Team



Queensland Veteran Team

2024 STATE TEAMS

SOUTH AUSTRALIA



South Australian Combined Team



South Australian Open Team



South Australian Veteran Team





ACTA National Skeet Hall of Fame Dinner

March 4, 2024



ACTA Chairman Malcolm Dyson

The much anticipated 2024 Skeet Hall of Fame gathering commenced with the 140 attendees enjoying some pre-event refreshments in the ACTA Range Function Centre lounge area before making their way into the dining hall.

members in attendance and then invited ACTA Chairman, Mal Dyson, to the stage to say a few words.

Mal welcomed the Skeet shooting community and wished them well for the week ahead and thanked the ACTA staff and the ACTA Range Function Centre staff for the fabulous presentation of the venue.

Our MC, Richard Sammon, then acknowledged the tremendous support that our sponsors provide to the Skeet Nationals. This year we thank and acknowledge the following businesses:

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| Clay & Hunt | National Skeet 12g |

MC for the night, Richard Sammon, welcomed all the guests and the ACTA Board



Australian and New Zealand 2023 Glenn Trophy Teams: Kelvin Gutsell, Paul Saliba, Mason Reed, Jack Stockdale, Jackson Hann, Michael Buttigieg, Andy Peter, Glenn Walker, Clark Pirie, Shane Bennett

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ASSA Life Membership

The formal presentations then commenced with the President of the ASSA, Nigel Hughes, awarding of ASSA Life Membership to Wallace Clarke, David O’Sullivan and Michael Buttigieg.

We then moved onto recognising the wonderful shooting achievements of the 2023 shooting year.

First State Title Winners

Austin Gibbes, SA 12 Gauge Skeet Championship 2023

Darren Quinn, TAS Skeet Handicap 2023

First National Title Winner

David Muir, AUS National 20G Skeet Championship 2023

James Sacchetta, NZ National Skeet Doubles Championship 2023

VALE - Jim Turner

There was a moment of reflection on the passing of Melbourne Gun Club Life Member and much loved member of the Shooting community, Jim Turner. Jim’s contribution to his club and our sport will be long remembered and will be celebrated at a 2 day skeet shoot held at Melbourne Gun Club in early May 2024.

2023 Glenn Trophy

With the 2023 Glenn Trophy being shot in New Zealand, it was great to see the Australian Team retain the Glenn Trophy. The Australian Team of Michael Buttigieg, Shane Bennett, Paul Saliba, Glenn Walker and Jack Stockdale on a score of 245/250, defeated the NZ Team of Andy Peter, Mason Reed, Kelvin Gutsall, Jackson Hahn and Clarke Pirie on the score of 243/250.

Annual Long Break Awards 2023

20 Gauge Long Break Matthew DePaoli (145)

12 Gauge Long Break Matthew Depaoli (322)

Skeet Doubles Long Break Michael Buttigieg (111)



20 Gauge Long Break & 12 Gauge Long Break Awards went to Matthew DePaoli



Michael Buttigieg, winner of Skeet Doubles Long Break



MC Richard Sammon & Sarah Bennet who received the Ladies 12 Gauge Long Break Record Award



Sarah Bennett received the Grand Slam Award, with husband Shane, a past winner of the Award

Australian Long Break Record

Sarah Bennett was awarded the Ladies 12 Gauge Long Break Record, being the first Lady in Australia to shoot over 200 straight. Sarah has set the new record at 230 which beat the previous record of 191 held by Lorraine Hughes of Queensland.

Grand Slam Award

The Grand Slam in Skeet shooting is 200 target breaks in 12g, 100 target break in 20g and 100 target break in Skeet Doubles.

With her 230 straight in 12 Gauge, Sarah Bennett was the 14th recipient of the Skeet Grand Slam award. Notably Sarah is the first Lady to achieve this award, and joins her husband Shane Bennett as a Grand Slam award recipient. Sarah achieved her Grand Slam with:

- 100 Skeet Doubles Cecil Park 2017
- 100 Skeet 20 Gauge World Shoot 2022
- 200 Skeet 12 Gauge AUS Nationals 2023



Nigel Hughes congratulates Life Membership recipient, Wallace Clarke



Life Member, David O'Sullivan



Life Member, Michael Buttigieg

Adrian Cousens Award

The finalists for the evening were:

- Danny Sacchetta VIC 40 Points
- James Sacchetta VIC 50 Points
- Michael Buttigieg VIC 170 Points

The Adrian Cousens Medal for 2023 was won by Michael Buttigieg from Frankston Australia Clay Target Club in Victoria. Michael was presented the award by Chris Hughes.

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Finalists for the Adrian Cousens Award, Daniel Sacchetta, James Sacchetta, Michael Buttigieg



2024 Hall of Fame Inductee, Antony Ballarino



Michael Buttigieg received the Adrian Cousens Award, presented by Chris Hughes

**2024 SKEET HALL OF FAME
INDUCTEE – ANTONY BALLARINO**

Our 2024 Skeet Hall of Fame induction was a chance to learn more about Antony Ballarino, the young man from Far North Queensland who was being inducted to the Hall of Fame.

Antony joined our MC on the stage for a conversation about his journey, not just in shooting but in his life, that had bought him to this wonderful achievement in his shooting career.

Early life

Born in Mackay Queensland on the 5th of August 1998 to his parents Kylie and Peter Ballarino, Antony was 25 years of age at the time of his induction.

The family moved to Collinsville Queensland, in November 1999 where his parents purchased an Engineering and Mechanical business. Antony grew up in Collinsville, where



Antony with his family

he still lives and works to this day with his wife Caitlin and daughter Isabella.

Antony spent time as a boy trying many sports such as swimming, rugby league and rugby union before finding the sport of shooting at age 12. His secondary schooling as a boarder at The Cathedral School in Townsville was a big part of Antony's life and we heard from both his boarder master, and one of his boarding school mates via video, congratulating Antony on his induction. We also heard from Antony's maths tutor who suggested it was a great thing Antony was inducted into the Skeet Hall of Fame because it sure as hell wasn't going to be maths!

Growing Up Around the Traps

Antony was introduced to the sport of shooting by his father Peter, at the Port Denison Clay Target Club where Antony is still a member. Committee Member Col Edgerton sent in a message on behalf of the club, expressing how proud they are of his achievements.

The influence of many people has shaped Antony's shooting journey, not an exhaustive list, but people such as Mal Collins, Darryl Stevens, Aidrian Cousens, Suzy Balogh, Lauren and Russell Mark, and of course his father Peter. Antony then reflected on how he has been able to learn and take small elements from these many mentors and coaches to craft his own shooting technique which he credits as a significant reason for his success.

Starting to win...

The 2015 Australian Skeet Nationals were a breakthrough moment in Antony's shooting career. At the age of only 16 he managed to shoot one of 4 possibles of 100/100 on the penultimate day of the carnival, which happened to be the blue-ribbon event of the 12 Gauge National Title. This saw Antony enter a shoot-off with 3 others and after station 4 he was able to secure his first National Title, the youngest ever winner of the event to this day!



*Past Hall of Fame Inductee, Laurie Chelepy,
with 2024 Hall of Fame Inductee, Antony Ballarino*

This all happened before Antony had managed to win a State Title, which he duly did later that year with the Queensland State Skeet Doubles Championship.

We then heard about the many successes at State and National level through 2016 and 2017 before hearing about the 2023 Queensland State Titles in which Antony qualified for the Hall of Fame.

Shooting with his friends Steve Macris, Laurie Chelepy, Richard Sammon and friend and brother-in-law Cody Chapman, Antony won the Queensland State Skeet Handicap to finally get to the 200 points required to enter the Skeet Hall of Fame. Antony described a nerve wracking shoot-off with Cherie Reeves of Normanton Queensland where he shot 114/114 to secure the win. He then went on to win the Doubles and the High Gun at the same carnival.

Looking back on Antony's shooting career it was noted how he had not been able to travel to many State Titles other than the Queensland State Titles, largely due to his remote location in Far North Queensland. This makes his



Antony, Caitlin and baby Isabella

induction into the Skeet Hall of Fame at the age of 25 even more impressive, with 14 of his 15 State Titles coming in Queensland between 2015 and 2023.

2018 Skeet Nationals

In late April of 2018 Antony received some terrible news regarding his mother Kylie's health. After many discussions amongst the family, it was decided that Antony would still travel to Wagga Wagga for the Skeet Nationals with his girlfriend, now wife, Caitlin by his side.

For those of us fortunate enough to see Antony that year in 2018, we saw a young man that held himself with the highest levels of composure and grace, as he managed to secure 3 x National Runners-Up (Handicap, 12 Gauge, Doubles), on his way to winning the National High Gun, only 3 targets down.

All the while nobody at the shoot was aware of what Antony must have been dealing with internally with the unknown of his mother's medical condition. The family rang Nigel Hughes at the completion of the event to request he acknowledge this at the presentations. Nobody other than Antony and Caitlin were aware and it made this win even more amazing. Note it is wonderful that after such a long (and ongoing) battle, Kylie has been able to join us here to see Antony's Hall of Fame induction.

Family and the Future . . .

Antony's family have, and still, play an enormous part in his life.

Working in the family business and living close by to his parents in Collinsville, it is clear the strong bond they share. Antony was thrilled to have his parents and grandparents there on the night.

With the arrival of Isabella Ballarino on the 30th of October 2023, Antony and his wife Caitlin have some wonderful times ahead and when asked what the future holds for Antony, he described caring for his wife and daughter and spending time with his shooting friends.

Induction into the Skeet Hall of Fame

After getting to know Antony Ballarino, our 2024 Hall of Fame inductee, the MC then called on Antony's close friend and shooting companion through the years, Skeet Hall of Fame inductee Mr Laurie Chelepy to say a few words and to present Antony with his Hall of Fame Jacket.

At the time of his induction Antony had amassed 220 Hall of Fame points in his shooting career.

- 3 x National Titles
- 7 x National Runner ups
- 15 x State Titles
- AA Elite Number 34
- 8 x Australian teams
- 3 x Glenn Trophy Teams
- 6 x Tran Tasman Teams
- 7 x Queensland Postal Teams
- 9 x Queensland Shoulder to shoulder Teams
- 220 Hall of Fame points, inducted to Skeet Hall of Fame 2024

Antony is truly deserving of his induction into the ACTA Skeet Hall of Fame.



Antony Ballarino with past Hall of Fame Inductees



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2024 Sponsorship

The Sponsorship Committee are currently looking for expressions of interest for sponsors to support our 2024 NSW Trap and Skeet Carnivals this year.

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2024 Skeet Carnival

This year the NSW Skeet Carnival has been issued with a change of date.

The Carnival will now be held on the weekend of Friday 17th to Sunday 19th May at Wagga Wagga.

This change of date will hopefully be welcomed by all and be adopted as a permanent fixture in the NSW calendar.

The program for the Carnival is as follows;

Friday 17th May – 8.30am Start

Event 1 – NSW 20 Gauge Skeet Championship – 50 Targets

Event 2 – NSW 28 Gauge Skeet Championship – 50 Targets

Event 3 – NSW 410 Gauge Skeet Championship – 50 Targets

Saturday 18th May – 8.30am Start

Event 4 – NSW Skeet Doubles Championship – 50 Targets

Event 5 – NSW Skeet Handicap Championship – 50 Targets

Sunday 19th May – 8.30am Start

Event 6 – NSW Skeet Championship – 100 Targets

Event 7 – NSW Skeet Champion of Champions (shot in-conjunction with events 1, 2, 3 & 6)

This year we will be inducting Wayne Petersen into the NSW Skeet Hall of Fame, this induction will take place on Saturday evening.

Everyone is welcome to come to the Carnival, we encourage all grades, genders and abilities to come along for a fun weekend of shooting.

Camping is available through the ACTA by calling Jenny on 02 6938 2121

Nominations for this event will be through MCMS and advertised on Facebook when open





PARIS OLYMPIC SHOTGUN TEAM SUPPORT ON THE MARK

Shooting Australia has today confirmed that Russell and Lauryn Mark will join Renae Birgan (Olympic Athlete Coach) and Deserie Baynes (Olympic Team Coach) to support and enhance the preparation of the Australian Shooting Team leading into the Paris 2024 Olympic Games.



Russell Mark, Deserie Baynes, Lauryn Mark, Renae Birgan

Russell, a 6 time Olympian and dual Olympic medallist (Gold in Atlanta 1996 and Silver in Sydney 2000) and his wife Lauryn, a two-time Olympian and Commonwealth Games medallist (Gold and Silver in Melbourne 2006), will work closely with Renae and Deserie, complimenting their notable expertise and experience in the clay target shooting sport. Russell will be engaged as a specialist consultant coach for the Men's Trap Team, while Lauryn's focus will be on the Skeet Mixed Team.

With the domestic component of the Paris 2024 Olympic nomination process now complete, 12 shotgun athletes (3 Men's Trap, 3 Women's Trap, 3 Men's Skeet and 3 Women's Skeet) who have been selected based on their top 3 positions on the leaderboard, will now commence their preparation for two international competition opportunities as they continue their Olympic campaigns.

Shooting Australia's CEO Adam Sachs says, "We are delighted to have Russell and Lauryn join our

very capable Shotgun national team staff. Their knowledge and experience will enhance Shooting Australia's ability to optimise its support for our best shotgun athletes between now, and in Paris. Russell's engagement with our Men's Trap athletes will be critical to Australia securing the quota that until now has eluded us in this event."

Adam continued, "Russell will also work closely with Renae and Deserie, and High-Performance Manager, Kathryn Periac, on the planning and delivery of shotgun training camps leading into both Doha and the Games. He will travel with the Australian Team to provide technical support to the Men's Trap athletes in Doha, before World Cups in Baku in May, and Lonato in June. We are appreciative of Russell's collaborative approach and his passion for the continued success of the Australian Shooting Team."

Of his new role as a Consultant Coach Russell says "It was an honor to represent my country as an athlete and now it is time for me to give back to the Australian team in a coaching capacity. We have some amazing talent in Australia with our Women's Trap Team being some of the best competitors in the world."

"We currently do not have a Men's Trap quota and I am hopeful that my longstanding experience in this sport, both as an athlete and a coach, and as a six-time Olympian, proves beneficial to the Men's Trap team and we can achieve the goal of not one, but hopefully two quotas towards the Paris Games. I am excited to be working very closely with Mitch Iles, James Willett and Thomas Grice over the next couple of months. All three have had a great start to the year in domestic competition, and internationally, James secured a World Cup bronze medal in Morocco."

Russell and Lauryn will start working with the Men's Trap and Skeet Mixed Team athletes at a Shotgun Team training camp that will be held in Melbourne in April, prior to the teams' departure for Doha.

*Jane Vella,
SA Events and Communication Manager*



National Shotgun

Following completion of the domestic component of the Olympic Nomination Criteria for Shotgun, the following Athletes will progress through to the international phase, and have been selected to the Australian Team for the ISSF Final Olympic Qualification Championship in Doha, Qatar and the ISSF World Cup in Baku, Azerbaijan.

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PAUL ADAMS	JOSHUA BELL	KEITH FERGUSON

Team Announcement

We congratulate these twelve athletes on this very significant achievement and recognise their hard work and commitment towards their 2024 Paris Olympic campaigns.

*Jane Vella,
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2024 Warrnambool Seaside Carnival

With perfect weather conditions forecast for the weekend 184 competitors travelled to Warrnambool to compete for the \$23,000 of cash and shells on offer, commencing on Friday the 9th of February.

DAY 1

The first event was the 30 target Double Barrel Championship sponsored by Lindsey Cottes Tyres and Sinclair & Wilson Accountants. Taking overall was Dougal Simson from Mount Gambier shooting 237/237.

Winners and placings in the grades were:
AA grade – 1st David Fenn from Colac 236/2374; 2nd Wayne Hawker 146/148; 3rd Mark Newcombe 121/122. A Grade – 1st Rob Williams from Frankston CTC 55/56;



Left: Double Barrel Overall,
Dougal Simson
Below: Double Barrel AA Grade 1st
David Fenn
Right: Double Barrel A Grade 1st
Rob Williams





Double Barrel B Grade 1st
Greg Cock



Double Barrel C Grade 1st Ebony Mason
with Club President Callum Mason

The Juniors was won by Ben De Pedro from Melbourne shooting 123/124. Ladies was won by Fiona Dobbins from Myamyn shooting 30/31. The Veterans went to Greg Hipwell, Cohuna, shooting 102/103.

The second event was the 30 target graded Meterage Championship, sponsored by



2nd Garry Jennings 38/39; 3rd Andrew Evans 32/33. B Grade – 1st Greg Cock from Deni CTC 46/47; 2nd Joshua Pringle 35/36; 3rd Martin Collumb 40/42. C Grade – 1st Ebony Mason from Warrnambool 29/30; 2nd Don Hinks 28/30; 3rd David Hirth 43/46.

Carters Transports and All Seasons Nursery. The event provided for placings from 1st to 4th. The winner was Carl Freiberg from Nepean shooting 34/34. 2nd Kim Nealon from Wagga 33/34, 3rd Kane Hawker from Bordertown shooting 32/33 and 4th went to Matthew Fleming from Colac, 80/81.



Double Barrel Veteran Greg Hipwell,
Junior Ben De Pedro, Overall Dougal Simson



Graded Meterage Championship
1st Carl Freiberg, 2nd Kim Nealon, 3rd Kane Hawler



Night Points Score winners: L-R: Overall Steve Haberman, AA Grade Bill Jorgensen, A Grade Matthew Appleby, B Grade Geoffrey Palmer, C Grade Toni Hogg

The third event, a 30 target Night Points Score Championship and was sponsored by Corsivia DRC Imports and W& M Jenkins Falcon Cartridges.

Overall winner was Steve Haberman, Echuca, shooting 93/93. Winners and placings in the grades were: AA grade – 1st Bill Jorgensen from Patchewollock shooting 92/93; 2nd Peter Attard 79/81; 3rd Wayne Hawker 74/75. A Grade – 1st Matthew Appleby from Loddon District 77/78; 2nd Andrew Estcourt 76/78; 3rd Rhys Hirth 73/75. B Grade – Geoffrey Palmer from Loddon District 73/75; 2nd John Winters 71/75; 3rd Greg Cock 70/75. C Grade – 1st Toni Hogg from Cohuna



Night Points Score A Grade, Matt Appleby, Andrew Estcourt, Rhys Hirth



Night Points Score AA Grade, Bill Jorgensen, Peter Attard, Wayne Hawker



Night Points Score B Grade, Geoffrey Palmer, John Winters, Greg Cock



Night Points Score C Grade,
Toni Hogg, Kevin Terrington, Brett Kampman



Night Points Score Ladies Lisa Hawker, Veteran Frank Bagnato,
Junior Ben De Pedro

72/75; 2nd Kevin Terrington 68/75; 3rd Brett Kampman 67/75.

Juniors was won by Ben De Pedro from Melbourne shooting 70/75. Ladies was won by Lisa Hawker from Warrnambool shooting 72/75 and Veterans went to Frank Bagnato from Bairnsdale shooting 83/84.

DAY 2

Saturday's first event of the day was the 25 target Points Score Championship sponsored by Beyond Bank and Luke Williams Real Estate, which saw 166 shooters compete.

Overall winner was Sheridan Morley from the Frankston Australian CTC, shooting 147/147.

Winners and placings in the grades were: AA grade – 1st Rob Hunter from Townsville 146/147; 2nd Hecta Crawford 78/81; 3rd Fergus Connon 80/84. In A Grade 1st was Andrew Estcourt from Warrnambool 108/111; 2nd James Climas 86/87; 3rd Phillip Reading 85/87. B Grade – 1st James McKinnon from Mount Gambier 73/75; 2nd Russell Black 72/75; 3rd John Winters 83/87. C Grade – 1st Brett Kampman from Warrnambool 73/75; 2nd David Hirth 78/81; 3rd Cyril Love 75/81. Juniors went to Lachlan Veale from Noorat shooting 73/75. Ladies to Lisa Hawker from Warrnambool 74/78 and the Veterans was won by Kim Nealon from Wagga shooting 80/81.



Points Score Championship winners: L-R: Overall Sheridan Morley, AA Grade Rob Hunter, A Grade Andrew Estcourt,
B Grade James McKinnon, C Grade Brett Kampman



*Points Score Championship AA Grade,
Rob Hunter, Hecta Crawford, Fergus Connon*



*Points Score Championship C Grade,
Cyril Love, Brett Kampman, David Hirth*



*Points Score Championship A Grade,
Andrew Estcourt, James Climas*



*Points Score Championship,
Veteran Kim Nealon, Ladies Lisa Hawker, Junior Lachlan Veale*



*Points Score Championship B Grade,
James McKinnon, Russell Black, John Winters*

The second event for the day was the 25 target Single Barrel Championship sponsored by Warrnambool Toyota and Warrnambool Off Road 4 x 4.

The overall winner was Steve Haberman from Echuca shooting 51/51.

Winners and placings in the grades were: AA grade – 1st Robert Nelson from Mathoura 50/51; 2nd Wayne Hawker 40/41; 3rd Greg Hipwell 36/37. A Grade – 1st Tom Clark from Hamilton 45/46; 2nd Graham Menhennet 36/37; 3rd Daniel Rossetto 35/37. B Grade – 1st Taj Tait from Frankston 24/25; 2nd Jeffrey Hogg 26/28; 3rd Nicholas Seipolt 25/28. C Grade – 1st Val Dehne from Cohuna 28/30; 2nd Julie Hogan 27/30; 3rd Gayle McDonald 27/30.

Winning Junior was Ben De Pedro from Melbourne shooting 33/33. Ladies was won by Lisa Hawker from Warrnambool shooting 24/25 and Veterans went to Shane Stokes from Colbinabbin, 42/43.



Single Barrel winners: L-R: Overall Steve Haberman, AA Grade Robert Nelson, A Grade Tom Clark, B Grade Taj Tait, C Grade Val Dehne

The last event on Saturday was the 50 target Seaside Carnival Double Barrel Championship sponsored by J & A Shooting. Overall winner was Ian Cameron from MCC on 131/131.

Below: Seaside Carnival Double Barrel Overall Ian Cameron with sponsor Bill Jorgensen of J & A Shooting



Winners and placings in the grades were: AA grade – 1st Robert Hunter from Townsville on 130/131; 2nd Harry Clark 99/100; shared 3rd Hecta Crawford and Wayne Hawker 79/80. A Grade – 1st Lloyd Parks from Mansfield 63/64; 2nd Neil Ham 55/56; 3rd Mick Peck 70/71. B Grade – 1st Gary Pike from Warracknabel 64/65; 2nd Martin Collumb 56/57; 3rd James Wood 72/73. C Grade – 1st David Hirth from Colac 50/51; 2nd Garry Allison 49/51; 3rd Toni Hogg 73/76.



Seaside Carnival Double Barrel AA Grade Robert Hunter, A Grade Lloyd Parks, B Grade Gary Pike, C Grade David Hirth



Seaside Carnival Double Barrel Veteran Kim Nealon, Junior Lachlan Pringle, Ladies Trish Schiller

Junior winner was Lachlan Pringle from Warrnambool shooting 73/74. Ladies went to Trish Schiller from Warrnambool shooting 49/50 and the Veterans was won by Kim Nealon from Wagga, 67/68.

DAY 3

The first event was the 25 target Seaside Carnival Handicap sponsored by Winchester Australia with 156 shooters competing.

Overall winner was David Fenn from the Colac shooting 63/63, 2nd was Lloyd Parks from Mansfield on 62/63, 3rd went to John Winters of Mansfield shooting 50/51, 4th was Lachlan O'Brien from Walmer shooting 44/45 and lastly 5th was Peter Attard, Echuca, 41/42.



Seaside Carnival Handicap, L-R: 2nd Lloyd Parks, 1st David Fenn, 3rd John Winters, Winchester rep George Filippidis

Our final event was the 45 target Medley Championship sponsored by Holts Gun Shop.

Enjoying much success over the weekend, Overall winner was Kim Nealon from Wagga, shooting 125/125.

Winners and placings in the grades were:

AA Grade – 1st Robert Nelson from Mathoura, 121/125; 2nd Shane Stokes 98/100; 3rd Mark Coleman 97/100. A Grade – 1st James Climas from Mt Bogong shooting 98/100; 2nd Wayne Sanders 96/100; 3rd Matt Appleby 98/100. B Grade – 1st Nicholas Seipolt from Hopetoun shooting 97/100; 2nd Jeffrey Hogg 95/100; 3rd Dave Murray 82/75. C Grade – 1st Alan Darch from WVCTC 74/75; 2nd David Hirth 73/75; 3rd Toni Hogg 92/100.

Juniors was won by Lachlan Veale from Noorat 96/100. Ladies was Fiona Dobbins from Myamyn shooting 72/75 and Veterans went to Greg Hipwell from Cohuna on 99/100.

Carnival High Guns were sponsored by Richardson Marine and Woods Motor Cycle & Mowers.

Overall High Gun winner was Kim Nealon shooting a brilliant 250/250. AA Grade High Gun winner was Ian Cameron on 246/240. A Grade High Gun went to James Climas shooting 242/250. B Grade High Gun

winner was Taj Tait, 237/250. C Grade High Gun winner was David Hirth shooting 239/250.

High Gun for the Juniors was Ben De Pedro 240/250, Ladies Lisa Hawker and Veterans Greg Hipwell 243/250.

Congratulations to Kim Nealon on being the first competitor over the Carnival years to shoot a clean score of 250/250 over the



*Medley Championship winners:
L-R: Overall Kim Nealon, A Grade James Climas, B Grade Nicholas Seipolt, C Grade Alan Darch, AA Grade Robert Nelson*

five events listed for the weekend High Gun.

This year's Junior Encouragement award sponsored by Trish Schiller was awarded to Amy Bolwell from the Central Wimmera Clay Target Club.

The reverse draw sponsored by Winchester Australia includes all winners over the entire weekend. Winning the Browning Trap Gun was Ben De Pedro from the Melbourne Gun Club.

The Lucky Door prize was won by Val Dehne from the Cohuna Clay Target Club.

Thank you to all our sponsors for their

*Left: Kim Nealon,
Carnival High Gun
Right: Martin Collumb &
Junior High Gun Ben De Pedro*



*Medley Championship Junior Lachlan Veale,,
Veteran Greg Hipwell, Ladies Fiona Dobbins*



contribution each year, it is amazing and greatly appreciated,.

To Helen, Christine, Melanie and Burney and all who assisted in the kitchen, thank you.

Les and Melissa running the office, a great effort keeping the competition running

smoothly. Also to all the trappers keeping the traps filled over the entire weekend, your efforts were greatly appreciated.

We look forward to seeing you all return in 2025.

*Malcolm Dyson, Committee Member,
Warrnambool Clay Target Club*



*Trish Carter with Junior Encouragement Award recipient,
Amy Bolwell*



*Reverse Draw winner, Ben De Pedro
with Winchester rep, George Filippidis*



*High Guns: Overall Kim Nealon, AA Grade Ian Cameron, A Grade James Climas, Ladies Lisa Hawker, C Grade David Hirth,
Junior Encouragement Amy Bolwell, Junior Ben De Pedro, Veteran Greg Hipwell, B Grade Taj Tait*

19th Golden Crow 2 Day Championships

The 19th Golden Crow 2 Day Championships has been run and won for another year. The shoot was very successful in many ways. The WCTC committee's format for this shoot was to give the shooters value for nominations, giving \$13,300 back in cash prizes, an efficiently run the shoot, and daily time dedicated to setting legal and consistent targets on all layouts. We thank all sponsors and competitors who support this shoot.

The weather was testing but shooters are tough, and some excellent scores were recorded.

The 2023 Golden Crow winner, Craig Fitzgerald, came to defend this title and came within 1 point of being in a shoot-off to win a second consecutive Golden Crow title.

Saturday Day 1: Event 1, 50 target Des Mullins Electrical Double Barrel, thanks to Nick Mullins. (26 possibles). OA Matthew Stokes, AA



Peter Kenyon, Overall Points Score Golden Crow



Matthew Stokes, OA Double Barrel



Peter Kenyon, 1st AA Grade Double Barrel



Double Barrel A Grade, Steven Gentle 2nd & Paul Salafia 1st



*Matt Patmore,
1st AA Grade Golden Crow*



*Craig Fitzgerald,
2nd AA Grade Golden Crow*



*Bailey Henderson
2nd B Grade Golden Crow*

Peter Kenyon, A Paul Salafia, B Bailey Henderson, C Jim Lindsay.

Event 2, 50 target Level Electrical & Air, thanks, to Ben Woodhouse. (5 possibles). OA Phill Chryssovelonis, AA Drew Healey, A Glenn Rush, B Sally Evans, C Jim Lindsay.

Event 3, WCTC 25 target Handicap. 1st Ben Griffiths, 2nd Kim Nealon, 3rd Brendon Cox, 4th Erik Geltch.

Day 1 High Gun: Regional Gas, thanks to Phil Geier. Winner was Brendon Cox 125/125.

Sunday Day 2: Event 4, Wagga Clay Target Club's 100 target Points Score – 19th 100 Golden Crow. OA Peter Kenyon 299/300. This was Peter's second Golden Crow win, his first came in 2010 when he shot a perfect 300/300. Congratulation Peter. AA Matty Patmore, A Paul Salafia, B Sally Evans,



*Bob Burton,
1st B Grade Double Barrel*



*Ben Griffiths,
1st Handicap*



*Kim Nealon,
2nd Handicap*



*Erik Geltch,
4th Handicap*

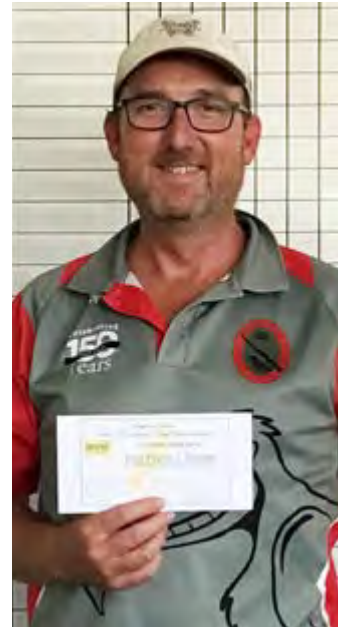
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 2 Day High Guns:
 OA Brendon Cox
 434/437. AA Peter
 Kenyon 433/437,
 A Paul Salafia
 414/425, B Sally
 Evans 406/425, C
 Jim Lindsay 385/425.
 Junior Lachlan
 Griffiths, Veterans
 Glen Castellaro
 421/425, Ladies Amy
 Smith 403/425.



*John Virtuous,
 2nd A Grade Single Barrel*



*Jim Lindsay,
 1st C Grade Single Barrel*



*Adam Browne,
 2nd C Grade Single Barrel*



*Brendan Cox,
 2 Day Overall High Gun*



*Peter Kenyon,
 2 Day AA Grade High Gun*



*Sally Evans,
 2 Day B Grade High Gun*



*Paul Salafia,
 2 Day A Grade High Gun*



*Lachlan Griffiths,
 2 Day Junior High Gun*



*Glen Castellaro,
 2 Day Veterans High Gun*

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Psychological Skills for Shooting

by Michael Kruger-Davis

How to Maintain Motivation

Motivated people achieve and get things done. Motivated shooters achieve. Achievement doesn't just mean winning. Achievement can be shooting a personal best, meeting your practise or competition goals or just having fun.

How do we know someone is motivated? They act like the activity they are doing. It is necessarily work or is it a chore.

According to Burton & Raedeke (2008), Motivation is reflected by three behaviours:

Choice: Motivation shows in the choices athletes make regarding setting goals, practising, off field training, mental rehearsal, etc.

Effort: Motivation is also reflected in how much effort the athlete or shooter gives – how intensely they train, complete strive to achieve their goals.

Persistence: Motivation levels can be seen in how long athletes persist in striving to attain their goals, especially in the face of adversity and obstacles.

Motivation can be defined using *Achievement Goal Theory*, which suggests that two major goal perspectives operate in an achievement context such as sport: a task orientation and an ego orientation. Put simply, a task orientation implies that one participates in an activity for its own intrinsic properties. The enjoyment of the game, the way we feel when we smoke the target, or catch a great wave, or sink a tricky putt. There is a great inner sense of satisfaction when we do well or when we have achieved a personal best. Ego orientation (or outcome goal orientation) on the other hand has participants striving to demonstrate

superior ability compared to everyone else or avoiding the demonstration of incompetence. Both these orientations are within all of us. For most part, ego orientation can get in the way of us achieving our best. Because we are focusing on ourselves as opposed to the task we tend to let our mind drift back to the past (where we can formulate judgements about past performances or about our ability). Ego orientation also lets us think about the future (where we can develop anxieties and worries about failure or discredit). A good way to deal with goal orientation during the competition is to focus on the process (the task: shooting the target) and let the product (the score, the trophy) look after itself.

For most people the idea of motivation involves the last minute, pre-game pep talk, where the coach gets the team aroused and motivated. This idea needs to be discarded. The proper time to work on sustaining motivation is outside the competition.

What are the long-term motivational strategies? John Eliot, writing in *The Sports Psych Handbook*, argues that motivation strategies should foster autonomy, competence and connectedness. It is interesting to note that these qualities are also inherent in mental toughness and resilience.

What can we do to foster autonomy, competence and connectedness?

Push the Edge: Find your weakness and get excited about where your game will be after you change it. Using mental rehearsal and visualization techniques can speed up the process of changing your weaknesses into strengths.

Experience success: Use mastery learning techniques to acquire new skills. By this I mean break-up the process into smaller, easier steps and do not move on until you have mastered the pre-requisite skill. It is important to keep a journal of your performances so that you know when you are more successful.

Change your thinking: It is important that only your successes go into your long-term memory. There is no need to remember past failures. It is easy to dwell on the target we missed rather than the others we hit.

Get involved: Autonomy directly improves motivation, and the greatest contributor to autonomy is having some control or input into the decisions that affect you. You should feel some ownership of the training rules, competition choices, and strategy decisions.

Praise others: You will not be able to see the positive and exciting aspects of your performance, if you can't see the positives and exciting things of others. Delight in someone else achieving a personal best or winning the event. Also you will develop a sense of connectedness when you have an awareness of the contributions others make.

Put yourself first: As human beings, we are least productive when we are distracted by conflicting basic drives. By this I mean that you cannot perform well if you are hungry, dehydrated or tired. Make sure you eat properly, stay hydrated and get enough rest.

Find motivated peers: Both on and off the tracks spend time with people who want to accomplish great things, and aren't afraid to talk about it or get excited about your dreams and vision. Effective support is vital for motivation.

It is also important to avoid those "motivational black holes"; those people who are negative, critical, and focus on the distractions and what cannot be achieved.

Think Positively: There is always a conversation going on in your head, it is

usually subconscious. If you start paying it conscious attention, then make sure it is positive and focuses on what you can do. Don't get hung up on difficulties, distractions and losses. If a negative thought appears, acknowledge it, but ask yourself will it help you achieve your goals? If not discard it for a more positive thought.

Remember your Dream: Spend time frequently reconnecting with the real reason you are competing. Don't be disheartened by losing or failure. Just learn from the experience.

For the individual or the coach, several aspects regarding motivation are important. Firstly, motivation starts with a sense of purpose. Remember that intrinsic, process orientated motivation (focusing on the process of shooting the target) is preferred to extrinsic, goal orientated motivation (focusing on the result, prize, etc).

Secondly, does the athlete see a difference between just beating his opponents and making personal best performances.

Next, with respect to team sports, are the team members focused on what the team can achieve or are they concerned with their own individual performances.

Finally, work out what values are important for the athlete, and is the athletes behaviour a mirror of these values.

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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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Competition Results



TCTA

Central Highlands 18/02/2024

Fine (27): 50T PS: AA: L Kenny 150/150; A: R Phair 144/150; B: S Ellis 138/150; C: P Spaulding 125/150; 50T SB: AA: C Kenny 49/50; A: G Ellis 45/50; B: S Ellis 41/50; C: K Gough 42/50; HG: AA: L Kenny 197/200; A: A Kenny 187/200; B: S Ellis 179/00; C: P Spaulding 164/200.

Spring Bay 10/02/2024

Warm, light breeze (22): 20T DB

CD: AA: C Kenny 20/20, A Phillips 20/20; A: Jake Glover 20/20; B: C Arnol 20/20, G Pyke 20/20; C: A Sculthorpe 19/20; 50T DB CS: AA & OA: A Bennett 150/150; A: Jake Wilson 147/150; B: D Richardson 151/159; C: A Creed 137/150; 30T CONT DB: AA: L Kenny 30/30; A: G Ellis 37/38; B: D Richardson 47/48; C: A Creed 28/30; OA HG: C Kenny 198/200.



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Cowra 02/03/2024

Muggy (19): 25T Gr DB CD: AA: D Burt 25/25, T O'Leary, J Finn, G Serafin 24/25; A: D Piotrowski 25/25, N Donnelly, C O'Leary, M Drury 23/25; B: K Hunt 25/25, D McMillan, N Crisp, P Rosconi 22/25; C: I Crisp 20/25, J Firth-Crisp 16/25; Cowra Gun Club MT CS: OA: D Burt 92/95; AA: J Finn 91/95, T O'Leary, J Nash 90/95; A: D Piotrowski, M Drury 82/95; B: D Hammond 88/95, D McMillan 81/95; C: I Crisp 75/95, J Firth-Crisp 66/95; HG: OA: D Burt 117/120.

Grafton 11/02/2024

Cloudy, no rain (16): 25T DB CD: AA: I Schwartz, M Formaggin 25/25; A: K Aitken, R Gardiner, A Tucker 24/25; B: D Formaggin 22/25, T Schneider 21/25; C: K Schwartz, Z Balint 22/25; 50T President's Shield (25T DB - 25T SB): Open: M Formaggin 47/50; AA: M Formaggin, G Harvey 47/50; A: P Westbury 60/67, R Gardiner 58/66; B: D Formaggin 47/60, T Schneider 45/60; C: K Schwartz 43/50, J Hoy 35/50; 50T PS, CD: AA: M Formaggin 148/150, G Harvey 146/150; A: R Gardiner 139/150, P Westbury 137/150; B: T Schneider 133/150, D Formaggin 125/150; C: Z Balint 119/150, J Hoy 114/150; Open: M Formaggin 220/225.

Majura Park 07/02/2024

Windy (21): 40T Twilight SB

CS: OPEN: D Power 39/40 7/7; AA: M Patmore 39/40 6/7; A: R Southwell 34/40; B: A Jarvis 35/40; C: W Simon 32/40; 50T UT Grd Competition: OPEN: A Scott 46/50; OPEN: R Fleming 46/50; AA: B Burgess 43/50; B: M Skinner 42/50, D Jarvis 42/50, G Harris 42/50; C: D Sasse 38/50, C Ewing 38/50.

Majura Park 18/02/2024

Hot, calm and sunny (12): 100T Universal Trench Championship: OPEN: K Nealon 95/100; AA: P Matthews 91/100; A: D Power 93/100; B: P Body 85/100; C: D Reed 84/100.

Majura Park 28/02/2024

Hot (23): 50T DB Twilight CS: OPEN: D Jarvis 129/129; AA: B Burgess 128/129; A: D Brighenti 49/50; B: A Jarvis 49/50; C: C Ewing 44/50.

Majura Park

Warm and cool breeze (27): 10T PS EO: OPEN: W Cameron 30/30, J Goldstraw 30/30, A Smith 30/30, D Jarvis 30/30, M Skinner 30/30, B Burgess 30/30. 50T PS Honour Board Club CS: OPEN: M Skinner 150/150; AA: D Jarvis 148/150, G Barton 146/150; A: W Cameron 145/150, P Jenkins 141/150; B: N Hitchenson 134/153, K Cox 133/153; C: W Smith 123/150, D Onorato 122/150; LAD: A Smith 145/150; VET: G Serafin 143/150. 25Pr D/R Honour Board Club CS: OPEN: D Power 47/50; AA: M

Patmore 54/60, G Barton 53/60; A: M Skinner 46/50, B Burgess 45/50; B: D Jarvis 43/50, M Hackett 48/60; C: A Walsh 43/60, B Frost 41/60; LAD: A Smith 40/50; VET: D Reed 44/50. HG: OPEN: M Skinner 226/230.

Richmond River 18/02/2024

(46): 25T HC: 1st: A Snelling 25/25, 2nd: Scott Smith 31/32, 3rd: Ricky Jones 30/32, 4th: B Wild 25/27; 50T PS CS: OA & AA: Dan Johnson 148/150 (151/153), M Formaggin 148/150 (148/153);

A: M Hampson 145/150 (154/159), T Hart 145/150 (189/195); B: J Oliver 146/150, Jaidan Johnson 140/150; C: T Milgate 128/150, A Kings 116/150; 50T DB CD: AA: P Batson, J Langridge, Ricky Jones 50/50; A: K Connor, A Snelling 49/50; B: P McKenzie, Jaidan Johnson 48/50; C: B Copper 45/50, T Milgate 42/50; OA HG: Dan Johnson 220/225; Intermediate HG: J Oliver 216/225.



WACTA

Peel 21/01/2024

(54): 100T DB: OA: R Guadagnino 99/100; AA: R Riggs 120/122, C Browne 119/122, P House 111/114; A: W Kuser 101/102, F Pradera 100/103, P Hadida 97/100; B: R De Sousa 97/100, B Evans 96/100, D Cardwell 95/100; C: R Carmichael 94/100, D Evans: 91/100, J Evans 89/100.

Peel 25/02/2024

26 and very windy (31): 75 Medley: O/A& AA: W Kuser 124/125, R Riggs/R Herridge 163/175, T Burnard/G Walker 139/150; A: A Brown 121/125, M Voke 113/125, G Scott 112/125; B: R Bailey 115/125, D Cardwell 114/125, C Stevenson 112/125; C: K Wilkinson 112/125, P Bainbridge 102/125, P Johnson 98/125.



QCTA

Brisbane 25/02/2024

Warm (56): 25T DB CD: AA: R Turner, G Langridge, L Anderson, J Rapisarda, J Porter, M Swale, A Taylor 25/25; A: G Crouch, R Chounding, G McClymont, C Koutsakis, R Jones, C Christopher, M Davis, P Freeleagus, A Eagle, M Welk, C Gurski, R Spencer 25/25; B: G English 25/25, S Baumer, D Smith, D Rodger, N Gorman, J Shand, D Young 24/25; C: J Voutounos 19/25, P Parnwell 18/25; 50T PS: AA: G Langridge 167/168, M Le Mura 166/168; A: S Cannizzaro 150/150, C Koutsakis 149/150; B: N Gorman 147/150, D Smith 146/160; C: J Voutounos 128/150, P Parnwell 118/150; Congratulations to Sam Cannizzaro for winning the 1938 Alf Thurlow Cup; 25T SB: AA: P Naude 28/28, M Swale 27/28; A: M Davis 25/25, C Gurski 27/28; B: D Young 24/25, J Shand 24/26; C: P Parnwell 17/25, J Voutounos 15/25; 25T HC: P Naude 43/43, J Langridge 42/43, A Scalia 39/39, G Pincham 37/38; HG: OPEN: G Langridge 221/225; AA: M Swale 220/225; A: M Davis 230/237; B: N Gorman 216/225; C: J

Voutounos 185/225.

Brisbane 28/02/2024

Warm (29): 75T SB: AA: M Davis 75/75, A Incani 74/75; A: C Koutsakis 69/75, R Muller, B Wiseman, G Buchanan 66/75; B: R Davies 66/75, B Buncic 62/75; C: F Kneller 63/75, J Voutounos 47/75.

Bundaberg 02/03/2024

Hot & humid (12): 25T SKT OG CD: A T Delley 21/25; B: A Spinks 21/25; C: B Morrissy 21/25; 25T SKT CS: OA: T Delley 24/25; A: T Delley 24/25; B: A Spinks 23/25; C: B Saunders 22/25; 25T SKT HC: 1st L Hobson 25/25, 2nd I Wynyard 25/25, 3rd D Large 24/25.

Bundaberg 03/03/2024

Very hot and humid (40): 25T OG CD: AA: D Large 25/25; A: B Harker, J Trill 25/25; B: V Gee 25/25; C: B Fisher, S Pearce, K Charteris 25/25; 25T SB CS: OA: D Large 24/25; AA: D Large 24/25; A: I Wynyard 23/25; B: T Harker 24/25; C: C Large 23/25; 25T GR HC: AA: G Mathews 25/25; A: P Rehbein 24/25; B: T Harker 25/25; C: C Large 25/25;



Queensland Clay Target Association Inc.
STATE TRAP CARNIVAL



Gemfields Clay Target Club

Saturday 4th May to Monday 6th May 2024

Saturday 4th May – 8.30 am

Event 1 - 25 Pair State Double Rise Championship

Overall – QCTA Silver Badge, Sash, Cash/Sponsor Prize, Perpetual Trophy

Event 2 - 50 Target State Double Barrel Championship *Sponsored by Curley Cattle Transport*

Overall – QCTA Silver Badge, Sash, Winchester Perpetual Trophy
 Ossie & Doug Smith Trophy, Cash/Sponsor Prize

2 Person Teams conducted over Events 1 – 5. All teams must be nominated prior to commencement of Event 2.

Saturday Night 4th May – 7.00 pm

Zone Shoulder to Shoulder Teams Events – Under lights

Sunday 5th May – 8.30 am

Event 3 - 50 Target State Single Barrel Championship

Overall – QCTA Silver Badge, Sash, Cash/Sponsor Prize, Perpetual Trophy

Event 4 - 50 Target State Handicap

Overall – QCTA Silver Badge, Sash, Cash/Sponsor Prize Prizes 1st – 5th

Monday 6th May – 8.30 am

Event 5 - 50 Target State Point Score Championship

Overall – QCTA Silver Badge, Sash, Cash/Sponsor Prize Perpetual Trophy

Events 1, 2, 3 & 5: Medals & Cash Awards/Sponsor Prize 1st 2nd & 3rd AA, A, B & C Grades.

Events 1, 2, 3 & 5: Conducted in conjunction the 33rd State Ladies, Junior & Veterans C/Ships. Sash for best in each Section



WINCHESTER

Winchester are proud Sponsors of the 2024 State Trap Carnival donating a

Winchester | Huglu Trap Black Edition 30" Adjustable (winchesteraustralia.com.au) to the Overall High Gun Winner

INTER STATE TRAP TEAMS POSTAL MATCH

Postal Team Selection from Events 2, 3 & 5. Open - Top 15, Ladies, Junior & Veterans – Top 6

The combined total of the 3 Elimination Events plus the Team scores will then determine the Shoulder-to-Shoulder State Teams.

5 Person Open Team – 3 Person Ladies, Junior & Veterans Teams.

OVERALL HIGHGUN: *Sponsored by Winchester* - RACQ GIO Perpetual Trophy, QCTA Gold Badge, Sash & Cash/Sponsor Prize

QUEENSLAND CHAMPION: Total of Events 2, 3 & 5 + Team score. G.R. & M. Porter Perpetual Trophy & Sash

GRADE HIGHGUNS: *Sponsored by Barry Lansdown*

LADIES, JUNIOR, VETERANS & SUPER-VETS HIGHGUNS Sash & Cash/Sponsor Prize

Sponsored by Amanda's Virtual Assistance & Qld Police CTC

Thank you to Qld Police CTC for their continued sponsorship of Qld Juniors.

TEAM HIGHGUNS: Sash **2 PERSON TEAM:** A.B. Long Perpetual Trophy & Cash Awards

Plus: The 5-person top club team challenge will be contested at this carnival!

Open Noms \$250, Ladies/Veteran \$225, Junior \$188 – Full program

Juniors - 75% of open nominations if shooting the full program.

Ladies & Veterans - 10% discount of open nominations if shooting the full program.

Pre-Nominations via MCMS. Pre-nominations close 1 May 2024 at 11.59pm. Nominating at the Carnival will incur a fee of \$10 per event.

★ Prize money paid proportionate to nominations in grades ★ Shooters eligible to win multiple sashes/prizes relevant to grade & section.

The Committee reserves the right to alter the program.

For further information: **QCTA President Gerard Battiato 0417 607 895 or Amanda O'Brien 0458 663 080**



ROMA CLAY TARGET CLUB INC



110th Anniversary Shoot & Celebration

DATE CLAIMER

Full Noms \$200; Reduced Noms (VLJ) if shooting the whole program \$150

FRIDAY, 11TH OCTOBER

Practice – 12.00 p.m. till 5.00 p.m. \$10 for 25 targets

5.30 p.m. Dinner Free Welcome BBQ

SATURDAY, 12TH OCTOBER 9.00 am

- Event 1 25T Roma DB Points Championship \$20**
O/A \$1000, 1st \$300, 2nd \$100, 3rd \$50 in each grade
- Event 2 25T Roma SB Championship \$20**
O/A \$1000, 1st \$300, 2nd \$100, 3rd \$50 in each grade
- Event 3 30T Roma Handicap (Incorporating the Queensland Challenge Shield) \$30**
1st – 5th Engel Fridges
- Event 4 50T Roma DB Championship \$40**
Shoot off – 100 Target Double Barrel, then revert to Points continuing under lights
O/A Tikka T3X .223, 1st Tikka .22, 2nd \$150, 3rd \$80 in each grade

BIGGEST RUMPS IN THE WEST 1 KG - GRAIN FED \$30

SUNDAY, 13TH OCTOBER 8.00 am

- Event 5 25T DB Points, Oliver Trophy, Bob Bryant Memorial \$20**
(Incorporating the Kilima Shield)
O/A \$1000, 1st \$300, 2nd \$100, 3rd \$50 in each grade
- Event 6 15 Pair Maranoa DR Championship \$30**
O/A \$1000, 1st \$300, 2nd \$100, 3rd \$50 in each grade
- Event 7 50T Maranoa DB Continental Championship \$40**
O/A \$1500, 1st \$500, 2nd \$150, 3rd \$80 in each grade

All Events \$200

Highguns: OA \$1000; AA, A, B, C \$300; L, V, J \$200

Pre-nominations will be available through My Clubs My Scores
<https://live.myclubsmyscores.com/tabs/shoots>



Beretta Servicing will be available on site

Powered Sites available @ \$20 per night.
Sites not booked until paid for, call 0476 674 514





ROMA CLAY TARGET CLUB INC



110th Anniversary Shoot & Celebration

DATE CLAIMER

- 2 days, 6 events, 235 target program for \$200/\$150 LJV
- \$41,000 event prizes
- \$35,000 minimum lucky door prizes drawn Sunday thanks to Beretta – must be present
- Friday Night Free BBQ
- Sat Night Biggest Rumps in the west . . . 1KG Grain Fed \$30
- Sat Night 4 x \$500 shooters draws – must be present

Rules for the Beretta Lucky Door Prizes



The Major Sponsor for the Roma Clay Target Club Lucky Door Prizes is Beretta Australia

The Roma Clay Target Club Incorporated – Lucky Door Prize Rules

- Any ACTA registered shooter who ENTERS all events at the 2024 Roma Two Day Trap Carnival will automatically be included in the Lucky Door Prize Draw.
- All shooters and any person so entered whom for whatever reason does not shoot any or all events will remain in the draw but must be present at the draw.
- Any person so entered, winning a prize will be removed from further draws. To clarify any person so entered is eligible to win only one prize.
- Only Juniors are eligible for the Junior Bonus Draw.
- Prizes will be drawn in the following order: 1st, 2nd, 3rd and Junior Bonus Draw.
- Prizes are as follow

1st.	Beretta DT11 DTL Step Rib 31"	\$17,900
2nd.	Beretta 694 DTL NM Step Rib 30"	\$8,399
3rd.	Beretta Silver Pigeon Special Edition Numbered Sporter 30" Grade 3 Timber	\$4,619



- Junior Bonus Draw Prize: Beretta Silver Pigeon Special Edition
Numbered Sporter 30" Grade 3 Timber \$4,619
- Junior Bonus Draw Sponsored by Pumps N Solar **Total Value \$35,537**

The draw will take place immediately following presentation on the Sunday evening of the shoot.

If the exact prize is not available at the time of the presentations the committee reserves the right to substitute with a prize of similar type and value.



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:-

Hydraulink Toowoomba (Major Sponsor)

Kotzur, Kat Concrete Pumping, Orford Bitumen, Toowoomba Mower Centre,
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



Q.C.T.A. Central Zone Skeet Carnival

300t Competition

26th → 28th April 2024

Proudly Sponsored by:



Nominations preferred online at MCMS – opening 1st April.

Day	Event	Description	Price	Notes
Friday 26 th April: 3pm Start	Ev.1	Optional 50t: QCTA CZ 20 & 28 Gauge Combined Skeet Overall Sash, 1st & 2nd in AA, A, B & C grades.	\$45	Not included in full program
		12 Gauge Practice from 3pm	\$10	
Saturday 27 th April:	Ev.2	100t QCTA CZ Skeet Championship Incorporating "The Chelepy Challenge" Overall Sash, 1st & 2nd in AA, A, B & C grades.	\$80	
Saturday Night	Ev.3	50t QCTA STATE Night Skeet Championship State Overall Sash, 1st & 2nd in AA, A, B & C grades.	\$50	
Sunday 28 th April:	Ev.4	50t QCTA CZ Skeet Handicap 1 st - \$1,000 & Sash 2 nd - \$500 3 rd - \$250 4 th - \$150 5 th - \$100	\$45	
	Ev.5	50t QCTA CZ Skeet Doubles Championship Overall Sash, 1st & 2nd in AA, A, B & C grades.	\$45	

High Guns

- Overall
- AA, A, B & C grades
- Ladies
- Junior
- Veteran

Total if shooting full program: \$220

Total if shooting full program(L,J,V): \$195

Full camping available incl. powered sites

CZ Postal Teams selected on Event 2

- Open Team top 6
- Veteran top 3
- Ladies top 3
- Junior top 3



Committee reserves the right to alter the program.

Kitchen Operating (Fri night → Sunday)
Bar Open All Weekend
Ammo Available

Good Times Guaranteed

Email: rockhamptonctc@outlook.com

Or message our Facebook page.



15PR D/R: A: D Large 24/30; B: B Harker 22/30; C: M Holmes 23/30; HG: OA: D Large 96/105; SJ: Connor Large 64/105.

Burdekin 11/02/2024

Hot and Sunny (44): 15T PS: AA: G Caruso 45/45, R Collinson 44/45; A: B Micallef 44/45, 42/45 C Ferguson, J Scalia, D Stitt; B: S Rossato 44/45, M Simpson 42/45; C: B Bonanno 43/45, A Le Blowitz 42/45; 100T DB: OA: W Cislowski 100/100; AA: R Gough 199/201, G Caruso 198/201; A: J Scalia 107/108, G Sebastiani(Jnr) 106/108. B: J Cerqui 98/101, G Dalton 97/101; C: P Scott 90/103, R Stanhope 89/103.

Caboolture 11/02/2024

(22): 50T CD: AA: P Harris 49/50; A: E.Benjamin A Emmett 49/50; B: M Knight 49/50; 50T CS: AA: L Hughes 50/54, G Walker 49/52; A: J McKendrick 49/50, C Pedler 48/50; B: D Mabbutt 49/50, S Hook 48/50; 50T Dbls: AA: G Walker, N Hughes 44/50; A: D Baird 45/50, P Walker 39/50; B: S Hook 44/50, E Benjamin 41/50; C: A Davey 40/50, P Harris 37/50;

OA Open: D Baird 140/150; AA: G Waker 137/150; A: A Emmett 138/150; B: S Hook 136/150.

Caboolture 03/03/2024

Cloudy & Humid (39): 30T DB CD: AA: W Wiemers, C Witt, A Incani 30/30; A: G Buchanan, M Welk, S Shariati Rad, W Yet Foy 30/30; B: A Aitchison 30/30, C Helwig, B Buncic 29/30; C: R Hennessy 30/30, B Phillis, K Aitchison, A Munforte 29/30; 30T DB HC: 1st: R Hennessy 30/30, 2nd: A Munforte 29/30, 3rd: M Reid 29/30; 30T DB HC: 1st: W Yet Foy 30/30, 2nd: S Shariati Rad 29/30, 3rd: C Helwig 29/30; 30T DB HC PS: 1st: R Hennessy 86/90, 2nd: M Reid 86/90, 3rd: A Munforte 85/90; OPEN: 1st: R Hennessy 174/180, 2nd: M Reid 169/180, 3rd: A Munforte 168/180.

Gold Coast 07/02/2024

Wet & Windy (32): 75T Night Medley: AA: N Thurston 119/125, J Rapisarda 117/125; A: R Chounding 116/125, G Pincham 188/200; B: D Smith 117/125, D Cokley 108/125; C: H Roach 111/125, G Rogers 109/125.

Gold Coast 09/02/2024

Damp (39): 25T SEZ Night SB CS: OA: M Chounding 34/35; AA: B Jurd 35/37, G Langridge 34/37; A: G Pincham 33/35, R Chounding 24/26; B: V Vaina 21/25, P Sorby 20/26; C: D Louw 17/25, J Jonklaas 16/25; 50T State Night CONT DB CS: OA: G Langridge 94/95; AA: A Incani 90/92, J Rapisarda 70/72; A: G Pincham 58/61, M Voutounos 57/61; B: M Chounding 93/95, D Smith 51/56; C: D Louw 33/50, J Jonklaas 32/50; JNR: R Chounding 45/50; LAD: E Guy 45/50; VET: K Stevens 48/50.

Gold Coast 10/02/2024

(70): 25T DB PS CD: AA: B Jurd, A Incani 74/75; A: G Carew 74/75, M Le Mura, T Morony, P Freeleagus, S Weeden, C Witt 73/75; B: O Wood 73/75, T McKenna 72/75; C: D Louw 66/75, L Casella 66/75; 25T SB CS: OA: S Harker 29/29; AA: G Langridge 28/29, B Sanderson 26/27; A: S Weeden 28/29, G Christopher 27/28; B: E Snelling 24/25, O Wood 23/25; C: D Louw 21/25, J Hansen 21/26; JNR: J Langridge 23/25; LAD: E

Guy 22/25; VET: J Porter 28/29; 50T DB CS: OA: B Sanderson 62/62; AA: K Jarick 61/62, G Langridge 56/57; A: E Guy 63/64, A Herron 62/64; B: J Shand 54/55, V Scrooby 49/50; C: L Casella 54/56, D Louw 53/56; JNR: J Langridge 49/50; LAD: J Moore 48/50; VET: C Witt 49/50; 25T DB CONT CD: AA: R McFadyen, A Incani, G Langridge 25/25; A: M Le Mura, M Voutounos, G Carew, Peter Lynch 25/25; B: O Wood, E Snelling, D Smith 25/25; C: C Faull 25/25, J Traves 23/25; 50T DB CONT: George Sckaf Memorial: OA: C Witt 50/50; AA: J Langridge 62/63, J Porter 61/63; A: M Le Mura 57/58, R Chounding 56/58; B: P Van De Langenberg 49/51, D Cokley 48/51; C: C Faull 43/50, D Louw 38/50; JNR: H Van De Langenberg 46/50; LAD: J Moore 56/57; VET: K Stevens 49/50; 20 Pr D/R: OA: G Langridge 46/50; AA: A Incani 33/40; A: J Langridge 41/50, S Steenstrup 35/40; B: G Christopher 34/40, S Weeden 33/40; C: H Van De Langenberg 49/60, B McDonald 45/60; JNR:

SAVE THE DATE

OCTA 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



R Chounding 30/40; LAD: E Guy 34/40; VET: C Witt 47/60; HG OA: G Langridge 256/265; AA: A Incani 253/265; A: C Witt 250/265; B: P Van De Langenberg 236/265; C: C Faull 217/265; JNR: J Langridge 251/265; LAD: J Moore 246/265; VET: J Porter 246/265.

Port Denison 25/02/2024

Overcast and warm (17): 60T Medley: AA: M Zabala 98/100, R Collinson 92/100, R Gough 89/100; A: K Zarb 95/100, D Stitt, C Edgerton 91/100; B: D Bartlett 85/100, C Betteridge 79/100; C: N Munro 88/100, M O'Reilly 84/100, T Bartlett 80/100; 20T DB HC: 1st G Maltby 20/20, 2nd A Lord 31/12, 3rd J Cerqui 30/32; 20T DB CONT Sweepstakes: AA: G Maltby 20/20, R Gough 19/20, R

Collinson 18/20; A: D Stitt 19/20, J Cerqui, K Zarb, C Edgerton 17/20; B: D Bartlett, C Betteridge 18/20; C: N Munro 20/20, T Bartlett 15/20, G Clarke 14/20.

Texas 25/02/2024

Hot & Fine (30): 25T DB Cash Sweepstakes: AA: B Wehl, S Nothdurft 25/25; A: S Coventry, W Bradfield 25/25; B: R Shelton 24/25, G Gibbs, K Stevenson, D Harwood, J McNaulty 22/25; C: M Lang 25/25, K Wright 23/25; 100T Mxd Targets (50T DB, 50T PS): OA: B Kneipp 199/200; AA: B Farlow 198/200, C Donovan 196/200; A: D Turvey 197/200, S Coventry 212/220; B: J McNaulty 185/200, D Turner 183/200; C: M Lang 183/200, E Grace 177/200.



VCTA

Ararat 03/02/2024

Fine and warm (35oC) (34): 10T PS E/O CD: G Horrigan 30/30, M Walls 30/30, W Calaby 30/30, A Bolwell 30/30, M Newcombe 30/30, R Shirley 30/30; 40T PS Gr CS: AA: A Bolwell 120/120, I Tebble 118/120; A: S Ringin

119/120, B Dean 114/120; B: G Pike 115/120, B Sands 114/120; C: P Turner 119/120, S Odgers 111/120. OA: A Bolwell 120/120; 40T DB Gr CS: AA: S Forbes 56/56, A Bolwell 40/40; A: G Hargreaves 40/40, S Ringin 39/40; B: B Smith 55/56, M Walls 39/40; C:



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. APRIL 2024 PROGRAM

SATURDAY 30TH MARCH

St. James 12 noon

Easter Shoot

30tgt D/B C/D; 30tgt P/S;

30tgt H/cap

SATURDAY 6TH

Bendigo 11:00am

50tgt NEZ B/T C/ship

25tgt NEZ Cont. S/B C/ship

25tgt NEZ Cont. D/B C/Ship

SUNDAY 7TH

Numurkah Shepparton 11:00am

30tgt D/B C/D; 30tgt S/B

30tgt P/S C/ship; High Gun

SUNDAY 14TH

Echuca 9:30 am

50tgt Skeet Gr C/ship

25pr Skeet Doubles Gr C/ship

100tgt ISSF Trench Pre-State

Warm Up

10:00am

50tgt P/S; 50tgt D/B; 25tgt P/S

Euroa 10:30am

25tgt P/S Gr Trophy

20tgt SxS C/ship

25tgt Cont. D/B C/ship

Yarrowonga 11:00am

30tgt Cont.

50tgt D/B

FRIDAY 19TH

Cosgrove 7:00pm

10tgt Twilight Cont. P/S E/O C/D

25tgt NEZ Night Cont. P/S C/ship,

4 gr, 1&2

25tgt NEZ Night Cont. D/B C/ship,

4 gr, 1&2

SATURDAY 20TH

Bendigo 10:00am

50tgt Skeet C/Ship

25pr Skeet Doubles C/Ship

45tgt Tower Medley

Wangaratta 11:00am

30tgt D/B; 30tgt Medley

Mansfield 6:30pm

75tgt NEZ Night Ch/Ch off 18m

SUNDAY 21ST

Kyneton 11:00am

50tgt Cont. D/B Gr C/ship

50tgt P/S Gr C/ship

Mansfield 10:30am

Anzac Memorial

5tgt E/O

50tgt M/T C/ship, 25 D/B,

25 Cont. D/B

40tgt B/T C/ship

OA High Gun ev. 2-4

THURSDAY 25TH

Colbinabbin 12:00noon

ANZAC Day Shoot

25tgt P/S Anzac Day C/ship

25tgt S/B Anzac Day C/ship

30tgt D/B Anzac Day C/ship

FRIDAY 26TH

Mathoura 7:00pm

40tgt Night D/B C/ship, OA, 3 gr

40tgt Night S/B C/ship, OA, 3 gr



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April 2024 PROGRAM

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

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SUNDAY 7th April

11am Start

FRANKSTON CHALLENGE

90 Target Medley

30 Target Double Barrel

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30 target Single Barrel

30 target Points Score

AA, A, B, C 1st & 2nd Graded Sash's

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Saturday 4th & Sunday 5th MAY, 2024**

This is a Shooting Australia Endorsed Event

Pre-nominations essential for ALL events

(Numbers limited to 90 – subject to facilities and discretion of
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Entries close Tuesday 30th April at 5.00pm

Canteen Services will be available on Saturday & Sunday

Friday 3rd May

Official Practice – Olympic Trap & ISSF Skeet \$12.00 per token for 25 targets

Practice available from 11.00am

Saturday 4th and Sunday 5th May – 9.00am start for Skeet and Trap

125 target Victorian State Men's ISSF Skeet (1st day 75 tgts) \$120 (Juniors \$95)
OA, 2nd, 3rd, Vets and Jnrs

125 target Victorian State Ladies ISSF Skeet (1st day 75 tgts) \$120 (Juniors \$95)
OA, 2nd, 3rd, Vets and Jnrs

125 target Victorian State Men's ISSF Trap (1st day 75 tgts) \$120 (Juniors \$95)
OA, 2nd, 3rd, Vets and Jnrs

125 target Victorian State Ladies ISSF Trap (1st day 75 tgts) \$120 (Juniors \$95)
OA, 2nd, 3rd, Vets and Jnrs

AA, A, B & C winners to receive Gold/Silver medal plus prize money

Nominations online at MCMS. Conditions of Entry can be found at: www.vcta.com.au

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S Odgers 38/41, S Clarke 37/41; OA: S Forbes 56/56; HG: OA: A Bolwell 190/190; LAD: T Perry 160/190; VET: P Turner 183/190.

Bairnsdale

Bellissimo (136): 25T HC CS: 1st: D Hutchins 82/82, D King 81/82, J O'Reilly 70/71; JFM: Z Rossetto 31/32; BM: S Trembath 36/37; 50T MXD CS: AA: C McDougal 159/160, S Howlett 159/160; A: B Freiberg 177/180, J Bateson 139/140; B: S Fox 99/100, P Rochow 98/100; C: A Maltman 96/100, M Koncewicz 114/120; OA: M Coleman 180/180; HG: OA: C Goodwin 125/125; LAD: H Carlesso 121/125; VET: F Bagnato 123/125; JNR A: J Bateson 133/135; JNR B: K Marcolongo 119/125; C: K Perry 115/125.

Callawadda/Stawell 17/02/2024

Warm Summers Day (44): 25T PS CS: OA & A: P Reading 90/90, A Clark, R Jorgensen 75/78; AA: W Hawker 89/90, A Bolwell, I Tebble 74/75; B: L Gibson 72/75, A Jones 71/75; C: J Rayner 71/75, T Hogg 70/75; 25T SB CS: OA & AA: A Bolwell 26/26, M Newcombe 25/26; A: Z Biggin 24/25, R Jorgensen 37/39; B: P Chipperfield 23/25, J Hogg, A Jones 23/25; C: T Hogg 22/27, M Smith 21/27; 50T DB CS: OA & A: G Pridmore 88/88, N Hayden 75/76; AA: M DeCarli 87/88, G Gosling 64/65; B: N Seipolt 59/61, P Chipperfield 58/61; C: M Smith 47/50, T Hogg 45/52; OA HG: W Hawker 148/150.

Maryborough 24/2/2024

20T PS CD: 1st S Holdsworth 59/60, 2nd-4th S Farr, T Weeks, A O'Connell 57/60. 25T DB CS: OA/AA: N Cassells 47/47, 2nd AA: S Holdsworth 46/47; A: A O'Connell 31/32, G Sing 24/25; B: W Calaby 29/30, R James 28/30; C: S Farr 25/26, J Hibbins 24/26. 25T PS CS: OA/AA: S Holdsworth 74/75, 2nd AA: N Cassells 72/75; A: T Karakizos 72/75, M Collins 72/75; B: B Williams 73/75, B Sands 71/75; C: R Richards 73/87, A James 72/87. HG: OA: S Holdsworth 158/160; LAD: A James 121/160; VET: B Sands 149/160.

Melbourne 23/02/2024

Lightly Cloudy (20 degrees): (171): 25T PS: AA: M Pain 101/102, G Hipwell 96/99; A: J Maiolo 108/111, J Pannuzzo 75/75; B: G Murphy 80/87, W Roberts 79/87; C: A De Bono 68/75, B Battle 72/81; JNR: G Hesse 66/75; LAD: M Trembath 68/75; VET: G McClure; OA: A Brady 111/111; 50T DB: AA: M Pain 113/114, A Beechey 77/78; A: D Appleby 62/63, J Maiolo 56/57; B: S Morley 62/53, B Tridegell 51/53; C: J Tombolato 48/50, A De Bono 46/51; JNR: C Williams 49/50; LAD: C Hyde 54/57; VET: T Coco 51/52.

Melbourne 24/02/2024

(179): 30T SB: OA: S Pilipasisid

47/47; AA: S Atkins 46/47, A Smith 43/44; A: R Laureano 30/31, J Tannous 29/31; B: W Kotlarewski 28/32, R Maiolo 27/32; C: D Patterson 31/35, L Harrison 30/35; JNR: B De Pedro 29/30; LAD: L De Carli 28/30; VET: G Hipwell 29/30; 30T PS: OA: J Brown 99/99; AA: S Haberman 98/99, A Lucas 95/96; A: P Watkins 88/90, C Sessions 99/102; B: V Burzomi 88/90, D Luelf 86/90; C: A De Bono 80/90, L Harrison 79/90; JNR: M De Carli 87/90; LAD: C Hyde 86/90; VET: R Williams 116/120; 30T DB: OA: P Grainger 131/131; AA: A Brady 126/127, A Ferguson 122/123; A: C Sessions 130/131, A McCrone 57/58; B: F Sensi 31/32, R Williams 33/34; C: G Barnes 34/35, J Tombolato 33/35; JNR: M De Carli 42/44; LAD: A Norris 61/62; VET: T Coco 77/78; 60T MXD: OA: S Haberman 125/125; AA: A Brady 124/125, A Fiek 122/125; A: A Papisavva 99/100, J Munn 98/100; B: D Luelf 97/100, S Swain 95/100; C: M Quinlan 92/100, R Tombolato 91/100; JNR: B De Pedro 95/100; LAD: E Vassallo 97/100; VET: G Hipwell 96/100; 30T HC: 1: J Tannous 43/43, 2: M De Carli 42/43, 3: K Gillespie 41/42, 4: C Weingott 39/40, 5: A Smith 35/36; BM: A Smith 35/36; Unplaced JNR: R Hughes-Gage 29/30; HG OA: A Smith 275/280; AA: P Grainger & S Haberman 274/280; A: J Brown 276/289; B: V Burzomi 259/280; C: L Harrison 247/280; JNR: M De Carli 265/280; LAD: E Vassallo 259/280; VET: A Lucas 264/280.

Melbourne 02/03/2024

(99): Yarra Valley Grand Prix ISSF Skeet: MENS 1: J Bell 49/60; MENS 2: P Adams 48/60; MENS 3: K Ferguson 39/50; LAD 1: A Jones 48/60; LAD 2: C Tipple 46/60; LAD 3: L Coles 34/50; AA: C Tipple 117/125; A: P Wilson 110/125; B: H Munro 95/125; C: S Caldwell 72/125; Yarra Valley Grand Prix ISSF Trap: MENS 1: J Willett 45/50; MENS 2: J Dunn 43/50; MENS 3: C Vella 34/40; LAD 1: P Smith 41/50; LAD 2: C Skinner 40/50; LAD 3: L Scanlan 31/40; PARA 1: M Di Paolo 82/125; PARA 2: S Noto 68/125; AA: J Willett 120/125, M Iles 119/125; A: R Jones 111/125, J Brandt 108/125; B: M Coleman 104/125, M Psaras 103/125; C: M Vella 101/125, R Hughes-Gage 92/125.

Wangaratta 17/02/2024

(58): 25 Pr D/R: OA & AA: C Fitzgerald 50/50, R Eeles 47/50; A: D Saunders 54/60, B Griffiths 70/80; B: G Viney 46/50, P Antonello 53/60; C: C Henderson 55/60, B Jones 54/60; 25T SB: OA & AA: R Eeles, T Walls, C Fitzgerald 50/50; A: D Johnston 36/37, R Nixon 37/38; B: J Goodall 25/27, P Smith 24/27; C: T Powell

24/25, J Bosnich 25/27; 50T DB: OA & AA: D Saunders 100/100, C Figgins 99/100; A: J Hipwell 72/73, C Sessions; B: C Weingott 92/93, G Ganning 74/75; C: K Demaj 49/50, R Stewart 48/50; OA HG: R Eeles 120/125; VET: 119,129; LAD: J Goodall 107/125.

Yarrowonga 11/02/2024

Hot & windy (34): 25T D/R CD:



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Bordertown 25/02/2024

(28): 50T CS: OA & AA: W Hawker 100/100, B Hawker 69/70; A: P Mellington 99/100, J Hawker 94/95; B: R Atkinson 48/50, R Batson 56/59; C: M McGrice 47/50, A Volkoff 45/50; 50T EZ HC: K Hawker 50/50, H Megaw 48/50, W Hawker 48/51, N Rishworth 47/51, B Hawker 47/51; HG: K Hawker 99/100.

Broken Hill 10/02/2024

Warm to Hot 34 (21): 25T SKT Grd: A: D Nicholls 25/25, J Palmer & R Walsh 24/25; B: P McLauchlan 24/25, B Grossi 20/25; C: N Hill 29/33, D Ashwood 28/33; 25T Ball Trap: A: B Grossi 26/26, D Nicholls 25/26; B: B Howe 20/25, L Gray 19/25; C: D Ashwood 22/26, T Harman 21/26; 75T Ch/Ch: OA: B Grossi 120/125; AA: D Nicholls 119/125; A: P McLauchlan 117/125, P Grossi 115/125; B: M Dally 108/125, D Ashwood 128/150; C: J Bennett 102/125, P Hoare 91/125; VET: R Walsh 112/125; LAD: T Harman 107/125; OA HG: D Nicholls 169/175.

Monarto 18/02/2024

Hot (28): 50T DB: AA: R Clark 71/73, R Borzillo 70/73; A: M Sutton 58/59, B Cook 57/59; B: G Hopgood 48/50, G Karageorgis 55/58; C: P Dunn 49/50, A Volkoff 46/50; 50T CONT: AA: R Borzillo 53/53, R Clark 52/53; A: M Sutton 63/65, Z Drewing 62/65; B: P Marmorale 49/50, M Williamson 48/50; C: P Bourne 46/50, A Volkoff 44/50; HG: R Borzillo 101/103.

Mount Gambier 10/02/2024

(26): 50T SKT: AA: K Mules 47/50, K Atkin 44/50; A: L Rymil 46/50; B: A Hoare 43/50, W Lindner 41/50; C: D Murrell 45/50, N Dunn 45/54; 25T HC: R Gilchrist 29/30, M Little 28/30, W Lindner 35/38, P Klieve 34/38, R Atkinson 27/30; 30T Ch/Ch: AA: W Lindner 48/50, G Height 47/50; A: N Dunn 48/50, S Fleming 47/50; B: R Atkinson 46/50, B Spring 38/50; C: P Klieve 45/50, R Marcato 41/50; HG: W Lindner 112/125.

A: D Saunders 44/50, A Beechey, J Wojcik; B: J Fothergill 44/50, T Hicks 43/50; C: B Jones 41/50, G Pererson 39/50; 50T DB CS: AA & OA: A Beechey 64/64, C Figgins 63/64; A: B Jones 49/50, R Green 71/73; B: G Peterson 49/50, L Robinson 54/56; C: B Bate 54/56, K Demaj 53/56. HG: D Saunders 92/100.

South Australian 11/02/2024

Warm Windy (19): 50T SKT: A: L Schubert 48/50; B: T Wilton 40/50; C: R Leake 43/50; 25T CONT: AA: R Collumb 29/31, D Oliviero 28/31; A: R Damin 25/25, Z Drewing 25/26; B: L Schubert 24/25, B Quinzi 23/25; C: J Niland 25/25, R Leake 22/25; VET: R Borzillo 23/25; 25T PS: AA: R Collumb 71/75, R Borzillo 68/75; A: A Sologub 75/75, G Carter 73/75; B: T Wedding 73/75, T Evans 72/75; C: J Niland 67/75, P Bourne 65/75; VET: M Pontifex 69/75; 50T DB: AA: D Oliviero 49/50, R Collumb 48/50; A: R Damin 50/50, G Carter 55/56; B: M Pontifex 47/51, P Marmorale 46/51; C: J Niland 54/57, R Leake 53/57; VET: R Borzillo 48/50; HG: A Sologub 147/150.

South Australian 25/02/2024

Warm (19): 25T CONT: AA: R Warden 24/25; A: T Carlesso 53/55, A Sologub 52/55; B: S Byrnes 22/25, B Mudge 21/25; C: R James 22/25; P Bourne 21/25; VET: R Borzillo 23/25; 25T HC: 1st R Borzillo 26/27, 2nd P Bourne 25/27, 3rd R Warden 34/37; 25T SB: AA: R Warden 25/25; A: T Carlesso 24/25, D Oliviero 22/25; B: L Schubert 23/25, Sue Byrnes 22/25; C: P Bourne 21/25, B Greenshield 19/25; VET: R Borzillo 22/25; 25T DB: AA: R Warden 25/25; A: D Oliviero 24/25; B: L Schubert 25/25, S Byrnes 23/25; C: R James 25/25; VET: R Borzillo 24/25; HG: R Warden 96/100.

Southern Yorke Peninsula 17/02/2024

Warm slight breeze (9): 100T S/C: B: S Bowley 80/100, T Haggerty 75/100; C: R Maywald 70/100, B Cripps 45/100; OA HG: T Johnson 82/100.

Southern Yorke Peninsula 8/02/2024

Warm Slight Breeze: 50T SKT Gr: B: T Johnson 46/50; C: S Bowley 44/50, S Haggerty 34/50; 25T SKT HC: 1: S Haggerty 29/29, 2: T Johnson 28/29; OA HG: T Johnson 151/175.

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Boom! Crack! Get ready to hear the thrilling sounds of trap shooting all weekend long at the 2024 State Trap Carnival. Nominations are now open on MCMS for this can't-miss event at the Gemfields Clay Target Club from May 4-6, 2024. Secure your spot early and avoid late nomination fees!

Bring your RV, tent, or just a swag for a weekend of camping under the stars at the spacious club grounds. Not a camper? No problem! Emerald's fine hotels are just a short 25-minute drive away. Join us for a weekend celebrating the exciting sport of trap shooting.

The past few months have been action-packed around Queensland. February was a particularly busy time, with multiple two-day carnivals happening across the State. The **Gold Coast** club put on a long-awaited carnival after overcoming a major setback – their grounds were flooded on Christmas Day, but thanks to the tireless efforts of volunteers, the club was restored to its former glory just in time.

The carnival kicked off on Friday night with 38 shooters competing in the SE Zone 25

target Night SB Championship and the State 50 target Night DB Championship. Mark Chounding shot off against Grant Pincham and took out the SE Zone title. Meanwhile, five shooters battled it out for the State Championship, with Gavin Langridge taking home the sash.

All in all, 70 competitors attended the Gold Coast 2-day Carnival over the weekend. Gavin Langridge shot a 256 out of 265 to take the High Gun honors.

The **Springsure** Gun Club recently hosted a successful two-day carnival that nearly reached 100 participants. A total of 96 shooters journeyed west for a weekend filled with shooting sport and good cheer. Thanks to generous sponsorship support, the carnival went off without a hitch. A highlight was the lively Young Guns Shoot Off Auction, during which the spirited shooters rallied behind the event.

The Handicap event ended in a shoot-off which featured five shooters with perfect scores, but Seamus Murphy ultimately clinched first place securing the last spot in the Central



Springsure Carnival Sash winners



Springsure – Tori Powell, OA High Gun Alex Dallas, Dallas Okeeffe

Zone Handicap Spectacular. Overall High Gun went to the skilled Alex Dallas, who posted an impressive 257 out of 265. Congratulations to Alex and all the shooters for an outstanding carnival that brought the shooting community together in the spirit of healthy competition and friendship.

Bang! Trap shooters from across Queensland gathered for the Central Zone Annual 2-day



Andrew Olive, Central Zone High Gun Jack Brandt & Peter Quinn from Essex Grazing

Trap Carnival at scenic **Tambo** Clay Target Club, home of the legendary Tambo Teddy. This much-anticipated event drew 103 eager competitors. The highlight was the

Handicap Spectacular, where 14 shooters who earned their spot battled for top honors. After the smoke cleared, Jason Glover emerged victorious, taking home the grand prize.

Throughout the action-packed weekend, many impressive scores hit the board. But one performance stood out from the rest. Congratulations, Jack Brandt, on capturing the Overall High Gun title and Central Zone Champion sash. With his steady aim and nerves of steel, Jack bested the field, reminding us all why he's one of the Zone's top talents.

Clay pigeons beware – 54 shooters came out in full force at the **Toowoomba** Clay Target



Central Zone shoot at Tambo – Joe Taylor & Handicap Spectacular winner Jason Glover



Toowoomba – Gerard Battiato & Wally Clarke



Toowoomba High Gun Craig O'Neill

Things got more challenging with the 28 gauge on deck, followed by the 410 bore event.

Saturday upped the ante with the 12 gauge skeet event proving a good warm up for the next event and the start of the SE Zone Skeet Carnival. Five shooters hit perfect 50/50 scores, but local Toowoomba



Wally Clarke hugging Luke Given

Club for the Multi Gauge Skeet event and South- East Zone Skeet Carnival.

The events kicked off on Friday with the 20 gauge, where competitors warmed up their trigger fingers.

member Phil Kellar took the title in a stunning display of skill with the winning score 60/60.

The real excitement came with the SEZ Skeet Handicap event, where an astonishing 25 competitors made the shoot-off. After a marathon 108 extra clays, Wally Clarke was the last shooter standing with a 158/158. In a heartwarming moment during the presentations, Wally generously donated his winnings to help junior shooter Luke Given attend the Nationals. What a champ.

The competition wrapped up on Sunday with the 50 Target Toowoomba Championship and



Dean Baird and Mick Chelepy

50 Target Doubles. SE Zone Overall High Gun winner was Dean Baird with a score of 197/200. After plenty of broken clays, the Combined Multi Gauge and SEZ Overall Skeet High Gun Champion was Craig O'Neill with an incredible 389/400.

The month was filled with new records and good old-fashioned shooting fun. Stay tuned for the next month of Queensland shooting adventures.

*Amanda O'Brien
QCTA State Administrator*



'Around the Traps' Shooting in Tasmania

JANUARY AND FEBRUARY Cressy Clay Target Club

We are so happy to be back after a Christmas and New Year break, kicking off the year with a 100 mixed targets event. 47 shooters and their families came to enjoy the beautiful weather and some truly amazing targets. We want to congratulate all our winners, including Ray Jones who won our raffle, receiving a meat tray which was generously donated to the club by Swift Meats Longford. We also wish to thank the amazing members and businesses that

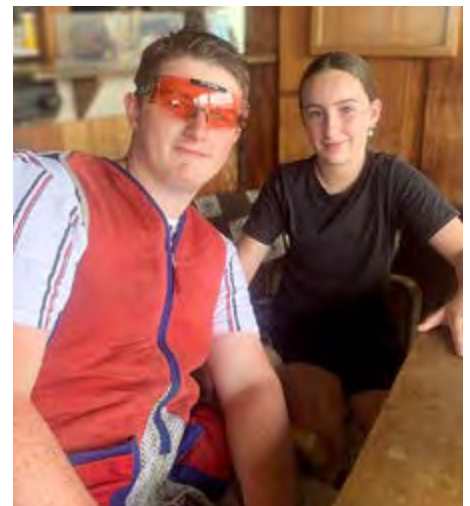
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Cressy: Lewis & Jasmin Kenny



Cressy: Michael Stacey, Stephen Bennett, Nico Pruis, Phil Spaulding & Garry Adkins



Cressy meat tray winner Garry Adkins

the Yates family, Mr. Goss, Mr. Knies and the Bennett family. Thanks to these beautiful people, we have a fully sponsored program for the year. We cannot wait to see what the rest of the year has in store for us, and we hope to be seeing you around our traps sometime soon.



Cressy: Grant Ellis, Michael Stacey & Nico Pruis



Cressy office staff Michael Pitsch & Justin Campbell



Cressy: Derry Freeman & Justin Hitchens



Cressy: Sandy Ellis & Tim Atkins



Cressy: Luke Hancock & Sarah Bartlett



Cressy: Karen Duncan & Jason McBain



Cressy: Adrian Phillips, Chris Kenny, Chris Chapman



Cressy: Micheal Goss & Brian Adkins



Spring Bay Winners L-R Anthony Bennett, Jake Willson, Chris Kenny, Dennis Richardson & Alistair Creed

Spring Bay Clay Target Club

January was a fantastic day back with bright sunny conditions that saw us start the day with members lining up to fire a shot in honour of David Hallam, a long-time member who had passed away earlier in the month. All squads

shot the 75 target medley with no shoot-offs. The double rise shoot-off for B Grade was a head-to-head tussle between Hobart CTC members and grandfather and grandson in Steve and Jake Glover. After some friendly banter, grandad ended up on the podium.



*Spring Bay PS winner
Anthony Bennett*



*Spring Bay PS winner
Dennis Richardson*



*Spring Bay PS winner
Jake Willson*



*Spring Bay PS winner
Alistair Creed*



Spring Bay competition



Spring Bay DB winner
Lewis Kenny



Spring Bay High Gun
Chris Kenny



Spring Bay winner
Cheryl Arnol



Spring Bay's
Ray Jones



Spring Bay winners
Chris Kenny & Adrian Phillips

February saw good attendance with the sun out and a very light breeze making it great for busting clays. The main event was the 50 target Eastern District Points

Score that saw some good scores posted. Thanks to everyone for being patient due to only having one trap available after an electrical fault on number one layout.

Below: Central Highlands CTC winners
L-R: Phil Spaulding, Chris Kenny, Allan Kenny, Sandra Ellis, Grant Ellis, Lewis Kenny & Kiara-Lee Gough

Tasmanian Gun Club



Tas Gun Club winners: Robbie Elmer, Justin Strickland, Barry Bennett, Mitchel Hill & Chris Rockliff

Central Highlands Clay Target Club

The Central Highlands Clay Target club has had a good attendance these last few months. Nice to see shooters from other clubs supporting each other. A big thank you to members from other clubs who help on shoot days. Congratulations to Kiara-Lee and Nanette for making the State team.



West Coast Clay Target Club

Our first shoot for the year was held in February, that being the annual Rueben Abblitt and Ron Ward Memorial. We had 32 shooters and their families in attendance for our shoot. It was a great day weather-wise and lots

of fun was had by everyone. Congratulations to Beau Caville, who was the only shooter to shoot the 100/100. We wish to thank the Abblitt family (Nanette and Lester McCallum) and the Ward family for the sponsorship of this event.



West Coast CTC Rueben Abblitt & Ron Ward Memorial winners:
L-R Beau Caville, Peter Smith, Nanette McCallum (sponsor), Jeffrey Hutchinson & Michael Forest

Burnie Clay Target Club



Burnie CTC members Isobel & Jason McLaren representing Tasmania at the ACTA Skeet Nationals

St Helens Clay Target Club



Above: St Helens CTC January: L-R Tim Atkins, Ruth Aulich, George Gall & Tooley Campbell
Below: St Helens CTC January: L-R Jason Stagg, Amber Pitsch, Tim Atkins & Robbie Elmer





Above: St Helens January: L-R Greg Pyke, Amber Pitsch, Tim Atkins & Glenn Arnol



Below: St Helens January: L - R Greg Pyke, Amber Pitsch, Tim Atkins, Chelsea Woods & Tooley Campbell



St Helens CTC February: Sandra Ellis, Glenn Arnol, Ruth Aulich, George Gall, Mark Phillips-Hains, Adrian Phillips, Gary Barnes & Gavin Chugg

Keep the Date Free

The TCTA Skeet Carnival
is scheduled for
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Sunday 27th October
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For the month of February
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Norfolk Island International Clay Target Championships

February 2024

We recently welcomed some 60 competitors from both Australia and New Zealand, to combine with our 20 members, for the Norfolk Island International Clay Target Championships – a week's most enjoyable Clay Target shooting

We were supported by Australian visitors from Western Australia, New South Wales, South Australia and Queensland, in particular a host of members from around the Roma area. The New Zealand contingent while being smaller in numbers held their own and featured well in the results.

Conditions were very suitable, and scores indicated how well everyone shot.

We concluded the week's events with a presentation evening at the Paradise Hotel.

Our special thanks to all our visitors, some of you have been



*Kayden Judd,
High Gun
winner*

competing here for a number of years. For those who made the trip to Norfolk Island for first time, we look forward to your return.

Event 1 Skeet Championships sponsored by Pete's Place

A Grade 1st Mitchell Meers Norfolk Island, 2nd Kayden Judd Norfolk Island, 3rd Clinton Judd Norfolk Island. B Grade 1st Jen Carter Australia, 2nd James Stibbard Norfolk Island, 3rd Rod Brasher Australia. C Grade 1st Russell Brill Australia, 2nd Darren Doust Australia, 3rd Mal Pain Australia.

Skeet Pairs sponsored by Target Products New Zealand

Clinton Judd and Kayden Judd.

Event 2 Double Rise Championships sponsored by Norfolk Island Building Supplies

A Grade 1st Kayden Judd Norfolk Island, 2nd James Stibbard Norfolk Island, 3rd Mitchell Meers Norfolk Island. B Grade 1st Gavin Colwell Australia, 2nd Glen Holland Norfolk Island, 3rd Greg Braid Australia, C Grade 1st Jeff Fuller Australia, 2nd Peter Sanders Norfolk Island, 3rd Mel Harvey New Zealand.

Event 3 Single Barrel Championship sponsored by Norfolk Island Travel Centre

A Grade 1st Kayden Judd Norfolk Island, 2nd Mal Pain Australia, 3rd Andre Whyte Australia. B Grade 1st Russell Brill Australia, 2nd Greg Braid Australia, 3rd Garth Gadsby New Zealand. C Grade 1st Tighe Judd Norfolk Island, 2nd Jill Mead New Zealand, 3rd Rod Brasher Australia.

Event 4 Points Score Championship sponsored by Aloha Apartments

A Grade 1st Brendan Jones Australia, 2nd Mitchell Meers Norfolk Island, 3rd Mal Pain Australia. B Grade 1st Ian Johnstone Australia, 2nd Geoff Hill Australia, 3rd Peter McLellan.



L-R: Kayden Judd, Mitch Meers, Clinton Judd, all of Norfolk Island



B Grade winners all from Australia. L-R: Pete McLellan 3rd, Ian Johnstone 1st, Geoff Hill 2nd

C Grade 1st Jill Mead New Zealand, 2nd Tighe Judd Norfolk Island, 3rd Jeff Fuller Australia.

Event 5 Ball Trap Championship sponsored by Foodland

A Grade 1st Vicki O'Connor New Zealand, 2nd Mal Pain Australia, 3rd Nic Johnson Norfolk Island. B Grade 1st Bevan Barnes Australia, 2nd Glenn Ramsay New Zealand, 3rd Russell Brill Australia. C Grade 1st Bernie Barnes Australia, 2nd Garry Barnes Australia, 3rd Jeff Fuller Australia.

Ball Trap Pairs sponsored by Target Products New Zealand

Martin and Vicki O'Connor New Zealand.

Event 6 Clay Target Championship DTL sponsored by Norfolk Forwarding Services

A Grade 1st David Thomas Australia, 2nd Kayden Judd Norfolk Island, 3rd Mal Pain Australia. B Grade 1st Bevan Barnes Australia, 2nd Russell Brill Australia, 3rd Glen Holland Norfolk Island. C Grade 1st Jeff Fuller Australia, 2nd Richard Kirkwood Norfolk Island, 3rd Tighe Judd Norfolk Island.

4 man Teams Championship for WW Sanders Memorial Trophy sponsored by Mrs Elaine Sanders

1st Norfolk A Russell Watson, Clinton Judd, Kayden Judd, Mitchell Meers, 2nd Norfolk



High Gun winners. L-R: George Parsons sponsor, Kayden Judd HG, Mal Pain Mini HG, Vicki O'Connor Ladies HG, Bevan Barnes B Grade HG, Jeff Fuller C Grade HG

B James Stibbard, Andrew Barnett, Paul Anderson, Glen Holland, 3rd Norfolk C Nic Johnson, Richard Kirkwood, Mick Williams, Milton Bradley.

Veterans High Gun Rex Innes Memorial Trophy sponsored by NICTA

1st Garth Gadsby New Zealand, 2nd Russell Watson Norfolk Island, 3rd Peter Lemmon Australia.

Basil Vercoe Trophy Memorial Event on Skeet, Points and Ball Trap

sponsored by Island Plumbing & Gas

1st Mal Pain Australia, 2nd Kayden Judd Norfolk Island, 3rd Mitchell Meers Norfolk Island.

High Guns

C Grade High Gun sponsored by Slick & Sons Jeff Fuller Australia.

B Grade High Gun sponsored by Beretta Australia Bevan Barnes Australia.

High Gun sponsored by GP Services Building & Maintenance Kayden Judd Norfolk Island.

Ladies High Gun sponsored by Castaway Hotel Vicki O'Connor New Zealand

Mini High Gun Events 2-6 sponsored by Norfolk Island Brewing Mal Pain Australia.

Competitors Only Draw

For a Beretta Silver Pigeon Under & Over 12g Shotgun. Winner was Brian O'Connor of Norfolk Island.

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Oliver,J	Richmond River	Richmond River	Trap 50	Walker,L	Caboolture	Toowoomba	Skt 50
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Parks,L	Mansfield	Warrnambbol	Trap 50				

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

ANNUAL SAPPHIRE SHOOT

Glen Innes Clay Target Club

The Glen Innes Clay Target Club held their Annual Sapphire Shoot on the 3rd and 4th February 2024. Just over 70 shooters represented clubs from Cobar, Condamine, Glen Innes, Goondiwindi, Guyra, Gympie, Inverell, Narrabri, Port Macquarie, Richmond River, Singleton, Tamworth, Tarawera, Texas, Toowoomba, Walcha and Yamba being part of the two-day shoot. The hot, sunny, clear skies saw wind gusts on the first day, which settled for day two.

The first event of the weekend was the 25 target graded Double Barrel Cash Divide sponsored by Catch Power, which saw an impressive 23 shooters walk away with cash. Results were AA Grade 1st David Edmonds, Helen Overton, Scott Smith, David White, Mark Formaggin, Brad Henshall, Dan Johnson, Dustin Home, Neale Smith, Jodie Henshall and Jess Robb (25/25) A Grade 1st Ben Sullivan, Glenn Dickson, Geoff Baxter, Will

Bradfield, Terry Rumbel, Ryan Parker and Mike Sullivan (25/25). B Grade 1st Kerry Young (25/25), equal 2nd Melanie White and Ian Duncan (24/25). C Grade 1st Jess Haverhoek (23/25), 2nd John Clark (22/25).

The second event was the 50 target Autopro Glen Innes Medley Championship. This event saw a shoot-off for 1st and 2nd in AA between Scott Smith and Graham Dawson and 3rd between Lyster Hart, Andrew Martin, Matt Bach and Dan Johnson. A Grade saw Jason



Left: Overall High Gun, Andrew Martin



Carpenter and Ryan Parker shoot it out for 1st and 2nd and Adam Hone, Keith Connor and James Camerson shooting off for 3rd. 3rd for B Grade was also shot off for between Sarah Edmonds and Melanie White. Results were Open: John Reid (50/50) AA Grade 1st Scott Smith (88/90), 2nd Graham Dawson (85/90), 3rd Matt Bach (68/70). A Grade 1st Ryan Parker (108/110), 2nd Jason Carpenter (107/110), 3rd Keith Connor (67/70). B Grade 1st Allan Ford (49/50), 2nd Jaidan Johnson (48/50), 3rd Melanie White (52/55). C Grade 1st John Clark (46/50), 2nd Andrew Willis (44/50), 3rd Troy Adams (41/50).

The third and final event for the first day



of shooting was the 50 target Amos Vale Herefords Double Barrel Championship which saw 9 shoot off for AA Grade positions, David White, Andrew Martin, Matt Bach, Tammy Henshall, Brad Henshall, Jeff Richardson, Dustin Hone, Terry Rumbel and Jess Robb. This shoot-off ended after 110 targets when the two remaining shooters, husband and wife duo Brad and Tammy Henshall decided to let the crowds decide the winner, after all they are both winners!! A Grade shoot-off saw Kevin Bourke and Ryan



Parker shoot an extra 55 targets for 2nd and 3rd. B Grade was shot off between Kerry Young and Jaiden Johnson for 1st and 2nd. C Grade 2nd and 3rd was decided by a shoot-off between David de Witt and Troy Adams. Open Tammy Henshall (161/161) AA Grade 1st Brad Henshall (162/162), 2nd Jeff Richardson (160/162), 3rd Jess Robb (156/157). A Grade 1st Terry Rumbel (94/95), 2nd Ryan Parker (104/105), 3rd Kevin Bourke (103/105). B Grade 1st Jaiden Johnson (50/51), 2nd Kerry Young (49/50), 3rd Jeff Pritchard (48/50). C Grade 1st John Clark (48/50), 2nd Troy Adams (48/51), 3rd David de Witt (47/50).

To finish the day, the 2023 High Guns shot off for the Mactaggart Family Golden Spoon. Ryan Parker, Dan Johnson, John Reid, Neale Smith, Matt Bach and David Edmonds shot 30 targets, being 10 single, 10 double and 10 points with only a target between the overall winner and 4 other shooters. John Reid scored a neat 30/30 taking home the trophy. We value the continued support of David and John Mactaggart who sponsor this shoot each year as well as the monthly High Gun silver spoons.

Day two started with another 25 target graded Double Barrel Cash Divide sponsored by Catch Power and saw 25 shooters walk away with cash. AA Grade equal 1st David Edmonds, Helen Overton, Ray Christie, Lyster Hart, Scott Smith, Archie Smith, Charlie Ward,

Andrew Martin, Matt Bach, Tammy Henshall, Brad Henshall, Dan Johnson, Dustin Hone, Neale Smith, Jodie Henshall and Jess Robb (25/25) A Grade equal 1st Bill Fletcher and Terry Rumbel (25/25). B Grade equal 1st Peter Holmes, Sarah Edmonds, Allan Ford and Tony Robb (25/25) C Grade: equal 1st Jess Haverhoek and Toby Adams (23/25).

Event 5, 50 target Glen Innes Veterinary Hospital Double Barrel Sapphire Championship, saw shooters contest the nine sapphires up for grabs. 14 shooters, Jasmine Rumbel, Ben Sullivan, David Edmonds, David Lawrence, Archie Smith, Andrew Martin, Matt Bach, Tammy Henshall, Brad Henshall, Graham Dawson, John Reid, Neale Smith, Terry Rumbel and Jodie Henshall shot off for overall after shooting the possible for the event. After a very impressive 116 targets shot the results were Open Archie Smith 166/166 AA Grade 1st Andrew Martin (165/166), 2nd Graham Dawson (151/152), 3rd Matt Bach (99/100). A Grade 1st Ben Sullivan (74/75), 2nd Terry Rumbel (59/60), 3rd Jasmine Rumbel (52/53). B Grade 1st David Lawrence (56/57), 2nd Sarah Edmonds (49/50), 3rd Allan Ford (48/50). C Grade 1st Dominic Formaggin (45/50), 2nd John Clark (44/50), 3rd Jess Haverhoek (43/50).

The final event for the weekend was the 25 target NRMA Glen Innes/The Stones





Restaurant Points Score Championship. Five shooters shot off for overall, David White, Kevin Bourke, Andrew Martin, Lachlan Hannant and Jess Robb. Overall was Jess Robb (153/153). AA Grade 1st Andrew Martin (152/153), 2nd Lachlan Hannant (143/144), 3rd David White (92/93). A Grade 1st Kevin Bourke (116/117), 2nd Geoffrey Farr (73/75), 3rd Ben Sullivan (72/75). B Grade 1st Allan Ford (72/75), 2nd Ian Duncan (71/75), 3rd Grey Burey (70/75). C Grade 1st Troy Adams (69/75), 2nd Jess Haverhoek (66/75), 3rd Dominic Formaggin (65/75).

The Macansh Tin Tray was shot in conjunction with Event 6 between six Guyra and Glen Innes nominated teams of 6 shooters, with the best 5 scores to count. Congratulations went to Guyra Team 2 – Helen Overton, Jeff Richardson, Jodie Henshall, Graham Dawson, David Edmonds and Charlie Ward for taking home the tray. Well done to all team members involved.

A hotly contested overall saw Brad Henshall,

John Reid and Jess Robb shoot an extra 34 targets for the decider. Presentation of event winners and High Guns concluded the weekend's events. We were lucky to have Deb from Autopro join us to present and Wendy and Mark Campion from Amos Vale Herefords to hand over prizes.

The Sapphire Shoot 2024 High Guns were Overall Andrew Martin (272/275), AA Grade Jess Robb (325/329), A Grade Terry Rumbel (268/275), B Grade Allan Ford (260/275), C Grade John Clark (246/275), Ladies Helen Overton (268/275), Veteran John Reid (271/275), Junior Dustin Hone (268/275).

The Glen Innes Clay Target Club committee would like to thank all its sponsors for the weekend, the Mactaggart Family, Glen Innes Veterinary Hospital, Amos Vale Herefords, Reddestone Sapphires Pty Ltd, Regional Australia Bank, Catch Power, NRMA Roadside Assistance, SVE – Dave and Kim Lawrence, Winchester Australia, Autopro Glen Innes, Glen Innes and District Services

Club, Kae Klingner, Andrew Willis, Horder Family Funerals, Keith Connor Earthmoving and The Stones Restaurant. We would also like to thank all the traveling shooters, all the volunteers and club members who did a marvellous job before and during the shoot.



Fimac Fantastic at Bega



Sash winners – Tony Gray AA; Chris Rowland O/A; Tim Richards B; Charlie Smith A; Dan Hyland C

For more years than I can remember, Shane Platts has been serving the Bega Gun Club, serving as President as well as a long term sponsor of the “Fimac” – once the Fimac Engineering Handicap Shield – and now in 2024 the Fimac Engineering Mixed Target Championship. The event has morphed into a thirty target Double Barrel, thirty target Single Barrel and thirty target Points Score. The refreshed event saw thirty-one shooters attend the Bega Club with conditions warm and a touch of light cloud.

The day opened with a ten target Points Score eye-opener with Chris Davis and Wayde Hawkins sharing the cash in AA Grade, both having clear rounds. Charlie Smith led the way in A Grade 30/30 with Phil Place one spot behind in second. In B Grade, President Chris Brown “got the lot” to share the cash with John Walker on 29/30, second. A similar result in C Grade with Mick Diss 30/30 and John Gray 29/30 sharing the money.

First round of the Fimac 30 target Double Barrel saw Phil Body score a possible to lead AA Grade, Roslyn Bradford on 29/30 lead A Grade, Chris Rowland 30/30 lead B Grade and John Gray 29/30 show the way in C grade.

Round two, 30 targets Single Barrel, saw ony Gray join Phil Body at the top of the AA ladder, 58/60, whilst Charlie Smith took



Wayde Hawkins R/U
2024 Fimac Engineering Mixed Target
Championship, 2nd AA E/O P/S

the lead in A Grade 57/60. Chris Rowland continued to show the way in B Grade while Dan Hyland and George Adamopoulos showed the way in C Garde, 54/60.

Points Score is always a significant influence with just the use of the second



Fimac Engineering Mixed Target Championship winner Chris Rowland



AA Grade winner Tony Gray



A Grade winner Charlie Smith



B Grade winner Tim Richards

barrel once causing mayhem. In AA Grade, Tony Gray did the honours to give himself first place with a score of 145/150 with Wayne Hawkins in second 144/150. A Grade went to Charlie Smith with a score of 137/150 and

Alf Niesar in second on 134/150. Dan Hyland finally took C Grade, 150/170, after he and George Adamopoulos, 149/170, indulged in a brief shoot-off.

The day's Overall champion went to B Grader, Chris Rowland, with a fine score of 147/150 for the day. John Siede won the raffle, but once again left the treasurer with the money



Sponsor Shane Platts and Club President Chris Brown

and took the voucher instead.

President Chris thanked Shane for his years of support, stressing the importance of sponsorship to all sporting clubs and thanked our visiting shooters for their participation and support.

April shoot will include 25 targets DB, 25 targets PS and 25 pair DR. Hope to see you there.



Raffle winner John Siede

Points Score, Double Barrel at Maryborough in February

Twenty-five shooters were at Maryborough Gun Club for February's monthly shoot. Competition was keen and live-in caretaker, Garry, had the grounds looking a treat and we all agree the club has never looked better.

First event on the program was 20 targets Points Score Cash Divide. Stephen Holdsworth from the Hamilton club was 1st and took 50% of the cash, shooting 59/60. The remaining 50% was shared by Scott Farr and Ted Weeks, both from Castlemaine, and Maryborough's Adrian O'Connell, all shooting 57/60.

A 25 target Double Barrel Championship was the second event for the day. Overall and AA Grade was won by Maryborough's President Nathan Cassells on 47/47. AA 2nd went to Stephen Holdsworth, 46/47. A Grade 1st was Adrian O'Connell on 31/32, 2nd was Grant Sing of Echuca, 24/25. Wayne Calaby,

a member of Bordertown, shot 29/30 to claim B Grade and 2nd place went to Robert James of Kerang with 28/30. C Grade went to Scott Farr, 25/26, and 2nd was Maryborough's James Hibbins, 24/26.

Third and final event was a 25 targets Points Score Championship. Stephen Holdsworth showed his good form on the day by taking out Overall and 1st in AA Grade,



Stephen Holdsworth, OA High Gun



Arianne James, Ladies High Gun



Stephen Holdsworth, Cash Divide winner



Nathan Cassells, 1st AA Grade Double Barrel



Wayne Calaby, 1st B Grade Double Barrel



Scott Farr, 1st C Grade Double Barrel



Tony Karakizos, 1st A Grade Points Score



Brett Williams, 1st B Grade Points Score



Rodney Richards, 1st C Grade Points Score

74/75. Running 2nd in AA was Nathan Cassells, 72/75. Maryborough's Tony Karakizos won A Grade with 72/75, Mark Collins, also from Maryborough, was on 1 point less, 71/75. B Graders Brett Williams and Bill Sands, both from Beaufort, were 1st and 2nd, 73/75 and 71/75 respectively. Rodney Richards, all the way from Mornington, was successful in C Grade on 73/87, with Arianne James of Kerang 2nd, 72/87.

Overall High Gun was no surprise. Stephen Holdsworth was the winner on 158/160. Ladies went to Arianne James, 121/160, and Veteran winner was Bill Sands, 149/160.

Thanks goes to Renee Cassells who kept the canteen running, job well done.

Congratulations to all who claimed a prize on the day. We hope you return on Saturday, March 23rd, for the monthly shoot. Starting time will be 12.30 pm. Refer to MCMS for details.



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